

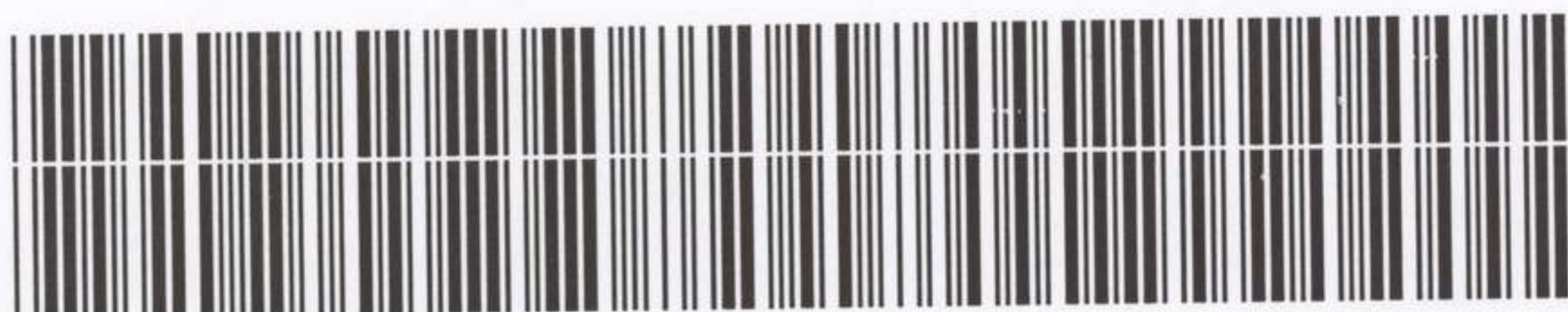
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Artillery Brigade

October 1918



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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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Headquarters,
October 16th 1918.

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- 4th A.F.A.Bde. ϕ
- 5th A.F.A.Bde. ϕ
- 7th A.F.A.Bde. ϕ
- 14th A.F.A.Bde. ϕ
- 4th Aust.D.A. ϕ

Reference Map:- Sheet 57B. S.E. 1/20,000.

1. In order to inflict casualties on the enemy and to destroy his morale bombardments by the Left Group will take place today October 16th 1918 as stated below :-

Time.	Brigades.	Target	Ammunition.	Rates of Fire.
0800 - 0803	4th and 5th.	Standing Barrage from Q.34.a.51.90.- Q.34.c.67.00. (100 yards E. of river).	100% AX.	2 rounds per gun per minute.
0805	4th, 7th and 14th.	Trench Q.28.d.5.0. - Q.35.a.0.0.	100% A.	5 rounds gun fire.
0815	5th, 7th and 14th.	BANDIVAL Farm. Q.29.c.6.6. and vicinity.	60% A. 40% AX.	2 rounds gun fire.
1100	7th and 14th.	LA ROUX FARM R.19.a.9.9. and vicinity.	50% A. 50% AX.	5 rounds gun fire.
1105	4th and 5th	JONG DE MER FARM R.25.b.5.8.	50% A. 50% AX.	5 rounds gun fire.

2. Matches will be synchronized from this office by telephone.

3. Acknowledge.

E. H. Wilford
Major,
Act. Brigade Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

Note : ϕ By Special D.R.

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GROUP (EXPLOITATION).
OPERATION ORDER No.1

Headquarters,
16th. Octr. 1918

Reference Sheet 57b, 1/40,000.

1. 4th. D.A. and 5th.D.A. Instructions and orders, together with Barrage Map have been issued down to Batteries. The attack will take place on the 17th. October. Zero hour will be notified later.
2. The operations are divided into two (2) Phases -
 - A - Capture of the RED Line
 - B - Exploitation.

During both Phases LEFT GROUP will consist of 7th. and 14th. Aust. F. A. Brigades under the command of LIEUT. COLONEL F.P. DERHAM, D.S.O.

During Phase A LEFT Group will be under orders of C.R.A. 4th. Aust. Division, and during PHASE B Left Group will be under the orders of C.R.A. 5th. Aust. Division.
3. During Phase B the Left Group will support the attack of the 120th. American Regiment, 30th. Division U.S.A.
4. During Phase B the 14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade will precede the 7th. Aust. F.A. Brigade - one forward section of the 14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade to be at the disposal of each attacking Battalion.

On completion of the barrage Batteries of the 14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade will advance in the following order - 54th. Battery, 53th. Battery, 53rd. Battery & 114th. Battery, due regard being paid to 5th. D.A.H.C. instructions as to patrols and protection generally. An Engineer of B Company, 105th. Engineers will report to C.O. 54th. Battery at Zero plus 150 with 50 men and some bridging material to assist batteries in crossing the river.

The 7th. Aust. F. A. Brigade will follow the 14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade and come into action under orders from the Group Commander. The C.O. 7th. Aust. F.A. Brigade will, however, watch the flanks of the Group front.

5. Forward Sections will be furnished by -

Right Battalion	-	53rd. Battery	-	Lieut. TURNER
Left	"	54th. "	-	Lieut. PARSONS MM

These sections will be pushed up in close support of their respective Battalions, but all possible precautions will be taken to avoid surprise.

One (1) Lewis Gun and crew will accompany each Section.
6. LIAISON. CAPTAIN P.T. REDMOND, 54th. Battery, will act as Regimental Liaison Officer with the 120th. American Regiment and will be accompanied by -
 - 1 telephonist with telephone & $\frac{1}{2}$ mile cable
 - 3 runners.

7th. Aust. F. A. Brigade will furnish a Battalion Liaison Officer to each of the Battalions in the line. Each Liaison Officer will be accompanied by -

 - 1 telephonist with telephone & $\frac{1}{2}$ mile cable
 - 2 runners (not signallers)

All messages must bear time of despatch.
All Liaison Officers will report by 1800 16th. October 1918.
7. Report centre for Group and 14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade will be notified to Batteries later.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

P. Parson
Adjutant,
14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

Captain,

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Issued at 1730 16.10.18 to :-

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53rd. Battery	1	
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Captain
Adjutant
Major

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
16th October, 1918.

To,
Battery Commanders.

Herewith Barrage Maps. 25th Battery will take the
Northern half: ~~XXXX~~ 27th the Southern: and 26th Battery
superimposed over the Brigade area.
107th Battery will be superimposed 200 yards East of the
18-Pounder Zone.
Please acknowledge.

Adjutant,

7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
K. Watson

Lieutenant,



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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade
17th October, 1918.

To
Battery Commanders,

Reference 4th D.A. Order No. 211.
ZERO HOUR will be 0520 on 17th October, 1918.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

K. D. Watson

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

W.D. 2
9 am.

7th Aust. F.A. Bde
17.10.18

To Battery Commanders,

Upon receipt of orders from this H.Q. Batteries will move from present positions to positions which will be notified later.

Batteries will have everything in readiness to move forward at a moment's notice.

Batteries will cross approx. to SELLE River approx. just south of ST. MARTIN RIVERE.

Information just received, is that AMERICANS are ~~located~~ at MOLAIN and Batteries have come under machine gun fire.

No move will be made now without orders from 'Group Three' this H.Q.

B.L.
Please
immed.

W. J. C. Clarke Major
A.C.O. 7th Aust. F.A. Bde
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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade
17th October, 1918.

To,
Battery Commanders.

On word being received from Headquarters to move forward, Batteries will move in the following order:-

- 26th Battery
- 27th Battery
- 25th Battery
- 107th Battery.

Route to be taken will be on to Road running EAST from ESCAUPORT to 4.32.e.35.90. - thence SOUTH across country to Cross Roads in W.2.b., thence by side of track in W.2.d. running S.E.

Rendezvous and time to leave present positions will be notified later.

River Crossings are not yet in order.

K. D. Watson

Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
17th October, 1918.

To,
Battery Commanders.

S. O. S. Line as follows:-

- 27th (C) Battery - R. 32.a.00.70 to R.32.c.05.40.
- 25th (A) Battery - R. 32.c.05.40 to X. 1.b.70.00.
- 26th (B) Battery Superimposed over A. and C.
- 107th (D) Battery Superimposed 200 yards EAST of 18-Pounder Zone.

Acknowledge.

K.T. Watson

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

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LEFT GROUP OPERATION ORDER

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Headquarters,
18th. Octr. 1918

Reference Barrage Map issued to Batteries with Oper. Order No.1
Sheet 57b, 1/20,000.

