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OF

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.) 7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	May. 1st to 8th		<p>During this period the Brigade remained in it's position of observation as at the end of April, no firing taking place. Intelligence wires were forwarded each afternoon containing general Intelligence. - A Brigade O.P. was selected at D.26.d.58.90 only to be manned on special orders from Brigade.</p> <p>On 5th May, D.A., O.O. No.54 was received - Brigade to take over S.O.S. lines of Left Group during a minor operation by 9th Aust. Inf. Bgde.</p> <p>Lt-Col. T.B.W. JAMES returned to duty from Hospital and re-assumed command of the Brigade.</p> <p>D.A., O.O. No.55 received - Relief of 3rd (Aust.) Army Brigade by 7th Aust. F.A.bgde. on May 9th</p> <p>D.A., O.O. No.56 received - 7th Brigade O.O. No.18 issued. - Brigade taking over portion of Div. S.O.S. Lines during minor operations by 9th and 10th Aust. Inf. Bdes.</p>	<p>App 3.</p> <p>App 4.</p> <p>App 3a</p>
	9th		<p>Relief of the 3rd (Aust) Army Brigade was completed at 8 p.m.. 7th Brigade became a Sub-group of Left Group Artillery under command of Lt-Col ALLSOP D.S.O. Brigade Headquarters was located in a trench at D.13.d.65.75., Wagon Lines and Rear Headquarters remained at FRANVILLERS.</p> <p>N.692 received from D.A. - Special harassing fire on Counter Preparation Zones during night 9th/10th.</p> <p>T/3/643 issued - Procedure laid down in case of enemy bombardment on morning of 10th</p> <p>T/3/644 issued - Gas bombardment by 107th Battery</p>	<p>App 6.</p> <p>App 7.</p> <p>App 6a</p>
	10th		<p>Our 18-pdrs expended 1145 rounds on Zones A, B, C, & D. as per App. 6 and 4.5 Hows 300 rounds on same zones. A special shoot of 270 rounds 4.5 How gas also took place during the night.</p> <p>Hostile fire was light except in Areas D.23.a. & c., D.29.a. and c., where 300 rounds 4.2 H.E. were reported during the afternoon. - Enemy aircraft were very active and 7 hostile planes crossed our lines at 8.30 p.m. - One of our machines fell, in flames in the Village of DERNANCOURT - Visibility low.</p> <p>5th Brigade O.O. No.20 issued - programme of harassing fire</p>	<p>App 8.</p>
	11th		<p>In addition to usual harassing fire on likely assembly areas, 18-pdrs expended 50 rounds on Registration and 100 rounds on Bridge at E.21.c.45.28. - 4.5 hows fired 330 rds on O.P. in E.27.d.75.30 and trench systems in K.3.b. - Hostile activity was normal, areas lightly shelled being MARETT WOOD, TREUX, BUIRE, and D.24, 23, and 16.</p>	

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	11th	(ctd)	<p>Our planes were active during the day - Visibility poor. Left Group Instruction No.5 issued - Special bombardment on Sunken Roads in K.1.b.& d. " " " " No.6 " - Gas bombardment by 107th Battery on E.25.c. T/3/658 issued-- Batteries to select positions for detached Section. Left Group Instruction No.4 issued - re selecting Rear Zone Positions</p>	<p>App 10. App 6b App 9 App 11</p>
	12th		<p>18-pdrs fired 320 rounds special harassing fire during the night on Zones C. and D. paying special attention to Roads and approaches in Lane 15. - A large Working party was reported by the Infantry at E.20.c.25.50. This was fired on by 18-pdrs and dispersed. - 4.5 Hows. fired the usual harassing fire and in addition, 250 rounds gas on Sunken Road in K.1.a. and on enemy bivouacs in E.25.c. - Enemy artillery was generally quiet. - Areas lightly shelled were RIBEMONT AND MERICOURT, LAVIEVILLE, D.28, D.29, and D.23.d. A few Phosgene gas shell fell near LAVIEVILLE. - Visibility poor, D.A.p Instruction No.32 received - Counter Preparation. Left Group Instruction No.7 issued - Concentration on Sunken Road in K.1 Warning Order for relief by 4th Aust. F.A.bde on 14th May received Left Group Instruction No.8 issued - Bombardment of VILLE-sur-ANCRE and Sunken Road K.1.a.</p>	<p>App 12 App 10a App 13 App 10b</p>
	13th		<p>Besides 580 rounds harassing fire, 18-pdrs expended 360 rounds at 5 and 5.30 p.m. on Sunken Road in K.1.b. and d. - 4.5 Hows expended 120 rounds at same times and 100 rounds gas during the night. - Enemy artillery showed increased activity especially on back areas. Between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. an intermittent bombardment was maintained on the Sugar Refinery in D.27,b. with a 21cm How. - Visibility became excellent in late afternoon and planes were active on both sides; enemy bombing planes attempted to cross our lines at 8.30 p.m. but were driven off by A.A. Fire. Left Group Instruction No. 9 issued. - Concentration on VILLE -sur - ANCRE and Sunken Road in K.1. Left Group Artillery Provisional Defence Scheme issued 7th Bde. O.O. No. 21 issued - Relief by 4th Aust. F.A.Bde on 14th May D.A., O.O. No.57 received - Relief of 3rd Aust. Div. Arty by 2nd Aust. Div. Arty. D.A. Warning Order received - Move to Training Area</p>	<p>App 10c App 14 App 13b App 13a App 15</p>
	14th			

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14th Franvillers			<p>Our 18-pdrs expended 600 rounds during the night mostly on the Sunken Roads in K.l.a. & b. and on VILLE-SUR-ANGRE. - 4.5 Hows fired 50 rounds on same places, and 200 rds. gas shell during the night on the Northern half of the Sunken Road. - Enemy artillery activity was normal, the areas receiving most attention being, RIBEMONT, MERICOURT, MARETT WOOD, Sunken Road in D.27 and BUIRE. - Visibility poor.</p> <p>7th Aust. F.A. Bde was relieved by the 4th Brigade in the line. On completion of relief at 6 p.m. Brigade Headquarters was established at it's Rear Headquarters in FRANVILLERS.</p> <p>7th Bde O.O. No.22 issued - Preliminary Instruction for march to ST OURN Area.</p> <p>" " " No.23 " and D.A., O.O. No.58 issued with March Table attached for march to BOURDON (Amiens 17-1/100,000)</p>	<p>App 16</p> <p>App 16a</p>
15th BOURDON			<p>7th Aust. F.A. Bde moved to Bourdon. Brigade Headquarters was established at No.101 Rue d'AMONT BOURDON at 4 p.m.</p> <p>Brigade O.O. No.24 issued - with March Table for march to COCQUEREL.</p>	<p>App 16b</p>
16th COCQUEREL (ABBEVILLE 1/100,000)			<p>7th Brigade moved to Fourth Army Rest Area at COCQUEREL. Brigade Headquarters was established at the Chateau, COCQUEREL at 1 p.m.</p>	
17th to 30th			<p>During the period whilst the Brigade was in this Area, intensive training programme was carried out by all Batteries and H.Q., special attention being paid to Mobile Warfare conditions and the engagement of fleeting opportunities and enemy Tanks (as per App. 17</p> <p>On May 19th Lt-Col. G.M.H. KING, C.M.G., D.S.O. from R.B.A.A., took over command of the Brigade from Lt-Col JAMES D.S.O. who was posted to command R.B.A.A., HEYTESBURY</p> <p>The 3rd Div. Arty Race Meeting was held on the Course at EPAGNE on May 26th</p> <p>On May 28th D.A., O.O. No.60 was received - Relief of 4th Aust. Div. Arty by 3rd Aust Div. Arty on June 2nd.</p> <p>Brigade O.O. No.25 issued - March to Riviere Area (Amiens 17 1/100,000)</p>	<p>App 17</p> <p>App 18</p> <p>App 19</p> <p>App 19a</p>
31st HANGEST- SUR-SOMME			<p>Brigade moved to HANGEST -sur-, SOMME. Headquarters was established in Billet No 10 at 3 p.m.</p>	

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	31st		<p>Brigade O.C. No. 26 issued - March to Wagon Lines in vicinity of GLISY on June 1st</p> <p>" " No. 27 " - Instructions for the relief.</p> <p>Maps herewith. - Sheet 62D N.E. 1/20,000 covering period in the line from May 9th to May 14th</p> <p>Abbeville 14, 1/100,000 covering period in 4th Army Rest Area.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>During the month the Brigade took only a small part in active operations. The positions of Observation held at the end of April, when superimposed over Divl Front were held until May 9th. No firing was done during this period by the Batteries, though on occasions portions of the front were taken over during minor operations by the 3rd Div. Infantry.</p> <p>On May 9th the Brigade relieved the 3rd (Aust) Army Brigade and became a Sub-group of the Left Group Artillery covering the line between DERNANCOURT and VILLE-sur-ANCRE. No important Operations were carried out except harassing fire. On May 14th the 4th Aust. F.A. Brigade took over this Sector. The 7th Brigade withdrew to Wagon Lines and marched next day to 4th Army Rest Area at COCQUEREL.</p> <p>The period between May 16th and 31st was spent in Billets in COCQUEREL. Intensive open warfare training was undergone. For the first time since the Brigade came to France a manoeuvre ground was obtained and Batteries given the opportunity of practising for Mobile conditions again. The Village of Cocquerel is situate on the Somme Canal and swimming was freely indulged in by all ranks. Sport of all kinds was encouraged especially cricket and Baseball whilst the 3rd Div. Arty held a most successful Sports Meeting at HPAGNE on May 26th.</p> <p>Abbeville was situate at about 10 kilometres and a limited daily allotment of leave was granted to personnel to visit the Town. On May 21st command of the Brigade passed to Lt-Col. G.M.H. KING, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lt-Col JAMES D'S.O. proceeding to England to take charge of the R.B.A.A.</p> <p>On May 31st the Brigade marched out of Cocquerel to relieve the 4th Aust. Div. Arty in the Villers Brettoneux Sector.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>[Signature]</i> Lieut-Colonel, Commanding, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.</p>	<p>Appl9b</p> <p>Appl9c</p>

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
Appendix No. 1	Special Order by General MONASH. (one copy)
2	Infantry Defensive Instruction No.6 (one copy)
3	D.A., O.O. No.54 dtd 4-5-1918 (in trip) - minor Operation by 9th Aust. Inf. Bde.
3a	D.A., O.O. No.56 and Bgde. O.O. No.18 (in dup) - Minor operation by 9th and 10th Inf. Bdes.
4	D.A., O.O. No.55 dated 7-5-1918 (one copy) - relief of 3rd Aust. Army Brigade.
5	3rd Aust. D.A. Standing Orders (1 copy.)
6	N.692 dated 9th May (one copy) - Special harassing fire.
6a	T/3/644 dated 9th May (one copy) - Gas bombardment
7	T/3/643 dated 9th May (one copy) - Instructions in event of enemy bombardment on 10th May.
8	Brigade O.O. No.20. dated 10-5-18 (in trip) - harassing fire to be carried out.
9	T/3/658 dated 11-5-18 (in dup) - Batteries to select position for Detached Section
10	Left Group Instruction No.5 dated 11-5-18 (in trip) special bombardment of Sunken Road.
10a	Left Group Instruction
(5b)	Left Group Instruction No.6 dated 11-5-18 (in trip) Gas bombardment
10a	Left Group Instruction No.7 dated 12-5-18 (in trip) Bombardment of Sunken Roads.
10b	Left Group Instruction No.8 dated 12-5-18 (in trip) Bombardment of VILLE-sur-ANCRE.
10c	Left Group Instruction No.9 dated 13-5-18 (in trip) Bombardment of Sunken Road.
11	Left Group Instruction No.4 dated 10-5-1918 (in trip) Alternative positions.
12	D.A. Instruction No.32 dated 11-5-18 (one copy)
13	2nd Div. Arty Warning Order dated 12-5-18 (in trip) Relief by 2nd Aust. Div. Arty.
13a	D.A., O.O. No.57 dated 13-5-18 (one copy) - re relief.
13b	Brigade O.O. No.21 dated 13-5-18 (in trip) - confirming relief.
14	Left Group Provisional Defence Scheme dated 13-5-18 (in trip)
15	D.A. Warning Order dated 13-5-18 (one copy) - Warning re move to Training Area.
16	Brigade O.O. No.22 dated 14-5-18 (in trip) - re move to Training Area.
16a	D.A., O.O. No.58 and Brigade O.O. No.23 dated 14-5-18 (in trip) March to St OUEEN Area.
16b	Brigade O.O. No.24 dated 15-5-18 (in trip) - march to Cocquerel.
17	Training programmes (in trip)
18	Programme of 3rd Div. Arty Race Meeting.
19	D.A., O.O. No.60 dated 28-5-18 (one copy) - Move to Riviere Area.

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19b	Brigade O.O. No26 dated 31-5-18 (in trip) - Move to Wagon Lines near GLISY.
19c	Brigade O.O. No.27 dated 31-5-18 (in trip) - Details of relief.
20	Extract from Paris 'Le Matin' dated 22nd May, 1918
21	Special Order by Gen. MONASH dated 30-5-1918.
22	Total casualties for year 1917.
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APPENDIX 1

A.H.

SPECIAL ORDER

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Major-General SIR JOHN MONASH, K.C.B., V.D.

Commanding Third Australian Division.

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The Divisional Commander has much pleasure in promulgating to all Troops of the Division the following extracts from a Special Despatch from the Commander-in-Chief which has been published in the British Press, received in FRANCE to-day.

"The THIRD and FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONS at MARICOURT l'ABBÉ and DERNANCOURT, the NEW ZEALAND DIVISION at SERRES, and, at a later date, the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION South of the SOMME all performed most valuable and gallant service during the latter stages of the German Attack on the SOMME. With their aid the enemy's progress was definitely checked, and by the vigour of their Defence all his attempts to continue his Advance have been repulsed with the heaviest losses to his Troops."

Robt. S. Jackson

Lieut.-Colonel.
A.A. & Q.M.G., Third Australian Division.

Divisional Headquarters,
25th. April, 1918.

DEFENSIVE INSTRUCTION No.6.Divisional Left Flank Protection.

1. It is considered desirable to plan defensive measures with a view to the following contingency :-
 - (a) The Divisional Front System, between the SOMME and the ANCRE not being heavily engaged by the enemy; and
 - (b) The Division of our left, after using up its divisional reserves, being compelled to relinquish its FORWARD ZONE.
2. The object is to prevent the enemy turning our Left Flank; and to maintain a Left Flank Defence, either passively or actively, for a sufficient period to enable Corps Reserves to restore the situation on our Left.
3. The plan involves the employment of a substantial part of the Divisional Reserve, outside of the present Divisional area.- It is most important therefore, that the reduced Divisional Reserve left available after making provision for this plan shall not be committed by any subordinate Commander, without clear authority from Divl. Headquarters.
4. The Reserve Brigade will forthwith reconnoitre and be prepared to move one battalion to the neighbourhood of D.19.central to live there until further orders.
5. The dispositions of the Divisional Reserves will then be as follows :

(a). Reserve Brigade - "A" Bn.	in J.13.
	"B" Bn. in D.19.
	"C" Bn. in LA ROUSOYE.
	"D" Bn. in FRANVILLERS.
	H.Q. in FRECHENCOURT.
	Battle H.Q. in FRANVILLERS.
(b). 3rd. Pioneer Bn.	
(less 1 Coy)	in HAILLY.
1 Company.	in RIBEMONT.
(c). M.G. Bn. (less 2 Coys).	in RIBEMONT.
(d). Troop Light Horse & Platoon of Cyclists.	in LA ROUSOYE.
6. A Switch line will be forthwith reconnoitred and wired, - but not dug, - extending from the ANCRE in D.30.b., north-westerly to include existing work at CEMETERY in D.23.d., thence to Divisional Boundary near D.23.central, thence through D.16.central, across Plateau 105 in D.16.a., thence Westerly, to include BRUSLE to us, joining the BAIZIEUX System in D.7.d. -
7. This Switch Line work, as defined in para 6 will be carried out :-
 - (a). South of Divisional Boundary - by Left Brigade.
 - (b). North of Divisional Boundary - by C.B. of Corps.
8. The Left Brigade will have placed at its disposal, for the work in 7(a), one Company of Pioneers, supplementing same by necessary Infantry Working and carrying Parties. -The length of line to be sited and wired is about 1,500 yards.- This work will be undertaken forthwith.
9. In the event of a situation arising which will involve the manning of this Switch Line by this Division, the Sector between the ANCRE and the Divisional Boundary will be manned and defended by the Left Brigade out of its own Reserves;- but with the addition of two Sections of Vickers Machine Guns at present in Divisional Reserve in RIBEMONT.

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(2)

- 10. The decision whether the Defences now held by the Left Brigade to the East of this Switch Line are to be evacuated in whole or in part, will, if possible, be made by Divisional Headquarters; but the G.O.C. Left Brigade must, - in the event of an interruption of communications at the time when the emergency arises - be prepared himself to make such a decision.
- 11. Upon a definite order from Divisional Headquarters, but not otherwise the Reserve Brigade will take over the responsibility for manning the portion of the new Switch Line, North of Divisional Boundary - total length, about 4,200 yards.- For this purpose the Reserve Brigade may employ the "B", "C" & "D" Battalions, - but not the "A" Battalion.
 Normally the "B" Battalion would move up from D.19.central., along the AMIENS - ALBERT Road to man the Sector S.E. of BRESLE, while the "D" Battalion would move from FRANVILLIERS across country to man the Sector from BRESLE (inclusive) West to the RAIZIENX System.-
 The "C" Battalion would simultaneously move up from LA HOUSSOYE to near D.19.central to act in support.
 The action of the remaining Units of the Divisional Reserve, i.e.,
 Light Horse Troop.
 Cyclist Platoon.
 1 Machine Gun Company.
 Pioneer Battalion.
 cannot be previously laid down, but is dependent on their being available at the time of such situation arising.
- 12. The G.O.C. Reserve Brigade must also provide for the contingency of having to act offensively in order to reach and secure his hold on this Switch Line.
- 13. The C.R.A. will arrange a scheme for the necessary Artillery co-operation and communicate same to those concerned.
- 14. Under the circumstances contemplated by these dispositions, the "A" Battalion of the Reserve Brigade must be prepared to act either
 (a) in support of, or for counter-attack duty in the Divl. front between the SOMME and the ANCRE.
 (b) to man the BRIDGEHEAD LINE - as per Operation Circular 10, para 5 (b) of 22.4.18.
 This Battalion may, in either case, be detached from the G.O.C. Reserve Brigade.
- 15. Above dispositions make no provision for Nucleus Garrisons for our Second Zone, which are at present arranged to be provided by the Reserve Brigade. In the event of the dispositions ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ described in this order being put into operation, the Reserve Brigade will be relieved of the responsibility for ^{these} Nucleus Garrisons.
- 16. It is important for all concerned to be given clearly to understand that the dispositions contained in this plan for our Left Flank protection are totally distinct from existing dispositions to cover any possible withdrawal to our SECOND ZONE.- The one plan does not supersede or cancel the other. Both plans must remain fully organised, so that either the one or alternatively the other may be employed as circumstances dictate.
- 17. The foregoing will not be communicated below Unit Commanders, and is to be treated as secret and confidential.

(Sgd) C.H. JESS Lieut-Col. General Staff.

