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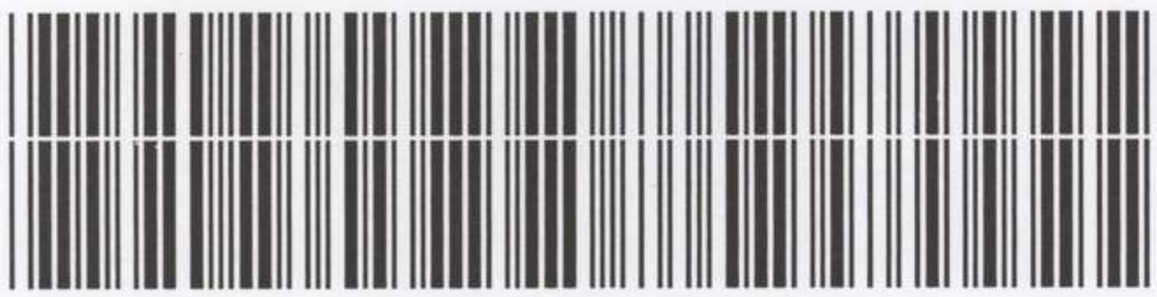

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sheet 28 I.17c. 4.8.	1/11/17		Headquarters, 14th F.A. Brigade relieved by Headquarters of 13th F.A Brigade, and proceeded to wagon Lines	
			awards Military cross awarded to Lieut G.T. Wenson 53rd Bty and Military Medals to 5896 Gnr R.K. Sharp and 30759 Gnr R.J. Hunter all of 53rd Bty	
Dickebusch	2/11/17 to 10/11/17		Headquarters at rest. Batteries in line.	
	11/11/17		Batteries in line relieved by 2nd Divisional Artillery 4 guns handed over. - Personnel proceeded to respective wagon Lines	
	12/11/17		The Brigade handed over wagon Lines and marched to near RENNINGHELST and billetted for night 4 for March order No 32 - (appendix I)	
Renninghelst Sheet 28	13/14/17		The Brigade marched to near Le Crecke, + Baillent as for march order No 33 (appendix II)	
S 30 c 5.6	14/11/17		At Billets near Baillent.	
	15/11/17		114th Battery took over from 149th Bde. R.F.A (D. Bty) and one section of 18Pr Batteries took over from A B & C Batteries of 148th Bde. R.F.A.	
N 29 c 5 8	16/11/17		Remaining sections of 18Pr Batteries relieved by English Batteries and Headquarters took over control of Brigade. Weather dull. visibility bad. Casualties Nil. 16 18 Prs & 6 Hows in action	
	17/11/17		visibility poor weather fine but dull. Everything very quiet on sector. Guns in action 16 18Prs & 6 Hows. Harassing fire carried out as per appendix III.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
V 29. c 5.8.	15/11/17		Dull. visibility poor. Programme of Harrassing fire carried out as per appendix 4 Casualties Nil. Guns in action 16 18Prs and 6 Hows.	
	19/11/17		Dull - visibility bad. Harrassing fire carried out as per Appendix No 5. Everything very quiet attacked (appendix 5A) All guns in action - 18 18Prs + 6 Hows — Daily intelligence report	
	20/11/17		Dull. visibility poor. Programme of shoots carried out as per Instructions No 3 (appendix 6) All guns in action Intelligence Report attached (appendix 6A)	
	21/11/17		visibility bad. Rained on and off all night Shooting carried out as per Instructions No 4 (appendix No 7) Instructions No 5, 6 + 7 issued to Batteries embracing Retaliation Schemes All guns in action Intelligence report attached (appendix 7A) concentrated S.O.S's + Look out Stations. appendices 8, 9 + 10.	
	22/11/17		Dull with misty rain at intervals. visibility bad.	
		6.50 pm	gun working party observed and fired on by 18 Pr Batteries	
		7.5 pm	S.O.S. rockets observed on our sector and all Batteries immediately opened fire beased fire, at request of Bde Major. 14th Inf. Brigade.	
			usual programme of Harrassing fire carried out as per Instructions No 8 (appendix 18) All guns in action. Intelligence report attached (appendix 11 A)	
	23/11/17		Fine visibility fair. Batteries busy registering targets. Harrassing fire carried out as per Appendix 12 / Instructions No 9. Instructions No 10 (appendix 13) reference scheme to Left: Messages 2 imp on our right, when rejoined, sent out to Batteries All guns in action. Intelligence report attached (appendix 13A)	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
N 29 C. 5.8	24/11/17		Fine visibility good - Programme of shooting carried out as per Appendix No 14. All guns in action. Intelligence report attached (Appendix 14A)	[illegible]
	25/11/17		Fine, visibility fair. Night shooting carried out as per Instructions 12 - appendix 15. All guns in action. Intelligence Report attached. (appendix 15A)	[illegible]
			awards Lieut. R. G. McLeod 114th Bty awarded Military Cross, 1444 Cpl. T. Crouch, 53rd Bty - Bar to Military Medal. 708 Sgt. J. Cullen, 114th Bty, Military Medal	[illegible]
	26/11/17		During absence of Lt Col. F. P. Derham DSO on leave Major J. Thornthwaite, M.C. 13th Bde, assumed command. Fine but cloudy, visibility not good. Night shooting carried out as per Instructions No 13 (appendix 16) One 18Pr out of action owing to a damaged dial sight. Enemy artillery very quiet	[illegible]
			award Military medal awarded to 3127 Cpl. W. Hodgens, 114th Bty. Intelligence report attached (appen 16A)	[illegible]
	27/11/17		visibility bad - raining nearly all day. Harrassing fire carried out as per Instructions No 14 (appendix 17). 1 gun out of action. Enemy artillery a bit more active. Intelligence report attached (appendix 17A)	[illegible]
	28/11/17		Fine visibility good. Group instructions No 6 cancelled and Instructions No 6A (appendix 18) issued in lieu therof. Batteries engaged checking registrations and 18Pr Battery engaged enemy working party. One 18Pr out of action. Intelligence report attached (appendix 18A)	[illegible]
	29/11/17		visibility good. Harrassing fire carried out as per appendix 19 - Instructions No 15 - . Batteries engaged on registration of targets and calibration. one gun out of action. Intelligence Report attached (appendix 19A)	[illegible]
	30/11/17		visibility indifferent. Harrassing fire carried out during night as per Instructions No 16 (appendix 20) and Instructions No 17 (appendix 21) carried out. Intelligence report attached (appendix 21A)	[illegible]

All guns in action. Casualties Nil.

[illegible] Chief Engr. of C.O. 14th F.A. Bde

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14th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE MARCH ORDER No. 32.

by

LIEUT. COLONEL F. P. DERHAM, D.S.O. COMMANDING.

Headquarters,
11th. November 1917

Reference SHEET 28 1/40,000.

1. The 14th. Aus. F. A. Brigade will march to Wagon Lines in or near RENINGHELST on 12th. November 1917.

2. Starting point will be Cross Roads at H.29.b.80.45.

3. Head of Column will pass starting point at 6.30 a.m.

4. Route DICKEBUSCH - St. HUBERTUSTHOEK - OUDERDOM - new wagon lines as per 14th. Aus. F. A. Bde. Memo. No. 62.

5. Distance of 200 yards between Sections and 300 yards between Batteries to be maintained on the march.

6. Order of March - B.H.Q., 114th., 54th., 55th. and 53rd. Batteries.

7. A C K N O W L E D G E.

Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
14th. Aus. F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 11.30 a.m. to :-

O.C. 53rd.	Battery	Copy No. 1
O.C. 54th.	"	2
O.C. 55th.	"	3
O.C. 114th.	"	4
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14th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE MARCH ORDER No. 33
by
LIEUT.COLONEL F. P. DERHAM, D.S.O. COMMANDING.

Headquarters,
12th. November 1917

Reference Maps Sheets 28, 1/40,000.

1. The 14th.Aus F. A. Brigade will march on 13th. November 1917 to respective destinations as follows :-

B.H.Q.	Sheet	28	S.30.c.5.6
53rd. Battery	"	28	S.30.c.5.6
54th. "	"	28	S.30.d.1.8
55th. "	"	28	S.11.c.7.2
114th. "	"	28	S.12.a.9.5

2. Starting point will be Road Junction at G.34.b.60.50.

3. Head of Column will pass starting point at 12.45 p.m.

4. Route Starting point - WESTOUTRE - MONT VIDAIGNE - BAILLEUL - destination.

5. Order of March - B.H.Q., 53rd., 54th., 55th. and 114th. Btys.

6. Distance of 100 yards between Batteries to be maintained on the March.

7. Echelons will move empty.

8. Rations and supplies - Railhead at STEENWERCK on 14th.November 1917

9. Batteries will send advance parties on morning of 13th. inst. to prepare billets etc. for Batteries.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

A Goodman
Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
14th.Aus.F.A.Bde.