1. The operations will be continued to-day, the 18th. inst., with the Canal as the final objective
2. The 30th. American Division, in conjunction with the Divisions on either flank, will attack, with 119th. Regiment on the Right and 120th. Regiment on the Left.
3. The attack will be supported by a Field Artillery Creeping Barrage, the Artillery being grouped as follows :-

LEFT GROUP (Lieut.Col. F. P. DERHAM, D.S.O.)	-
6th. Aust.(Army) F. A. Brigade	
7th. Aust. F. A. Brigade	
14th. Aust. F. A. Brigade	
RIGHT GROUP (Lieut.Col. H. O. CADDY, D.S.O.)	e
8th. Aust. F. A. Brigade	
13th. Aust. F. A. Brigade	
4. The Artillery Start Line will be the Northern Divisional Boundary at Q.36.d.85.70 to X.1.a.05.95 to Southern Boundary at W.18.b.30.95., and will remain on Start Line for 3 minutes and then lift at the rate of 100 yards each 3 minutes until limits of range and/or ammunition is reached. The 7th.A.F.A.Bde. zone will be Northern quarter of Div.front from Q.36.d.85.70 Southwards.
5. Rates of fire - 3 rounds per gun per minute for first 5 lifts then 2 rounds per gun per minute after.
6. The 14th. Aust. F. A. Brigade will not participate in the Creeping Barrage, but is detailed for Exploitation on the whole Divisional front, and will push on Officer's patrols and forward swctions as soon as Barrage opens, As soon as possible and when situation permits the remainder of the Brigade will move up in close support of the infantry in the following order - 54th., 53rd., 55th. & 114th. Batteries.
 All possible precautions will be taken.
 Forward Sections will be detailed from -
 54th. Battery and 53rd. Battery.
 Officers in command of Forward Sections and F.O.O's will keep in close touch with Battalion Commanders and will send back all information gained by them.
 The 7th. Aust. F. A. Brigade will move on completion of barrage on orders from Group. Batteries will in all cases be preceded by an Officer's patrol.
7. Special attention will be paid to Canal Crossings, when infantry are approaching the final objective "Canal"
8. Zero hour will be 0530, 18th. Octr. 1918.
9. C.O. Group will be at H.Q., 120th. American Inf. Regt at W.14.b.80.90 from Zero plus 30 minutes.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Randall

Captain,
Adjutant,
14th.Aust.F.A.Brigade.

Issued at 0230 18/10/18 to :-

6th. Aust.(Army) F.A.Bde	Copy No. 145
7th. Aust. F. A. Brigade	" 6-10
53rd. Battery	" 11
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55th. "	" 13
114th. "	" 14
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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
18th October, 1918.

To
Battery Commanders.

Left
Reference/Group Operation Order No. 2. para. 4.:
Sectors are allotted as follows:-

- 27th Battery Q. 36.d. 65.70 to X.1.a.05.95
- 25th Battery X. 1.a.05.95 to X.1.a.10.25.
- 26th Battery Superimposed over 25th and 27th Batteries.
- 107th Battery Superimposed 200 yards EAST of 15-Pdr. Zone.

Acknowledge.

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

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R.A., VIIth Corps No. 0/101/21.

From: The Chief of Staff, II American Corps.
To: G.O.C., R.A.
Subject: Telegrams of Commendation.

It gives me great pleasure to transmit herewith a telegram from the Commander in Chief, B. E. F., and the reply of the Corps Commander thereto.

(sgd) F. E. BUCHAN, Colonel, G.S.
for GEO. S. SIMONDS,
Brig. General, G.S.
Chief of Staff.

France.
20th Octr. 1918.

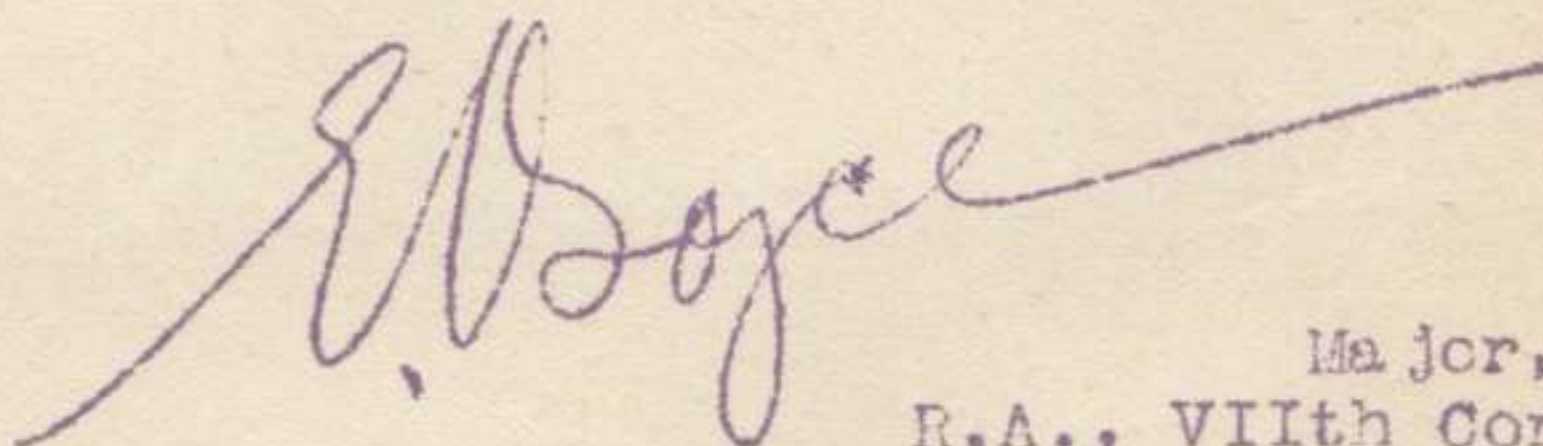
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VII Corps Heavy Artillery.
2nd Australian Divnl. Artillery.
3rd Australian Divnl. Artillery.
4th Australian Divnl. Artillery.
5th Australian Divnl. Artillery.

Forwarded for your information and communication to all ranks.

The G.O.C., R.A., wishes me to say that he has sent a reply to the Chief of Staff, IInd American Corps, on behalf of all ranks of the Artillery, thanking the Commanding General for his appreciation of their work.

20th Octr. 1918.



Major, G.S.
R.A., VIIth Corps,
attached IInd American Corps.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM.

20 Oct. 1918.

General READ,
2nd American Corps.

I wish to express to you personally and to all the Officers and men serving under you my warm appreciation of the very valuable and gallant services rendered by you throughout the recent operations with the 4th British Army. Called upon to attack positions of great strength held by a determined enemy all ranks of the 27th and 30th American Divisions under your command displayed an energy, courage and determination in attack which proved irresistible. It does not need me to tell you that in the heavy fighting of the past three weeks you have earned the lasting esteem and admiration of your British comrades in arms whose success you have so nobly shared.

D. HAIG.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM.

20 Oct. 1918.

Commander in Chief,
B. E. F.

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In acknowledging receipt of your telegram of this date permit me to say that every Officer and other soldier of the 2nd American Corps will always remember with great pride your general commendation of the services rendered in the important operations of the past three weeks during which time we have had the honour to be in action as a part of your superb Fourth Army. We are under the greatest obligation to all British units attached to us. Their splendid co-operation especially that of the 7th Corps R.A., insured at all times the success of our operations.

READ, Comdg.

H.Q., R.A., VIIth Corps.
20th October, 1918.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No.99

19/10/18

18th/19th

1. On the night October, 1918, the 7th Aust.F.A. Brigade will pass to the command of the C.R.A. 4th Australian Division and the 6th (Army) Brigade, Aust.F.A. will be transferred to Corps Reserve, but will remain in action in present positions on the West side of the river at the call of the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division in case of emergency.

2. Consequent upon the above, the Field Artillery covering the 30th American Division will be re-grouped on the night 18th/19th October, 1918, under the command of Brigadier-General A.J. BESSELL-BROWNE, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., C.R.A. 5th Australian Division, as follows:-

Right Group (Headquarters at W.7.d.50.20) under command of Lieut-Col. H.O. CADDY, D.S.O., consisting of -
13th Aust.F.A. Brigade
8th Aust.F.A. Brigade

Left Group (Headquarters at W.8.a.1.6) under command of Lieut-Col. F.P. DERHAM, D.S.O., consisting of -
14th Aust.F.A. Brigade

3. Group boundaries will remain unchanged and Right Group Artillery will continue to cover and provide liaison with Right Regiment and Left Group Artillery will cover and provide liaison with Left Regiment.

4. Artillery Groups will be responsible for the defence of the front it covers but for S.O.S. purposes the 8th Aust.F.A. Brigade will be superimposed on the whole Divisional front. S.O.S. lines will be arranged by Artillery Group Commanders in consultation with Infantry Regimental Commanders and with each other.

