

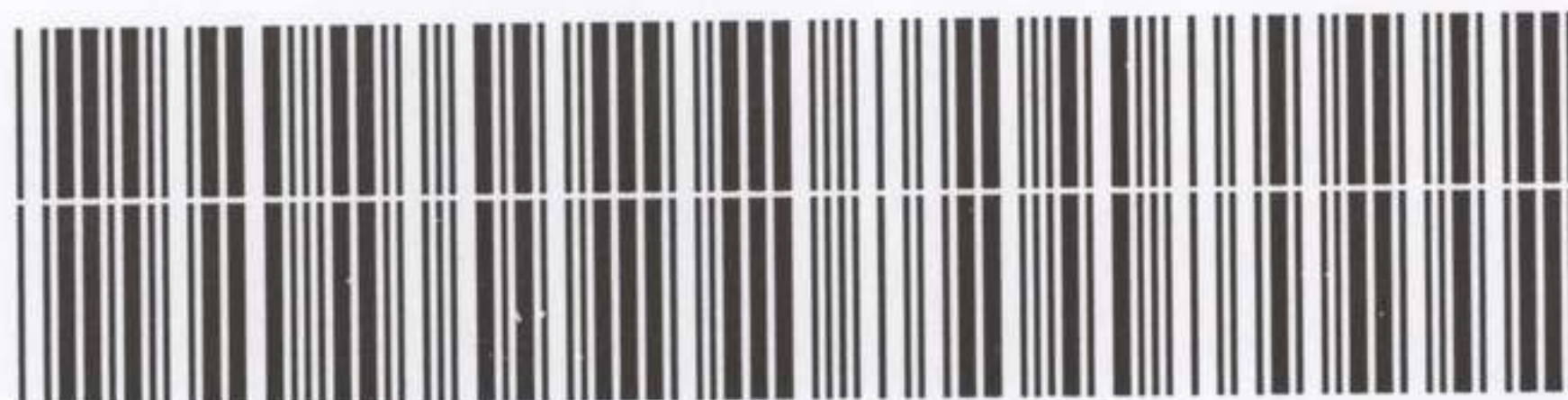
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7th F.A.B.

Army Form C. 2118.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	SEPTEMBER.			
	1st.		Brigade moved out of Wagon Lines and proceeded as far as STAPLE where a halt was made for the night. See March Table.	
	2nd.		Brigade continued march as far as MERCK ST.LEVIN rest area which district was its destination.	
	3rd.		The day was spent in resting and clearing operations.	
	4th.)		Training in gun laying, fuze setting, gun drill, stripping, and overhaul of vehicles.	
	5th.)			
	6th.)			
	7th.)			
	8th.		The Brigade received orders to move into the forward area and proceeded as far as FLECHIN. March Table attached.	
	9th.		From FLECHIN the march was continued as far as MORBECQUE where a halt was made.	
	10th.		Marched from MORBECQUE to DICKEBUSCH area took over Wagon Lines vacated by 1st. A.F.A.	
	11th.		The batteries of the 7th. F.A.B. came under the control of the 8th. F.A.B. (Col. ALLSOP D.S.O., V.D. Commanding) The 7th & 8th forming "B" Group Artillery of the 1st. Australian Group and moved into action as follows.	
			25th. Battery I.17.c.85.60	
			26th. Battery I.17.c.40.00	
			27th. Battery I.16.b.90.35	
			107th. Battery I.17.a.82.23	
	12th.)		Brigade for tactical purposes under the command of Lieut-Col. ALLSOP D.S.O., V.D.	
	13th.)			
	14th.)			
	15th.)			
	16th.)			
	17th.)		Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY (C.O. 7th. F.A.B.) appointed Liaison Officer with 3rd. Aust. Infantry Bgde, for the forthcoming operations.	
	18th.			
	19th.		Operation begun at 5.40 a.m. all objectives taken.	
	20th.		The C.O. 7th. F.A. Brigade received the following wire from C.R.A. 1st. A.F.A. Div:- "General Sir Herbert PLUMER Commanding Second Army has asked me to convey to you <del>his</del> and all under you his most sincere thanks for the excellent work your artillery have done in the past week and today which resulted in all objectives being taken with a minimum of casualties. Lieut. General Sir William BIRDWOOD also says "Pleasethank the Artillery for the	

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	SEPTEMBER.		2.	
	20th.		most gallant and important part they have played in a good day's work" Yours very sincerely (Signed.) NAPIER B.G.R.A. 1st. ANZAC. Brig-Gen. W. COXEN also says "In forwarding the attached letter I wish to convey to all thanks ranks my appreciation of the excellent work done during yesterday's operations, and also during the equally trying period of preparation which preceded it. Please convey my thanks to everybody under your command, and ensure that this and the attached letter are read on parade at the first opportunity". The G.O.C., R.A. 1st. ANZAC also received the following wire from G.O.C., R.A. 2nd. Army. " I heartily congratulate you and those under your command on the excellent Artillery work you have done".	
	21st.		Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY returns from Liaison Duty.	
	22nd.)		Brigade still attached to "B" Group under Lt-Col. ALLSOP D.S.O., V.D.	
	23rd.)			
	24th.)			
	25th.			
	26th.		Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY appointed Liaison Officer to 14th. Australian Infantry Brigade. Letters from Brig-General Brown, stating his appreciation of the work carried out by Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY, while acting as Liaison Officer.	
	27th.		Orders to withdraw to W.L. on 28th instant, and hand over guns to Division relieving.	
	28th.		Batteries hand over and withdraw to W.L. and orders are issued that the 3rd. Aust. Div. Arty.	
	29th.		Batteries remain at W.L. and orders are issued that the 3rd. Aust. Div. Arty will relieve N.Z. Artillery in position C.30.c. and D and I.6.a and b by day on 30th instant. Lieut-Col MACARTNEY to assume command of 7th & 8th Brigades consequently called No.2 Group (H.Q. I.S.d.l.S.) as soon as relief is completed. Lieut-Col. MACARTNEY and Battery Commanders of both Brigades proceeded to allotted Battery positions and make reconnaissances.	
	30th		The Batteries move into action and take over Group Zones from D.21.b.15.15 to D.22.c.10.30 and includes Hill 40 and Station.	



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			<p><u>CASUALTIES.</u></p> <p>Killed. 19 , Wounded 135, Sick 74.</p>	
			<p><u>STRENGTH.</u></p> <p>Strength of Brigade at the beginning of the month was:- 29 Officers and 825 others.</p> <p>Strength of Brigade at the end of the month was :- 27 Officers and 765 others.</p>	
			<p><u>HONOURS AND AWARDS.</u></p> <p>Honours and awards as per APPENDIX I. <i>atta</i></p>	
			<p><i>[Handwritten Signature]</i> Lieutenant-Colonel. Commanding, 7th. Field Artillery Brigade.</p>	



7th. Field Artillery Brigade. 3rd. Australian Division. 2nd. ANZAC Corps. 11th. June 1917. Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	<u>OFFICERS. Contd.</u>						
	26th. Battery		Lieutenant Charles, Washington, WATT.	Lieutenant WATT on 7th. June at PLOEGSTEERT, whilst forward Observing Officer to "K" Group Artillery, displayed great courage and set a splendid example of coolness, under very heavy enemy fire, to the communications party under his control. Lieutenant WATT, although very badly shaken by a heavy shell which burst beside him at the point of assembly, went forward to our new Front Line and although subjected to continuous and heavy fire throughout the day he was enabled to transmit valuable information.	<i>[Handwritten signature]</i>	Military Cross.	

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	27th. Battery		Lieutenant Illingworth, Keith, HARRISON.	Lieutenant HARRISON on 7th June 1917 at PLOEG-STEEFT, whilst forward Observing Officer to "K" Group Artillery, displayed great courage and initiative. Lieutenant HARRISON although subjected throughout the day to very heavy enemy shell fire, established an O.P. in close touch with our new Front Line. From here he was enabled to transmit information of value, although at great personal danger. He set a fine example to those under him and organised his communications with great coolness and skill under most difficult circumstances.	<i>Handwritten signature</i>	Military Cross.	
	27th. Battery		Lieutenant Edward, Michael, NEYLAN.	Lieutenant NEYLAN, on two separate occasions, and after being heavily shelled with Gas shell, rapidly organised a party to extinguish fires which were caused by enemy shell fire within the Battery position. These fires on each occasion caused explosions in ammunition dumps. This Officer most gallantly and at great personal risk extinguished the fire on both occasions thus saving the guns and material from damage. Whilst engaged on this duty Lieutenant NEYLAN was subjected to enemy shell fire, and to fragments from bursting ammunition. He showed a fine example of promptness and courage under very trying circumstances.		Military Cross	

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7th Field Artillery Brigade. Third Australian Division. II A N Z A C Corps. 21st August, 1917. Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	107th Howitzer Battery. 7th F. A. B.	-	Lieutenant Neville James HEENAN	On the night of 19th August, the 107th Battery, A.I.F., near MESSINES, was being heavily shelled. A quantity of charges were ignited and a dump of gas shell thrown about. The Officers of the Battery attempted to extinguish the fire but the Battery Commander considering the risk too great prevented them. Lieutenant HEENAN, coming from another direction, did not hear this order and extinguished the fire single handed and at great personal risk from enemy shell, burning charges and leaking gas shell, thereby saving the ammunition and preventing injury to personnel and setting a very fine example to his men.	<i>Trueman</i> <i>107th F.A.B.</i>	<i>Military Cross</i>	

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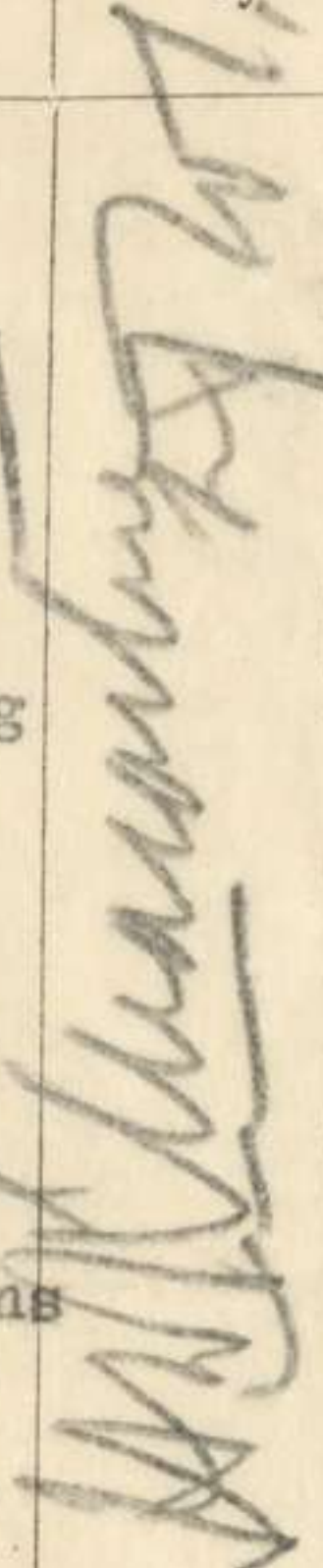
7th F. A. Brigade. 3rd Australian Division. 2nd ANZAC Corps. 18th September 1917. Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	25th Battery	18507	Corporal Otto MUMFORD.	<p>On 16th September 1917, at YPRES, showed exceptional gallantry and set a fine example to the men of the Battery when it was subjected to heavy enemy shell-fire. A direct hit was sustained by one Gun-pit, causing a fire in the camouflage and ammunition, and killing and wounding several men. This N.C.O. rushed into the burning pit and, at great personal risk, assisted to extinguish the flames and to carry a wounded man clear of the position. By his plucky action the gun was rendered safe and a large quantity of ammunition saved from destruction. He showed an absolute disregard for his own safety and exhibited a spirit of keen devotion to duty.</p>	<p><i>[Signature]</i> Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.</p>	Military Medal.	

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	25th Battery		Lieutenant Roy Robertson SMITH	<p>On 16th September 1917, at YPRES, showed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The Battery to which this Officer belongs was heavily shelled, a hit being obtained on one pit, which killed 2 N.C.Os., severely wounded one Gunner, and ignited ammunition and camouflage. The wounded man was in danger of being burnt to death. Lieutenant SMITH led a party of three (N.C.Os. and men) to the burning pit and in spite of great danger of enemy shells and bursting ammunition, succeeded in extinguishing the fire, thus placing the wounded man in safety for the time being, preventing further damage to ammunition and rendering the Gun safe from destruction.</p> <p>Lieutenant SMITH on several other occasions has greatly distinguished himself and is possessed of the most courageous disposition under heavy shell-fire. His example and leadership have always been of the greatest value, and I can recommend no Officer in this Unit more strongly for reward.</p>	 Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.	Military Cross.	

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7th F. A. Brigade. 3rd Australian Division. 2nd ANZAC Corps. 22nd September 1917 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	107th Battery	19114	Bombardier George Barnier MASHMAN.	On 20th September 1917, at HOOGE, was on duty with the Liaison Officer who accompanied the Battalions detailed for the capture of the final objective. This telephonist remained, throughout the whole operation, at his post being the only survivor of a party of five, the remainder having been wounded or become otherwise detached. His services proved of great value and he materially assisted the Liaison Officer in transmitting his information. Bombardier MASHMAN displayed throughout a complete disregard for his own safety in spite of having been subjected to an unusually heavy enemy shell and machine-gun fire. He had on several occasions to carry messages by hand through a heavy enemy barrage, a task which he performed courageously and successfully.	<i>W. J. M. [Signature]</i> Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.	Military Medal.	

