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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BONNAY.	1918.	2nd May	Warm clear day. - Headquarters moved to I.21.b.30.45 in Bank. Vicinity of 49th Battery lightly shelled with gun of large calibre, no damage. Considerable aerial activity. Intelligence Summary attached Meteor Readings - Barometer 29.81. Thermometer. 62°. -1192 Rounds fired to-day.	Appex. 25/4
		3rd May.	Warm clear day, rain at night. The C.R.A. visited Batteries. One Hostile plane brought down and claimed by 49th Battery. Considerable aerial activity. Co-operation with 4th Division by special Task at 4am. 1418 Rounds fired to-day 30 Mules received - Not a very good lot. Intelligence Summary attached - Meteor Readings (Noon) Barometer 29.67. Thermometer 68°.	25/5.
		4th May	Bright clear day, Visibility very good. Reconnaissance of Rear positions by C.O. and Battery Commanders continued. Much aerial activity. The following Officers joined this Brigade from D.A.C. and allotted as follows:- 2/Lieut W.SINCLAIR M.M. posted to 50th Battery. 2/Lieut S.S.CREED " " 50 "	

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BONNAY.	4th	May	(continued) Officers joined. 2/Lieut W.L.SHANNON posted to 51st Battery. " " J.V.T.SMITH " " 113th "	
			1369 Rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached - Meteor Readings (Noon) Barometer - 29.53. Thermometer 58°.	Appex.25/6.
	5th	May	Rained until about 4 o'clock, when visibility became very good. Slight enemy movement observed and fired upon. Buildings in HAMEL set on fire by Heavies Very quiet day. Some aerial activity. Instructions regarding Liaison Duties issued - 2350 Rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached - Meteor Readings -Barometer 29.23 Thermometer 62°	25/7. 25/8
	6th	May	Dull day rained at night 5/6th - improved and became warm. 5 Horses issued as rides not very suitable. Capt. H.GOLDSMITH M.C. & Lieut M.C.CLARK to D.A.C. for rest. 20 -O/R rejoined from Hospital and Reinforcements. Intelligence Summary attached 1915 Rounds fired to-day. Meteor Readings (NOON) Barometer 29.38. Thermometer 58°. Lieut W.E.C. GREGORY and 1 O/R to Artillery School.	25/9.
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BONNAY.	1918. 7th May.		Rain during night 6/7th. and until mid-day - Foggy and very muddy. Mobile training continued daily, consisting of driving, hooking in and unhooking, Limbering up, etc at Wagon Lines, and occupation of semi covered positions by Batteries and sections in forward areas and targets fired upon. Left of our Division, line advanced to conform with advance by 3rd Division. Captured prisoner reported that enemy intended to attack at 11pm. This did not happen. 6.-0/R rejoined from Hospital and reinforcements. Instructions regarding Bugle S.O.S. call, issued.	Appex 25/10.
			2015 Rounds fired to-day	" 25/11
			Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/11
			Meteor Readings - (noon) Barometer 29.14 Thermometer 58°.	
	8th May.		Weather improving, visibility not good. Day quite warm. BONNAY shelled with 4.2 gun during afternoon. Hostile shelling above normal. Capt. H. GOLDSMITH .M.C. evacuated to Hospital from D.A.C. having been gassed. 2056 rounds fired to-day Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/12
			Meteor Readings - (noon) 29.26 Thermometer 61.5°	

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BONNAY.	1918 9th May.		<p>Fine bright day, warm, visibility good.</p> <p>The G.O.C. A.I.F. visited Batteries. Expressed himself pleased with all he saw.</p> <p>The 51st Battery position in I.29.b. heavily shelled, but this was unoccupied.</p> <p>Major H. RECHFORD joined from 4th Div. Artillery, to command 50th Battery.</p> <p>Capt. H.K. PRIOR rejoined from AUSTRALIA having been evacuated in September 1916, and posted to 51st Battery.</p> <p>1845 rounds fired to-day. Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 29.47 - Thermometer 62°.</p>	<p>Intelligence Summary attached - Appex. 25/13</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
	10th May.		<p>Fine warm day, visibility good - Mobile training continued satisfactory by all Batteries.</p> <p>BONNAY again shelled.- Very quiet day.- Considerable aerial activity.</p> <p>Hostile Artillery increased at night. Operations on the 24th April resulted in the following decorations :- One D.C.M. One Bar to Military Medal - 8 - O/R, Military Medals.</p> <p>18- O/R rejoined from Hospital and Reinforcements.</p> <p>1415 rounds fired to-day. Meteor Readings - (noon) Barometer 29.44 - Thermometer 54°.</p>	<p>Intelligence Summary attached "25/14</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>

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BONNAY.	1918. 11th May		Fine warm day, visibility bad. Mobile training continued. BONNAY again shelled, also BOIS de ESCARDONNEUX shelled.- Quiet day. . Intelligence Summary attached	Appex 25/15
			2286 rounds fired to-day. Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 29.47 - Thermometer 56°.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	12th May.		Dull day, rain at night 12/13th. Visibility improved in the afternoon. BONNAY again shelled - Old position of 51st Battery also shelled. One Officer to ABBEVILLE to buy Canteen stores, only small quantity procurable.	
			2040 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/16
			Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 29.34. Thermometer 59°.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	13th May		Dull day, rain all morning.- Clear and fine at mid-day, visibility being good. 4am till 6am BOIS de ESCARDONNEUX, CORBIE are area North heavily shelled with gas, 49th Battery just included, and suffered 2 slight casualties.- One Gun-pit set onfire .	
			Abbreviated Defence Instructions issued vide Instructions No.7.	"25/18.
			1705 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached	225/17.
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 29.27. Thermometer 56°.	25/

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BONNAY.	1918 14th May.		Bright clear day, very warm. Hostile Artillery above normal - otherwise quiet. Some aerial activity. Warned that this Brigade would relieve 298th (Army) Brigade R.F.A. then Right Group Headquarters at FOUILLOY.- Preliminary reconnaissance carried out. Warning Orders issued, - Instructions No.8. Major A.R.LESCHEN joined from R.B.A.A. taking over command of 113th Battery. Tasks carried out, vide Operation Order No.17. 1804 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached Meteor Readings. (noon) Barometer 29.37 Thermometer 59°.	Appex 25/19. " 25/20. " 25/21.
	15th May.		Fine clear day and warm. Divisional Commander visited all Batteries. Battery Commanders engaged in taking over, to be completed on 16th inst. Much aerial activity.- Two planes, unknown, reported to have been brought down - Considerable bombing at night.- 50th and 51st Batteries Wagon Lines lightly shelled - 3 casualties. Lieut C.W.R.MAUGHAN and 10. O/R wounded and evacuated. Mobile training continued until this date and fair progress has been made. Still a great scarcity of Canteen stores. . The general health of personnel and	

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	1918			
BONNAY	15th	May	(continued) and horses continues excellent. Tasks carried out, vide Operation Order No. 18 - 1381 rounds fired. to-day.	Appex. 25/22
			19 - O/R rejoined from Hospital and reinforcements. Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/23.
			Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 29.56. Thermometer 64°.	
FOUILLOY.	16th	May.	Fine clear day. Group now consists of 13th Brigade Batteries and A and C Batteries of 77th (Army) Brigade R.F.A. and known as RIGHT GROUP. Dispositions as shewn in appendix.	" 25/30.
			Fine clear day, hot. Batteries changing places with 298th (Army) Brigade. leaving half Battery at a time. Exchange completed by 8pm. without incident. Guns require considerable attention, and all Batteries have much digging before positions can be considered -- satisfactory.	
			One enemy Triplane forced to descend in I.29.a. and captured.	" 25/24.
			Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 19	
			1969 Rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached.	" 25/25.
			Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 29.57 Thermometer 62°.	

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	1918.			
FOUILLOY.	17th	May	Hot clear day, -visibility fair, misty in the morning. A report that enemy was massing with Tanks at 5am, was not confirmed. Batteries all calibrating and registering. VALLEY in O.10.c. lightly fired upon with 18-pdrs Heavy bursts of 4.2 and 5.9's followed at 2pm. Lieut. W.SINCLAIR M.M. transferred from 50th Battery to 49th Battery. Tasks carried out, vide Operation Order No. 20. Appex. 25/26 1426 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached " 25/27 Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 29.67. Thermometer 67°	
	18th	May.	Again misty but hot. The 49th Battery position moved to O.10.b.1.5, as old position seems to be somewhat heavily shelled. O.10.c. heavily shelled by section of 5.9's the whole morning. Lieut HOBTON, 8th Field Coy. Engineers, attached to assist in con- struction of Dug-outs, gas proof doors etc. 80 Pioneers also available to assist. Registration and calibration by Batteries continued. Batteries get many opportunity Targets, and casualties are frequently observed. Tasks carried out vide Operation Orders Nos. 21 & 22.	" 25/28 " 25/28a
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	1918.			
FOUILLOY.	18th	May	(continued) S.O.S. Lines altered, vide Instructions No.10. Intelligence Summary attached	Appex. 25/31. " 25/29.
			Meteor Readings. (noon) Barometer 29.78. Thermometer 71°.	
	19th	May	Hot misty day, visibility bad until 5pm. - Reconnaissance for rear positions carried out by Battery Commanders and C.O. O.10.c. heavily shelled all day. Operation by 2nd Division for capture of VILLE-sur-ANCRE took place last night. Over 200 Prisoners captured. . Two hostile planes reported down, and one of our machines forced to descend in our own lines at 0.12. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 23	" 25/32
			1905 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/33
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30. Thermometer 72°.	
	20th	May	Again hot. O.10.c. again heavily shelled throughout day. 113th Battery moved to O.4.s.90.50. Aerial activity above normal. Capt. J.T.REYNOLDS (A.A.V.C) transferred to 6th Army Brigade. Capt R.CLARK (A.A.V.C) posted to this Brigade.	
			Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 24. 1887 rounds fired to-day-	" 25/34
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30. Thermometer 76°. Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/35
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	1918.			
FOUILLOY.	21st May.		Heat still continues, visibility good. Aerial activity slightly above normal. Reconnaissance of back areas continues daily. Road in vicinity of Brogade Head Qrs shelled with 5.9's. New system of putting eye pieces in Small Box Resperators commenced today and continues daily. Extracts for Defence Scheme issued Insts. 11	Appex 25/36
			Lieut. W.E.C. GREGORY and 1 O/R returned from Artillery School.	
			Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 25	" 25/37.
			2014 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached	" 25/38.
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.02. Thermometer 76°.	
	22nd May		Still hot,- visibility fair. 0.10.a.. b & c. fired upon by 4.2's and 5.9's throu ghout day. Slight movement of guns taking place, 51st and 50th Batteries, whole positions maintained as occupied. One O/R K.I.A.	
			One Officer to ABBEVILLE to endeavour to buy canteen stores, only a small quantity obtainable	
			Lieut W. BRUNTON to Hospital. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 26	" 25/39
			2684 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached.	" 25/40.
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 29.85. Thermometer 77°.	

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FOUILLOY	1918. 25th	May	(continued) A report from the Division that ^{hostile} gas shelling was anticipated between 6 & 8pm (25th) and 4 & 6am on 26th, both took effect on VILLERS BRETONNEUX. Exceptionally quiet day, shelling very light and scattered. During Gas shelling many "N.F." calls received, those within reach being answered. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 30. Appex 25/46 4130 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached " 25/47. Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 30.10 Thermometer 63°.	
	26th	"	Mild day. Visibility fair. Slight hostile artillery activity. Several Officers and men suffering from an epidemic similar to influenza.- The 49th Battery suffering mostly. Engineers and Pioneers making good progress with gas proof doors at H.Qrs and at Dug-outs at Batteries. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 31 " 25/48 3381 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached " 25/49 Meteor Readings (noon) Barometer 30.10. Thermometer 62°.	
	27th	"	Fine clear day. At 3am areas occupied by Batteries and Headquarters, including FOUILLOY & CORBIE in addition, shelled with gas and H.E. including Yellow Cross gas, lasting about 1 hour. 9 -O/R wounded - 2 horses and 1 mule destroyed by shell fire.	

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FOUILLOY.	27th	May	<p>(continued) 2/Lieut J.T.V. SMITH and 2/Lieut J.V. ROEBUCK to 49th Battery, from 113th and 50th Batteries respectively. This is a temporary arrangement on account of sickness of Officers of 49th Battery. Batteries areas fairly heavily shelled, A/77, 49th and 51st Batteries particularly. Aerial activity above normal.</p> <p>During night 27/28th a test with message carrying rockets used as S.O.S. calls was made, and proved very satisfactory. Tasks carried out vive Operation Order No. 32 γ 33 Appex 25/50.</p> <p>2681 rounds fired to-day. Instructions re Supplementary S.O.S. Signal issued - No.12. " 25/52.</p> <p>Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.22. Thermometer 64°. Intelligence Summary attached " 25/51.</p>	
	28th	"	<p>Fine clear day. Many hostile balloons up at times throughout the day.</p> <p>News of Hostile offensive on the AISNE and near LOCHRE.</p> <p>Hostile shelling lighter but fairly continuous. Batteries have moved positions of gun pits slightly, and old pits are generally more fired upon, three direct hits being made on pits of the old position of the 51st Battery. Considerably aerial activity.</p> <p>Lieut R.W. McHENRY M.C. and Lieut E.L.KINGSBURY to D.A.C. for a spell - Capt H.GOLDSMITH M.C. and Lieut M.C.CLARK rejoined Brigade from D.A.C.</p>	

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FOUILLOY.	1918. 28th May		(continued) 10 - O/r 51st Battery evacuated, gassed, from bombardment of 27th inst. 1 - O/R 51st Bty. K.I.A. . 4 horses destroyed by shell fire. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 34 2856 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.31 Thermometer 62°	Appex 25/56 " 25/53
	29th	"	Fine day. Visibility good. . Senior Officers of Brigade called to Division H.Q. to say good-bye to General BIRDWOOD who is leaving the Corps. Much aerial activity. Hostile planes becoming more persistent. Hostile shelling of Battery areas not so continuous but bursts were fired, including a fairly large one at 9pm.- Many narrow escapes of teams replenishing ammunition. Armoured Car twice passed through area to be inspected for future reference. 10 - O/R joined from Hospital and Reinforcements . Counter Preparation-Schemes issued vide Instructions No. 13 Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 35 2670 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.37 Thermometer 62°	" 25/55 " 25/58 " 25/57

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FOUILLOY.	1918. 30th May		Clear and warm day. Balloons up at intervals in the afternoon. Some aerial activity. Slight indiscriminate shelling, otherwise quiet day. 7 - O/R joined from Hospital and Reinforcements. Lieut M.C. CLARK on leave which recommenced. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 36 2809 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.37.- Thermometer 65°	Appex 25/58 " 25/59.
	31st "		Fine warm day. Visibility good. Some aerial activity. Slight shelling of Battery areas fairly continuous. CORBIE and FOUILLOY included in shelling. 14th Aust. Infantry Brigade, which this Group has been covering, relieved by 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade Engineer Officer from 8th Field Coy. also being relieved by Officer from 4th Divl. Engineers Lieut J.V. ROEBUCK transferred to 50th Battery from 49th Battery. Tasks carried out vide Operation Order No. 37. 2811 rounds fired to-day. Intelligence Summary attached Extract from Brigade Routine Order No. 77 shewing list of Decorations, and Officer and other ranks mentioned for their good actions, is attached In addition to this, the C.O. Lieut-Colonel H.O. CADBY D.S.O., was awarded the French	"25/60. "25/61. "25/63

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FOUILLOY.	1918. 31st May	(continued)	French CROIX DE GUERRE. (Authority G.H.Q. MS/H/8217 dated 24th April 1918)																	
			Strength of the Brigade and daily state are as shewn in Appendix 25/62.																	
			The General health of the Brigade continues good with the exception of an epidemic similar to Influenza, lasting only a few days which has been going through the Brigade.																	
			Horses continue very fit.																	
			Meteor readings (noon) Barometer 30.39. Thermometer 69°.																	
			DISPOSITIONS are as follows:-																	
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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE OPERATION ORDER NO. 15.

Headquarters.
1st May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62.d.1/40,000.

1. S.O.S. lines are as follows:-
 - 49th Battery - from P.20.c.90.85 - P.20.a.90.30 - P.14.d.00.70. P.14.b.55.85.
 - 50th " - P.14.b.55.85 -to P.8.d.60.30. P.9. a. 40.40. to P.3.c.50.00 to P.3.c.95.65.
 - 51st " - P.3.c.95.65 to P.3.b.50.50 to P.4.b. 75.60.
 - 113th " - 1 Section - Search and sweep from P.9.b. 40.70 to P.9.a.90.90.
 - 1 Section Search and sweep ROAD P.15.c. 20.25 to P.15.a.60.00.
 - 1 Section Search and sweep ROAD from P.9.d 6.5 to P.15.a.4.5
- 2 The above cancels Order No 8 which should be destroyed.
2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Smiller

Lieut & Adjt.
13th Aust. F.A.Bde.

- Distribution.
- Issued to No.1.49th Bty. No.2. 50th Bty.
3.51st " 4.113th "
- Copies to 5. 5th D.A. 6. Inf. Bde.
7.14th A.F.A.Bde. 8. Liaison Officer.
9. 298th Army R.F.A. Bde. 10. File.
11.12.13. War Diary.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 30/4/18 to 6 am 1/5/18 **APPENDIX**

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OPERATIONS.

The following operations were carried out.
 9 pm. C.P. Scheme Phase 1b. Concentration No.2. 50th Bty.
 Search and sweep P 21.a. for 5 min. 49th 51st & 113th Btys.
 10-55pm Search and sweep ROADS from P 4 c.2.0 to
 P.4.d.00.00 to P 4. cen. to P.4.a.00.00. 50th Bty.
 C.P.Scheme PHASE 1b. Concentration No.1.
 for 2 min. 49th 51st & 113th Batteries.
 1-25 am. Task as for 10.55 pm. 50th Bty.
 Search and sweep P 5 d. - 49th 51st & 113th
 2-40 am. BOIS de VAIRE - 50th Bty.
 C.P.Scheme PHASE 1 B Concentration No.3.for
 2 min. 49th 51st & 113th
 3-55am Search and sweep from S.O.S. lines to plus
 500 yds. of S.O.S.lines for 5 min.
 4-25 am. Search and sweep P 4. c. & d. for 3 min.
 5-20 am. Search and sweep ROAD in P.15.a for 2 min.

Rates of fire:- 3 rounds per gun per min.
 2 " " " " " " " " " " " "

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Map location	No. of rnds & cal.	
8-30 am.	J.26	30.	77mm. -
12-15.	HAMLET		77mm.) Both batteries solenced by 6" hows.
2-15pm.	HAMELET.	4 salvos.	4.2.how.
8pm.	ROAD in I.24 & I.19.		4.2 gun.
8-10pm.	CORBIE.		4.2
12-15 am	Hostile Artillery active on left sectors.		

ENEMY ATTITUDE. Artillery activity normal.

AERIAL ACTIVITY. Nil.

MOVEMENT. No movement seen owing to bad observation.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 1/5/18 to 6am 2/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

The following operation were carried out 1/2nd May.

- 7-15 pm. Search and sweep ROADS P 4.c. & d. for 2 min.
- 8 pm. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3. for 5 min. 49th, 51st and 113th Batteries.
- 8-35 pm. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.2. for 2 min. - All Batteries.
- 1 am. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.4. for 2 min.
- 3 am. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3. for 5 min.
- 4.35am. Search and sweep ROADS P.14.d. & b. for 2 min.
- 5.35am. Search and sweep from S.O.S. plus 50 to S.O.S. plus 550 for 5 min.

