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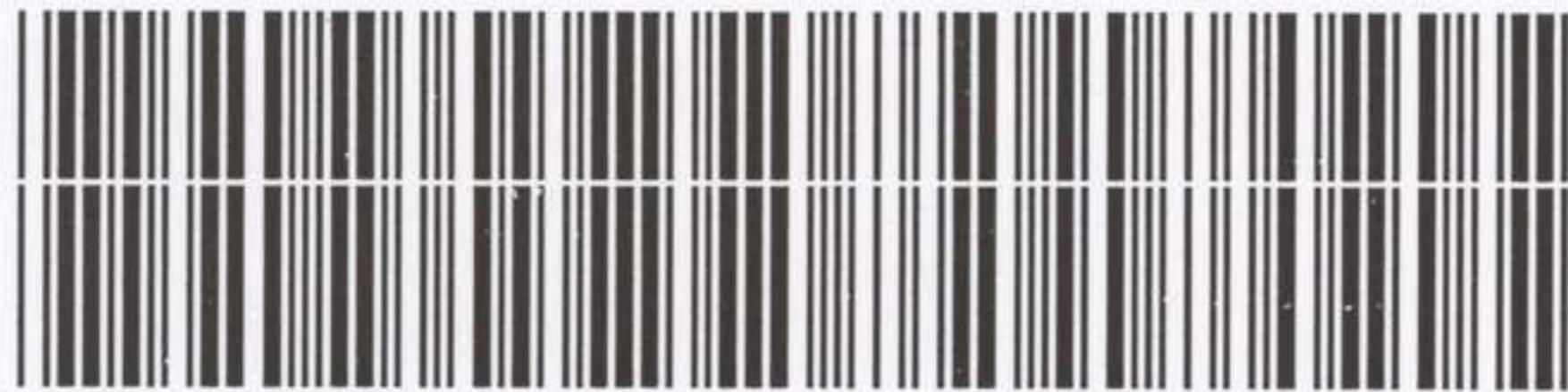
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OF

7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

FOR

NOVEMBER

1918

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices										
LA VALLEE MULATRE	NOVEMBER													
SHEET 57B 1/20,000	1st		<p>The Brigade left MONTBREHAIN at 8.30 a.m. and marched via BRANCOURT BOHAIN & REGNICOURT to Wagon Lines in LA VALEE MULATRE, arriving there at 12.30 p.m. The day was fine and mild.</p> <p>At 7 p.m. detailed orders were received re artillery grouping, and the selection and occupation of positions and the carting of ammunition for the attack on 4th November.</p> <p>Brigade was located as follows :-</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>Headquarters</td><td>W.34.c.4.5.</td></tr> <tr><td>25th Battery</td><td>W.29.d.9.6.</td></tr> <tr><td>26th Battery</td><td>W.29.b.9.8.</td></tr> <tr><td>27th Battery</td><td>W.29.b.7.7.</td></tr> <tr><td>107th Battery</td><td>W.29.b.4.5.</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>3rd D.A. O.O. No. 109 - 7th Brigade to move to LA VALEE MULATRE</p>	Headquarters	W.34.c.4.5.	25th Battery	W.29.d.9.6.	26th Battery	W.29.b.9.8.	27th Battery	W.29.b.7.7.	107th Battery	W.29.b.4.5.	App. 1.
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26th Battery	W.29.b.9.8.													
27th Battery	W.29.b.7.7.													
107th Battery	W.29.b.4.5.													
"	2nd		<p>A wet and dull day. At 9.30 a.m. the C.O., and Battery Commanders met at Headquarters and went forward to select positions in X.9.d. and with Headquarters in Billet No. 54 X.8.c.5.8.</p> <p>During the afternoon ammunition was carted by Batteries and No.1 Section 3rd D.A.C. and all guns were in position by 5 p.m. and left in charge of a guard. No further orders were received.</p> <p>3rd D.A. O.O. No. 110 - and amendment - Grouping of Artillery and allotting Battery Areas for the forthcoming attack.</p> <p>7th Brigade T/9/80 - Battery Commanders to select positions in accordance with D.A. O.O. No. 110.</p> <p>1st D.A. Instructions No. 16 and 3rd D.A.O.O. No. 111 - Barrage maps and distribution of fire</p> <p>1st D.A. Instructions No. 17 - Liaison, Rates of fire and ammunition</p> <p>1st D.A. Instructions No. 19 and Map "A" - Outline of attack by 1st Div.</p>	App. 2 App. 3 App. 4 App. 5 App. 6										
RIBEAUVILLE	3rd		<p>Another wet and dull day. Personnel of Batteries occupied the positions and completion was reported by 5 p.m. Headquarters moved to X.8.c.5.8. - Barrage maps were issued to Batteries.</p> <p>There was little activity on the part of the enemy's artillery.</p> <p>Brigade was now located as under :-</p>											

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RIBEAUVILLE	NOVEMBER			
	3rd (cont)		Headquarters X.8.c.5.8. 25th Battery X.9.d.3.6. 26th Battery X.9.d.20.15. 27th Battery X.15.b.2.9. 107th Battery X.9.d.35.70.	
"	4th		1st D.A. Instructions No. 20 - General Instructions 1st D.A. Instructions No. 21 - Further instructions re action of 2nd Inf. Bde. 7th Brigade T/9/81' - Allotting Battery Areas. B.M. 8/6 - Addendum to O.O. No. 111 and giving Zero day and Hour. Zero Hour 5.45 a.m. The day broke misty and dull but by 9 a.m. the weather was bright and sunny. Both Infantry Brigades were reported across the Canal in 25 minutes and later, all objectives were gained. At 9.30 a.m. the C.O. went forward to reconnoitre. Enemy's artillery fire during the morning was light but increased later in the day and was mostly confined to forward areas. At 9 p.m. the Brigade came under orders of 25th Brigade R.F.A. 3rd D.A. N.386 - Instructions re possible move forward. 3rd D.A. N. 390 - Location of 3rd D.A. 3rd D.A. O.O. No. 112 - Relief of 1st Inf. Bde and re-distribution of Artillery covering the front.	App. 7. App. 8. App. 9. App. 10.
LA VALEE MULATRE	5th		The weather became wet again. Brigade again came under orders of 3rd Aust. Div. Arty and received instructions to withdraw to Wagon Lines in LA VALEE MULATRE. All ammunition was returned to A.R.P. and the Battery positions were reported clear by 3 p.m. Headquarters moved to Billet at W.24.c.4.5. 3rd D.A. O.O. No. 113 and 7th Brigade T/9/85 - 7th Brigade to withdraw to Billets in MONTBREHAIN	App. 11. App. 12. App. 13. App. 14.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
MONTBREHAIN	NOVEMBER		
	6th		Orders were received to move to Billets in MONTBREHAIN Area and at 9.30 a.m. the Brigade marched via REGNICOURT, BOHAIN & BRANCOURT to Billets previously occupied in MONTBREHAIN arriving there about 1 p.m. Rain fell heavily all day.
"	7th		The day was wet and dull and was spent in cleaning equipment. Every advantage was taken to graze horses
"	8th		The day was again wet and dull. There was a general cleaning up of equipment throughout the Brigade and inspections were held.
"	9th		The weather now changed for the better and the day turned out bright and sunny. Cover was found for all horses and harness and all opportunities were taken to turn out the horses in the surrounding fields.
"	10th		To-day was fine. An inspection of Batteries was held by the Commanding Officer. There was still a number of sick men in the Batteries and these were looked after at the Brigade Rest Post.
"	11th		Lieut-Col. W.H. St CLAIR D.S.O. took over command of the Brigade from Major GLOVER D.S.O. To-day the Armistice was signed.
"	12th to 26th		The Brigade remained at MONTBREHAIN and enjoyed a spell of good weather., Batteries were re-equipped and shortages made up. Considerable attention was being paid to the discipline of the men and also general turnout. A great deal of time has been given to sports of every kind and a Football Competition in both Australian Rules and Rugby has been arranged for which the C.O. has offered cups for the winners in both branches. The health of the Brigade has greatly improved. Considerable attention has been given to the packing of vehicles. On 27th November sub-sections were turned out from 26th and 107th Batteries and were inspected by the C.R.A. and C.O. and a uniform method decided upon. All vehicles guns etc., have been painted and cleaned up.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>---- SUMMARY ----- -----000-----</p> <p>The month opened up with the Brigade still engaged in Active operations. The enemy put up a poor defence at the SAMBRE et OISE Canal, and in 25 minutes after Zero both Brigades were well across. Conditions generally were very much improved to those of the previous month. This Brigade only took part in the opening barrage and withdrew to MONTBREHAIN on the 6th November. The R.M.O. Capt. R.F. MATTERS was slightly wounded but remained on duty. This was the only casualty in the Brigade during the operations.</p> <p>The march to MONTBREHAIN was carried out in heavy rain which added greatly to the discomfort of all ranks. This, however was soon forgotten when settled down in the comfortable billets in MONTBREHAIN.</p> <p>At the beginning of the month there were great numbers of sick among the Batteries but towards the end of the month the general health had greatly improved.</p> <p>The men of the Batteries were given half holiday daily and each afternoon a football match was held, Rugby and Australian Rules on alternate days. These matches are creating great enthusiasm and competition is very keen.</p> <p>The A.I.F. Education Scheme is being brought into operation in the Brigade and an Education Officer has been appointed.</p> <p>MAPS. - Sheets 57B S.E. and 62B N.W. (1/20,000) are enclosed showing positions occupied by the Brigade during the month of NOVEMBER.</p> <p><i>D. St. Clair</i> Commanding, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.</p>	