Issued at 2.30 p.m. to :-

5th.D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.1
O.C. 53rd. Bty.,	2
O.C. 54th. "	3
O.C. 55th. "	4
O.C.114th. "	5
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Appendix III

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14th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
17/11/1917.

PROGRAMME OF NIGHT HARASSING FIRE for 17th./18th. inst.

TIME	TARGET	GROUP
10 p.m. to 11 p.m.	Squares 0.30.a.& b.	Right
4 a.m. to 5 a.m.	" 0.30.c.&. d.	"

Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
Right Group Artillery.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

O.C. 53rd. Battery	Copy No.	1
O.C. 54th. "		2
O.C. 55th "		3
O.C. 114th. "		4
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COSTTAVERNE ARTILLERY GROUP.

Instructions No. 1.

Headquarters.
18th. November 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 62 S.E. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 18/19th. Novr. 1917 as follows :-

(a) Between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. -

53rd. Battery sweep enemy trench from O.18.d.09.00 to O.24.c.30.30

55th. Battery sweep enemy trench from O.24.c.30.30 to O.30.d.68.00.

114th. How. Bty. sweep enemy trench from O.18.d.09.00 to O.30.c. 68.00.

Ammunition to be used - 15 rounds per Battery.

(b) Between 4 a.m. and 5 a.m. -

53rd. Battery sweep enemy Trench from O.30.a.79.95 to O.30.b.00.00.

55th. Battery sweep enemy Trench from O.30.b.00.00 to O.30.c.68.00.

114th. How.Bty. sweep enemy Trench from O.30.a.79.95 to O.30.c.68.00

Ammunition to be used - 15 rounds per Battery.

2. Watches will be synchronised by Group Headquarters at 7 p.m. on 18th. inst.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE Group Artillery.

Issued at p.m. to :-

6th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.	1
14th. Inf. Bde.	"	2
53rd. Battery	"	3
54th.	"	4
55th.	"	5
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G.O.I. 14TH. BDE. 5TH. AUST. DIVISION No. 8 Dated

COASTAVENUE ARTILLERY GROUP.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 2.

Headquarters,
19th. November 1917

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W., 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the nights 19/20th. Nov. 1917 as follows :-

At 6.15 p.m. and 6.45 p.m. and at 5 a.m. and 5.30 a.m.

Four (4) guns from each 18-pdr. Battery -

Barrage (sweeping) N. & S. grid line, between 0.23 - 24, 0.29 -30 opposite respective Battery "S.O.S." Lines with lifts of 100 yards every minute for 4 minutes.

114th. How. Battery -

1 How.	on	Junction	-	0.24.a.30.40
1 "	"	"	-	0.24.c.20.45
1 "	"	"	-	0.24.c.70.05
1 "	"	"	-	0.30.b.46.12
1 "	"	"	-	0.30.d.40.42
1 "	"	"	-	0.30.c.90.35.

2. TIMES - Batteries will commence firing at above times and fire for four (4) minutes.

3. Rates of fire - 18-prs. 8 rds. per gun per minute
4.5" Hows. 1½ rds. per How. per minute.

4. Watches will be synchronised by Group Headquarters at 5 p.m. on 18th. inst.

5. A C K N O W L E D G E.

Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
14th. Aus. F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No. 1
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53rd. Battery	3
54th. "	4
55th. "	5
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OOSTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY

Headquarters,
18th.Novr. 1917.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 19/11/17.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for Firing	No. of Rounds.	REMARKS
8p.m. to 9 p.m.	53rd.	Sweeping enemy trench from 0.18.d.09.00 to 0.24.c.30.30.	Harassing fire.	15	In accordance with OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY. INSTRUCTIONS No. 1.
do.	55th.	0.24.c.30.30 to 0.30.c.68.00	do.	15	
do.	114th.	0.18.d.09.00 to 0.30.c.68.00	do.	15	
19					
4 a.m. to 5 a.m.	53rd.	0.30.a.79.95 to 0.30.b.00.00	do.	15	
do.	55th.	0.30.b.00.00 to 0.30.c.68.00	do.	15	
do.	114th.	0.30.a.79.95 to 0.30.c.68.00	do.	15	
18					
3 p.m.	55th.	Datum Point	Registration	12	
3.15p.m.	55th.	0.36.b.1.6	Enemy works	12	
3.30p.m.	55th.	0.24.c.3.0	" "	17	
11.30 a.m.	114th.	Registration		46	

~~xx46xxx.~~ ~~53rd.~~

HOSTILE FIRE -

Time	No.of Rds.	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks
11 a.m.	6	77 mm.	0.35.a.	?	Anzac Farm	
11.5a.m.	15	77 mm.	Dugouts in valley 0.34.a.	106° T.B.	0.28.b.22.01	
1.10p.m. to 4p.m.	100	4.2"	0.27.b.1.7	98° "	Anzac Farm	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

7.30 a.m. to 8 a.m. a hostile plane flew very low over N.29.c., but was driven off by A.A. and machine gun fire.
2.10 p.m. two hostile planes flew at a very low altitude over front of our sector, but was driven off by A.A. and M.G. fire.

11 a.m. to 4.30 a.m. a hostile balloon up on T.B. 106° from Anzac Farm

MOVEMENT -

N i l.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

3.38 p.m. fire observed on Mag. bearing 109° from 0.27.d.80.20.
Visibility during day indifferent owing to mist.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY

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COUNTAVENUE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 2.

Headquarters,
30th. Novr. 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 30th/31st. November 1917 as under.

2. 53rd. Battery will search and sweep tracks and communications in 0.24.a.
54th. " will search and sweep tracks and communications in 0.24.c.
55th. " will search and sweep tracks and communications in 0.30.a.
114th. " will fire on Tracks and communication junctions in above squares.

3. Times of firing - Between the hours of 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. and 5 a.m.

4. Ammunition to be used -

18-pdr. Batteries 100 rounds per Battery
114th. Battery 100 rounds.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lieut.,
for Adjutant,
14th. Aus. F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.	1
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53rd. Battery		3
54th.	"	4
55th.	"	5
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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 20/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

Time	Battery	Target	Reason for firing	No. of Rounds	Remarks
3 p.m.	55th.	Registration		12	
3p.m. to 4 p.m.	53rd.	do.		15	
3.15p.m. 3.30p.m.	55th.	0.36.b.1.6	Enemy works	12	
		0.24.c.3.0	" "	17	
6.15 p.m. 6.45 p.m. 5 a.m. 5.30 a.m.	All 18pdr. Btys. 114th.	Barraging (sweeping) N.& S. grid line between 0.23-24, 0.29-30 opposite S.O.S. Lines with lifts of 100yds. every minute for 4 minutes. 0.24.a.30.40, 0.24.c.90.45, 0.24.c. 72.03, 0.30.b.46.12, 0.30.d.40.42, 0.30.c.99.35.		384	In accordance with OOSTTAVERNE Group Arty Inst. No.2.
				144	do.

HOSTILE FIRE -

Time	No. of Rds.	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	observed from	Remarks
9 a.m. to 10.30a.m. 12.45p.M.	27	4.2"H.E.	0.27.b.3.8			
2 p.m.	23	4.2"H.E.	0.22.d.3.4			
1.30p.m.	100	4.2"	0.27.b.1.7	98°	ANZAC Farm	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

10.30 a.m. one hostile plane flew over our lines, but was driven off by our A.A. Guns. 2 p.m. three hostile planes flew at a low altitude over front of our Sector, but were driven off by A.A. and M.G. fire.

MOVEMENT -

Nil.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Visibility bad.

Lieut. Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVERN ARTILLERY GROUP.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 4.

Headquarters,
21st. Novr. 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W., 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 21/22nd. November 1917 as follows :-

At 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. and at 3 a.m. and 4 a.m.

Four (4) guns from each 18-pdr. Battery -

Barrage (sweeping) N. & S. grid line, between 0.23 - 24, 0.29 - 30 opposite respective Battery "S.O.S." Lines with lifts of 100 yards every minute for 4 minutes.