5. Headquarters, 5th Australian Divl Artillery, will remain at present location C.6.d.5.0 62B. -

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Ack W 55

J. R. Muller
Captain,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divl Artillery.

Issued at 0900 19/10/18 to:-

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14th Aust.F.A.Bde	2	120th Amern Inf.Regt	16
7th Aust.F.A.Bde	3	5th Aust.D.A.C.	17
8th Aust.F.A.Bde	4	3rd Aust.D.A.C.	18
6th (Army) Bde, A.F.A.	5	D.T.M.O. 5th Aust.Divn	19
R.A. II American Corps	6	D.T.M.O. 3rd Aust.Divn	20
E.A. II American Corps	7	C.R.A.	21
C.B.S.O. II American Corps	8	B.M.	22
30th American Division	9	Staff Captain	23
5th Aust.Division	10	Signals, 5th D.A.H.Q.	24
4th Aust.Divl Artillery	11	Reconnaissance Officer	25
1st Divl Arty (British)	12	War Diary	26-28
60th American Inf.Bds	13	File	29
59th American Inf.Bde	14	9th Brigade, R.G.A.	30

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2nd Quat DA will be			
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reserve under C.R.A. 2nd			
Quat Div 12th Army Bde			
AFA also transferred to			
Corps reserve but will			
remain in action in			
present position at call			
of C.R.A. 4th Quat Div. in			
case of emergency see			
1st AFA Bde to be transferred			
to command of C.R.A. 4th			
Quat Div. I will recommend			
I occupy position in Q36			
by 8 PM Dg and covering			
Div fronts Q9 Q14, Q28 A26			
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Battery commanders.

Batteries

will move into positions selected
this morning by 8 p.m. tonight.

An echelon of ammunition
will be dumped at guns, ~~and~~

Echelons must be kept filled.

Batteries will advise this HQ
when they are in position.

Gun limber lines will be
established tonight EAST of
the RIVER La SELLE between
ST. MARTIN-RIVIERE and ST. SOUPLER.

to HQ
for 7th F.A. Bde.
Alhambra - Lewis

Alhambra

Lewis

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET.

ORDER NO. 212

HEADQUARTERS,
19th Oct. 1918.

1. RELIEF :-

The 27th AMERICAN Division 2nd AMERICAN Corps will be relieved on night 20th/21st October 1918 by the 6th BRITISH Division IXth BRITISH Corps.

2. COVERING ARTILLERY :-

The following Field Artillery under the command of the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division will pass to the 6th Division on the night 20th/21st October :-

The 4th Aust. Div. Arty.,
The 6th ARMY Bde. Aust. F.A., and
The 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Signature]
Major,
Brigade-Major,

4th Australian Div. Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

- 1 - 10th Aust. F.A. Bde..
- 2 - 11th Aust. F.A. Bde..
- 3 - 6th ARMY Bde. A.F.A..
- 4 - 7th Aust. F.A. Bde..
- 5 - 4th Aust. D.A.C..

For inf. :-

- 6 - 6th Div..
- 7 - 27th AMER. Division.
- 8 - 25th D.A..
- 9 - 5th Aust. D.A..
- 10 - 4th Aust. Div..
- 11 - R.A. Aust. Corps.
- 12 - R.A. 2nd AMER. Corps.

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- 13 C.R.A..
- 14 B.M..
- 15 S.C..
- 16 R.O..
- 17 Sig. Off..
- 18 File.
- 19-21 Diary.

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	<i>11th Bde</i>	<i>R 16 Cental</i>	<i>-</i>		
<i>- R PA</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>- R 3 A 5 6</i>			
<i>11th Bde</i>	<i>7th Bde</i>	<i>superimposed</i>			
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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO. 7SECRET.

ORDER NO. 213.

HEADQUARTERS,
20th Oct. 1918.REFERENCE MAPS, 57A and 57B, 1/40,000.1. INFORMATION :-

On completion of the relief of the 27th AMERICAN Division by the 6th BRITISH Division on the night 20th/21st October 1918, the Infantry Brigades in the Line will be

the 18th Infantry Brigade on the RIGHT, and
the 71st Infantry Brigade on the LEFT.

The C.R.A. 6th BRITISH Division will assume command of the Artillery covering the 27th and 30th AMERICAN Divisions at the same hour on night 20th/21st October as command passes from G.O.C. 27th AMERICAN Division to G.O.C. 6th BRITISH Division.

At a time and date to be notified the attack will be resumed by the 6th BRITISH Division in a N.E. direction.

2. INTENTION :-

The advance will be made under a creeping barrage. The Artillery covering the advance will be grouped as follows :-

RIGHT GROUP -- Commanded by Brig.-Gen. W.L.H. BURGESS, G.M.G., D.S.O..

14th
6th ARMY Brigade, Aust. F.A..
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

LEFT GROUP -- Commanded by Brig.-Gen. A.J. BESSELL-BROWNE, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O..

8th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
13th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
14th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

3. GROUP PROVISIONAL BOUNDARIES :-

ON THE NORTH :- Northern Div. Boundary:- R 13 c 5 2 -
ST BENIN - BAZUEL Road (exclusive) -
R 8 b 0 6 - R 2 d 5 3 - R 2 b 7 0 -
L 28 d 3 8 - L 24 c 5 6.

ON THE SOUTH :- Southern Div. Boundary :- W 9 c 5 0 -
W 6 c 0 0 - R 23 a 9 9.

BETWEEN GROUPS:- Inter-Infantry Brigade Boundary :-
Q 34 c 0 0 - Q 36 a 9 4 - R 20 c 0 0 -
R 16 Central.

4. OCCUPATION OF POSITIONS :-

Positions will be occupied by 8 p.m. on 21st instant in squares approximately as follows :-

6th ARMY Bde. Aust. F.A..	--	R 13 a.
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade	--	R 7 c
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade	--	R 19 a.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade	--	R 13 c and d.

Approximate START LINE of creeping barrage is

R 27 b 3 0 - R 9 c 5598 - Railway Bridge R 2 d 7 3

5. SUBDIVISION OF RIGHT GROUP :-

At 8 p.m. on 21st instant, the RIGHT Group will be subdivided as follows :-

(a) NO. 1 SUB GROUP - Commanded by Lieut.-Col. T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O..

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

NO. 2 SUB GROUP - Commanded by Lieut.-Col. H.M. COHEN, G.M.G., D.S.O..

6th ARMY Bde. Aust. F.A..
 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

GIBBON.

/ (b).....

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(b) SUB GROUP Boundaries will be --

<u>ON THE NORTH</u>	--	The Inter Group Boundary) <u>As stated</u>
<u>ON THE SOUTH</u>	--	The Southern Group Boundary) <u>in</u>
<u>BETWEEN SUB</u>	--	R 27 a 0075 - through R 22 b 0080.) <u>para. 3.</u>
<u>GROUPS</u>)		

6. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FRONT :-

The 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade will continue to cover the LEFT Group front until the arrival into action of the Brigades of the LEFT Group, which will be notified by code word "BEAR", on receipt of which the 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade will cover the S.O.S. Line allotted by No. 1 SUB GROUP Commander.

7. AMMUNITION :-

The following amounts of ammunition will be dumped at gun positions :-

<u>18-prs.</u> per gun	--	300 rds. (50% A, 50% AX).
<u>4.5" H.</u> per how.	--	250 rds. (H.E., 108 fuzes as far as possible).
<u>18-pr.</u> per Battery-		200 rounds smoke.
<u>4.5"H.</u> per Battery-		150 Smoke, 150 C.G..

8. LIAISON :-

Liaison with the LEFT Infantry Brigade will be continued until receipt of the code word mentioned in para. 6, after which all Officers on duty with the LEFT Brigade Headquarters and Battalions of the LEFT Brigade will be withdrawn. Liaison with the RIGHT Infantry Brigade will be maintained as at present until further orders are received.

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7. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS :-

Instructions will be issued regarding the Objective, Barrage, Times, Liaison, etc. as INSTRUCTIONS under this Order.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Handwritten Signature]

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

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| 7 - 11 | 7th Aust. F.A. Bde.. |
| 12 - 16 | 10th Aust. F.A. Bde.. |
| 17 - 21 | 11th Aust. F.A. Bde.. |
| 22 | 4th Aust. D.A.C.. |
| 23 | 3rd Aust. D.A.C.. |

For inf :-

- 24 R.A. IXth Corps.
- 25 R.A. Aust. Corps.
- 26 4th Aust. Div..
- 27 5th Aust. D.A..
- 28 1st D.A..
- 29 6th D.A..
- 30 18th Inf. Bde..
- 31 C.R.A..
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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.SECRET.AMENDMENT NO. 1 to
ORDER No. 213.HEADQUARTERS,
21st Oct. 1918.