DISTRIBUTION:

A.Q.	9th A.I. Bde	1st M.G.	Troop L.Horse.	47th Divn.
C.R.A.	10th "	3rd M.G. Bn	Cyclists Platoon.	War Diary (3)
C.R.E.	11th "	3rd Pioneer Bn.	Aust. Corps.	File.



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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
OPERATION ORDER No.54.

Ref. Map : 62 D.N.E.1/20,000.

(1)
INTENTION. - On the Night 5th/6th May, 1918, the 9th. Aust. Inf. Brigade will carry out an operation to advance our line and establish a series of Posts along a North and South line through K.7.c.central. and K.13.c.central.

(2)
ARTILLERY ARRANGEMENTS. Following number of guns will take part in the Barrage which will cover the Infantry advance..

LEFT GROUP, 3rd. Aust. D.A.	- 30 (18-pdrs)	12 (4.5" Hows)
RIGHT GROUP, " " "	- 34 " "	12 " "
150th. Bde R.F.A.)	- 18 " "	6 " "
attd. 5th. Aust. D.A.)		

The attached Tracing shows :-

- (1) The boundaries between the Groups *(for this operation only)*
- (2) The Start Line, and the subsequent lifts for the 18-pdr. barrage.
- (3) Protective and flank barrages (18-pdr).
- (4) Length of time barrage rests on each line.

Time-Table and Rates of Fire for 18-Pdrs. are as follows :

ZERO to ZERO plus 3 mins.	- 4 rds. p.g.p.m.	- Start Line.
" plus 3m. to ZERO plus 6m	- 3 " "	- Advance 100 yds.
" " 6m. " " " 9m	- 3 " "	" 100 yds.
" " 9m. " " " 12m	- 3 " "	" 150 yds.
" " 12m. " " " 14m	- 1 " "	" 200 yds.
" " 14m. " " " 16m	- 1 " "	" 300 yds.
" " 16m. " " " 46m	- 1 " p.g.p. 4 min-	" 100 yds.
		and form Protective Barrage.

75% 'A' and 25% 'AX' (no 106 Fuzes) to be used.

Exceptions to the above.-

LEFT GROUP. - Flank Barrage (6 18-pdr. guns) from K.7.a.5.8. to K.7.b.4.0. will be at the rate of 1 rd. p.g.p.m. throughout.

150th. Bde.) Rate of fire up to the Protective Barrage line -
R.F.A. attd.) 2 rds. p.g.p.m. On the Protective Barrage
5th. Aus. D.A.) line - 1 rd. p.g.p. 4 mins.

(3)
4.5" HOWS. All Hows. will open at ZERO HOUR on the Protective Barrage Line, and remain until Zero plus 12 mins., when they will lift on to likely assembly areas not less than 400 yards East of the Protective Barrage Line. 106 Fuzes will be used throughout. Rate of fire - 1 rd. per How. per minute.

/ (4)

(4)
ARRANGEMENTS
PRIOR TO ZERO
HOUR.

Ordinary harassing fire will be carried out at the usual rates.

(5)
HEAVY ARTIL-
LERY.

The B.C., H.A., has arranged to assist with C.B. work from Zero to Zero plus 45 minutes.

(6)
S.O.S.
ARRANGEMENTS.

From Zero Hour onwards, the S.O.S. barrage will, if required, be placed on the Protective Barrage Line; the line for the Left Group running from K.7.b.4.0. to K.7.a.0.5., thence Northwards as before.

(7)
LIAISON
ARRANGEMENTS.

All liaison arrangements will be made by O.C., Right Art. Group direct with 9th Aust. Inf. Brigade. G.O.C.,

(8)
ZERO HOUR.

ZERO HOUR will be 9 p.m., 5th May, 1918.

(9)
WATCHES.

Watches will be synchronised at 9th Aust. Inf. Bde Headquarters (J.l.d.05.30) at 5.30 p.m. on 5.5.18. Each Artillery Brigade concerned will send an Officer to the 9th A.I. Bde Headquarters at that hour. An Officer from 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. will synchronise with C.B.S.O. at the same hour.

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ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

W. A. Nicholls

Headquarters.
4.5.1918.

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

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Right Group Art.	4 / 5.	C.R.A.	17.
Left Art. Group.	6 / 7.	B.M., R.A.	18.
7th A.F.A. Bde.	8.	S.C., R.A.	19.
8th A.F.A. Bde.	9.	R.A. Sig. Ofcr.	20.
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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
5th May, 1918.

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To
Battery Commanders

Herewith Copy of 3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery
Operation No. 54 and amendment No. 1. for your information

During the Operation referred to in this Order,
the 7th F.A. Bde will cover and be responsible for the Front
normally covered by the Left Group Artillery.

Further instructions re this matter will be issued
later to-night.

K. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Amendment No. 1 to O.O. 54.

Para 2, last line of time table.

For. "Zero plus 16 m. to Zero plus 46 m. 1 rd p.g.
p. 4 min. Advance 100 yds and form
Protective Barrage"

READ. "Zero plus 16 m. to Zero plus 1 hour. 1 rd p.g.
p. 4 min. Advance 200 yds and form
Protective Barrage"

Map to be altered accordingly.

Para. 3, 2nd line.

After. "Barrage Line"

INSERT. " K.13.d.4.0. to K.7.b.4.0."

Para. 8.

For "ZERO HOUR will be 9 p.m.. 5th May, 1918."

READ. "ZERO HOUR will be 11.45 p.m., 5th May, 1918."

ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

W. A. Nicholls

Headquarters,
5.5.1918.

Major, R.A.,
S.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

To All Recipients of O.O. 54.



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Barrage Map "A."

Ref. Map Sheet 62^D NE 1/20,000

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COPY NO

LEFT ARTILLERY GROUP OPERATION ORDER NO 3.

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

1. On the night 5th/6th May 1918 the 9th Australian Infantry Brigade will carry out an operation to advance our line and establish a series of Posts along a North and South line through K.7.c.central and K.13.c.central.
2. The Barrage covering the Infantry advance will be supplied by

(a) 30 18 Pounders	} of this Group distributed as hereinafter set out.
12 4.5" Howitzers	
(b) 34 18 Pounders	} of the Right Artillery Group
12 4.5" Howitzers	
(c) 18 18 Pounders	} of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery
6 4.5" Howitzers	
3. The attached Tracing shows:
 - (1) The boundaries between the Groups for this operation only.
 - (2) The Start Line and the subsequent lifts for the 18 Pounder Barrage
 - (3) Protective and Flank Barrages (18 Pounder)
 - (4) Length of time barrage rests on each line.
4. The tasks are allotted to Batteries in this Group as follow:

K.7.a.60.80 - K.7.b.6.0	9th Battery 2 guns
do do	8th Battery 4 guns
J.12.b.72.00 - J.12.d.72.80	8th Battery 2 guns
J.12.d.72.80 - J.12.d.72.60	7th Battery 6 guns
J.12.d.72.60 - J.12.d.72.40	16th Battery 4 guns
J.12.d.72.40 - J.12.d.72.10	18th Battery 3 guns
J.12.d.72.10 - J.12.b.72.80	17th Battery 6 guns

The Howitzers ~~XXXXX~~ will open at Zero on the Protective Barrage Line K.13.d.6.0 to K.7.b.6.0 as shown in the attached tracing and remain until ZERO plus 12 minutes when they will lift on to likely assembly areas in K.8. not less than 400 yards EAST of the Protective Barrage Line. The Howitzer Barrage Line and area will be taken in equal halves from NORTH to SOUTH by 103rd Battery and 106th Battery respectively.
5. Time Table and Rates of fire for 18 Pounder Rolling Barrage are as follow:

Zero to Zero plus 3 minutes	4 rd. p.g.p.m.	Start Line
Zero plus 3 m. to Zero plus 6 m.	3 " "	Advance 100 yds
" " 6 m. to " "	9 m. 3 " "	Advance 100 yds
" " 9 m. to " "	12 m. 3 " "	Advance 150 yds
" " 12 m. to " "	14 m. 1 " "	Advance 200 yds
" " 14 m. to " "	16 m. 1 " "	Advance 200 yds
" " 16 m. to " "	60 m. 1 rd.p.g.per 4 m.	Advance 200 yds.

75% A and 25% AX (No 106 Fuses) ^{are} to be used.

(b) 18 Pounders Flank Barrage
1 round per gun per minute throughout

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- (c) Rate of fire for Howitzers:
1 round per How per minute. 106 Fuses will be used throughout
6. Ordinary harassing fire will be carried out at the usual rates. ^{prior to}
7. The B.G. H.A. has arranged to assist with C.B. work from Zero to ^{zero hour} zero plus 45 minutes.
8. From Zero hour onwards the S.O.S. Barrage will, if required, be placed on the Protective Barrage Line: the line for the Left Group running from K.7.b.6.0. to K.7.a.0.5, thence Northwards as before. ^{firing}
9. ~~THE~~ the period for which the Batteries of this Group are engaged on this operation the 7th A.F.A. Brigade will arrange to cover the Group S.O.S. Line from K.7.a.0.5 to its Northern boundary if called upon.
10. All Liaison arrangements will be made by O.C. Right Artillery Group
11. ZERO HOUR will be 11:45 p.m. 5th May 1918
12. Watches will be synchronised at this Headquarters at 6 p.m. on 5th May 1918.
13. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

Issued at 3:45 p.m. 5/5/18

Copy No 1 to 16th Battery
2 17th Battery
3 18th Battery
4 106th Battery
5 9th A. I. Brigade
6 10th A. G. Brigade
7 3rd Army Bde. Sub-Group
8 Right Artillery Group
9 3rd Aust. Di. Artillery
10 File
11 War Diary
12 C.O. 7th A.F.A. Bde

G. Roberts
Lieutenant
Adjutant, LEFT ARTILLERY GROUP



T/3/622

7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
5th May, 1918.To
Battery Commanders.

Reference this office T/3/620 of even date.
S.O.S. Lines for 7th Aust. F.A.Bde Batteries
during Operation will be along S.O.S. Lines already issued as
follows :-

25th Battery.

K.7.a.0.4. to E.25.c.10.00. to

26th Battery.

E.25.c.10.00. to E.25.b.85.50.

27th Battery.

E.25.b.85.50. to E.20.a.20.05.

107th Battery.

2 Hows. cross roads K.l.b.10.35.

2 Hows. cross roads K.l.a.90.97.

2 Hows. E.25.d.35.45.

Batteries will be prepared to open on these lines
on the S.O.S. Rocket or orders from this Office, from Zero -
5 minutes until further orders

A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade. Lieutenant.



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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Ref. Map: 62D. S.E.
1/20,000.

--- OPERATION ORDER No. 56 ---

The 9th and 10th Aust. Infantry Brigades are carrying out a small operation this evening in conjunction with the Artillery Groups covering their fronts. This will involve leaving the front from K.7.b.6.0. to K.13.d.6.0. without covering Artillery fire whilst the operation is in progress, viz., from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The superimposed Artillery Brigade (7th A.F.A. Bde) will, from 9 p.m. until 11 p.m. be responsible for covering this front in case of S.O.S.; the S.O.S. Line for this Brigade between these hours being 100 yards East of a line K.7.b.6.0. - K.13.d.6.0.

Before 9 p.m. and after 11 p.m. Groups will be responsible for their normal fronts in case of S.O.S.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

W. H. Nicholls

Headquarters:
7.5.1918.

Major, R.A.,
D.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

Distribution:

R.A., Aust. Corps - 3rd Aust. Div. G. - Right and Left Art. Groups - 7th A.F.A. Bde - 9th & 10th Aust. Inf. Bdes - C.R.A., D.M., R.A. - S.C., R.A. - R.O., R.A. - War Diary - File.

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TO	<i>7 AFA</i>				

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read 12:30 a.m. 8th May
throughout aaa
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APPENDIX

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

OPERATION ORD R NO 10.

Reference Map. - 62D N.R. - 1/40,000

1. INTENTION.

The 9th and 10th Aust. Infantry Brigades are carrying out a small operation this evening (7-5-1918).

From 9 p.m. until 11 p.m., the 7th A.F.A. Brigade will be responsible for covering the front from K.7.b.8.0. to K.13.d.8.0. The S.O.S. Line being 100 yards East of the foregoing line.

2. BATTERY SECTORS.

Battery Sectors will be as follows :-

- 25th Battery. - K.7.b.8.0. to K.7.d.8.0.
- 26th Battery - K.7.d.8.0. to K.13.b.8.0.
- 27th Battery - K.13.b.8.0. to K.13.d.8.0.
- 107th Battery - 2 Hows on each of the foregoing sectors 200 yards of line for 10-pdrs. east

Before 9 p.m. and after 11 p.m. the above sectors will be covered by their normal artillery.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE By wire.

K. D. Watson
Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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Ref. Map: 62D. NE. - 1/20,000.

-- OPERATION ORDER No. 55. ---

1. The following reliefs will take place:-

H.Q., Left Art. Group will be relieved by 8th
H.Q., 8th A.F.A. Brigade.

7th A.F.A. Bde will relieve 3rd Aust. Army Bde, F.A.
and vice-versa.

8th A.F.A. Bde will relieve 6th Aust. Army Bde, F.A.
and vice-versa.

Lieut-Col. W.G. ALLSOP, D.S.O., will take over command of the
Left Art. Group from Lieut-Col H. COHEN, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Reliefs will take place on 9th May, 1918. Personnel only
will be relieved; guns being exchanged.

2. All Defence Schemes will be handed over to relieving Units.

3. Arrangements for the relief to be made mutually between
Group Commanders concerned.

4. Command of Batteries to pass on relief; Battery reliefs to
be completed by 7 p.m., 9th May, 1918.

5. Command of Group passes at 8 p.m., 9.5.1918. X

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. A. Nicholls

Headquarters.
7.5.1918.

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

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3rd Aust. Div. G.	3	2nd S.S.O., 3rd	
Right Art. Grp.	4/5	Aust. Divan.	17.
Left Art. Group.	6/7	667th Coy A.S.G.	18
7th A.F.A. Bde.	8	C.M.	19
8th A.F.A. Bde.	9	B.M., R.A.	20
5th Aust. D. Art.	10	S.C., R.A.	21
2nd Aust. D. Art.	11	R.A. Sig. Ofcr.	22
6th Bde, R.G.A.	12	R.O., R.A.	23
9th Aust. Inf. Bde.	13	War Diary.	24/26
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

B.M.601.

Attached are Standing Orders - 1918 -

These cancel previous orders issued under the
 following Nos:-

S.374 - S.374/1 - S.374/2 - S.374/3 +
 and S.374/4.

Please acknowledge receipt. (B.M.601).

Headquarters.
 8.5.1918.

G. A. Nicholls
 Major, R.A.,
 B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O.
 6th Bde, R.G.A.
 Left Flank Art. (18th Divisional Art.)
 Right Flank Art. (5th Aust. Div. Art.)
 2nd Aust. D. Art.
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----- STANDING ORDERS - 1918. -----

B.M. 601.

All Officers in Observing Stations will be in possession of the existing S.O.S. Signal or Rocket and the means for firing same, and will repeat the S.O.S. Signal from their O.Ps. In cases where the Batteries cannot see this signal, S.O.S. Repeating Relay Stations will be formed. It is the duty of all Artillery Officers to arrange with the Infantry with whom they are affiliated a system of S.O.S. Signal Repeating Stations to ensure that the S.O.S. Signal reaches the guns. In a thick fog, arrangements will be made to supplement the signal by bugle calls.

All Batteries will post Rocket Guards who are acquainted with all rocket signals. They will immediately report any rocket seen to the Officer on duty at the guns.

In the event of communications being out, Brigade Commanders and Battery Commanders, if they consider the situation demands, will open fire until information is obtained as to the actual tactical situation.

Rates of fire for S.O.S.

18-pdrs.	-	3 rds per gun per min for first 5 minutes.
		2 " " " " " " " second 5 "
		1 " " " " " " " next 5 "
4.5" Hows.	-	2 rds per How per min for first 5 minutes.
		1 " " " " " " " second 5 "
		1 " " " " " " " next 5 "

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 as laid down above carried out.

Guns are to be kept loaded day and night on S.O.S. Lines.

Artillery Group Commanders are responsible for keeping touch with the latest Infantry Line and arranging their S.O.S. Line to conform.

COUNTER PREPARATION:

Counter Preparation involves the delivery of a maximum of Counter Battery fire or Harassing fire, or both in one stage, and the maximum of Annihilating fire in another stage, and will be divided into three phases:-

- C.P. Scheme - Phase 1A.
Will mean the maximum of Counter Battery fire.
- C.P. Scheme - Phase 1B.
Will mean the maximum of harassing fire.
- C.P. Scheme - Phase 2.
Will mean the maximum of Annihilating fire.

The Schemes will hereafter be put into operation on orders so worded, and the period of effect will normally be stated. Rate of fire will be as laid down in Schemes, or as specially ordered by D.A.H.Q.

(:) The Divisional area will be divided up by D.A.H.Q. into Sectors or Lanes, in order to facilitate the production of the heaviest possible fire on any front at short notice, and the tasks within these Sectors or Lanes laid down.

Phase 1B. will be carried out to a range of 1,000 yards East of S.O.S. Lines.

Phase 2. will be in the form of a creeping barrage over the whole area concerned at the rate of 100 yds in two minutes from a "start Line" 100 yards East of the S.O.S. Line to 2,000 yards Eastwards, all guns sweeping to cover the whole frontage.

Lanes of fire will be divided into zones of 500 yds in depth, beginning from the "Start Line" and extending back 4 zones, i.e., 2,000 yards. These zones will be lettered "A", "B", "C", "D" from West to East.

During periods of moving warfare, when it would not be possible for D.A.H.Q. to send out detailed schemes, Artillery Group or Brigade Commanders will be responsible for the division of their front as in para (:).

Every possible endeavour should be made to locate positions of assembly, and when they are located, they should be dealt with so thoroughly as to make an attack so half-hearted that our Infantry will be easily capable of coping with it. Sudden bursts of concentrated fire will prove far more effective than fire of an equal volume spread over prolonged periods. Fire should be switched from point to point according to the information available, using the utmost strength at each enemy assembly point.

Rates of fire, which will be ordered at the time the Scheme is put into operation, are as follow:-

Phase 1B.					
Rate	(a)	-	60	rds	per gun per hour.
	(b)	-	30	"	" " " "
	(c)	-	15	"	" " " "
Phase 2.					
Rate	(a)	-	3	rds	per gun per min.
	(b)	-	2	"	" " " "
	(c)	-	1	"	" " " "

the whole barrage being repeated as often as ordered.

4.5" Hows in PHASE 1B. will be placed on roads and tracks within the limits laid down for Divisional Artillery.

4.5" Hows in PHASE 2. will be employed in "B" barrage 200 yds East of the 18-pdr barrage.

106 fuzes will be used with 4.5" How and with 18-pdr H.M. when available.

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Ordinary Harassing Fire.

Will be carried out on information supplied periodically. It should be carried out up to the extreme range of all guns and Hows. Latest photographs and Intelligence Summaries must be carefully studied and the schemes varied frequently.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Visual Signalling Stations must be selected and manned, as telephonic communication is almost certain to be destroyed during a heavy preliminary bombardment.

OBSERVATION POSTS:

All Batteries will have an Observation Post permanently manned during the hours of daylight. Brigade Commanders are responsible that these O.P.s. are chosen according to the tactical situation, and that all dead ground and ground to the flanks can be seen from them. In addition to the above, one O.P. per Brigade will be manned during the hours of darkness. It is specially important during mobile warfare that all Officers should concentrate their energy on locating the positions of hostile Batteries by observation as well as flash spotting.