114th. How. Battery -

1	How.	on	Junction	- 0.24.a.30.40
1	"	"	"	- 0.24.c.90.45
1	"	"	"	- 0.24.c.72.03
1	"	"	"	- 0.30.b.46.12
1	"	"	"	- 0.30.c.99.35
1	"	"	"	- 0.30.d.40.42

2. TIMES - Batteries will commence firing at above times and fire for four (4) minutes.

3. Rates of fire - 18-pdrs. 2 rounds per gun per minute
4.5" Hows. 1½ " " How. " "

4. Watches will be synchronised by Group H.Q. at 5 p.m. on 21st. inst.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J Russell.
Captain.
Adjutant,
114th. Aus. F. A. Brigade

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No. 1
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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 21/11/17.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for firing	No. of rounds	REMARKS
11a.m. to 1 p.m.	114th.	Registration and Calibration		131	
1 p.m.	53rd.	do.	do.	16	
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.	54th.	do.	do.	23	
2330 p.m. to 3 p.m.	55th.	0.36.b.	Road Junction	30	
9 p.m. 10p.m.	53rd.	Searching & sweeping tracks & communications in 0.24.a.		100	In accordance with Group Inst. No. 3
4 a.m. 5 a.m.	54th.	Searching & sweeping tracks & communications in 0.24.c.		100	
	55th.	Searching & sweeping tracks & communications in 0.30.a.		100	
	114th.	Track & communication junctions in 0.24.a., 0.24.c., 0.30.a.		100	

HOSTILE FIRE -

Time	No. of rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks
9 a.m. to 10.30a.m.	approx. 80	4.2"How.	0.22.b.& 0.28.b.	98° T.B.	ANZAC Fme.	
10.30a.m. to 11.15a.m.	approx. 100	5.9"	0.33.d. & 0.34.d.	?	"	"
4.15p.m.	abt.15	4.2"	KILO FARM	86°30 T.B.	"	"

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

10 a.m. hostile plane over our front but driven off by our A.A. & M.G. fire
3.15p.m. 6 hostile planes flew at a low altitude over front of our Sector but were driven off by our A.A. guns.

MOVEMENT -

Nil.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Visibility poor.
Flashes from four enemy guns observed on a T.B. of 86° from 0.19.b.45.10, between 3 p.m. and 3.30 p.m.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 8.

Headquarters,
31st. November 1917

1. Batteries will be prepared to carry out any of the following retaliation Schemes on short notice :-

"A" Call "RETALIATION COD at ..... S.E. or S.E."

53rd. Battery On GUARD Farm O.29.d.80.15 and ground immediately surrounding it.
54th. " " OTIRA Trench from O.30.d.00.65 to O.30.d.central
55th. " " OTIRA Trench " O.30.c.65.00 to O.30.c.90.35
114th. " { Two hows. on COD Farm O.30.d.05.00
One " " each of the two buildings East of COD Farm
One " " Junction at O.30.d.25.15
One " " O.30.d.45.45.

B Call "RETALIATION SQUARE at ..... S.E. or S.E."

53rd. Battery on ROY Farm O.30.a.20.50 and ground immediately surrounding it.
54th. " Search 300 yards Eastwards along Railway starting from O.30.b.00.15
55th. " OTIRA Trench from O.30.d.00.65 to O.30.a.95.20.
114th. " { Two Hows. on Huzzents about O.30.b.75.50
One " " " immediately East of SQUARE Farm O.30.b.45.30.
One " on Huzzents O.30.b.8.8
One " " " QUAIL Farm O.30.d.30.95
One " " " SQUARE Farm O.30.b.45.30

C Call "RETALIATION LAKE at ..... S.E. or S.E."

53rd. Battery Three guns on PILL Farm O.24.a.45.25 and ground immediately surrounding it.
Three guns on CHALETTS Trench O.24.c.30.27 to O.24.c.20.40.
54th. " Three guns on CHALETTS Trench from O.24.c.20.40 to O.24.c.31.72
Three guns on PILLBOXES Farm O.24.a.20.20.
55th. " Three guns on Support Trench O.24.d.00.55 to O.24.c.76.25.
114th. " Six Hows. on buildings and dugouts enclosed by 18-pdr. Batteries.

D Call "RETALIATION BAR."

53rd. Battery on LAKE Farm O.24.c.55.40 and ground immediately surrounding it.
54th. " " EEL Farm O.24.c.25.65 and ground immediately surrounding it.
55th. " " TROUT Farm O.24.c.3.9 and ground immediately surrounding it.
114th " One How. on O.24.b.10.55
Two Hows. on BAR Farm buildings O.23.d.60.90.
Two " " COD Farm " O.23.d.60.60.
One " " MIDGE Farm O.24.a.03.75.

2. Rates of fire in all above (unless otherwise specially ordered)

18-pdrs. 6 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" Hows. 3 " " " How. " "

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3. Time of firing unless otherwise specially ordered for 5 minutes from starting time ordered.

4. Ammunition to be used - for 18-pdrs. 50% "A" and 50% "X" 4.5" Hows. 106 Fuses or delay fuses according to nature of target.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J Bruce
Captain.
Adjutant.
COUNTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.

Headquarters,
31st. Novr. 1917.

1. Batteries will at once open fire on any of the following Concentration "S.O.S." Schemes on orders from this Office :-

"A" Call "CONCENTRATION 'S.O.S.' SCHEME RAYMOND."

53rd. Battery Barrage on own "S.O.S." Lines.
54th. " Barrage on Group 'S.O.S.' Line from O.23.b.60.95 to O.23.b.46.16.
55th. " Barrage on Group 'S.O.S.' Line from O.23.b.48.16 to O.23.d.30.40.
114th. " on following points :-
1 How. on O.18.c.50.00
1 " " O.24.a.05.75
1 " " O.24.a.30.40.
1 " " O.23.d.60.90
1 " " O.24.c.15.70.
1 " " O.24.c.10.05

"B" Call "CONCENTRATION 'S.O.S.' SCHEME RAYMOND."

53rd. Battery Barrage on RAYMOND Group "S.O.S." Line from O.23.d.36.64 to O.24.d.20.00.
54th. " " " own "S.O.S." Line.
55th. " " " Group "S.O.S." Line from O.23.d.20.00 to O.30.b.13.14.
114th. " 1 How. on O.24.c.75.03
1 " " O.24.d.05.80
1 " " O.30.b.46.12
1 " " O.29.b.70.81.
1 " " O.28.b.71.03
1 " " O.30.a.00.35.

"C" Call "CONCENTRATION 'S.O.S.' SCHEME McCORMACK."

53rd. Battery Barrage on Group "S.O.S." Line from O.29.b.20.53 to O.30.D.00.76
54th. " " " Group "S.O.S." Line from O.30.D.00.76 to O.35.b.30.95.
55th. " " " own "S.O.S." Line.
114th. " 1 How. on O.29.b.70.30.
1 " " O.28.b.71.03
1 " " O.30.b.46.18
1 " " O.30.d.70.42
1 " " O.30.a.00.35
1 " " O.30.a.00.35

2. Rates of fire and duration of fire will be as for "S.O.S.".

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Rutherford.
Captain.
Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COASTAVENUE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.

Headquarters,
31st. Novr. 1917.

Commencing on 2nd. inst. the following procedure will be adopted with regard to the "look-out" for Infantry 'S.O.S.' Signals.

The 53rd. Battery will maintain a look-out station as O.19.d. 80.15 and will immediately repeat the "S.O.S." Signal from that place. O.C. 53rd. Battery will daily detail an Officer who will be responsible for the sentries and the proper performances of their duties. O.C. will see that an ample supply of "S.O.S." Signals and the means for firing same are available for sentries.

The 54th. and 55th. Batteries will maintain the ordinary Battery look-out stations. Sentries will keep a close watch on the station at 53rd. Battery as well as on the fronts covered by the Group. Battery Commanders will erect pointers to the Station at 53rd. Battery for the guidance of sentries.

The 114th. Battery will maintain an entirely distinct lookout station at O.19.d.6.9 where an Officer is to be on duty every night. Signals will not be repeated from this Station, but the O.C. 114th. Battery will be at once informed of any Signals.

All Batteries are reminded of the provisions of 5th. D. A. Defence Scheme, Sheet N.

The use of NORTH House for this Group will be discontinued.

J. Russell. Captain.
Adjutant,
14th. Aus. F. A. Brigade.

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INSTRUCTIONS No. 8.

Headquarters,
23rd. Novr. 1917

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.E., 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 23rd./24th. November 1917 as follows :-

53rd. Battery	Sweep CHARLOTTE Trench in	0.24.c.
54th. Battery	Sweep CHARLOTTE Supports in	0.24.c.
55th. Battery	1 gun and 1 How. on PILL Farm	0.24.a.45.23
114th. Battery	1 " " 1 " " PILGRIMS Farm	0.24.a.95.20
	1 " " 1 " " LANE Farm	0.24.c.50.40
	1 " " 1 " " BOX Farm	0.30.a.90.38
	x x x x x x	
	1 gun on HAL Farm	0.24.c.24.65
	1 " " GUARD Farm	0.29.d.48.15
	1 How. Sweeping CHARLOTTE Trench in	0.24.c.
	1 " Sweeping CHARLOTTE Supports in	0.24.c.