Rates of fire :- 3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " " " " "

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds. & cal.
	From rear of HAMBL intermittently shelling front line during morning.	77mm.
8 pm.	I.19.	5. 4.2 how.
9 pm)	Heavy shelling vicinity of VELLERS BRETONNEUX.	
2.30 am)		
3.5 am)		
5.40am.)		
10.20 pm.	I.25.	7 4.2
5.40 am.	I.24.	6 77mm.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Artillery activity normal on this sector, active on right

AERIAL ACTIVITY. Nil.

Bob Bank

Lieut & Adj. Lt.

APPENDIX 25/4

13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6 am 2/5/18 to 6 am 3/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 2/3rd May

- 8 pm. On S.O.S. plus 600 yds 1 round per gun & how.
 - 9-5 pm. Search and sweep P.14.d.2.6 P.14.b.7.4. P.14.b.95.40.-P,14,d.55.60 for 2 min.
 - 11 pm. Search and sweep P.4.d.6.9 - P,4.b.75.20.-P.4.b.95.20.- P.4.d.95.90 for 2 min.
 - 2 am. as for 9-5 pm. for 9 min.
 - 3.25 am. HAMEL P.9.b.for 5 min.
 - 4.30 am. S.O.S. plus 100 yds to extreme range for 7 min.
 - 4.37 am Plus 300 yards of S.O.S. to plus 100 yds of S.O.S. for 2 min.
- 4.5" hows. to fire "BNC" on following times:- 9-5pm. 11pm. & 3.25am
 Rates of fire :- 3 rounds per gun per min
 2 how

7-58pm. 18-pdrs opened fire on movement of enemy in VAIRE WOOD.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Location	No. of rnds	cal.
10 to 1-30pm.	J.19 continuously	-	4.2 how.
10.45 am.	N. of VILLERS BRETONNEUX	-	4.2 "
11.10 am.	J.27 A. Concrete Tower	-	5.9
11.25am.	J.32. J.33.	-	4.2
12-30pm. to			
1.5 pm.	CROSS ROADS in L.35	25, shrap	77mm.
1.35pm.	J.27 A Concrete Tower	-	5.9
6 pm to 7 pm.	Vicinity of Hill 60.	15	5.9

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

E.A's over our forward areas during morning. 1-30pm to 5pm E.A's over our back areas and bombing.

MOVEMENT.

Movement of enemy troops in P 10.b. along road to HAMEL in morning. Artillery active during day, quiet at night.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6 am 3/5/18 to 6 am 4/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

The following operations were carried out 3/4th May.

- 8-45 pm. FLAT IRON COPSE P.5.c. & d. for 3 min. - 49th 51st & 113th Batteries
- 11pm. Search and sweep P.10.a. P.9.b. for 4 min. - 50th Bty.
- 3.30am. Search and sweep following areas:-
P.14.d. 25.90.- P.14.b.90.30.- P.15.c.25.50.-
P.14.d.65-20. for 5 min.
- 3.55 am. S.O.S. plus 225 to plus 525 of S.O.S. for 3 min.
- 4.45 am. C.P.Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3. for 2 min.
- 8-7pm. BOIS de VAIRE - 50th Bty.
Zone call, N.F. P.10.a.8.5- answered by 18-pdrs

Rates of fire:- 3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " how. " "

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location	No. of rnds & cal.	
8 am to 10 am.	J.19.c. & d		
	J.25.a & b.	30.	4.2
9-30am	P.1.c. & d	8	77mm H. E.
9-50am.	P.31.c.		4.2
3.23 pm.	WOOD J.19.c.	20	5.9
3.25 pm.	VAIRE	2	4.2 how
11-35 pm.	ROAD J.1p.c.		77mm 4.2 how.
1.15 am.	VAIRE		
	ROAD J.19	15	4.2
2-10 am.	SOMME VALLEY	10.	4.2
3.15 & 4-30am.	Front Line System		77mm shrap.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

6.45 am. Two E.A's brought down in I.28 a. and I.17 a.
Small red balloon dropped in I.23 at 11 am

Enemy planes active during day and bombing our front areas

Artillery Activity, normal.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 4/5/18 to 6am 5/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 4/5th May.

4.5"
 pm. BOIS de HAMEL/- 18-pdr Batteries Western edge of BOIS de VAIRE including New Work between P.14.c.90.00 and P.14.b.30.00.- Z to Z plus 5 min. Hows. 50% "BNC" & 50% "BCBR". 18-pdrs 3 rnds per gun per min. Z plus 5 to Z plus 8 all stop
 11-55pm. P.14.c.90.00 to P.14.b.30.00 (for 5 min.) 2 plus 8 to Z plus 18 All 18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun p.m. 1137 Bty BX 2 up H.P.M.
 2.25am. BOIS de HAMEL (2 min) 2-10pm. Zone call
 3.10am As for 11-55 PANF. P.14.d.7.5
 5.55am. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Con. No.2. for 5 min. 4.40. Zone call
 4.40am. Search and sweep Roads in P.9.b. for 2 min. PANF P.10.c.4.8.
 5.15am. Road in P.10.d. - 49th Bty. for 2 min. Fire opened by
 Road in HAMEL. - 50th Bty " 18-pdrs. very effective.
 " " P.4.d. and 5c. - 51st Bty. " favourable.
 Roads in HAMEL. - 113th Bty. "
 Hows. will fire 50% "BNC" & 50% "BCBR" on all targets if wind favourable.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
8.30 am.	J.31.a.	6 77mm
9-30am	In front of VAIRE	6 4.2 how.
9-50am.	VAIRE	6 77mm
10.5 am	WOOD in J.27	5.9
10.30.am to 11-30am	Front line system between HAMLET and VAIRE	4.2
12 to 12.45pm	J.30.a.80.60	40. 5.9 how. apparently registering.
12.20pm.	Road Junction in I.35.b.6.8.	20. 77mm gun
12.50pm.	HAMLET	10. 77mm "
1-15pm to 1-30pm.	P.1.& 2.	4.2
3-20pm.	HAMLET	4.2 how.
6pm.	FOUILLOY	4.2 "
4.45pm.	J.25.a.& b.	77mm Bty.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

7.15 am Enemy working in P.18.a. and party in P.10.b. walked into HAMEL.
 3-20pm. Hundreds of horses seen grazing in P.9 & 15
 Considerable traffic, Lorries & Motors along CERISY-MORCOURT ROAD throughout day.
 Enemy planes over our lines frequently throughout day.
 Fire burning in HAMEL from 1am to 5am
 Artillery during day above normal, quiet at night .

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INSTRUCTIONS No.5.

Headquarters,
5th May 1918.

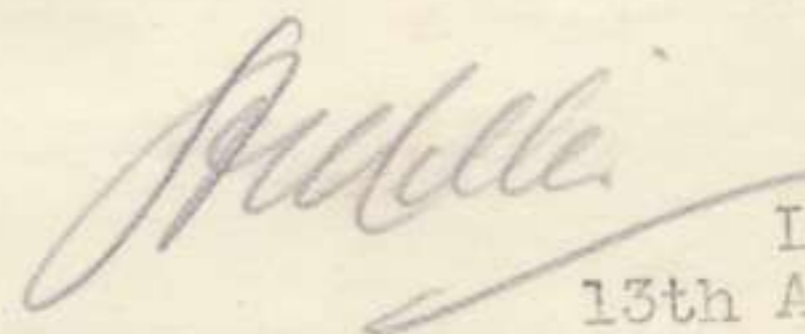
LIAISON DUTIES.

- The following is a roster of duty for Battalion Liaison. Reliefs will take place at 5pm on day of relief. B.C's will notify this Office the name of the Officer detailed by 9 am on day of relief.

3rd May 1918)	)	49th Battery and 50th Battery
to		
6th May)	
6th May	)	51st Battery and 113th Battery
to		
9th May)	
9th May	)	49th Battery and 50th Battery
to		
12th May)	
12th May	)	51st Battery and 113th Battery
to		
15th May)	
15th May	)	49th Battery and 50th Battery.
to		
18th May)	

- Officers detailed as Liaison Officers will report to Brigade Liaison Officer when going on duty. They will keep both this Brigade and the 14th Aust. F.A.Bde. Liaison Officers with Infantry Brigade H.Qrs informed of anything concerning the Sector.
- Communication is by cable to Infantry Brigade H.Qrs. Emergency system is by visual to the PAGODA O.P. at P.30.a.80.60. from which S.O.S. Signal will be repeated.
- The 49th and 113th Batteries do duty with RIGHT Battalion, the 50th and 51st Batteries with LEFT Battalion.
Locations of H.Qrs as follows:-

RIGHT - HAMLET.
LEFT - VAIRE.



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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 5/5/18 to 6am 6/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 5/6th May.

50th

9-55pm. Works in BOIS de VAIRE. /113th Btys for 5 min.
Search and sweep from ROAD P.14.d. to plus
100 yds. - 49th & 51st Batteries. for 5 min.

11.45pm. Trenches P.10.b. for 2 min.

2.10am. As for 9-55pm. for 2 min.

3.25am. As for 11-45pm. for 2 min.

4.10am. C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3. 49th 51st & 113th
HAMEL. - 50th Bty. 5 min. for 5 min.

5.10am. Roads in P.9.b. and P.14.d. - 50th Bty.
Roads P.15.a. P.9.c. and P.10.c. - 51st Bty.
Search Roads P.10.d. & b. P 4.c. & d. - 49th Bty.
Roads in P.4.c. & d. HAMEL and P.9.d. - 113th Bty.

11-21am to 12-1pm. 18-pdrs opened fire on movement in P.16.c.1.3
6-50 & 7-15 pm. ZONE call PANF- P.10.c.5.5 fired on by 18-pdrs.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.	
11.10am.	HAMLET	10.	4.2 how.
11.30am	"	20.	4.2 "
12-30pm.	Road in J.25.a. & b.		4.2 "
to 1.5pm.			
12-50pm.	J.28.c. & d.	15	5.9
1.30pm.	Red Junction in I.35.b. 6.7	30	77mm
1.45pm.	" " I.36.a. cen.	30	77mm
2.15pm.	J.31.	8	4.2 how,
	Intermittent shelling of roads in J.19 a. & b.		

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Hundreds of horses seen grazing in P.9. & 15 & K.32. & 34.
Fire burning all day in HAMEL

AERIAL ACTIVITY Nil.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY above normal during day, quiet during night.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 6/5/18 to 6am 7/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 6/7th May.

- 9.45pm. One Salvo P.10.c. 5.4
- 9.55pm. Search & sweep 5 G.B. for 10 min.
- 11.20pm. One Salvo P.14.d.7.5
- 11.23pm. Search 5 H.G. for 10 min.
- 2-24am. One Salvo P.10.c. 4.8.
- 2-30am. Search 5 I.A for 10 min.
- 3-25am One Salvo P.5.c.9.5.
- 3.30.am. Search 5 G. b.l. for 10 min.
- 4.15 a m Search S.O.S. plus 600 to plus 100 yds.

Rates of fire :-
3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " " " how.

10-20pm to 12-1pm. Registration on new Trenches in P.14 by 4.5" hows.
11-31 am 18 rds fired on movement in P.16.b.2.8.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Location	No. of rnds. & cal.	
6-55am to 7-30 am	CORBIE	3	5.9
7-40am	P.6.c.	25.	77mm
9-30am	VAIRE Ch.		77mm cal.
9-40am	FOUILLOY (for two hours)		5.9 how.
9-45am.	J.32.b. & d.		77mm Bby, Intermittently throughout morning.
10-15am. to 11-20am.	Front system and VAIRE	40.	4.2
12-15pm to 2.30pm.	I.28.b.& d.	15	4.2
9-45pm.	VAIRE		4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Marked increase in movement of Enemy personnel in different areas.
Transport and Infantry moving along road.
Train seen moving travelling N.E.
Fire burning in HAMEL.
Artillery during day very active, quiet at night

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

Enemy aerial activity below normal.

Bozant Lieut & Adj. 13th Aust. F.A.Bde.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.Headquarters,
7th May 1918.

1. Bugle "S.O.S." signals will come into force forthwith as follows and will be answered by the Artillery as for light signals.
These are an additional precaution; the present "S.O.S" light signals NOT being cancelled.
 - (a) Ordinary "S.O.S" will be groups of three "G's" repeated at intervals until answered.
 - (b) Tank "S.O.S" will be groups of six "G's" repeated at intervals until answered.
2. The light signal for Tank attack will be three flares:-
viz.-GREEN, RED, GREEN. As combined rocket signals are not at present available, these will be VERY LIGHTS, and will go up as separate flares in rotation.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Muller*Lieut & Adjnt.
13th Aust. F.A.Bde.

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ADDENDUM No.1. to 13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE
INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.

Headquarters,
11th May 1918.

1. Cancel para. 2. Officers on duty at O.P. will return the flares to this Office tomorrow morning 12th inst.
2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Lieut & Adj. G.
13th Aust. F.A. Bde.



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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 7/5/18 to 6am 8/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

The following operations were carried out 7/8th May :-

- 9-30pm. P.15. central. P.15.b.3.1.
- 10.25pm. P.4.b.7.0 to P.4.d.95.95 Search & sweep.
- 2-30.am. Search and sweep P.20.b. BOIS de VAIRE.
- 3am. Search and sweep from Work in from of BOIS de VAIRE to plus 50 yds. East
- 3-18am. BOIS de VAIRE, gas in wind favourable, otherwise "BX"
- 3-45am. Search and sweep from S.O.S. plus 50 yds to plus 300 yds. to S.O.S. plus 50 yds

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Location	No. of rnds. & cal.	
10.30am.	J.19.c. & along Canal in O.6.a.	12.	4.2 how.
		20.	"
11-30am.	VAIRE and HAMLET in P.1.a.	25.	4.2. batteries
1pm.	Junction of Roads in P.1.a.	6	4.2 apparently regg.
1-30pm.	CORBIE	3	5.9 gun.
2pm.	VAIRE	20.	4.2
11pm to 11-30pm.	Left Sector, heavy bombardment		
11-30 to 3am	Towards VILLERS BRETTONEUX Heavy bombardment		
10.10 pm.	ROADS in I.25	50	5.9
11.10.p.m.	HAMLET		4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

One E.A. over front line.
 Enemy Artillery very active on Right & Left flanks
 Quiet on this sector.

Boyan Lieut & Adj. 13th Aust. F.A.Bde.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 8/5/18 to 6am 9/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 8/9th May.

- 9-30pm. Trench System from P.4.b. 70.00 to P.4.d. 90.95.
- 10.15pm. Concentration No.4.
- 2am. BOIS de VAIRE from new H.& S line between P.14 & 15. searching West 300 yards.
- 3.25am. C.P.Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3.
- 3-55am. Search from S.O.S. plus 575 yds down to S.O.S. plus 75 yds.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds. & cal.	
9.10am to 9-30am.	VAIRE	5	?
10.15 am to 10.25am	VAIRE	10	4.2
12 noon.	CORBIE	5	4.2
12-30pm.	P.11.cen.	15	77mm
11-50am to 1.30pm.	ROAD in I.27.b.	40	4.2 how.
12-30pm.	J.27.d.		4.2
9-30pm. to 1am.	Front Systems, intermittent shelling		
4am to 4-5am	Front System. Otherwise quiet.		

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Artillery normal.
Aerial activity below normal.

Robt. K. Lieut.



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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 9/5/18 to 6 am 10/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 9/10th May:-

- 11-45 pm. C.P.Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.2.
- 1.55am. P.14.b.5.3 to P.14.d.3.8.
- 2-25am. Search Road P.4.c.50.35 to P.9.b.20.75.
- " " P.9.b.20.75 to P.10.a.20.10.
- " " P.9.b.20.75 to P.10.a.40.70.
- How. on following points, -P.10.a.40.75.
- P.10.a.30.35 - P.10.a.25.15 - P.9.d.95.55.- P.b.80.00 - P.9.b.95.20.
- 3-10am Search and sweep P.15.d.
- 3.40am Search down from S.O.S. plus 625 yds. to S.O.S. plus 25 yds.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Location	No. of rnds. & cal.
9am to 3 pm.	I.29.a.d.&c.	180 5.9 How. From direction of WARFUSSEE ABANCOURT
9-45am.	HAMLET	30 77mm
10.20am.	VAIRE ,bursbs of fire	20 4.2
12.10pm.	FRONT SYSTEM	10. 4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Artillery active during day, quiet at night on this sector. Enemy planes active during day and bombing planes passed over our lines at 3-40am.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 10/5/18 to 6am 11/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

The following operations were carried out 10/11th May :-

- 7-25pm. Search Roads in P.5.c.
- Search and sweep BOIS de VAIRE
- 3.25am. Counter Preparation PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3.
- 3.40am. Search area P.15.c. central.
- 4.25am. Search and sweep from S.O.S. ~~FRONT S.O.S.~~ plus 75 yards to S.O.S. plus 575 yards
- 11pm. P.14.b.90.45
- 1 am Ditto.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
8-35am	I.24.	5.9 from direction of BOIS de ARQUADE.
9-40am.	J.19.c.	4.2 hows (Section) from direction of FLAT IRON COPSE.
10-35am. & 10-40 am to 10-45am	J.19.c.	bursts of fire
11-15am to 11-25am	Vicinity of BONNAY.	77mm
11-30am.	J.19.c.	10. 5.9 how. 77mm
11-40am.	P.13.c.	4.2 how (gunfire)
12 noon.	CORBIE	4.2 gun.
1-30 to 1-45pm.	J.31.c.	30 77mm
1 am.	VAIRE	4.2 how.
3-30am.	Between CORBIE and HAMLET heavy shelling	
5am.	HAMLET	4.2 4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Aerial activity, -Nil
Artillery, -Normal.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 11/5/18 to 6am 12/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 11/12th May :-

8-50pm. All Batteries Counter-preparation PHASE 11.
5 G & 6 for 5 minutes.

10-17pm. All Batteries Counter-Preparation PHASE 11
bursts on following Zones 5 G.b. for 3 minutes
then 5.I.A for 1 minute then 5 J.b for 2 min.

2am. 50th Bty. Counter Preparation Scheme PHASE 1.b.
Concentration No.2. for 10 minutes
49th 51st & 113th Batteries C.P. Scheme PHASE 1.b
Concentration No.3. for 10 minutes

3-7am. All Batteries C.P. PHASE 11 5 G B for 5 minutes

3-15 am. All Batteries, bursts of fire on Works from P.14.0.
75.40 to P.14.d.0.0. for 2 minutes.

3-20am. Bursts of fire on following points :-
From S.O.S. lines plus 500 yards to plus 125 yds.
plus 350 yds to plus 75 yds. plus 200 yds to plus
300 yds for 6 minutes.
Rates of fire 3 rounds per gun per min
2 " " how. " "

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
6-45am.	Bach Areas Heavy gun from direction of CERISY	
7-45am	VAIRE	77mm Bty.
9-35am.	P.19.b.	10. 4.2.how.
10-10am.	VAIRE	5.9
11am.	VAIRE from direction of P.30.	5.9
12-50pm.	BONNAY and Vicinity	10. V.H.gun.
12-30am.		
to 1am.	Heavy shelling on right	
4-10am.	VAIRE	12. 4.2 how. Bursts.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Artillery ~~activity~~ active during day, quiet at night.