During the period of mobile warfare, Sound Ranging Sections and Field Survey Sections cannot give the same information as during periods of trench warfare. Therefore, the onus more than ever rests with the Divisional Artillery for the collation of all this sort of information.

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION:

Wireless masts will be put up near Artillery Group or Brigade Headquarters, from which all calls received will be transmitted to Batteries.

ZONE CALLS:

The following procedure will be adopted for answering Zone Calls:-

G.F. - One Section of each Battery that can bear will fire three section salves and repeat if call is repeated.

L.G. - Every Battery that can bear will fire 4 rds gun fire and repeat if call is repeated.

H.F. & A.N.F. - Groups or Brigades will arrange for the answering of H.F. & A.N.F. Calls in their areas, and will divide their areas amongst their Batteries. These calls will only be answered by the Battery concerned, salves being fired as laid down in S.S./131 of December, 1917, page 31.

For N.F. Calls, not more than 4 salves will be fired unless the situation and observations received render it desirable to continue the fire on the hostile Battery.

If, however, on the receipt of any of these calls, Batteries are engaged upon S.O.S. or Counter Preparation, it rests with the Group or Brigade Commander receiving the call to decide which Battery or Section he can spare and to immediately issue the necessary instructions to engage.

TRINCH MORTARS:

The D.T.M.O. will keep in close touch with Artillery Groups covering the Infantry Brigades in the line. The Artillery Group Commanders are responsible for the tactical handling of the Trench Mortars in action on their respective fronts.

SELECTION OF BATTERY POSITIONS:

Battery Positions should, as far as possible, be on high ground to avoid the effects of a hostile gas bombardment and, during mobile warfare, semi-covered with as little dead ground as possible in front of the guns; guns being so situated as to bring fire to bear on advancing Infantry right up to the guns.

As soon as indications point to the fact that the enemy has located the positions of Batteries, they should move immediately to alternative positions previously chosen and re-selected. This is especially important if any previous indications have pointed to the fact that a hostile attack is imminent. Each Battery should also construct at least one dummy position from which firing should be carried out at night.

Artillery Group and Brigade Commanders will, as far as possible, keep "Silent Areas" from which no shooting is done, and in which most of the alternative re-selected positions are chosen.

RELIEF OF PERSONNEL:

In order to ensure that Battery personnel is rested, the Battery should be organised into two and, if possible, three reliefs; each relief being sufficient to maintain the service of the Battery and to allow for slight casualties. Not more than one relief should be kept at Battery position; The second should be within easy reach of the Battery; and the third, under normal circumstances, in the Wagon Lines.

CAMOUFLAGE:

All Battery positions should be well camouflaged and, where possible, air photographs studied before the final Battery position is selected. Making tracks running to Battery positions must be avoided, but tracks should be made to unoccupied and dummy positions.

WAGON LINES:

The main Wagon Line position should, as a rule, not be closer than 3,000 yards to the gun line, but a Forward Wagon Line may be established nearer to the guns. In any case, as soon as a heavy bombardment is opened by the enemy, orders will be sent to the Wagon Line to harness up, and gun limbers will be brought up to close proximity to the guns.

INSTRUCTION:

All possible instruction is to be given to Subalterns and Nos. 1 in shooting at moving targets; and the rules of ranging as taught by the book, and as learnt during preliminary training in England, are to be adhered to.

LIASON DUTIES:

Liason with the Infantry will be established as follows:-

Artillery Group Commanders with their affiliated Brigadiers.
Battery F.O.s. with Battalion Commanders whose duty it is to keep in close touch with the Infantry situation and to keep their Batteries informed of the same.

RECONNAISSANCE.

The reconnaissance of river crossings will be made by Officers, who should have thorough knowledge of existing crossings and of any alternative ones prepared.

Forward positions, in the event of an advance, or rear positions, in the event of a withdrawal, will invariably be chosen as soon as the Battery takes up a position. Routes to these positions should be immediately reconnoitred.

PRECAUTION AGAINST BOMBING.

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The protection of horses and mules requires the careful / attention of all O.Os., who will ensure that animals are not grouped in larger numbers than 20, and that, where possible, traverses to a height of at least 3 feet are erected around each group.

GAS PRECAUTIONS:

All Standing Orders and Circulars relating to GAS are to be carefully studied and known by all Officers and strictly enforced in all units.

Battery positions should be fitted with rough wind vanes. The direction of the wind can then be obtained and Battery Commanders can then withdraw their personnel clear of the gas cloud, should the Battery not be in action.

The Divisional Artillery Gas Officer is responsible for all Anti-Gas arrangements. He will make frequent inspections at both Wagon Lines and Gun Positions, and will report to D.A.H.Q. the non-observance of any orders he has noticed.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Brigade Medical Officers are responsible for the care and evacuation of all wounded, and will at all times be conversant with the location of all Field Dressing Stations and Field Ambulances. First Aid Posts should be prepared near all gun positions.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENCE:

Lewis Guns will be manned at both Wagon Lines and Battery positions and 24 rifles kept with the guns.

The following Standing Orders for Lewis Gunners A.A. Post have been received from Headquarters, 3rd Aust. Division.

- " At least three men to be always with gun while mounted.
 No guns to open fire unless hostile markings on the plane can be clearly distinguished by the naked eye.
 16 full magazines to be always with each gun, including one on magazine post.
 When fire is opened finish magazine in one continuous burst; small bursts of fire are useless.
 No fire to be opened on aeroplanes by night unless they disclose their hostile identity unmistakably by dropping bombs or opening fire, or their identity is unmistakably revealed in the beam of a searchlight.
 Under no circumstances, will fire be opened on an aeroplane bearing allied markings."

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARIES:

Greatest care must be taken in compiling Intelligence Summaries and Reports. Information is of little value unless accurate. Negative information may be of greatest value. Any change in the situation will be immediately wired to D.A.H.Q. Changes of the locations of Headquarters or of Units will be immediately reported by wire.

LIAISON WITH HEAVY ARTILLERY:

Liaison between Divisional Artillery and Heavy Artly should be encouraged. Divsl Artly O.Ps. should connect up to Heavy Art. O.Ps. and any information of value, such as movement out of range of the Divsl Artly passed to them for action; Divsl Artly offering to observe for them if the target reported cannot be seen by them.

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TIME:

Brigade Commanders will ensure that all their units have the correct official signal time, and that same is checked at least twice a day.

AMMUNITION:

Rehels will at all times be kept full.

ORDERLIES:

In the event of any battle developing, Artillery Brigades and D.A.C. will send immediately to D.A.H.Q. -

- 1 Bicycle Orderly.
- 1 Mounted Orderly.

On any move of position of Artillery Headquarters or D.A.C., a fresh Orderly, who will replace one already at D.A.H.Q. will be sent, with information as to the new location of the Headquarters occupied, and a short report re the tactical situation of the Brigade or D.A.C.

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COUNTER PREPARATION:

Counter Preparation will, in future, be put into operation by the following messages:-

- (a) "Effect Counter Preparation Phase 1 from to (or, from beginning of enemy bombardment)"
- (b) "Effect Counter Preparation Phase 2 at plus hours from beginning of enemy bombardment for minutes."

Rates of fire when Counter Preparation Phase 2 is ordered will be in future as follows:-

Field Artly. - 10 pdrs.	3 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" Hows.	2 " " " " "

S.O.S. - RATES OF FIRE:

On receipt of the S.O.S. Signal, both Field and Heavy Artillery will open fire. Rates of fire will be as follows:-

Field Artillery.

10-pdrs	} First 0 minutes - 4 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" Hows.	- Half above rates.

All fire will cease at the end of fifteen minutes, unless the S.O.S. Signal is repeated after the opening of fire, when the maximum rate of fire will be reverted to and the procedure as laid down above carried out.

Standing Orders for 3rd Aust. Div. Artly will be altered accordingly.

Acknowledge

W. H. Nicholls

Headquarters
10.5.1918.

Major, R.A.,
D.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division

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| H.A.; Aust. Corps. | 6th Bde, R.G. |
| 3rd Aust. Div. "3" | Left Flank Art (18th Div) |
| Right Art. Group. | Right Flank Art (5th Aust D) |
| 7th ...F... Bde | End Aust. D. Art. |
| 8th ...F... Bde. | 3rd Aust. D. Art Gas Ofcr. |
| 3rd Army Bde, ...F... | O.R... |
| 6th Army Bde, ...F... | B.M., R... |
| 6th Bde, R.G. | S.O., R... |
| 3rd Aust. D...O. | R... Sig. Ofcr. |
| War Diary - File. - | D.O., R... |

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

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* Sender's Number.		Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
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Harassing fire		9 th and 10 th	will take place on		
zones as follows		aaa	9 pm until 12 midnight		
zones C and D		1 am	until 3 am		
A and B		aaa	15		
rds per gun		and	how per hour		
he fired		aaa	4.5 How		
will use gas		shells	provided wind is favorable		
aaa left group		to	pay special attention to		
the northern part		of	their group zones		
Acknowledge		addressed			
FROM					



Zone D² both working
 rest AAA
 Second period takes place
 2 hrs + 30 mins after opening
 of enemy bombardment
 when lanes will be
 swept eastwards. Field
 Artillery beginning on Zone A
 H. Artillery on Zone D both
 working East AAA
 Rate of fire for both
 periods will be rate
 A) AAA. Plus however being
 the time the enemy opens
 his bombardment + will
 be decided by B G H A Corp



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 Service Instructions
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 6th Army Bdes aba
 Hows in E 21 d + E 22c
 25th
 27th } Cancel Harassing
 107th } Cancel 7/3/64-3
 FROM 3rd Am DARTQ
 PLACE & TIME 8 25pm

If enemy bombardment
 takes place on the morning
 of 10th inst. C & P scheme
 Phase 2 will be effected
 for two separate periods
 each of 15 mins duration
 1st
 First Period to take place
 about 30 mins after
 opening of enemy
 bombardment when
 zones will be swept
~~westwards~~
 as follows 1st
 Field Arty begins in
 zone c Heavy Arty in

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
9th May, 1918.

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To
Officer Commanding,
107th Battery

The following gas bombardment will be carried out on night 9th/10th May, subject to weather conditions being favourable :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Target.</u>	<u>Rate of fire.</u>
3.15 - 3.18am.	Sunken Road, E.27.a.00.25 to E.27.a.40.50.	BNC 4 rounds per How per minute.
4 - 4.35 am	do do	do do
4.40 - 4.43 am	do do	do do

K.D. Watson Lieutenant,

A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.



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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY.

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INSTRUCTION No. 6.

11th. May, 1918

Under instructions from 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery, the following Gas Bombardment will be carried out by 107th. and 108th. Howitzers Batteries:-

AREA:

E.25.e.4.2
E.25.e.3.5
E.25.e.6.7
E.25.e.7.4

TIMES:

12.30 a.m. to 12.33 a.m.
4.30 a.m. to 4.33 a.m.

RATE:

4 rounds per how. per minute.

PROJECTILE: B. N. C.

This Bombardment will be carried out on receipt of the word 'BOM' and will be in addition to the bombardments mentioned in my Instruction No.5.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

E. Griffith Lieutenant,
Adjutant, Left Group Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No.1/4: All Batteries, 8th. Bde.
5. 7th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.
6. 6th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.
7. 3rd. D. A. H. Q.
8. File.
9/11. War diary.

W.D.
 To Battery Commanders,

19/5/18

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7/3/643
 If enemy bombardment takes place in the morning of 10th instant, Counter Preparation Scheme, Phase 2 will be effective for two separate periods, each of 15 minutes duration.

First period to take place 1 hour and 30 minutes after opening of enemy bombardment, when zones will be swept Westwards, beginning with on zone "D". Second period takes place 2 hours and 30 minutes after opening of enemy bombardment, when lanes will be swept Eastwards beginning on zone "A" and working East.

Rate of fire for both periods will be rate "A".

Zero Hour will be the time the enemy opens his bombardment and will be decided by B.G.H.A. Corps and passed to Groups through 3rd D.A.H.Q. and to Batteries through 7th Brigade Headquarters.

Should communications to Batteries be broken, Battery Commanders are to decide their own zero hour and carry out programme.

The order to put this into effect will be "Carry on with N.691".

ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

K.D. Watson
 A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade. Lieutenant.

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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1. During the day all observed enemy movement will be fired on. 250 rounds 18-pdrs. and 200 rounds 4.5" Hows. per Battery, will be expended during the 24 hours on Harassing fire, each 18 pdr. Battery firing on its own zone, and Hows. - 2 Hows on each 18-pdr Battery Zone, special attention being paid to likely assembly places.
At least 150 rounds of above will be fired during hours of darkness, and to avoid the necessity of sending out patrol reports every night, no fire, unless otherwise ordered, will be closer than 300 yards East of the S.O.S. Line.
Batteries will chose their own targets from information supplied and obtained by themselves from the Infantry, unless special orders are issued for covering patrols or minor operations.
2. Special attention is directed to 3rd Army Brigade Operation Order No.2 of 12-4-1918, copies of which have been received by Battery Commanders of 7th Brigade from outgoing Battery Commanders of 3rd (Army) Brigade. This order will apply to 7th Brigade, (except that gun teams need not actually be hooked in at 5 a.m.) necessary change in nomenclature of Batteries being made. i.e. for 7th read 25th, 8th, 26th, 9th, 27th and 103rd, 107th.
3. The D.A.C. will deliver ammunition as required to Forward Wagon Lines. Batteries must provide a guide from the D.A.C. to these positions.
4. The existing cover for personnel is inadequate, and Battery Commanders will make every endeavour to improve this as rapidly as possible. Special attention is to be paid to construction of gas-proof dug-outs.

K. D. Watson Lieutenant
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

Distribution :-

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| Copy No.1 | 25th Battery |
| 2 | 26th Battery |
| 3 | 27th Battery |
| 4 | 107th Battery |
| 5 | FILE |
| 6) | |
| 7) | WAR DIARY |
| 8) | |
| 9 | 8th Aust. F.A. Bde. (for information) |

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade
11th May, 1918.

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To
Battery Commanders,

In order to keep more or less silent area,
Batteries will at once select positions for a detached section,
and forward co-ordinates of positions to this office.

It is proposed to use the detached sections for all
harrassing fire, and only to use the main Battery positions
for Counter Preparation and S.O.S.

Please treat this matter as URGENT.

R. D. Watson

Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY

INSTRUCTION No.5.

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11th. May, 1918.

The following bombardments will be carried out to-night, 11/12th. instant.

TARGET:- Sunken Road from K.l.d.15.30 ^{to} and K.l.b.00.50

107th. Bty. - 3 rds. p.h.p.m. for 2 mins.	-11.15 p.m. - 2.5 a.m.)
	4.10 a.m.)
108th. " - do. do. do.	11.15 p.m. - 2.5 a.m.)
	4.10 a.m.)

31st. Bty. - 4 rds. p.g.p.m. for 2 mins. at 9.5 p.m.	-11.15 p.m. - 2.30 a.m.
	4.30 a.m.
27th. Bty. - 4 rds. p.g.p.m. for 2 mins. at 8.30 p.m.	-10.50 p.m. - 3 a.m.
	4.50 a.m.

Gas will be used by Howitzers if conditions are favourable, otherwise 'BX'.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

E. Griffith

DISTRIBUTION:-

Adjutant, Left Group Lieutenant, Artillery.

- 1/4 8th. Bde. Btys.
- 5. 7th. F.A. Bde.
- 6. 3rd. D.A.H.Q.
- 7. File.
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- A.I. Bde*



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Copy No.....
11th May, 1918.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INSTRUCTION NO 4.

Reference Map - 62D N.W. - 1/40,000

1. The following bombardment will be carried out to-night
11th/12th instant.

2. TARGET. - Sunken Road from K.l.d.15.30 to K.l.b.00.50.

107th Battery @ 3 rds. p.h.p.m. for 2 mins. at 11.15 p.m.-2.5 a.m.
4.10 a.m.

27th Battery - 4 rds p.g.p.m. for 2 mins. at 8.30 p.m.-10.50.p.m.
3 a.m.-4.50 a.m.

3. Gas will be used by the 107th Battery if conditions are
favourable, otherwise 'BX'.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K. J. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION. Copy No.1 27th Battery
2 107th Battery
3 8th Aust. F.A. Bde Group (for information)
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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No.7.

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12th. May, 1918.

Reference Map:
FRANCE, Sheet 62 D, N.E. Ed.2cLocal.

Combined with Newton 6" Mortars, there will be a Group Concentration on the Sunken Roads in K.l.

Tasks as follows:-

- 30th. Battery:- K.l.a.9.4. - K.l.b.45.50.
- 29th. do. - K.l.a.45.15. - K.l.a.65.30.
- 31st. do. - K.l.a.45.15.- K.l.c.35.85.
- 25th. do. - K.l.d.15.25.- K.l.d.20.60.
- 26th. do. - K.l.d.20.60.- K.l.b.20.15.
- 27th. do. - K.l.b.20.15.- K.l.b.00.55.
- 107th. do. - K.l.b.00.55.- K.l.d.15.30.

- 1 (One) 6" Newton T.M. - K.l.a.40.15.
- 1 (One) 6" Newton T.M. - Along Road from K.l.b.00.55. -
K.l.b.20.00.

Rates for Guns and Hows.:- 2 rounds per gun and how per min. for 5 minutes.

Rates for T.M.s. :- Rapid (4 rounds) for 5 minutes.

There will be two shoots on these targets and the zero hours will be 5 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. These times are dependent on the placing of ~~the~~ a T.M. in position, and should it be necessary to alter the zero hours, the message "BUBBLY!.....P.M." will be sent.

Signal time will be used, and 7th.F.A.Brigade and O.C. T.M. Battery will check with Group Headquarters.

This instruction should be kept, as it is probable that this Group Concentration will be often used.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

E. Griffith

LIEUTENANT.,
ADJUTANT., Left Group Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

- Copies 1/5 7th.F.A.Bde.
- 6/9 8th.Bde.Btys.
- 10. O.C. T.M. Bty.
- 11. Right Group.
- 12. 2nd. D.A. H.Q.
- 13. 6th. A.I.Bde.
- 14. File.
- 15/17 WAR DIARY.

To
Batteries, 7th Aust. F.A.Bde.

For your necessary action

K.D. Watson

Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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INSTRUCTION NO. 8.

12th May, 1918.

The following bombardments will be carried out to-morrow
13th instant :-

At 11 a.m. VILLE-SUR-ANGRE will be bombarded :- Tasks as follows :-

25th Battery - E.25.d.10.20. to E.25.d.30.45.
26th Battery - E.25.c.80.20. to K.l.a.90.95.
27th Battery - From E.25.c.75.40. to E.25.c.80.20.
29th Battery - K.l.a.90.95. to E.25.d.10.20.
30th Battery - From E.25.c.80.30. - to E.25.d.00.40.
31st Battery - From E.25.d.00.40. to E.25.d.30.45

107th How. - One how on each of the following points:-

K.l.a.47.58. - M.l.a.777. - E.25.d.13.45. -
E.25.d.30.45 - E.25.c.35.25. - E.25.d.10.30.

108th How. - E.25.d.23.28. - E.25.d.20.15. - E.25.d.00.10.
K.l.a.90.95. - E.25.c.35.50. - E.25.c.80.20.

1.-6" Newton T.M. located at E.25.a.25.70. will fire on
following points :- E.25.d.15.25.