2. TIMES - 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. and 6 a.m.

Batteries will fire for four (4) minutes at each time.

3. Rates of fire - All Batteries one round per gun and Hows. per minute.

4. AMMUNITION - 53rd. and 54th. Btys. 50% "A" and 50% "AX"
55th. Battery All "A"
114th. Battery All delay fuses.

5. Watches will be synchronised by Group H.Q. at 5 p.m. on 23/11/17.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J Rivett, Capt.
Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 21/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

Time	Battery	Target	Reason for firing.	No. of rounds	Remarks
4 p.m. to 4 p.m.	55th.	Registration and calibration		58	
3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	53rd.	Barraging(creeping) N & S grid line, between 0.23-24, 0.29-30, opposite Battery 'S.O.S.' Line with lifts of 100 yds. every minute for 4 minutes.		128	In accordance with Instructions No. 4
3 a.m.	54th.	do.	do.	128	
3 a.m.	55th.	do.	do.	128	
4 a.m.	114th.	0.24.a.30.40, 0.24.c.90.45, 0.24.c. 72.03, 0.30.b.46.12, 0.30.d.40.42, 0.30.c.99.35.		144	

HOSTILE FIRE -

Time	No. of rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks
10.20a.m.						
10.30a.m.	16	77mm.	vicinity 0.29.b.	?	Anzac Fme.	
1 p.m.						
1.10p.m.	30	4.2"	0.22.d.	?	" "	
1.25p.m.						
1.35p.m.	30	"	0.22.d.	?	" "	
2p.m. to 2.30 p.m.	30	"	0.22.d.	?	" "	
9p.m. to 9.45p.m.	32	"	0.25.b.	100° grid Brg.	0.27.b.80.05	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

.0 a.m. Hostile plane flew over our front and was fired on by M.G.

MOVEMENT -

Nil.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Observation very poor.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVENE ARTILLERY GROUP.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 9

Headquarters,
63rd. Nov. 1917

REFERENCE SHEET 62 S.E. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 63rd./64th. November 1917 at each of the following times :-

Viz. :- ~~3.15 p.m.~~
6.0 p.m.
7.10 p.m.
8.20 p.m.
9.15 p.m.
10.30 p.m.
11.5 p.m.

18-pdr. Batteries will open fire on OTIRA Trench and CHELETTE Trench opposite Battery Sectors where they will rest for ½ minute, they will then creep back in short drops so as to reach their respective 'S.O.S.' Lines at the expiration of three (3) minutes when they will cease fire.

114th. Battery will open fire on OTIRA and CHELETTE Supports creeping back to its 'S.O.S.' points at the expiration of three (3) minutes, when it will cease fire.

2. Rates of fire for all Batteries - 8 rounds per gun and How. per minute.

3. AMMUNITION 18-pdr. Batteries 80% "A" and 20% "AX"
4.5" Hows. 100 fuzes till 'S.O.S.' points reached
then delay fuses.

4. Watches will be synchronised by Group Headquarters at 4.45 p.m. on 63/11/1917.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Russell.
Captain.
Adjutant,
COSTTAVENE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

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INSTRUCTIONS No. 10.

Headquarters,
23rd. Nov. 1917.

Reference SHEET 28 S.W. 1/10,000.
5th. D.A. Defence Scheme, Sheet D.

1. On receiving the call from this Office "Help HERCULES" Batteries of this Group will take the following action :-

53rd. Battery will put down a barrage on 0.22.d.40.00 - 0.30.b.35.35 - 0.35.b.95.00.

54th. Battery will cover Group 'S.O.S.' Line from 0.23.d.40.00 to Northern Boundary of Group 'S.O.S.' Line, "Stand to" and await further orders.

55th. Battery will cover its own 'S.O.S.' Line and also North along Group 'S.O.S.' Line to 0.23.d.40.00.

114th. Battery will open fire as follows :-
1 How. on SALKON Farm 0.30.d.00.35
1 " " OTIRA Trench from 0.30.a.67.85 to 0.30.c.77.07
and "stand to" with remaining 4 hows.

2. On receiving the Call from this Office "Help HOLLEBEKE" Batteries of this Group will take the following action :-

54th. Battery will put down a barrage as follows :-
6 guns MAY Buildings to 0.17.d.74.45
6 " 0.17.d.74.45 to 0.17.d.83.90.
6 " 0.17.d.83.90 to BANO Farm 0.17.X b.8.3.

53rd. Battery will cover its own 'S.O.S.' Line and also South along Group 'S.O.S.' Line to 0.23.d.40.00, stand to and await further orders.

55th. Battery will cover its own 'S.O.S.' Line and also North along Group 'S.O.S.' Line to 0.23.d.40.00, "stand to" and await further orders.

114th. Battery will open fire as follows :-
1 How. on RIDGE Farm
1 " " CENTRE "
1 " " BOMB "
and will "stand to" with remaining 3 Hows.

3. Rates of fire and periods of firing for Batteries firing as above will be as for 'S.O.S.'.

4. 5th. D. A. Defence Scheme, this Group Instructions 5 ~~and~~ 6, 7 and these instructions include all ~~xxxxxx xx xxxx~~ current firing orders to date. Prior instructions and schemes and orders taken over by Batteries when relieving may now be destroyed.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Rucker.
Captain.
Adjutant.
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 6 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.	1
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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 23/11/1917.

Headquarters,
23/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for ffiring.	No. of rounds	Remarks
9 a.m.	53rd.	0.24.c.8.8	Hostile working parties.	40	
	54th.	0.24.c.9.4			
p.m. to 3.30p.m.	114th.	0.24.c.2.5	Hostile O.P.	20	
6.50p.m. to 7.5p.m.	All Btys.	"S.O.S."	In answer to 'S.O.S.' Signal	290	
6 p.m.	53rd.	Sweeping OMELETTE Trench in 0.24.c.		96	
	54th.	" OMELETTE Support in 0.24.c		96	In accordance with Group Instructions No.8
7 p.m. to 5 a.m.	55th.	PILL Farm 0.24.a.45.23, PILLEGREMS Fme 0.24.a.95.20, LAKE Farm 0.24.c.50.40, BOW Farm 0.30.a.90.38, EEL Farm 0.24.c. 24.65, GUARD Farm 0.29.d.48.15.		96	
6 a.m.	114th.	PILL Farm 0.24.a.45.23, PILLEGREMS Farm 0.24.c.95.20, LAKE Farm 0.24.c.50.40, BOW Farm 0.30.a.90.38, OMELETTE Trench 0.24.c, OMELETTE Support 0.24.c.		96	

HOSTILE FIRE -

Time	No. of rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from.
8.30a.m.	20	4.2" How.	0.26.d.2.7	?	ANZAC Farm
0.30a.m.	20	" "	Valley in 0.22.c.	?	" "
8p.m. to 9 p.m.	30	4.2" Gun	0.25.a. and b.	COMINES	0.25.b.70.40
a.m. to 4 a.m.	11	77 mm.	Roads in vicinity of WYTSCHAETE	?	

AERIAL ACTIVITY :

Hostile planes observed over our Sector at the following times :-
10 a.m., 12 noon, and 2 p.m. These were all fired on by our A.A. and M.G's.

MOVEMENT -

At ? a.m. hostile working parties were observed at 0.24.c.8.8 - 0.24.c.9.4 and were fired on by our 18-pdr. Batteries.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

8 a.m. to 12 noon a hostile balloon was observed on T.P. 88° from 0.25.c.7.4.

Visibility low.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVERNE ARTILLERY GROUP.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 11.

Headquarters, 84th. Inf. Bde.

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W., 1/10,000.

1. An enemy Infantry relief is expected during the night, 84th./85th. November, between 11 p.m. and 3 a.m., between 0.17.central and 0.23. central.

2. All tracks, roads and routes in 0.23.b. and 0.24.a. & b. and the military road running through 0.23.b. - 0.24.a. - 0.18.c. & d. will be kept under fire during the period.

3. Batteries will fire bursts of fire as under :-

53rd. Battery	-	11 p.m. to 12.15 a.m.
54th. "	-	12.15 a.m. to 1.30 a.m.
55th. "	-	1.30 a.m. to 2.45 a.m.
114th. "	-	11 p.m. to 12 midnight 2 a.m. to 3 a.m.