Aerial activity ,nil.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 12/5/15 to 6am 13/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 12/13th May :-

- 9-3 pm. P.9.b.9.4 for 2 minutes.
- 10-35pm. From Line P.15.a.0.0 to P.15.c.0.0.
five lifts East of 50 yards for 6 minutes.
- 10-45pm. One Salve P.15.a.0.0. to P.15.c.0.5.
- 12-5am. P.9.a.75.00. to P.9.b.00.35, for 5 minutes.
- 1-55am. Area P.4.c.0.0. P.4.c.5.0.- P.4.c.50.35.-
P.4.c.0.5. for 2 minutes.
- 2-47am. P.14.d.5.4 ro P.14.b.80.05 for 5 minutes.
- 3-16am. S.O.S. plus 25 yds to S.O.S. plus 525
Five lifts of 100 yards each for 5 minutes.
- 3-25am. One Salve S.O.S. plus 800 yards
- 4-15. 49th, 51st and 113th Batteries -C.P. Scheme
PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3.
50th Bty. C.P.Scheme PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.2.

Rates of fire :- 2 rounds per gun per min.
1 " " how. "
113th Battery to fire "BNC and "BCBR" when possible.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
1-45pm.	CORBIE, outskirts of, shelling from direction of FLAT IRON COPSE	77mm Bty. 5.9
7pm.	CORBIE Ch. registering on	
4am.	CORBIE heavily bombed by E A's. " heavily shelled	H.E. & gas.
3-55am.	HILL 60 front and rear, gas & H.E.	250 approx.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Artillery quiet during day, active at night.
8 E.A's over our lines at 7pm. bombing CORBIE at 3-40 am
Many Enemy search lights searching for our planes during evening.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 13/5/18 to 6am 14/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 13/14th May :-

- 9-33pm. for 5 minutes - Search and sweep P.4.d.
- 11pm. " 5 " - Search and sweep- HAMMEL P.10.a. & c.
- 1-35am. " 5 " - Sweep line between P.15.a.00.00 and P.15.c.00.00.
- 2-7am. " 5 " - TRENCH P.4.b. 7.0 and P.4.d.95.95.
- 3am. " 5 " - Hostile Batteries at P.10.c.3.4 & P.10.c.-
- 3-45am. Bursts of fire of 1 min. duration on each of the following lines:-
 - S.O.S. plus 175 yds. to S.O.S. plus 50 yds.
 - " plus 325 " " " " 100 1/2 to
 - S.O.S. plus 225.

9-25am. Suspected M.G. emplacements in P.4.c.5.0. blown out and demolished by 4.5" hows.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds and cal.
7-15am. to 9am.	CORBIE	5.9
10am.	VARIE Ch. registering on	77mm.
10-30am.	ROAD Junction in I.35.b.60.75	5.9
11am	J.31.c.	4.2 how.
12 noon.	VAIRE	4.2
1.30pm.	Old Winmill in J.19.c.	4.2
7pm.	BONNAY & I.28	5. H.V.gun.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Marked increase in enemy movement especially Infantry and transport on Road in R.3. & 9. Enemy balloons up at 7 am.

Artillery activity during day, ~~quiet~~ Quiet at night.

Aerial activity below normal.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.

Headquarters,
13th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62 d. 1/40,000.

1. The following instructions and extracts are issued for guidance of all concerned.:-

All Officers and senior N.C.O's should be acquainted with all positions concerning them.

These instructions do not in any way alter "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, or the other instructions which have already been issued.

2. This Brigade covers the 14th and Southern portion of the 8th Aust. Infantry Brigades fronts, being superimposed ~~with~~ ^{on} the 298th (Army) Brigade R.F.A. and the 14th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

Our front line is as shewn on maps and tracings issued from time to time.

3. S.O.S. LINES.

S.O.S. lines are at present as follows:- These lines will alter if our front line be changed.-

- 49th Battery - from P.20.c.90.85.- P.20.a.90.30.-P.14.d.00.70. P.14.b.55.85.
- 50th " - P.14.b.55.85.-to P.8.d.60.30.-P.9.a.40.40.- to P.3.c.50.00.-to P.3.e.95.65.
- 51st " - P.3.c.95.65 to P.3.b.50.50. to P.4.B.75.60.
- 113th " - 1 Section - Search and sweep from P.9.b.40.70 . to P.9.a.90.90.
- 1 Section - Search and sweep ROAD P.15.c.20.25 to P.15.a.60.00.
- 1 Section - Search and sweep ROAD from P.9.d. 6.5 to P.15.a.4.5.

4. RATES of FIRE on S.O.S. call are as follows:-

- (a) First 3 minutes 4 rounds per gun or how.per minute. Second 7 minutes 3 rounds per gun or how. per minute. All fire ceases at the end of 15 minutes. If the S.O.S. signal is repeated after the opening of fire, the maximum rate of fire will be reverted to and the procedure will be as above.
- (b) The usual S.O.S. Guard will always be posted and pointers will be erected shewing inter group boundaries, Battery Zones, and Night O.P., where the S.O.S. Signal will be repeated from.
- (c) The present signal for S.O.S. barrage is a rifle grenade opening into three WHITE lights above each other, suspended by a parachute. This signal is altered periodically. In addition, the S.O.S. signal may be given by bugle calls, consisting of groups of three G's repeated at intervals until answered.
- (d) TANK S.O.S. signals will be sounded in groups of Six G's and repeated until answered. Bugle calls are intended for use in foggy weather.

5. DISPOSITIONS.

Dispositions are as follows ; -

		Wagon Lines.	O.P.'s.
49th Battery	- I.28.d.15.60.	H.36.a.8.9	I.35.b.70.80
50th "	- I.28.a.02.58.	I.20.b.3.6	(I.36.a.25.95
51st "	- I.28.b.05.60.	I.14.d.2.4	(I.28.d.30.40.
113th "	- I.28.b.2.9.	H.29.central	I.30.d.80.60.
			(Sde. O.P.)
			I.35.b.89.89.

6. DUTIES.

Each Battery will man its O.P. from 4-30am to 8pm daily. Night O.P. which is located at I.30.d.80.60. (PAGODA), will be manned each night by a night O.P. party composed as follows:-

One Officer.

One N.C.O.

Three telephonists and Linesman.

This party will be detailed by Batteries alternatively, will take over each evening from an Officer of the 51st Battery and will be responsible for taking over Six (6) S.O.S. signals complete.

7. AMMUNITION.

Ammunition supply will be from D.A.C. to Battery Wagon Lines, and the following quantities will be maintained at Battery positions:-

300 rounds per gun - 75% "A" - 25% "AX"
250 rounds per how.

The 113th Battery will, in addition, maintain 300 rounds of Gas - 50% each of "BNC" and "BCBR".

All limbers and wagons are to be kept filled.

DUMPS.

Dispositions of rear dumps are as follows:-

H.16.d.5.0 and G.36.e.4.8.

A closed Corps Dump is situated in the wood at G.24.b.5.7.

8. LINES OF DEFENCE.

Lines of rear defences are as shown on maps issued, the latest of which is sheet 62 d.1/40,000 edition 1 (revised), (B Local), issued to Batteries.

Positions have been reconnoitred for the defence of rear lines, and are situated as follows:-

(a) 49th Battery - I.26.c.2.0
50th " - I.32.b.20.80.
51st " - I.32.b.80.80.
113th " - I.26.c.45.00.

The above positions will be occupied during the withdrawal of the 14th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

(b) To cover the AUBIGNY-FRANVILLERS System, Batteries will occupy positions as follows:-

49th Battery - H.4.c.70.60.
50th " - H.4.c.90.90.
51st " - H.4.a.90.40.
113th " - H.4.a.90.90.

(c) To cover the QUERRIEU, BLAGNY-FRANVILLE System, positions are as follows:-

49th Battery - G.35.d.30.40.
50th " - G.35.d.0.8.
51st " - G.35.b.10.60.
113th " - G.35.central.

(d) Sheet 1 of "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme is to be thoroughly understood by all Officers and senior N.C.O's.

The above positions and routes to them are to be thoroughly reconnoitred and should be known to all Officers, N.C.O's and lead Drivers.

9. LIAISON.

Liaison Officers will be detailed with Infantry Brigade and Battalions as may be ordered.

Battalion Liaison Officers, in the event of an attack, will automatically become Reconnaissance Officers, and will keep this Office informed of the situation. Additional Runners will be supplied by Batteries as required by these Officers.

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Lieut & Adjt.
13th Aust. F. Bde.

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AMENDMENT No.1. to 13th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE -INSTRUCTIONS. No.7.

Headquarters,
14th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62.d.1/40,000.

1. Reference para. 3. S.O.S. Lines.

For "49th Battery - from P.20.c.90.85.- P.20.a.90.30.-P.14.d.00.70.-
P.14.b.55.85."

read -'49th Battery - from P.20.c.60.85 to P.20.a.6050.-P.14.c.
70.00.- P.14.d.00.70.-P.14.b.30.40,-
P.14.b.50.80.'

2. Reference para. 5.- O.P's. for "I.30.d.80.60." read I.30.a.80.60.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Puccella Lieut & Adjt.
13th Aust. F.A.Bde.

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AMENDMENT No. 2 to 13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.

Headquarters.
16th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 82 D. H.M. S.E. 1/20,000.

1. Reference para. 3. S.O.S. Lines.

For "49th Battery - from P.20.e.60.85. to P.20.e.60.50.-
P.14.e.70.60."

read - "P.20.e.90.90.- P.14.e.70.60."

2. ACKNOWLEDGES.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INSTRUCTIONS No.8.
-----Headquarters,
14th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62.d. N.W / S.W. 1/20,000.

1. This Brigade will change positions with the 298th (Army) Brigade R.F.A. on 16th May 1918.
Relief will be completed by 6pm. when this Brigade will become responsible for the Zones at present covered by the 298th Army Brigade.
Table of Relief is attached.
2. Guns will be handed over "in situ" with sights only, aiming posts will not be exchanged.
3. All Maps, communications and orders relating to the positions will be handed and taken over.
"B" Artillery Defence Schemes and other maps will not be handed over.
4. AMMUNITION.
Ammunition will be handed and taken over and receipts obtained. copies will be furnished to this Office.
5. WAGON LINES.
Wagon Lines of the 49th and 113th Batteries will not be moved.
The 50th Battery will change Wagon Lines with B/298th Bty.
The 51st " " " " " " " " D/298th "

Advanced Limber lines will be required - The positions will be reported as soon as selected.

6. One Officer per Battery of the 298th Army Brigade will visit Batteries of this Brigade on 14th May, similarly B.C's or a senior Subaltern will visit relieving Batteries of the 298th Army Brigade on the 15th May.
7. PERSONNEL.
Not more than half of the personnel per Battery will leave positions at the same time, and remaining half will follow. Time of departure of these parties will be arranged by Battery Commanders, and should synchronise with Batteries of 298th Army Brigade.
8. O.P.
The O.C. 50th Battery will detail an O.P. Party for the right O.P. This Party will report at the 298th Army Brigade R.F.A. Headquarters at Hospice, FOUILLOY at 7pm on the 15th inst, and will remain there. A guide will be supplied to the O.P. which must be occupied before day-light.

The O.C. 113th Battery will detail an O.P. party to meet an Officer from the 298th Army Brigade on the Road in rear of the PAGODA before daylight on the morning of the 16th inst.
9. LIAISON.
Lieut. A. TAYLOR of the 50th Battery is detailed as Liaison Officer to the 14th Inf. Brigade.
A Subaltern from the 50th Battery will be detailed as Liaison Officer to the Right Battalion.
A Subaltern from the 49th Battery will be detailed as Liaison Officer to the Left Battalion.
The above duties will mount at 10am on the 16th inst. Guides will be supplied by C.O. 298th Army Brigade for Officers doing Battalion Liaison duty.

Locations of 14th Infantry Brigade H.Q.	O.5.c.65.80.
" " Right Battn.	O.17.a.20.10.
" " Left "	O.14.b.90.10.

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10. RECONNAISSANCE.

As soon as possible after taking over, all Batteries will arrange a reconnaissance of routes and positions to be occupied in case of a withdrawal.

11. All moves will be reported to this Office by 'phone on completion, and a return shewing dispositions of gun positions, Wagon and Limber lines, will be furnished by first orderly on completion.

12. Lieut. W. BRUNTON will rejoin his Battery at 10am on the 16th inst.

13. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lieut & Adj. Lt.
13th Aust. F.A. Bde.

TABLE of MOVES.

13th Bde. Unit taking over	298th Bde Unit handing over & locations.	Position of Wagon Lines to be taken over.
13th Aust. F.A. Bde H.Q.	298th (Army) Bde H.Q. O.10.a.central	To be selected.
49th Battery	C / XX 298th Bty O.17.A. 40.33.	No change.
50th "	B / XX 298th " O.16.b. 40.10	N.6.d.10.40.
51st "	A / XX 298th " O.10.c. 95.30.	N.6.a.50.40 from D/298th
113th "	D / XX 298th " O.10.b. 10.30.	No. change.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE OPERATION ORDER No. 17.

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Headquarters,
14th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62 d. 1/40,000.

1. The following tasks will be carried out by all Batteries of this Brigade on the night of 14/15th May 1918.:-

10-30pm.	-	For	5	minutes	on	ROAD	P.14.d.
2am.	-	"	2	"	"	"	P.9.a.75.00 to P.9.b.0.8.
2-30am	-	"	2	"	"	WORKS	West of BOIS de VAIRE from P.14.b.75.50 to P.14.d.3.5
3-10am	-	"	2	"	"	ROADS	P.14.c. P.H.C.
3-40am	-	"	5	"	"	C.P.TARGETS,	- 49th., 51st., and 113th Batteries, - C.P.PHASE 1.b. Concentration No.3. 50th Battery Concentration No.2.

Rates of fire:-

3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " how. " "

Ammunition.

18-pdrs - 75% "A". 25% "AX". 4.5" Hows. "BX"

2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. G. ... Lieut & Adj. 13th Aust. F.A. Bde.

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- 11. 12. 13. War Diary.



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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 14/5/18 to 6am 15/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

10-30pm. ROADS at P.14.d.
 2am " P.9.a. 75-00.-to P.9.b.0.8 were fired on.
 2-30am. WORKS West of BOIS de VAIRE from P.14.b.75.50. to P.14.d.3.5
 fired on.
 3-10am. ROAD at P.4 c. fired on.
 3-40am. Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 1 Concentration No.3 &
 Concentration No.2. were put down.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
9-15am	CORBIE	5.9
10-30 to 11am	Front Line System, Intermittent s shelling	77mm
-	J.27.b. & J.29.a.	30. 4.2 how. Gas & H.E.
1-30pm.	I.30.c. Ridge	20. 77mm shrap
12-50pm to 2pm.	CORBIE	5.9 how. from direction of WARFUSSEE-ABANCOURT
2pm to 5-10pm.	I.29.b.	5.9 hows.
8-45pm. to 11pm.	Hostile guns very active to the South	
10pm to 3am	0.18 & 24 Guns firing on Ridge.	
3-20am to 3-45am	CORBIE & Vicinity heavy concentration	4.2. H.E. & gas.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Movement increasing both Infantry and transport, chief of which were 10 motor lorries with Infantry moving South on Road from MORCOURT to CERISY.
 Throughout morning small gauge engines drawing trucks observed moving E & W. behind this road.
 9 enemy balloons up
 Artillery very active throughout period.
 E.A's active during night from 11pm to 4am bombing

Corbett Lieut.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE OPERATION ORDER No. 18.

TASK for all Batteries of this Brigade
for to-night 15/16 May 1918

Headquarters,
15th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62.d. 1/20,000.

- 1. 9-5pm. for 5 minutes.
Search and sweep Area:- P.14.b.8.0.-P.14.b.8.3.- P.15.a.2.3.- P.15.a.3.0.
- 10-5pm. for 5 minutes.
Area:- P.10.c.3.3.- P.10.c. 3.7.-
P.10.c.7.7- P.10.c.7.3.
- 10.55pm. for 5 minutes. Area:- P.15.c.1.3.- P.15.c.17. P.15.c.5.7
P.15.c.5.3.
- 1.15am. for 5 minutes. Sweep Trench - P.9.a.95.85.- to P.9.a.7.0.
- 1-25am. for 2 minutes.
Search and sweep Area :- P.14.b.8.0.- P.14.b.8.3.- P.15.a.2.3.- P.15.a.3.0.
- 2-40am for 5 minutes
Search and sweep area:- P.15.d.
- 2-50am. for 2 minutes P.14.d.central.



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3-45am. Search and sweep on S.O.S. Lines from S.O.S. plus 25 yds. to S.O.S. plus 625 yds, lifting 100 yards each minute. Then from S.O.S. plus 425 yards down to S.O.S. plus 25 yards dropping 100 yards each minute.

2. Rates of fire:-

3 rounds per gun per minute.
2 " " how. " "

AMMUNITION.

18-pdrs 75% "A" - 25% "AX"

4.5" Hows. "BX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Lieut & Adjt.
13th Aust. F.A. Bde.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 15/5/18 to 6am 16/5/18.

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OPERATIONS.

- 9-5pm. Areas P.14.b.8.0 - P.14.b.8.3 - P.15.a.2.3 - P.15.a.3.0 searched and swept.
- 10-5pm. Areas P.10.c.3.3 - P.10.c. 3.7. P.10.c. 77. P.10.c. 7.3 searched and swept.
- 10-55pm Areas. P.15.c.1.3 - P.15.c.17. P.15.c.5.7. P.15.c.5.5 searched and swept.
- 1-15am. TRENCH at P.9.a.95.85 to P.9.a.7.0 swept.
- 1-25am Areas P.14.b.8.0 -P.14.b.8.3.. P.15 a.2.3 -P.15.a.30. searched and swept.
- 2.40am. Area P.15.d. searched and swept.
- 2-50am. " P.14.d. central "
- 3.45am S.O.S. lines from S.O.S. plus 25 yds to S.O.S. plus 625 searched and swept.
- & S.O.S. plus 425 yds down to S.O.S. plus 25 yds

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds	& cal.
9am to 9-23am	I.30.c.& I.29.d.	8	77mm
9-20am.	I.29.c.		5.9
9-40 to 9-50am.	I.35.a.		77mm
9-45am.	BONNAY vicinity of		4.2 how.
10am to noon	ANCRE VALLEY Intermittent		5.9 how.
6-20	HILL 60. vicinity of	2	4.2
4-10 to 4-30 pm.	ROAD in I.29.d.	10	77mm from rear of BOIS de HAMEL.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Much Enemy Infantry between BOIS de ACCROCHE & HAMEL. Transport moving N.E. & S.W. along CERISY-MORCOURT Road.
 E.A's active during morning.
 10-30am. 1 E.A down in our forward area.
 Bombing machines passed to our back areas during evening and early morning.
 Artillery during day active ,quiet at night.

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APPENDIX RIGHT GROUP FIELD ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 19.

Headquarters.
16th May. 1918.

Reference Sheet 62 D. 1/20,000.

to night 16/17 May

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this Group with the exception of A/77 Battery, which will not fire this Task.

2. 9-45pm for 5 minutes - P.14.d.2.6.

2-10am. for 5 minutes.- P.16.b.0.0. to P.16.d.0.0.

3.5am. for 5 minutes - TRENCH P.9.c.0.8. to P.9.a.7.0.

3-40am. for 5 minutes - P.9.c.5.5.- P.9.c.8.7.

4.10am. for 2 minutes - C.P. TARGETS,
WORKS West of BOIS de VAIRE from P.14.b.75.50
to P.14.d.3.5.

3. Rates of fire:-

3 rounds per gun per minute.
2 rounds per how. " "

AMMUNITION:-

75% "A" - 25% "AX". 4.5" Hows. "BX".

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Smiles

Lieut & Adjut.

RIGHT GROUP Field Artillery.

Distribution.