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7th AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

FOR

NOVEMBER, 1918. 191

LIST OF APPENDICES.

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- 7th Brigade to move to LA VALEE MULATRE |
| " " 2. | ✓ 3rd D.A.O.O. No. 110 dated 1-11-1918 (in trip)
and Amendment No. 1 (in trip) - Grouping of Artillery
and allotting Battery Areas for forthcoming attack. |
| " " 3. | ✓ 7th Brigade T/9/80 dated 1-11-1918 (in trip) -
Battery Commanders to select positions in accordance
with O.O. No. 110. |
| " " 4. | ✓ 1st D.A. Instructions No. 16 and 3rd D.A. O.O. No. 111
dated 2-11-1918 (in trip) - Barrage maps and distrib-
ution of fire.
<small>1st D.A. Instructions N° 18 Alteration to Barrage Table</small> |
| " " 5. | ✓ 1st D.A. Instructions No. 17 dated 2-11-1918 (in trip)
- Liaison, Rates of Fire and ammunition. O.O. #11 |
| " " 6. | ✓ 1st D.A. Instructions NO. 19 dated 2-11-1918
(in trip) and Map "A" - Outline of attack by 1st Div. |
| " " 7. | ✓ 1st D.A. Instructions No. 20 dated 3-11-1918 (In trip)
- General Instructions. |
| " " 8. | ✓ 1st D.A. Instructions No. 21 dated 3-11-1918 (in
trip) - Further Instructions re action of 2nd Inf. Bde. |
| " " 9. | ✓ 7th Brigade T/9/81 dated 3-11-1918 (in trip) -
Allotting Battery Areas. |
| " " 10. | ✓ B.M.8/6 dated 3-11-1918 (one copy) - Addendum to
O.O.No. 111 and giving ZERO day and Hour. |
| " " 11. | ✓ 3rd D.A. N. 386 dated 4-11-1918 (one copy) -
Instructions re possible move forward. |
| " " 12. | ✓ 3rd D.A. N. 390 dated 4-11-1918 (one copy) -
Location of 3rd D.A. |
| " " 13. | ✓ 3rd D.A. O.O.No. 112 dated 4-11-1918 (in trip)
Relief of 1st Inf Bde. and re-distribution of
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| " " 14. | ✓ 3rd D.A. O.O. No. 113 and 7th Brigade T/9/85 dated
5-11-1918 (in trip) - 7th Brigade to withdraw to
billets in MONTBREHAIN. |
| " " 15. | ✓ 3rd D.A. A.423 dated 11-11-1918, (one copy) -
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

OPERATION ORDER No. 109.

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

31st October, 1918.

1. 7th & 8th A.F.A. Brigades, 3rd Aust. D.A.C. (less No. 3. Section), and 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C., will move to LA VALLEE MULATRE area on the 1st November 1918.
2. Area is allotted as follows :-
 - W. 29. and W. 30. a. & c. to 7th A.F.A. Brigade.
 - W. 23. and W. 24. a. & c. to 8th A.F.A. Brigade.
 - W. 22. and W. 28. to 3rd Aust. D.A.C.
 - 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C. in vicinity of Brigades & D.A.C.
3. Units will march in accordance with March Table on back hereof.
4. Units will send forward Advance Parties for their own billeting in allotted areas.
5. 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. and 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. will remain in present locations.
6. On arrival in area, Units will forward locations immediately to this Headquarters.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

G. R. Rowan
Major.
a/B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Divn.

Issued through Signals
at 2100 31.10.1918.

DISTRIBUTION : Copy No. 1.- 5. 7th. A.F.A. Bde.
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 15. 22nd Coy. A.A.S.C.
 16. 1st Division.
 17. 1st Divl. Arty.
 18. 3rd Aust. Divn.
 19. 4th Aust. Divl. Arty.
 20. IX Corps R.A.
 21. " " "Q".
 22. C.R.A.
 23. S.C.R.A.
 24. R.O.R.A.
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MARCH TABLE to accompany 3rd Aust.Divl.Arty. C.O.109. dated 31.10.1918.

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.	Road Junction C.27.c.4.3. (62 B).	0000		LA VALLEE MULATRE Area.	
2.	7th A.F.A. Brigade.	do.	0900	BRANCOURT - BOHAIN - REGNICOURT - ANDIGNY-les-BERMES.	do.	
3.	8th A.F.A. Brigade.	do.	1000	do.	do.	
4.	3rd Aust. P. n. C.	do.	1100	do.	do.	

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
1st November, 1918.

To
Battery Commanders.

Attached. Referen - Sra aust. iv. Art. Order No. 169.

7th Brigade will march in accordance with the above order, and with the accompanying Time-table.

Batteries will march in the following order :-

Head-quarters

27th Battery

107th & 26th Batteries

26th & 25th Batteries

25th & 24th Batteries.

Head of column will pass the starting point at 8.45 a.m.
Starting Point. - I.B.a.S.2. (Sheet 62B).

Advance parties of 1 Officer and 1 N.C.O. per battery will report to Lt.-ut. R.A. HQARTY R.C., at the starting point at 8.30 a.m.

Transport will march with the Column. Batteries.

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

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
OPERATION ORDER No. 110.

Ref.maps : Sheets 57 B.) 1/40,000,
57 A.)

1st November 1918.

1. In view of further offensive operations, the following Field Artillery will be grouped under the C.R.A., 1st Division.-

No. 1 Group.— C.R.A., 3rd Aust. Divn,
3rd Aust. Divl. Artillery.
5th. Army Brigade R.H.A.

No. 2 Group. - C.R.A., 46th Brit. Divn.
46th. Divl. Artillery.
23rd Army Brigade R.F.A.

No. 3 Group. - Lt-Col. J. A. Scarlett D.S.O.
1st Divl. Artillery.
298th Army Brigade R.F.A.

2. Detailed tasks for Brigades for support of the operations will be issued later.

3. The 5th Army Bde. R.H.A. will come under the command of the C.R.A.
3rd Aust. Divn. on arrival into action on night 1st/2nd November 1918
under orders issued by 1st Divl. Artillery direct.

4. Battery areas are allotted to Brigades for first positions as under:-

5th Army Bde. R.H.A. - X.10.d. and X.11.c.
7th. Aust. F.A. Bde. - X.9.d. and X.10.e.
8th. " " " - X.9.b. and X.10.a.

7th & 8th Aust. F.A. Bdes. will reconnoitre on 2nd Novr. 1918, and occupy positions within areas allotted above on Night 2/3rd Novr. 1918. 5th Army Bde. R.H.A. will occupy first positions under orders already given by 1st Divl. Arty. As positions are silent, guards only need be left with guns until 1700 3rd Novr. 1918, when all H.Qrs. and personnel must be in battle positions.

5. Further advanced positions will have to be occupied during the course of the operations by the 5th Army Bde., R.H.A. and 8th. Aust. F.A. Brigade. Areas are allotted :-

5th Army Bde. - S.13.b. and d.
8th. Aus. F.A.Bde. - X.5.d.

All necessary preparations for immediate occupation of positions selected should be completed by 1700 3rd Novr. 1918.

6. Following are the zones within which Brigade tasks will be allotted :-

"A" ZONE. - (5th Army Bde. RHA.
(7th Aus. F.A. Bde.)