1. Para. 2 -- For 6th ARMY Bde. Aust. F.A. read
14th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..
2. Para. 4 -- Line 4. For 6th ARMY Bde. Aust. F.A.
read 14th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..
3. Para. 5(a)--- Sub para. headed "NO. 2 SUB GROUP" will be
amended to read
" Commanded by Lieut.-Col. GIBBON D.S.O..
14th ARMY Brigade R.F.A..
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade..
4. Para. 5(b)--- is CANCELLED.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Div. Artillery.DISTRIBUTION.As for ORDER 213,
plus H.A. IXth Corps.
3rd Aust. D.A..
14th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..Issued to Signals at
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TO { 6th ARMY Bde., Aust. F.A.
7th Aust. F.A. Bde., 11th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Sender's Number: Aust. Day of Month: Bde. In reply to Number: F.A. Bde
AAA

* A/546 21/10

Reference Order No. 213 AAA

Ammunition dumps will be completed by morning of 23rd instant.

From

Place 4th Aust. D.A.

Time

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

Censor. Signature of Addressee or person authorized to receive it.

* This line, except AAA, should be erased if not required. B.M.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
22nd October, 1918.

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To
Battery Commanders,

Reference 4th D.A. Order No. 213.
The 7th Aust. F.A. Bde is superimposed over No. 2 Sub-Group zones. Parallel lanes in a North Easterly direction are divided as follows:-

- 25th Battery - From Northern Boundary to R.15.a.60.60.
- 26th Battery - From R.15.a.60.60. to R.15.c.70.95.
- 27th Battery - From R.15.c.70.95 to Southern Boundary of No. 2 Sub-Group.
- 107th Battery - as previously stated.

[Signature]
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
Lieutenant,

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY, COPY NO. 7...

SECRET. INSTRUCTION NO. 1 HEADQUARTERS,
21st Oct. 1918.

issued under Order No. 213.

1. BOUNDARY BETWEEN INFANTRY BRIGADES :-

From 2000 on the 21st Oct. 1918 the boundary between Infantry Brigades in the line will run as follows :-

Railway from L 35 c 5 3 - R 4 b 1010 - R 15 b 1 8 -
JONC de MER FARM (Inclusive to RIGHT Brigade) -
Road Junction Q 30 d 3 2.

2. GROUP BOUNDARIES :-

From 2000 on the 21st instant the RIGHT Group boundaries will be as follows :-

ON THE NORTH ; Inter Inf. Brigade boundary stated in para. 1.

ON THE SOUTH ; Southern Div. boundary -
W 9 c 5 0 - W 6 c 0 0 - R 23 a 9 9.

BETWEEN Nos. 1 & 2 SUB GROUPS; R 26 c 3 7 - CANAL and RIVER Junction
R 11 b 6045.

3. DISCREPANCY IN CO-ORDINATES :-

Attention is drawn to the discrepancy in co-ordinates readings between 1/20,000 and 1/40,000 scale maps.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

M. J. Harpall
Major,
Brigade-Major,

4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

As for ORDER 213.

plus H.A. IXth Corps.
3rd Aust. D.A..
14th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..

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INSTRUCTION NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS,
22nd Oct. 1918.

Issued under 4th Aust. D.A.
ORDER 215.

REFERENCE IXth CORPS BARRAGE MAP attached.

1. GROUP BOUNDARIES :-

From receipt of this order the Boundaries will be amended as follows :-

<u>NORTHERN</u>	--	R 9 c 1045 - G 26 a 5045
<u>SOUTHERN</u>	---	R 32 b 0015 - R 17 d 8 7.
<u>BETWEEN NOS.)</u>		
<u>1 & 2 SUB)</u>	--	R21 a 9580 - R 6 c 0 0.
<u>GROUPS)</u>		

Boundaries are shown correctly on BARRAGE MAP.

2. THE CREEPING BARRAGE :-

(a) The 18-pr. Barrage will commence at ZERO HOUR on the START LINE shown on the attached BARRAGE MAP. The 14th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. will cover No. 2 SUB GROUP Front with the 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade superimposed. One 18-pr. Battery of each Brigade of No. 1 SUB GROUP will be superimposed over the Brigade front.

4.5" How. Batteries of each SUB GROUP will commence at ZERO HOUR 200 yards East of the 18-pr. START LINE. (except as ordered in para. 3).

At ZERO PLUS 4 MINUTES the barrage will move forward in lifts of 100 yards every 4 minutes to the line marked on barrage map "FIRST PROTECTIVE BARRAGE", then remain on this line and search area Eastward to a depth of 1000 yards for 15 minutes and stop firing.

AT ZERO PLUS 180 MINUTES the barrage will again move forward from FIRST PROTECTIVE BARRAGE in lifts of 100 yards every 6 minutes to limit of range, and stop firing.

(b) RATES OF FIRE :-

<u>ZERO to ZERO plus 8 minutes</u>	--	3 rds. p.g. & h. p.m..
<u>ZERO plus 8 min to STOP FIRING</u>	-	2 " " " "

/ (c)

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In Creeping barrage to 4000 yards. (94% A
(6% AS

over 4000 yards (94% AX, 106 F.
(6% AS.

4.5" Hows. 90% BX, 10% C.G..

SMOKE will NOT be fired if morning of
ATTACK DAY is misty or foggy.

C.G. will only be fired if wind is blowing from
the direction between N.W. and S.W..

3. SPECIAL TASKS :-

(a) No. 1 SUB GROUP will smoke barrage the Village of
MS using a 4.5 How. Battery from ZERO to ZERO plus
40 minutes.

(b) No. 2 SUB GROUP at ZERO plus 64 minutes will take over
the responsibility of the LEFT GROUP FIRST PROTECTIVE
BARRAGE LINE (i.e. R 4 c 7560 - L 33 d 5530).
Whilst LEFT Group is advancing (from ZERO plus 64
minutes to ZERO plus 180 minutes) one Brigade will
cover this PROTECTIVE BARRAGE LINE and commencing at
ZERO plus 64 minutes search forward to a depth of 1000
yards, then stop firing at ZERO plus 79 min..

(c) NOS. 1 & 2 SUB GROUPS :-

From 0545 to 0630 on the 23rd instant a smoke screen
will be placed along the western bank of the CANAL as
follows :-

No. 1 SUB GROUP -- 1 4.5" How. Bty. from CANAL
Crossing R 5 b 8 4 - G 31 b 1 2.

No. 2 SUB GROUP -- 1 4.5" How. Battery from
G 31 b 1 2 - G 26 c 4 8.

RATES OF FIRE and AMMUNITION for Tasks (a) and (b) will
be in accordance with para. 2.

For Task (c) the first burst will be Battery salvo
and thereafter 4 rounds per Bty. per minute using
100% Smoke.

/ 4 S.O.S. Line.....

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4. S.O.S. LINE :-

The PROTECTOR LINE shown on BARRAGE MAP for the Objective gained will in all cases be the S.O.S. Line.

5. S.O.S. SIGNAL :-

Rifle Grenade bursting into RED over RED over RED.

6. G.F. and L.L. CALLS :-

G.F. Calls will be answered by the Superimposed Batteries of No. 1 SUB GROUP and by Sections of How. Batteries of each SUB GROUP.

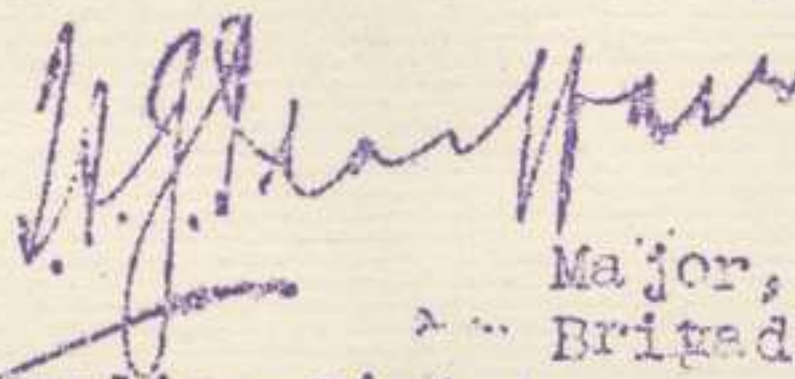
L.L. Calls; When engaged in creeping barrage, as for G.F. calls. When not engaged in creeping barrage, L.L. calls will be answered by every Battery which can bring fire to bear.

Rates of fire in all cases 3 minutes' intense.