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7th Field Artillery Brigade. 3rd Australian Division. 1st A N Z A C Corps. 29th September 1917 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	27th Battery 7th F. A. Brigade.	22269	Driver Henry James William WHITEHEAD	<p>On the night of 28/29th September, 1917, at HOOGE this man showed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was the Driver of the Mess Cart taking rations to the Battery Gun Line. His Lead Driver was very severely wounded; his wheel horse was wounded and the lead horse broke away. In spite of these difficulties and under extremely heavy shell fire Driver WHITEHEAD placed the Lead Driver into the Cart and after great efforts managed to reach the Gun Line, delivered his rations and placed his Comrade in safety. He then lead the wounded horse back and attempted to find a Veterinary Aid Post. Throughout the whole period he was subjected to heavy shell fire and displayed a complete disregard for his own safety. This action is one of many others of a similar character. He has never failed to bring the rations to the Gun Line although often under the greatest difficulties.</p> <p><i>in his part</i></p>	<i>W. J. ...</i>	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 6.

Reference Map.  
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1. INFORMATION.

The 7th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTERIES will march to BILLETIN Area in accordance with the attached March Table.

2. BILLETING PARTY.

A Billeting Party, consisting of Lieut. COMARON and 2 H.C.O.s., from Brigade Headquarters and Batteries, will proceed 24 hours in advance for purpose of making Billeting arrangements.

During march of 2nd September one Officer per Battery will proceed in advance to meet Lieut. COMARON at CROSS ROADS at S. B. 00.64, in order to ascertain routes to Billets.

3. RATIONS.

Rations for 1st and 2nd September will be carried.

4. TRANSPORT.

One Motor Wagon will be available for each Battery. Batteries will be permitted to include one G.S. Wagon each in their Transport, in addition.

5. TOOLS & EQUIPMENT.

All Tools and Camp Equipment will be handed over to Batteries and Headquarters of 26th ARMY BRIGADE R.F.A., and receipts obtained for the same. This order cancels all previous instructions on this subject.

6. BEANS.

Marching Out Stoves will be handed to an Officer of Brigade Headquarters at the Starting Point on each day.

7. ORDERLIES.

One Orderly per Battery will report to Brigade H.Q. Wagon Lines at 6 a.m. on 1st September, and during the march, to Brigade Headquarters immediately on arrival in Billets.

8. IRON RATIONS.

Battery Commanders will carry out an inspection of Iron rations on 3rd September and report any shortages to Brigade H.Q. on that day.

9. DISCIPLINE. (MARCH).

Not more than 50% of Drivers will be mounted on vehicles. All personnel who are not mounted will march in front of Units.

10. SYNCHRONISATION.

Watches will be synchronised at 5 a.m. at Brigade H.Q. on 1st and 2nd Sept.

*C. W. Greenfield*  
Captain.



Issued at 7 a.m. 30.8.1917.

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MARCH TABLE.

Date	Unit	Time to pass starting point	Starting Point	From	To	Route
1.9.17	B.H.Q.	10.00 a.m.	4. I. 83.87	WAGON LINES	WALLON CAPPEL AREA	METERN, ROUGH CROIX, Le BREARD, LONGUE -CROIX, STABLE.
	25th Bty.	10.05 a.m.	do.			
	107th Bty.	10.08 a.m.	4. I. 87.92			
	26th Bty.	10.15 a.m.	do.			
	27th Bty.	10.20 a.m.	do.			
2.9.17	B.H.Q.	9.00 a.m.	To be notified at conclusion of 1st day's march.	WALLON CAPPEL AREA	BRICH ST. LIVIE	LA CROIXE, FORT ROUGH, ARJUS, WASTOVE, WISSERS, PHIM, CLIXY AVROIE.
	26th Bty.	9.05 a.m.				
	27th Bty.	9.15 a.m.				
	107th Bty.	9.25 a.m.				
	25th Bty.	9.35 a.m.				

Captain.

Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

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Date 7.9.17.

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.OPERATION ORDER No. 7.Reference Map - HAMBROUK S A - 1 / 100,000.1. INFORMATION.

The 7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE will move into the Forward Area in accordance with the attached March Table.

2. BILLETING PARTY.

A Billeting Party consisting of Lieut. COLAUBON and 3 O.N. from Brigade Headquarters, and one Officer and 3 O.N. from each Battery, has proceeded in advance and will report to the Area Commandant at BUREAU BLANCHE at 6 p.m. this day.

Lieut. COLAUBON will arrange to have Representatives for Headquarters and each Battery at 6 D 44.00 on 8th September, and 4 G 11.20 on the 9th September to act as Guides to Billets.

3. RATIONS.

Battery quartermaster Sergeants will proceed ahead under S. O. CURRAN at a time to be notified during each day's march, and will meet Motor Lorries with rations at times and places given below:-

No.	Place.	Time and Date.
	B of LINES (South of first B in FIGNHILLIN)	4 p.m. 8.9.17
	Church Square HAMBROUK	4 p.m. 9.9.17

4. TRANSPORT.

Four Motor Lorries will report at this Headquarters on the 9th instant. These will be distributed as follows :- One to Brigade Headquarters, one to 25th Battery for transport of two guns at present without carriages, and the remainder to be shared between the 25th and 27th and 26th and 28th Batteries respectively.

Loading Parties consisting of one N.C.O. and 1 man per Headquarters and Battery will remain behind.

This transport will proceed to the Forward Area under the command of an Officer to be detailed by the 25th Battery, and who will be issued with separate instructions.

Motor Wagons will not carry any stores essential for guns in action.

5. REAR.

Marching Out States will be handed to an Officer of Brigade Headquarters at the starting point on each day's march.

6. ORDERLY.

A Mounted Orderly from each Battery will report to Headquarters at 6.30 a.m. before each day's march.

7. MARCH DISCIPLINE.

No more than 50% of Gunners will be mounted on vehicles. All personnel who are not mounted will march in front of units.

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8. SYNCHRONIZATION.

Watches will be synchronised at Brigade Headquarters at 6.30 a.m. on 8th and 9th September.

9. MOVEMENT ON 10th SEPTEMBER.

Information as to movement on 10th September will be issued when received.

10. ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

*G. G. Greenhalgh*

Lieutenant.  
Adjutant, 7th P. A. Brigade.

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

MARCH TABLE.

7th sept. 1917.

Reference Map HAZEBROUCK S A - 1/100,000.

Date	Unit	Time to pass the Starting Point.	Starting Point.	From	To	Route.
6.9.17	H.Q. 107th Bty 26th Bty 25th Bty 27th Bty	10.00 a.m. 10.03 a.m. 10.09 a.m. 10.15 a.m. 10.21 a.m.	Cross Roads at S B 18.24	MERCK ST. LIVVIN	FLECHIN	FAUCOMBERGUES COYNGUE FONCHES BRUY ST. JULIEN CUNIER
9.9.17	H.Q. 26th Bty 25th Bty 27th Bty 107th Bty	To be notified at conclusion of 1st days march	To be notified at conclusion of first day's march	FLECHIN	HORBROQUE AREA.	FLECHINELLE LIEFFRES WILTERESSON AIRE PT. CASSION BOSSIGNON STREBROQUE

*W. A. ...*  
 Lieutenant.  
 Adjutant, 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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3RD. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 45.

Reference Sheet -

Brigade Headquarters,  
10th. September, 1917.

HOOGE 1/10000.

1. The 3rd. Australian Infantry Brigade, in conjunction with the 2nd. Australian Infantry Brigade on the right and the 7th. Australian Infantry Brigade on the left will capture the enemy defended area NONNE BOSSCHEN - POLYGOONEVELD on a day to be notified. The 1st. Australian Infantry Brigade, in divisional reserve will be holding the present front line.

2. The Brigade Boundaries are :-

Right :- A line from Sq. J.18. Central to road junction Sq. J.14.A.50.55. thence through N in GLENCORSE WOOD to J.10.C.0.5.

Left :- A line from Sq. J.18.B.0.7. through U in CHATEAU STABLES to edge of wood at Sq. J.13.A.50.95. thence through P in POLYGOONEVELD.

3. Objectives are allotted as below (vide also attached plan).

1st. Objective - 11th. Battalion - Line marked RED.

2nd. Objective - 12th. Battalion - Line marked BLUE.

3rd. Objective - Line marked GREEN. This line will be captured by two battalions - 10th. Battalion on the right, 9th. Battalion on the left. The interbattalion boundary is the point Sq. J.9.D.3.9.

4. (a) The attack will be delivered in 3 Stages on the leapfrog principle, each Battalion deploying 2 Companies in the front line and 2 in support.

1 Section Light Trench Mortars will be allotted to each Battalion.

(b) The stages of the attack are as follows :-

i. STAGE 1. The advance to the RED LINE.

The barrage will be put down 150 yards in front of the infantry line of departure. The whole brigade will immediately commence to move forward, the 11th. Battalion pressing close up to the barrage.

At + 4 the barrage will advance for 150 yards at the rate of 100 yards in 4 minutes; thereafter and up to the RED LINE it will slacken pace to 100 yards per 6 minutes. The Barrage will halt in front of the RED LINE for 45 minutes.

The 11th. Battalion will, under this barrage, capture all enemy strong points in this area and the objective line which will be consolidated.

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i. STAGE 1. (Cont'd). The remaining troops of the Brigade will at the same time get as far forward as possible, and the 12th. Battalion into position immediately in rear of the RED Line, preparatory to resuming the advance.

ii. STAGE 2. The advance to the BLUE LINE.

Between the RED and BLUE lines the barrage will travel at 100 yards in 8 minutes.

The 12th. Battalion will press up under the barrage, mop up the area and capture and consolidate the BLUE LINE.

In front of the BLUE Line the barrage will halt  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

iii. STAGE 3. The advance to the GREEN LINE.

From the BLUE LINE forward the barrage will travel at the rate of 100 yards in 10 minutes to beyond the GREEN LINE.

The 9th. and 10th. Battalions following closely will mop up the area and capture and consolidate the GREEN LINE.

Subsequently the barrage will move forward and out posts will be established.

5. Mopping up - Each Battalion is responsible for the complete mopping up of the area lying between its objective and the line next in rear. To this end C.O's will apportion definite areas to definite units, whose commanders shall be specified in orders.

6. Enemy Strong Points. - Definite Units will be detailed in orders to capture, consolidate and garrison known strong points.

7. The Machine Gun Company.- 1 Section 3rd. Machine Gun Coy. will follow the 12th. Battalion and emplace its guns in the vicinity of the 1st. Objective.

2 Sections will follow the 12th. Battalion and emplace their guns in the vicinity of the 2nd. Objective.

1 Sub-section will be held in Reserve in the Strong Post at J.14.B.2.8. and one in the post at J.8.D.1.4.

All guns will be sited primarily with a view to safeguarding the flanks from counter-attack.

8. After each objective has been captured the Unit in Garrison will be organised to repel counter-attacks. To this end forward and flank routes will be reconnoitred.



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9. Liaison. - The 11th. battalion will maintain liaison with the 12th. and flanking Battalions.

(a)

The 12th. Battalion will maintain Liaison with the 9th. and 10th. and flanking battalions.

The 3rd. Machine Gun Coy. will post a Liaison Officer at Brigade Headquarters.

Each Liaison Officer will be provided with 2 runners.

(b)

To ensure that connection is maintained with flanking Brigades patrols of 1 N.C.O. and 4 men each will be detailed as under to meet patrols of the flanking Brigades :-

	<u>Unit to find Patrol.</u>	<u>Rendezvous.</u>
RIGHT	(1. 11th. Battalion	Northern end of high bank at J.14.B.8.9.
FLANK	(2. 12th. Battalion	Road Junction J.9.C.8.2.
	(3. 10th. Battalion	Road Junction J.9.D.5.4.
LEFT	(4. 11th. Battalion	Strong Point at J.8.B.75.00.
FLANK.	(5. 12th. Battalion	Road Junction at J.9.A.55.30.
	(6. 9th. Battalion	Road Junction at J.9.B.2.5.

10. (a) Location Points and Finger Posts, etc. As aids in locating positions triangular marks coloured RED, BLUE and GREEN respectively will be set up at points 100 yards in rear of the centre of the RED, BLUE and GREEN Objectives. These will be placed in position as follows:-

RED MARK - 12th. Battalion - Location - J.8.D.9.5.

BLUE MARK - 9th. Battalion - Location - J.9.C.6.6.

GREEN MARK - 10th. Battalion - Location - J.9.D.4.9.

(b)

Finger posts as guiding points along route to and from battalions and the Brigade Report Centre will be set up by each battalion at distances of 150 yards.

(c)

Each Battalion will in addition run a white tape along the centre of the line of its advance.

(d)

A specially selected officer in each battalion will check the line of advance with Prismatic Compass.