Boundaries.

South: E. & W. line through
S. 7. d. O. O.

North: E. & W. line through
S. 1. d. O. 6.

"B" & "C"
ZONES, - 8th. Aus. F. A. Bde. "B" Zone,
South: E. & W. line through
S. 1. d. 0. 6.
North: E. & W. line through
M. 31. b. 0. 0.

6. (cont).

"C" Zens. Boundaries.
South: E. & W. line through
M.31.b.B.O.
North: E. & W. line through
M.25.b.O.S.

7. Ammunition will be dumped as under :-

<u>7th.Aus.F.A.Bde.</u> -	400 rds. p.g. 18-pdr.
	350 rds. per 4.5" How.
<u>5th.Army Bdo.RHA.</u> -	200 rds. per 18-pr. - 1st positions.
	200 rds. " " - 2nd "
<u>8th.Aus.F.A.Bde.</u> -	200 rds. por 18-pr. - 1st positions.
	250 " " 4.5" How- 1st "
	200 " " 18-pr. - 2nd positions.
	100 " " 4.5" How- 2nd "

The above figures to be inclusive of the following special shell:

20 rds. per gun 18-pdr.	{ <u>Smoke shell.</u>
20 " " 4.5" How.	
50 rds. per 4.5" How.	- <u>'OG' Shell.</u>

In the case of moving Brigades, special shell will be distributed between positions proportionate to amounts dumped.

Dumping to be completed by 2300 Night 3rd/4th Novr.1918.

A.R.Ps. are situated at X.20.a. and W.25.b.

8. Sections of 3rd Aust.D.A.C. are affiliated with Brigades for the operations : No.1. Section - 7th.Aus.F.A.Bde.
No.2. Section - 8th.Aus.F.A.Bde.

9. Brigades will furnish complete list of locations of all positions selected, by 1500 on 2nd Novr.1918.

10. Reports to 3rd Aust.D.A.H.Q. at V.9.c.5.5. until 1700 3rd Novr.1918 and from 1700 3rd Novr.1918, to FERME DU MOULIN (X.20.b.O.1).

11. ACKNOWLEDGE by WIRE.

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H. J. Flowne

Major.
a/B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Divn.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
(No.1 Group Artillery).

AMENDMENT No.1. to OPERATION ORDER No.110.

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Para 5. Second Line.- Delete the following :

"5th Army Bde. R.H.A. and"

Fourth Line.- Delete :

"5th Army Bde.R.H.A. - S.13.b. and d."

Para 7. Opposite "5th Army Bde.R.H.A." read -

400 rds. per 18-pr gun on 1st positions.

and cancel "200 rds. per 18-pr.gun on 2nd.positions."

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Headquarters,
2.11.1918.

J. F. Powe Major.
a/Brigade Major, 3rd Aust.Divl.Arty.

Distribution : As for O.O.110.

For purposes of reconnaissance, our line on this front may be taken as follows :

~~R.17.d.0.0. - R.29.central. - M.31.b.0.0. - S.7.d.0.0.~~

R.17.d.0.0. - R.29.central. - M.31.b.0.0. - S.7.d.0.0.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade,
2nd November 1918.

To

Battery Commanders,

Reference 3rd A.D.A. Order No.110.

Guns will be put in position this afternoon and a guard of 1 N.C.O. and 3 men per Battery left at the Battery position until 17.00, 3rd November 1918., when all required personnel must be at the Battery position.

for *A. H. Murray*
Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

Lieutenant,
Brigade.

T/9/80

7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
1st November, 1918.

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To

Battery Commanders,

----- Battery Commanders with one Subaltern and necessary Staff will report at these Headquarters to-morrow morning 2nd instant at 9.30 a.m. and proceed to reconnoitre Battery positions and lay out lines of fire.

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

1st. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 16.

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1. Barrage Maps in support of operations by 1st. and 2nd. Infantry Brigades are issued herewith.
2. Task of 298th. Army Brigade R.F.A.
298th. Army Brigade R.F.A. will open at ZERO a Creeping barrage in support of an attack by 3rd. Infantry Brigade against CATILLON.
298th. Brigade will arrange details of this barrage direct with G.O.C., 3rd. Inf. Bde. As soon as the above barrage is finished 298th. Brigade again come under the control of O.C., No. 3 Group.
3. Fire in support of the operations of 1st. and 2nd. Infantry Brigades will be distributed in accordance with the following instructions :-

(a) Distribution of fire from ZERO till 145.

"A" Zone. 5th. Bde. R.H.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "A" Zone South of the East and West Grid line through S.I.d.O.O. of the barrage "A" Brigade 3rd. Aust. D.A. will fire that portion in "A" Zone North of the above Grid line.

"B" Zone. 25th. Bde. R.F.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "B" Zone South of the East and West Grid line through S.I.contral.

"B" Brigade 3rd. Aust. D.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "B" Zone between the above Grid line and the East and West Grid line through M.SI.d.O.O.

"A" Brigade 46th. D.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "B" Zone North of the East and West Grid line through M.SI.d.O.O.

"C" Zone. 39th. Bde. R.F.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "C" Zone South of the East and West Grid line through M.26.c.O.O.

"B" Brigade 46th. D.A. will fire that portion of the barrage in "C" Zone North of the above Grid Line.

"D" Zone. 23rd. Army Brigade R.F.A. will fire the whole of the barrage in "D" Zone.
As soon as 298th. Bde. has finished the creeping barrage in support of the 3rd. Inf. Bde. attack on CATILLON, this Brigade will be superimposed over the barrage on the whole of "D" Zone, opening fire on the barrage line corresponding to the time at which their fire becomes available.

(b) Distribution of Fire from 145 till 357.

"A" Zone. "A" Bde. 3rd. Aust. D.A. will cover the whole Zone.
As soon as 5th. Bde. R.H.A. has occupied their forward positions they will be superimposed over the whole of "A" Zone.

"B" Zone. "A" Bde. 46th. D.A. will cover the whole Zone.
As soon as 25th. Bde. R.F.A. and "B" Bde. 3rd. Aust. D.A. have occupied their forward positions, they will be superimposed as follows :-

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25th. Bde. South of East and West Line through
S.4.a. 0.8
"B" Bde. 3rd. Aust. D.A. North of East and West
line through S.4.a. 0.8.

"C" Zone. "B" Brigade 46th. D.A. will cover the whole Zone.
As soon as 30th. Bde. R.F.A. have occupied their forward positions they will be superimposed over the whole of "C" Zone.

"D" Zone. 23rd. Army Bde. R.F.A. will cover the whole Zone. AS soon as 298th. Bde. have occupied their forward positions they will be superimposed over the whole of "D" Zone.

(c) Employment of 4.5" Hows.

The fire of 4.5" How. batteries will be distributed over the frontages allotted to their Brigades.

They will maintain a distance of 200 yds. in front of the 18-Pdr. Creeping Barrage throughout.

4. Acknowledgement

Major. A. Honey Tongel
Major.
B.M.R.A., 1st. Division.

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1st. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 18.

2nd. November 1918.

1. Alteration to Barrage Table.

Barrage maps issued with 1st. D.A. Instructions No. 16 will be amended as follows :-

(a) Time of lifting off Start Line of barrage to read "6" instead of "5" except between the following points:-

(i) S.1.d.0.0. and S.1.b.0.0.
(ii) M.31.d.0.7. and M.31.b.6.7.

Between these points the barrage on the Start Line will lift at "3".

(b) Time of lifting off line of 1st. lift will be "7" instead of "4".

(c) Time of lifting off line of 2nd. lift will be "12" instead of "9".

(d) 3 minutes will be added to all times from 13 to 387 (both inclusive) shown on the barrage map or referred to in Instructions No. 16.

2. Acknowl-e-dg-e.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
(No.1 Group Artillery).

OPERATION ORDER No. III.

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Ref.map: Special Sheet 1/20,000.

2nd Novr. 1918.

1. Barrage maps are issued herewith for operations referred to in 3rd Aust.D.A. O.O.110, to be carried out by the 1st & 2nd Inf. Brigades, 1st Divn., on a date and at an hour to be notified later.

2. Fire of Brigades of No.1 Group Artillery will be distributed as shewn on barrage map.

One 18-pdr. battery of each Brigade to be superimposed on each Brigade front for the purpose of answering Zone Calls.