1. 6" Newton T.M. on Sunken Road at K.l.a.45.20.

At 12 noon. - Instruction No.7. will be carried out.

At 3 p.m. do do do do

DURATION. Each bombardment will last for 3 minutes

Rate of fire The rate of fire will be 2 rds. p.g.& h.p.m. and Rapid
for Trench Mortars.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) E.GRIFFITH Lieutenant,
Adjutant, Left Group Artillery.

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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY. APPENDIX
INSTRUCTION NO 9.

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13th May, 1918.

The following bombardment will be carried out at the stated times :-

Corriganda to Instruction No.7.

How. Targets:- 107th Battery Northern half of Sunken Road
K.l.b. and d.
108th Battery Southern half of Sunken Road
K.l.b. and d.

TASKS. 107th Battery) Instruction No.8, 4 rds. p.g.& h.p.m. for 3 mins
108th Battery) BNC - Time 11 p.m., 13th instant.

107th Battery) Instruction No.7 as amended by this Instruction.
108th ") 4 r.p.g. & h.p.m. for 3 mins. - 1 a.m. & 3 a.m.
14th instant - BNC

18 pounders:- All Batteries will fire on VILLE as per
Instruction No.8 at 11.30 p.m. 13th inst.;
4 rounds gun fire with all guns.

All 18-pdr Batteries will fire on targets as per
Instruction No.7 at 1.30 a.m. and 3.45 a.m. 14th instant.
4 rounds gun fire with all guns.

On 14th instant, Instruction No.7 will be carried out at 10 am
and 4 p.m.

On 14th instant, Instruction No.8. will be carried out at 12
noon and 5 p.m.

At 8 a.m. 14th inst. all 18-pdr Batteries will fire two salvos
with AX at one minute interval 100 yards East of their S.O.S.
Line. Liaison Officers will be instructed to go forward with
the Infantry Officer detailed by Battalion to report on this
Shoot.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) E. GRIFFITH Lieutenant,
Adjutant, Left Group Artillery.

To
Battery Commanders
7th Aust. F.A.Bde.

Herewith Instructions numbered 8 and 9 for
your necessary action.
Acknowledge by wire.

(Sgd) K.D.WATSON Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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11th May, 1918.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INSTRUCTION NO 4.

Reference Map 62D N.W. 1/40,000.

1. ALTERNATIVE POSITIONS - 1st ZONE.

All Batteries, if such positions were not handed over, will at once select alternative positions and ensure that they can be occupied at short notice.

2. 2nd. ZONE. and 3rd ZONE.

The routes back to the Second and third zone positions must be constantly reconnoitred as new trenches and wire are being put up every day.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K. J. ... Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,

DISTRIBUTION.

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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY

INSTRUCTION No. 4.

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ALTERNATIVE POSITIONS - 1st. Zone.

All Batteries, if such positions were not handed over, will at once select alternative positions and ensure that they can be occupied at short notice.

2nd. Zone. + *3rd Zones*

The routes back to the Second Zone positions must be constantly reconnoitred as new trenches and wire are being put up every day.

3rd. Zone.

The positions to be occupied by 8th. Brigade Batteries in the event of a withdrawal to the 3rd. Zone, will be notified later.

Those to be occupied by 7th. F.A. Brigade in the 3rd. Zone will be selected under arrangements made by C.O., 7th. F.A. Brigade, and communicated by him to Batteries of his command.

E. Griffith

Lieutenant,

Adjutant, Left Group Artillery.

10/5/1918.

DISTRIBUTION.

- 1/4. 8th. Bde. Batteries.
- 5. 7th. F.A. Brigade.
- 6. 3rd. D.A.R.C.
- 7/9. War diary.
- 10. Spare.



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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
18th May, 1918.

To
Battery Commanders,

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Herewith copy of 3rd D.A.H.Q., Instruction No
32.

Please acknowledge receipt, by wire.

K D Watson

Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

INSTRUCTION NO. 32.

Should the enemy open a heavy bombardment on our front and communications be cut, the following C.P. Scheme will automatically come into force :-

Zero hour to Zero plus 1 hr. 30 mins.

C.P. Scheme Phase 1B at the rate of 30 rds. per gun and How per hour on zones "B" and "C"

Zero plus 1 hr 30 mins to zero plus 1 hr 45 mins.

C.P. Scheme Phase 2 - Zone "C" - working Westwards

Zero plus 1 hr 45 mins. to zero plus 2 hrs 30 mins.

C.P. Scheme Phase 1B at the rate of 30 rds per gun and How per hour on zone "B"

Zero plus 2hrs. 30 mins. to zero plus 2 hrs 45 mins.

C.P. Scheme Phase 2 - Zone "A" - working Eastwards.

Zero plus 2 hrs. 45 mins. until receipt of S.O.S.-orders to cease fire, or hostile fire ceases.

C.P. Scheme Phase 1B at the rate of 30 rds per gun and How per hour will be continued with.

In Phase 1B only and not in Phase 2 4.5" Hows, if the wind is favourable, will use gas shell only, endeavouring to put up a gas barrage along the whole front.

On receipt of the S.O.S. Signal or message, all guns will open as laid down in instructions previously issued. After this fire has continued for 15 minutes with shrapnel and H.E., 4.5" Hows will, if the wind is favourable, change to gas shell for 15 mins. H.E. will be used for the subsequent 30 minutes, and then another change to gas shell, wind still being favourable, for the next 15 mins will be made; ~~changing~~ changing back to H.E. for the next 30 mins and so on.

100 rds 18-pdr and 4.5" How, and 200 rds 4.5" How Gas Shell, will be held at the guns in addition to allotment, in anticipation of C.P. Scheme.

NOTE. ZERO HOUR throughout is to be taken as the hour of opening of the enemy's bombardment. Battery Commanders are to use their own discretion re this ZERO HOUR

As soon as communications permit this, Zero Hour will be CO-ordinated by Group Commanders.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
11.5.1918

(Sgd) W.D. NICHOLLS Major, R.A.,
B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. APPENDIX 13Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

Left Group	4th A.F.A.Bde.
Right Group	5th A.F.A.Bde.
3rd Aust. D.A.C.	2nd Aust. D.A.C.
3rd Aust D.T.M.O.	2nd Aust, D.T.M.O.

WARNING ORDER.

1. Para 2 of 2nd Aust. D.A. Warning Order A.30/76 of 11th May (issued only to units of 2nd Aust. D.A.) is now cancelled, (except regarding Trench Mortars). Reliefs will now take place as follows.:
 - (a) 4th A.F.A.Bde relieves 7th A.F.A.Bde.
 - (b) 5th " " 8th "
 - (c) 2nd Aust D.A.C. " 3rd Aust. D.A.C.
 - (d) 2nd Aust. D.T.M.O. and T.M. Batteries relieve Aust. D.T.M.O. and T.M. Batteries.
2. Batteries will relieve corresponding Batteries. Location statements have been issued.
3. On relief 4th and 5th A.F.A.Bdes will form the Left Group 2nd Aust. Divl. Artillery under the command of Lieut-Col RIGGALL D.S.O.
4. Reliefs will be completed by 10 p.m. may 14th.
5. Necessary reconnaissances will, be carried out at once.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) C.A.CLOWES Major,
B.M. 2nd Aust. Divl Artillery.

To
All Batteries 8th A.F.A.Bde.
7th Aust. F.A.Bde.

For information.

(Sgd) E.GRIFFITH Lieutenant,
Adjutant Left Group Artillery

12-5-18.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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OPERATION O.M.A. No. 57.

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Australian Corps Order No. 99. orders the relief of the 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery by the 2nd. Australian Divisional Artillery.

The whole relief will be completed by 10 p.m. on 14.5.1918.

Orders for the relief are being issued by 2nd Australian D.A.

On relief the 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery will concentrate in the FRECHENCOURT area, and will then be in Army Reserve, and will not be employed without reference to Army Headquarters.

Wagon Lines of Brigades and D.A.C. will remain at present locations and will not be exchanged

On relief Headquarters will be as follows :-

7th. F.A. Brigade.	C.19.c.50.35.
8th. F.A. Brigade.	H.16.b.9.1.
3rd. D. A. C.	H.6.b.7.6.
3rd. D.F.A.C.	No. 2. Billet FRECHENCOURT.
	A.R.P.

The personnel of 3rd. D.A.C. at PONT NOYALLES as under will be relieved by 2nd. Australian D.A.C. by 12 noon 14.5.18. from which time and date G.O. 2nd. Australian D.A.C. will assume responsibility for ammunition supply.

Officer	1.
Other Ranks	10.
Cook.	1.
Matman	1.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. A. Nicholls

Headquarters,
13.5.1918.

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

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Right Art. Group.	4.	G.O. 3rd. Aust. Div.	16.
7th. A.F.A. Bde.	5.	867th. Coy. A.A.C.	18.
8th. A.F.A. Bde.	6.	C.A.A.	19.
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		D.C., R.A.	21.
		R.A. Sig. Officer.	22.
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Copy No.....
13th May, 1918.

7th AUST? FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

ORDER NO 21.

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Reference Map 62D - N.E. = 1/40,000

1. In confirmation of 2nd Aust. Artillery Warning Order issued to Batteries this day, the following reliefs will be effected to-morrow 14th instant :-

10th Battery	relieves	25th Battery
11th	"	26th Battery
12th	"	27th Battery
104th	"	107th Battery
2. Guns, sights will-be and aiming posts will be handed 'in situ' but will be stripped of tools and spare parts.
3. Reliefs to be completed by 10 p.m. 14th instant and to be reported by telephone to 7th Brigade Hqrs.
4. Command of Batteries will pass on completion of relief. Command of Group and Sub-Group on completion of Battery reliefs.
5. On completion of reliefs Batteries of 7th Aust. F.A.Bgde will withdraw to their Wagon Lines and become Army Reserve.
6. Incoming Batteries will bring in guns to make up the full complement in the line, and hand over those remaining to outgoing Batteries.
7. Other details to be arranged between B.C's concerned.
8. Receipts of guns and ammunition will be forwarded to 7th Bgde. Office.
9. On completion of relief, 7th Aust. F.A.Bgde Headquarters will be established at the Chateau, QUERRIEU.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

R.D.W. apson

Lieutenant.
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION.

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| Copy No. 1 | 25th Battery |
| 2 | 26th Battery |
| 3 | 27th Battery |
| 4 | 107th Battery |
| 5 | 8th Aust. F.A.Bde Group (for information) |
| 6 | FILE |
| 7,8,9 | WAR DIARY. |

LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY.

OPERATION ORDER No.1.

Issued by Lieut. Colonel W.G. Allsop, B.S.O., Commanding.

13th. May, 1918.

The following reliefs will be effected to-morrow, 14th. instant.

4th. A.F.A. Bde. will relieve 7th. A.F.A. Brigade.

5th. A.F.A. Bde. will relieve 8th. F.A., H.Q., as Left Group.

13th. Battery relieves 29th. Battery.

14th. Battery relieves 30th. Battery.

15th. Battery relieves 31st. Battery.

105th. Battery relieves 108th. Battery.

Guns, Sights and Aiming Posts will be handed over in 'situ' but will be stripped of tools and spare parts.

Reliefs to be complete by 10 p.m., 14th. instant. *

Commands of batteries will pass on completion of reliefs.

Command of Group and Sub-Group on completion of Battery reliefs.

On completion of reliefs, the 7th. & 8th. Brigades will withdraw to their Wagon Lines and become Army Reserve.

Incoming batteries will bring in guns to make up full complement in the line, and hand over those remaining to outgoing batteries.

Other details to be arranged between B.Cs. concerned.

Receipts of Guns and Ammunition will be forwarded to 7th. & 8th. Brigade offices.

Daily ammunition states of batteries of 8th. Brigade will be, if possible, the amount handed over to batteries of 5th. F.A.B. and will reach this office, without fail, by 10.30 a.m. 14th. inst.

Completion of Battery Reliefs will be wired by word "CHERRY"

ACKNOWLEDGE.

E. Griffith
Lieutenant,
Adjutant, Left Group Artillery

Distribution:

- 1/4 All Btys. 8th. Bde.
- 5 7th. Aust. F.A. Bde.
6. 5th. A.F.A. Bde.
7. 2nd. D.A.H.Q.
8. Right Group.
9. 6th. A.I. Brigade.
10. T.M. Battery.
11. File.
- 12/14. War diary.

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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY.

PROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME.

APPENDIX

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Issued by Lieutenant Colonel ALLSOP D.S.O.

13th May, 1918.

Front Line Our present Front Line is as follows :-
 Left Group E.19.b.4.0.- E.19.d.37.85- E.19.d.38.61-E.19.d.25.50.-
 E.19.d.35.35.- E.19.d.45.25.- E.19.d.32.00.- E.25.b.10.45.-
 E.25.a.03.25.- D.30.b.45.15.- D.30.d.3.8.-D.30.d.45.70.-
 D.30.d.0.6.- D.30.c.40.17.- J.6.b.45.60.-J.6.b.45.40.-
 J.6.b.5.3.- J.6.b.6.1.- J.6.d.65.90.- J.6.d.75.72.-J.6.d.90.45
 J.6.d.90.15.- J.12.b.75.90.- K.7.a.05.85.- K.7.a.15.55-
 K.7.a.2.3.- K.7.a.3.1.

S.O.S. S.O.S. Lines as follows:-
 Left Group - E.20.a.2.0.- E.20.c.15.35.- E.20.c.0.0.-
 E.25.d.55.90.- E.25.c.7.9.- E.25.c.2.2.- K.1.c.20.25.-
 K.7.b.30.00.-

Right Group. K.7.b.30.00.- K.7.d.4.0.- K.13.b.25.40.-
 K.13.b.25.00.- K.13.d.6.2.- K.13.d.6.0.-K.19.b.6.0.-
 K.19.d.0.0. -

S.O.S. Sectors are allotted to 18 pdr Batteries as follows:-
 Sectors East and West lines through the following co-ordinates :-
 18-pdr. Left Group.
 27th Battery E.20.a.20. and E.26.a.0.8.
 26th Battery 4 guns from E.26.a.0.8. along S.O.S. line to E.25.d.15.90. 2 guns from E.25.d.15.90 to E.26.c.0.3.
 29th Battery E.25.c.0.3. and K.2.a.0.4.
 31st Battery K.2.a.0.4. and K.2.c.00.25.
 30th Battery K.2.a.00.25. and K.8.a.0.0.
 25th Battery Superimposed from E.26.c.0.3. to K.8.a.0.0

These come into force at 12 midnight 13th/14th inst.

S.O.S. Hows. 107th Battery - 1 How on each of the following co-ordinates :- E.20.a.55.05.- E.20.c.6.9.- E.25.d.20.75.- E.25.d.35.45.- E.25.c.80.30.-K.1.a.90.95.
 108th Battery - K.1.b.10.40.- K.1.a.50.55- K.1.d.20.85/ K.1.d.20.40.- K.2.c.15.65.- K.8.a.00.70.

6 inch T.M's One Newton 6" T.M. on each of the following points :- K.1.a.45.20.- K.1.a.45.60.- E.25.c.40.45 - E.25.c.60.75.-

Rates of fire. Rates for fire for S.O.S. are as follows :-
 18-pdrs 4 rds p.g. for first 8 minutes.
 3rds p.g. for next 7 mins.
 4.5" Hows half above rates.

All fire ceases at end of 15 mins., unless S.O.S. Signal is repeated in last 5 minutes, when programme will be repeated.

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Counter Preparation

Counter Preparation will be carried out as ordered or as laid in 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty. Instructions No.32.

Sectors are allotted to Batteries for Counter-Preparation as follows :-

27th Bty.	--Squares--	E.20.c. and d., E.21.c. & d.	called Lane 13.
26th "	"	-E.25.a and b., E.27.a & b.	" " 14
25th Bty	"	E.26.c. and d., E.27.c & d.	" " 15
29th "	"	K.1.s. and b., K.2.s. and b.	" " 16
31st "	"	K.1.c. and d., K.2.c. and d.	" " 17
30th "	"	K.7.s. and b., K.8.s. and b.	" " 18

Howitzer Batteries : 2 Hows on each lane.

107th Bty. - Lanes 13, 14 and 15.

108th " " 16, 17 and 18

Lanes are divided into Sectors A, B, C, and D, from West to East, and each Sector is 500 yards in depth, the dividing line between the Sectors being parallel to the S.O.S. Line and will be ascertained in accordance with the S.O.S. Line

The starting line is 100 yards East of the S.O.S. Line

Locations. Locations of Batteries, O.P's etc, are as per attached list.

(Sgd) E. GRIFFITHS Lieutenant,
Adjutant, Left Group Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.	Copy No.1	File
	2	25th Battery
	3	26th Battery
	4	27th Battery
	5	107th Battery
	6	Spare Copy.

To
All Batteries
7th Aust. F.A.Bde.

For your information. Please acknowledge by wire.

K. T. Watson

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LEFT GROUP ARTILLERYLOCATION REPORT as on 13-5-1918.

Bgde.	Bty.	Gun Location	Arc of fire	O.P's
8th F.A. Bde.	H.Q. 29th 30th 31st 108th	J.1.c.80.65 D.21.c.9.2. (4 guns) J.3.a.5.5. (4 guns) J.3.a.35.85-2 ") J.3.b.3.7. (4 guns) D.27.d.25.25 2 ") D.26.a.90.10 4 Hows) D.26.b.55.90 2 "	 93°-140° 60°-120° 62°-122° 62°-133° 74°-134° 60°-140° 60°-140°	 D.21.d.65.90. J.6.e.25.20. do do do do do
7th F.A. Bde	H.Q. 25th 26th 27th 107th	D.13.d.55.75 D.21.b.88.40 (4 guns) D.21.b.34.86 2 " D.15.a.9.0. D.15.b.2.4. D.21.b.70.60 (4 Hows) D.21.b.55.23 2 "	 50°-150° 50°-150° 90°-130° 75°-165° 50°-150° 50°-150°	 D.23.d.35.89. D.21.d.70.65 D.21.d.70.65 D.23.c.25.80 do do
Rt. Batta Lt. " Anti-tank		J.11.a.55.65. J.5.a.20.90. J.3.a.5.5.		

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(SECRET)

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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B.M. 615/1.

-- WARNING ORDER --

The Third Australian Divisional Artillery will probably move to training area West of AMIENS on the 15th instant.

Headquarters.
13.5.1918.

W. B. Nicholls

Major, R.A.,

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

7th



Ref. Maps:-
 ARREVILLE - 1/100,000.
 AMIENS. - 1/100,000.
 Sheet 62D. - 1/40,000.

OPERATION ORDER No. 58.

1. The 3rd Aust. Divsl Artillery will move by March Route on 15th May, 1918, from the Corps Area to the ST. QUEN Area, and on the 16th May to the LONG Area.
2. The move to the ST. QUEN Area will be in accordance with March Table on back hereof. Orders for next day's march will be issued subsequently.
3. The following distances will be maintained during the March:-

Between each 6 vehicles	-	25 yards.
Between Batteries & Sections of D.A.C. and between Units and their transport.	-	100 yds.
Between Brigades.	-	500 "
4. Personnel of Trench Mortars will march with the D.A.C.
5. S.A.A. Section, 3rd Aust. D.A.C. will remain at its present location and come under orders of 3rd Aust. Division.
6. Administrative Orders will be issued separately by Staff Captain, 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.
7. Location of 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. -
 After 10 a.m., 15.5.18 - Chateau, SPAGNE.
8. Acknowledge by D.R.L.S.