7. ZERO HOUR ATTACK DAY will be notified later.

8. SYNCHRONISATION :-

Watches will be synchronised at 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade Headquarters, Q 33 d 9 8, at 2000 on 22nd October. SUB GROUPS will each send a representative to the above Headquarters at that hour.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.


Major,
Brigade Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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Issued to Signals at 1515.

C O P Y.

8th Division No. G.50/51/19.

No. B.M. 2303.

8th Division.

1. During the present phase of warfare, aeroplane observers who see a counter-attack materialising or actually taking place will signal the information by means of the LL call and NOI by means of the S.O.S. call.
2. The S.O.S. signal calls for barrage fire on pre-arranged S.O.S. lines, and is not applicable to conditions which approximate to those of open warfare.
3. If the observer considers that the counter-attack is of sufficient importance to warrant the expenditure of a large number of rounds, he should repeat the LL call until he has obtained the requisite volume of fire.

Adv. H.Q. Fourth Army.
19th October 1918.

(sgd) R.M. LUCKOCK, Lt.-Col.,
for Major-General,
General Staff Fourth Army.

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10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,	} Copy per Battery.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade,	
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade,	
14th ARMY Brigade R.F.A.	
8th ARMY Bde Aust. F.A.	

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For information.

Headquarters
22nd October 1918.

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

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NO. 2 SUB GROUP ORDER NO. 1.

22ND OCTOBER, 1918.

Reference 4th Australian D.A. Instruction No. 2. and Barrage Map.

1. 14th Army Brigade, R.F.A. Battery Zones for Creeping Barrage are shown on attached Barrage Map.
A/14th Battery, R.F.A. will be superimposed over the Brigade Zone.
2. The special Task detailed in Para 3 (b) of 4th Australian D.A. instruction No. 2 will be carried out by the 14th Army Brigade, R.F.A. Battery Zones are shown on attached Barrage Map.
3. All 4.5" How. tasks detailed for No. 2 Sub Group in 4th Australian D.A. Instruction No. 2 will be carried out by the 4.5" How. Battery of the 7th Australian F.A. Brigade.
4. Shrapnel will be fused to burst 50% on graze.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

ISSUED AT 18.30.

[Signature]
 Lieutenant-Colonel, R.F.A.
 Commanding, 14th Army Brigade., R.F.A.

Copies to :-

- 4th Australian D.A.
- 7th Australian F.A. Brigade. —
- 68th Battery, R.F.A.
- 88th Battery, R.F.A.
- A/14 Battery, R.F.A.
- 402nd Battery, R.F.A.

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AMENDMENTS TO INSTRUCTION No. 2

Headquarters,
22nd October, 1918.

1. Para. 3 (a) - To read plus 70 to 100
100 % C.G. if wind favourable.
2. Para. 3 (b) - To read " Stop firing at plus 71"
3. Para. 3 (c) - Add " from 0630 to 0730 screen will be
continued by 18-pdrs.
8 rounds to be fired by each SUB-GROUP per minute
4. Para. 2 (b) - After crossing final Protector, fire will be
reduced to 3 rounds per Bty. per minute.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Sgd T.A.J. PLAYFAIR
Major
Brigade Major
 4th Aust. Divl. Artillery.

issued to signals at 1745.

Reference Para 3. 3 (c) - 18-pdrs of 7th Brigade will fire a
 smoke screen from 0630 to 0730
0700

R. Johnston
Lieutenant,
 Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET.AMENDMENTS TO INST.
No. 2.HEADQUARTERS,
22nd Oct. 1918.

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per Bty. per minute.
 5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

To

W/P
7th and 8th Bdes.
3rd. D. A. C.
3rd. D. T. M. O.

The attached copy of Fourth Army Circular
No. G.S. 2/23 is forwarded for information.

Units will please ensure that its contents are
promulgated to all ranks.

Headquarters,
22.10.18.

Keith Hanson Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery.

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Fourth Army No. G.S. 2/22

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AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Since the Australian Corps joined the 4th Army on the 8th April, 1918, they have passed through a period of hard and uniformly successful fighting of which all ranks have every right to feel proud.

Now that it has been possible to give the Australian Corps a well-earned period of rest I wish to express to them my gratitude for all they have done. I have watched with the greatest interest and admiration the various stages through which they have passed from the hard times of FLERS and POZIERES to their culminating victories at MONT ST QUENTIN and the great Hindenburg System at BONY, BELLICOURT Tunnel and MONTBREHAIN.

During the summer of 1918 the safety of AMIENS has been principally due to their determination, tenacity and valour.

The story of what they have accomplished as a fighting Army Corps of the diligence, gallantry and skill which they have exhibited, and of the scientific methods which they have so thoroughly and so successfully applied, has gained for all Australians a place of honour amongst Nations and amongst the English speaking races in particular.

It has been my privilege to lead the Australian Corps in the Fourth Army during the decisive battles since August 8th which bid fair to bring the war to a successful conclusion at no distant date.

No one realises more than I do the very prominent part which they have played, for I have watched from day to day every detail of their fighting, and learned to value beyond measure the prowess and determination of all ranks.

In once more congratulating the Corps on a series of successes unsurpassed in this great war I feel that no mere words of mine can adequately express the renown that they have won for themselves and the position they have established for the Australian Nation not only in France but throughout the world.

I wish every Officer, N.C.O. and man all possible good fortunes in the future and a speedy and safe return to their beloved Australia.

Sgd H. RAWLINSON

General,

Commanding, Fourth Army.

H.Q. Fourth Army
14th October, 1918.

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Fourth Army No. G.S.2/26.

IX Corps.
XIII Corps.

I am anxious to convey to all ranks of the Artillery serving under your command my appreciation of their untiring and successful efforts to advance their guns and supply them with ammunition during the recent operations.

The difficulties to be overcome have been considerable owing to the constant movement forward of the Infantry line and the consequent distance of the ammunition railheads. This has imposed on all ranks long hours of hard work under very trying conditions. The manner in which all difficulties have been overcome is fully in accordance with the traditions of the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

I desire specially to recognise the zeal and devotion to duty exhibited by the drivers, both of teams and lorries, in getting ammunition to the guns, and of all units engaged in sorting, preparing, and loading up ammunition. Brigade and Divisional Ammunition Columns have carried out their arduous duties in a manner deserving high commendation.

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Adv. H.Q., Fourth Army.
22nd October, 1918.

General,
Commanding Fourth Army.

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Service Instructions <i>FYD</i>			By <i>Shannon</i>	To	<i>23/10/18</i>
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TO	<i>7th a 3 a Bde</i>				
*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA		
<i>a 574</i>	<i>23</i>				
<p>The 1st Army Bde will withdraw to Corps Res at dusk under orders 6th DA aaa Remaining Bdes will be grouped from 1800 aaa</p> <p>No 1 Sub group <i>10th a 3 a Bde</i> No 2 Sub " <i>7th a 3 a</i> Superimposed " <i>11th " " aaa</i></p> <p>Boundaries will remain the same as on Barrage map aaa</p> <p>Ack Rge</p> <p>Acknowledged <i>124</i> <i>P. Johnston</i></p>					
FROM	<i>4th a DA</i>				
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6TH DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No:161. *****

24th October, 1918.

- The 7th and 8th Australian Field Artillery Brigades under orders already verbally communicated will withdraw from their positions in action to-night 24th/25th October and move to their Wagon Lines and come under the orders of C.R.A., 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

Arrangements for a further move to Wagon Lines will be made by C.R.A., 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery. other
- Ammunition already dumped at gun positions will be taken over from -
7th Aust: F.A. Brigade by Right Group.
8th Aust: F.A. Brigade by Left Group.
Amount of ammunition so taken over will be wired to this office.
- On withdrawal of the 7th and 8th Australian F.A. Brigades (3rd Aust D.A) to-night 24th/25th October Right Group will consist of the following Brigades :-

10th Australian F.A. Brigade)	4th Australian
11th Australian F.A. Brigade)	Divn. Artillery.

Left Group -

2nd Brigade, R. F. A.)	} 6th Divisional Artillery.
24th Brigade, R. F. A.)	

- Right and Left Groups will acknowledge.

Slamithe

Brigade Major, R. A., 6th Division. Major, R. A.,

Distribution:-	4th Aust: D. A.	H. A., IX Corps.
	3rd Aust: D. A.	6th Division "G".
	24th Bdc. R.F.A.	6th Division "Q".
	7th Aust: F.A. Bdc.	R.A. Signale Officer.
	8th Aust: F.A. Bdc.	S.C.R.A., 6th Divn.
	R.A., IX Corps.	War Diary.