Fire of 4.5" How. batteries to be distributed over Brigade frontages at a distance of 200 yards in front of 18-pdr. barrage throughout.

3. Rates of fire will be :-

ZERO	to	9.	INTENSE.
9	to	21.	RAPID.
21	to	41.	NORMAL.
41	to	58.	SLOW.
58	to	73.	RAPID.
73	to	139.	SLOW.
139	to	154.	SLOW.
154	to	224.	Bursts of fire.
224	to	235.	RAPID.
235	to	357.	SLOW.

4. Ammunition.

18-pdrs. - A large proportion of 106 fuze will be fired during the period ZERO to ZERO plus 41 in order to cut gaps in the hedges.

Shrapnel should not be used at ranges over 4,000 yards.

Each 18-pdr. will fire one round of smoke at the following times :-

56, 224, 352.

Smoke Shell will be fired in the barrage in the proportion of 1 round in 18.

4.5" Hows. C.G. will be mixed with H.E. throughout the barrage according to the supply available.

5. R.A. Signal Officer will issue necessary signal instructions.

6. Orders regarding synchronisation later.

7. Action on completion of barrage.-

5th Army Bde. R.H.A. and 8th Aust.F.A.Bde. will be prepared to support a further advance of 2nd Inf. Bde. with the object of capturing LA JUSTICE. Orders for this support, if required, will be given by the C.R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

8. Acknowledge.

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J. Power Major.
a/Brigade Major, 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty.

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1 SIGNAL INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH 3RD AUST. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO. III.

LINES. Lines will be run from No. 1 Group to 7th, 8th, A.F.A.Bgdes., and 5th R.H.A. Bgde., by 12.00 3rd instant.
7th A.F.A.Bgde. will join up with 8th A.F.A.Bgde. on arrival at Battle position.
5th R.H.A.Bgde. will assist in maintenance of Group line.

C.WIRELESS. Brigades will erect their Stations and get into communication with No. 1 Group on arrival in Battle positions.

D.R.'S. On arrival in Battle positions, D.R.L.S. will be done by mounted orderly from 17.00 3rd instant.

Bally Lieut.
O.C. Signals,
3rd Aust. Divsl. Artillery.

Headquarters,
2-11-18.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
(No. 1 Group Artillery).

AMENDMENT No. 1 to Operation Order No. III.

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- Para 2. Barrage maps will be amended to comply with 1st. Divl. Artillery Instructions No. 18 issued herewith.
Para 3. Rates of fire are amended as follows : -
For "Zero to 9" read "Zero to 12."
For "9 to 21." read "12 to 21."

Acknowledge.

Headquarters,
2.11.1918.

J. Row Major.
a/Brigade Major, 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty.

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(No.1 Group Artillery).

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Amendment No. 2 to Operation Order No.111.

Para 3. Add 3 mins. to all times between 21 and 357, both inclusive.

Para 4. line 2. For "ZER^oplus 41" read "ZERO plus 44".

line 8. For "56, .224, . and 352"

Read "59, 227, and 355".

Acknowledge.

Headquarters,
3.11.1918.

J. F. Howe
Major.
a/Brigade Major, 3rd.Aust.Divl.Arty.

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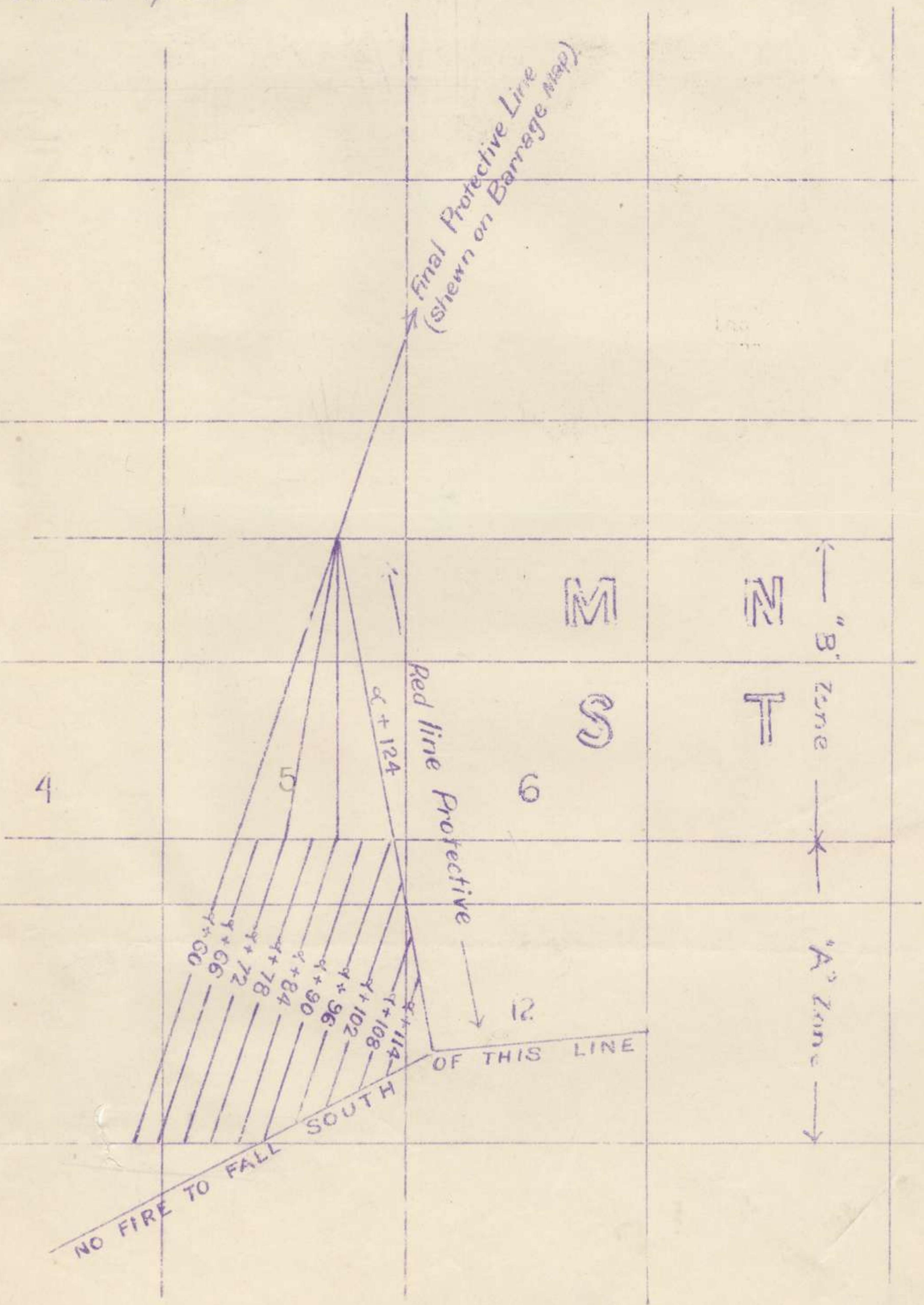
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1st. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 17.

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2nd. November 1918.

1. Maps.

All references during coming operations will be to the 1/20,000 map.

2. Liaison with attacking Brigades.

O.C., No. 3 Group will establish a battle H.Qrs. along side the H.Qrs. of 1st. and 2nd. Inf. Bde.

Lt. Col. J.A. SCARLETT, DSO. will act as Senior Artillery Liaison Officer with the 1st. and 2nd. Inf. Bdes.

3. Action of Artillery on completion of Barrage.

(a) O.C., No. 3 Group will arrange that, after the barrage shown on the barrage map has been fired, 25th. and 39th. Brigades are available to support any operations of 2nd. Inf. Bde. against FESMY in accordance with instructions of G.O.C., 2nd. Inf. Bde. and 298th. Army Bde. R.F.A. is available to assist 1st. Inf. Bde. if required on the Left flank under orders of G.O.C., 1st. Brigade.

(b) 5th. Army Brigade R.H.A. and "B" Brigade 3rd. Aust. D.A. will be prepared to support a further advance of 2nd. Inf. Bde. with the object of capturing LA JUSTICE. Orders for this support, if required, will be given by C.R.A. direct to O.C. No. 1 Group.

4. Ratios of Fire.

ZERO	to	9.	INTENSE.
9	to	21.	RAPID.
21	to	41.	NORMAL.
41	to	58.	SLOW.
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4.5" Hows.