4. ~~Rating of fire - All Batteries 2 rounds per gun and how. per min.~~

5. AMMUNITION - ~~96~~ 120 rounds per Battery.

18-pdr. Batteries	80% "A" and 20% "S"
114th. How. Battery	~~all delay fuzes.~~ 106 fuze.

6. Watches will be synchronised by Group H.Q. at 7 p.m. on 84/11/17.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J Russell
Captain.
Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 24/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	REASON FOR FIRING.	No. of ROUNDS	REMARKS.
10a.m. to 2.30 p.m.	114th.	Registration and calibration		125	
noon to 1 p.m.		do.	do.	18	
3 p.m.	53rd.	OTIRA & OMELETTE trenches opposite		216	In accordance with Group Instructions No. 9.A
7.10 p.m.	54th.	Bty. Sectors, creeping back to res-		216	
8.20 p.m	55th.	pective "S.O.S." Lines.		216	
9.15 p.m.					
10.30 p.m.	114th.	OTIRA & OMELETTE Supports creeping			
11.5 p.m.		back to "S.O.S." points.		216	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No. of ROUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
Noon to 2 p.m.	60	4.2"	0.35.c. to 0.28.b. along WAMBEKE Road	From COMINES	0.27.d.8.2	
Noon to 12.30p.m.	10	5.9"	ANZAC HOUSE		ANZAC HOUSE	
9.20p.m. to 10p.m.	37	4.2"	0.25.a.	" COMINES	C.25.b:7.4	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

Hostile aircraft active at the following times over our Sector :-
10 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.
Flying at a high altitude. These planes were fired on by our A.A. & M.G's.

5.25 a.m. hostile planes dropped 20 bombs in vicinity of 0.25.c.
5.35 p.m. hostile plane dropped several bombs in vicinity of SPY Farm.

MOVEMENT -

Nil.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Enemy balloon observed at 12.30 p.m. from 0.27.d.8.2 10° left of WERVICQ Ch.
Observation good.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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INSTRUCTIONS No. 18.

Headquarters,
25th. Novr. 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 28. O.S. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 25th/26th. November 1917 as follows :-

53rd. Battery 54th. " 55th. "		On OTIRA and OMELETTE Trenches and Supports opposite Battery Sectors.	
114th. Battery	1 How. on	PILL Farm	O.34.a.45.21.
	1 "	" PILLEGEMS Farm	O.34.a.25.50.
	1 "	" LAKE Farm	O.34.c.56.48
	1 "	" EEL Farm	O.34.c.85.85
	1 "	" PAPTYNTJE	O.34.d.70.30.
	1 "	" BON Farm	O.30.a.90.40.

2. TIMES - Bursts of fire between 8 and 9 p.m. and between 4 a.m. and 5 a.m.; actual times at discretion of Battery Commanders.

3. RATES OF FIRE - All Batteries two (2) rounds per gun and how. per minute.

4. AMMUNITION - 96 rounds per Battery. Half to be expended between each period.

18-pdrs. 50% "A" and 50% "AX"
114th. Bty. All delay Fuzes.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Russell
Captain,
Adjutant,
OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 25/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for firing.	No. of Rds.	REMARKS
8a.m. to 2 p.m.	114th.	Registration and Calibration	"	14	
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	54th.	"	"	81	
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	55th.	"	"	63	
11 p.m. to 12.15a.m.	53rd.	Tracks, roads & routes in O.23.b. and O.24.a. & b. and the military road running through O.23.b. - O.24.a. - O.18.c. and d.		30 120	In accordance with Group Instructions No. 11.
12.15a.m. to 1.30 a.m.	54th.	do.	do.	120	
1.30a.m. to 2.45 a.m.	55th.	do.	do.	120	
11p.m. to 12 midnight & 2a.m. to 3 a.m.	114th.	do.	do.	120	

HOSTILE FIRE -

g Time	No. of Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks
7.30a.m.	20	4.2"Gun	O.28.b.& d.	COMINES	O.27.d.8.2	
9.30a.m.	6	77 mm.	DESPAGNE FARM	86°30' Grid	O.27.d.8.2	
12.15p.m. to 1p.m.	15	4.2" & 5.9"	ANZAC HOUSE	?	ANZAC HOUSE	
1p.m. to 4 p.m.	50	4.2"	O.31.central	?		
1.15p.m. to 2.15p.m.	6	5.9"How.	ANZAC HOUSE	?		
2p.m. to 3 p.m.	30	4.2"Gun	O.27.b.	87° Grid.	O.27.b.80.05	
6.30p.m. to 7p.m.	6	77mm. Shp.	Vicinity of WYTSCHAETE Ch.	?		

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

9.30 a.m. three aeroplanes (hostile) observed over front of our Sector and were fired on by our A.A. and M.G's.

MOVEMENT -

N i l.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Observation fair.

Lieut.Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COASTAVERS GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 13.

Headquarters, 5th. Aust. Division.
26th. Nov. 1917

REFERENCE SHEET 57 S.E. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the nights 26th./27th. November 1917 as follows :-

(a) 18-pdr. batteries will open fire at times as stated hereunder on OTIRA and CHEVETTE trenches opposite Battery Sectors and will creep back in short lifts to the grid line running through O.18.c. 0.0 and O.30.c.0.0

(b) 114th. How. Battery will open fire with two (2) Hows. on each of the following Machine Gun positions :-

(1) LAKE FARM
(2) O.24.c.3.0.65
(3) O.30.a.9.5

(c) Each period of fire will last for three (3) minutes

(d) TIMES -

60rd.	Battery	-	6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
54th.	"	-	11 p.m. to 1 a.m.
55th.	"	-	3.30 a.m. to 5.30 a.m.
114th.	"	-	10 p.m. to 12 midnight

(e) Batteries will fire four (4) periods of fire every 40 minutes between times as stated above.

2. RATES OF FIRE - All Batteries two (2) rounds per gun and howitzer per minute.

3. AMMUNITION - 18-pdrs. 50% "A" and 50% "AX"
114th.How. "BX"

4. Watches will be synchronised at Group H.Q. at 5 p.m. on the 26th. inst.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Captain.
Adjutant,
COASTAVERS GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

5th.D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.1
14th. Inf. Brigade	" 2
60rd. Battery	" 3
54th. "	" 4
55th. "	" 5
114th. "	" 6
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C.O. 1 A.I.F. BRIGADE. ★ 5TH AUST. DIVISION. No. ..... Date .....

OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE REPORT For 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 26/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for firing.	No. of Rounds	Remarks
11a.m. to 12 noon	54th.	Registration & calibration		59	
12.30p.m.	53rd.	"S.O.S." Line	Test shoot	36	
	54th.	do.	do.	36	
	55th.	do.	do.	36	
	114th.	do.	do.	24	
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	53rd.	Registration & Calibration		10	
2 p.m.	114th.	do.	do.	17	
8p.m. to 9 p.m.	53rd.	OTIRA & OMELETTE trenches & supports opposite Battery Sectors		96	In accordance with Group Instructions No. 12
	54th.	do.	do.	96	
4a.m. to 5 a.m.	55th.	do.	do.	96	
	114th.	PILL Farm 0.24.a.45.21, PILLEGREMS Farm 0.24.a.95.20, LAKE Farm 0.24.c.50.42, WEL Farm 0.24.c.25.65, PARTYNTJE 0.24.d.70.30, BOW Farm 0.30.a.90.40.		96	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No. of rounds	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
2 p.m.	10rds.	Shp. 77mm. Shp.	Vicinity of 0.33.a.	COMINES	0.25.b.80.05	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

Nil.

MOVEMENT :

Nil.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Enemy particularly quiet in this Sector throughout the period.

Observation good.

Lieut. Colonel,
C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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C.O. 14th F.A. BRIGADE. No. ... Date ... 5th AUST. DIVISION.

OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 14.

Headquarters,
27th. Novr. 1917

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W., 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 27th./28th. November 1917 as follows :-

(a) At 8 p.m.
- 53rd. Bty. Track O.30.d.22.15 to O.30.d.70.20.
- 54th. " " O.30.d.70.20 to O.30.d.23.70.
- 55th. " OTIRA Trench O.30.c.68.00 to O.30.c.99.35.
- 114th. " { Two hows. on COD Farm O.30.d.08.00
  { One " " each of the two buildings East of COD Farm
  { One " on Junction at O.30.d.23.15
  { One " " O.30.d.42.43.