11. Miscellaneous orders as to -

- (a) Carrying Parties.
  - (b) Dumps.
  - (c) Pack Transport.
  - (d) Communications.
  - (e) Dress
  - (f) Medical arrangements.
  - (g) Positions of Assembly and Jumping off Lines
  - (h) Positions of headquarters
- will be issued in due course.

P.T.O.



12. Unit Commanders will submit their plans for the operations, based on the above orders, and forward same to these headquarters as soon as possible.

Any suggestions as to matters not mentioned or modifications in plans will also at the same time be forwarded in a covering memorandum.

13. Acknowledged.

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.....Capt.  
Brigade Major, 3rd. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 2200 to :-

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| Copy | 1.    | 9th. Battalion.                                |
|      | 2.    | 10th. Battalion.                               |
|      | 3.    | 11th. Battalion.                               |
|      | 4.    | 12th. Battalion.                               |
|      | 5.    | 3rd. M.G. Coy.                                 |
|      | 6.    | 3rd. L.T.M. Battery.                           |
|      | 7.    | 4th. A.A.S.C.                                  |
|      | 8.    | Staff Captain.                                 |
|      | 9.    | Brigade Signal Officer                         |
|      | 10.   | Brigade Intelligence Officer.                  |
|      | 11.   | File.  |
|      | 12.   | 1st. Aust. Div.                                |
|      | 13.   | War Diary.                                     |
|      | 14.   | " "  |
|      | 15.   | 2nd. Australian Division. 7 <sup>th</sup> Bde. |
|      | 16.   | 1st. Aust. Infy. Brigade.                      |
|      | 17.   | 2nd. Aust. Infy. Brigade.                      |
|      | 18/20 | Spares.  |

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COPY NO. 18.

3RD. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 45.Brigade Headquarters,  
14th. September, 1917.Reference Sheet -  
HOOGE 1/10,000.SUPPLEMENT NO. 1.

1. Brigade Headquarters will be situated at HOOGE Sq. I.18.B.2.6. and the Cable Head at J.14.B.80.45.
2. Routes forward to assembly positions, from Brigade Headquarters, will be indicated by fingerposts which will be set up under Brigade arrangements.
3. Carrying Parties - One Company will be detailed in each Battalion for carrying. In the first instance these parties will move with the advance fully loaded (vide Appendix I). These stores will be drawn at CHATEAU SEGARD as the Battalions move up to the position of assembly.
4. The system of dumps and carrying will be as defined below. The Advanced Divisional Dump will be at HOOGE.

(a)

Dump No.	Location	To be filled by.	To be filled from	Carrying Parties.
1	JARGON TRENCH J.14.A.4.8.	Brigade Arrangements	Brigade Main Dump.	Brigade Arrangements.
2.	JARGON TRENCH J.8.C.35.20.	do	do	do
3.	RED LINE J.9.C.1.4.	11th. Battn.	Dump No. 1.	2 platoons 11th.Bn.
4.	J.9.C.1.7.	11th. Battn.	" No. 2.	2 platoons 11th.Bn.
5.	BLUE LINE J.9.C.8.5.	12th. Battn.	" No. 3.	2 platoons 12th.Bn.
6.	J.9.C.8.9.	12th. Battn.	" No. 4.	2 platoons 12th.Bn.
7.	GREEN LINE J.9.D.3.5.	10th. Battn.	" No. 5.	1 Coy. 10th. Bn.
8.	J.9.B.3.1.	9th. Battn.	" No. 6.	1 Coy. 9th. Bn.

Note :- For contents of dumps vide Appendix 2.

- (b) Troops in occupation of a line in advance of any dumps will have the right to demand the stores in that dump, and the Units of the Brigade will spare no effort to keep the flow forward of munitions and stores uninterrupted.
- (c) Pack transport animals will be Brigaded and held in readiness at CHATEAU SEGARD. As soon as practicable Dumps Nos. 1 and 2 will be replenished by the pack transport, under arrangements to be made by the Staff Captain.
- (d) As an aid in the transport of tools Units will arrange to have picks and shovels tied in bundles of 3 and 5 respectively. S.A.A. and Bombs at Dumps Nos. 1 and 2 will be put up in sandbags.  
This will also apply to the Brigade Main Dump and the temporary dump at CHATEAU SEGARD.



5. Assembly. The Brigade will assemble and be in position at an hour to be notified, in accordance with the plan attached (vide. Appendix 3).

Routes to assembly positions will be reconnoitred by day and night at least 24 hours before ZERO by the guides who will conduct the Battalion. All guides will wear a white patch 4" x 4" sewn on the centre of the back.

6. Dress. Fighting Order.

All Battalions - (except Signallers, Lewis Gunners, Runners).

S.A.A.	-	120 rounds.
Sandbags	-	2
Bombs	-	2
Flares Ground	-	1
Rations	-	48 hours.

In addition -

Bombers will carry	6 extra bombs.
Rifle Grenadiers " "	6 grenades.
Officers & Nos. 1 L.G. Sections	1 Set S.O.S. Signals.

Company Officers will be dressed in all respects the same as the men.

7. Communications.

- (a) All messages previous to the capture of the 2nd. objective will be forwarded to cable head.
- (b) On the capture of the 2nd. Objective the Brigade Report Centre will be situated at J.8.D.9.4. At this Station a Power Buzzer and Amplifier will be installed.  
Arrangements will also be made at this point for visual signalling.
- (c) 8 Runners per Battalion will report to the Brigade Signal Officer at CHATEAU SEGARD at 9 am. on the morning preceding "attack" day.
- (d) At all times during the operations messages from the then front line will receive priority in despatch to relay post in rear.
- (e) The capture of the various lines will be sent back by Signal lamp which will show RED, ORANGE and WHITE for 1st. 2nd. and 3rd. objectives respectively.

8. Liaison - Capt. W.F.J. McCANN M.C. 10th. Battalion will perform liaison duty with Headquarters, 7th. Brigade, and Captain A.R. KNIGHTLEY M.C. 9th. Battalion, with Headquarters, 2nd. Australian Division.

- (a) All Liaison officers will report to the Headquarters of the formation to which they are attached and will send messages as to the situation at hourly intervals from ZERO onward in addition to such special messages as may be necessary.

9. S.O.S. Signals. - Any S.O.S. Signal from the Brigade front or from the fronts of either brigade on the flanks will be repeated by the 11th. Battalion.

The Brigade Intelligence Officer will also repeat those signals.



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10. The Mining Platoons will constitute the Special Carrying Parties referred to in Appendix 1. These platoons will report as under to O.C. 3rd. Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery 24 hours before the departure of each Battalion from CHATEAU SEGARD.

9th. Battalion platoon)	}	- 24 hours before departure of
11th. " "		
12th. " "		- 24 hours before departure of
		12th. Battalion.
10th. " "		- 24 hours before departure of
		10th. Battalion.

11. Para 4 of Brigade Order NO. 45 is cancelled and the following substituted therefor :-

(a) The attack will be delivered in 3 Stages on the leapfrog principle, each Battalion deploying 2 Companies in the front line and 2 in support.

3rd. A.L.T.M. Battery.

2 Sections will accompany the 11th. Battalion.  
1 Section will accompany the 12th. Battalion.  
1 Section will accompany the 10th. Battalion.

One Section which follows the 11th. Battalion will when the RED LINE is consolidated move forward with the 9th. Battalion.

(b) The stages of the attack are as follows :-

i. STAGE 1. The advance to the RED LINE.

The barrage will be put down 150 yards in front of the infantry line of departure. The whole Brigade will immediately commence to move forward, the 11th. Battalion pressing close up to the barrage.

At  $\dagger$  3 the barrage will advance for 200 yards at the rate of 100 yards in 4 minutes; thereafter and up to the RED LINE it will slacken pace to 100 yards per 6 minutes. The Barrage will halt in front of the RED LINE for 45 minutes.

The 11th. Battalion will, under this barrage, capture all enemy strong points in this area and the objective line which will be consolidated.

The remaining troops of the Brigade will at the same time get as far forward as possible, and the 12th. Battalion into position immediately in rear of the RED Line, preparatory to resuming the advance.

ii. STAGE 2. The advance to the BLUE LINE.

Between the RED and BLUE lines the barrage will travel at 100 yards in 8 minutes.

The 12th. Battalion will press up under the Barrage, mop up the area and capture and consolidate the BLUE LINE.

In front of the BLUE Line the barrage will halt 2 hours.



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iii. STAGE 3. The advance to the GREEN LINE.

From the BLUE LINE forward the barrage will travel at the rate of 100 yards in 8 minutes to beyond the GREEN LINE.

The 9th. and 10th. Battalions following closely will mop up the area and capture and consolidate the GREEN LINE.

Subsequently the barrage will move forward 200 yards and outposts will be established.

The protective barrages on the RED, BLUE and GREEN lines respectively, will contain a proportion of smoke to indicate to the troops that the several objectives have been reached.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE

*A. S. C. W. M.*

..... Captain  
Brigade Major, 3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde.

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3.	11th. Battalion.
4.	12th. Battalion.
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6.	3rd. A.L.T.M. Bty.
7.	4th. Coy. A.A.S.C.
8.	Staff Captain.
9.	Brigade Signal Officer.
10.	Brigade Intelligence Officer.
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12.	1st. Australian Division.
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APPENDIX 1.

Loads for Carrying Parties - to be drawn at CHATEAU SEGARD prior to Battalions moving to position of Assembly.

Carrying Party		-	1 Company	-	140 men.
50 men	-	S.A.A.	-	25 boxes.	
20 men	-	Bombs	-	80 Mills No. 5, 120 Grenades Rifle.	
20 men	-	Tools	-	50 shovels, 10 picks.	
10 men	-	Screw pickets	-	40.	
* 10 men	-	French wire	-	10 rolls.	
* 10 men	-	Barbed Wire	-	10 coils.	
* Special party 25 per each Battalion.	-	Stokes Shells	-	60% live ) 40% smoke )	- 400 shells.

\* These parties will pick up loads at

Note.- If the carrying parties exceed 140 in strength a proportionate increase in stores will be carried.

APPENDIX 2.

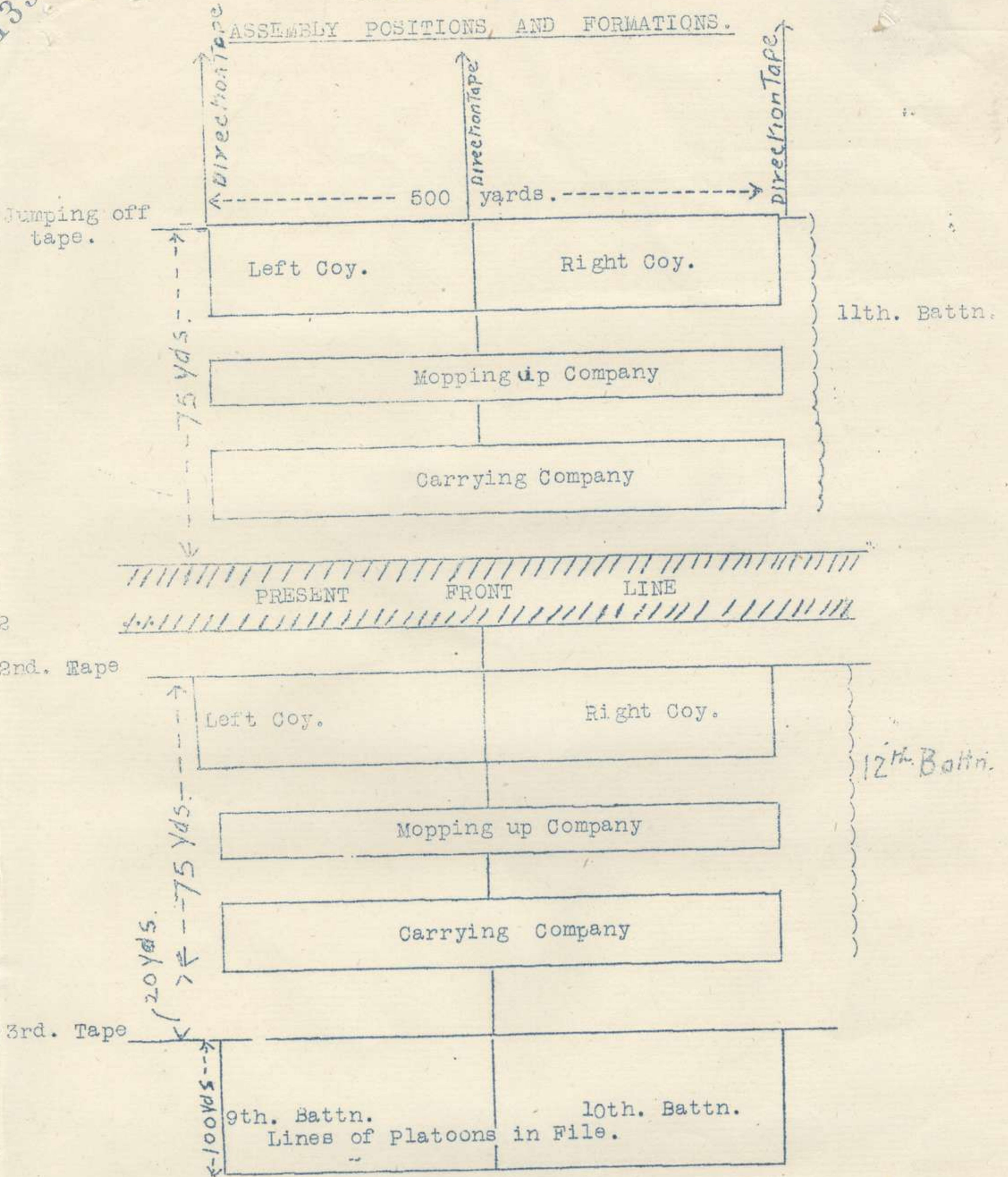
CONTENTS OF DUMPS.