Headquarters.
 13.5.1918.

J. G. Manning Major, R.A.,
 for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

Distribution:-

7th & 8th A.F.A.Bdes - 3rd Aust. D.A.C.
 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. - S.E.O., 3rd Aust. Div.
 22nd Coy A.A.S. Corps - 3rd Aust Div (for infn) - 2nd Aust. D. Art (for infn).
 C.R.A. - B.M., R.A. - S.C., R.A. - H.O., R.A. -
 R.A. Sig. Ofcr - War Diary - File.

MARCH TABLE (issued with 3rd Aust. Div. Art. Operation Order No. 50 -14.5.1918).

Serial No.	Unit	Starting Point	Starting Time. 15.5.18.	Route	Remarks.
1.	7th A.F.A. Bde.	X Roads in H. 12, 3, 4, 2.	8 a.m.	ALLONVILLE - BERTANGLES - ST. SAUVAUR - LA CHAUSSEE - BOURDON.	Billeting parties will report to Asst. Administrative Commandant Army Areas at Church BOURDON at 11 a.m. on 15. 5. 1918.
2.	8th A.F.A. Bde.	ditto.	8.30 a.m.	ditto.	
3.	3rd Inst. D.A.C. less S.A.A. Section	ditto.	9 a.m.	ditto.	
4.	22nd Coy. A.A.J.C.	F Roads S. of "H" in ARGOEVES.	9.30 a.m.	LA CHAUSSEE BOURDON	
5.	3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.	Church LONGPRE.	9 a.m.	LA CHAUSSEE - FLEUCOURT LONG EPAGNE.	

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS REFERENCE 3rd AUST. DIV. ARTY. O.O.58.

Reference Maps:- AMIENS 1/100000.
ABBEVILLE 1/100000.

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1. TRANSPORT.

22nd Coy. A.A.S.C. will despatch baggage wagons to report to Unit Wagon Lines by 5 p.m. 14th inst.
3rd Aust. D.A.C. will detail 4 G.S. Wagons to report to 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. by 6 p.m. 14th inst. This will be the only transport available for the Trench Mortars for the move.
3rd Aust. D.A.C. will deliver the ammunition formerly carried in these Wagons to the A.R.P. PONT NOYELLES by 14th instant.
1 Motor Lorry will be detailed for each Brigade Headquarters to report at Chateau, QUERRIEU, on 15th instant. Time will be notified later.

2. S.A.A. SECTN.

S.A.A. Section will remain at present location, and will send all Administrative Returns to 3rd Australian Division "Q".
25th Coy. A.A.S.C. will supply S.A.A. Section with Rations from the 15th inst. ~~XXXX~~ (inclusive) onwards.

3. RATIONS.

Supplies will be drawn from 3rd Aust. Division Pack at POULAINVILLE on 15th inst., from R.S.O. ST. LEGER on the 16th inst., and from R.S.O. PONT REMY on and from 17th instant.
Refilling Point for 15th inst. will be Church, BOURDON. Guides from Units, who will be among personnel of Billeting Parties, will report at Church BOURDON, at 12 noon, 15th instant.
Refilling Point for 16th inst. will be Railhead, PONT REMY. Guides from Units will report there at 2 p.m.

4. AREA STORES.

All Area Stores, Tents, Shelters, etc., will be delivered to S.A.A. Section, 3rd Aust. D.A.C., by 8 a.m. 15th inst. S.A.A. Section will forward to 3rd Australian Division "Q" by 6 p.m. 15th instant, a return shewing all area stores returned by each Unit.

5. HORSE RUGS.

All horse rugs will be returned to 3rd Aust. D.A.D.O.S. at G.6.c.6.O., Sheet 62.D., by 8 p.m. 15th instant. (14th) Units may retain 10% if they so desire (Authority G.R.O. 3954).

6. AMMUNITION.

Units will move with Echelons full, except 4 G.S. Wagons detailed by 3rd Aust. D.A.C. for transport of Trench Mortars.

7. MARCHING OUT STATE.

Units will wire this Office by 8 p.m. 14th instant, Marching-Out State of Guns and Ammunition.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
14-5-18.

Raynell
Captain,
Staff Captain R.A.,
3rd Australian Division.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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| Copy No. 1. | 7th A.F.A. Bgde. | No. 7. | 2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q. |
| 2. | 8th A.F.A. Bgde. | 8. | S.S.O. 3rd Div. Train. |
| 3. | 3rd Aust. D.A.C. | 9. | D.A.D.O.S. 3rd Aus. Div. |
| 4. | 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. | 10. | B.li.R.A. |
| 5. | 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C. | 11/13 | WAR DIARY. |
| 6. | 3rd Aust. Divsn. "Q". | 14. | FILE. |

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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ORDER NO. 23.

Reference Maps - Sheet 62D - 1/40,000 - AMIENS -1/40,000 -
ABBEVILLE 1/100,000.

1. 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will move by March route on 15th May, 1918 from present Wagon Lines to the St. OUVEN Area and on the 16th May, to the LONG Area.
2. The move to the St. OUVEN Area will be in accordance with March-Table which is issued herewith. Orders for next day's march will be issued subsequently.
3. Refilling point for the 15th instant, will be the Church BOURDON Guides from Units, who will be among personnel of Billéting parties will report at Church BOURDON at 12 noon 15th instant.
Refilling Point for 16th inst. will be railhead PONT REMY. Guides from Units will report there at 2 p.m.
4. Units will move with echelons full.
5. The following distances will be maintained during the march:-

Between Brigades	500 yards.
Between Batteries	100 yards.
Between each six vehicles.	25 yards.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) K.D.WATSON Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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	9	SPARE.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE + MARCH TABLE.

Route - ALLONVILLE & BERTANGLES - St.SAVAU-
 LA CHAUSSAR - BOURDON.

Starting Point - Cross Roads in H.12.c.4.2.

Battery	Time to pass Starting Point.	From	To.
H.Q.	8 a.m.	Wagon Lines	BOURDON.
26th Battery	8.3 a.m.	do	do
25th Battery	8.10 a.m.	do	do
27th Battery	8.17 a.m.	do	do
107th Battery	8.24 a.m.	do	do

Lieutenant,
 A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

SECRET.

To accompany 7th Aust. F.A. Bde
Order No. 23 14-5-1918.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - MARCH TABLE.

Route - ALLONVILLE - BERTANGES - St. SAUVAUR - LA CHAUSSEAR - BOURDON.

Starting Point. - Cross Roads in H.12.c.4.2.

Battery	Time to pass Starting Point.	From	To
Headquarters	8 a.m.	Wagon Lines	BOURDON.
26th Battery	8.3 a.m.	do	do
25th Battery	8.10 a.m.	do	do
27th Battery	8.17 a.m.	do	do
107th Battery	8.24. a.m.	do	do

A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

Lieutenant,

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.APPENDIX *166*ORDER No. 24.Reference Maps - AMIENS 1/100,000 - LENS 1/100,000 - ABBEVILLE
1/100,000

1. 7th Aust. F.A.Bgde will continue the march to-morrow 16th inst to the LONG Area - Route via FLEXICOURT and COQUEREL.
2. Starting Point will be Cross Roads 50 yards S.W. of "B" in BOURDON. Units will pass the Starting Point as follows :-

B.H.Q.	8.30 a.m.
27th Battery	8.33 a.m.
107th Battery	8.40 a.m.
25th Battery	8.47 a.m.
26th Battery	8.54 a.m.
3. Before leaving BOURDON, Batteries will ascertain from the Interpreter that necessary Billeting Certificates have been provided and that "no claim" certificates have been received.
4. Billeting parties will report to Lieut R.A.MONEY M.C., at the Church, BOURDON at 6.30 a.m. to proceed to the Staff Captain at the Chateau, COQUEREL at 8 a.m.
Billets will probably be in COQUEREL.
5. Reports to Billet No.98 Rue d'Aumont BOURDON until 8.30 a.m. Subsequent Headquarters on the line of march.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) K.D.WATSON Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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

Prefix, Code, m, Words, Charge, Office of Origin and Service Instructions, Recd. at, m, Date, From, By, (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO: 7th AFA Bdes - 3rd Aust Div. A B 22nd Coy Aust Art Bde

Sender's Number: * 00/59 Day of Month: 15th In reply to Number: A A A

3rd Aust Div Art will continue the march to the LONG area on the 16th May 1918. and starting Point X Roads 500 yds West by South of the F of FLEXICOURT and starting Point will be found as follows and 22nd Coy Aust Art Bde 8.15 am 8th AFA Bde 8.30 am - DAB 9 am - 7th AFA Bde 9.30 am. and Bulleting parties report as follows and 7th Bde DAB report to Staff Captain Chateau, COQUEREL 8 am 16/5/18 and 8th Bde report to Staff Officer, 3rd DAB at Chateau, EPAGNE at 8 am 16/5/18 and 22nd Coy Aust Art Bde report to Major's Office, PONT REMY and Bullets probably as follows and 7th Bde COQUEREL 8th Bde EPAGNE DAB EAU COURT 22nd Coy Aust Art Bde PONT REMY and 3rd Aust Art Bde

From Chateau EPAGNE Place Time 3rd Aust DAB HQ

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Censor, Signature of Addressee or person authorized to telegraph in his name.

* This line, except A A A, should be erased if not required. Wt. W 3253/P511, 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2388.) myr RA.

INSTRUCTIONAL TRAINING R.A. REST AREA.

1. SCHOOL :- The FOURTH ARMY ARTILLERY SCHOOL Staff, with Headquarters at HALLENCOURT Chateau is at the disposal of Artillery Units in the Area.

*See Col Jones
23/3/18
Lancaster*

2. ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION :-

(a) As far as possible one Sorgt. Major or Sorgoant Instructor in Gunnery is attached to each Brigade during its stay in the Rest Area.

*During
the absence*

This Instructor is allotted to Batteries as required and Batteries may arrange for any practical instruction, lectures, or training of classes, etc., by the Instructor during the hours he is allotted to it by the Brigade.

(b) Lectures or practical instruction in map reading, etc. for Officers can be arranged on application to Commandant, Artillery School.

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Algeria*

3. LEWIS GUN PRACTICE :-

A rifle range for Lewis Gun practice is available on application to Commandant, Artillery School. The range is beside a chateau about 1 mile north of GRANDSART. Units using the range have to bring their own targets with them and will send an Officer in charge of the party who will be responsible for safety arrangements.

yes

4. FITTERS' COURSES :-

Batteries who do not require their Fitters for work in the Battery can have them attached for instruction to Ordnance Workshops during their stay in the Area, where they will be employed under supervision of the I.O.H.

for replacement

5. PHYSICAL TRAINING :-

A Sergeant Major Instructor, Army Gymnastic Staff, is stationed at the Reinforcement Camp, LIERCOURT. Application for his services to be made to Commandant, Artillery School.

*No
Summary*

6. RETURN :-

Brigades will send in a Return each Saturday, or the day before leaving the Area, showing all the details of training carried out by each Battery.

J. M. Jackson

12.5.18.

Lieut. Col., R.G.A.,
Commandant, Fourth Army Artillery School.

7. Gas Training

See

To. 7th & 8th A.F.A. Brigades.

B.M. 531.

Starting Monday May 20th, intensive training will be carried out. Special attention is to be paid to the training of Batteries for Mobile Warfare, and in this respect the para. of F.A.T. is worth considering - "Rapid movement or fleeting opportunities are difficult to deal with. Distant observing stations, involving the passage of orders by mechanical means, increase the difficulty."

The following will be practised by all Batteries:-

(1) Jumping into action - i.e., the Battery being in a position of readiness - target is pointed out to the Officers and Nos. 1. dismounted from the crest - all arrangements are made, initial ranges, angle of sight, etc., put on the gun. - All then mount, move into action as rapidly as possible. Quickness should be encouraged by taking the time to fire the first round. - Bracket ranging is always to be employed.

(2) Practice at Moving Tanks. - by single guns under the Nos. 1, who range and command. - deflection to be remembered for movement - layers always laying on ground line of the tank and the nearest point of the tank to them.

(3) Practice direct laying by single guns - against moving Infantry - dismounted gunners will be used as a target.

(4) Practice semi-covered and open laying by Sections and Batteries - angle of sight always to be used.

The only case in which direct laying on the object will take place and no angle of sight used is when single guns only are used, as it is impossible for a Battery or Section Commander to command the guns if all layers are laying on different parts of the target - all at different angle of sight.

Batteries should also practise fighting an advanced guard action and rear guard action. - advancing or retiring by Sections - keeping communication between each Section - having definite routes for the advance or retirement known by all - supply of ammunition, etc.

In addition to the above, Officers' classes in Map Reading, Eye-Sketching, giving out of orders correctly and quickly - taking on moving targets, both in the open and under cover with the consequent quick changes of angle of sight - deflection and elevation - will be held.

Attention is drawn to following paragraphs of F.A.T. -
145 - 149.

Brigades will please forward immediately to D.A.H.Q. for information, the location of their training grounds and the hours of parades.

It is proposed to hold a competition for the best trained Gun Detachment within the Divisional Artillery. - The competition being on the following lines:-

- (1) Quickness at jumping into action against a target.
- (2) Judging distance.
- (3) Taking on Tanks - in the open and under cover.
- (4) Engaging any target pointed out.
- (5) Quickness in replacing casualties to gun or team and getting out of action.

Judge - Brigade Major, 3rd Aust. D. Art.

Entries - One Sub-Section per Battery.

Headquarters.
19.5.1918.

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

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APPENDIX 1767

AMENDMENT TO 7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY

PROGRAMME OF TRAINING

While in Fourth Army Rest Area.

Delete Para. 3 and substitute the following :-

" A Sergeant Instructor (18 pdr) from 4th Army R.A. School will be available from Tuesday 21st instant, and will be allotted to Batteries as follows.:-

21st (Tuesday)	25th Battery
22nd (Wednesday)	26th Battery
23rd (Thursday)	27th Battery
24th (Friday)	25th 26th Battery
25th (Saturday)	26th Battery
27th (Monday)	27th Battery

This N.C.O. is specially qualified to instruct in Air Recuperator, and Batteries will arrange accordingly."

K. Watson
 Lieutenant,
 Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

PROGRAMME OF TRAINING

While in Fourth Army Rest Area.

NOTE. The following programme is issued in continuation of the general instructions issued verbally at meeting of Battery Commanders held on the 17th instant.

1. DAILY TIME TABLE.

Nominal Daily Time-Table :-

Reveille	5.30 a.m.	(a)
Exercise	6.0 a.m.	(b)
Watering	7.0 a.m.	
Stables	7.30 a.m.	
Breakfast	9.0 a.m.	
Instructional		
Parade	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	(b)
Stables	1.5 p.m.	
Dinner	2.0 p.m.	(c)
Stables	5.0 p.m.	
Tea	6.30 p.m.	
Tattoo	9.15 p.m.	
Lights Out	9.30 p.m.	

Notes:-

- (a) Hot tea or coffee and biscuits to be provided for all ranks at 5.45 a.m.
- (b) When Batteries are doing mounted drill in morning, exercise at 6 a.m. will be omitted. Horses will water at 6 a.m., Stables will be at 6.30 a.m. and breakfast at 8 a.m., and parade will be at 9 a.m.
- (c) Between dinner and 5 p.m., men will be employed at discretion of Battery Commanders. Backward men must be drilled - others may be employed in Games, Swimming and Physical Exercise.

2. WEEKLY ROUTINE.

The ground available for mounted training will accommodate two Batteries only. For this reason and also to minimise fatigue of horses and allow of dismounted training, the 25th and 107th Batteries will turn out mounted on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and the 25th and 27th Batteries on Tuesdays Thursdays and Saturdays.

Hereunder is general Time Programme for week ending 25th May, 1918. Battery Commanders are, however at liberty to alter it in matters of detail if they so desire, and will submit detailed programme to Brigade Headquarters as soon as possible.

Training of specialists will be carried out at first separately, and later in conjunction with Battery manoeuvres.

Particular attention is to be paid that men are correctly dressed and equipped, and smart in all portions of their drill

3.

A Sergeant Instructor (18^{SE}) from 4th Army R.A. School will be available from 22nd instant, and will be allotted to Batteries as follows :-

22nd (Wednesday)	25th Battery
23rd (Thursday)	26th Battery
24th (Friday)	27th Battery
25th (Saturday)	25th Battery

This N.C.O. is specially qualified to instruct in Air Recuperator, and Battery will arrange accordingly.

4.

Lieut-Col. Dickson C.M., 4th Army Artillery School will instruct a Class in Panoramic Sketching for a limited number of Officers, on Monday 20th instant. One Subaltern per Battery will report at Headquarters at 10 a.m. on that date, bringing celluloid circular Protractor, Field Glasses and a Sketching Board. 9 (about 12" x 12") - paper will be provided.

5.

The Brigade Signalling Officer will give special classes for all Battery Signallers at Brigade Headquarters on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd from 10 a.m. to noon, and at such other times for individual Batteries, as may be convenient to Battery Commanders who will arrange direct with the Brigade Signalling Officer.

Subjects :-

Office Routine, message forms, communications in the Field, care of instruments etc.

It is proposed to hold a competition for Battery Signallers (6 per Battery) of which details will be issued later.

6.

At 9 a.m. on 23rd and 27th instant, Lewis Gun detachments from each Battery will report to O.i/c Hotchkiss Gun School for practice. The Brigade M.G. Officer, (Lieut. MACKAY) will be in charge of these parties and prior to 23rd instant, will call on and arrange details with the O.i/c School at Chateau in Wood, 1 mile North of GRANSTAART.

TIME PROGRAMME REFERRED TO IN PARA.2

25th and 107th

26th and 27th.

Monday.

Driving and Battery Drill
under Section Commanders

Squad Drill, Saluting,
Standing Gun Drill, Laying
Fuze setting.

Tuesday.

Squad Drill, Saluting, Standing
Gun Drill, Laying, Fuze setting.

Driving and Battery Drill
under Section Commanders

Wednesday.

Battery Drill and manoeuvres.

Foot Drill, Section Gun Drill,
Laying etc.

Thursday.

Foot Drill, Section Gun Drill
Laying etc.

Battery Drill and manoeuvres.

Friday.

Battery manoeuvres.

Foot Drill, Battery Gun Drill
and Laying.

Saturday.

Foot Drill, Battery Gun Drill
and Laying.

Battery manoeuvres.

K. D. Watson
Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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1210 May

SIGNAL COMPETITION FOR BATTERY SIGNALLERS.

To be held in the Chateau Grounds on Saturday, 25th May 1918.
3 PM

1. Each Battery will be represented by 6 Signallers, completing 2 Stations of 3 men each.
2. Each station will be furnished with:-
 - (a) 1 Lucas Lamp complete.
 - (b) 1 do do Stand.
 - (c) 1 Message case filled with message forms.
 - (d) 1 Blue flag, small.
 - (e) 1 White do do.
3. The Competition will be visual communication, i.e. A message will be handed in at "A" station and send to "B" by Lucas Lamp. "B" station will then send a message to "A" by flag (morse)
4. Judges will be the Commanding Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade, who will award points for discipline and general turnout, and Officer Commanding, 3rd Aust. Division. Signals, who will award points for technical ability of men. The Officer Commanding, Signals, D.A. will award points for cleanliness and care of instruments.

B.E. Gray

O.C., signals, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade. 2/Lieut.,

*Copies to Battery Commanders ✓
C.O.*

[Signature]

SIGNAL COMPETITION.
for
BATTERY SIGNALLERS.