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3. 51st " 4. 113th "

5. A/77 " 6. C/77 "

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9. Liaison Officer. 10. File. 11.12.13. War Diary.

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13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 16/5/18 to 6am 17/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

- 9-45pm Area P.14.d. 2.6 fired on.
- 2-10am. " P.16.b.0.0 to P.16.d.0.0 fired on.
- 3-5am. TRENCH from P.9.c.0.8 to P.9.a.7.0 "
- 3-40am Area P.9.c.5.5 to P.9.c.8.7 fired on
- 4-10am Counter-preparation put down and WORKS West of BOIS de VAIRE from P.14.b.75.50 to P.14.d. 3.5 fired on

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal	Remarks.
7-45am	HAMELET	30 4.2	from direction of BOIS de ACQUIRE
8-10am	BRICK WORKS in I.24		fired on by Heavy gun
8-30am	CANAL in I.30 & I.36	77mm	from direction of HAMEL.
"	edge of CORBIE		HwE. & shrap.
9am to 9-48am	BRICK WORKS in I.29.a.	4.2	E.A's apparently observing.
10-30am	CANAL in I.30. & I.36	77mm	
11-15am to 2-30pm.	CORBIE	5.9 & 4.2	from direction of CERISY & FLAT IRON COPSE.
	0.16 Intermittent shelling during evening	5.9	
8-10pm.	0.17.b	4.2	shrap.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

1 E.A. brought down at 4pm.
 E.A. active during day.
 Aerial activity above normal.
 Artillery activity normal.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 2

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Headquarters,
17th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62 d. 1/20,000.

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this Group to-night 17/18th May 1918, with the exception of C/77 Battery, which will not fire these Tasks.
2. 10-5pm. for 2 minutes - Search and sweep line - P.14.d.50.92 to P.14.d.62.84.
 10-15pm for 2 minutes - 49th and 113th Batteries - Battery positions at P.22.d.04.99 and P.22.d.25.89.
 50th Battery - P.22.b.49.32.
 51st & A/77 Bty. - P.17.c.22.13.
- 11-10pm. for 6 minutes - Search line - P.15.c.central to P.15.central.
- 2-30am. for 5 minutes - Sweep TRENCH at - P.15.b.7.9.
- 3am. for 6 minutes - 49th and 50th Batteries, Search and sweep P.9.b.HAMMEL.
 51st & A/77 Bty. Search and sweep - P.10.a.HAMMEL.
 113th Battery - Search and sweep ROADS in P.9.a & P.10.a.

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4-5am. Search and sweep from S.O.S. plus 225 yards to S.O.S. plus 25 yards - for duration of 5 minutes.

The wind being favourable the 113th Battery will fire gas on the 10-15 pm. task.

3. Rates of fire. :-

3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " how. " "

AMMUNITION.

18-pdrs 60% "A" 40% "AX". 4.5" Hows. "BX".

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 17/5/18 to 6am 18/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

10-5pm. Line P.14.d.50.93 to P.14.d.62.84 searched and swept.
 10-15pm. Hostile Battery positions at P.22.d.04.99 & P.22.d.23.98
 " " " " P.22.b.49.32 & P.17.c.22.13
 " " " " were fired on.

11-10pm. Line P.15.c.entral to P.15.central searched.
 2-30am. TRENCH at P.15.b.7.9 swept.
 3am. P.9.b. HAMEL searched and swept.
 P.10.a. HAMEL searched and swept.
 ROADS in P.9.a. P.10.a. searched and swept by 4.5" hows.
 4.5am From S.O.S. plus 225 yds to S.O.S. plus 25 yds searched
 and swept.

<u>HOSTILE SHELLING.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>No. of rnds & cal</u>		<u>Remarks.</u>
8-30am.	CORBIE near Ch.		5.9	
6-45am to				
10-18am.	O.10.c. 9.3	110.	4.2., 5.9	H.E.
8-30am.	O.10.c.	15	77mm	
9am.	P.1.c.	50.	4.2	
1 pm.	J.34.	6	5.9	
1-50 &				
2-30pm.	O.10.c.	8	77mm	
2pm. to 2-30.	O.17.a.	100	4.2	
			77mm	
			18-prds	
3-10pm.	O.10.c. 9.3.	6	4.2 how	H.E.
8-30pm to				
8-45	O.11.b.	60.	4.2	
9pm to				
9-15pm.	O.15.c.	40.	4.2 gas shell	
3am to 3-15am	O.15.c.	20	4.2	" "

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

E.A's active throughout day.
 11-20am. 1 E.A. brought down by our airmen in P.19.c. (plane
 broken in halves.)
 11-40am. Large dump in P.33.a. was fired by bombs from Aeroplanes.
 E.A's active bombing during evening.
 Artillery very active.
 Very little movement observed.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 21.

Headquarters,
18th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62 d. 1/20,000.

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this GROUP to-night 18/19th May 1918. :-

9-10pm. for duration of 2 minutes. TRENCH P.14.b.55.05.- P.14.b.75.04.

4-5am. for duration of 7 minutes.- S.O.S. plus 100 yards to S.O.S. plus 600 yds.
then - S.O.S. plus 400 yds. to S.O.S. plus 200 yds.

lifting & dropping 100 yards every min. dropping 200 yards every min.

2. Rates of fire :-

3 rounds per gun per min.
2 " " how. " "

AMMUNITION.

18-prds. 60% "A" - 40% "AX". 4.5" Hows. "BX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 22.

Headquarters,
18th May 1918.

Reference Sheet 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. To create a diversion, a "Chinese" attack will take place by the 5th Aust. Divisional Artillery Group on the night 18/19th May 1918.
Task Tables for Batteries of this Group is attached.
2. At ZERO a box barrage will be fired on enemy posts from P.20. central to "T" Roads at P.8.d.7.1..
In addition to the above task a creeping barrage will also be fired from P.15.a.0.0. to P.15.c.0.0. and will creep West lifting 100 yards every 5 minutes.
3. Rates of fire :-

ZERO to Zero plus 4	- (	3 rounds per gun per min
	1	2 " " how " "
ZERO plus 4 to Z plus 20.	- (	2 " " gun " "
	1	" how. " "
ZERO plus 20	-	Cease fire.
4. AMMUNITION:- 18-pdrs. 60% "A" 40% "AX". 4.5" Hows. "BX".
ZERO hour will be 2am 19th inst.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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TASK 1. STANDING BARRAGE.

Battery .	Time.	
51st	ZERO to	P.20.central to P.20.b. central
	Z plus 20.	
50th	,	P.20.b. central to P.15.c.0.0.

TASK 2. CREEPING BARRAGE.

C/77 Bde.	<i>Zero to Z plus 20</i>	from P.15.c.0.0. to P.15.c.00.50.
A/77 "	"	from P.15.c.00.50 to P.15.a.00.00.
49th Bty.	"	P.15.c.0.0. to P.15.a.00.00.
113th "	"	Do. Do.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from Cam 18/5/19 to Cam 19/5/18.

OPERATIONS. The following operations were carried out 18/19th May :-

9-10pm. for 2 minutes. TRENCH at P.14.b.55.05.
P.14.b.75.04.
4.5am. " 7 " S.O.S. plus 100 yds to S.O.S.
plus 600.
then S.O.S. plus 400 yds to S.O.S.
plus 200 yds

Rates of fire :-
3 rounds a gun per min.
2 " how. " "

"Chinese attack"
at 2am on 19th inst Zero hour.

At Zero hour a box barrage will be fired on enemy Posts
from P.20.central to "T" Roads at P.8.d.7.1.
A Creeping barrage will also be fired from P.15.a.o.o. to
P.15.c.o.o. and will creep East lifting 100 yds
every 5 minutes.

Rates of fire:- Zero to Z plus 4 :- (3 rnds a gun per min.
(2 " how. " "
Zero plus 4 to Z plus 20. (2 rnds per gun per min
(1 " " how. " "

Zero plus 20, cease fire.

TASK TABLE. for above.
51st Bty. Zero to Z plus 20.
50th " " "

STANDING BARRAGE.
P.20.central to P.20.b.central
P.20.b.central to P.15.c.o.o.

C/77 Bde. "
A/77 " "
49th Bty. "
113th " "

CREEPING BARRAGE.
from P.15.c.o.o. to P.15.c.00.05
" P.15.c.00.50 to P.15.a.00.00.
" P.15.c.o.o. to P.15.a.00.00.
do. do.

10am. 10-18am
& 10-45am 18-pdrs and 4-5" hows. engaged Hostile Battery positions
in P.22.d.04.99.
12 noon Fire opened on Infantry in P.15.b. which was quickly scattered
6-10pm to 2am Regular intervals between these times harrassing fire carried
out on BOIS de MAIRE, ROADS and TRENCHES.
4-5am Creeping barrage opened as shewn in above operation.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	Location	No. of rnds	& cal.
8-30am	CORBIE, near Ch.		5.9
do	0.17.a.4.3	15	77mm Bty.
9-5am to 11am	0.11.c. heavy shelling on flat)	10	5.9
		) 30	4.2
		) 50	77 mm
1.p.m.	I.34	6	5.9
1-50pm.	0.10.c.	8	77mm
2pm. to 2-30	0.17.a.35.20 vicinity of ROAD	15	77mm
3-30pm.	0.17.b.	20.	77mm
4-20.	I.29.a.	15	77mm
5.45pm.	0.11.c.	20.	77mm
6-30 pm.	I.29.a.	20.	77mm
7-15 to 7-30pm.	0.17a.	about 20 (gas)	77mm

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ENEMY ATTITUDE.

From 6am to 8am

11-25am.

5pm to 6am.

E.A's were active over our Front system but were mostly driven off by A.A.fire, otherwise quiet during day. Men were seen moving singly from BOIS de PAMEL to Ridge behind P.16.a. Slight movement of hostile Infantry in P.16.a. During evening E.A.were active but no bombs were heard. Artillery throughout period, normal.

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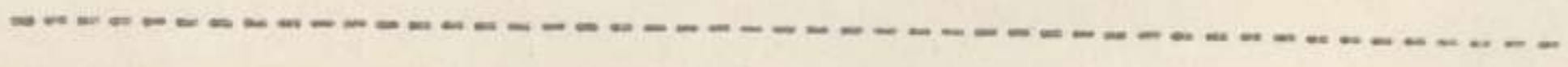
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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - DISPOSITION RETURN, 18/5/18

		<u>Forward W.L.</u>	<u>Wagon Lines.</u>
48th Headquarters.	0.10.a. central		H.29.a. 85.45
49th Battery -	0.10.c. 9.3	0.2.a. 9.3	H.36.a.8.9
50th "	0.16.a.90.32	0.9.a.8,2	N.10.c.20.30.
51st "	0.17.a.45.33	0.2.c.3.7	N.5.d.65.10.
113th "	0.10.a.85.85	0.10.a. 80.90.	H.29.a.8.5
A/77 -	0.17.d.65.95 (3 guns) 0.17.c.8.1 (1 " 0.17.d.20.25. (1 ")	0.2.c.40.90.	H.28.d.8.5
C/77 -	0.17.b.18.46	0.2.c.1.5	H.28.d.5.5



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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS No. 10.

Reference Sheet 62 d. S.E. S.W. 1/20,000

Headquarters,
18th May 1918.

~~Reference Instructions No. 7.~~ 3.

1. S.O.S. Lines are altered and now read as follows:-

51st Battery - P.20.c.90.90. to P.14.c.70.00. to P.14.c.80.25.

50th " - P.14.c.80.25.- P.14.d.00.70.-R.14.b.30.40. to P.14.b.35.55.

49th " - P.14.b.35.55. to P.8.d.60.30. to P.8.d.85.65.

A/77 Bde. - Superimposed on above lines as follows:-
P.20.c.9.9. to P.14.c.70.00 to P.14.d.00.70.

C/77 " - Superimposed on above lines as follows:-
P.14.d.00.70. to P.8.d.60.30. to P.8.d.85.65.

- 113th Battery - 1 How. - P.20.b.20.15
- 1 " - P.20.b.40.70.
- 1 " - P.14.d.65.20.
- 1 " - P.14.b.40.00.
- 1 " - P.14.b.90.25.
- 1 " - P.15.a.40.60.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Lieut & Adj. Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 23.

Headquarters,
19th May 1918.

Scale:

Reference Sheet 62 d. 1/20,000.

1. The following tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this GROUP to-night 19/20th May 1918, with the exception of 49th Battery, which will not participate in the following tasks:-
2. 8-39pm. Search from S.C.S. plus 100 to S.O.S. plus 600. for 5 minutes duration.
- 11-30pm. 51st Battery - Search ROAD from P.20.a.8.4 to extreme range for 3 minutes.
- " 50th " - Search ROAD from P.21.d.95.80. to P.22.a.10.35. for 3 minutes.
- " G/77 Bde - Search and sweep area from P.15.c.85.90 to P.15.d.00.55. to P.15.b.40.00. to P.15.b.20.20. for 3 minutes.
- " A/77 " - Search and sweep area from P.15.c.40.45 to P.15.c.55.80. to P.15.d.00.55 to P.15.c.35.75 to P.15.c.40.45. for 3 minutes.
- 1-45am for duration of 3 minutes.
- 51st Battery - Search and sweep WOOD from P.20.b.35.45 to P.14.d.20.00 to P.15.c.00.00 to P.21.a.00.10.
- 50th " - Search and sweep WOOD from P.14.d.20.00 to P.14.d.40.50. to P.15.c.00.50. to P.15.c.00.00
- A/77 Bde. - Search and sweep WOOD from P.14.d.40.50 to P.15.c.00.50. to P.15.a.00.30. to P.14.b.45.20.

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1-45am for 8 minutes (continued)

C/77 Bde. - Search and sweep Southern half of VAIRE WOOD

113th Battery - Search and sweep VAIRE WOOD .

2-37am for duration of 5 minutes:- As for tasks at 1-45 am.

3-58am for duration of 5 minutes.

C/77 Bde. - On Battery positions at P.22.d.04.90.

50th Battery)

51st) - On Battery positions at P.22.d.25.98.

A/77 Bde. - On Battery positions at P.17.e.22.13.

113th Battery - 1 Section on each of the above 3 targets.

3. The 113th Battery will fire Gas at the following times:-

1-45am. & 2-37am if wind is favourable, if wind unfavourable "BX" will be fired.

4. Rates of fire:-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per min.

4.5" hows. 2 rounds per how per min.

When firing gas 3 rounds per how. per min.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Recalls

Lieut & Adjt.

Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 19/5/18 to 6am 20/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

8-39pm. S.O.S lines plus 100 to S.O.S. plus 600 yds, searched for duration of 5 minutes.

11-30pm. Following ROADS searched for 3 minutes:-

P.20.a.8.4 to extreme range.

P.21.d.95.80 to P.22.a.10.35

Following areas searched and swept for 3 minutes.

P.15.c.85.90 to P.15.d.00.55 to P.15.b.40.00
to P.15.b.20.20.

P.15.c.40.45. to P.15.a.55.20.- to P.15.d.00.55
to P.15.c.85.75 to P.15.c.40.45.

1-45am VAIRE WOOD searched and swept for 8 minutes.

4.5" hows fired gas.

2-37am VAIRE WOOD searched and swept for 5 min.

4.5" hows fired gas.

3.58am. The following Hostile Battery Positions were fired on for 5 minutes:-

P.22.d.04.90

P.22.d.25.95.

P.17.c.22.13

No of rounds fired on above targets:-.

18-pdr. 2,000.

4.5" hows. 50 "BX" 240 gas.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.	Remarks.
6-15am	O.10.c.	6	77mm
7-30am.	VAIRE	4	4.2 how.
9-55 till			
10-26am	I.29.c.	20.	5.9 guns T.B. of 108 ⁰ from I.35.b. 85.85
10-30 till			
11-10am	"	30	"
11-25am	"	40	"
11-55am	"	30	" At noon firing from these guns ceased on 6" & 60 pdrs opening fire.
3-10 to 3-20	Guns again firing as above.		
10-50am	O.18.b. & d.	15	77mm H.E.
11-10am	HAMEDET in direction of	4	4.2 gun
1-30pm to			
2-15pm.	O.16.a. & b. Roads	30.	5.9
3pm to 4-45	O.10.c.	68	5.9 hows.
4-45 to 7.5	O.16.a. & b.	110	4.2's and 77mm.
6-15pm to 6-30pm.	O.17.b.	30.	5.9's
9 to 9-30pm.	O.18.a.	30.	H.E. & gas.
<u>Gas shelling.</u>			
6pm to 6-15		8	H.E. & gas
6-25pm.		30	" "
6-35pm.		15	" "
7-30pm.	O.16.a. & b.	40	" "
9pm. to 10pm.	O.18.a.	30	" "

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ENEMY ATTITUDE.

E.A's mostly flying high were very active throughout morning .
At 11-15am. 3 E.A's drove one of our planes down in O.II.a.
Movement during morning was obscured owing to heat haze.
E.A's again active during afternoon to evening.
At 6-35pm. 1 E.A. brought down by our planes S of BOIS L'ABBE
many planes engaged bombing during night.
Artillery throughout period was normal.

MOVEMENT.

1-20pm. Working party of 7 men engaged by 18-pdrs and dispersed.
2-50pm. Working party at P.15.a.9.6 were engaged and dispersed
with casualties by 4.5" hows.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 24.

Headquarters,
20th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d.1/20,000.

1. The following tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this Group to-night 20/21st May 1918, with the exception of 50th Battery

9-30pm. for duration of 2 minutes.

49th & 51st Batteries - Search and sweep WORKS from P.14. b.9.6 to P.15.a.10.15.

A/77 & C/77

- Search and sweep area at P.15.c.00.00.

113th Battery - 3 hours on each of the above.

10-30pm for duration of 1 minute,

All Batteries - Search and sweep area at P.15.c,90.30.

11-20pm. for duration of 3 minutes.

51st Bty. & C/77 - Search WARFUSSEE-ABANCOURT-FOUILLOY ROAD from P.20.b.00.20. to extreme range.

49th Bty & A/77 - Search ROADS from P.22.a.00.00. to P.13.c.17.

113th Battery - One Section on each of the above Tasks and One Section Search and sweep a line from P.15.d.50.30. to P.15.d.10.40.

11-40pm for duration of 2 minutes.

As for Task at 11-20pm.



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12-15am for duration of 1 minute.

All Batteries Search and sweep Area at P.15.central.

1-45am for duration of 2 minutes.

51st Battery - Search and sweep WOOD at P.20.b.35.45. to P.14.d.20.00. to P.15.c.00.00 to P.21.a.00.40.

49th Battery - Search and sweep WOOD from P.14.d.20.00. to P.14.d.40.50. to P.15.c.00.50. to P.15.c.00.00.

A/77 - Search and sweep WOOD from P.14.d.40.50 to P.15.c.00.50. to P.15.a.00.30. to P.14.d.45.20.

C/77 - Search and sweep Southern half of VAIRE WOOD.

113th Battery - Search and sweep VAIRE WOOD.

2am for duration of 1 minute.

All Batteries search and sweep area at P.16.a.80.45.

2-15am for duration of 2 minutes.

C/77 &)
51st Bty.) - Search and sweep P.15.a.

A/77)
49th Bty) - Search and sweep P.9.d.

113th Battery - Search and sweep P.9.d.- P.15.a.



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2-32am for duration of 1 minute.
All Batteries Search and sweep Area at P.10.c.45.50.

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2-45pm for duration of 2 minutes.
49th Bty &)
A/77) - Search and sweep P.15.c.

C/77 &)
51st Bty) - Search and sweep P.21.a.

113th Battery - Search and sweep P.15.c. & P.21.a.

3-15pm. for duration of 2 minutes.
As for Task at 1-45am.