C.G. will be mixed with H.E. throughout the barrage according to the supply available.

6. Acknowledgement.

W.H. Money Tongal
Major.
B.M.R.A. 1st. Division.

Distribution as for Instructions No. 16.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
(No.1 Group Artillery).

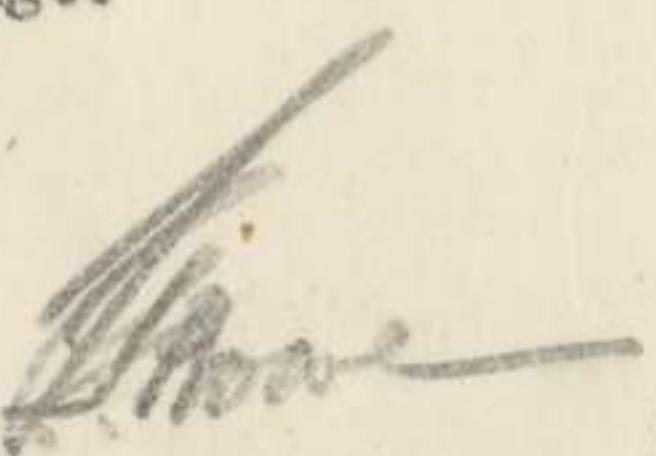
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5th Army Bde.R.H.A.
7th A.F.A. Brigade.
8th A.F.A. Brigade.

Herewith for your information 1st Div.Arty. Instructions
No.19 and Map "A" referred to therein.

Please acknowledge.

Headquarters,
2.11.1918.


Major.,
a/Brigade Major, 3rd Aust.Div.Arty.

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1st. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 19.

2nd. November 1918.

1. Outline of Method of attack of 1st. Division.

On a date "Z" which has been communicated to all concerned, the 1st. Division is to force the passage of the SAMBRE - OISE Canal between PETIT CAMBRESIS and CATILLON.

ZERO hour will be in the early morning.

Simultaneous attacks are being delivered by :-

66th. French Div. on the Right opposite OISY.

32nd. Div. on the Left North of ORS.

Map "A" shows objectives and inter-Divisional boundaries; also inter-Brigade boundaries on 1st. Division front.

2. The 1st. Division attack will be carried out by 2nd. Inf. Bde. on the Right and 1st. Inf. Bde. on the Left. 3rd. Inf. Bde. are carrying out a subsidiary and simultaneous operation to capture CATILLON and form a bridge head there.

3. The Canal will be crossed as follows :-

2nd. Inf. Bde.	Main Crossing Lock S.l.d. Subsidiary Crossing in S.7.a.
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1st. Inf. Bde.	Main Crossing in M.31.a. Subsidiary Crossing in M.26.e.
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4. Artillery activity during Y/Z night will be normal prior to ZERO.

5. At ZERO hour Artillery and M.G. barrages will open on line of Canal and will lift in accordance with barrage maps.

6. Inf. Brigades after establishing crossings will advance to the BLUE dotted objective under the barrage.

During the pause of 1½ hours on this objective Artillery Brigades already detailed will move forward.

7. The advance to the BLUE line will be continued under the Creeping Barrage. The 1st. Inf. Bde. will capture the RED and RED DOTTED objectives under the same barrage.

The 2nd. Inf. Bde. will decide, according to circumstances, on a ZERO hour for the attack of its RED objective.

8. The attack of the 3rd. Inf. Bde. on CATILLON will be made from the South under the barrage arranged direct between G.O.C., 3rd. Inf. Bde. and O.C., 298th. (Army) Brigade R.F.A.

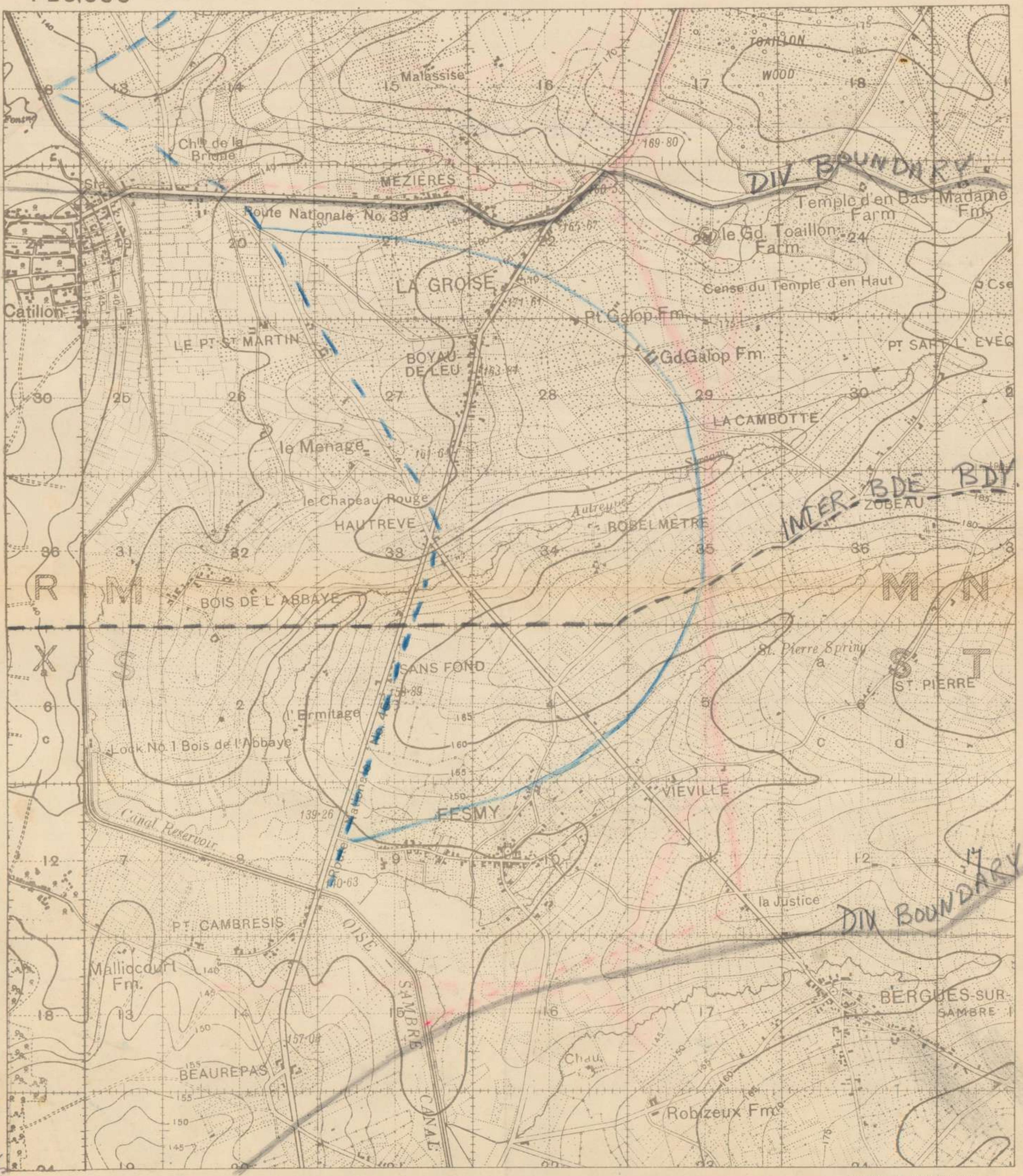
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MESSAGE FORM.

TO..... No.....

1.—I am at.....
NOTE.—Either give map reference or mark your position by a **X** on a map or trace.

2.—My Line runs.....

3.—My Platoon/Company is at..... and is consolidating

4.—My Platoon/Company is at..... and has consolidated

5.—Am held up (a) by wire at.....
(b) at..... by M.G. at.....

6.—Am being shelled from.....

7.—Enemy holding strong point.....

8.—Hostile { Battery
Machine Gun
Trench Mortar } active at.....

9.—I am in touch with..... on Right
Left at.....

10.—I am not in touch with..... on Right
Left at.....

11.—I need : Ammunition.
 Water.
 Bombs. Verey Lights.
 Rifle Grenades. Stokes' Shells.

12.—Counter attack forming at.....

13.—I estimate my present strength at..... rifles.

14.—Add any other useful information here :—

Time..... m. Name.....

Platoon.....

Date..... 1918. Company.....

Battalion.....