5. POINTS TO BE GAINED.

Discipline and General Turnout.	20
Cleanliness and care of Instrument.	20
Technical ability of men	30
1st Station to hand i n message.	60
2nd " " "	40
3rd " " "	20
4th " " "	0.

For every letter or figure omitted or incorrect
the Station will lose 10 points.

20 Points will be allotted for writing and cleanliness
of message.

B. E. George
Lieutenant,
Signal Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

B. E. George

RESULT OF SIGNAL COMPETITION

Held in the CHATEAU GROUNDS, COCCUBEREL, on SATURDAY, 25th May 1918.

UNIT.	GENERAL TURNOUT	CLEANLINESS OF INSTRUMENTS	TECHNICAL	TIME RECORDS	NEATNESS OF MESSAGE	TOTAL	ERRORS IN MESSAGE FORM	RESULT
107th Bty.	12	20	47	0	20	99	30	69
26th Bty.	9	18	41	60	20	148	80	68
27th Bty.	12	18	52	40	20	142	80	62
25th Bty.	14	18	43	20	15	110	90	20

1st Prize - 70 francs.
 2nd Prize - 30 francs.

Signal Officer
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

B. E. Gray 2/Lieut.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
26th May, 1918.

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To
Battery Commanders,

Training.

Training for week ending 1st June will be on the same lines as last week. 25th and 107th will parade mounted on 27th instant, 26th and 27th on 28th and so on.

Special attention will be paid to the following points:-

- (i) Passing of Orders (Where are battery megaphones?)
- (ii) Correct sequence.
- (iii) Indication of Targets. It is no use saying that "Target is that clump of bushes". This only leads to confusion. In one Battery three out of six guns were on wrong target owing to use of above method. Section Commanders and Nos. 1 must check the laying.
- (iv) Angle of Sight should be registered as soon as possible when direct laying is employed.
- (v) Before Batteries are brought into action in 'open' all preliminary orders should be given when in the position of readiness. The Target should be shown to Officers and Nos. 1 before the Battery moves on to the position.
- (vi) Sections will always be commanded by a Section Commander (either Officer or N.C.O.)
- (vii) Wagons are not laid alongside guns at all well. There is far too much pushing wagons into position. It must be realised that gun numbers have other work to do than pushing a loaded wagon about even if it is physically possible. Their first business is to get their gun into action. The gun must be in line of fire before wagon is placed alongside in covered position. It should be possible to bring this about in open positions also especially if the No.1 knows his Target and takes care to at once swing his gun into the line of fire.

K. Watson
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

Lieutenant.

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28th May, 1918.

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

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Reference Map. ABBEVILLE 1/100,000.

- (1) The Artillery of the Red Rear Guard bivouacked at COCQUEREL on night 28/29th May.
- (2) The Blue Advanced Guard reached LONGPRE on the morning of the 29th.
- (3) The 25th and 107th Batteries in this order resume the retirement on ABBEVILLE at 10 a.m. May 29th, 1918; head of the column to reach the Road Junction $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile west of COCQUEREL CHATEAU at 10-15 a.m. where orders are expected.
- (4) The Red Infantry are holding the line COCQUEREL - AILLY.
- (5) The 25th and 107th Batteries will parade complete with firing battery ~~Staff~~, Battery Staff, Captain, B.S.M., etc.
- (6) Communication Only visual Signalling Apparatus will be carried - no telephones. Message Forms to be brought.
- (7) Necessary paper etc. will be carried for panoramic sketching.
- (8) ACKNOWLEDGE.

For *Reddaway* Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 7th Aust. F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 9 p.m.

- Distribution Copy
- 1. 25th Battery
 - 2. 107th Battery
 - 3. Signal Officer
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 - 6.) War Diary.
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RACE MEETING - PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME.

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Meeting will probably take place on Sunday, 25th May, 1918.

Place Meeting to be held - Second II of BRAGUE.

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Time	DESCRIPTION.	Remarks.
(1)	for Officers - Horses to be bona-fide and to be entered in the per owning horse.	Sweep-stake of 50 Pcs a head. 70% to Winner. 30% to 2nd. Entries:- D.A.H.Q. 1. 7th Bde. 3. 8th Bde. 3. D.A.C. 2.
2.30 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry for Warrant Officers and Sgts. Horses to be bona-fide property of the entrant and to be ridden by Warrant Officer or Sgt.	Sweepstake of 25 Pcs a head. Entries as in Event 1. 70% to Winner. 30% to 2nd.
3 p.m.	2 Furlong Scurry for N.C.Os. (under the rank of Sgt) and Gunners. No Officers' horses or horses entered for event 2 to compete.	Sweep-stake and entries as for Event 2.
3.30 p.m.	2 Furlong Scurry for Drivers - Drivers up & horses to be bona-fide team horses.	Sweepstake and entries as for Event 2.
4 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry: For Officers, R.A., & 4th Army R.A. Rest Area. Entries limited to 6.	Sweepstake of 50 Pcs. 70% to winner. 30% to 2nd.
5 p.m.	About 7 Furlongs over Hurdles. Open to Officers of 3rd Aust. D. Art only. - Officers up -	Prize - CUP to be presented by Brig- Genl GRIMWADE, C.M.G. Entries - 7th Bde. 2. 8th Bde. 2. D.A.C. 1. D.A.H.Q. 1.
5.30 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry. OPEN - Any rider.	Sweepstake of 50 Pcs. Entries - 7th Bde. 3. 8th Bde. 3. D.A.C. 2 D.A.H.Q. 1 70% to winner. 30% to 2nd.

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RACE MEETING - PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME.

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Meeting will probably take place on Sunday, 26th May, 1918.

Place Meeting to be held - Second II of EPAGNE.

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	DESCRIPTION.	Remarks.
(2 p.m.)	3 Furlong Scurry for Officers - (Officers up). Horses to be bona-fide Officers' chargess and to be entered in the name of the Officer owning horse.	Sweep-stake of 50 Fres a head. 70% to Winner. 30% to 2nd. Entries:- D.A.H.Q. 1. 7th Bde. 3. 8th Bde. 3. D.A.C. 2.
2.30 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry for Warrant Officers and Sgts. Horses to be bona-fide property of the entrant and to be ridden by Warrant Officer or Sgt.	Sweepstake of 25 Fres a head. Entries as in Event I. 70% to Winner. 30% to 2nd.
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5.30 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry. OPEN - Any rider.	Sweepstake of 50 Fres. Entries - 7th Bde. 3. 8th Bde. 3. D.A.C. 2. D.A.H.Q. 1. 70% to winner. 30% to 2nd.

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EVENT	DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
8. 6 p.m.	Mule Race for D.A.C. Mules. - 1 1/2 Furlongs -	Entries 6 per Section. Sweep-stake of 25 Pres. 50% to Winner.
9 6.30 p.m.	Trotting Race - Open - Sweepstakes & entries as in Event 2.	30% to 2nd. 10% to 3rd.

Entries for all Events to be sent in to 3rd Asst. D.A.H.Q. by 12 noon, Friday, 24th instant; to be accompanied by name and description of horse; name of owner; amount of sweepstake.

RULES:-

Raniers & Riders' names to be given into the Clerk of the Course on the Racecourse one (1) hour before starting time for each event.

Starting Bell will be rung 15 mins before time of starting of each race; An additional warning bell 5 mins before starting of each race.

Horses late at the starting point will be disqualified. Horses taking part in a race to center past spectators before proceeding to starting point.

Objections as to correct description and qualifications of horses to run to be made to the Clerk of the Course half an hour before the time fixed for the race.

Objections as to qualifications of riders or the running of the race to be lodged to the Clerk of the Course within 5 mins of horse passing the winning post.

A RED Flag will be hoisted in the event of an objection being lodged. - A WHITE Flag hoisted means C.R.

Bookmakers - There will be a special ring for Bookmakers. - no odds to be called outside this enclosure.

COLOURS.

Will be provided by Com. S. T. CAPS covered with the colours chosen will be worn by all riders.

COMMITTEE:-

Stewards - Brig-Genl GRIMWADE; C.M.G.
Lt-Col. W.G. AINSOP; D.S.O.
Lt-Col G.H.M. KING. *6th G. Div.*

JUDGE. - Capt. J. JOICNEY,
Assistant - Capt. R.W. MILES, R.F.A.

STARTER. - Capt. W.J. GOBB.

CLERK OF COURSE. - Capt. T. MORELL
Lieut J. BRAKE.

TREASURER - Capt. G.H. FERGUSON.

SECRETARY - Lieut. A. L. CHOMLEY.

Responsible for protection & preparation of ground. } Capt. E.B. OWEN.
Lieut. W.H. BATES.
" A. S. NIVISON.

RACE MEETING.

1. It has been decided to hold a Divisional Artillery Race Meeting at EPAGNE on Sunday 26th instant.
2. Entries for each event are limited to 3 per Brigade, consequently the Brigade eliminating Race will be held on the Course, EPAGNE (near last 'E' in Epagne) on Thursday afternoon 23rd instant.
3. The following is the Programme of Events :-
 - (i) Three furlongs Race - Officers (not necessarily owner) up for bona-fide Officers' Chargers - Name of Owner to be entered.
 - (ii) Three furlongs Race for W.O.'s and Sergeants - horses to be bona-fide Chargers of W.O.'s or Sergeants, ridden by a W.O. or Sergeant.
 - (iii) Two furlongs Race for other N.C.O.'s and Gunners - no horses entered in (ii) or Officers Chargers allowed - ridden by any rider except Drivers
 - (iv) Two furlongs Race for Drivers on bona-fide team horses - Drivers up.
 - (v) Invitation Race for Royal Artillery Only.
 - (vi) Five furlongs Hurdle Race - open to Officers of 3rd Div. Artillery - Officers up.
 - (vii) Four furlongs Open event - any rider, any horse.
 - (viii) Mule Race.
 - [IX] OPEN TROT - any rider, any horse.
4. Entries close with Lieut MONEY M.C. at Brigade Headquarters, at 8 p.m. Wednesday night, and are limited to 3 per Battery and 1 per B.H.C. in each event. - No entrance fees.
5. First Race 3 p.m. - Any saddlery can be used, and the Course is available for training at any time.
6. Judges for Brigade Contest are Lieut-Col KING O.M.C.; D.S.O. and Major MARFELL. - Starter Lieut. W.W.B. HOGARTH.
7. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each event will represent the Brigade at the Divisional Meeting. - Sweepstakes for which must accompany each entry.
8. Entries for Divisional Meeting close at Brigade H.Q. at 9 p.m Thursday 23rd instant.

Red Money Lieutenant, Hon. Sec.,
5th Aust. F.A. Bgde., Race Meeting.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade A.I.F. Elimination Races for Divisional Arty.
Race Meeting, on May 26th, 1918.

PLACE OF MEETING. Course as second "E" in EPAGNE (Abbeville 1/100,000)

Thursday, May 23rd, 1918.

First Event 3 p.m.

OFFICIALS.

Stewards. Lieut-Cpl. G.H.M. King, C.M.G., D.S.O.
Majors W.L. Marfell, and J.M. Irwin.

Judges. Major J. Doherty, M.C. and Capt. J.L. Colquhoun.

Committee. Lieuts. A.S. Nivison, A.J. Peyton, C.N. Williams, and
C.M. Suttor.

Starter. Lieut. W.W.B. Hogarth.

Clerk of Course. Lieut. J.R. Lawry.

Secretary. Lieut. R.A. Money, M.C.

E V E N T S.

No.	Time	Event.
1.	3 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry (Officers up) Horses to be bona fide Officer's Changers. ----- Major J.M. Irwin's b.m. "GERMAINE" Capt. D.L. Davie's b.m. "KITTY" Lieut. W.R. Johnstone's b.m. "BEATRICE" Lieut. N.J. Heenan's b.m. "MADAME" Lieut. L. Robertson's b.m. "NIPPY" Lieut. A.J. Peyton's b.m. "WIZZ-BANG"
2.	3.20 p.m.	3 Furlong Scurry (W.Os. and Sgt's) Horses to be bona fide property of W.Os. or Sgts. ----- B.S.M. Anderson's b.m. "JESSIE" Q.M.S. King's b.m. "NELLY" Sgt Browning's b.m. "FLOSS" Sgt Barton's b.g. "TOBY" B.S.M. Trevannion's g.g. "BILLY" Sgt Peach's b.m. "LADY BIRD"
3.	3.40 p.m.	2 Furlong Scurry for other N.C.Os. and Gnr's Horses entered in event (2) or Officers chargers ineligible. ----- Bdr McLeod's ch.g. "JIMMIE" -25th Bty. Bdr Crane's g.g. "DING BATS" 26th Bty. Gnr Burton's g.m. "WINLFRED" 26th Bty. Gnr Vickery's g.g. "DENNY" 26th Bty. Cpl Griffith's g.g. "JOCK" 27th Bty. Gnr Mitchell's b.m. "NIGGER" 27th Bty. Gnr Nicholl's b.h. "NICK" 27th Bty. Gnr Beaumont's cr.g. "BOXER" 25th Bty. Bdr Vince's b.g. "GENERAL" 25th Bty. Cpl Breakwell's b.g. "BROWNIE" 107th Bty. Bdr Jackson's b.g. "BOORI" 107th Bty. Cpl Powderly's b.g. "DINGO" 107th Bty.

4. 4 p.m. 2 Furlong Scurry for bona fide team horses (Drivers up)
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- Dvr Ohlson's b.g. "BILLY" 25th.
Dvr Dalton's b.g. "GENERAL" 25th.
Dvr Jenkin's cr.g. "BOXER" 25th.
Dvr Reid's g.m. "MARY" 26th.
Dvr Tyroll's b.g. "JACK" 26th.
Dvr Atkinson's b.m. "PANSY" 26th.
Dvr Heilly's b.g. "THUNDERER" 27th.
Dvr Baldwin's b.m. "STARLIGHT" 27th.
Dvr Gibson's b.g. "SWIFTER" 27th.
Dvr Bausemer's bl.g. "DARKIE" 107th.
Dvr Hedge's br.g. "PADDY" 107th.
Dvr Cuddihoy's b.g. "BONNEY" 107th.
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5. 4.20 p.m. 5 Furlong's Hurdle Race (Officers up)
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- Major J.M. Irwin's b.m. "GERMAINE"
Major H. Glover's b.m. "BESS"
Lieut. E.A. Cody's gr.m. "DEW DROP"
Capt. H.G. Rourke's b.m. "BIDDY"
Lieut. J.R. Windeyer's ch.m. "TRIXIE"
Capt. G.V. Moriarty's ch.m. "GINGER"
Major W.L. Marfell's b.m. "LULU"
Lieut. A.K. Mackey's b.m. "MAGGIE"
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6. 4.40 p.m. 3 Furlongs Open Race
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- Major J.M. Irwin's b.m. "GERMAINE"
Lieut W.R. Johnston's b.m. "BEATRICE"
Bdr McLeod's ch.g. "JIMMY"
B.S.M. Trevannion's gr.g. "BILLY"
Lieut L. Robertson's b.m. "NIPPY"
Lieut A.K. Mackie's bl.h. "TOBY"
Lieut N.J. Heenan's b.m. "MADAME"
a Major W.L. Marfell's bl.m. "LULU"
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7. 5.0 p.m. Open Trot. (about 5 furlongs)
-
- Capt C.M. Sanson's b.g. "NIBBO"
Lieut. R.A. Money's ch.m. "DOLLIE"
Capt D.L. Davie's ch.g. "TOMMO"
Cpl Kath's bl.m. "YPRES"
Gnr Burton's gr.m. "WILFRED"
Lieut L. Robertson's bl.h. "ROBBY"
B.S.M. Anderson's b.m. "JESSIE"

R U L E S.

- (A) Any queries in connection with any events must be made half an hour before the event is timed to take place.
(B) Any protests must be lodged in writing with the Secy. not more than 5 minutes after the finish of the event.
(C) All scratchings must be notified half an hour before each event.

Absolute punctuality will be observed. A five minutes bugle will be blown before each event.

(Sgd) R.A. MONEY, Lieutenant,
Secretary.

Ref. Maps:
AMIENS & ABBEVILLE - 1/100,000.

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--- OPERATION ORDER No.60. ---

- The 3rd Aust. Divsl Artillery will relieve the 4th Aust. Divsl Artillery on 2nd June, 1918, under orders of Australian Corps.
- The 3rd Aust. Divsl Artillery complete (less S.A.A. Section, D.A.C.), will move by road from HALLENCOURT R.A. AREA on 31st May, 1918, in accordance with the following Table:-

Unit.	From	Starting Point.	Time.	Route.	To.
3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.	EPAGNE	X Roads about $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo S. of A of EPAGNE.	10 a.m.	PONT REMY- AIRAINES - SOUES.	RIVIERE R.A. AREA.
22nd Coy (867th) A.S.C.	PONT REMY	X Roads about 1 kilo due N. of the E. of LIERECOURT.	8.30 am	ditto.	ditto.
8th A.F.A. Bde.	EPAGNE & EPAGNETTE	ditto.	9 a.m.	ditto.	ditto.
Nos 1 & 2 Secs D.A.C & 5th & 8th T.M.Blys.	EAUCOURT.	ditto.	9.30 am	ditto.	ditto.
7th A.F.A. Bde.	GOCQUEREI	Railway Cros- sing just N. of Church at FONTAINE.	10.30 am	FONTAINE- AIRAINES- SOUES.	ditto.

- RIVIERE R.A. Area consists of tents on both banks of Pt LANDON River between HANGEST-sur-SOMME and Farm $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of SOUES, both exclusive.
- Billoting parties from Units will report to Area Commandant, Army Troops Area, LONGPRE, near Church at 9 a.m. on 31st instant.
- On arrival in the RIVIERE R.A. Area, 3rd Aust. Divsl Artillery will come under the orders of G.C.C., R.A., Aust. Corps.
- Nearest Signal Office is at Headquarters, Fourth Army, FLIXECOURT.
- Attention is drawn to Fourth Army STANDING ORDERS No.35E re distances to be observed on the march.
- Location of 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. will be notified as soon as possible.
- ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters.
25.5.1918.

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

DISTRIBUTION:- 7th & 8th A.F.A. Bdes - 3rd Aust. D.A.C. - 3rd D.T.M.C. -
22nd Coy, Aust. A.S.C. -
(For infm) - R.A., Aust. Corps - 3rd Aust. Div. G. - H.Q., 4th
Army "Q" - P.M., 4th Army - Area Comdt, Army Troops,
LONGPRE. - O.C., 4th Army R.A. Rest Area. - S.S.O., 3rd
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Issued in conjunction with 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty. O.C. No. 60. of 28-5-18.

Reference Maps:- AMIENS & ABBEVILLE - 1/100,000.