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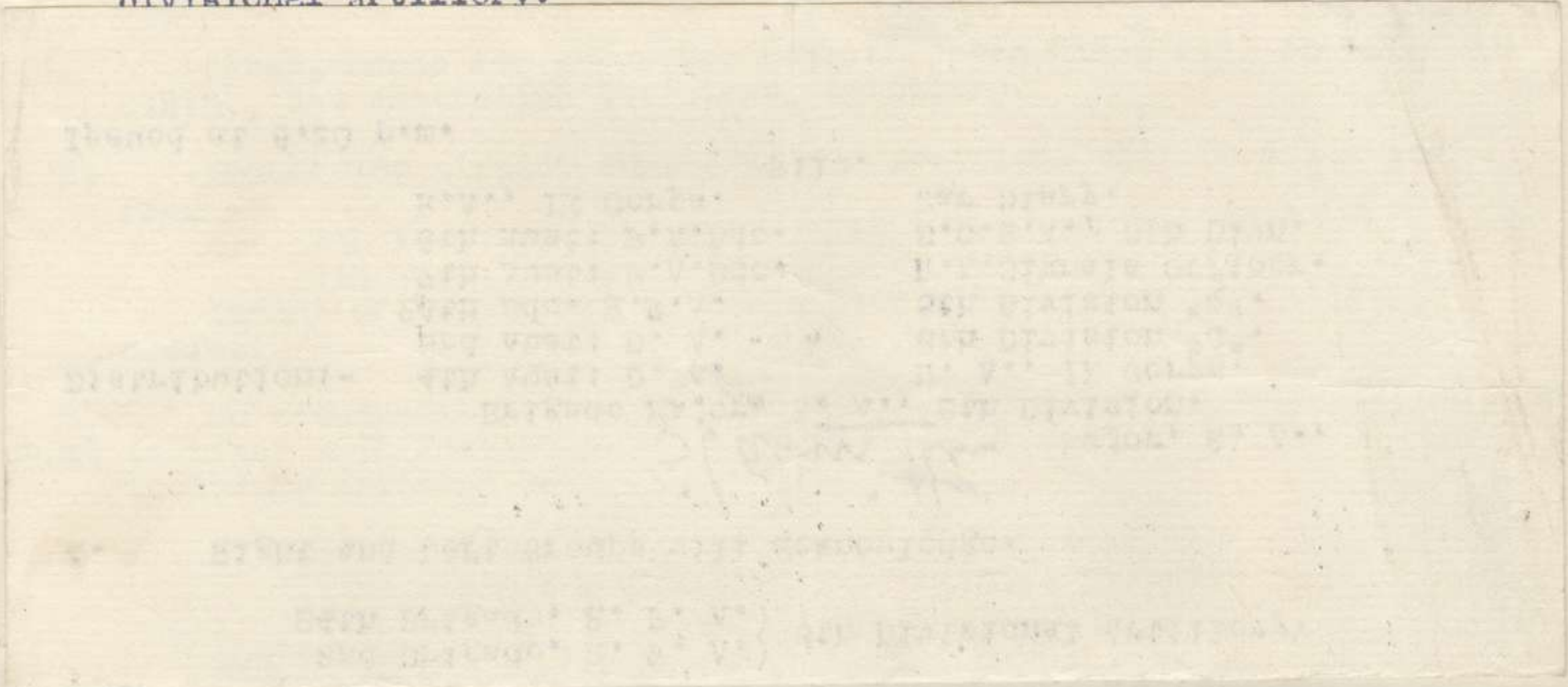
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3TH DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No:161.

24th October, 1918.

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TO	<i>7th ADA</i>		
*Sender's Number <i>A582</i>	Day of Month <i>24</i>	In reply to Number	AAA
<i>7th</i>	<i>ADA</i>	<i>Bde</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>withdraw</i>	<i>aw</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>W. Jones</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>1700</i>	<i>today</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>pass</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>Da</i>
<i>ava</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>ADA</i>	<i>Bde</i>
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
OPERATION ORDER No.108.

Ref. Maps: Sheets 57 B. & 62 B. 1/40,000.

25th. October, 1918.

1. 7th. & 8th. A.F.A. Brigades, 3rd. Aust. D.A.C. (less No. 3. Sect.), and 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C. will move to the MONTBREHAIN, RAMICOURT, and WIANCOURT Areas on the 26th October 1918, where they will remain in Corps Reserve.
2. Areas are allotted as follows:-
 MONTBREHAIN Area - 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
 RAMICOURT Area - 3rd Aust. D.A.C. (less No. 3 Sect.).
 WIANCOURT Area - 8th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.
 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C.
3. Units will march in accordance with March Table on back hereof.
4. Billeting Parties from each Unit will meet an Officer from 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. at the road junction at I.2.a.5.3. (Sheet 62 B) at 1000.
5. C.O., 8th. A.F.A. Brigade will be responsible for the administrative arrangements of the three areas.
6. 3rd. Aust. D.A.H.Q. and 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. will remain in their present locations.
7. Acknowledge.

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R. J. Jamieson

Issued through Signals at
1600 25.10.18.

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

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MARCH TABLE to accompany 3rd Aust.D.A. O.O.108. dated 25.10.18.

Serial No.	Unit.	Starting Point.		Route.	Destination.	Remarks.
		Place.	Time of passing.			
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1.	22nd.Coy.A.A.S.C.	Cross Roads at V.27.b.75.95. (Sheet 57 B.)	0900	BOHAIN - BRANCOURT - MONTBREHAIN.	WIANCOURT.	
2.	8th.A.F.A.Bde.	Crossing of Rd and Railway at W.25.b.4.7. (Sheet 57 B)	1000	do.	do.	
3.	3rd.Aus.D.A.C.	do.	1030	do.	RAMICOURT.	
4.	7th.A.F.A.Bde.	do.	1100	do.	MONTBREHAIN.	

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Date 25th October, 1918

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE. APPENDIX 49

ORDER No. 30.

Ref. Map 57B 1/40,000 - 62B 1/40,000

1. 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade will move to MONTBREHAIN Area on the 26th October, 1918 where it will remain in Corps Reserve.
2. Batteries will march in the following order:-

Headquarters
107th Battery
25th Battery
26th Battery
27th Battery.

Starting Point will be , Crossing of Road and Railway at W.25.b.4.7. (Sheet 57B).

Head of the column will pass the starting point at 1100.
Route - BOHAIN - BRANCOURT - MONTBREHAIN.

3. Billeting parties consisting of 1 Officer and 1 N.C.O. per Battery will report to Lieut JOHNSTON at Brigade Headquarters at 0730 on 26th October.
4. Dress - Marching Order.
Vehicles to be neatly packed and blankets and feed bags to be carried on the off horse.
5. Battery transport will march in rear of the column in charge of an Officer to be detailed by O.C. 107th Battery.
6. The usual intervals will be observed on the line of march. March discipline will be strictly adhered to.
7. A.A.S.C. are marching to BRANCOURT Area.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

K. H. Yates Lieutenant.
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION. - All Batteries 7th Brigade., File, War Diary.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

B.M.98.

To: 7th.A.F.A.Brigade. ✓
8th.A.F.A.Brigade.
3rd Aust.D.A.C.

Attached Order received to-day in this office is forwarded to you for information, and is to be taken as a warning that a move is likely within the next day or two.

Acknowledge by wire.

Headquarters,
30.10.1918.

Keith Harrison Major.
a/B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust.Divn.

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APPENDIX
R.A. IX Corps.
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1st, 6th, 32nd, 46th Divl.Arty.
3rd, 4th, 5th, Aust.Divl. Arty.
5th, 16th Army Bde. R.H.A.
5th, 14th, 23rd, 298th Army Bde. R.F.A.

1. The following will be the allotment of Field Artillery to Divisions for forthcoming operations.

<u>32nd Division.</u>		<u>Batteries.</u>		
		<u>18-pdr.</u>	<u>13-pdr.</u>	<u>4.5" How.</u>
32nd Divl.Arty.	...	6	-	2
6th. "	...	6	-	2
4th Aust.Divl.Arty.	...	6	-	2
14th Army Bde. R.F.A.	...	4	-	-
5th Army Bde. R.F.A.	...	2	-	1
16th Army Bde. R.H.A.	...	-	3	-
		-----	-----	-----
		24	3	7
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<u>1st Division.</u>				
1st Divl. Arty.	...	6	-	2
46th " "	...	6	-	2
3rd Aust.Divl.Arty.	...	6	-	2
298th Army Bde R.F.A.	...	3	-	1
23rd " " "	...	3	-	1
5th Army Bde. R.H.A.	...	-	3	-
		-----	-----	-----
		24	3	8
		-----	-----	-----

2. Except as noted below units allotted as in para 1. will, forthwith come under the orders of C.R.As. 32nd and 1st Divisions respectively.