- (a) Carry no maps or papers which may be of value to the enemy.
(b) Give no information if captured, except the following, which you are bound to give:—
Name and Rank.
(c) Collect all captured maps and papers and send them in at once.

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1st DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 20.

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3rd November, 1918.

1. Headquarters.

Right Brigade. Bde. H.Qrs. X.5.a.2.2.
 Left Brigade. Bde. H.Qrs. X.5.a.4.9.

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2. Communication Centres.

Right Brigade. 1st Communication Centre vicinity of
 L'ERMITAGE S.3.c.0.5.
 2nd. Communication Centre vicinity S.4.b.0.5.

Left Brigade. 1st Communication Centre vicinity of
 M.32.c.Central.
 2nd. Communication Centre vicinity of
 M.27.d.0.3.

3. Telephones and Telegraph.

Direct lines from Adv. D.A. H.Qrs. are available to each Artillery Group, to 83rd. Brigade R.G.A. and to 46th. D.A. and adv. 32nd D.A.

Where artillery Group H.Qrs. are adjoining Inf. Bdes., Spark Wireless communication will also be available.

4. "S.O.S"

In the event of the S.O.S. Signal being received during the pause on the BLUE DOTTED objective, all available guns will open at "S.O.S" rates on the "232" line.

5. TANKS.

(a) One section of tanks will co-operate in the attack of 3rd. Infantry Bde. on CATILLON.

(b) One section of tanks is also to cross the Canal at the Lock as soon as the bridge there is completed, and is to operate under orders of B.G.C., 2nd. Inf. Bde.

6. Special Coys. R.E.

One section is working under each of the 1st and 2nd. Inf. Bdes. to place a smoke barrage immediately East of the Canal to cover the crossings.

7. Synchronization of Watches.

Watches will be synchronized with representatives of Groups at 1st Infantry Bde. H.Qrs. VALLEE MULATRE at 13.00 and 19.00 on "Y" day.

8. Signals.

"S.O.S" Signal will be No.32. Rifle Grenade -

RED over RED over RED.

"Success" Signal will be No. 32 Rifle Grenade *

WHITE over WHITE over WHITE.

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and will be fired as follows. :-

By 3rd. Inf. Bde. when the passage over the Canal at CATILLON has been effected.

By 1st and 2nd. Inf. Bdes. when leading Bns. have crossed the Canal.

By 1st. and 2nd. Inf. Bdes on reaching the BLUE DOTTED line. (Bridge-Head objective).

By 1st Inf. Bde. at Dd.GALOP Fme.

By 2nd. Inf. Bde. at LA JUSTICE.

9. D.A. H.Qrs.

Adv. D.A. report centre : BELLEVUE X.13.a. to which messages and reports will be sent after ZERO plus 2 hours on "Z" Day.

10. Acknowle d g e.

Sgd. A. Renoy. Dougal
Major.
B.I.R.A., 1st. Division.

N.B. TIMES MARKED ON EACH LINE ARE TIMES OF LETTING OFF F

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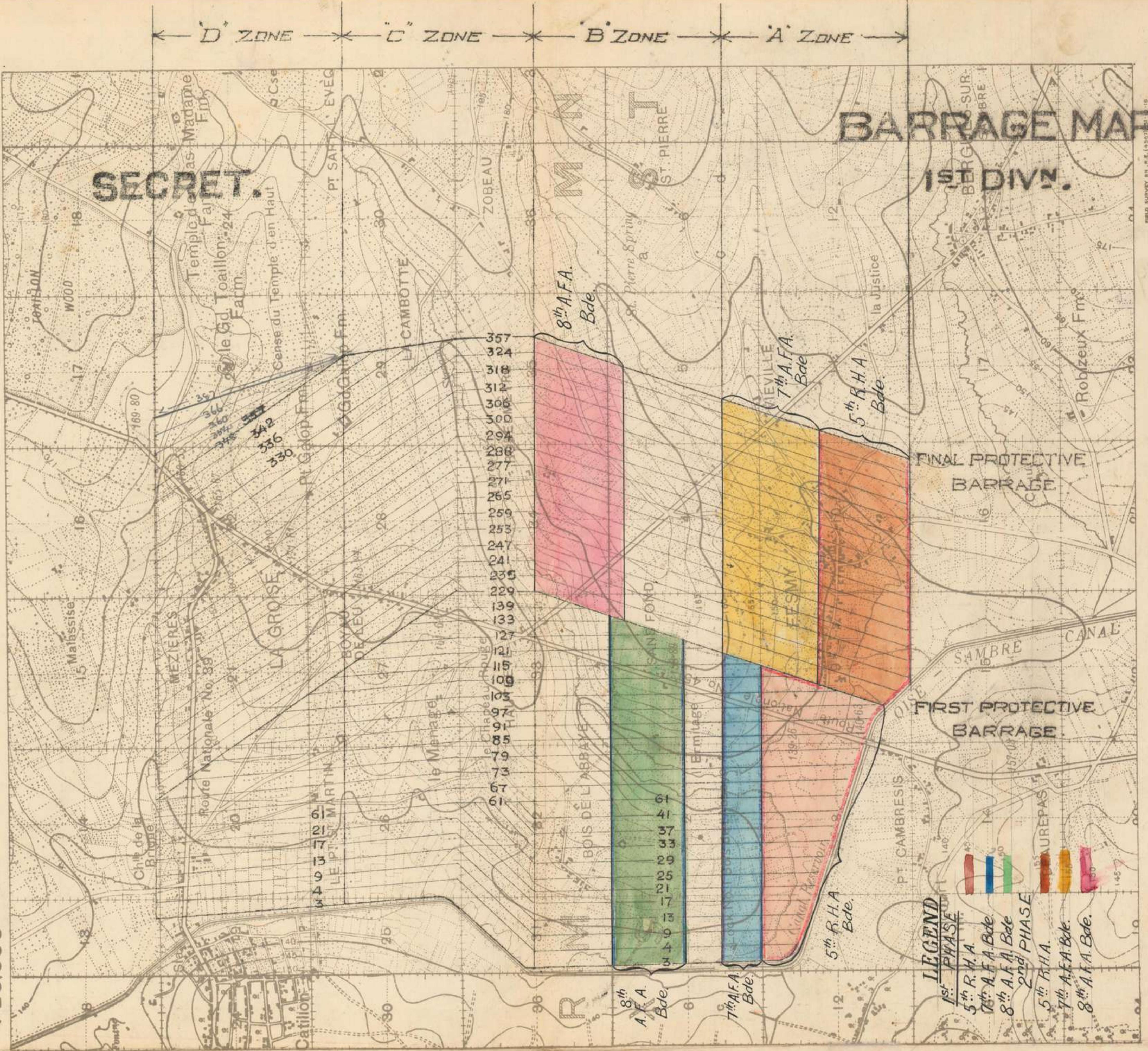
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1st. DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTIONS NO. 21.3rd Novr. 1918.1. Objectives of Divisions on Flanks.

(a) Objectives of 66th French Division on our Right includes the Chateau in S.16.d. and ROBIZEAU FARM in S.23.a.

Having gained this Objective, a further advance is projected to include the capture of BERGUES sur SAMBRE.

(b) Objectives of 32nd Division on our Left is the approximate line M.14.a.3.2. to G.34.a.0.6. The Division is due to make this line on the Right at ZERO plus 3 hours 50 mins.

The 14th Inf. Bde. (Right Bde. of 32nd Divn) is then to fight forward on the spur in M.15. and 16 and to gain touch with 1st Inf. Bde. at road fork in M.22.b.9.9.

2. Restriction on Artillery fire on flanks.

(a) No artillery fire by British Artillery will be directed on ground lying South of a line S.16.central - S.12.c.0.6. - S.12.d.9.8.

(b) In view of the fact that troops of 1st Inf. Bde. should be in MEZIERES before the 14th Inf. Bde. advance North of that place, the 2nd Divn. are arranging that no fire from the Artillery under their orders shall be directed on to ground South of an East and West line through M.14.c.8.6.

3. Action of 2nd Inf. Bde. to capture RED Objective.

(a) In the event of the French on our Right having made progress to the vicinity of LA JUSTICE, a ZERO hour for an operation by 2nd Inf. Bde. against the RED objective will be fixed and will be notified to No.1 Group from Advanced D.A. Report Centre. This ZERO hour will be known as ALPHA.

(b) The advance of 2nd Inf Bde. to the RED Objective will be supported by the Artillery as follows :-

ALPHA to ALPHA plus 15.