1. BILLETTS. All claims for damages to Billets, horse lines, crops etc., must be settled by Interpreters attached to Brigades, by the 30th instant. 8th Aust. F.A. Brigade Interpreter will deal with claims against D.A.C., and D.T.M.O.
Units will obtain clearance certificates for billets and horse lines occupied. Duplicate copies to be handed in to the Area Commandant, PONT REMY, on 31st instant, by Officers i/c Rear Parties.
2. REAR PARTIES. Rear Parties, under charge of an Officer, will be left by Batteries and Sections, to ensure that Billets and Lines are left in a scrupulously clean and sanitary condition.
3. AREA STORES. No area stores, water troughs, pumps, picket posts, etc., will be removed from this area.
Lists of area stores in possession of Units will be prepared and handed in to Area Commandant, PONT REMY, by Officers i/c Rear Parties.
4. MARCHING-OUT STATES. As per pro-formas "E" & "N" (already issued) will be rendered to this Office by 12 noon, 30th instant.
5. SALVAGE. Fourth Army Salvage Dump is located opposite Railway Station, PONT REMY. Before leaving the Area, Units will hand over all Salvage to this Dump. Receipts in duplicate will be obtained - one copy to be forwarded to this Headquarters by 6 p.m. 30th instant.
6. TRANSPORT. Baggage wagons will be detailed to report to Units' Wagon Lines by 6 p.m. 30th instant.
The following additional Transport will be made available for Trench Mortars:-

Transport.	Report to	Time & date.
2 Motor Lorries	3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. EAUCOURT.	8 a.m. 30-5-18.
3 G.S. Wagons (detailed by 3rd D.A.C.)	do. do.	6 p.m. 30-5-18.
7. RATIONS. Refilling Point for 31-5-18 will be FARM $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N. of SOUES.
Refilling Point for 1st June, and onwards, will be notified later.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
29-5-18.

Maell
Captain,
Staff Captain R.A.,
3rd Australian Division.

DISTRIBUTION:- 7th & 8th Aust. F.A. Brigades; 3rd Aust. D.A.C.,
3rd Aust. D.T.M.O., 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C.
(For infmn) - O.C.; 4th Army R.A. Rest Area, 3rd Aust. Divn. "Q",
Area Commandant PONT REMY, S.S.O. 3rd Aust. Div. Train,
C.R.A. - B.M.R.A. - S.C.R.A. - R.A. Sign. - R.O.R.A. -
WAR DIARY, FILE.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.

29th May 1918.

1. BILLETTS. All claims for damages to billets, horse lines, crops etc., must be settled by interpreters attached to Brigades, by the 30th instant. Units will obtain clearance certificates for billets and horse lines occupied. Duplicate copies to be handed in to the Area Commandant, PORT RENN, on the 31st instant, by officers i/c Rear Parties.
2. REAR PARTIES. Rear parties will be notified later.
3. AREA STORES. No area stores, water troughs, pumps, picket posts, etc. will be removed from this area. Lists of area stores in possession of units will be prepared and handed in to the Area Commandant, PORT RENN, by officers i/c Rear Parties.
4. SALVAGE. Fourth Army salvage dump is located opposite Railway station, PORT RENN. Units will hand over all salvage to this dump by 3 p.m., 30th instant. Receipts in duplicate will be obtained - one copy to be forwarded to this Headquarters by 4 p.m., 30th instant.
5. TRANSPORT. Transport wagons will be detailed to report to units' wagon lines by 3 p.m., 30th instant.
6. RATIONS. Refilling point for 31-5-18, will be Farm, half a mile North of SOUIS. Refilling point for 1st June and onwards, will be notified later.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K. D. White Lieut.,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 25th Battery,
- 26th Battery,
- 27th Battery,
- 107th Battery,
- Signal Officer,
- R.S.M.
- FILE

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Copy No.
Date 30-5-1918.

7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

APPENDIX

19a

ORDER No. 25

Reference Maps - AMIENS - ANNEVILLE - 1/100,000

1. 7th Brigade and Signal sub-section will march to RIVIERRE R.A. Area on 31st instant. Route FONTAINE- AMIENS - SOUES thence to Billets which are between Farm $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N. of SOUES and HARGENT-SUR-SOMME.
2. ORDER OF MARCH. - Headquarters, - Signal section, - 25th - 27th 107th - 26th.
3. STARTING POINT. - BRIDGE over SOMME CANAL at 25th Battery bivouac. Head of column to pass starting point at 10.10 a.m.
4. DISTANCES. - 100 yards between Batteries, 25 yards between sub-sections. 25th Battery will march closed up to Brigade Headquarters.
5. BAGGAGE WAGONS will march as a sub-section with their Batteries and will be under a Sergeant.
6. BILLETING. - Billeting Party of 1 Officer and 2 N.S.C.'s per Battery will report to Lieut. HONEY M.C. at Brigade Headquarters at 8 a.m. 31st instant.
7. HALTS. - Usual halts at 10 minutes before each hour - First halt at 10.50 a.m. Midday halt will be notified on march.
8. Batteries may send Cook's party in advance under proper control.
9. BEAR PARTIES under charge of an officer will be left by Batteries to ensure that billets and lines are properly cleaned. Certificates from these officers that billets etc. are in proper order will be furnished to Brigade Headquarters on arrival in RIVIERRE Area.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K.D. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

<u>DISTRIBUTION.</u>	Copy No.	1	25th Battery
		2	26th Battery
		3	27th Battery
		4	107th Battery
		5	Signal Officer
		6	R.S.M.
	7-8.	9	WAR DIARY
		10	File.

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ORDER No. 26.

Reference Map - AMIENS - 1/100,000

1. 7th Aust. F.A.Bde resumes march to Wagon Lines on 1st June 1918.
2. Route - PICQUIGNY - AILLY-sur-SOMME - St SAUVEUR - RIVIERY - CAMON - LONGUEAU - thence to Wagon Lines.
3. Starting Point. - Brigade bivouac. Time. 8.45 a.m. 1-6-1918.
4. Order of March. - Headquarters, - 26th - 107th - 27th - 25th.
5. Advance Parties from Batteries of 1 Officer and 2 N.C.O's will report to Lieut MONEY M.C. at Church, HANGEST, at 5 a.m. 1-6-1918.
6. Usual distances to be observed. Brigade transport will move as in Order No.25. Rear Parties to be left to clean up bivouacs. Billeting lists showing distribution of all billets and horse lines occupied, to be prepared forthwith, and handed in to Mairie, HANGEST by Rear Party.
7. Refilling Point for 1st June will be M.5.d.4.8., Sheet 62D 1/40,000. Batteries will send Guides and Loaders to above Location at 3 p.m. 1st June. It is suggested that Battery Quarter Master Sergeants accompany the Advance Party to arrange for rations.
8. Cook's party may proceed in advance if desired, but under proper control. Arrangements should be made for cook's party to be met by someone from the Advance Party at an agreed point.

9. Acknowledge

K. D. Watson
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade. Lieutenant,

Distribution.

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| Copy No. | 1 | 25th Battery |
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| | 4 | 107th Battery |
| | 5 | Signal Officer |
| | 6 | R.S.M. |
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ORDER No. 27.

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Reference Map 62D - 1/40,000.

1. Reference 3rd D.A.M.C. Order No. 62 attached. Instructions therein will be followed with following modifications.
2. Reference para. 2 - Battery Commanders with their advance parties will proceed independently to the Battery Positions.
3. Reference para. 2. Reliefs. - Unless otherwise ordered Battery Commanders will arrange the question of relief with the outgoing Battery Commanders.
4. Completion of relief will be notified by wire to Brigade Headquarters using the word "CHUST".

5- Acknowledge

K. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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| 3 | 27th Battery |
| 4 | 107th Battery |
| 5 | Signal Officer |
| 6 | R.S.M. |
| 7, 8, 9 | WAR DIARY |
| 10 | File. |

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX 19C

ADDENDUM No 1.

to

ORDER No. 27

- 1. The following Forward guns and sights (less stores) will be handed over 'in situ' to incoming Batteries :-

10th Aust. F.A.Bde.

37th Battery	...	1 gun located at U.3.a.2.4.
38th Battery	...	1 gun located at O.29.b.2.3.
39th Battery	...	1 gun located at U.24.b.98.10.
110th Battery	...	1 How located at O.23.c.35.65.

- 2. All other guns with sights and stores complete will be taken into the line.
- 3. All camouflage at Battery positions will be handed ^{over} to incoming Batteries.
- 4. C.O., 7th Aust. F.A.Bde has been notified that 4 horse teams are sufficient to take guns into the line. Guns can be taken in by daylight.
- 5. Battery Commanders will report to C.O., 7th Aust. F.A.Bgde. at Rear Headquarters situated in Billet No.4, near Church in GLISY, at 8.30 a.m. on 2nd instant.
- 6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K.D. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade

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	3	27th Battery	
	4	107th Battery	
	5	FILE	
	6,7.	8	WAR DIARY

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(Extract from "Le MATIN" Wednesday, 22nd. May, 1918).

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THE BITE OF THE AUSTRALIANS.

The retaking of VILLE-sur-ANCRE.



In one month the Australians have captured 1,800 prisoners and have taken part in numerous conflicts

(From our Special War Correspondent accredited to the British Army)
Between the SOMME and the ANCRE - 21st May

The AUSTRALIANS are only happy when they are given plenty of hard work. It was an Australian Captain who, simply, emphasized this trait in their character, so often exemplified, and he seemed, on his part, quite satisfied. And quite justly too, for his company was one of those which, the day before yesterday, on Whitsun Eve, contributed towards the success which you know resulted in the retaking of VILLE-sur-ANCRE. It was a splendid surprise blow, sturdily carried out and it is worth reporting in some detail.

The artillery preparation lasted barely an hour. At 2.0 a.m. the first AUSTRALIAN wave went over the top.

There was a splendid moon. It was a pleasure to go, the Captain tells us. Our lengthened shadows as we leapt from hole to hole running across the country, doubled, in the eyes of the enemy, the number of his assailants. His barrage was put up too late. The attack, made on a front of little more than three kilometres, developed right and left of the village, peat bogs preventing it being assaulted from the front.

Advanced posts and garrisons - in the neighbourhood of 1,000 men - found themselves surrounded ere they had a chance to retaliate. Nevertheless the battalion which held the village - men of the 117th Division, young classes mostly - notwithstanding the futility of all resistance, defended themselves valiantly. It took two hours searching the cellars to overcome, with the aid of bombs, the obstinacy of some of them. Four hundred prisoners, or but few less, remained in our hands, and at least as many dead lay on the field. I say enemy dead, for our own losses were negligible.

One comic incident - which always exists in every drama - was the finding, amongst the small fry (wastrels) captured, of a civilian from BERLIN - rara avis - whose sole baggage consisted of a register of subscriptions, for he was a Collector of War Savings, charged with receiving on the spot the mites of the combatants. It would appear on glancing at his notebook, that the liberality of the contributions was not very considerable.

Another incident, this time of a dramatic nature: we had taken an officer who, according to custom, had advanced to meet us hands up. Seizing a moment to drop them, he hastily snatched his revolver from the pocket of his tunic and fired it point-blank at the stomach of the guard who was marching at his side. This example of Finnish perfidy earned the end it merited.

The taking of VILLE-sur-ANCRE - known by some as VILLE-sous-CORBIE - has the advantage of securing for us valuable observation direct on MORLANCOURT, and, amongst other things, on four roads and on the enemy flank towards ALBERT.

P. T. O.

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A run of successes.

This success, furthermore, is the last in point of date of a whole series of fortunate operations which, in the course of a month, have meant the capture by the AUSTRALIAN CORPS of 1,800 prisoners, of whom half are to the credit of the two brigades which retook VILLERS-BRETONNEUX.

Hereunder, unembellished but how eloquent, is a statement of the feats of arms during the past fortnight :-

Night 30th Apl/1st May.

Line advanced 400 metres in depth on a front of 800. Post established East of the village of TREUX.

Night of 1st/2nd May.

Further advance - total gain of 600 metres in depth on a front of 1400 metres.

Morning 6th May.

Capture of the whole German second line of defence S.W. of MORLANCOURT. The occupants and their ration-carriers killed or captured. Prisoners 163, including 4 officers.

Morning 8th May.

Three local operations - all successful. Line advanced 500 metres on 600 metres of front East of SAILLY-le-SEC and of 300 metres on 500 metres West of MORLANCOURT. About 20 prisoners and heavy enemy casualties.

9th. May.

Return of enemy offensive. They secured a footing for an instant in Australian trenches North-west of ALBERT but were immediately thrown out again.

14th. May.

Two German Companies belonging to 18th and 199th Divisions attempted to regain the trenches lost by them South-west of MORLANCOURT. At one point they broke into the Australian lines. A spirited counter-attack not only re-established the position, but lost country to the enemy and left 52 prisoners in our hands as a result of the encounter.

18th. May.

The Australians attacked, at full midday, a strong post advanced towards MORLANCOURT, captured the whole garrison - 22 men and 1 officer - and withdrew, having suffered no casualties.

When the Germans think of attacking, this is the kind of adversary he will have to reckon with.

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Major-General Sir JOHN MONASH, K.C.B., V.D.

Commanding, Third Australian Division. -

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TO ALL RANKS OF THE THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION:-

As I am about to take up other duties, the time has come when I must relinquish the command of the Division. -

Closely associated with you as I have been, since the days of your first assembly and War Training in ENGLAND, and, later, throughout all your magnificent work during the past nineteen months in the war zone, it is naturally a severe wrench for me to part from you. -

I find it quite impossible to give adequate expression to my feelings of gratitude towards all ranks for the splendid and loyal support which you all have, at all times, accorded to me. - I am deeply indebted to my staff, to all Commanders and to the Officers and troops of all Arms and Services for a wholehearted co-operation upon which, more than upon any other factor, the success of the Division has depended. -

It is my earnest hope, and also my sincere conviction, that the fine spirit and the high efficiency of the Division will be maintained under the leadership of my successor, Brigadier-General GELLIBRAND; and if the men of the Division feel, as I trust they do, an obligation to perpetuate for my sake the traditions built up by them during the period of my command, they can do so in no better way than by rendering to him a service as thorough and a support as loyal, as I have been privileged to enjoy at their hands. -

In formally wishing the Division good-bye and good-luck, I wish simply, but none the less sincerely, to thank each and all of you, for all that you have done. -

John Monash
Major-General. -

Divisional Headquarters,
30th. May 1918. -

7th Aus. F. A. Bde.

Total Casualties to 1/5/18.

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Officers.

KILLED.	DIED of WDS.	DIED of GAS.	WOUNDED.	WOUNDED GAS.
5	1	1	13	8

Total. Deceased 7
Wounded 21.

Other Ranks.

KILLED	D of WDS.	D of Disease	D of GAS.	WOUNDED.	WOUNDED GAS
51	31	2	-	293	72 †

Total. Deceased 84
Wounded 365.



† + 16 O.Rs not yet officially classified as Gas Casualties.

log. 1/5/18.

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7th AUS. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

SUMMARY OF HONORS & REWARDS TO 27-4-18.

Mentioned in Despatches.	11.
Awarded the D.S.O.	4.
Awarded the M.C.	10.
Awarded the D.C.M.	3.
Awarded the Belgian Croix de Guerre.	2.
Awarded the Military Medal.	23.
Awarded Bar to M.M.	1.
Attached Personnel awarded M.M.	5.

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MENTIONED IN DESPACHES.

Rank & Name.	Reference.
LT-COL. H.D.K.MACARTNEY.	A.I.F.LIST 138. (20-1-17)
LT-COL. H.D.K.MACARTNEY.	A.I.F.LIST 186. (5-6-17)
MAJOR T.A.J.PLAYFAIR D.S.O.	A.I.F.LIST 211. (27-7-17)
LT-COL. H.D.K.MACARTNEY D.S.O.	A.I.F.LIST 279. (1-1-18).
MAJOR J.M. IRWIN.	do do
MAJOR H.B. TAYLOR. D.S.O.	do do
CAPT. G.J. HAMMOND.	do do
MAJOR W. CHURCHUS D.S.O. (T/LT.COL).	do do
18746 Cpl (T/SGT) SHIELS A.J.I.	do do
1107 Sgt McMAHON L.P.	do do
CAPT. J.R. TILLET (R.M.O).	do do



AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Rank and Name.	Reference..
CAPT. T.A.J. PLAYFAIR. (T/MAJOR)	A.I.F. LIST 186 (5-6-17).
MAJOR T.B.W. JAMES.	A.I.F. LIST 274 (17-12-17)
LT.COL. H.D.K. MACARTNEY.	A.I.F. LIST 279 (1-1-18).
MAJOR H.B. TAYLOR.	A.I.F. LIST 279 (1-1-18).



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AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

Rank and Name.	Reference.
CAPT. D.L. DAVIES.	A.I.F.LIST 223. (28-8-17)
LIEUT. E.M. NEYLAN. (Now Capt).	do do
LIEUT. C.W. WATT.	do do
LIEUT. N.J. HEENAN.	A.I.F.LIST 237 (27-9-17)
LIEUT. R.R. SMITH.	1st Anzac Corps R.O. 81/412. (6-10-17). <i>A.I.F. LIST 313. (26/3/18)</i>
LIEUT. K.D. WATSON.	D.A.A.G. 3rd Aus.Div. Memo of 6-11-17. <i>A.I.F. LIST 274 (18/12/17)</i>
LIEUT. R.A. MONEY	A.I.F. LIST 252 (30-10-17)
LIEUT. R.V. FRAZER.	<i>D.A.A.G. 3rd Aus. Div Memo 6/11/17.</i> A.I.F. LIST 274 (18/12/17)
CAPT. G.V. MORIARTY.	A.I.F.LIST 279 (1-1-18)
18416 W.O. SNOWDON G.	do do

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AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

No. Rank and Name.	Reference.
22306 Sgt Chappell C.L.	A.I.F.LIST 292. (1-2-18).
18903 Sgt McCULLOCH A.R. (T/BSM)	A.I.F.LIST 308. (15-3-18)
18927 Sgt ROBINSON E.J.	A.I.F.LIST 308. (15-3-18)

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LIST OF "HONORS & REWARDS".

To - 27th April 1918.

Australian Section,
3rd Echelon, G.H.Q.
27-4-18.

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AWARDED THE BELGIAN CROIX DE GUERRE.

No. Rank and Name.	Reference.
22057 Sgt Cobbett C.A.	Aust. Corps R.O. 8 of 16-2-18.
19090 Gnr Hardwicke R.A.	do.



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AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

No. Rank and Name.	Reference.
29307 Gnr Kirton B.C.	London Gazette 30095 of 25-5-17.
18645 A/Bdr Cogle J.K.	A.I.F.LIST 198. (3-7-17)
18727 - Quigley G.M.	do do
19248 Gnr Baker E.G.R.	do do
21916 - Andrews K.McK.A.	do do
22354 Bdr Bradley F.	do do
29601 Gnr Gemmell J.R.	do do
18470 A/Bdr Harding E.	3rd Div.R.O.267. (8-8-17).
22265 T/Cpl Stewart R.G.	3rd Div.R.O.274 (17-8-17)
18507 Sgt Mumford O.	1st Anzac Corps R.O. 81/412 of 6-10-17.
19114 Bdr Mashman G.B.	1st Anzac Corps R.O. 84/435 of 14-10-17.
22160 Gnr Woolford J.C.	11nd Anzac R.O. dated 28-10-17.
18514 Bdr McLeod H.F.	do
19036 Gnr Abigail T.G.	do
887 A/Bdr Sanders C.	do
29054 Gnr Crowley B.H.	do
30224 Gnr Grainger N.B.	do
22209 Dvr Whitehead H.J.W.	A.I.F.LIST 272 (14-11-17)
25851 Gnr Nichols J.	do
18437 A/Bdr Chippindall H.	A.I.F.LIST 295. (8-2-18).
18438 Gnr Chippindall L.	3rd Div.R.O.405.(21-4-18)
19090 - Hardwicke R.A.	do
19159 - Woodward H.	do



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—AWARDED A BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL.

No. Rank and Name.	Reference.
29307 Gnr Kirton B.C. (MM)	A.I.F.LIST 284. (15-1-18).