(b) At 11 p.m.
- 53rd. Bty. Track from O.30.b.70.63 to O.30.b.85.99
- 54th. " Search 300 yards Eastwards along Railway starting from O.30.b.00.13.
- 55th. " OTIRA Trench from O.30.d.00.85 to O.30.a.95.20.
- 114th. " {Two Hows. on Hutments about O.30.b.75.50.
  {One " " " immediately East of SQUARE Farm O.30.b.45.30.
  {One " on Hutments O.30.b.2.2
  {One " " " QUAIL Farm O.30.d.30.95.
  {One " " " SQUARE Farm O.30.b.45.30.

(c) At 5 a.m.
- 53rd. Bty. Three guns searching track from O.24.c.40.68 to O.24.central.
  Three guns on OMELETTE Trench O.24.c.38.27 to O.24.c.20.40.
- 54th. " Three guns on OMELETTE Trench from O.24.c.20.40 to O.24.c.31.72.
  Three guns searching track from O.24.c.42.70 to O.24.c.78.82.
- 55th. " Three guns on Support Trench O.24.d.00.25 to O.24.c.78.82.
- 114th. " Six (6) Hows. on buildings and dugouts enclosed by 18-pdr. Batteries.

2. RATES OF FIRE - 3 rounds per gun per minute for 3 min. at each time.
2 " " how. per minute. " 3 " " " "

3. AMMUNITION - 18-pdrs. 50% "A" and 50% "AX"
114th.Bty. "BX"

4. Watches will be synchronised at Group H.Q. at 7 p.m. on the 27th. inst.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.1
14th. Inf. Brigade	2
53rd. Battery	3
54th. "	4
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T. Russell
Captain,
Adjutant,
OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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C.R.A. 5th BRIGADE. 5th AUST. DIVISION.

OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT FOR 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 27/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	REASON FOR FIRING	No. of ROUNDS	REMARKS
10.30a.m. to 12.30p.m.	54th.	Registration		25 rds.	
noon to 3 p.m.	53rd.	do.		50 "	
6p.m. to 5 p.m.	53rd.	OTIRA & OMELETTE Trenches opposite Battery Sector, creeping back in short drops to grid line running through 0.18.c.0.0 & 0.30.c.0.0		144 "	In accordance with Group Instructions No.13
11p.m. to 1 a.m.	54th.	do.	do.	144 "	
3.30a.m. to 5.30a.m.	55th.	do.	do.	144 "	
10p.m. to 12 midnight	114th.	Machine gun positions - LAKE Farm, 0.24.c.30.65, 0.30.a.9.5		144 "	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No. of Rounds	NATURE	Objective or Area shelled	Direction or grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks
9a.m. to 1 p.m.	300	4.2"	0.28.d.& 0.29.a.	COMINES	0.27.d.8.2	
1p.m. to 4 p.m.	200	5.9" & 4.2"	0.33.a.	do.	0.27.d.8.2	
1.30 p.m.	2	7 7mm. shp.	0.19.b.	?		
noon to 2 a.m.	50	4.2"	0.26.d.	COMINES	0.25.b.4.8	
3.30 p.m.	12	4.2"	0.33.a.5.7	do.	0.25.b.80.05	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

2.30a.m. to 2.45p.m. 1 hostile plane observed over our front, and at 3p.m. 2 hostile planes observed. These planes were driven off by our A.A. and M.G. fire.

MOVEMENT -

N i l.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Visibility fair during morning and poor during afternoon.

Major,
A/C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters,
28th. Novr. 1917.
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O.C. 53rd. Battery,
54th. "
55th. "
114th. "

COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY Instructions No.6 issued on 21/11/1917 is cancelled and should be destroyed. An amended copy of these instructions is attached and will be taken into use immediately.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

T. Russell
Captain
Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Copies to :-
D.A.H.Q. 5th.Aus.Division
H.Q. 14th.Inf. Brigade.

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O.C. 14th F.A. BRIGADE. 4th AUST. DIVISION. No. ..... Date .....

COOTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.A.

Headquarters.
88th. Nov. 1917.

1. Batteries will at once open fire on any of the following Concentration "S.O.S." Scheme on orders from this Office :-

"A" Call "CONCENTRATION "S.O.S." SCHEME KELLY."

83rd. Battery Barrage on own "S.O.S." Lines
84th. " Barrage on Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.23.b.65.95 to 0.23.b.2.2.
85th. " Barrage on Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.23.b.2.2 to 0.23.d.05.40.
114th. " on following points :-
1 How. on 0.18.c.50.00.
1 " " 0.24.a.02.75
1 " " 0.24.a.30.40.
1 " " 0.23.d.60.90.
1 " " 0.24.c.15.70.
1 " " 0.24.c.72.03.

"B" Call "CONCENTRATION "S.O.S." SCHEME REDMOND."

83rd. Battery Barrage on Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.23.d.10.84 to 0.23.d.1.0.
84th. " " " own "S.O.S." Line.
85th. " " " Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.23.d.1.0 to 0.29.b.33.14.
114th. " 1 How. on 0.24.c.72.03
1 " " 0.24.d.02.20.
1 " " 0.30.b.46.12.
1 " " 0.29.b.70.21.
1 " " 0.29.b.71.03.
1 " " 0.30.a.88.33.

"C" Call "CONCENTRATION "S.O.S." SCHEME McCORMACK."

83rd. Battery Barrage on Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.29.b.12.50 to 0.29.d.03.76.
84th. " " " Group "S.O.S." Line from 0.29.d.08.76 to 0.35.b.30.95.
85th. " " " own "S.O.S." Line
114th. " 1 How. on 0.29.b.70.20.
1 " " 0.29.b.71.03.
1 " " 0.30.b.46.12.
1 " " 0.30.d.40.42.
1 " " 0.30.c.99.35.
1 " " 0.29.d.50.15.

2. RATES OF FIRE and duration of fire will be as for "S.O.S."

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J Russell.
Captain,
Adjutant,
COOTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 5 p.m. to :-
All recipients of Instructions No.6.

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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 28/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	REASON FOR FIRING	No. of ROUNDS	REMARKS
1.30p.m. to 3.30p.m.	54th.	Registration		25	
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	55th.	"		51	
2.30p.m.	114th.	SQUARE FARM	Movement observed	6	Party dispersed.
8 p.m.	53rd.	Track 0.30.d.22.15 to 0.30.d.70.20		54	
	54th.	" 0.30.d.70.20 to 0.30.d.23.70		54	
	55th.	OTIRA Trench 0.30.c.68.00 to 0.30.c. 89.35		54	
	114th.	COD Farm 0.30.d.08.00, two buildings) East of COD Farm, Junction at) 0.30.d.23.15, & 0.30.d.42.43)		36	
11 p.m.	53rd.	Track from 0.30.b.70.63 to 0.30.b.85. 98.		54	
	54th.	Searching 300 yds. EAstwards along Railway starting from 0.30.b. 00.13.		54	
	55th.	OTIRA Trench from 0.30.d.00.85 to 0.30.a.95.20.		54	In accordance with Group Instructions No. 14.
	114th.	Hutments about 0.30.b.75.50, immediately East of SQUARE Farm 0.30.b.45.30, 0.30.b.2.2, QUAIL Farm 0.30.d.30.95, SQUARE Farm 0.30.b.45.30.		36	
5 a.m.	53rd.	Track from 0.24.c.40.68 (& 0.24.central, OMELETTE Trench 0.24.c.38.27 to 0.24.c. 20.40.		54	
	54th.	OMELETTE Trench from 0.24.c.20.40 to 0.24.c.31.72., track from 0.24. c.43.70 to 0.24.c.78.82.		54	
	55th.	Support Trench 0.24.d.00.25 to 0.24. c.78.82.		54	
	114th.	Buildings and dugouts enclosed by 18-pdr. Batteries.		36	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No. of ROUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
10a.m. to noon	60	4.2" How.	0.28.b. & d.	?		
1p.m. to 3 p.m.	20	4.2" Gun	0.26.d.	Right of COMINES	0.25.b.6.8.	
1.30p.m.	12	4.2"	0.30.d.	COMINES	0.25.c.7.4	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

2p.m. Five hostile planes observed flying over front of our Sector, but were driven off by our A.A. and M.G. fire.

MOVEMENT -

2.30 p.m. enemy movement was observed in vicinity of SQUARE Farm. This party was fired on and dispersed by 114th. Battery 6 rounds being expended.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

Observation fair.

Major.

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1ST. DIVISION Date

OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET - HOSTILE FIRE.