Dump	:S.A.A.	:Mills :No.5	:Mills :No.23	:Lights :Very	:Wire :Barb :Coils	:Wire :French :Coils	:Sand- :bags	:Screw Pkts :Sml	:Large	:Tins :Water
Sde. Main Dump.	:60000	: 7200	:3600	:1000	:100	:100	:2000	:400	:400	:200
Dump No.1	:30000	: 3600	:1800	: 500	: 50	: 50	:1000	:200	:200	:100
Dump No.2	:30000	: 3600	:1800	: 500	: 50	: 50	:1000	:200	:200	:100
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ASSEMBLY POSITIONS, AND FORMATIONS.



Note. The front and flanks of each Battalion will be pegged out during the night preceding "Attack Night" by the Brigade Intelligence Officer assisted by Intelligence details of Battalions.

On "Attack Night" the same party will lay tapes in accordance with above diagram, tapes to be in position not later than ZERO - 4 hours.



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15th. September, 1917.SUPPLEMENT NO. 2.

The attached table shows the moves forward to the Assembly Areas.

5. Strong Points. The following Strong Points will be constructed on the capture of objectives -

J.9.C.85.20.	-	12th. Battalion.
J.9. Central	-	9th. Battalion.
J.9.A.5.3.	-	12th. Battalion.
J.9.C.1.5.	-	11th. Battalion.

A proportion of R.E. will be detailed to assist in the construction of these Strong Points. Further particulars as to this will be issued when received.

A Garrison of one platoon for each of the above Strong Points will be told off before the attack commences and will assist in their construction. These platoons will not be otherwise employed except in case of emergency.

3. Dress. Para. 6 of Supplement No. 1 is amended as follows :-

(a) for "S.A.A. - 120 rounds" substitute -

11th. and 12th. Battalions - 120 rounds.

9th. and 10th. Battalions - 220 rounds.

(b) for "1 Set S.O.S. Signals" substitute " 2 S.O.S. Rifle Grenades"

4. Distinguishing Marks.

In order to distinguish troops detailed for the various objectives it has been decided to paint a patch on the rear of the helmets from top to brim. This patch will be 1 inch wide and of the following colours.-

11th. Battalion - RED.

12th. " - BLUE.

9th. & 10th. Battalions - GREEN.

Machine Gun Company and Trench Mortar Battery details will adopt a similar device, using the same colours as the Battalions with whom they will be chiefly working.

8. Direction. The Magnetic bearing of the line of advance is 85°.

*J. H. D. P.*



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6. Supplement No. 1 - amendments etc.

- (a) Re para. 3 - the 11th. Battalion's stores for carrying parties will be drawn at HALF WAY HOUSE and not at CHATEAU SEGARD.
- (b) Re Appendix 1 - the location where Special Carrying Parties will pick up Wire and Stokes Shells will be notified shortly. It will be in the vicinity of HOOGE.

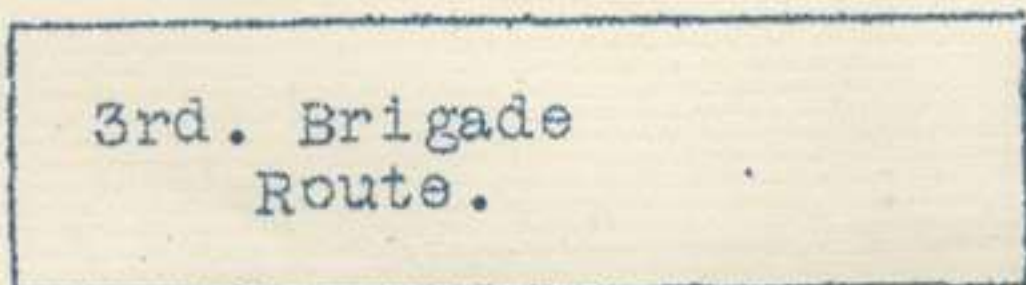
7. Forward Routes.

- (a) Forward routes have been allotted as under (vide attached sketch).

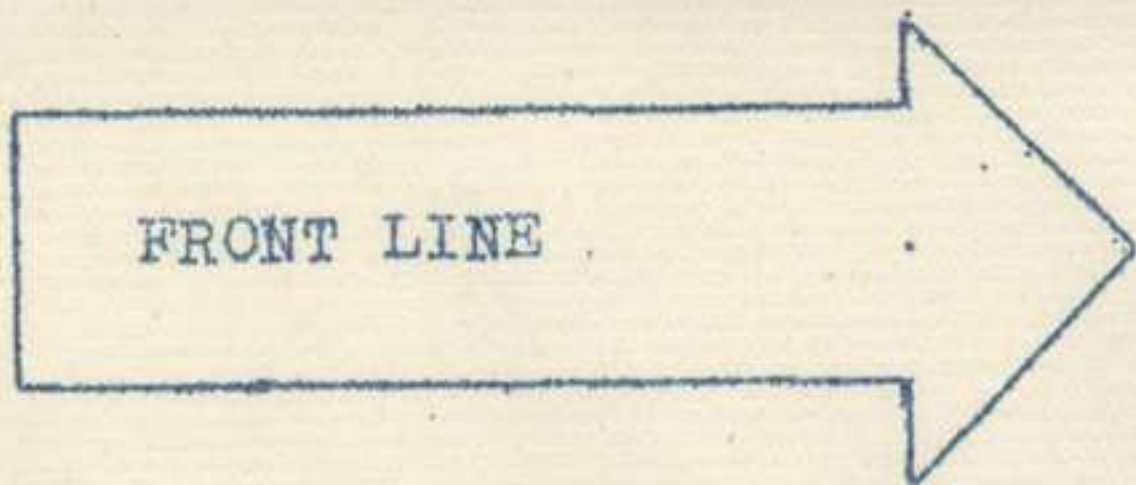
3rd. Brigade - DERBY SLEEPER Road.  
 WARRINGTON Road forward of  
 SHRAPNEL CORNER.

This route is marked BLUE on the sketch.

- (b) The C.O. 12th. Battalion will arrange for signposts, which are being prepared and will be issued by the Staff Captain, to be placed at regular intervals along the route, on the 19th. instant (forenoon).



- This type of sign will be used from SHRAPNEL CORNER to HOOGE.



- This type will be used from HOOGE to position of Assembly.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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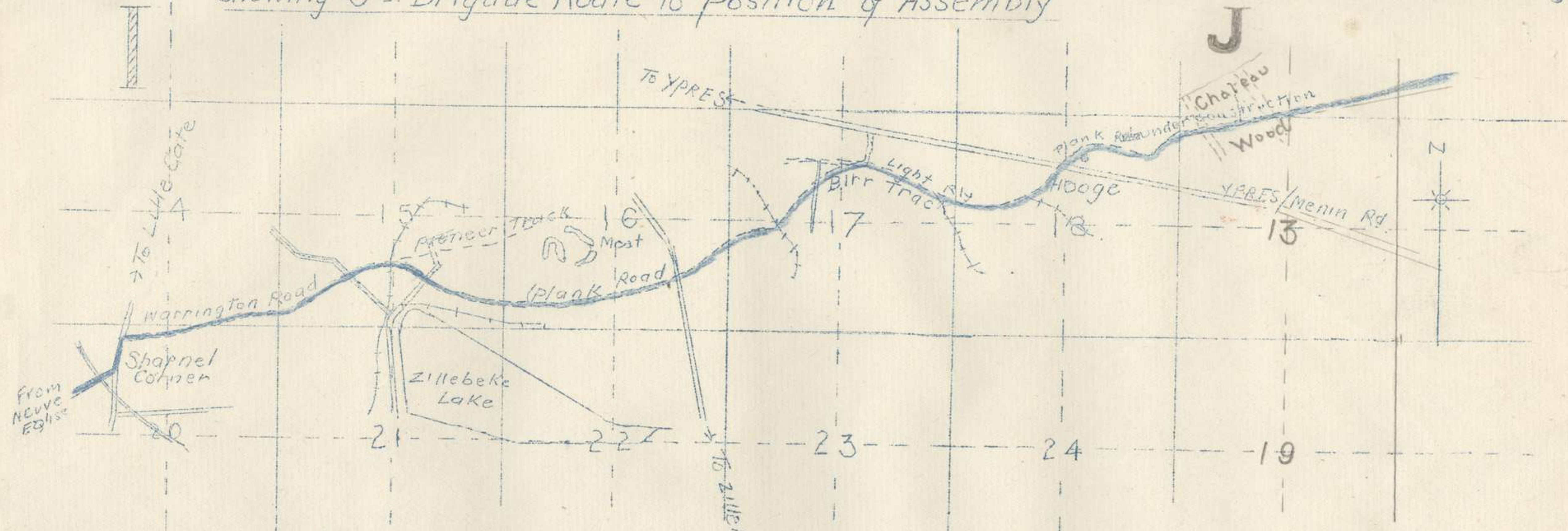
TABLE OF MOVES to accompany SUPPLEMENT NO. 2.

Date	Unit	From	To	Remarks
19/9/17	Brigade Hdqrs.	DICKEBUSCH	HOOGE	
	11th. Battalion	HALF WAY HOUSE	LINE	Move to be carried out in daylight by sections under arrangements to be made direct with 1st. Aust. Infy. Bde.
	12th. Battalion	CHATEAU SEGARD	HALF WAY HOUSE	Time will be notified later.
Night 19th./20th.	Brigade Headquarters	NO CHANGE.		
	11th. Battalion	LINE	FORMING UP AREA.	Units will be formed up on their jumping
	12th. Battalion	HALF WAY HOUSE	do.	off lines at Zero - 30 minutes.
	10th. Battalion ) 9th. Battalion ) 3rd. M.G. Coy. ) 3rd. T.M. Bty. )	CHATEAU SEGARD	do.	Times for final moves will be notified later.


Appendix



Shewing 3rd Brigade Route to position of Assembly



Scale 1/20.000

Brigade Route thus 

Issued with B.O 45 Supplement 2.

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SECRET.COPY NO. 183RD. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 45.Brigade Headquarters,  
17th. September, 1917.SUPPLEMENT NO. 3.

1. Bayonets will not be fixed until the Artillery Barrage has commenced.
2. Prisoners of War will be sent under escort of slightly wounded men to Brigade Headquarters.
3. Slight wounded Officers and N.C.O's. in possession of information which would be useful at Brigade Headquarters will call there on their way to the Collecting Station.
4. The search and patrol men from the Battalion Intelligence Sections will search the battle field for maps, documents, etc. These men will wear a special intelligence arm band which will be supplied by 2nd. Army. These men will be supplied beforehand with maps shewing the Headquarters, Wireless Station and dugouts of the enemy, etc. Battalion Intelligence Officers will make arrangements to ensure that important documents thus found are sent to the Divisional Collecting Centre. When documents are sent back a note stating where found should accompany them.
5. The Divisional O.P. is established in the present front line in J.14.A. It will subsequently move to FITZCLARENCE FARM.  
  
The B.I.O. will select and establish an O.P. as early in the operations as possible and forward the location to Brigade Hdqrs.
6. Artillery Liaison - F.O.O's. will be attached to 9th. and 10th. Battalions. These officers will be accommodated at Battalion Headquarters and given every facility for carrying out their duties.
7. No use will be made of the telephone before Zero hour. Battalions will report progress of movement and forming up by runner to the Cable Head.
8. Unit orders for the attack must reach Brigade Headquarters not later than 12 noon 19th. instant.
9. Appendix 3 issued with Supplement No. 1 is now cancelled on account of the barrage lines laid down. The Brigade will form up as per attached sketch.  
It will be noticed that the front tapo, which is parallel to the barrage is not at right angles to the line of advance. This is unavoidable and will necessitate very careful attention to direction as the battalion moves off. Flanking platoons on the left must be given special instructions to keep touch with the 2nd. Division.
10. The following code message will be sent by runner to Brigade Headquarters to notify that Units are in forming up position -  
  
" RATIONS ARRIVED "
11. Units will please notify as early as possible the first position of Battalion Headquarters. Subsequent changes will also be notified at the earliest opportunity.

*H. H. [Signature]*



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## 12. Artillery.-

- (a) The undermentioned are the F.O.O's detailed to accompany Units of the 3rd. Brigade -

10th. Battalion - Lieut. N.D. RICHARDSON.

9th. Battalion - " G.V. MORIARTY

- (b) One complete Brigade of F.A. and two Batteries of 6" Howitzers are superimposed in all barrages and will be available to assist in special tasks on demand from the Infantry Commander on the spot.