3-20am. for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries Concentration No.3.

The 113th How. Battery will fire gas on targets times for
1-45am, 2-15am, 2-45am and 3-15am if wind is favourable,
otherwise "BX" will be fired.

2. Rates of fire :- 18-pdr 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 " " how " " for "BX"
" " 3 " " " " " when firing gas shell

3. Ammunition. 18-pdrs 60% "A" 40% "AX"
ACKNOWLEDGE.

Robert Lieut & Adj. Lt.
Right Group Arty.

Distribution.
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3.51st " 4.113th "
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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 20/5/18 to 6am 21/5/18

OPERATIONS.

- 9-30pm. WORKS from P.14.b. 9.6 to P.15.a.10.15 searched and swept. AREAS at P.15.c.00.00
- 10-30pm AREA at P.15.c.90.30 searched & swept.
- 11-20pm. WARFUSSEE-ARANCOURT-FOUILLOY ROAD searched from P.20.b.00.20 to extreme range. ROADS searched from P.22.a.00.00 to P.16.c.17. 4.5" hows. searched and swept from P.15.d.50.30 to P.15.d.10.40.
- 11-40pm. As above - 11-20 task.
- 12-15am. AREA at P.16. central searched and swept.
- 1-45am. WOOD Searched and swept P.20.b. to P.14.d. to P.15.c. to P.21.a.
Southern half of VAIRE WOOD
4.5" hows. searched and swept VAIRE WOOD.
- 2am. AREA at P.16.a.30.45 searched and swept.
- 2-15am Following areas searched and swept:-
P.15.a. - P.9.d.- P.9.d. - P.15.a.
- 2-32am. Area at P.10.c.45.50 searched and swept.
- 2-45am. Following areas searched and swept:-
P.15.c. - P.21.a. P.15.c. & P.21.a.
- 3-15am. WOOD searched and swept as at 1-45.
- 3-20am. Concentration No.3. G.P. Scheme. *was put down on Vaire Wood*
- 11am (20th) Hostile battery at P.24.c.80.10 fired on. *silenced*

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal	Remarks.
6am to 9am.	CORBIE	15. 4.2 & H.V.	
10-30am	"	6	
8-25am	P.19.a.		10.5cm How lightly 103° T.B. fr P.13.a.1.1
9am	P.13.b.		10.5cm lightly
8-30am to 4-30pm.	do.		do.
	O.10.c. and O.11.c.	approx. 300	10-5cm hows on T.B. 108° from O. b.35.10.
8-15pm to 8-20pm. & 8-30pm to 8-50pm	O.17.b.	50	Air bursts.
4pm.	I.29.a. & c.	30	4.2 from directio of BOIS de ARQ AIRE
6-45pm.	I.29.b. & d.	12	77mm H.E. & gas.
7-10pm	Do.		do.
7-45pm			
7-55pm			
8-10pm.			

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	Location	No. of rnds & cal.
4-30am to 4-45am	O.17.c. & d.	20. 4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

During early hours of day E.A's were very active
10-30 am one was observed to crash between VILLERS BRETONNEUX
and BOIS d' ABBE.
Between 8 & 9pm two E.A's patrolled at a low altitude over our
front system.
E.A's were very active from 10pm to midnight and at 4am
Artillery activity has been above normal.

MOVEMENT

9pm.

Party in P.15.c.85.55 fired on. party effectively dispersed.

Visibility during day was poor owing to heavy ground mist
but improved about midday.

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RIGHT GROUP AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY.

-----INSTRUCTIONS No.11.-----

Headquarters,
21st May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. The following instructions and extracts are issued for guidance of all concerned.
All Officers and N.C.O's should be acquainted with positions affecting them.
These instructions do not in any way alter "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, or the other instructions which have already been issued.

2. This Group covers a portion of the 14th Aust. Infantry Brigades front from P.19 central to P.8.c.central.
Our front line is as shewn on maps and tracings issued from time to time.

3. S.O.S. LINES.
S.O.S. lines are at present as follows:- These lines will alter if our front line be changed.

51st Battery - P.20.c.90.90.-to P.14.c.70.00. to P.14.c.80.25.

50th " - P.14.c.80.25 - P.14.d.00.70.-P.14.b.30.40 to P.14.b.35.55.

49th " - P.14.b.35.55. to P.8.d.60.30.-to P.8.d.85.65.

W 7/77 Bde - Superimposed on above lines as follows:-
P.20.c.9.9. to P.14.c.70.00. to P.14.d.00.70.

C 4/77 " - Superimposed on above lines as follows:-
P.14.d.00.70. to P.8.d.60.30. to P.8.d.85.65.

113th Battery - 1 How. - P.20.b.20.15.
1 " - P.20.b.40.70.
1 " - P.14.d.65.20.
1 " - P.14.b.40.00.
1 " - P.14.b.90.25.
1 " - P.15.a.40.60.

Rates of fire on S.O.S. call are as follows:- or how.

(a) First 8 minutes 4 rounds per gun/per minute.
Second 7 minutes 3 rounds per gun or how. per minute.
All cease-fire at the end of 15 minutes. If the S.O.S. signal is repeated after the opening of fire the maximum rate of fire will be reverted to and the procedure will be as above.

(b) The usual S.O.S. Guard will always be posted and pointers will be erected shewing inter Group boundaries and Battery Zones.

(c) The present signal for S.O.S. barrage is a rifle grenade opening into three white lights above each other, suspended by a parachute. This signal is altered periodically.
In addition, the S.O.S. signal may be given by bugle calls consisting of groups of three "G's" repeated at intervals until answered.

(d) TANK S.O.S. signals will be sounded in groups of six "G's" and repeated until answered.
Bugle calls are intended for use in foggy weather.

4. DISPOSITIONS.

Dispositions are as follows:-

Battery.	Battery position.	Wagon Lines.	Limber lines
49th Battery.	0.10.b.1.5 0.10.b.1.98 (1 gun)	H.36.a.8.9	0.2.a.9.3
50th "	- 0.16.a.90.32.	N.15.d.55.75	0.8.c.70.90.
51st -	- 0.17.a.25.65	N.5.d.90.05	0.1.d.5.5
113th "	- 0.4.a.90.65	H.29.a.8.5	I.34.c.45.30.
A/77	- 0.17.d.65.95 (4 guns) 0.17.c.8.1 (1 ") 0.17.d.20.35 (1 ")	H.28.d.8.3	0.2.c.40.90
G/77	- 0.17.b.18.46	H.28.d.5.5	0.2.c.1.5

5. DUTIES.

Each O.P. will be manned from 4am to 9pm.
O.P's at present are used as follows:-

Right O.P. at P.13.a.1.1 by (51st Bty. &
(G/77

I.35.b.90.80 by (49th Bty &
(113th "

(50th Bty &
(A/77.

Liaison Officers are detailed as follows:-

One at 14th Inf. Bde. H.Qrs at 0.5.c.65.80.
One " Right Battn. " 0.17.a.20.10.
One " Centre " " 0.12.b.90.30.

Battalion Liaison Officers in the event of an attack, will automatically become Reconnaissance Officers, and will keep 13th Aust. F.A. Brigade H.Qrs., informed of the situation.

Additional runners will be supplied by Batteries as required by these Officers.

6. AMMUNITION.

Ammunition supply will be from D.A.C. to Battery Wagon Lines and the following quantities will be maintained at Battery positions

300 rounds per gun - 60% "A" - 40% "AX"
250 " " how.

The 113th How. Battery will in addition, maintain 300 rounds of Gas - 50% each of "BNC" and "BCBR".

All Limbers and Wagons are to be kept filled.

DUMPS. Dispositions of rear dumps are as follows:-

H.16.d.5.0. and G.36.c.4.8

A closed Corps Dump is situated in the wood at G.24.b.5.7

7. LINES OF DEFENCE.

Lines of rear defences are as shewn on maps issued, the latest of which is sheet 62.d. S.W. 1/20,000 edition A, local, issued to Batteries.

Withdrawals, if necessary are to be by echelon.

The instructions contained in Sheet 1 of "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme are to be known to all concerned.

Should a withdrawal be necessary it is probable that the most advanced Batteries will move first, the other Batteries covering their withdrawal.

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Positions have been selected for the defence of the AUBIGNY line by Batteries of 13th Aust. F.A. Brigade as follows:-

49th Battery	-	N.16.d.80.80.
50th "	-	N.15.d.80.90.
51st "	-	N.15.b.90.70.
113th "	-	N.17.c.70.50 -(2 hows)
		N.16.c.10.80 (4 ")

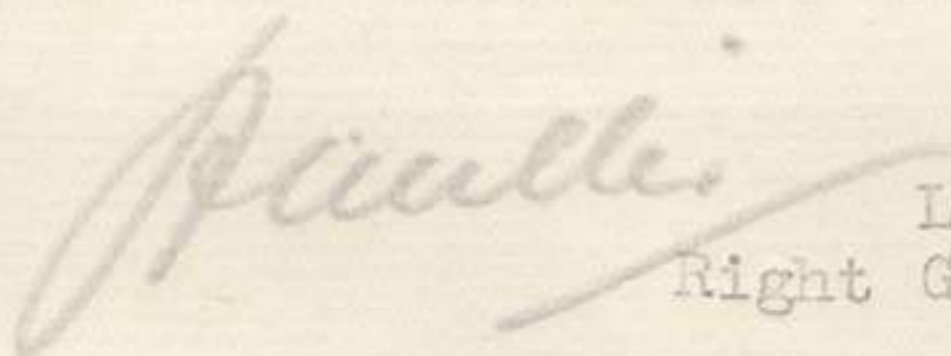
Positions have also been selected for A/77 and C/77 Bde Batteries but on taking up these positions the 77th Brigade Batteries come under their own Brigade H.Qrs for actual control and therefore leave this Group.

Batteries will probably be required to support each other if this move takes place, and may therefore occupy several positions, between their present positions and those mentioned above, it is therefore imperative that all Officers at least, are sufficiently acquainted with the Country on both sides of the SOMME, to be able to come into action in a suitable position without waiting to reconnoitre when the time comes to move.

For the defence of the QUERRIEU BLANGY-TRONVILLE System Positions for Batteries of the 13th Aust. F.A. Brigade will be taken up in M.11.b. and M.12.a.

All the above positions and routes should be known to all Officers, N.C.O's and lead Drivers.

Tracing shewing bridges to be used in case of a withdrawal are issued herewith.



Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Aust. F. Arty.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 25.

Headquarters,
21st May 1918.

Reference Sheet S.E. & S.W. 62.d.1/20,000.

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this Group to-night 21/22nd May 1918, with the exception of the 51st Battery.

9-35pm. for duration of 2 minutes.
On hostile Battery position at P.16.a.95.60.

10-30pm for duration of 5 minutes.
On Dump at P.9.c.65.65. P.9.c.55.45.

11-45pm. for duration of 5 minutes.
On Dump at P.21.a.55.50. - P.21.a.55.70

2am. for duration of 3 minutes.
On Dump P.21.b.90.10 .-P.21.b.90.00.

3-10am. for duration of 4 minutes.
S.O.S. plus 500 yds. to S.O.S. plus 100 yds.

3-55am for duration of 5 minutes,
18-prd Batteries - on P.15.c.0.0. to P.15.d.0.0
4.5" Hows - " P.15.c.8.6.

The 113th Battery will fire gas on task timed for 3-55am if wind is favourable, otherwise "BX" will be fired.



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2. Rates of fire :-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per min.
 4.5" hows. 2 rounds per how. per min.
 " " 3 " " " " " " when firing gas.

AMMUNITION.

18-pdrs 60% "A" - 40% "AX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Distribution.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY.INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 21/5/18 to 6am 22/5/18.

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OPERATIONS.

9-35pm. Our Batteries fired on Hostile Battery position at P.16.a.95.60

10-30pm. " " fired on Dump at P.9.c.65.65 - P.9.c.55.45.

11-45 " " " Dump P.21.a.55.50 - P.21.a.55.70.

2am. " " " " P.21.b.90.10 - P.21.b.90.00.

3.10am. S.O.S. plus 500 yds to S.O.S. plus 100 yds

3-55am 18-pdr Batteries fired on P.15.c.0.0 to P.15.d.0.0
4.5" hows " " P.15.c.8.6

4.5" hows. fired gas at 3-55am.

10-30am (21st)
10-45am)
10-55am)
11-15am) Suspected hostile Battery positions
11-30am) at P.16.central & P.16.a.90.45 were
12-5pm) bombarded for 2 minutes at each of
2-15pm) these times.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.	Remarks.
6-15am to 6-30am	0.17.c.	15	4.2 how.
8am to 8-30am	0.17.c.	15.	4.2 "
10-30 to 12 noon.	0.16.b. heavily shelled	300 (approx)	5.9
5-43pm to 7-15 pm	0.17.a.& b.	20	4.2 HoV.
		20	gas.
5-40pm.	0.10.a. & b.	15	5.9
5-35pm to 5-50pm.	0.9.c. & d.	60	4.2 H.V.
5-40 & 6pm.	I.36.c.		77mm from direction of BOIS de HAMEL
5-45pm and 6-10pm.	Front System		77mm from direction of ACCROUCHE were apparently silenced by our Heavies at 7-15pm.
6-15pm to 6-20pm.	0.12.c. & d.		4.2 H.V.
6.30 to 6.45pm	0.15.b. & d.	60.	4.2 H.V. & gas.
7pm to 7-15pm	0.12.a. & b.	50	77mm gas.
10.25pm. to 10-30 and 10-45pm to 11pm.	0.12.c.	50	77mm gas.
11pm to 11-15.	0.17. c. & d.	10	4.2
5-45am	0.17.c.	5	77mm

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ENEMY ATTITUDE.

E.A's were over our areas at frequent intervals throughout morning.

One enemy balloon was up at 8-40am - T.B. 125° from O.10.c.95.35.

E.A's passed over our areas bombing from 10pm to midnight. Artillery activity above normal.

MOVEMENT.

At 7-35 & 7-49pm. fire opened on working parties in P.14.d. 50.60 & P.21.a...-parties dispersed.

9.pm. Working party in P.15.c.40.60 successfully engaged & several casualties inflicted.

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Lieut. *Bozjak*

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 26.

Headquarters,
22nd May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & E.W. 62.d.1/20,000.

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by Batteries of this Group to-night 22nd/23rd May 1918, with the exception of A/77.

9-30pm. for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries search and sweep suspected Dug-out area
from P.14.d.9.1. to P.14.d.9.5.-
P.14.d.95.35.

11-15pm. for duration of 3 minutes.

51st Battery	}	- Search WARFUSSEE ABANCOURT FOUILLOY ROAD
C/77		
113th Bty. 1 Sec.	)	from P.20.b.00.20. to extreme range.

49th Bty	}	- Search ROADS from P.22.a.00.00 to P.16.c.1-7
50th " &		
113th " 1 Sec.)		

12 mid-night for duration of 2 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep TRENCH at P.10.d.35.45 -
P.10.d.30.40.

2-5am for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep WORK at P.20.b.15.35.



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3-15am for duration of 3 minutes.

49th Battery - Search and sweep WORKS at P.14.b.65.45-
P.14.d.35.95.

50th " } - " " " " P.14.d.35.95 -
G/77 " " " " P.14.d.30.75.

51st " " 2 " " P.14.d.20.75 to
P.14.d.2.3.

113th Battery - 1 Section on each of the above 3 targets.

4-5am for duration of 6 minutes.

All Batteries - From S.O.S. plus 700 to S.O.S. plus 300. then
" S.O.S. plus 150 to S.O.S. plus 350.
Dropping or lifting 100 yards each minute.

2. Rates of fire:- 18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 " " " " for "BX"
" " 3 " " " " when firing gas.

AMMUNITION :- 18-pdrs 60" "A" - 40" "AX". 4.5" hows. will fire gas
at 9-30pm., 2-5am., and 3-15am. if wind favourable,
otherwise "BX" will be fired.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Distribution.
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-----OPERATIONS.

- 9-30pm. Dug-outs searched and swept at P.14.d.9.1. to P.14.d.9.5 -
P.14.d.95. 35.
- 11-15pm WARFUSSEE-ABANCOURT-FOUILLOY ROAD searched from P.20.b.00.20. to
extreme range.
ROADS from P.22.a.00.00. to P.16.c.1.7 searched.
- 12 midnight TRENCH at P.10.d.35.45. P.10.d.30.40. searched and swept.
- 2-5am. WORK at P.20.b.15.85 searched and swept.
- 3-15am. WORKS at P.14.b.65.45 - P.14.d.35.95 searched and swept.
" P.14.d.35.95 - P.14.d.20.75 " " "
" P.14.d.20.75 to P.14.d.2.3 " " "
- 4.5am From S.O.S. plus 700 yds to S.O.S. plus 300 yds
& " S.O.S. plus 150 to S.O.S. plus 350. These lines
were fired on for 6 minutes.
- 6-15am(22nd) In answer to NF call hostile Battery at P.17.a.85.50 was
engaged
- 3-30pm. Opened fire on hostile Battery at P.20.b.8.95. Infantry
O.P. report 2 enemy killed.
- 8pm.)
8-15pm)
8-50pm) Fire opened on P.14.d.95.25 - reported casualties observed.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.
6-10 am to 6-42. 7am	HAMELET VAIRE	20 4.2 how. S.B. 115° from I.35.b.95.80.
6-30am. 6-45am 7-55am	WOOD in O.16.b. O.10.d. ROAD along I.29.a. I.35.b.	5 5 77mm gas
8-30am	HAMELET	8 4.2 how. 6 4.2 " On S.B. of 130° from I.35.b. 95.80.
8am. 10am to 10-15. 11 to 12-45	O.10.c. O.9.c. O.16.a.	14 77mm 15 5.9
1-40 to 3-45.	O.10.c.	approx. 400 5.9 130
noon to 12-30pm. 7-45am to 12-45am	O.10.c. P.13.a.	30 5.9 approx. 150 4.2 & 77mm
3-25pm. 5-50pm. 2-45 to 3-15pm. 5-45 pm &) 10-45pm)	VAIRE I.29.d. O.16.b. O.16.b. lightly shelled at intervals between these times. O.17.b. Bursts of fire during evening	10 4.2 how. 10 4.2 " 10 5.9 about 6 H.E.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

At intervals between 6am and 2-15pm. E.A's over our lines.
At 5pm. several men seen to enter VAIRE WOOD.
9 to 11pm. E.A. were bombing over our areas. 5am. Seven E.A.
over our lines. 6am. this morning enemy carried out balloon obsern.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 28.

Headquarters,
23rd May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62 d. 1/20,000.

1. The following Tasks will be carried out by all Batteries of this Group to-night 23/24th May 1918.

9-47pm for duration of 3 minutes.
All Batteries Concentration No.3.

11-3 pm. for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries Search and sweep BOIS DE HAMEL.

12-33am. for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries C.P. Scheme PHASE 2 - 5.I.D.

2-5am for duration of 3 minutes.
All Batteries Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d. 20.25. to P.14.b.7.4.

2-47am for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries Search and sweep from S.O.S. plus 375 to S.O.S. plus 75. then S.O.S. plus 525 to S.O.S. plus 325. Dropping 100 yards each minute.

3-38am for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries C.P. Scheme PHASE 2 - 5.I.c.

The 113th Battery will fire gas shell on the 11-3pm Task if wind in favourable, otherwise "BX" will be fired.

2. Rates of fire:-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.8" hows. 2 " " how " " for "BX"
" " 3 " " " " " when firing gas shell.