PERSONNEL AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL
WHILST DOING DUTY WITH 7TH F.A. BDE.

No. Rank and Name.	Reference.
<u>3rd Divl. Sig. Company.</u>	
18400 Cpl Tully A.L.	A.I.F.LIST 219.(17-8-17)
18401 L/Cpl Williams H.M.	A.I.F.LIST 292.(1-2-18)
18398 Spr Smith T.V.	3rd Div.R.O.405.(21-4-18)
21994 L/Cpl Cristensen G.A.	do do
<u>10th Aus.Field Ambulance.</u>	
12439 Pte Williams H.W.H.	Supp.Lon.Gaz.30507.(20-3-18)

Gcc

In reply please quote

AUSTRALIAN SECTION, 3rd Echelon G.H.Q., B.E.F.
29th April 1918.

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COMMANDING OFFICER,
7th Aust Field Artillery Brigade
3rd Aust. Division, A.I.F.

HONORS AND AWARDS.

As requested in your memo of the 15th inst,
enclosed herewith are four copies of "Honors and Awards" received
by members of your Brigade since becoming B.E.F. please.

Mr Anderson

*1 Copy for Capt. Harrison
History kept by me
also one copy for Records*

Manford

Captain

For Officer i/c Records.



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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE. - INTELLIGENCE

From 5 p.m. 2-5-1918 to 3 p.m. 3-5-1918.

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OUR FIRE Nil.

HOSTILE FIRE. Nil.

AIRCRAFT. Enemy activity above normal. During the night many planes crossed our lines and bombed the back areas. There was much activity during the morning and one enemy plane was seen to crash at approximately J.12.a. Our A.A. fire was very effective and kept the enemy at a high altitude.

K.W. Watson Lieutenant,
A/Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX 24

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY8 p.m. 9-5-1918 to 4 p.m. 10-5-1918.OUR FIRE.

9 p.m. to 3 a.m. 18-pdrs fired 1145 rounds harrassing fire in Zones "A" "B" "C" and "D". and 104 rounds in registration of zero line.

9.10 p.m. 4.5" Hows fired 20 rounds in silencing a "Minnie"- Orders from Group.

9.20 p.m. 50 rounds on Cross Roads in E.26.c.70.10.

11 p.m. to 3 a.m. 270 rounds gas on E.21.d. and E.22.c.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	No. of rounds	Calibre	Area shelled	Direction.
9-5-18 11 p.m.	30	4.2	D.29.central D.23.a. BUIRE	MORLANCOURT.
10-5-18. 2.30 p.m.	30	5.9	DAVIEVILLE	ALBERT.
3.20 to 3.45 p.m.	10	77mm gas (nature unknown)	D.23.a.	-
	300	4.2	D.23.a and c. D.29.a. and c.	-

AIRCRAFT.

Hostile aircraft very active. At 8.30 p.m. 7 enemy planes crossed our lines but were driven off by A.A. fire. One of our planes was seen to fall in flames near the village of DERNANCOURT. At 4 a.m. this morning enemy planes dropped 4 bombs on D.29.a.

VISIBILITY low.

R. H. Money Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Intelligence Summary

4 p.m. 10-5-1918 to 4 p.m. 11-5-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs fired 45 rounds in Registration and Calibration.
 50 " Harrassing fire in E.27.a.central
 " " 96 rounds " " on Road in E.20.d.75.55
 Bridge at E.21.c.45.28, Road from E.25.d.23.97
 to E.25.d.40.85.
 " " 500 rounds on Battery Zones.

4.5" Hows. fired 84 rounds BX in Registration and Calibration
 " " 40 rounds on movement and suspected O.P. at
 E.27.d.75.30.
 " " 50 rounds harrassing fire on Road in E.27.d.
 " " 100 rounds " " on trench system and
 cross roads in K.3.b.
 " " 50 rounds harrassing fire on sunken road
 E.26.d. to E.21.d.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Hostile fire was normal. The areas lightly shelled
 being :-
 D.24.c., D.12.d., D.23.d., D.16.d., J.6.c., J.12.a.,
 MARRETT Wood, Treux and BUIRE.
 30 rounds 5.9 H.E. fell on LAVIEVILLE from direction
 of ALBERT.

AIRCRAFT.

Our planes were active, but there was no activity on the part of the enemy.

VISIBILITY

Poor.

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Rich Money

Lieutenant,
O.O., 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

from 6 a.m. 11-5-18 to 6 a.m. 12-5-1918

OUR FIRE. - 18-pdrs fired 320 rounds harrassing fire during the night on Zones "C" and "D", paying special attention to the Roads and approaches in Lane 15. At 11.30 p.m. 50 rounds were fired along Sunken Road K.l.d.15.30 to K.l.b.00.50. and again at 4.5 a.m. A large working party reported by Infantry at E.20.c.25.50. to E.25.b.95.55 at 2.30 am was fired on and dispersed. During an observed shoot of 50 rounds on Cemetery and enemy works in K.l.a.5.8. a small explosion was caused at K.l.a.55.85 probably a small dump.

4.5" Hows fired 60 rounds H.E. harrassing fire on enemy movement in K.3.b. at 6.15 p.m. Atv 11.15 p.m. 2.15 am and 4.5 a.m. 108 rounds of gas shell were fired along Sunken Road at K.l.a. and b. and at 12.30 a.m. and 4.30 a.m. 150 rounds gas were expended on enemy bivouacs in E.25.c. At 2.50 a.m. a Medium Minnie at E.20.c.20.80. was engaged and silenced, 20 rounds being expended.

HOSTILE FIRE. During the day the enemy artillery was quiet on the Brigade Sector, only a few instances of isolated shelling being reported. Between 1.30 and 3 p.m. 50 rounds 77mm harrassing fire fell in D.23.d. from direction of K.27. During the afternoon from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. heavy fire was directed on RIBEMONT and MERICOURT from T.S.B. of 109 taken from D.21.d.65.65. About 200 rounds 4.2 H.E. were observed. At 8.15 p.m. 20 rounds 77mm Phosgene gas fell in vicinity of LAVIEVILLE. Other areas kightly shelled during the afternoon and evening were LAVIEVILLE, D.28 and D.29., D.23.c.1.8. and TREUX mostly with 4.2 H.E. General direction of most of the fire was S.B. 90 - 100 from D.23.c.35.80.

GENERAL. Visibility bad and aerial activity slight. 2 men were seen walking along road in K.2.c.8.5. at 6.30 p.m.

Robert Money
Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

Intelligence SummaryFrom 6 a.m. 12-5-1918 to 6 a.m. 13-5-1918OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs During the 24 hours 18 pdrs fired 580 rounds harrassing fire on enemy roads approaches and assembly places, special attention being paid to the following localities :-
K.2.d.75.30. - K.3.a.6.1. - ; E.28.a.1.0. - E.27.d.9.6.
and K.3.b.45.15. - E.28.a.6.8. At 5 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.
360 rounds were expended in 2 concentrations on the sunken Road in K.1.b. and d.

4.5" Hows fired 120 rounds during these shoots and at intervals during the night short bursts of gas shell were directed against the same areas.

HOSTILE FIRE.

The enemy heavy artillery was very active during the period, though there was a noticeable absence of 77mm fire, in back areas. During the morning MEMICOURT was lightly shelled with 4.2 H.E. from a T.S.B. of 112° from D.21.d.70.75. and again during late afternoon. Between 10 a.m. and 11.45 am an area shoot was conducted between cross roads D.17.a. and LAVIEVILLE from direction of ALBERT. From 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. an intermittent bombardment was maintained on the Sugar Refinery in D.27.b. with a 21cm How from a T.S.B. of 117° from D.23.d.30.80.- a fire being started at 3.45 p.m. At 8.45 p.m. a heavy concentration of 77mm gas (phosgene and yellow cross) was placed on D.28.b. and D.29.a. from direction of K 21. From 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. about 200 rounds 4.2 H.E. from direction of ALBERT fell in D.8.d. and D.9.c. without doing any damage.

GENERAL. Visibility became excellent during the late afternoon and night, so that aircraft were very active on both sides. At 8.30 p.m. four large bombing planes crossed our lines but were driven off by A.A. fire before reaching their objectives one bomb being dropped in D.21.b. without causing any damage. Hostile bombing planes were again very active between 3 a.m. and 4.45 a.m. At 3.45 a.m. three rockets were seen to burst into golden clusters over Road in J.12.d.

Red Money Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

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From 3 p.m. 13-5-1918 to 6 a.m. 14-5-1918.

OUR FIRE. - 18-pounders. - At 3 p.m. 18 pdrs fired 108 rounds during a concentration on Sunken Roads in K.l.b and d. and 72 rounds during Group Harrassing shoots on VILIE at 11.30 p.m. and 1.30 a.m. and 3.45 a.m. During the afternoon and evening general harrassing fire was kept up on Sunken Roads in K.l., E.27.d., E.26.b., and E.21.a 400 rounds being expended.

4.5" Hows. - Fired 36 rounds during a Group concentration on Sunken Roads in K.l. At 11 p.m. 1 a.m. and 3 a.m. 220 rounds BNC were fired during a concentration on the Northern Half of Sunken Road in K.l.b and d. A suspected O.P. at E.27.d.75.30 received 40 rounds BX at 4 p.m.

HOSTILE FIRE. - Enemy artillery fire was normal during the afternoon but became quiet at night. RIBEMONT and vicinity were again heavily shelled at irregular intervals, about 150 rounds 5.9 H.E. fell between 3.30 p.m. and 8.45 p.m. from a T.S.B. of 112° from D.21.d.70.65. MARETT wood also received attention, about 50 rds 4.2H.E. and 100 rds 77mm falling between 4 p.m. and 11 p.m. Other areas lightly shelled were BUIRE at 4 p.m., Sunken Road in D.27 at 12.45 a.m. and D.8.c. was shelled with 10 rds 77mm gas (nature unknown) Between 10 p.m. and 10.20 p.m. the enemy retaliated to our harrassing fire with a light concentration of heavies on MERICOURT and 77mm on D.21.a. and c.

GENERAL - Aircraft activity, nil - visibility - poor.

Ed. H. H. H. Lieutenant,
Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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	O.	O.R.
Strength of Brigade at 1st May, 1918.	28	785
" " " " 31st May, 1918	32	828

CASUALTIES DURING MONTH OF MAY.

1 'other Rank' wounded

SCHOOLS ATTENDED DURING MONTH OF MAY.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>O.R.'s</u>
Machine Gun School		4
Artillery School	1	3
Cookery School		3
Army Signal School		3
Continuous Wave Wireless Course		1.

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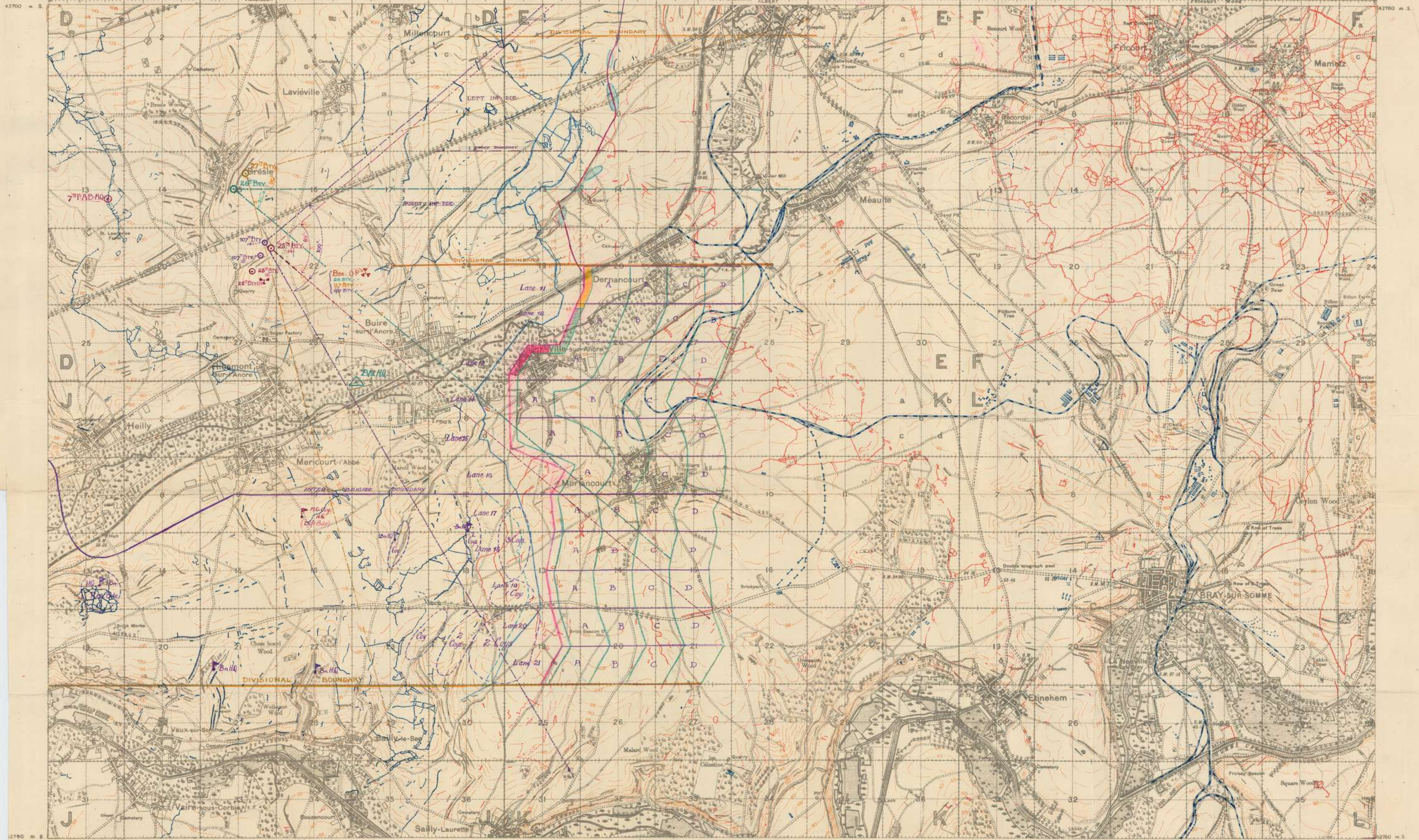
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EDITION 2. (D. Local.)

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ALL HEIGHTS IN METRES

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724 BING'S No 5075

Battery Positions, O.P's, Area of fire, Front line, Sectors & lanes

13/5/18

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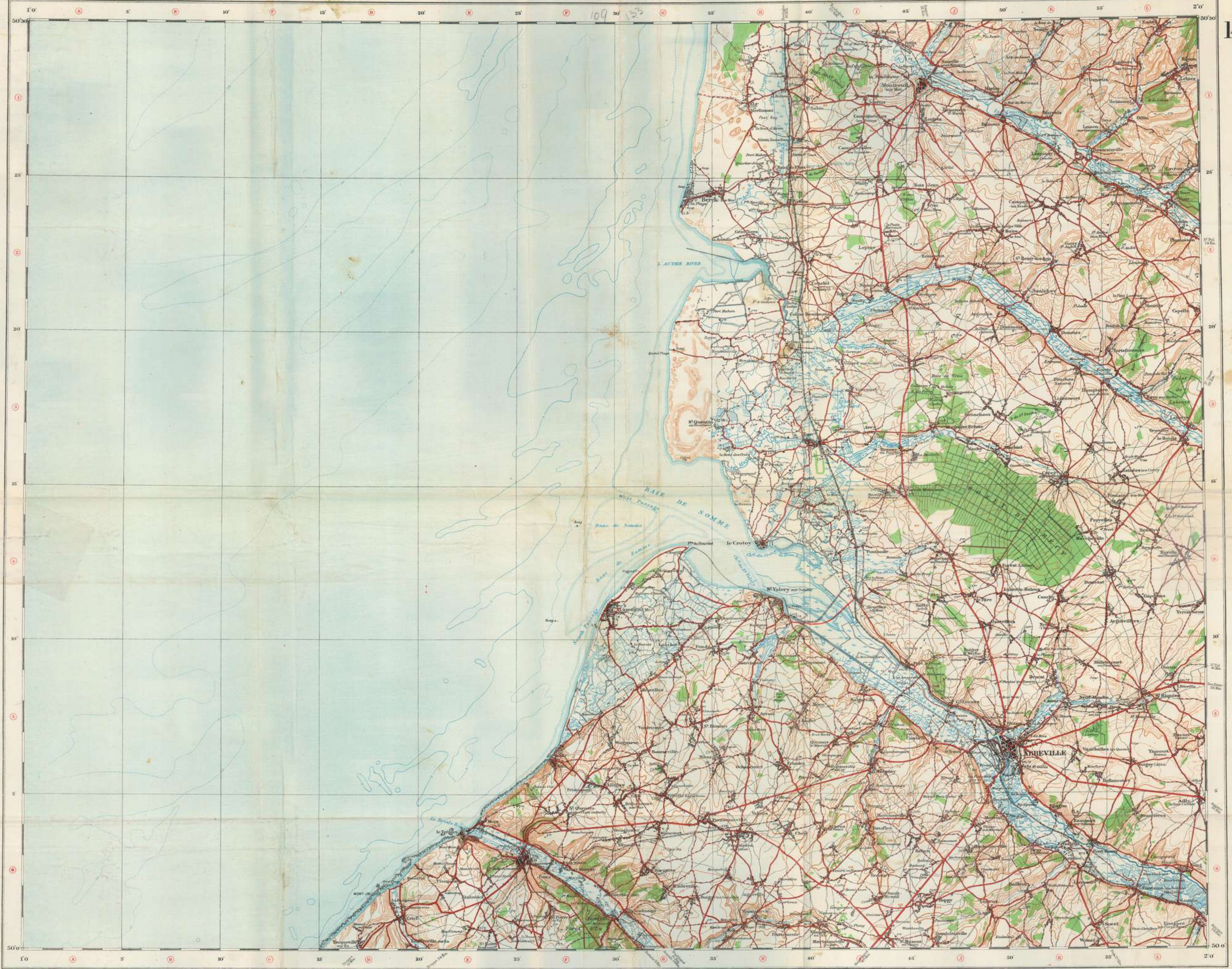
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War Office, November 1915

REFERENCE

Canal or waterway	
Chateau, Farm	
Church or Chapel, Tower	
Fort	
Height in metres (30 metres = 32.8 feet)	
Quarry	
Water mill, Wind mill	
Lighthouse	
Fathom lines	

Scale 100,000 or 1 inch to 1.58 Miles

Mile 1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Miles

Kilometre 1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 Kilometres

1 Centimetre to 1 Kilometre

Contour interval 10 metres every 100 accentuated Woods shown in green

The system of contouring on this sheet can only be considered approximately correct.

REFERENCE

Railway: single & double	
metrol or tramway	
Road 1st class metalled	
2nd - 3rd - quality doubtful	
Farm road or track	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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FRANCE.

Scale 100,000.

DUNKERQUE 1A	GRENT 2	ANTWERP 3	MALDEN 4
BRUXELLES 5A	TOURNAI 5	BRUSSELS 6	LIEGE 7
REIMS 11	LEWIS 11	WENLO 12	NAMUR 8
DIEPPE 16	AMIENS 17	ST. QUENTIN 18	MÉZIÈRES 19
	BEAUVAIS 21	SOISSONS 22	ARLON 10

7th FFA B

20th Dec 1914

20th Mth Beauville