- (13. Contact :- Contact aeroplanes will be in the air during the attack.

On the Klaxon horn being sounded the foremost troops will light ground flares or wave helmets.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H.H. 10/11/41*

*[Handwritten Signature]*

.....Captain  
Brigade Major, 3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde.

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TABLE OF MOVES - LAST STAGES - issued with SUPPLEMENT NO. 3.

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Date	Units (in order of march)	Location	Starting Point Time	Destination	Remarks
SEPTEMBER 18th.	12th. Battalion	Road Junction H.32.A.3.0.	2000	CHATEAU SEGARD.	Advanced Parties will report to Staff Captain at DICKEBUSCH HUTS at 1400. Transport will move indepen- dently of Units at times suitable to Unit Commanders but before 1800. 200 yards distance will be maintained between Companies.
	3rd. M.G. Coy.	do	2015	do	
	10th. Battalion	do	2020	do	
	9th. Battalion	do	2040	do	
	3rd. T.M. Battery	do	2100	do	
	Brigade H.Q. will <sup>not</sup> move independently				
SEPTEMBER 19th*	12th. Battalion	CHATEAU SEGARD	Notified later	HALFWAY HOUSE	100 yards between platoons as far as SHRAPNEL CORNER thence in small bodies with such distance as the local situation demands.
	11th do	HALFWAY HOUSE		LINE	
	Bde H.Q.	DICKEBUSCH HUTS		HOOGE	
Night	11th. Battalion	LINE		Forming up tape	11th. Battalion will be in position at 3 am. Units will be moved forward in small parties at such intervals as the local situation at the time demands. The whole Brigade will be in assembly position at 4.30 am M.G. Coy. & T.M. Bty. details will move up with the Battalions to which they are attached.
SEPTEMBER	12th. Battalion )	HOOGE where	1.30 am.	do.	
19th./20th.	10th. Battalion )	3rd. Brigade route	2.30 am.	do	
	9th. Battalion )	crosses MENIN ROAD	3.30 a.m.	do	

Appendix 1

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3RD. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO.45.Brigade Headquarters,  
17th. September, 1917.SUPPLEMENT NO. 4.POLICE ARRANGEMENTS.

1. The Prisoners of War Collecting Post will be at I.18.A.6.7. where guides to the A.P.M. and Intelligence Officer will be stationed.
2. Prisoners must be handed over at this point, and not taken direct to Divisional Cage.
3. The following are the locations of Battle Straggler Posts :-  

I.18.A.6.7.	I.16.D.6.5.	I.16.D.7.1.
I.22.B.7.0.	I.22.B.7.4.	
4. All these posts will have a supply of :-  

Gas Helmets.
Steel Helmets.
Field Dressings.
Rations.
5. Runners should be instructed to obtain any information required from Military Police or Traffic Control men en route.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

6. R.A.Ps. Right Brigade Will be at CLAPHAM JUNCTION  
J.13.B.9.3.  
Left Brigade. Will be J.14.A.45.60.  
Support Brigade. HALFWAY HOUSE I.17.C.4.7.
7. Relay Post. HOOGE Tunnel J.13.A.0.4.  
2nd. Crater I.18.B.2.6.
8. Wagon Post. THE CULVERT I.18.A.2.6.
9. Divisional Collecting Posts. ZILLEBEKE BUND. I.21.B.1.5.  
(Support) HALFWAY HOUSE I.17.C.4.7.
10. A.D.S. MENIN Road I.9.C.9.6.  
3rd. Aust. Fld. Amb. (seriously wounded)  
C/O. Lieut-Colonel  
Graham BUTLER D.S.O.
- 5th. Aust. Fld. Amb. I.9.C.8.6.  
C/O Lieut-Colonel (walking wounded)  
J.J. NICHOLAS
11. M.D.S. (Corps) DICKEBUSCH. H.27.C.2.8.  
1st. Aust. Field Ambulance.
12. C.O.S. REMY SIDING.



MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS (Continued)

13. 3rd. Field Ambulance is responsible for the evacuation of the Divisional Front. Headquarters at CHATEAU HENDRIQUES H.20.A.5.0.

14. Distribution of Personnel.

- (i) 1 M.O. and 4 Bearer Squads at each R.A.P.
- (ii) 1 M.O. and 6 Bearer squads at HOOGE Tunnel, and 2nd. Crater I.18.B.2.6.
- (iii) 1 M.O. and 6 Bearer squads at THE CULVERT.
- (iv) 1 M.O. and 4 Bearer squads at HALFWAY HOUSE.
- (v) 1 M.O. " 2 " " " THE BUND.
- (vi) 1 M.O. " 2 " " " WOODCOTE HOUSE.
- (vii) 1 M.O. " 6 " " " A.D.S. and 2 Tent Sub-divisions.
- (viii) (Reserve Bearers " YPRES Ramparts and M.D.S.
- (ix) 1 M.O. at A.D.S. for Motor Ambulance Control.

15. Reserves of Blankets.

R.A.P's.	50 each.
HOOGE TUNNEL	200
A.D.S.	500.
M.E.S.	5000.

16. Reserves of Stretchers.

R.A.P's.	25 each.
HOOGE TUNNEL	100
A.D.S.	500
M.D.S.	1000.

17. Evacuation. From R.A.P's to HOOGE TUNNEL thence by hand or wheeled stretchers to the CULVERT, thence by Ford Ambulance Cars to A.D.S. From R.A.P. HALFWAY HOUSE by hand carry to BUND. From THE BUND to WOODCOTE HOUSE by Car or Tramway.

18. D.R.S. 1st. Aust. Div. is at WIPPENHOEK L.28.D.5.8. Sheet 27. 2nd. Aust. Field Ambulance.

19. All routes from R.A.P's and Medical Station will be marked under arrangements to be made by 3rd. Field Ambulance.

20. Nos. 3 and 5 Dental Sections will be located at D.R.S. WIPPENHOEK (2nd. Field Ambulance).

21. ACKNOWLEDGE

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..... Captain  
Brigade Major, 3rd. Aust. Infy. Brigado.



3RD. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 48

Sheet 28 1/40,000.

Brigade Headquarters,  
15th. September, 1917.

1. The 1st. Australian Division (less Artillery will relieve the 47th. Division (less artillery) in the right Divisional Sector of the 1st. ANZAC Corps front between 16th. and 18th. September.

2. The Northern boundary of the Brigade Sector is represented by a line drawn as follows:-

J.8.C.5.5. - J.7.D.9.2. - N of HOOGE Crater to  
I.17.C.1.8. - N of HALFWAY HOUSE to I.16.D.30.25. - North side  
of WARRINGTON Road to I.20.B.0.9. - SHRAPNEL CORNER - along N  
side of Road through I.19.D.3.3. to I.19.C.6.0. - I.19.C.0.0.  
I.19.A.0.0. - thence along co-ordinate lines to H.23.A.0.0. -  
H.23.C.0.0. - H.21.C.0.0. - H.21.A.0.0. - along N side of  
road to H.26.A.00.85.

3. (i) Moves in connection with this relief will be carried out in accordance with the attached Move Table.

(ii) During all moves by road the following intervals will be maintained :-

Between Battalions and Other Units	500 yards.
" Transport of Units & other troops	200 "
" Companies	100 "

4. In view of the danger of low flying hostile aeroplanes during the forthcoming concentration, special precautions must be taken to prevent men from wandering about in the open or on the roads.

All ranks must also be warned not to look up when hostile aeroplanes are flying over, this particularly applies to the occasions when the enemy is endeavouring to ascertain if our trenches are more strongly held than usual.

Each Infantry Battalion will arrange to mount at least 1 Lewis Gun in anti-aircraft positions to deal with hostile aeroplanes flying low over their respective trenches and camps.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

.....Captain  
Brigade Major, 3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde.

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| 1. 9th. Battalion         | 2. 10th. Battalion.            |
| 3. 11th. Battalion        | 4. 12th. Battalion.            |
| 5. 3rd. M.G. Coy.         | 6. 3rd. T.M. Battery.          |
| 7. 4th. Coy. A.A.S.C.     | 8. Staff Captain.              |
| 9. Bde. Signal Officer.   | 10. Bde. Intelligence Officer. |
| 11. 1st. Aust. Division.  | 12. File.                      |
| 13. War Diary             | 14. War Diary.                 |
| 15. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.  | 16. 2nd. Aust. Infy. Bde.      |
| 17. 7th. Aust. Infy. Bde. |                                |

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MOVE TABLE to accompany 3rd. Australian Infantry Brigade Order No. 48.

Date	Unit	From	To	S.P. & ROUTE	REMARKS
16/9/17	11th. Battn.	WIPPENHOEK Area.	CHATEAU SEGARD (N.W.) H.30. Central.	Leave Camp 9.30 am. march via G.26.C. RENINGHELST, OUDERDOM DICKEBUSCH.	To come under orders of G.O.C. 1st. Aust. Infy. Bde. CHATEAU SEGARD on arrival. Billeting party report at 10 am. to Staff Capt. 1st. Aust. Infy. Bde. at Area Commandant's Office - CHATEAU SEGARD.
16/9/17	3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde. Group. less 11th. Battalion & 3rd. Fld. Ambce.	WIPPENHOEK Area	OUDERDOM Area	To pass Starting Point; G.26.C.4.3. as follows-  12th. Bn. 10.15 am. 3rd.M.G.Coy. 10.30 am. 3rd.T.M.Bty. 10.38 am. 4th.Coy. A.A.S.C. 10.44 am. 10th. Bn. 10.52 am. 9th. Bn. 11.7 am. Bde. H.Q. 11.22 am. and proceed via G.32.D. RENINGHELST G.34.B.6.4.	Usual billeting parties to meet Staff Captain, 3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde. at 9 am. at Area Commandant's Office OUDERDOM. Guides from these parties to meet their Units at Road Junction G.34.B.6.4.
17/9/17	11th. Battn.	CHATEAU SEGARD	HALFWAY HOUSE I.17.C.		Under orders of G.O.C. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
18/9/17	3rd. Aust. Infy. Bde. less 11th. Battn.	OUDERDOM	CHATEAU SEGARD (N.W.)	Details of move will be communicated later.	

Appendix 1



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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP.

ORDER No.14.

15/9/17.

1. The First Australian Division in co-operation with other troops will attack the enemy on a day to be notified.
  - (i). The Division will attack on the right of 1st ANZAC Corps. The 23rd Division will be on our right and the 2nd Australian Division on our left.
  - (ii). The 2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade will attack on the right sector and the 3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade will attack on the left sector.
 

The 1st Aust Inf. Brigade will be in reserve.  
Each Brigade will attack on a frontage of one battalion. Two battalions of each brigade will be detailed to the final objective.

Brigade boundaries will coincide with Group Boundaries as shown on map issued with 1st Aust Div. Arty.Group. Order No.3.
  - (iii). The 68th Brigade will attack on the right of the 23rd Division and the 69th Brigade on its left, adjoining our 2nd Brigade.
 

The 7th Aust. Inf. Brigade will attack on the right of the 2nd Aust. Division, next to our 3rd Brigade, and the 5th Aust Inf Brigade on the left.
  - (iv). Head Quarters will be as follows -

1st Aust Division.	SCOTTISH LINES.	G.23.B.1.9.
Advanced Div. H.Q.	} H.27.B.6.8.	
Div. Artillery H.Q.		
1st Aust. Inf. Brigade.	HALFWAY HOUSE.	
2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade.	HOOGE. I.18.B.2.6.	
3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade	HOOGE. I.18.B.2.6.	
69th Brigade.	J.13.C.8.1.	
7th Aust. Inf. Brigade.	I.12.C.3.5.	

2. The depth of the advance will be approximately 1500 yards. It will be carried out in three stages.
  - (i). Stage 1. The advance to the RED LINE.  
The line FITZCLARENCE FARM-GLENCORSE WOOD-J.14.B.8.6 - J.8.D.9.2 - NONNE BOSSCHEN and the gun pits North East of it - to J.9.A.00.05 will be captured and consolidated.
  - (ii) Stage 2. The advance to the BLUE LINE.  
The line J.15.A.55.00 - LONE HOUSE to POLYGONE Trench at J.9.C.8.2 (excluding BLACK WATCH Corner) to J.9.A.6.5 will be captured and consolidated.
  - (iii) Stage 3. The advance to the GREEN LINE.  
The line J.15.D.3.9 to CARLISLE FARM to J.15.B.3.8 to J.9.D.2.7 to J.9.B.4.4 to J.9.E.2.6 will be captured and consolidated.
3. Detailed orders regarding the barrage will be issued later.
4. The 1st Australian Division (less Artillery) will relieve 47th Division (less Artillery) in the line between 16th and 18th of September.