Ammunition:-

18-pdrs - 60% "A" - 40% "AX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 23/5/18 to 6am 24/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

- 9-47pm Concentration No.3. was put down.
- 11-3pm. BOIS de HAMEL searched and swept.
- 12-33am. Counterpreparation Scheme, PHASE 2 was put down. 5I.D.
- 2-5am WORKS from P.14.d.20.25 to P.14.b.7.4 searched and swept.
- 2-47am. S.O.S. lines plus 375 yds to S.O.S. plus ~~XXX~~⁷⁵ yrs. then S.O.S. plus 525 yds to S.O.S. plus 325 yds, searched and swept.
- 3-38am Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 2 - 5.I.C. was put down.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds	& cal.	Remarks.
7-40 am to 7-50 am	0.12.c.	6	4.2	H.V.
7-45 am to 7-50am	"	4	4.2.	H.V.
8-10 am & 9-15am	0.11.c. & 0.11.a.	10	5.9.	from M.B. of 107° from I.35.b 85.90
	"	12	77mm	"
	"	3		gas
	"	12		"
8-10am to 9am.	0.17.b. & d.	20	4.2	how. From M.B. 115° from I.35 b.85.90.
4-30pm	0.17.b.	6	77mm	
5pm	"	12	"	
6pm	"	6	"	
5-30pm	"	12	"	
5pm.	0.11.c.	2	5.9	
8-25pm	0.15.b.	5	5.9	
12-40am	"	3	5.9	
9pm to 9-10pm.	0.10.b.	4	4.2	gas.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

4am to 10am -E.A's active over our forward areas.
 8am. One of our planes was brought down in vicinity of enemy lines by hostile airmen.
 4am to 9e40am. 5 hostile balloons were up on M.B's of 96° 98° 120° 117° & 108° from I.35.b.85.90.
 E.A's overhead during night.

MOVEMENT.

Throughout morning slight movement of small parties, 2 & 4 men in P.10.b. & d and P.15
 7-40am - working party in P.15.c.8.6 were dispersed by our fire.
 1-45pm - Small working party in P.15.b.6.6. effectively disperse
 7-45pm to 8-15pm - Fire openen on traffic on WARFUSSEE-ABANCOURT ROAD - 1 G.S.Wagon and 2 Limbers destroyed, 2 other Limbers bolted across Country. No vehicles traffic observed on Road after shoot
 5-30pm - Fire opened on movement in P.10.d. & c. -unobserved.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY.

OPERATION ORDER No.29.

Headquarters,
24th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
24/25th May 1918.

9-50pm. for 2 minutes.

49th Battery - Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.b.65.45. to P.14.d.35.95.

50th Battery)
A/77) - Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.35.95. to P.14.d.20.75.

G/77)
51st Battery) - Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.20.75 to P.14.d.2.3.

113th Battery - 1 Section -Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.b.65.45. to P.14.d.35.95.

Do. - 1 Section -Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.35.95 to P.14.d.20.75.

Do. - 1 Section -Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.20.75. to P.14.d.2.3.

11-30pm. for 2 minutes.

51st Battery)
C/77) - Search WARFUSSEE-ABANCOURT
113th Battery 1 Sec.) FOUILLOY ROAD from P.20.b.00.20. to extreme range.

50th Battery - Search and sweep area from P.21.a.40.30. to P.21.a.60.25. to P.21.a.35.80. to P.21.a.60.85.

113th Battery - 1 Section Search and sweep area from P.21.a.40.30. to P.21.a.60.25. to P.21.a.35.80. to P.21.a.60.85.

A/77 - Search and sweep ROAD from P.17.a.80.00 to P.11.c.00.00.

49th Battery - Search and sweep TRACK from P.16.d.25.70. to P.16.c.80.35.

113th Battery - ~~1 Section Search and sweep ROAD from P.17.a.80.00 to P.11.c.00.00.~~

Do. - 1 Section - Search and sweep TRACK from P.16.d.25.70. to P.16.c.80.35

xRn. - ~~1 Section~~

11-40pm. for 2 minutes.

All Batteries repeat Task as laid down for 11-30pm.

2-15am for 10 minutes.

49th Battery & A/77,)
& 113th Battery) - Sweep TRENCH from P.10.b.60.80 to P.10.d.70.70.

50th Battery)
51st ") - Search and sweep BOIS de VAIRE.

3-5am. for 5 minutes.

All Batteries C.P. Scheme PHASE 2 - 5.J.A.

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3-25am for 5 minutes.
All Batteries Concentration No. 3.

3-55am for 5 minutes.
All Batteries Search from S.O.S. plus 600 to S.O.S.
plus 100.

2. Rates of fire :-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 " " how. " "

Ammunition:-

18-pdrs 60% "A" - 40% "AX".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

Distribution.

Issued to No. 1. 49th Bty No. 2. 50th Bty.
3. 51st " 4. 113th "
5. A/77 6. C/77

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9. File. 10. 11. 12. War Diary.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 24/5/18 to 6am 25/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

- 9-50pm. WORKS from P.14.b.65.45 to P.14.d.35.95 searched and swept.
- " " P.14.d.35-95 to P.14.d.20.75. " " "
- " " P.14.d.20.75 to P.14.d.2.3 " " "
- 11-30pm. WARFUSSEE ABANCOURT-ROUILLOY ROAD from P.20.b.00.20 to extreme range searched.
- AREA from P.21.a.40.30. to P.21.a.60.25. to P.21.a.35.80. to P.21.a.60.85 searched and swept.
- ROAD from P.17.a.80.00. to P.11.c.00.00 searched & swept.
- TRACK from P.16.d. 25.70 e to P.16.c.80.35 searched & swept.
- 11.40. Task as for 11-30pm repeated.
- 12-15am. Operation Order No.27 carried out as follows:-
 - P.16.b.75.35. to ~~P.16.d.80.85~~ P.22.b.60.00, this area was fired on for 15 minutes.
 - " Hostile Battery positions at:-
 - P.16.a.96.25.
 - P.22.d.04.99
 - P.17.c.22.13.
 - P.23.a.10.22.
 - P.22.d.25.98
 were fired on.
 - 4.5" hows fired gas into the Western edge of ACCROCHE WOOD from P.22.a. 70 30 to P.16.central.
- 2.15am. TRENCH from P.10.b.60.80. to P.10.d. 70.70. swept.
- BOIS de VAIRE searched and swept.
- 3-5am. Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 2. - 5.J.A. put down.
- 3-25am Concentration No. 3 put down.
- 5-55am. S.O.S. lines plus 600. to S.O.S. plus 100 searched

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.		
6-30am to 6-45am.	O.17.b.	12	77mm	) From T.B. 110° from C.17.b.18.40.
9-20am to 10-20am.	O.17.b. ROAD in	40	4.2	
11-15am	O.17.a.	4	4.2	
7-10am to 8-55am	P.13.a. & c O.18.d.	60	4.2	) From T.B. 101° from P.13.a.4.4
8am.	O.17.a.25.65	6	77mm	
10-10am. to 11am	P.13.a.. P.7.c. & O.18.d.	100	4.2	) From T.B. 102° from P.13.a.4.4
11pm. 4pm.	O.11.c. O.17.b.	5 4	5.9 77mm	
10-30pm. to 10-45pm.	CORBIE	20	5.9	
11pm to 11-10.	O.17.c. & d.	12	4.2	

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11-50pm.	0.17.b.	6	4.2
12am.	0.11.a.	16	gas
1- to 2-30am.	0.11.c.	5	5.9
	0.16.b.	5	5.9.
	AUBIGNY	5	5.9
6am.	0.17.b.	12	77mm

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

6am to 7-30am. 5 E.A.'s were over our forward areas but were driven off by A.A. fire.

During early morning Enemy Infantry with packs were moving in pairs into Trench in P.10.b.1.2.

9am. Our 4.5" hows fired 12 rounds into Trench causing movement to cease immediately, and was not renewed while observation was possible.

General attitude inactive during night.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 27.

Headquarters.
23rd May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62 d. 1/20, 000.

1. The "D" Special Coy. R.E., will release gas, and Batteries of this Group will co-operate by action as detailed in attached Task Table.
2. The date and Zero hour will be notified later.
3. Watched will be sychronized 4 hours and 1 hour before the commencement of the bombardment.
4. Sections firing on line from P.16.b.75.35. to P.22.b.60.00. will drop 100 yards every two minutes.
Sections engaging Hostile Batteries will not alter.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Robert
Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

Distribution.
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3. 51st " 4.113th "
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T A S K T A B L E.

ZERO to Z plus 10 - 49th Battery - 2 Sections from P.16.b.75.35. to P.16.d.80.85
Do. 1 Section on Battery position No. P.B.62. at P.16.a.96.25.
50th Battery - 2 Sections from P.16.d.80.85 to P.16.d.80.35
Do. - 1 Section on Battery Position No. P.D.1. at P.22.d.04. 99.
A/77 - 2 Sections from P.16.d.80.35. to P.22.b.70.85
Do. - 1 Section on Battery position No. P.B. 71. at P.17.c.22.13.
C/77 - 2 Sections from P.22.b.70.85. to P.22.b.70.40
Do. - 1 Section on Battery position No. P.D. 13. at P.23.a.10.22.
51st Battery - 2 Sections from P.22.b.70.40. to P.22.b.60.00.
Do. - 1 Section on Battery Position No. P.D.4. at P.22.d.25.98.
113th Battery will fire gas into the WESTERN EDGE of ACCROUCHE WOOD from P.22.a.70.30. to P.16.central.

Rates of fire for above Tasks. 3 rounds per gun or how. per minute.

Ammunition:- 18-pdrs. 60%A" - 40%AX".

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 30.

Headquarters,
25th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62 .d. 1/20,000,

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
25/26th May 1918.

9-45pm. for duration of 4 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep Area enclosed by P.16.b.
1.6. - P.10.d.10.00.- P.11.c.10.
00.- P.17.a.10.60.

10-30pm. for duration of 5 minutes.

49th Battery.)
50th ") - Search and sweep HAMEL in P.9.b.
51st ")

A/77 - Search ROAD from P.10.a.80.30. to
P.11.c.00.00.

C/77 - Sweep ROAD from P.16.a.80.70, to P.10.
d.60.80.

113th Battery -1 Section - Search Road through HAMEL P.9.a.
" " 2 Sections - Sweep ROAD from P.10.c.55.75
to P.10.b.90.70.

2-10am for duration of 4 minutes.

All Batteries From line P.16.c.60.60 .to P.16.a.60.10.
Search by lifting 100 yards per minute.

2-40am for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries - C.P. Scheme PHASE 2 - Lane 5.K.B. Search
from East to West by dropping
100 yards per minute.

3-10am for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries - C.P. Scheme PHASE 2, Lane 5.I.C.- Search
from East to West by dropping
100 yards per minute.

3-50am. for duration of 7 minutes.

All Batteries Search from S.O.S. plus 500. to S.O.S.
plus 100 - by dropping 100 yards
per minute,-
then -by lifting each minute from S.O.S.
plus 150 to S.O.S. plus 250 yards

2. Rates of fire:-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 rounds per how, per minute.

Ammunition:- 18-pdrs - 60% "A" - 40% "AX".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Distribution.

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5. A/77 6. C/77

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ADDENDUM No. 1. to RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 30.

Headquarters,
25th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62. d. 1/20,000.

1. Reference Operation Order No. 30. para. 1. - Cancel "9-45pm for duration of 4 minutes and substitute - 9-58pm for duration of 7 minutes. During the above Task it is intended to test S.O.S. Bugle Call. No additional artillery action will take place. Reports are required whether the test was heard or not.
2. The following are the S.O.S. Bugle Alarm posts, and Alarm repeating Stations:-

Right Battalion.	-	P.13.d.8.0.	-	P.13.d.1.2.	-	P.13.c.2.2	
						0.18.d.1.3.	
Centre	"	-	P.8.c.3.0.	-	P.7.d.5.4.	-	P.7.d.1.5.
							P.7.a.3.0.
Left	"	-	P.2.d.6.3.	-	P.2.c.9.4.		P.1.d.9.5.
							P.1.d.2.8. P.1.d.3.9.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 25/5/18 to 6am 26/5/18.
-----OPERATIONS.

- 9-58pm. AREA enclosed by P.16.b.1.6 - P.10.d.10.00.-P.11.c.10.00.
P.17.a.10.60. searched and swept.
- 10-30pm. HAMEL in P.9.b. searched and swept.
ROAD from P.10.a.80.30. to P.11.c.00.00 searched.
ROAD from P.16.a.80.70. to P.10.d.60.80. swept.
ROAD through HAMEL P.9.a. searched
ROAD from P.10.c.55.75 to P.10.b. 90.70 swept.
- 2-10am. Line from P.16.c.60.60. to P.16.a.60.10 searched
- 2-30 am. Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 2 put down on Lane 5.K.B.
and searched from East to West.
- 3-10am. Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 2 put down on Lane 5.I.C.
and searched East to West.
- 3-50am. S.O.S. line plus 500 yds to S.O.S. plus 100 yds searched. and
from S.O.S. plus 150 to S.O.S. plus 250 yds.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds & cal.	Remarks.
6-5am to 6-20am	O.10.d.	10.	4.2 hows. H.E.
8am	O.24.b.& d.	8	4.2
8-45am.	O.17.a. 25.65	8	4.2
9am	O.24. O.23.A.& c.	40	
		20.	77mm From rear of BOIS de VAIRE
9-15am	O.16.a.	7	5.9
9-40am	O.16.b.	3	5.9
11-20am to 12-5pm.	O.10.d. & O.16.b.	24	5.9 (4) firing salvos.
12-10pm.	O.16. b.	6	4.2
noon	O.23.d.	12.	77mm
1-30pm.	O.17.d. 65.90.	3	77mm
3.20pm. to 3-25.	O.16.a.	5	5.9
	O.16.b.	4	5.9
	O.11.a.	3	5.9
5-30pm to 5-45.	O.16.b. to right of WOOD	20.	77mm
10-45pm	" "	20	77mm
5-25pm to 5-40am.	O.10.b.	15	5.9

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

At odd times during morning parties of 2 and 3 men seen approaching P.10.c. and at 1-30pm. small party of 10 observed building Earth works in P.10.c.9.8

1pm. 1-30pm & 2-15pm. Single E.A's over our forward areas but were quickly driven off by A.A. fire.

Both Aerial and Artillery activity below normal.

Gas. At 5am gas drifted over O.17.b. no shells heard to fall in vicinity.

A. J. J. J.

Lieut

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No.31.

Headquarters,
26th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
26/27th May 1918.

10-2pm. for duration of 2 minutes.

All Batteries - Concentration No.3.

11-33pm. for duration of 3 minutes.

49th Battery)
&) - Search and sweep P.10.a.00.50. to
A/77 (P.10.b.00.50. to
P.4.d.00.00. to
P.4.c.00.00

51st Battery) - Search and sweep P.10.a.00.50 .-
&) P.10.b.00.50. to
C/77) P.10.b.00.00. to
P.10.a.00.00

50th Battery - Search and sweep P.9.a.

113th Battery - Search and sweep HAMEL.

1-15am for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep P.16.d.70.80. to
P.16.d.70.50. to P.17.c.05.55.
to P.17.c.05.95.

2-33am for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries - 5.J.B. Search and sweep from East
to West

3.12am. for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep BOIS de VAIRE in P.20.b.

3.45am for duration of 5 minutes.

Search from S.O.S. plus 450 yds. to S.O.S. plus 125.
to S.O.S. plus 325. to S.O.S. plus 250
to S.O.S. plus 75.

The 113th Battery will fire gas shell if wind is favourable
on targets timed for 11-33pm and 2-33am, otherwise "BX"
will be fired.

2. Rates of fire:-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 3 " " how. " " when firing gas.
" " 2 " " " " " " " " " " "BX"

Ammunition:- 18-pdrs. 60%"A" - 40%"AX".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Distribution.
Issued to No.1. 49th Bty No.2. 50th Bty.
3. 51st " 4. 113th "
5. A/77 6. C/77
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9. File. 10. 11. 12. War Diary.

Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 26/5/18 to 6am 27/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

- 10-2pm. Concentration No. 3 was put down.
- 11-33pm. Area P.10.a.00.50. to P.10.b.00.50. to P.4.d.00.00. to P.4.c.00.00. searched and swept.
 P.10.b.00.50. to P.10.b.00.00. to P.10.a.00.00 searched and swept.
 P.9.a. searched and swept.
 HAMEL searched and swept by 4.5" hows
- 1-15am. P.16.d.70.80. to P.16.d.70.50. to P.17.c.05. 55. to P.17.c.05.95. searched and swept.
- 2-33am Lane 5.J.B. searched and swept from East to West.
- 3-15am to 3-30am. Counter-preparation Scheme PHASE 2 -- Lanes G to K. inclusive commencing at G and sweeping West, put down.



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Time.	Location.	No. of rnds	& cal.	Remarks.
6-15am	O.16	10.	4.2	hows.
7am to 11am	P.19.b.	about 150	4.2 & 77mm) from T.B. 89°) from P.13.a.1.1.
9-45am to 10.15am	O.3	22	4.2	
10-5 am to 10-13am	I.30.central	20.	4.2	from T.B. 110° from O.4.a. 9.6
10.15am to 10-25am	O.10.b.	4	5.9	from T.B. 127°3 from I.35.b. 85.90.
11-10am to 11-13am	O.10.b.	30	4.2	from T.B. 30° 30 from I.35.b.85.9
11-55am	FRONT SYSTEM		4.2	how,
4-25pm. to 4-30.p.m	I.24.c.			gas
8-30pm.	O.15.a.	6	5.9	
9-45pm	"	3	"	
9-10pm	O.5.a.	15	5.9	
11-30pm.	O.16.b. & O.11.a.	30.		gas.
2-30 am	O.16.a	3	77mm	
3-15 am to 4am.	O.16.a. - O.16.b. - O.11.a O.11.b. this area heavily shelled	400 50. 200	gas (about) 5.9 77mm	) Yellow Cross) phosgene, chlorine.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Heavy ground mist obscured observation during day.
At 11-25am 5 E.A.'s over our forward areas were driven off by M.G. fire. At 6am. One balloon up on T.B. of 89° from P.13.a.1.1
E.A.'s over our back areas during night.

~~During night~~

2-15pm. Fire opened on movement in P.8.d. 7.1.
1-15pm. Working party in P.14.d.2.3 dispersed by bursts of fire
During ~~night~~ shoot at 11-35pm enemy dump was observed to be set on fire.

[Signature]
Lieut.



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AMENDMENT No.1. to RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 32.

Headquarters,
27th May 1918.

1. Reference para. 1. cancel "to-night 26/27th" and substitute "to-night 27/28th May".

Cancel

2. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ para. 3 and substitute the following:-

Rates of fire:-

ZERO to 2 plus 5 - 18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per min.
4.5" hows. 2 " " how " "

ZERO plus 5 to 2 plus 10. - 18-pdrs 1 1/2 rounds per gun per min.
4.5" hows. 1 round per how. " "

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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of Right Group Arty.
C.O. No.32.

P. Miller Lieut & Adj. Right Group Arty.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 32.

Headquarters,
26th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. The Heavy T.M's 6" Newton and the 14th Inf. Bde. L.E.M are carrying out a destructive shoot on Work in Copse at P.14. central to-night 26/27th May.
This Group will co-operate in accordance with appended Task Table.
2. Zero hour will be notified later.
3. Rates of fire :-
18 pdrs 5 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" How, 2 " 2 how. "

Ammunition. :- 18-pdrs 60% "A" - 40% "AX".

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Smiles Lieut & Adj. Right Group Artillery.

Distribution.

Issued to No.1.49th Battery No.2.50th Bty.
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9. File. 10.11.12. War Diary.