TIME	No. of POUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
27/11/17						
9.15p.m.	200	H.E.	5.9"How.	0.25.c.	COMINES	0.25.c.7.4
9.45p.m.			4.2" & 5.9" How.	0.23.c.	Sound Bearing 81° True.	0.23.c.15.95
9.30p.m.	?		?	?	90° True	0.19.b.6.3 (Flashes indistinctly observed)

Major.
A/S.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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5th AUST. DIVISION. 14th F.A. BRIGADE. C.O. Date ..... No .....

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COUTTAVEINE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 15.

Headquarters,
30th. Nov. 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 62 S.E. 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the nights 28th./29th. November 1917 as follows :-

(a) 11.30 p.m. to 11.33 p.m.

53rd. Battery	-	Road from O.24.c.78.02	to O.24.d.52.40.
54th. "	-	Road from O.24.d.52.40	to P.19.c.16.55.
55th. "	-	Road from P.19.c.16.55	to P.19.d.0.5.
114th. "	2 hows.	- O.24.c.78.02.	
	2 "	- O.24.d.52.40.	
	2 "	- P.19.c.16.55.	

(b) 2.55 p.m. to 3.10 p.m.

53rd. Battery	-	Road P.20.a.1.0	to P.20.a.4.0.
54th. "	-	Road P.20.a.1.0	to P.20.a.00.15.
55th. "	-	SQUARE Farm.	
114th. "	-	Road Junction at P.20.a.1.0 and P.20.a.00.15.	

(c) 5.0 p.m. to 5.3 p.m.

53rd. Battery	-	O.30.b.45.30 (SQUARE Farm)	
54th. "	-	O.30.b.65.40 (SQUARE Farm)	
55th. "	-	Track from O.30.b.18.15	to P.25.a.0.4.
114th. "	-	O.30.b.45.30 and O.30.b.65.40.	

2. RATE OF FIRE :-

All guns and hows. (a) and (b) - 2 rounds per gun and how. per minute.
(c) - 3 salvoes.

3. AMMUNITION :-

18-pdrs. (a)&(b) 30% "A" and 50% "AX"
(c) "AX"
4.5" Hows. - "BX"

4. Watches will be synchronised at Group H.Q. at 7.0 p.m. on 26th. inst.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Rueun.
Captain.
Adjutant.
COUTTAVEINE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 6 p.m. to:-

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OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 29/11/1917.

OUR ACTIVITY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	REASON FOR FIRING	No. of ROUNDS	REMARKS
8.55a.m.	55th.	SQUARE FARM 0.30.b.5.2 Working party.	Hostile	30	
10.30a.m.) 4.0 p.m.) 11 a.m.)	55th.	Correction of day.		7 9 11	
12.30a.M) 3 p.m.)	114th.	0.29.b.65.25		30 73	
4p.m.)	114th.	HOUTHERN CHURCH		8	
11.30p.m. to 11.33pm	53rd.	Road 0.24.c.78.02 to 0.24.d.52.40		36	In accordance
	54th.	" 0.24.d.52.40 to P.19.c.16.55		36	with Group
	55th.	" P.19.c.16.55 to P.19.d.0.5		36	Instructions
	114th.	0.24.c.78.02, 0.24.d.52.40, P.19.c.16.55		36	No. 15.
2.55a.m. to	53rd.	Road P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.4.0		180	
3.10 a.m.	54th.	" P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.00.15		180	
	55th.	SQUARE Farm		180	
	114th.	Road Junctions P.20.a.1.0 & P.20.a.00.15		180.	
5 a.m. to	53rd.	SQUARE Farm 0.30.b.45.30		36	
5.3 a.m.	54th.	" " 0.30.b.65.40		36	
	55th.	Track 0.30.b.18.15 to P.25.a.0.4		36	
	114th.	0.30.b.45.30 and 0.30.b.65.40.		36	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No.of ROUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
10.30a.m. to 11a.m.	30	4.2"	0.20.d.20.30 to 0.29.d.05.70	Right of CONTINES	0.25.b.5.8	
4 p.m.	?	?	?	117°30' Grid	0.25.b.5.8	
5.45p.m.	2	5.9"	Vicinity of WYTSCHAETE.	?		
7.30 p.m.	4	5.9"	do.	?		

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

12noon hostile plane reconnoitred over our forward area for 30 minutes despite heavy fire from A.A. and M.G's.
2 p.m. two hostile planes observed over left of our Sector, and at 3.30 p.m. one hostile plane observed over front of our Sector. These were fired on and driven off by our A.A. and M.G's.

MOVEMENT -

8.55a.m. a hotile working party of about 25 men observed digging a sap at SQUARE FARM 0.30.b.5.2. This party was effectively engaged by our 18-pdr. Batteries and dispersed. 30 rounds "A" being expended.
2.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. two trains observed to leave WERVICQ.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

2 p.m. one of our balloons observed adrift and floated over enemy's lines.

Visibility fair.

Major.
A/C.O. OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY

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CO. LIAISON OFF. 8TH BRIGADE. 8TH AUST. DIVISION. Date.....

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COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 16.

Headquarters,
8th. Novr. 1917.

REFERENCE SHEET 28 S.W., 1/10,000.

1. Harassing fire will be carried out during the night 8th./9th. November 1917 as follows :-

(a) 53rd. Battery - 2.30 a.M. to 3 a.M.

Road P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.4.0.

54th. Battery - 3 a.M. to 3.30 a.M.

Road P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.00.15.

55th. Battery - 3 a.M. to 3.30 a.M.

M.G. Positions at 0.30.c.2.4 and 0.30.b.2.5

114th. Battery - 2.30 a.M. to 3.30 a.M.

Road Junctions P.20.a.1.0 and P.20.a.00.15.

(b) From 3.45 a.M. to 3.50 a.M.

53rd. Battery - M.G. Position at 0.24.c.30.65.

54th. Battery - M.G. Position at 0.30.a.9.5

55th. Battery - M.G. Positions at ~~0.30.a.9.5~~ 0.30.c.2.4 and 0.30.b.2.5

114th. Battery - PILL Farm 0.24.a.45.00.
BEL FARM 0.24.c.20.65
TANK - 0.24.c.50.~~80~~.40.

2. RATES OF FIRE - 60 rounds by each Battery for Task (a) and 60 rounds by each Battery for Task (b)

3. AMMUNITION - 18-pdrs. "A" and "AX"
4.5" Hows. "BX"

4. Watches will be synchronised at Group H.Q. at 7 p.m. on 8th. inst.

5. Every opportunity will be taken during hours of daylight on 8th. inst. to register the targets set out in Tasks (a) and (b). para.1 above.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Rweeds.
Captain.
Adjutant,
COSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 6 p.m. to :-

8th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.	1
14th. Inf. Brigade	"	2
53rd. Battery	"	3
54th.	"	4
55th.	"	5
114th.	"	6
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SECRET. Copy No. 1

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No.147..

Headquarters,
28th.Novr.,1917.

1. With a view to assisting a minor operation to be carried out in the near future by the 3rd. Australian Division, OOSTTAVERNE Group will carry out a bombardment for a DUMMY RAID in accordance with attached SCHEDULE "A".

2. This bombardment will take place twice.
Actual date and ZERO HOURS will be notified later.

3. On the day selected OOSTTAVERNE Group will cut the wire from 0.29.d.15.65 to 0.29.d.20.00 with 4.5" Howitzers using 106 Fuze. Two hundred (200) Fuzes are allotted for this purpose.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE by FORM attached. OOSTTAVERNE Group by wire.

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

Issued at 11 p.m. to :-	Copy No.
OOSTTAVERNE Group.	1 - 5.
HOLLEBEKE Group.	6.
MESSINES Group.	7.
"G", 5th. Aust. Divn.	8.
"Q", 5th. Aust. Divn.	9.
8th. Aust. Inf. Brigade	10.
14th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.	11.
15th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.	12.
R.A. 1st. ANZAC.	13.
R.A. 1st. ANZAC.	14.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Artillery.	15.
37th. Divl. Artillery.	16.
Staff Captain.	17.
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SCHEDULE "A".

(To accompany 5th. Aust. Divl. Artillery Order No.147.)