3. The C.R.A. 6th Division will continue in command of the Artillery covering the 6th Division until the completion of the relief of the 6th Division by 32nd Division when command will pass to C.R.A. 32nd Division.

4. The 168th Bde. R.F.A. (32nd Divl.Arty) will remain under the orders of C.R.A. 1st Division until relieved. This relief will be carried out tomorrow under orders to be issued by C.R.A., 1st Division. On relief, the 168th Bde. R.F.A. will pass to the command of C.R.A., 32nd Division.

5. Army Brigades will send orderlies forthwith to the Headquarters of the Divl.Artilberies under whose orders they come. R.A.9th Corps No. 2/9/1 is hereby cancelled and orderlies detailed in accordance with that letter will be withdrawn.

Divl. Artilberies and Army Brigades to acknowledge.

30.10.1918.

(Sgd) C.W. SELBY Major R.A.,
Staff Officer R.A., IX Corps.

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	At.....h.		Service.	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer")	

TO Left Group

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
M198	1		

Intelligence ~~was~~
 ① at 4.15 pm 30 rds on movement on A156 with good results
 5.40 pm 100 rds BX on Hindenberg Line N of Bony
 During night 300 rds 12 pdr + 100 rds how on general harassing fire esp roads & approaches to Hindenberg Line & Le Catelet
 ② F22 b+d lightly shelled at intervals during night was Enemy arty quiet to day
 ③ active Ptz located at A4568 + successfully blown out was suspected HQ at Quarry Age esp Heavy harassing fire maintained.

From	Riji
Place	
Time	1335
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	At.....h.		Service.	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer")	

TO All Batteries

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
M203	1		

100 rds per battery harassing fire to night up to 7 pm was 12 hrs on their own zones 200 yds E of SOS. lines and up to extreme range was special attention to roads as they are reported full of transport evacuating villages

From	Riji
Place	
Time	9.40 pm
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Prefix.....Code.....m. Words Charge.
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This message is on a/c of :
.....Service.
Date.....
From.....
By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer")

TO Left Group

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

M207 2
Intelligence was
① 18 Feb 300 rds during
afternoon harassing fire on
roads & approaches to Catelet
and enemy trenches and 300 rds
at night on harassing to extreme
range via Hows 200 rds
during period on hostile mgs &
active batteries at A5 high and
harassing roads
② Hostile arty very quiet during
night except for light harassing
fire on Bony and HINDENBERG LINE
③ Traffic on roads NE of LE
CATELET at 0600 3 EA crossed our
lines on a reconnaissance. via
Visibility good

From
Place
Time 1300
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Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name
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.....Service.
Date.....
From.....
By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer")

TO All Batteries

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

M206 2
Harassing fire will be
carried out on Trenches on
S2 & C+D and Roads Lapses
& Trenches in A4 between
noon and 6pm via 100 rds
per battery 18 Feb 75 rds
How.

From Rye
Place
Time 1125
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				At.....		From.....	
				To.....		By.....	
				By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

2nd Aust. F. A. Bde.

TO { R.2. 15th

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* INTELLIGENCE REPORT	7 to 8 a.m.		

visibility poor. At 8-15 enemy balloon up at T.B. 109 deg. from Q.33.b.30.60. Intermittent shelling of Q. 33.d. by 77 mm Gas and H.P. T.B. 99 deg. from Q.33.b.30.60 9-30a.m. two guns were seen on road in Q.35.c

These were fired on and disappeared among some bushes. Some good air bursts were put over the spot and the guns were not seen again. 12.30-15 movement could be seen on road Q.28 d.3.0; fired on and dispersed. At 1300 a 77 mm gun firing from approx Q.29.c.6.1. fired x 20 rounds into Q. 33.d. At 1400 our 4.5 Hows shot over this area and the gun was silenced. Visibility poor.

7th Aust. F. A. Brigade.

From
Place
Time

R. Johnston

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				At.....		From.....	
				To.....		By.....	
				By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO { 2nd DA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* R 21. 16	16		

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Intelligence, five 5.9s fell in Eocan Fauch TB 84 deg. from W1.a 90.70. 2.0.20 four 4.2 hows fell in the Eocan Fauch central. 2300 Sector quiet 0130 till 0310 two batteries fired into Eocan Fauch. 5.9s fired about 5000 with some yellow X gas and 4.2s fired about the same number. TB of 5.9 approx 84 deg TB of 4.2 approx 168 deg from W1.a 90.70.

0400 Very misty and raining
0600 Misty visibility very bad

From
Place
Time

7th Aust 2 ABde

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.....		To.....			By.....
.....		By.....		Signature of "Franking Officer."		By.....
TO { 4 DASHQ						
Sender's Number		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.		AAA
* R23		16				
Intelligence.						
18 Painsiers put down						
barrage for about 10 minutes						
along Railway at bridge on						
western side of Railway at						
0800.						
From 0930 to 1030 5.9						
firing from St Sauviel from						
from TB 90° from 0330.60						
11400 to 1430 about 30. 5.9%						
fell in St Sauviel.						
No movement all day						
Visibility poor poor.						
From		7th of ABrigade				
Place						
Time						
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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks.</u>
Strength of Brigade on 1-10-1918	33	823
do do 31-10-1918	34	815

CASUALTIES.

Killed in action.	-	3.
Wounded in action.	1	35
Wounded R.O.D.		1.

SCHOOLS ATTENDED.

Corps Sig. School		1.
do Cookery Schol		1
Battery Commanders School	1.	

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IX CORPS BARRAGE MAP

NORTHERN HALF

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NOTE CHANGE OF COLOUR.
Enemy Trenches in Blue.