T A S K T A B L E.

ZERO to Z plus 10. 18-pdr.
All/Batteries From P.14.d.00.70 to P.14.b.00.20.
ZERO to Z plus 10.
113th Battery - From P.14.d.25.40. to P.14.b.50.20.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 27/5/18 to 6am 28/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

10-30pm. WORKS from P.14.b.65-45. to P.14.d.35.95 Searched and swept.
 " " P.14.d.35.95 to P.14.d.20.75. " "
 " " P.14.d.20.75 to P.14.d.2.3. " "

1-35am. Area P.21.a. searched.

2am. T.M's carried out shoot on WORKS in Copse at P.14.central
 The following Task was carried out by Batteries of this
 Group in co-operation:-
 From P.14.d.0⁰.70. to P.14.b.0⁰.20. (18-pdrs.)
 " P.14.d.25.40. to P.14.b.50.20. (4.5" hows.)

2-10am. P.10.a.00.50 to P.10.b.00.50. to P.14.d.00.00. to P.4.c.00.00
 searched and swept.
 P.10.g. 00.50. to P.10.b.00.50. - P.10.b.00.00. - P.10.a.00.00.
 searched and swept.
 Area P.9.a searched and swept.
 HAMEL searched and swept by 4.5" hows.

3-5am. BOIS de HAMEL searched and swept.

3-5.0.am From S.O.S. Lines plus 600 yds to S.O.S. plus 200.yds and
 from S.O.S. plus 100 yds to S.O.S. plus 300 yds. searched.

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds.	& cal.	Remarks.
6-40am	0.15. & 16	20	4.2	H.E.
9-20am.)	HAMELET	6	4.2	(On S.B. 125 ⁰
10-20)	"	20	"	(from I.35.b.90.
10-35)	"	15	"	(85.
10-45am. to				
11-30am	0.17.a.	50	5.9	
11. to				
11-15am.	0.16.b.	3	77mm)	From T.B. 90 ⁰
	0.16.a.	4	")	& 116 ⁰ from
	0.11.d.	3	")	0.16.a.90.30
11-30am. to				
12-1pm.	0.18.c.	60.	4.2	H.V.
12-5pm. to				
1-30.	0.17.a.	about 360	5.9hows.	From T.B. 104 ⁰ from 0.17.a.45.33.
1-10pm.	0.17.c. in Spinny.	20.	4.2	gas Yellow cross
12-15pm. to				
12-30pm.	0.16.b. & 0.15.a. scattered		4.2 & 77mm	
12-30pm. to				
1-50pm.	0.10.a.	240.	4.2	
2-30pm. to				
2-45pm.	0.10.B. & d.	130.	4.2 H.V. & 77mm	
1-25pm.	I.35.b.	3	77mm	
4-20 to				
5pm.	0.17.b.	20.	4.2	
5pm.	0.11.c.	8	77mm	
5-28am.	0.17.d.	3	4.2	gas
6pm.	0.10.d.	9	77mm	
6-20pm. to				
7pm.	0.16.b.	10	4.2	shrap.
7pm to				
8pm.	0.10.b. & d heavily shelled	200.	5.9	
9-20pm. to				
9-30pm.	0.17.a.	20		gas.
9-30pm to				
10. pm.	0.10.c. & d.	100	4.2	

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11pm to			
11-15pm.	O.17.b.	6	4.2.
10-30pm to			
1am.	O.15 & O.16.	80	gas.
12-40am to			
1-40am	O.10	13	gas
2-30pm.	O.10.c. & d.	10	gas.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Observation poor during morning
 11am Enemy in pairs observed moving over ridge in P.10.b. & d.
 2pm. Enemy balloon ascended in rear of BOIS de ACCHROCHE.
 At frequent intervals four E.A's patrolled front line 9-15 to 2pm.
 3pm. One E.A. flying low over our areas
 During evening E.A's bombed over our areas.
 In hostile shelling from 12-30om. to 1-50pm. late position
 of "BUNA" was badly damaged, 3 direct hits on gun pits and many close

Bozjak Lieut.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 33

Headquarters,
27th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20.000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
27/28th May 1918.

10-30pm. for duration of 5 minutes.

49th Battery)
113th Battery - 1 Section) - Search and sweep WORKS from
P.14.b.65.45 to
P.14.d.35.95.

50th Battery)
A/77) - Search and sweep WORKS from
113th Battery -1 Section) P.14.d.35.95 to
P.14.d.20.75.

C/77)
51st Battery) - Search and sweep WORKS from
113th Battery 1 Section) P.14.d.20.75. to
P.14.d.2.3

1-35am for duration of 4 minutes.

All Batteries Search P.21.a.

2-10am. for duration of 2 minutes.

49th Battery)
A/77) - Search and sweep P.10.a.00.50. to
P.10.b.00.50.
P.4.d.00.00 -
P.4.c.00.00.

51st Battery)
C/77) - Search and sweep P.10.a.00.50.-
P.10.b.00.50.-
P.10.b.00.00.-
P.10.a.00.00 .

50th Bty - Search and sweep P.9.a.

113th " Search and sweep HAMEL.

3-5am. for duration of 4 minutes.

All Batteries Search and sweep BOIS de HAMEL.

3-40am. for duration of 6 minutes.

All Batteries Search from S.O.S. plus 600 yds. to S.O.S.
plus 200 yds. and from S.O.S. plus
100 yds. to S.O.S. plus 300 yds.

2. Rates of fire :-

3 rounds per gun per minute.
2 " " how. " "

Ammunition :-

18-pdrs 60%"A" - 40%"AX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Distribution.

Issued to No. 1. 49th Bty No. 2. 50th Bty.

3. 51st " 4. 113th "

5. A/77 6. C/77

Copies to 7. 14th Inf. Bde. 8. Liaison Officer

9. File. 10. Ll. 12. War Diary.

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Right Group Artillery.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 28/5/18 to 6am 29/5/18.

OPERATIONS.

9-55pm. ROADS P.15.a.00.25. to P.15.c.30.65. to P.15.a.70.55 swept.
 TRACKS P.15.central. to P.16.c.90.60. searched.
 TRACK from P.15.c.00.40. to P.21.b.95.15 searched.
 ROAD from P.17.d.40.25. to P.17.a.40.60. swept.
 ROAD P.17.c.40.30. to P.17.a.70.70. swept.
 " P.16.a.95.40. to P.16.d.25.60. swept.
 " P.16.c.10.40. to P.16.a.10.40. "
 " P.15.c.33.85. to P.15.c.45.10. "

10-30pm. Line P.21.a.00.00. to P.21.b.00.00 swept North for 500 yds.

10-36pm. Concentration on P.15.c. for 2 minutes on Westerny N.& S Grid Line

1-55am. P.22.a.70.25. to P.22.a.70.85
 P.22.a.70.85. to P.16.c.90.60.
 P.16.d.00.20. to P.16.d.00.80.
 P.22.central to P.22.b.00.60.
 P.22.b.00.60. to P.16.d.00.20.
 P.22.a.60.50. to P.16.c.90.00 fired on.

2-25 am Gun Fire on P.10.c.40.50 (2 rounds per gun)
 2-27am " " " P.10.c. 10.50 " " "
 2-29am " " " P.11.a.90.30 " " "

2-40am TRENCH from P.10.d.65.50. to P.10.b.85.00 swept.
 " " P.10.d.50.00. to P.10.d.63.50. "

3-10am Lane 5.K.A. Fired on
 3-12am " 5.J.A. " "
 3-14am " 5.I.A. " "
 3-16am " 5.H.A. " "
 3-18am " 5.H.B. " "

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location.	No. of rnds	& cal.	Remarks.
8-40am	0.16.	24	4.2	
10 am.to 2pm.	0.10.c. & d.	200	4.2 how.	
10-15 am to 2-10pm.	0.16.b.& 0.17.a.	150	4.2	
11-30 to 1-5pm	0.17.a.	100	5.9	
11-30 am to 1pm.	I.35 intermittently			
11-30am	P.19.a.	6	77mm 4.2	from T.B. 94° from P.13.a.1.1
12-45pm	I.29	4	4.2	
1-5pm } 2-15pm)	FOUILLOY set fire to houses in vicinity to Ch.	10 12	4.2 "	
2pm to 2-30pm.	0.10.c. & d.	15	77mm	
2-15pm	0.18.b.	6	4.2 H.V.	
2-30pm.	D.17. d.	12	77mm	
3pm to 4pm	0.16.b.	30 20	4.2 77mm	

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Time.	Locations	----- 2 -----		No. of rnds & cal.	Remarks.
5pm & 5-20pm.	O.17.a.			12 6	77mm "
4-15pm to 8-15pm.	O.10.c. & d.			16	4.2 & H.E. 5.9
8-5pm. to 8-45pm	FOUILLOY			50	77mm gas Yellow cross
8-45pm to 9pm.	O.12.a & c.			30	4.2
10-20pm	O.17.b.			20	77mm
2-40am to 4-15am	O.16.b.		approx. 200		gas Yellow cross
			100		77mm
			30		4.2

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Visibility good during day.

E.A's very active over our areas all day, were engaged by our airmen and A.D. fire One plane observed to fall in enemy's lines.

Movement of small parties observed at 6am in rear of BOIS de ACCROCHE.

7-30am.-Party of 15 of enemy observed moving into BOIS de ACCROCHE from BOIS de VAIRE, engaged by our 4.5" hows. and 6 casualties observed, remainder scattered.

W. J. ... Lieut.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INSTRUCTIONS No. 12.

Headquarters,
27th May 1918.SUPPLEMENTARY S.O.S. SIGNAL.

1. An issue of message carrying rockets is being made to the 8th and 14th Aust. Infantry Brigades for S.O.S. ~~purpose~~ purposes.
2. A trial will be made as soon as possible with this rocket signal which is intended for use in foggy or bad weather as an alternative to the bugle call scheme.
3. A continuous chain of Alarm posts and repeating Stations equiped from Front Line to Artillery will be formed. For the above purpose the O.C. 51st Battery will arrange to establish a receiving post near his Battery position, from where these signals will be repeated by phone, visual or rocket *to this office.*
Pieces of Angle iron sunk into the ground at one end will serve as a rest or cradle for the rocket, and can be utilised for giving the correct direction and elevation to the rocket when fired.

4. Alarm posts and Repeating Stations have been established as under

Right Battalion	Alarm Posts	Repeating Stations.
	P.13.b.30.20	O.24.a.30.60.
	P.19.b.20.90.	O.17.a.30.30.
Centre Battalion	P.14.a.10.90.	O.12.b.90.50.
	P.8.c.10.80.	O.17.a.30.30.
Left Battalion.	P.2.b.40.60.	O.6.b.70.00.
	P.2.c.90.35	O.12.d.10.30.
		O.17.a.30.30.

5. It is to be understood that the first Rocket of the above description fired by the Infantry will be treated as an S.O.S. signal, after this, rockets will be used for messages.

*McKellar*Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INSTRUCTIONS No. 13.

COUNTER-PREPARATION SCHEMES.

Headquarters,
28th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

SCHEME A.S.

A/77)
C/77) P.22.d.00.80. to P.22.b.30.80. to P.22.a.70.10.
to P.16.d. 00.00.

49th Battery.) P.22.a.10.20. to P.22.a.70.10. to P.16.c.90.10.
50th ") to P.16.d.00.00.
51st ")

113th Battery Sweep from P.22.c.20.30. to P.16.d.0.0.

SCHEME A.N.

49th Battery P.16.d.30.10. to P.16.d.95.10. to P.16.b.30.40.
50th " to P.16.b.95.40.
51st "
A/77
C/77

113th Battery - 1 Section on TRENCH and WORKS at P.16.b.60.35.
1 " - Search VALLEY P.16.b.10.50. to
P.16.b.40.60.
1 " - on ROAD P.16.b.10.00. to P.16.a.90.60.

SCHEME V.S.

All Batteries - P.20.a.90.10. to P.20.b.60.10. to P.14.d.15.10.
to P.14.d.85.10.

SCHEME V.N.

All Batteries - P.14.d.60.30. to P.15.c.15.10. to P.15.a.50.25.
to P.15. central.

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Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 34.

Headquarters,
28th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62. d. 1/20,000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
28/29th May. 1918.

9-55pm. for duration of 3 minutes.

- 49th Battery - Sweep ROADS P.15.a.00.25. to P.15.c.30.65. to P.15.a.70.55.
- 50th Battery - Search TRACKS P.15.central to P.16.c.90.60.
- 51st Battery - Search TRACK from P.15.c.00.40 to P.21.b.95.15.
- A/77 - Sweep ROAD from P.17.d.40.25. to P.17.a.40.60.
- C/77 - Sweep ROAD P.17.c.40.30. to P.17.a.70.70.
- 113th Battery 1 Section - Sweep ROAD P.16.a.95.40 to P.16.d.25.60.
- 1 Section - Sweep ROAD P.16.c.10.40. to P.16.a.10.40.
- 1 Section - Sweep ROAD P.15.c.35.35. to P.15.c.45.10.

10-30pm. for duration of 5 minutes.

All Batteries
On line P.21.a.00.00 to P.21.b.00.00
Sweeping North for 500 yards, 100 yds per min.

10-36pm. for duration of 8 minutes.

Concentrate on P.15.c. for 2 minutes, commencing
49th Battery on West 4th & S. Grid lines, each
Battery 100 yds more East in following
sequence.- 50th, 51st., A/77., C/77 & 113th Btys.

1-55am. for duration of 4 minutes.

- 49th Battery - P.22.a.70.25. to P.22.a.70.85.
- 50th " - P.22.a.70.85. to P.16.c.90.60.
- 51st " - P.16.d.00.20. to P.16.d.00.80.
- A/77 - P.22.central to P.22.b.00.60.
- C/77 - P.22.b.00.60. to P.16.d.00.20.
- 113th Battery - P.22.a.60.50. to P.16.c.90.60.

- 2-25am All Batteries - 2 rounds gun fire on P.10.c.40.50.
- 2-27am " " - 2 " " " " P.10.c.10.50.
- 2-29am " " - 2 " " " " P.11.a.90.30.

3-40am for 4 minutes

- 49th Battery)
- 50th ") - Sweep TRENCH from P.10.d.65.50. to P.10.c.35.00.
- 51st ")
- A/77 (
- C/77 (" " P.10.d.50.00. to P.10.d.65.50.

- 3-10am - Lane S.K.A.)
- 3-12am - " S.J.A.)
- 3-14am - " S.I.A.) All Batteries One minute on each Lane.
- 3-16am - " S.H.A.) Batteries will take Zones in depth as for
- 3-18am - " S.H.B.) 10-36pm. shoot.

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2. Rates of Fire :-

18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
2 " " " " " "

Ammunition :-

18-pdrs - 60% "A" - 40% "AX".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. G. ... Lieut & Adj.
Right Group Artillery.

- Distribution.
- Issued to No.1. 49th Bty. No.2. 50th Bty.
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| 3. 51st " | 4. 113th " |
| 5. A/77 | 6. C/77 |
- Copies to 7. 14th Inf. Bde. 8. Liaison Officer.
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| 9. File. | 10. 11. 12. War Diary. |
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 6am 29/5/18 to 6am 30/5/18.

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OPERATIONS.
10-55pm.

HAMEL Searched in P.9.b.
" " " P.10.a.

1-40am WORKS on West edge of BOIS de VAIRE
P.14.b.55.30. to P.14.b.90.50.
P.14.d.25.80. to P.14.b.55.30.
P.14.d.20.30. to P.14.d.15.80.
P.14.b.60.40. to P.14.b.90.50.
P.14.d.20.20. to P.14.b.00.40.
P.14.d.20.30. to P.14.b. 90.50. fired on.

2-10am. ROAD P.15.c.30.65. to P.9.d.00.30.
TRACK from P.15.c.30.60. to P.16.c.10.20.
" " P.15.c.00.20. to P.22.central.
ROAD " P.22.d.30.70. to P.16.d.60.30.
" " P.20.b.00.20. P.21.d.00.80.
ROAD P.22.c.00.00 to P.16.c.05.50. swept.
P.21.a.50.40. to P.15.c.30.60 "
P.16.b.00.30. to P.10.c.60.00 "

2-40am. BOIS de ACCROCHE fired on at :-
P.22.a.70.25. to P.22.a.70.85
P.22.a.70.85 to P.16.c.90.60.
P.16.d.00.20. to P.16.d.00.80.
P.22.central to P.22.b.00.60.
P.22.b.00.60. to P.16.d.00.20.
P.22.a.60.50. to P.16.c.90.60.

3-10am P.21.b. searched from most Westerly Grid line to East
3-50am P.21.a. " " " " " " " "

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Time.	Location.	No. of rounds	& cal.	Remarks
7am.	O.9.b.	10	4.2	H.E.
8-40am	CORBIE Ch. vicinity of		5.9	From T.B. of 127° from P.13.a.1.1
8-30am to 9-15am	O.24.b. & d.			intermittent shelling 77mm
9-5am to 9-10am	O.5.b.	5	5.9	
10 to 10-15am.	O.18.b. CROSS ROADS	30	5.9	
11am to 2pm.	O.15.b. O.18.a. O.17.b & c. O.12.d. O.16.b.	30		intermittent shelling 4.2 hows.
11am to 11-15am	P.19.d.	60	4.2	
11-5am	O.9.b.	3	4.2	
11-40am	VAIRE		4.2	gun from BOIS de ACCROCHE.
12-10pm.	O.17.b.	8	77mm	
1-45pm	O.16.d.		4.2	From rear of HAMEL
2pm to 2-30pm.	O.10.a. 9.2 O.10.c.	14 8	5.9.	Time H.E. " "
2-30pm to 3pm.	O.16.b.	5		Universal shrap
3pm to 5-45pm	O.16.b. & a & O.10.c.	200 50	5.9 4.2	
9pm.	O.11.c.	15	4.2	H.V.
9-30pm	O.17.a.	30	5.9	how.
9-45pm.	O.18.c.	12	5.9	how.
9-15pm to 9-35pm	O.16.b.	40		gas Yellow cross

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TIME	Location	2.	No. of rads & cal.	
10pm	O.9.d. & O.10.e.		20	4.2 H.E.
11-30pm	O.18.a.		15	5.9
11-45 pm.	O.7.c. & O.18.a.		30	gas
3am	O.10.a.		30	
midnight to				
4am	O.16.a. & b.		300	gas. Yellow cross.

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

6-35am Fire opened on Wprking party in P.14.d.6.6
 8-40am Two mounted and 3 other men moved over ridge into sunken road in P.10.c.
 Observation only fair during day. E.A's activity below normal.
 7-10pm. 3 men observed in P.10.b. fire opened by 4.5" hows.
 Several houses in CORBIE set on fire in evening. by shell fire.

W. Jenkins

Lieut.

Headquarters,
29th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
29/30th May 1918.

10-55pm. for duration of 3 minutes.

49th Battery)
50th ") - Search HAMEL in P.9.b.

51st Battery)
A/77)
C/77) - Search HAMEL in P.10.a.
113th)

1-40am for duration of 3 minutes.

	WORKS on West edge of BOIS de VAIRE:-
49th Battery -	P.14.b.55.30. to P.14.b.90.50.
50th " -	P.14.d.25.80. to P.14.b.55.30.
51st " -	P.14.d.20.30. to P.14.d.15.80.
A/77 -	P.14.b.60.40. to P.14.b.90.50.
C/77 -	P.14.d.20.30. to P.14.b.00.40.
113th -	P.14.d.20.30. to P.14.b.90.50.

2-10am for duration of 5 minutes.