	UNIT.	TIME.	TASK.	Rounds per gun.	AMMUNITION A.	AX.	BX.
53 a.	6 18-prs.	Z to Z plus 4.	Bombard 0.29.d.23.60-0.29.d.24.30.	4.	48.	48.	
54 b.	6 18-prs.	Z to Z plus 4.	Bombard 0.29.d.24.30-0.29.d.27.00.	4.	48.	48.	
55 c.	6 18-prs.	Z to Z plus 4.	Bombard 0.29.d.27.00-0.35.b.22.65.	4.	48.	48.	
53 d.	6 18-prs.	Z +4 toZ +7.	Bombard 0.29.d.35.57-0.29.d.39.29.	3.	27.	27.	
54 e.	6 18-prs.	Z +4 toZ +7.	Bombard 0.29.d.39.29-0.29.d.40.05.	3.	27.	27.	
55 f.	6 18-prs.	Z +4 toZ +7.	Bombard 0.29.d.40.05-0.35.b.42.80.	3.	27.	27.	
53 g.	6 18-prs.	Z +7 toZ +17.	Bombard 0.29.d.35.57-0.29.d.74.33.	2.	60.	60.	
54 h.	6 18-prs.	Z +7 toZ +17.	Bombard 0.29.d.74.33-0.29.d.75.00.	2.	60.	60.	
55 i.	6 18-prs.	Z +7 toZ +17.	Bombard 0.29.d.75.00-0.35.b.42.80.	2.	60.	60.	
58 j.	6 18-prs.	Z +17toZ +20.	Bombard GUARD FARM -0.29.d.48.15.	2.	18.	18.	
54 k.	6 18-prs.	Z +17toZ +20.	Bombard GUARD FARM -0.29.d.48.15.	2.	18.	18.	
55 l.	6 18-prs.	Z +17toZ +20.	Bombard GUARD FARM -0.29.d.48.15.	2.	18.	18.	
114 m.	6 4.5" Hows.	Z to Z + 7	Bombard GUARD FARM -0.29.d.48.15.	3.			126.
114 n.	6 4.5" Hows.	Z +7 to Z + 20.	Bombard ANGLE FARM -0.36.a.80.65.	2.			156.
					459.	459.	282.
			Total for 2 Bombardments.		918.	918.	564.

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COASTAVENUE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 17.

Headquarters,
30th. Nov. 1917.

1. Reference 5th. Aus. D.A. Order No. 14 and Schedule "A" attached. Tasks are allotted to Batteries as follows :-

53rd. Battery	"A"	"D"	"G"	"J"
54th. "	"B"	"E"	"H"	"K"
55th. "	"C"	"F"	"I"	"L"
114th. "	"M"	"N"		

2. Battery Commanders will arrange to have these targets accurately registered by to-morrow night, 30th. inst.

3. 114th. How. Battery will carry out the Task in para. 3, vide attached Order.

4. Infantry Posts will not be withdrawn for registration nor for the actual operations.

5. Zero Day and Hour will be notified when received.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Russell.
Captain.
Adjutant,
COASTAVENUE GROUP ARTY.

Issued at 7.30 p.m. to :-

5th. D.A.H.Q.	Copy No.	1
10th. Inf. Brigade		2
53rd. Battery		3
54th. "		4
55th. "		5
114th. "		6
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No.148.

Headquarters,
30th. November, 1917.

1. With reference to 5th. Australian Divisional Artillery Order No.147 para 2.
The date is November 30th./1st. December, 1917.
ZERO HOURS are 1st Raid 5.15pm. 2nd Raid 1 am.
If it is thought advisable to cancel the second bombardment the Code Word "HOBART" will be wired to OOSTTAVERNE Group.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE by form attached. OOSTTAVERNE Group by wire.

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

Issued at 1.30 p.m. to
All recipients of 5th. Australian D.A. Order No.147.

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— Appendix 21 —

HOUTHEM

EDITION 3.A

German Trenches corrected to 19-10-17.

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NOTE: A feed-water canal exists along the western side of the canal from P. 26 b 7.4 northward to O. 12 d 9.6, and from O. 12 b 2.5 to O. 6 c 9.1, and is conducted in tunnels at three points indicated.

Scale 1:10,000

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C.O. 14th F.A. Brigade
No.
5th AUST. DIVISION.

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Appendix 21A

2nd AUST. DIVISION. C.R.A. BRIGADE. No. ... Date ...

OOSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT for 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 30/11/17.

OUR ARTILLERY -

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	Reason for FIRING	No. of ROUNDS	REMARKS
10a.m. to noon.	114th.	Registration & Calibration		67	
11 a.m.	53rd.	"	"	7	
2 p.m.	54th.	"	"	6	
2p.m. to 4 p.m.	114th.	"	"	40	
2.10 p.m.	54th.	P.25.c.6.2	Hostile Dump.	9 ~~xx~~	
4 p.m.	55th.	Correction of the Day		14	
2.30a.m. to 3 a.m.	53rd.	Road P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.4.0		60	In accordance with Group Instructions No. 16.
3a.m. to 3.30a.m.	54th.	" P.20.a.1.0 to P.20.a.00.15		60	
3a.m. to 3.30 a.m.	55th.	M.G.Position 0.30.c.2.4 & 0.30.b.2.5		60	
2.30a.m. to 3.30 a.m.	114th.	Road Junctions P.20.a.1.0 and P.20.a.00.15		60	
3.45a.m. to 3.50a.m.	53rd.	M.G.Position 0.24.c.30.65		60	
	54th.	M.G.Position 0.30.a.9.5		60	
	55th.	M.G.Position 0.30.c.2.4 and 0.30.b.2.5		60	
	114th.	PILL Farm 0.24.a.~~XXX~~ 45.00, EEL Farm 0.24.c.20.65, TANK 0.24.c.50.40.		60	

HOSTILE FIRE -

TIME	No. of ROUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
10a.m. to 11.30a.m.	20	4.2"	Vicinity of 0.33 & 34	COMINES	0.27.b.80.05	
11a.m. to 2 p.m.	50	5.9" How.	0.30.b. and 0.25.a.	Right of COMINES	0.25.b.2.4	
11.15a.m.	6	5.9"	0.20.c.4.5	?	0.20.b.2.4	
1p.m. to 2 p.m.	8	8"	Vicinity of 0.25.b.			
1.30p.m.	4	5.9"	" " GORDON & WYTSCHAETE Roads.			
2.30p.m.	?	?	?	2°30' Right of COMINES	0.19.b.6.3	
3p.m. to 4 p.m.	20	5.9"	0.31.central	?		
3 p.m.	5	4.2"Gun.	ORANGE TRENCH 0.27.c.	?	0.27.b.80.05	
3 p.m.	?.	?	South of this Sector	108° Grid	0.27.d.8.2	
3.30p.m.	?	?	Right of this Sector	120° and 114° Grid	0.17.b.80.05	
1p.m. to 4.5p.m.	?	?	?	85° Grid	0.19.b.6.3	

AERIAL ACTIVITY -

E.A. Active during the day flying over our lines from 10.15a.m. to 10.30a.m. and at 12.15 p.m. and 3 p.m. These were driven off by our A.A. & M.G.Fire.

12noon to 1 p.m. Hostile balloon up 9° Left of WERVICQ Church from 0.27.b.80.05. 2 p.m. hostile balloon up 25° Left of WERVICQ Church from 0.27.b.80.05.

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APPENDIX. 21a.

APPENDIX. 21 A

4th AUST. INF. BRIGADE NOISING DIVISION

MOVEMENT -

2.10p.m. Train observed to Left of COMINES moving North.
2.50p.m. " " in WERVICQ moving South.
2.50p.m. " " moving East to West into WERVICQ.
3.56p.m. " " North of WERVICQ moving North.

Road in P.25.a. and c. camouflaged during last night. Dump located behind camouflage at D.25.c.6.2.

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST -

2.30p.m. flashes of two heavy guns firing on the front North of this Sector was observed from O.19.b.6.3 at 2°30' Right of COMINES Church. 3 p.m. flash of gun observed 108° True from O.27.d.8.2 firing to South of this Sector (probably VX.14) 3.30p.m. flashes of guns firing observed from O.17.b. 80.05 at 120° True and 114° True, probably in vicinity of V.16:central, shooting to Right of this Sector. 4.5 p.m. Smoke screen observed from O.19.b.6.3 in front of WERVICQ emanating from 105° True, 92° True, and 98° True. Flashes were observed in rear of this screen. 1p.m. & 4.5p.m. flashes of heavy gun observed from O.19.b.6.3 at 85° True. 3.15p.m. hostile barrage of 4.2" and 77mm. placed on trench O.29.c.3.0 to O.35.c.4.5. This was repeated for 5 minutes at 3.25p.m. and at 3.55p.m. 7.10p.m. green flares fired from vicinity of SQUARE Farm. This was repeated at 7.45p.m., and at the time enemy appeared to be putting down a very light barrage on his own front line posts, otherwise everything appeared normal. 8.5p.m. Flashes observed from O.20.d.2.2 at 89° Grid.

Major,
A/C.O. OCSTTAVERNE GROUP ARTY.

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