25th & 39th Bdes. under orders of O.C., No.3 Group will put down a heavy area shoot on FESMY Village.

ALPHA plus 45 to ALPHA plus 60.

The final protective barrage shewn on the barrage map will recommence at a slow rate on the fronts of "A" and "B" Zones. Distribution of Artillery will be as follows :-

"A" Zone - 5th (Army) Brigade R.H.A.
"B" Zone - 7th "B" Brigade 3rd. Aust. D.A.

ALPHA plus 60 to ALPHA plus 64.

The above protective barrage will become INTENSE.

At ALPHA plus 64.

The barrage will creep forward as shewn on attached tracing (to Nos.1 and 3 Groups and 2nd Inf. Bde. only) till arrival on RED line protector where it will remain till ALPHA plus 124 and then cease.

Special attention is called to the restrictions mentioned in para 2 (a) above.

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Rates of fire.

ALPHA plus 60 to	ALPHA plus 64.	INTENSE.
" " 64 to	" " 84.	NORMAL.
" " 84 to	" " 124.	SLOW.

The following Codes will be used in connection with the operations referred to in para (3) above :-

- For the whole operation as detailed, starting say at 13.30, the code message would be "ALL ALPHA 13.30".
- For a partial operation to capture FESMY only (in which case only the area shoot by 25th and 39th Brigades would be required) starting say at 13.30 the code message would be "B1f ALPHA 13.30".

Acknowledge.

(Sgd) A. Reney Dougal. Major.
B.M., R.A., 1st Division.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
3rd November, 1918.



To

Battery Commanders,

Reference Barrage Map issued with 3rd Aust. Div.
Arty. Operation Order No. 111.

Areas are allotted to Batteries as follows :-

1st PHASE.

- 25th Battery - S.1.d.15.55. to S.1.d.15.27.
27th Battery - S.1.d.15.27. to S.1.d.15.00.
26th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone.
107th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone and 200 yards East of the 18-pdr. ZoneBarrage.

2nd PHASE.

- 25th Battery - S.3.d.25.50. to S.9.b.00.85.
27th Battery - S.9.b.00.85. to S.9.a.80.25.
26th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone.
107th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone, and 200 yards East of 18-pdr ZoneBarrage.

KD Watson

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

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.
3rd November, 1918.

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

To

Battery Commanders,

Reference Barrage Map issued with 3rd Aust. Div. Arty. Operation Order No. III.

Areas are allotted to Batteries as follows :-

1st PHASE.

- 25th Battery - S.1.d.15.55. to S.1.d.15.57.
- 27th Battery - S.1.d.15.27. to S.1.d.15.29.
- 26th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone.
- 107th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone and 200 yards East of the 18-pdr. Gun Barrage.

2nd PHASE.

- 25th Battery - S.3.d.25.50. to S.3.b.00.05.
- 27th Battery - S.3.b.00.05. to S.3.a.00.25.
- 26th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone.
- 107th Battery - Superimposed over 7th Brigade Zone, and 200 yards East of 18-pdr. Gun Barrage.

Lieutenant,

Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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 (No. 1 Group Artillery).

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ADDENDUM No. 1 to Operation Order No. III.

1. 1st Divl. Arty. Instructions No. 20 and No. 21 are issued herewith.

2. Special attention is directed to paras 4 and 8 of Instruction No. 20, also paras 2, 3, and 4 of Instructions No. 21. Additional tracings accompany.

3. 5th Army Bde. R.H.A. and 8th Aust. F.A. Bde. will be prepared to carry out the task referred to in para 3. of Instructions No. 21. Distribution of fire of Brigades will be as set out in para 3 mentioned.

Additional ammunition should be dumped to provide for this action.

4. ZERO HOUR 4th Novr. 1918, will be as follows : 05.45.

Acknowledge.

Headquarters,
3.11.1918.

J. J. Rose
Major.
a/Brigade Major, 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty.

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FROM	3rd Aug 1918				
PLACE & TIME	1200				

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.						No. of Message
Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.	
			From	At m.		
Charges to Collect			By			
Service Instructions			To			
Handed in at			Office	m. Received		
			TO	1st Aug 8 AM Rdes		
* Sender's Number	Day of Month.	In reply to Number	AAA			
11390	4		App 11			
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FROM	3rd Aug 1918 D.A.H.Q.					
PLACE & TIME	1010					

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
(No. 1 Group Artillery).

OPERATION ORDER No. 112.

4th Novr. 1918

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1. 1st Inf. Bde. will be relieved forthwith by 138th. Inf. Bde., 46th. Division.
2. 2nd. Inf. Bde. will consolidate positions gained by dusk, and be responsible for maintaining touch between French 68th. Div. on right and 46th Div. on left.
3. 5th Army Bde. R.H.A., 230th., 231st. Bdes. R.F.A. and 298th Army Bde. R.F.A? will come forthwith under the orders of C.R.A., 46th. Division.
4. The Artillery covering the fronts of 2nd. Inf. Bde. and 138th. Inf. Bde. will, from receipt of this order, be grouped as follows :-

SCARLETT'S GROUP.

Lieut. Col. J.A. SCARLETT, D.S.O.

Headquarters.- X.5.a.2.2. covering 2nd. Inf. Bde.
25th. Brigade R.F.A.
7th. Aust. F.A. Bde.
8th. Aust. F.A. Bde.

BELL'S GROUP.

Lieut. Col. W.C.H. BELL, D.S.O.

Headquarters.- X.5.a.4.9. covering 138th. Inf. Bde.
39th. Brigade R.F.A.
23rd Army Bde. R.F.A.

5. 3rd. Aust. Div. Artillery Exchange at FERME DU MOULIN will remain open until further orders, to facilitate communications between SCARLETT'S Group and 7th. & 8th. Aust. F.A. Brigades.

6. Acknowledge.

Issued through Signals at
1930, 4.11.1918.

G. Power
Major.
a/Brigade Major,
3rd. Australian Divl. Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION :

Copy No. 1	-	5. 7th. A.F.A. Bde.
6	-	10. 8th. " "
11	-	14. 5th. Army Bde. R.H.A.
15	-	17. 3rd. Aust. D.A.C.
		18. R.A. Aust. Corps.
		19. 3rd. Aust. Div. 'G'.
		20. R.A. IX Corps.
		21. 1st. Divl. Arty.
		22. Lt-Col. J.A. SCARLETT DSO. 25th. Bde. RFA.
		23. C.R.A.
		24. S.C.R.A.
		25. R.O.R.A.
26	-	26. War Diary.
		29. R.A. Sig. Officer.
		30. File.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

5th November, 1918.

-- OPERATION ORDER No.113. --

Ref. Maps:-

Sheets 57B and 62B - 1/40,000.

1. 7th and 8th A.F.A. Brigades, 3rd Aust D.A.C. (less No.3 Section) and 22nd Coy, A.A.S.Corps, will move to the MONTBREHAIN, RAMICOURT, WIANCOURT Area on the 6th November, 1918.

2. Area is allotted as follows:-

7th A.F.A.Bde. - MONTBREHAIN.
8th A.F.A.Bde, & 22nd-Coy. A.A.S.C. - WIANCOURT.
3rd Aust. D.A.C. - RAMICOURT.

3. Units will march in accordance with March Table on back hereof.

4. Units will send forward Advance Parties for their own billeting in allotted areas.

5. 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q. and 3rd Aust D.T.M.O. will remain in present locations.

6. On arrival in area, Units will forward locations of Headquarters to Headquarters, 3rd Aust. D.A.C., RAMICOURT, where D.R. will collect same at 1500 6th November, 1918.
(and Batteries)

7. C.O., 8th A.F.A.Brigade will be responsible for administrative arrangements within the area.

8. Acknowledge.

H. P. Jones
Headquarters.

5.11.1918.

Major.

A/B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Division.

Issued at 1600 by D.R.L.S.

Distribution:-

<u>Copy No.</u>		<u>Copy No.</u>	
1-5.	7th A.F.A.Bde.	20.	1st Div. Arty.
6-10.	8th A.F.A.Bde.	21.	52nd Div. Arty.
11-13.	3rd Aust. D.A.C.	22.	3rd Aust. Div. G.
14.	3rd Aust. D.T.M.O.	23.	C.R.A.
15.	22nd Coy. A.A.S.C.	24.	S.C., R.A.
16.	IX. Corps R.A.	25.	R.C., R.A.
17.	IX. Corps. Q.	26.	R.A. Sig. Ofcr.
18.	A.P.M. IX Corps.	27-29.	War Diary.
19.	R.A., Aust. Corps.	30.	FILE.