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5. The line will be taken over by the 2nd and 3rd Infantry Brigades on their Attack Frontages as detailed in para 1.
6. Headquarters as detailed in para 1. (iv) will be established by 10 a.m. on 18th inst.  
Time at which Divisional Artillery H.Q. moves to Advanced H.Q. will be notified later.
7. The following Liaison Officers will take up their duties from 10 a.m. on 18th inst. (19<sup>th</sup> inst)
- |                                |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| "A" Group. (with 2nd A.I. Bde) | Lt. Col. G.I. STEVENSON. C.M.G. |
| "B" Group (with 3rd A.I. Bde)  | Lt. Col. H.D.K. MACARTNEY.      |
- These Officers will take with them the necessary signal personnel from their own Brigades. They will remain as Liaison Officers with their respective Infantry Brigades for the forthcoming operation.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Alec M. Forbes* Major.  
Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Art.

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10.	2nd D.A.
11.	23rd Div. Art.
12.	69th Inf. Bde.
13.	7th Aust. Inf Brigade.
14.	Lt. Col. G.I. STEVENSON. C.M.G.
15.	Lt. Col. H.D. MACARTNEY.
16.	B.G., H.A., 1st ANZAC.
17.	Right Double Bombardment Group 1st ANZAC.
18.	C.R.A.
19.	Staff Captain.
20	Reconnaissance Officer.
21.	Signal Officer 1st A.D.A.
22.	Erd Div. Art.
23.	D.T.M.O.
24.	1st F.A. Bde
25.	2nd F.A. Bde
26.	1st D.A.C.
27-29.	File.
30-32.	War Diary.
33-36.	Spare.



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"A" Form.  
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Liason Officers detailed to Infantry Brigades will join the respective brigades today. Col STEVENSON will report to G-29. 4:2 sheet 28 Oct. Col Macartney will report to DICKEBUSH HUTS H20 C.G. 1 sheet 28 Oct. Signal personnel need not be taken today. 1 Officers will make their own arrangements about when signal personnel reports. Addressed CO 3rd Army Brigade and CO 7th FA Brigade repeated C.O. Group and CO B group.

From	1st Aust Div Sig Group
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Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

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## FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP.

O R D E R No. ~~B~~. 16.

17/9/17.

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1. At zero hour on the day of the attack a barrage will be put down under which our Infantry will move forward in each stage of their advance as it creeps forward and a portion of which will form a protective barrage whilst they are halting at these successive stages, the remainder sweeping the ground in front to a considerable distance and then coming back in time to advance again in front of the Infantry, in their next stage.
2. The three stages of the advance are -
  - (a) The RED LINE.
  - (b) The BLUE LINE.
  - (c) The GREEN LINE.
 as shewn on attached map.
3. The starting line of the Infantry is marked "Jumping Off Line" on attached maps.
4. The innermost barrage line will be 150 yards in front of this line as shown on map.
5. At zero hour the Infantry commence to get up as close under the barrage as possible; the barrage does not commence to move forward for another three minutes, that is at zero plus 3.
6. The barrage will advance in lifts of 100 yards at a time. The first lift will be at zero plus 3, the second lift will be at 4 minutes after the first, the third at 4 minutes after the second; thereafter the lifts will be every 6 minutes up to a line 200 yards in front of the RED LINE, as shewn on the map, each gun of the 1st line of 18-pdrs stopping its lifts as it reaches this line.
7. The first line of 18-pdr (the "A" Barrage) will remain on this line during the time of consolidation. The remainder of the barrage will move forward to ~~search~~ the ground advancing in 100 yards lifts after every 3 minutes for ten lifts. They will then jump back on to their positions covering the RED LINE in lines parallel to the 18-pdr. protective barrage.
8. At zero plus 88 the whole barrage will commence to move forward again at the rate of 100 yards in eight minutes up to a line 200 yards in front of the BLUE LINE as shown on map. Each gun of "A" Barrage will stop its lifts as it reaches this line as before.
9. A Barrage will, as before, remain on this line during the time of consolidation. The remainder of the barrage will move forward to search the ground, advancing in 100 yards lifts after 5 minutes each for 10 lifts and coming back over the same ground in corresponding drops of 100 yards every five minutes.

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10. They will then take up their positions covering the BLUE LINE in lines parallel to the 18-pdr protective barrage, remaining in this position until zero plus 253.
11. At Zero plus 253 the whole barrage commences to move forward again at the rate of 100 yards in eight minutes up to a line 200 yards in front of the GREEN LINE as shewn on map.
12. The 1st line of 18-pdrs ("<sup>A</sup>" Barrage) and the 2nd line of 18-pdrs and 4.5" Howitzers ("<sup>B</sup>" Barrage) will remain on this line during the time of consolidation, firing at intervals as shown on the diagram.
13. The remainder of the barrage will continue to move backwards and forwards, searching the ground in front of the protective barrage.
14. The fire ceases unless further required at Zero plus 488 (8 hours and 8 minutes).
15. Rates of fire are as follows -

	<u>18-pdr.</u>	<u>4.5" How.</u>
During advances,	2	1
During time Infantry are halted,	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
During the first 4 minutes.	4	1
For 3 minutes before advancing after each pause,	4	$\frac{1}{2}$

N.B. Figures are ~~R~~ounds per gun per minute.

16. It must be noted carefully that after each advance of the creeping barrage whilst the infantry is halting, on returning to its place in the line, every barrage will be on a new line parallel to the protective line held by the 18-pdrs. Time has been allowed to adjust these lines and each line should, if possible, be registered beforehand.
17. The numbers of hundreds of yards at the bottom of the diagram must NOT be taken as indicative of the range, THEY ARE ONLY TO SHOW THE DISTANCE APART OF BARRAGES and the lifts.
18. Group Commanders will arrange for the usual overlap.
19. Group Commanders must make arrangements to rest individual guns during periods when fire is stationary. The question of reliefs and of resting personnel wherever possible must be carefully considered.
20. The importance of accurate synchronization of watches and exact timing cannot be too strongly emphasized.
21. Each Group will have one F.O.O. who will be in position before zero hour and who will go forward as necessary, complying with 1st Aust. Div. Arty. Group Instructions No 3
22. Group Commanders will arrange for necessary signal personnel and equipment (including Lucas Lamps) to accompany F.O.O's.

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## F.O.O's.

23. These parties will carry 48 hours rations with them.
24. Group Commanders will arrange to have complete reliefs for every member of these parties (including the F.O.O's) collected together in a convenient place and will replace all casualties in personnel or equipment in the forward parties as they occur.
25. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*Alec M. Forbes* Major.  
Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Art.

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34.	23rd Div Art.
35.	69th Ing. Bde
36.	7th Aust Inf Bde.
37.	Lt. Col. G.I. STEVENSON C.M.G. 2nd Inf Bde.
38.	Lt. Col. H.D. MACARTNEY. 3rd Inf. Bde.
39.	Arty Liaison Officer attd 7th Btn.
40.	" " " " 8th "
41.	" " " " 9th "
42.	" " " " 10th "
43.	Lt. Col. H.R. RABBIT. 12th Army Bde.
44.	B.G.H.A. 1st ANZAC.
45.	Right Double Bombardment Group 1st ANZAC.
46.	C.R.A.
47.	Staff Captain.
48.	Reconnaissance Officer.
49.	Signal Officer 1st A.D.A.
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# WESTHOEK

GERMAN TRENCHES CORRECTED TO 1-9-17.

Part of Sheet 28

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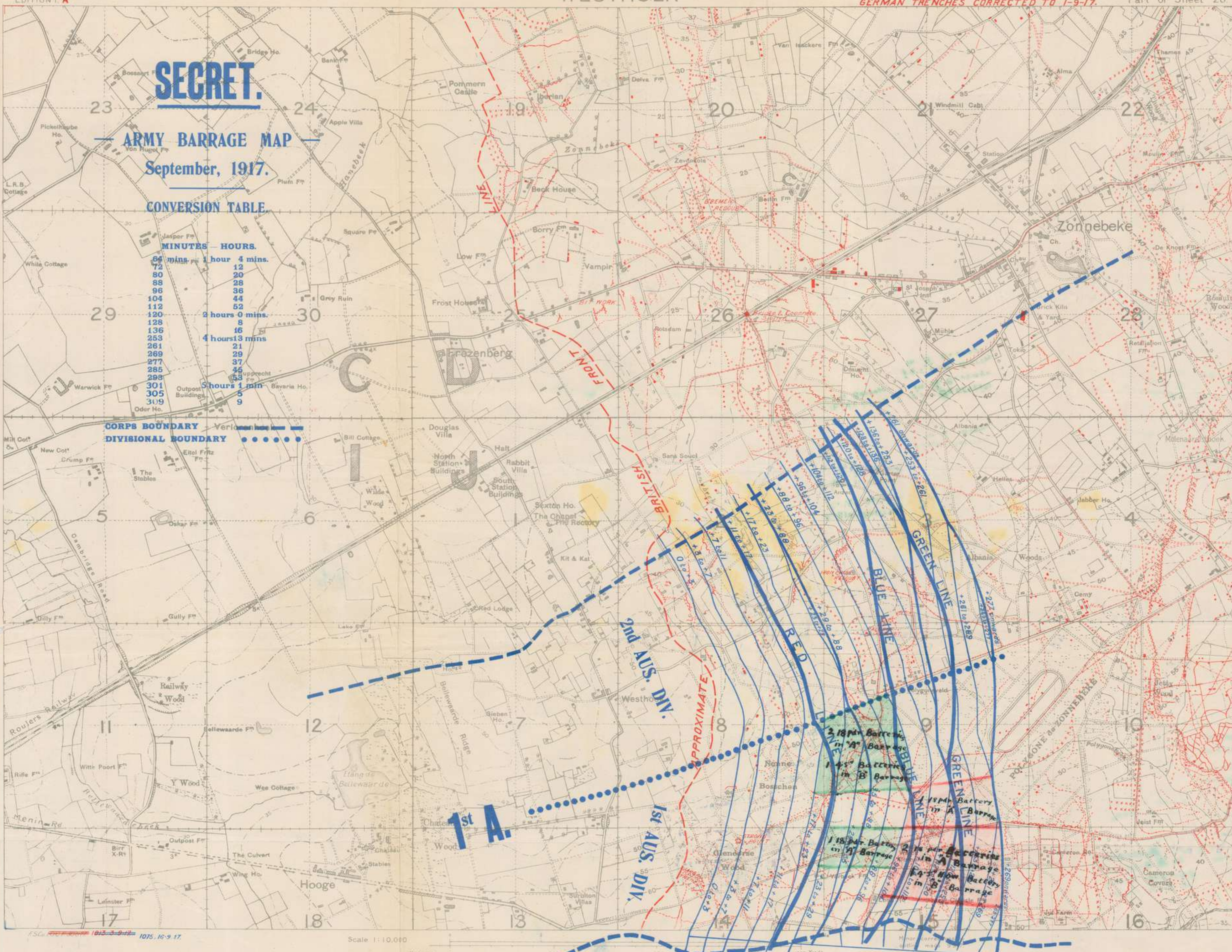
## ARMY BARRAGE MAP

September, 1917.

### CONVERSION TABLE

MINUTES	HOURS
64 mins	1 hour 4 mins.
72	12
80	20
88	28
96	36
104	44
112	52
120	2 hours 0 mins.
128	8
136	16
253	4 hours 13 mins
261	21
269	29
277	37
285	45
293	53
301	5 hours 1 min
305	5
309	9

**CORPS BOUNDARY** ———  
**DIVISIONAL BOUNDARY** ·····



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Copy No. <sup>15</sup>.....FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP.  
-----*Order No 17*

17/9/1917

Reference 1st Aust Div Arty Group Order No. 14, para  
6.

Headquarters 1st Australian Divisional Artillery Group  
will close at C.23.B.1.5 at 8 a.m. to-morrow 18th inst.  
and will re-open at H.27.B.6.8 at the same hour.

*Alce. M. Forbes*

Major.

Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Art Group.

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INSTRUCTIONS NO. 10.

COPY NO. 25

Issued under DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 31.

Headquarters  
16th Sepr. 1917

SUMMARY OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR CO-OPERATION  
BETWEEN INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY IN FORTH-  
COMING OPERATION.

LIAISON. 1. (i) The following Liaison Officers will be with each of the attacking Infantry Brigade Headquarters where they will remain throughout the operation;-

Lieut-Colonel. G.I. STEVENSON. CMG. 2nd. Inf. Bdo.  
Lieut-Colonel. C.G. MACARTNEY. 3rd. Inf. Bdo.

These officers will have direct telephone communication with their Group Headquarters and through them with Div. Arty. H.Q. as follows;-

Lieut-Colonel. STEVENSON. with "A" Group Headquarters at HALFWAY HOUSE.

Lieut-Colonel. MACARTNEY. with "B" Group Headquarters at LILLE GATE.

(ii) The Headquarters of 1st. Inf. Bde and the C.O. "A" Group (Lt-Col. H.E. COHEN. DSO.) will be in the same dugouts at HALFWAY HOUSE and in this way Liaison will be established. Should the Brigade H.Q. move, Lt-Col. COHEN. will detail an officer not under the rank of Captain to accompany them.

(iii) In addition to this a liaison officer will be told off to each of the four battalions attacking the final objective, as follows;-

Right Battalion. 2nd. Inf. Bde. Lieut. O. ROWLAND.  
Left. Battalion. 2nd. Inf. Bde. Lieut. TURNER.  
Right Battalion. 3rd. Inf. Bde. Lieut. N.D. RICHARDSON.  
Left Battalion. 3rd. Inf. Bde. Lieut. G.V. MORIARTY.

