

**AWM4**  
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,**  
**1914-18 War**

Artillery

**Item number:** 13/66/12

**Title:** 4th Battery, Australian Field Artillery

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ANZAC	29/9/15 1/10/15		<p>In observation. Orders received from CO 2nd Bde 7A. not to fire until further orders. Improved &amp; repaired gun pits</p>	
Dolko	2/10/15	1800	<p>Orders received from CO 2nd Bde 7A to fire on retaliation if necessary Gun pit alterations completed giving shelter pit for each gun. Plan attached of specimen pit. Received order to continue evening fire in accordance with Bde Order 24/9/15 Fired rounds at trenches A3-A4. Enemy opened fire on 4th Bty without success.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">TSD</p>



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ANZAC	3/10/15		Ad Gen. Dir. Aust. ordered 4th Bty not to fire without special orders	
	4/10/15		In observation	
	5/10/15		In observation	
	6/10/15		Capt D. R. Harris assumed temporary command of 4th Bty	
	7/10/15		In observation	
	8/10/15		In observation	
	9/10/15		Capt D. R. Harris proceeded to ALEXANDRIA to command of 2nd Bde Detach.	
	10/10/15		Capt H. Piddle resumed command of 4th Bty	
	10/10/15		In observation. Very quiet.	
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	16/10/15	0440	A & N. 2. Army Corps demonstrated along ANZAC front.	
			4th Bty received orders to fire 15 rounds extending over 10 minutes commencing 0405	
		0405	Commenced fire as above	
		0415	Ceased firing. Two rounds only of enemy gun fire noticed by us & very little rifle-fire.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ANZAC	16/10/15	1630	Enemy bomb-thrower observed on "NEK". Obtained permission to fire. Fired 13 rounds & obtained bursts in the trench from which enemy was operating. Our fire appeared to be effective.	JSH
	17/10/15	1415	Engaged French Mortar discovered 1° right of head of MONASH VALLEY. Fired 17 rounds, apparently effective.	JSH
	18/10/15	1930	Fired 8 rounds at position from which enemy French mortar was firing. Position was suspected during the day & arrangements made to enable fire to be opened after dark, if necessary. Our fire was effective in stopping use of mortar. Enemy did not fire again during the night.	JSH
	19/10/15 to 30/10/15		In observation. Generally, very quiet.	JSH
	31/10/15	2145	Engaged French Mortar near "NEK" Fired 3 rounds by order of C.O. 2nd Bn 7th Div.	JSH
	3/11/15		In observation	JSH





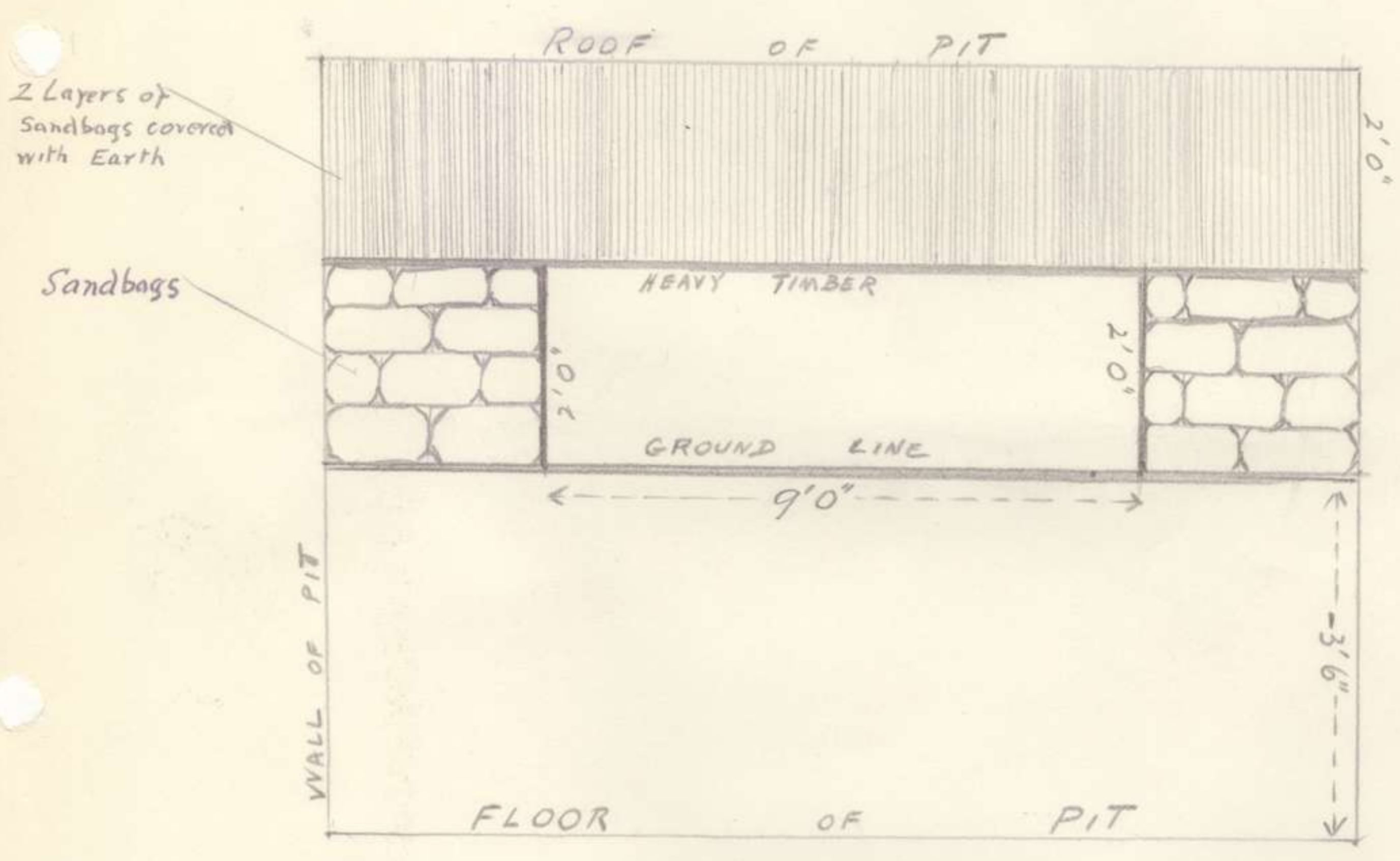


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## "D. Subsection

### ELEVATION OF EMBRASURE



Note - Framework of embrasure consists of 2 railway sleepers top & bottom, extending right across the front of pit from side to side, with uprights inserted to make an embrasure 9'0" wide  
 Side portions of framework are packed with sandbags.