MARCH TABLE to accompany 3rd Aust. Div. Arty. Order No.113, dated 8th November, 1918.

SERIAL No.	UNIT	STARTING POINT		ROUTE	DESTINATION	REMARKS.		
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1.	22nd Coy A.A.S.C.	X Roads		: Time of : C.20.s.35.80	: 0630	: BOHAIN-BRANCOURT. : LE-GRAND - MONTEREHAINE.		
		(62B)					WIACOURT.	
2.	8th A.F.A.Bde.	Road Junction:		: Road Junction: E.14.b.0.6.	: 0830	: ANDIGNY-les-FERMES - REGNICOURT - BOHAIN - BRANCOURT - Le-GRAND - MONTEREHAINE.		
		(62B)					WIACOURT.	
3.	3rd Aust A.A.C.	ditto.		: 0930		ditto.		
							RAMICOURT	
4.	7th A.F.A.Bde.	ditto.		: 1030		ditto.		
							MONTEREHAINE	7th Bde to be clear of BOHAIN by 1230.

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To

Battery Commanders,

Reference 3rd D.A. Order No. 113 attached.

7th Aust. F.A. Bde will march in accordance therewith
with March Table issued therewith, to Wagon Lines in MONTBREHAIN.

Order of march will be:-

Headquarters,

26th Battery

27th Battery

107th Battery

25th Battery.

Starting Point will be, - W.29.d.75.70. Sheet 57B.
Head of column to pass this point at 9.30 a.m.Reference para. 4. of Order No. 113. - Advance parties will not be
required, as Batteries will occupy Wagon Lines previously vacated.

Please acknowledge on envelope.

K. Watson

Lieutenant,

Adjutant, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

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Prefix M	Code 1210	Words 1125	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
6 s. d.	From 25 FAH	At R1071	By F.H.A.	To 5/11/18.	
Charges to Collect					
Service Instructions		BHA			
Handed in at Office m. Received 1325 m.					
TO	7 + 8 other Bdes				
* Sender's Number	Day of Month.	In reply to Number	AAA		
BIN 6715	5th		AAA		
<i>Withdrew to new Wagon fronting Leefort Rd for 2nd dec 18/18</i>					
FROM	<i>Whetham</i>				
PLACE & TIME	<i>break</i>				

Prefix S.P.A.	Code 1175	Words 744	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
g s d	From L.I.K.A.	At 9 AM	By Washuan	To 11/11/18	L.I.K.
Charges to Collect					
Service Instructions.		C.W. Dueless			
Handed in at Office m. Received 12.18 m.					
TO	CRA Gp 7th + 8th HAB				
* Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA		
A 475	11	-	AAA		
<i>Corps. confirm message hostilities cease at 11.00 aaa delegates returned to SPA aaa Adrs. Cra. rep't 7 + 8 Bdes.</i>					
<i>Appx 15</i>					
FROM	LIKA				
TIME & PLACE					

STRENGTH OF BRIGADE 1-11-1918 133

Officers

Other Ranks.

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" " " 30-11-1918

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CASUALTIES INCURRED DURING THE MONTH

Nil

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SCHOOLS ATTENDED DURING THE MONTH

Army Signalling School

1 Officer.

STRENGTH OF BRIGADE 1-11-1918

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WAR DIARY NOV. 1918
FRANCE.

ENEMY ORGANISATION. 30-9-18.

Red Cross Signs
Huts, Roads, Ammunition
Single Huts or Sheds
Small Area of Movement
Protective Trenches

Notes - Concentration of Railways, Roads, etc.
printed in Grey, which do not exist or are wrong
in position, shown thus - X X

20,000

32,700 m.s.

la Cateau Trenches revised from information received to 30-9-18.

EDITION 2(a)

Detail Corrections in Red: PROVISIONAL UNTIL PUBLICATION OF ED. 3.

SHEET 57B S.E.

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68,000 m.w.

G.S.G.S. 2742. Field Survey Bn. [10651]. 1-10-18

Scale 1:20,000
Metres 1000 200 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 8000 9000 Yards

Ordnance Survey, O.D.J. September, 1918.

52,000 m.w.

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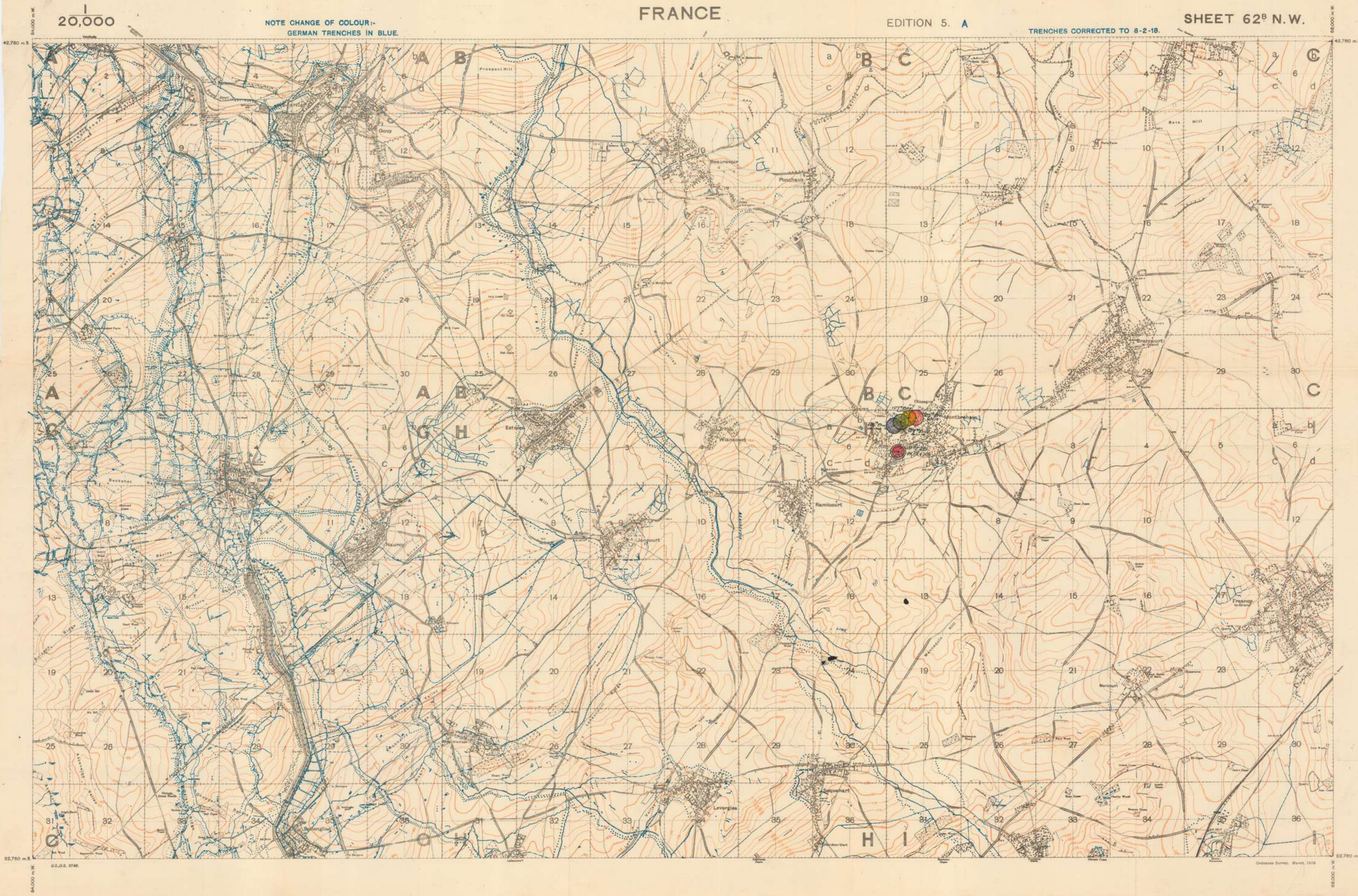
EDITION 5. A

SHEET 62^B N.W.

20,000

NOTE CHANGE OF COLOUR:-
GERMAN TRENCHES IN BLU

TRENCHES CORRECTED TO 8-2-18.



7th B.H.Q
A.F.A.