Liaison officers with Infantry Bde H.Qrs will make arrangements for keeping communication with their respective two battalion liaison officers.

Field Guns 2.  
Available.

One complete Brigade of Field Artillery ( 3 18 pdrs batteries and 1 4.5" How. Battery) will be superimposed in all barrages in order that it may be free to be taken off to perform any special tasks required by the Infantry. This Brigade will be the 3rd. Army Field Artillery Brigade of "A" Group.

*Where?*  
*Communication to half way house to Stevenson*  
*Heavy Artillery Available.*

Application for assistance from this Brigade should be made through Lt-Cols. STEVENSON and MACARTNEY, either direct by Infantry Brigadiers or through their Battalion Liaison Officers by Battalion Commanders.

Heavy Artillery Available.

3. In the same way two 6" Howitzer Batteries of 4 guns each will be superimposed in all barrages and will be available at any time to assist in special tasks as required. Application for assistance from these should be made in the same way through Liaison Officers who will apply to Divisional Artillery Headquarters for this assistance.

*Heavily*

ACKNOWLEDGE. to  
12 Aust Div.

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*Blavarsack*  
Lieut-Colonel.  
General Staff.  
1st. Australian Division



SECRET.ADDENDUM TO INSTRUCTIONS NO. 10.COPY NO. 22.....Issued under DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 51.Divisional Headquarters  
17th September 1917.LIAISON OFFICERS.

The following officers have been detailed to do duty as liaison officers with the 23rd and 2nd Aust Divisions, during the forthcoming operations:-

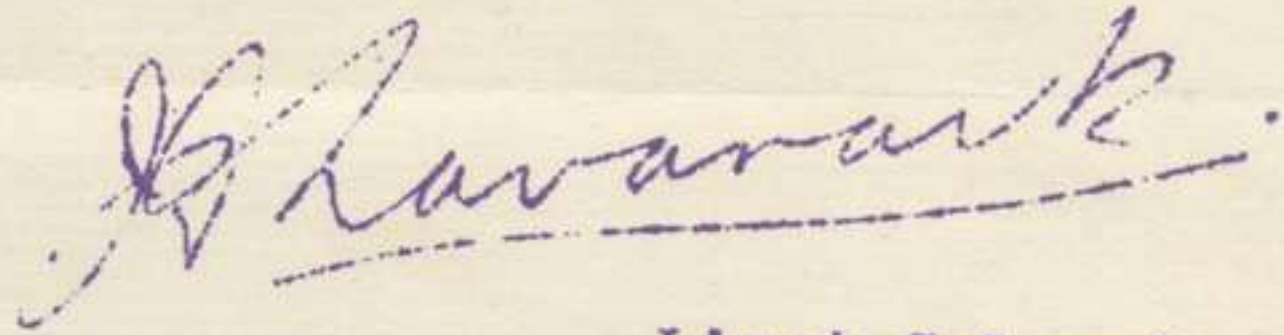
With 23rd Division H.Q.

Major H. CARTER. 5th. Aust. Battalion.

With 2nd. Aust. Division. H.Q.

Captain. A. R. KNIGHTLEY. MC. 9th. Aust. Battalion.

ACKNOWLEDGE.



Lieut-Colonel.  
General Staff.  
1st. Australian Division.

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DIVISIONAL ORDER. 51.



SECRET.

"B" GROUP ARTILLERY

Copy No. 14

## OPERATION ORDER No. 8.

Issued by Lieut. Col. W.G. JAMESON, D.S.O., Cmdg. "B" Group Arty.

Reference Map :  
HOOGE, 1/10,000 Edition 3.

15th. September, 1917.

## 1. INTENTION.

A Barrage will be carried out on a date and at an hour to be notified later, on the whole Corps Front, and will be in conjunction with the Corps on our left.

18-pdr.  
BARRAGE.

At Zero hour, all the 18-pdr. batteries with the exception of the 26th. Battery, will open in their own zones on the line - J.14.b.55.06 - J.9.d.70.55.03. Fire will remain on this line for 3 minutes and then creep forward by 100 yard lifts every 3 minutes, to the line J.9.d.05.45 - J.9.b.95.74, where they will cease fire temporarily at Zero plus 39. At Zero plus 45 they will re-open on the line - J.14.b.92.95 - ~~J.9.a.08.06~~ remain there for 3 minutes and then cease fire at Zero plus 48.

3. 26th. BATTERY  
& HOW. BARRAGE

At Zero hour, the 26th. Battery distributed over the whole Group Zone and the 107th. and 108th. Batteries in their own Zones will open fire on the line - J.14.b.92.95 - J.9.a.08.06. Fire will remain on this line for 3 mins. and then creep forward by 100 yard lifts every 3 minutes to the line - J.10.c.64.66 - J.4.c.79.05.

At Zero plus 45, fire will jump back to the line - J.9.c.30.06 - J.9.a.50.22, remain there for 3 mins. and then the 26th. Battery will cease fire.

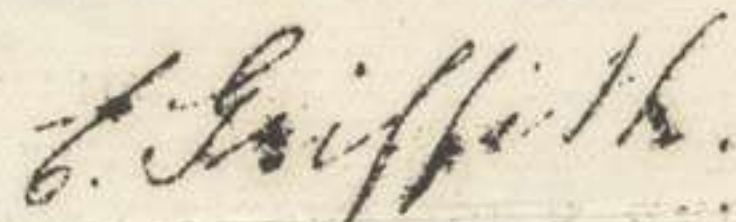
At Zero plus 48, the How. Batteries will creep back by 100 yard drops, every 3 minutes, to the line J.14.b.92.95 - J.9.a.08.06, ceasing fire at Zero plus 54.

4. RATES of  
FIRE.

18-pdrs. - 2 rds. per gun per min. throughout

4.5" Hows- 1 rd. per How. per min. throughout.

ACKNOWLEDGE.


Lieut.,  
Adjutant, "B" Group Artillery.

## DISTRIBUTION :

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| 1. File.             | 9. 29th. Battery.               |
| 2. 1st. D.A.H.Q.     | 10. 30th. Battery.              |
| 3. "A" Group Arty.   | 11. 31st. Battery.              |
| 4. 140th. Inf. Bgdo. | 12. 108th. Battery.             |
| 5. 25th. Battery.    | 13. 3rd. D.A.H.Q. (information) |
| 6. 26th. Battery.    | 14. Lt-Col. Macartney. do       |
| 7. 27th. Battery.    | 15. War diary.                  |
| 8. 107th. Battery.   | 16. Spare.                      |



SECRET.**"B" GROUP ARTILLERY.****OPERATION ORDER No. 14.**

Issued by Lieut. Col. A. G. ALLSOP, D.S.O. Commanding "B" Group.

Reference Map : 19th. September, 1917  
HOOGE, 1/10,000 Ed3.**1. INTENTION.**

On a date and at a Zero hour to be notified later, a Barrage will be put down under which our Infantry will advance to capture the different objectives as set out in 1st. Aust. Divs. Arty. Group Operation Order No. 16, forwarded herewith.

**2. BATTERY ZONES.**

at present Battery zones based on the number of guns in action, will be as under for this Operation.

25th. Bty. ( 2 guns)	J.8.d.20.86 - J.9.b.65.74
	J.8.d.24.79 - J.9.b.68.61
27th. Bty. ( 6 guns)	J.8.d.24.79 - J.9.b.83.61
	J.8.d.30.53 - J.9.b.77.28
30th. Bty. ) 5 guns)	J.8.d.30.54 - J.9.b.77.28
	J.9.d.35.30 - J.9.b.85.02
29th. Bty. ( 5 guns)	J.8.d.35.30 - J.9.b.85.02
	J.8.d.42.07 - J.9.d.93.76
31st. Bty. ( 5 guns)	J.8.d.42.07 - J.9.d.93.76
	J.14.b.47.03 - J.10.c.00.50
107th. Bty. ( 6 Hows)	Usual zones as per C.O.No. 3
108th. Bty. ( 5 Hows)	
26th. Bty. ( 5 guns)	superimposed over the whole of "B" Group Zone.

**3. BARRAGES**

There will be an 18-pdr Barrage (termed the "A" Barrage) and an 18-pdr. and 4.5" How. mixed Barrage (termed the "B" Barrage) which will be carried out by Batteries in their own Zones as specified above. As each Objective is reached, the 18-pdr. ("A") barrage will remain stationary and forming a Protective Barrage on the line 200 yards beyond the respective line of Consolidation, as per map "A" herewith.

The mixed "B" barrage of 18-pdrs. and 3 4.5" Hows. in company with heavy guns will search ground in rear.

**4. TASKS.**

18-pdrs.  
"A" Barrage

With the exception of the 26th. Battery all the 18-pdrs. will put down their Barrage in their own Zones in accordance with, and making the lifts and halts, at the respective times as laid down on Map "A" issued herewith. This Barrage arrives at its final line at zero plus 277, and remains there for 5 minutes, and then ceases fire temporarily. Fire will be re-opened on this line at the following time for the following period:-



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4. TASKS. cont.

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At Zero plus 300	15 minutes
" " " 353	15 "
" " " 390	15 "
" " " 443	15 "

Coasting fire at Zero plus 458.

TASKS "B"  
5. BARRAGE  
26th. Bty.  
& 4.5 Hows.

At Zero hour, then 26th. battery distributed over the whole Group Zone, and the 107th. and 108th. How. Batteries in their own Zones, will open fire on the line - J.14.b.35.81 - J.8.b.55.00. Fire will remain on this line for 3 minutes and then advance to the line - J.9.c.77.17 - J.9.a.60.37, by 100 yard lifts at the following times:-

1st: Lift at Zero plus 3:
2nd: " " " " 7:
3rd: " " " " 11:
4th: " " " " 17:
5th: " " " " 23:
6th: " " " " 29:
7th: " " " " 35:

Fire will remain on this line till Zero plus 41, and then search by 100 yard lifts every 3 minutes to the line - J.10.e.73.69 - J.10.a.74.35 to J.4.c.50.03, reaching this line at Zero plus 71. At Zero plus 74, fire will jump back to the line J.9.c.77.17 - J.9.a.60.37, remain there till Zero plus 80, and then creep forward by 100 yard lifts every 3 minutes to the line J.9.d.64.40 - J.9.d.48.85 to J.9.b.40.65 reaching this line at Zero plus 120. Fire will remain on this line till zero plus 141, and then search by 100 yard lifts every 5 minutes to the line J.10.d.55.93 - J.10.b.40.36 - J.4.d.30.30, reaching there at zero plus 186. Fire will remain on this line till zero plus 191, and then creep back by corresponding drops of 100 yards every 5 mins. to the line - J.9.d.64.40 - J.9.d.48.85 - J.9.b.40.65, arriving on this line at Zero plus 236, and remaining there till zero plus 253. At zero plus 253, barrage again creeps forward by 100 yard lifts every 3 minutes to the final line - J.10.c.00.50 - J.10.a.00.85 arriving there at zero plus 277 and remaining till zero plus 308 and then ceasing fire temporarily. Fire will be re-opened on this line at the following times, and for the following periods of fire 30 minutes.

At zero plus 323 for 30 mins.
" " " 368 " 30 "
" " " 413 " 30 "
" " " 458 " 30 mins.

Coast fire at Zero plus 488.

6. RATES of FIRE.

	18-pdrs.	4.5" How.
During first 4 minutes	4	1
During Advance	2	1
During time Inf. are halted.	1	1/2
For 4 mins. before advancing		
after each pause	4	1/2

N.B. Figures are rounds per gun per minute.



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7.  
LIAISON &  
F.O.O. Officers.

Lieut. Col. H.D.H. MACARTNEY is Brigade Liaison Officer and will be with 3rd. Infantry Brigade at HOOGE.

Lieuts. RICHARDSON and MORIARTY will be Liaison Officers with the Right and Left Attacking Battalions of 3rd. Infantry Bde. respectively.

Lieut. FERRIER, 8th. F.A. Bde. will be F.O.O. and will be relieved by Lt. COLQUHOUN. Separate instructions will be issued to these Officers direct.

8. SMOKE SHELL.

During the advance every 18 -pdr. of "A" Barrage as it reaches each successive ~~successive~~ Protective barrage line will fire one round of smoke shell.

9. RESTING of  
Guns and  
PERSONNEL.

Battery Commanders will make the necessary arrangements to rest individual guns during periods when fire is stationary. The question of reliefs and of resting personnel, wherever possible, must be carefully considered.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*F. Griffith*  
Lieut.,  
Adjutant, "B" Group Arty.

DISTRIBUTION :

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16. Lt-Col. Macartney do
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION NO. 1.Headquarters,  
24th. September, 1917.SUMMARY OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR CO-OPERATION BETWEEN AND  
INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY IN FORTHCOMING OPERATIONS.

LIAISON. 1. The following Liaison Officers will be with each of the attacking Infantry Brigade Headquarters where they will remain throughout the operation.

HAK ←  
Lieut-Col. G.I. STEVENSON, C.M.G. 15th. Inf. Brigade.  
Lieut-Col. C.G. MacCARTNEY, 14th. Inf. Brigade.