TRENCHES CORRECTED FROM INFORMATION
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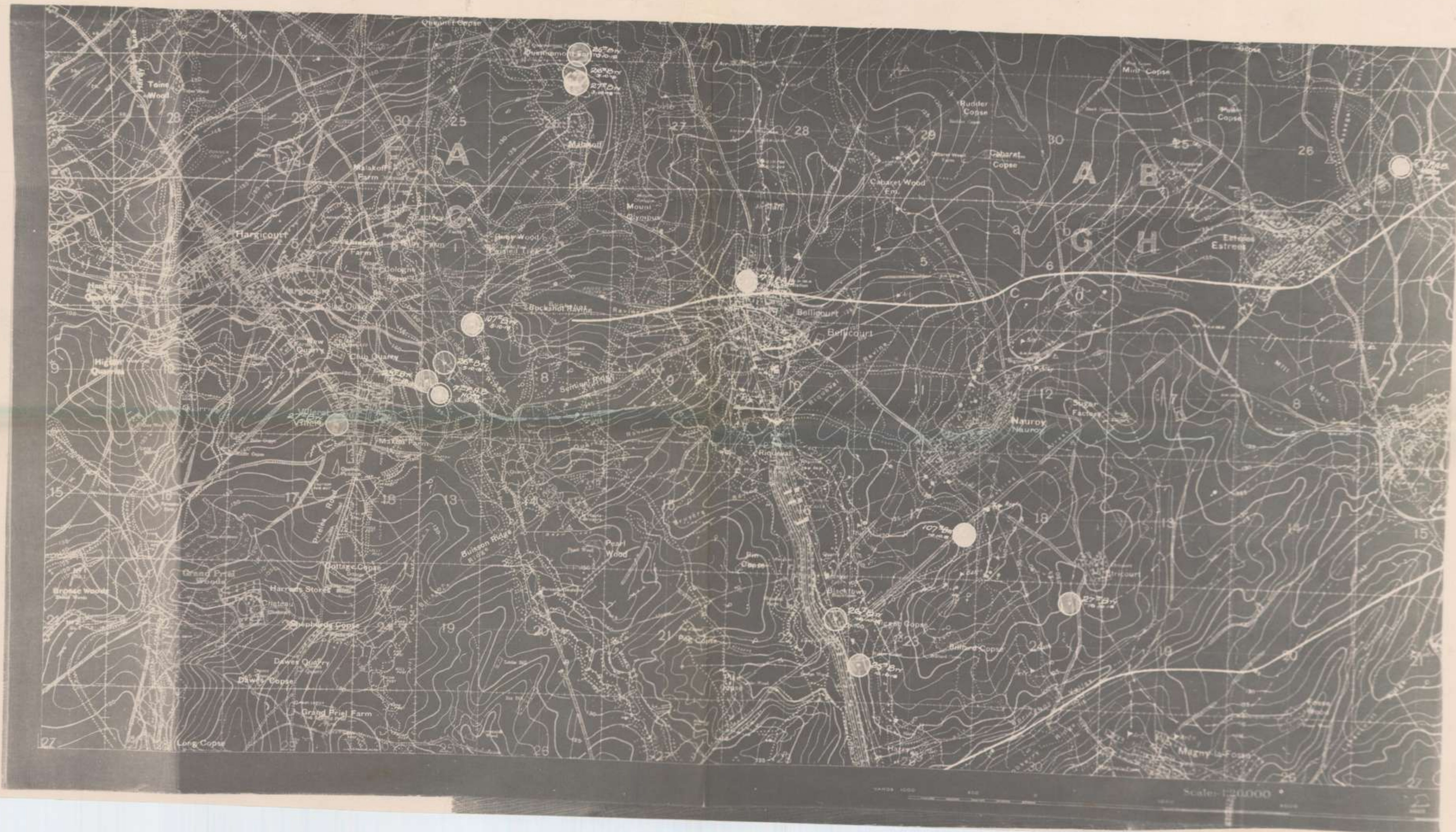
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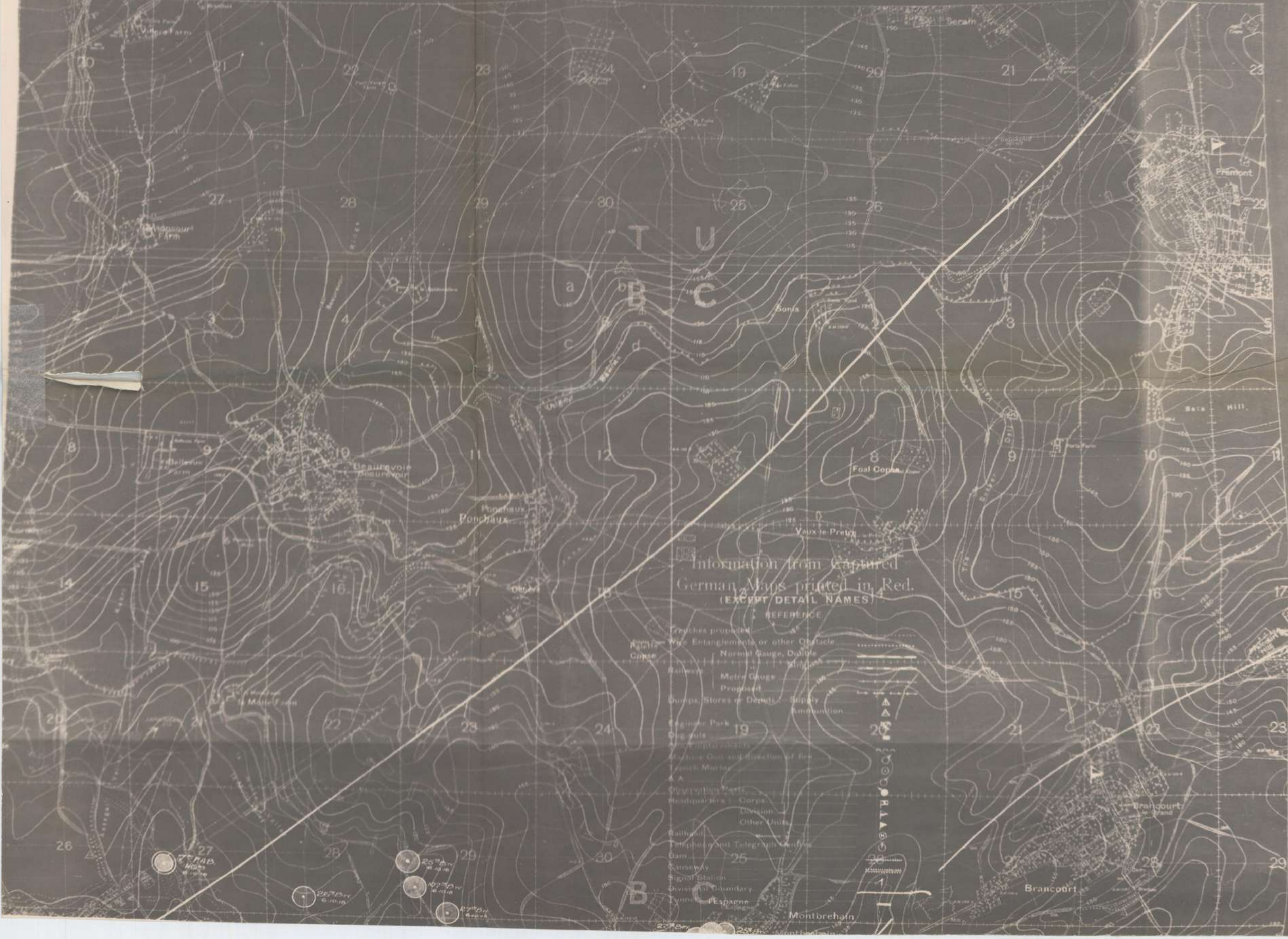
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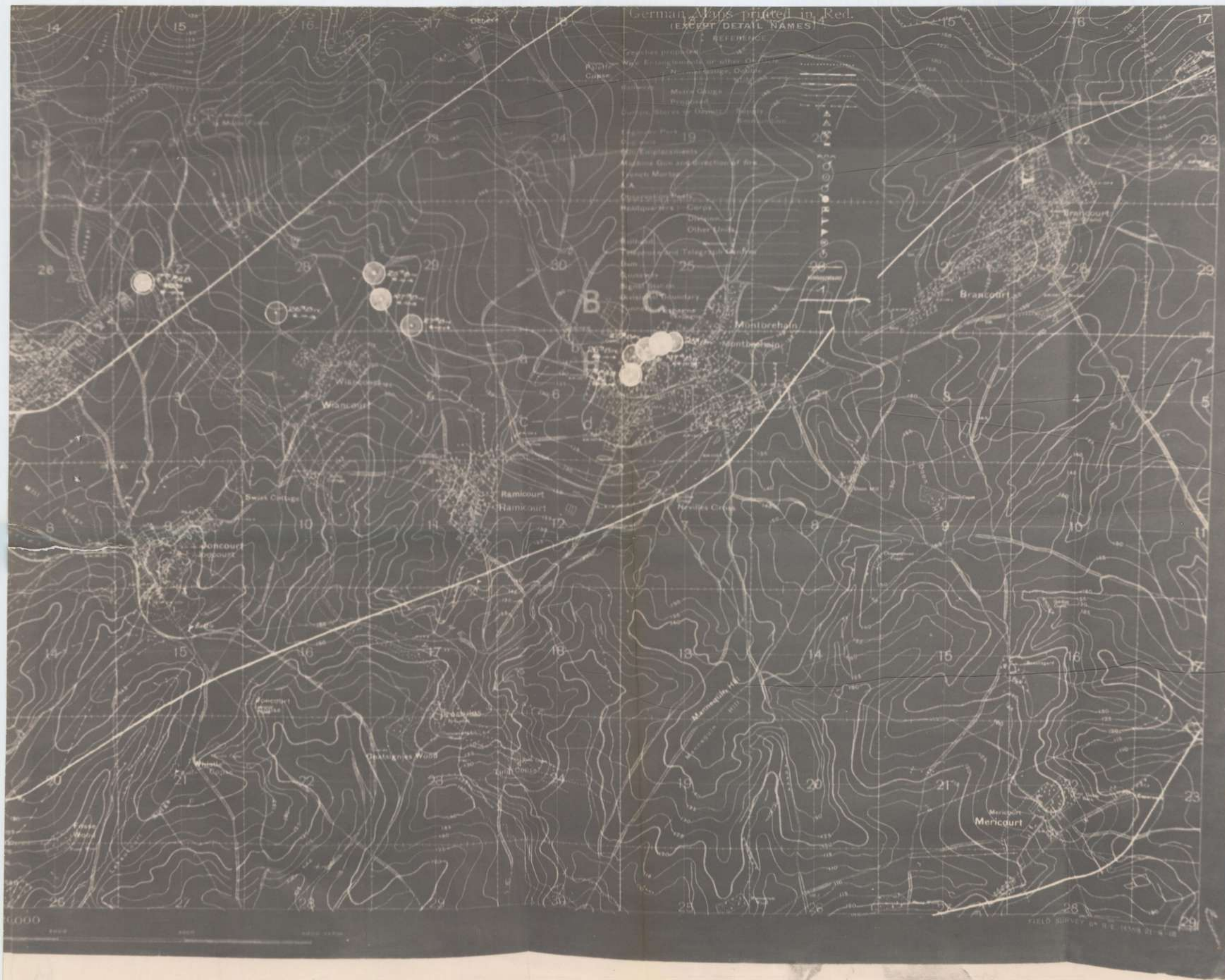


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