49th Battery-	ROAD	P.15.c.30.65. to P.9.d.00.30.
50th "	- TRACK	from P.15.c.30.60. to P.16.c.10.20
51st "	- TRACK	from P.15.c.00.20. to P.22.central
A/77	- ROAD	from P.22.d.30.70. to P.16.d.60.30.
C/77	ROAD	from P.20.b.00.20.- P.21.d.00.80.
113th	1. Section Sweep ROAD	P.22.c.00.00 to P.16.c.05.50.
	1 Section	P.21.a.50.40. to P.15.c.30.60.
	1 Section	P.16.b.00.30. to P.10.c.60.00.

2-40am for duration of 5 minutes -

	BOIS de ACCROCHE :-
49th Battery -	P.22.a.70.25. to P.22.a.70.80.
50th " -	P.22.a.70.85. to P.16.c.90.60.
51st " -	P.16.d.00.20. to P.16.d.00.80.
A/77 -	P.22.central to P.22.b.00.60.
C/77 -	P.22.b.00.60. to P.16.d.00.20.
113th Bty -	P.22.a.60.50. to P.16.c.90.60.

3-10am for duration of 5 minutes.

Search P.21.b.
49th Battery on most Westerly Grid Line, remainder
100 yards more East in following sequence:-
50th, 51st., C/77, A/77, 113th.

3-50am for duration of 5 minutes.

Search P.21.a. in above sequence.

2. Rates of fire:- 18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 " " how. " "

Ammunition:-

18-pdrs 60%"A" 40%"AX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Perkins
Distribution
Issued to No.1.49th Bty No.2.50th Bty.
3.51st " 4.113th "
5.A/77 6.C/77
7.14th Inf. Bde. 8. Liaison Officer.
9.File. 10.11.12. War Diary.

Lieut & Adjnt.
Right Group Artillery.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 76.

Headquarters,
30th May 1918.

Reference Sheets S. E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000.

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
30th/31st May 1918.

10-30pm for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries - S.K.G.

10-32pm for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries Search TRENCH System -
from P.21.a.70.25. to P.21.b.0.2.
to P.21.b.4.0. to P.21.d.90.85.

12-7am for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries - Search and sweep ROAD in P.S.c.

12-14am for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries - Search and sweep ROAD in P.S.c.

1-30am for duration of 3 minutes.
All Batteries - Search and sweep ROAD in P.S.c.

1-40am for duration of 3 minutes.
All Batteries - Search and sweep TRENCH P.10.B.

2-30am for duration of 4 minutes
All Batteries - Search and sweep BOIS de VAIRS.

3.5am for duration of 5 minutes.
All Batteries - Search from S.O.S. plus 600 yds
to S.O.S. plus 200 yds. and
then from S.O.S. plus 100 yds
to S.O.S. plus 300 yds.

2. Rates of fire :-
18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows. 2 " " how.

Ammunition.
18-pdrs 60% "A" 40% "AX"

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Reuler
Lieut & Adjt.
Right Group Artillery.

Distribution.
Issued to No.1. 49th Bty No.2. 50th Bty.
3. 51st 4. 113th
5. A/77 6. C/77
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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am 30/5/18 to 6am 31/5/18.

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OPERATIONS.

- 10-30pm. Lane-5.K.C. fired on
- 1032pm TRENCH SYSTEM from P.21.a.70.25. to P 21.b.0.2. to P.21.b.4.0 to P.21.H.90.85. searched.
- 12-7am ROAD in P.5.c. searched and swept.
- 12-14am " " P.5.c. " " "
- 1-30am " " P.5.c. " " "
- 1-40am TRENCH P.10.b. searched and swept.
- 2-30am BOIS de VAIRE searched and swept.
- 3-5am From S.O.S. plus 600 yds to S.O.S. plus 200 and then from S.O.S. plus 100 yds to S.O.S. plus 300 yds. searched

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	Location	No. of rnds	& cal.
7-30am	VAIRE	5	4.2 H.E.
8am to 8-15am	O.18.b.	15	5.9
9-5am to 9-40am	O.17.c.	5	5.9 how.
10-5am	VAIRE	11	4.2 "
10-15am	O.11.c.	6	4.2 H.V.
11-30am to 11-50am	O.17.b.	20	77mm
11am to 2pm.	O.9.d.	30	5.9
11-15am to 2pm.	FOUILLOY	62	77mm H.E.
11-50am to 1-15pm.	O.16.c.	15	5.9
12-45pm	O.18.b.	10	5.9
1-50pm.	O.16.a.	12	5.9
1-45pm to 2-15pm.	O.16.b.	5	77mm
3-30pm to 5pm.	O.10.b.	42	4.2 H.E.
5-15pm	O.10.b.	6	77mm
5-30pm.	O.18.d.	18	4.2 H.V.
6-5pm to 6-30pm.	FOUILLOT	15	4.2 H.V.
7pm to 7-15pm	O.4.d.	28	5.9
9 to 9-15pm.	O.16.b.	6	Time H.E.
10-50pm to 11pm.	O.10.d. & c.	50.	4.2
12 to 12-15am.	O.17.b.	20	4.2
1-15 am to 1-30	O.17.b.	20	4.2
1-30am to 3am	FOUILLOY	50	Gas,

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

Observation good during day.

E.A's were active, in small numbers over out forward areas at frequent times during day. At 10-30am after a short engagement with enemy triplane, one of our planes was forced to land behind CORBIE

3am to 9am. Our 4.5" hows. shelled opportunity targets in ar eas behind VAIRE WOOD where there was much Infantry movement during morning

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Time

8-15pm. Fire opened on movement in P.14.d.8.8.

From 8am to 11am Two balloons were up on T.B. of 87 & 95° from
O.10.b. 1.5.

E.A.'s active bombing between 10pm and midnight.

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Lieut.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER No. 57

Headquarters,
31st May 1918.

Reference Sheets S.E. & S.W. 62.d. 1/20,000,

1. Batteries of this Group will carry out the following Tasks to-night
31st May/1st June 1918.

10pm. for duration of 20 minutes.
All Batteries Sweep TRENCH at P.10.d.

11-30pm. for duration of 3 minutes.
Search TRACKS and ROADS.
49th Battery - ROAD P.15.c.30.65. to P.9.d.00.30.
50th " - TRACK from P.15.c.30.60. to P.16.c.10.20.
51st " - " " P.15.c.00.20. to P.22.central.
A/77 - ROAD " P.22.d.30.70. to P.16.d.60.30.
C/77 - " " P.20.b.00.20. to P.21.d.00.80.
113th Battery- 1 Section Sweep ROAD P.22.c.00.00. to
P.16.c.05.50.
1 Section " P.21.a.50.40. to
P.15.c.30.60.
2 Section " P.16.b.00.30. to
P.10.c.60.00.

12-5am
~~12-15am~~ for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries
Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.15.00
to P.14.d.25.55

12-24am for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries
Search and sweep WORKS from P.14.d.15.00
to P.14.d.25.55.

2-10am for duration of 2 minutes.
All Batteries.-
DUG-OUTS at P.14.d.9.8

3-50am for 5 minutes.
All Batteries - Counter-Preparation Target V.N.

2. Rates of fire.
18-pdrs 3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" hows.2 " " how. " "

Ammunition.
18-pdrs 60% "A" - 40% "AX".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT from 6am ~~31/5~~ 31/5/18 to 6am 1/6/18.

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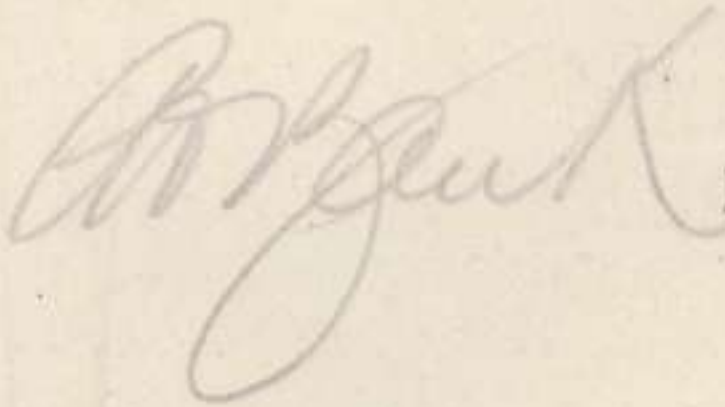
- 10pm. TRENCH at P.10.d. swept.
- 11-30pm. TRACKS and ROADS searched as follows:-
 ROAD at P.15.c.30.65. to P.9.d.00.30.
 TRACK from P.15.c.30.60. to P.16.c.10.20.
 " " P.15.c.00.20. to P.22.central.
 ROAD " P.22.d.30.70. to P.16.d.60.30.
 " " P.20.d.00.20. to P.21.d.00.80.
 ROAD P.22.c.00.00. to P.16.c.05.50 swept by 4.5" hows.
 " P.21.a.50.40. to P.15.c.30.60 " " " "
 " P.16.b.00.30. to P.10.c.60.00 " " " "
- 12-5am WORKS from P.14.d.15.00. to P.14.d.25.55 searched and swept.
- 12-24am " " " " " " " " " "
- 2-10am DUG-OUTS at P.14.d.9.8 fired on.
- 3-50am Counter-Preparation Target V.N put down.
- 4-55am 7 TANKS at P.16.d.8.9

HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time.	LOCATION.	No. of rnds,	& cal.	Remarks.
During morning	VILLERS BRETONNEUX shelled	20	4.2 how.	
6-30am to				
6-45am	0.16.a.	6	4.2	
	0.16.b.	3	77mm	
7-15am to				
7-45am	0.16.b.		4.2	2 salvos (3 guns)
	0.16.a.	4	5.9	
9am to				
10am.	0.16.b. & a.	6	gas	
		16	77mm H.E.	
8-40am.	0.10.c. & d.	20.	4.2 hows.	
9-45 am to				
12 noon.	0.14.c. & d.	40	5.9	from M.B. of 125 from P.13.a.1.1.
10-35 to				
11am.	0.17.a.	50.	4.2	
10-40am	0.10.c. & d.	20.	4.2 how.	
11am.	0.24.a.	6	4.2	
11am to				
11-40am	0.4.a.9.6	6	4.2	HQV. from T.B. 108° from 0.4.a. 9.6.
10-30am to				
1-30pm.	0.16. scattered		77mm & 4.2	
1-30pm to				
2-15pm.	0.10.d.	28	77mm gas & H.E. & 4.2	
4-15pm to				
4-30pm.	0.10.c. & d.	20	gas.	
4-30pm.	0.16.a.	6	6.9	
6-45pm.	0.16.a.	6	4.2 &	
	0.16.b.	4	77mm	
10-15 pm to				
10-45pm.	0.17.b.	40.	4.2	
11-50pm	0.24.c.	20	4.2 H.V.	
12-20am	0.12.b.	15	4.2	
1am to				
3-30 am	0.16.b. 0.17,a. & c.	200	gas	
		50	77mm	Yellow cross
		30	4.2	

ENEMY ATTITUDE.

- 4-30am to 11am 7 Enemy balloons visible along line.
 6am to 11am E.A.'s very active over forward areas.
- 5-30pm. Our Artillery opened fire on movement in rear of VAIRE WOOD.
 5-45pm Do do. traffic on Road in P.23.a.
 7-10pm do do Working party in P.22
 9-10pm do do movement in P.15. central.
- 12-20pm. 5 E.A.'s over our rear areas were driven off by our planes.
 7-15pm. Small red balloon was brought down about P.13.
 E.A.'s active bombing from 10pm to midnight
- 10-30pm. 8 bombs dropped on O.17.b.
 11-15pm 4 " " O.18.a.



Lieut & Adj. Lt.
 Right Group Artillery.

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STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

Date	Men	Horses	Mules	Date	Men	Horses	Mules
1918.							
1st May.	-	-	-	1st May	-	1	-
2nd "	-	-	-	2 "	-	-	-
3rd "	-	-	30	3rd "	1	1	-
4th "	1	-	-	4th "	2	3	2
5th "	3	-	-	5th "	2	1	-
6th "	20	-	-	6th "	-	-	-
7th "	6	5	-	7th "	-	1	-
8th "	-	-	-	8th "	1	-	-
9th "	-	-	-	9th "	-	-	-
10th "	18	-	-	10th "	1	-	-
11th "	-	-	-	11th "	2	-	-
12th "	-	-	-	12th "	2	-	-
13th "	1	-	-	13th "	4	-	-
14th "	-	-	-	14th "	2	-	-
15th "	19	-	-	15th "	6	-	-
16th "	1	-	-	16th "	4	-	-
17th "	-	-	-	17th "	-	-	-
18th "	-	-	-	18th "	2	-	-
19th "	-	-	-	19th "	3	-	-
20th "	1	-	-	20th "	6	-	-
21st "	1	-	-	21st "	-	-	-
22nd "	3	-	-	22nd "	2	-	-
23rd "	16	-	-	23rd "	3	-	-
24th "	-	-	-	24th "	1	-	-
25th "	-	8	-	25th "	-	-	9
26th "	-	4	-	26th "	2	-	4
27th "	2	1	-	27th "	10	2	2
28th "	-	-	-	28th "	11	4	-
29th "	10	-	-	29th "	3	-	-
30th "	7	-	-	30th "	1	-	-
31st "							

BRIGADE STRENGTH on 31/5/18 :-

Officers. 37 O/R. 816 Horses. 476 Mules. 178

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EXTRACT from 13th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDER No. 77. dated 16/5/18.

465. CONGRATULATORY.

Extract from Australian Corps R.O.No.133 dated 12.5.18. "The Corps Commander congratulates the following Officer and other Ranks for their actions under the circumstances stated:-

Major E.G.LISTER, 51st Battery -A.F.A.- For his courage and coolness during a heavy bombardment on the morning of the 24th April 1918. He personally supervised the withdrawal of the guns, and the successful withdrawal was mainly due to Major LISTER'S personal conduct.

No.1884 Driver HARTWELL 50th Battery,A.F.A.- On the morning of the 24th April 1918, the Battery Wagon Lines were heavily shelled. This man hurried out and harnessed up his team, and in spite of a severe wound, got his team clear, and then assisted the others of his sub-section. When the order to move off was given he was too weak to mount, and he died of wounds two hours later.

No.1667 Bdr. J.E.TREDREA and No. 1830 Gunner E.F. BEAMS 113th Howitzer Battery, A.F.A.- For their prompt action on the 23rd April 1918 in extinguishing a fire of burning ammunition in the Battery lines caused by bombs dropped by hostile aircraft.

No. 66 Sgt. H.J.DARGIN - A.A.V.C. attached 51st Battery. A.F.A.

No. 76 Driver (A/Bdr) S.H.GRALOW -51st Battery.A.F.A. On the 24th April 1918, the Battery was subjected to a heavy hostile Bombardment, causing many casualties among personnel and horses. The above, regardless of personal safety, attended to the evacuation of men and horses.

- No. 1850 Gunner S.B.EARLE - 51st Battery A.F.A.
- No. 1983 Gunner G.T.KILSBY " " "
- No. 2017 Gunner W.J.SMITH " " "
- No. 3480 Gunner C.G.BROWN, D.C.M. " "
- No. 2858 Bdr. J.N.INCOLL 113th Battery A.F.A.
- No. 32547 Gunner G.N.NORTH " " "

On the 24th April 1918, the above mentioned men acted as line-men, and did valuable work in maintaining communications, performing their duties under very heavy enemy shell fire.

- No. 11742 Bdr. L.W.COUSINS - 50th Battery A.F.A.
- No. 2054 Driver P.J.McMAHON " " "
- No. 2792 Driver F.B.TREGEAR " " "
- No. 1669 Gunner G.H.E.WAY " " "
- No. 1610 Driver J.G.PAYNE 51st Battery, A.F.A.
- No. 15224 Driver T.JOHNS " " "
- No. 2694 Driver V.P.COUNSELL " " "
- No. 1865 Driver E.CULLEN " " "
- No. 1841 Driver L.H.ALDIS " " "
- No. 2349 Driver V.C.DUNN " " "

On 24th April 1918, the above mentioned set a splendid example of courage and coolness under heavy shell fire, when they did valuable work in collecting horses and removing them to a place of safety.

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No. 1833 Sgt. W. FURNISS, 51st Battery, A.F.A. On the morning of the 24th April 1918, when the Battery position was subjected to a very heavy enemy fire, this N.C.O. maintained his gun in action in an efficient manner during the whole time.

No. 275 Sgt. A.L.M. CHILLINGSWORTH, 50th Battery, A.F.A. - On the 24th April 1918, during a heavy enemy bombardment, this N.C.O. supervised the removal of vehicles from the danger zone.

The C.R.A. wishes to convey his congratulations to the above mentioned Officer, N.C.O's and Men for their actions as stated.

The C.O. wishes to add his congratulations."

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The following Decorations have been awarded for the operations on 24th April 1918.:-

- No. 75. B.S.M. A.T.BOWEN, 50th Battery - D.C.M.
- No. 1102. Sgt. P.M.POTTAGE, M.M - 51st " Bar to Military Medal.
- No. 1632. Driver B.T.WARMAN, 49th Battery - Military Medal.
- No. 2017. Driver J.FERNANDEZ " " - " "
- No. 1266. Driver E.R.WALTON 50th " - " "
- No. 2739. Driver W.A.MOWAT " " - " "
- No. 1360 Sgt. E.L.WHITE " " - " "
- No. 1272. A/Bdr J. MOORE 51st " - " "
- No. 11124 Gunner H.G.RHEIMER " " - " "
- No. 4404 Sgt. V de CHANEET 2 " - " "

The following have been awarded the Military Medal for their actions on the morning of 15th May 1918.

- No. 1012 Gunner A.CROZIER 49th Battery - Military Medal.
- No. 732 Gunner T.ALLEN 49th " - " "

18th AUST. F.A. BRIGADE.

AMMUNITION EXPENDITURE.

Date	"A"	"AX"	"BX"	"BNC"	"BCBR"	TOTAL.
1918.						
1st May	1093	208	360	-	-	1661
2nd "	708	231	253	-	-	1192
3rd "	934	509	265	-	-	1418
4th "	798	274	297	-	-	1369
5th "	1499	447	149	140	115	2350
6th "	1046	322	319	114	114	1915
7th "	1896	358	761	-	-	2015
8th "	1335	250	423	24	24	2056
9th "	1214	247	384	-	-	1845
10th "	913	186	148	84	84	1415
11th "	1247	535	384	60	60	2286
12th "	1220	412	408	-	-	2040
13th "	1000	381	52	144	128	1705
14th "	1017	427	360	-	-	1804
15th "	744	385	252	-	-	1381
16th "	749	752	468	-	-	1969
17th "	898	272	256	-	-	1426
18th "	1202	340	375	-	-	1917
19th "	1070	577	258	-	-	1905
20th "	1145	619	183	40	-	1987
21st "	1098	620	296	-	-	2014
22nd "	1486	726	382	42	48	2684
23rd "	1258	792	375	72	72	2569
24th "	1165	783	254	-	-	2202
25th "	2061	1413	476	90	90	4130
26th "	1810	1171	400	-	-	3381
27th "	1426	955	300	-	-	2681
28th "	1414	1087	355	-	-	2856
29th "	1431	948	291	-	-	2670
30th "	1447	953	409	-	-	2809
31st "	1617	864	330	-	-	2811

W. Caddy
 Lt. Col.
 Commanding 13th. F.A. Bde. 5th. Aust. Div

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18th AUST. F.A. BRIGADE.

AMMUNITION EXPENDITURE.

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29th "	1431	948	291	-	-	2670
30th "	1447	953	409	-	-	2809
31st "						

Woods Lt. Col.
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