These Officers will have direct telephone communication with their Group Headquarters and through them with Divisional Artillery Headquarters as follows:-

Lt-Col STEVENSON with "A" Group Headquarters at HALFWAY HOUSE.

Lt-Col MacCARTNEY with "B" Group Headquarters at LILLE GATE.

1 a. The Headquarters of 8th. Infantry Brigade, C.O. "A" Group (Lt-Col H.E. COHEN, D.S.O.) will be at HALFWAY HOUSE and in this way liaison will be established. Should the Brigade Headquarters move, Lt-Col COHEN will detail not under the rank of Captain to accompany them.

1 b. In addition to this, a Liaison Officer will be told off to each of the four battalions attacking the final objective as follows :-

Right Battalion, 15th. Inf. Brigade,	Lieut. A.T. PEARSE.
Left Battalion, 15th. " "	Lieut. E.H. WHARTON.
Right Battalion, 14th. " "	Lieut. I.K. HARRISON.
Left Battalion, 14th. " "	Lieut. MONEY.

Liaison Officers with Infantry Brigade Headquarters will make arrangements for keeping communication with their respective two Battalion Liaison Officers.

FIELD GUNS AVAILABLE. 2. One complete Brigade of Field Artillery (3 18-pr Batts. and one 4.5" How. Battery) will be superimposed in all barrages in order that it may be free to be taken off to perform any special task required by the Infantry.

This Brigade will be the 3rd. Aust (Army) F.W. Brigade of "A" Group.

Application for assistance from this Brigade should be made through Lt-Cols STEVENSON and MacCARTNEY either direct by Infantry Brigadiers or through their Battalion Liaison Officers by Battalion Commanders.

3. In the same way, two 6" How. Batteries of four guns will be available at any time to assist in special tasks as required.

Application for assistance from these should be made in the same way through Liaison Officers who will apply to DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY HEADQUARTERS for this assistance.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

For Distribution. P.T.O.





H. Smith

Major,  
Brigade Major,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery

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Lt-Col. G. I. STEVENSON.	44.
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The list of officers who were attached to the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery during the war is given in the following table. The names are given in the order in which they were attached to the division. The names of officers who were attached to the division for a short period only are given in italics. The names of officers who were attached to the division for a long period are given in bold type. The names of officers who were attached to the division for a short period only are given in italics. The names of officers who were attached to the division for a long period are given in bold type.

One copy of the list of officers attached to the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery is being sent to the following officers:

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP ORDER No. 1.Headquarters,  
24th. September 1917.BARRAGES FOR "J" DAY.

- Bombardment Barrages for "J" Day will be as follows per attached diagrams.
  - An Army Bombardment Barrage.
  - A Corps Bombardment Barrage.
- Times of commencement:-
  - in the early morning at a time to be notified later.
  - 60 minutes after the completion of A.
- The starting line will be 150 yards east of the Infantry jumping-off line for Attack Day (2) as per attached tracing. In the event of our Infantry occupying posts in advance of or too close to the jumping-line, Group Commanders will ensure that the barrages are put down at a safe distance from them.
- 106 Tubes will not be used by 4.5" Howitzers within 450 yards of the jumping-off line.
- Estimate of ammunition and rates of fire per gun per minute.

Barrage A.	18-pr.	4.5" How.
Zero to Zero + 45'	2.	1.
Zero + 45' to Zero + 60'	1.	1.
Ammunition.	105.	60.
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Barrage B		
Zero to Zero + 18'	2.	1.
Ammunition.	30.	15.

## 6. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

*H. Walker*Major,  
Brigade Major,  
5th, Australian Divisional Artillery.

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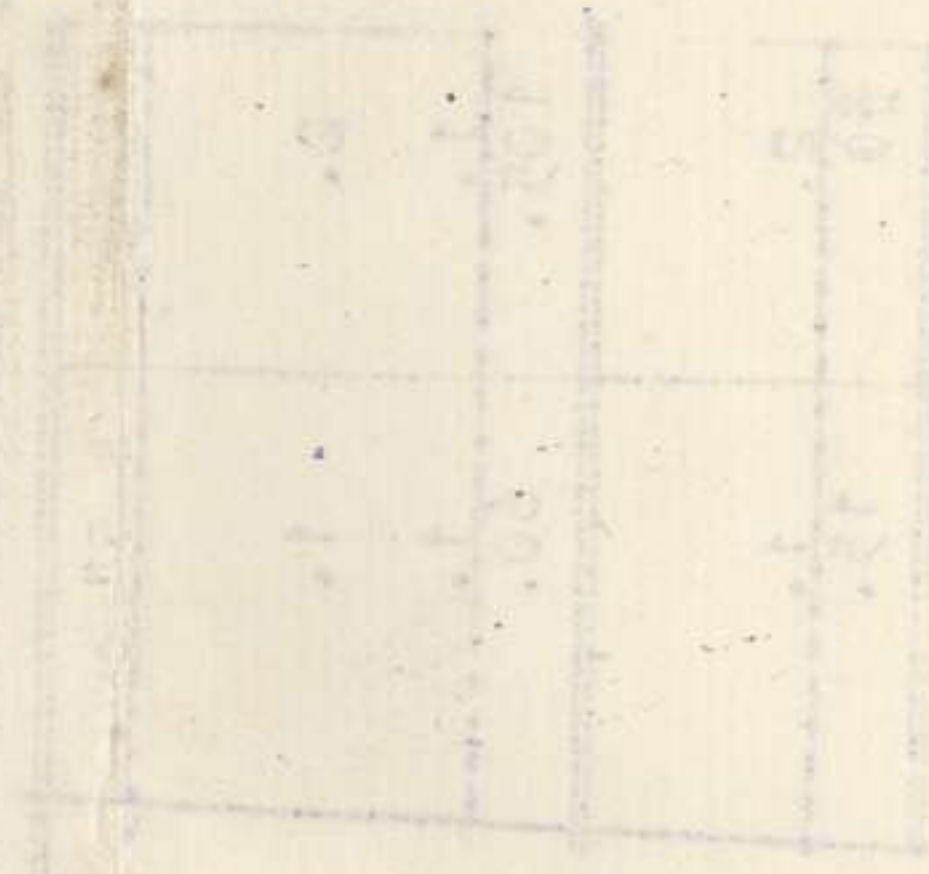
# Medical Case

REPORT FOR THE DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER

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Staff Surgeon  
 Divisional Medical Officer

1. Description of the case for which the patient was admitted.
2. History of the case.
3. Physical examination.
4. Laboratory examinations.
5. Treatment.
6. Prognosis.
7. Remarks.



DESCRIPTION OF THE CASE

Divisional Medical Officer  
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP ORDER No. 2.

Headquarters,  
24th. September 1917

- 1. The 5th. Australian Division in co-operation with other troops will continue the attack on a day to be notified.
- 1a. The Division will attack on the right of the 1st. ANZAC Corps.
- 1b. 33rd. Division will be on our right, and the 4th. Australian Division on our left.
- 2. The 15th. Australian Infantry Brigade will attack on the Right Sector and the 14th. Australian Infantry Brigade will attack on the Left Sector.
- The 8th. Australian Infantry Brigade will be in reserve.

10. Headquarters will be as follows:-

5th. Australian Division.	WALKER CAMP.	H. 27. b. 7. 7.
5th. Aust. Divl. Artillery H. Q.		H. 27. b. 7. 7.
8th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.	HALFWAY HOUSE.	
14th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.	HOOGE	I. 18. b. 2. 6.
15th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.	HOOGE.	I. 18. b. 2. 6.

2. The object will be to attack and establish the Division on y the line J. 10. d. 3. 0. - JOIST LINE - JETTY TRENCH - JUBILEE TRENCH - J. 4. d. 3. 6. (The Blue Line).

- 3(a) The operation will be effected in two stages.
- (b) The first stage will be the occupation of the RED LINE, J. 10. e. 2. 0. - J. 10. e. 55. 55. - J. 10. a. 8. 8. - J. 4. c. 6. 3.
- (c) One battalion of each Brigade will be employed for the capture of the Red Line and two battalions of each Brigade for the capture of the Blue Line. One Battalion of each Brigade will be held in Brigade Reserve.

4. The dividing lines between Brigades and Groups will be a straight line drawn from J. 9. d. 25. 85. to J. 10. b. 35. 30.

5.(a) The dividing line for Infantry Brigades on the south will be the GLENCORSE WOOD - BLACK WATCH CORNER - REUTER ROAD ( inclusive to 33rd. Division)

- (b) The point of junction with the 33rd, Division on the final objective will be J. 10. d. 3. 0.
- (c) The dividing line on the north for Infantry Brigades will be as at present up to J. 9. b. 25. 60. whence it will run due north to 100 yards and thence parallel to POLYGONFIELD ROAD at a distance of 100 yards.
- (d) The point of junction with the 4th. Australian Division on the final objective will be J. 4. d. 3. 6.

6. The following Liaison Officers will take up their duties from 10 a.m. on 25th. inst:-

- "A" Group with 15th. Aust. Inf. Brigade. Lt-Col G. I. STEVENSON, C.M.G.
  - "B" Group with 14th. Australian Inf. Bde. Lt-Col H. D. K. MacCARTNEY,
- These Officers will take with them the necessary signal personnel from their own Brigades. They will remain as Liaison Officers with their respective Infantry Brigades for the forthcoming operation.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

*H. H. Lton*  
Major,  
Brigade Major,  
5th. Australian Divisional Artillery



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*Col Barker*

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP ORDER No. 3.

Headquarters,  
24th. September, 1917

1. At Zero Hour on the day of attack a barrage will be put down similar to that ordered in 1st. Australian Divisional Artillery Group Order No.16.

2. The two stages of the advance are as follows:

(A) THE RED LINE (First Objective)

(B) THE BLUE LINE (Final objective)

as shown on Barrage Maps already issued.

3. Boundaries between Group Zones are:-

"A" Group southern boundary; E and W GRID Line between J.15. and J.9.  
" northern boundary; a straight line drawn from J.9.d.25.85.

to J.10.b.35.30.

"B" Group southern boundary; a straight drawn from J.9.d.25.85. to  
J.10.b.35.30.

" northern boundary; a straight line drawn from J.9.b.50.85  
to J.4.d.3.6.

4. The starting <sup>line</sup> of the Infantry is marked "Jumping-off" Line on the Barrage Maps.

5. The innermost barrage will be 150 yards in front of this line as shown on Map.

6. The Barrage will advance as shown on the Maps issued to all concerned and Diagrams issued to "A" and "B" Groups' Batteries.

7. On reaching the Protective Barrage Line for the Second Stage, the first line of 18-prs will remain on this line during the time of consolidation; the 4.5" How. Barrage will remain 200 yards beyond the 18-pr Barrage.

8. The fire ceases unless further required at Zero plus 527.

9. Every 18-pr gun of the first Barrage Line as it reaches each successive protective Barrage will fire three rounds of smoke shell in quick succession to mark its arrival on that line.

10. Group Commanders will arrange an overlap of 50 yards at both ends of their Group Zones.

11. Rates of fire are as follows:-

	18-pr	4.5" How.
During advance	2.	1
During time Infantry are halted.	1.	$\frac{1}{2}$
During first four minutes	4.	1.
For four minutes before advancing after pause, on protective Barrage Line.	4.	1.

N.B. Figures are rounds per gun per minute.

12. Group Commanders must arrange to rest individual guns during periods when fire is stationary. The question of reliefs and of resting personnel whenever possible must be carefully considered.

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~~5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP ORDER NO. 3.~~

- 13. Every care is to be taken to ensure accurate synchronisation.
- 14. Each Group will have one F.O.O, who will be in position before ~~Zero~~ Hour, and who will go forward as necessary.
- 15. Group Commanders will arrange for necessary signal personnel and equipment (including Lucas Bombs) to accompany F.O.O's. These parties will carry 48 hours' rations with them.
- 16. Group Commanders will arrange to have complete reliefs for every member of these parties (including F.O.O's) collected together in a convenient place and will at once replace all casualties in personnel or equipment in the forward parties.
- 17. With reference to 5th. Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 1. para 2. the 3rd. Aust. (Army) Field Artillery Brigade will find their own F.O.O's who may engage fleeting opportunities as they occur, immediately reporting their action to Group Headquarters, who will forward information on to 5th. Aust. D.A.H.Q. These F.O.O'S are in addition to those mentioned in para 14.
- 18. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

*H. Hudson*

Major,  
Brigade Major,  
5th. Australian Divisional Artillery.

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~~SECRET.~~Copy No. 14FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP ORDER No. 4.25th. ~~...~~

1. A Bombardment Barrage over the Second Army Front will be carried out on the day after the attack. (L Day).
2. Time of commencement will be 5a.m..
3. Order from West to East will be "A", "B", "D", "E".
4. Distance between M.P.I. of Barrages will be 150 yards.
5. Times, lifts and distances are shown in attached diagram.
6. Starting Line of "A" Barrage on S.O.S. Lines.
7. Rates of fire. Required Rds. per Gun.  
 18<sup>pr</sup>; 2 rounds per gun per minute. 66.  
 4.5" How; 1 round per gun per minute. 51.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

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