## TRANSCRIPTION.

## MARCH 1917 WAR DIARY APPENDIX 2

## "J" Special Company R.E.

## Summary of Arrangement made for operation GI/P.

A scheme was submitted to, and approved by VI Corps at the end of February.

	J Special Company with three attached sections will instal 900 projectors			
	the I1 Sector E.S.E. of ARRAS from (Ref ARRAS 1/10000 MAP) RIGHT			
	G.36.a.15.15 (Nr 18 Street), LEFT G.300.c.90.30. (N INDIA LANE) Appendix 3			
<u>SCHEME</u>	The subdivision of these into eight sectors will be shown in orders later Appendix 5.			
	These targets will be arranged as follows:-			
	GROUP	PROJECTORS	LOCATION (centre of group)	TARGET
	RIGHT	(300)	G.36.a.40.40.	N.1.a.40.95.
	CENTRE	(300)	G.36.a.60.70.	N.31.c.60.30.
TARGETS	LEFT	(300)	G.30.c.80.20.	N.31. central
	Range 1250 – 1300 yards. Each group is expected to scatter around the mark			
	over an area 10% of Range in Depth by 14% of range laterally, the areas thereby produced being full of dug outs in TILLOY-LES-MAFFLAINES, and along the CAMBRAI road.			
	Will take place simultaneously by exploders and electrical systems. Each			
FIRING	projector fires a drum 8 inches in diameter, 21 inches in length, cylindrical,			
	weight 31 lb empty, 61 lb full of gas. Ach projector will be of length 2' 9",			
	thickness 9/32" or 11/32", bore 8"			
	As the firing will be done at maximum range, it is necessary to place the projectors all along the parados of bays and of traverses in the front line. There will be one continuous line of projectors spaced at an average distance apart of 27 inches.			
PLACING OF PROJECTORS				
PROJECTORS	The arrangement necessitates the use of dug outs in the communication			
	trenches from which batteries will be fired. A battery will have as a			
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	same entry strong to penetrate the energy suntry as appliances.			
INTENSION	The numbers have been chosen after calculation for a concentration of			
	A map of the region is appended in Appendix 3.			
INTENSION	<ul> <li>maximum, 25 projectors.</li> <li>The intention is to produce a concentration over the areas mentioned sufficiently strong to penetrate the enemy's anti-gas appliances.</li> <li>The numbers have been chosen after calculation for a concentration of between 1 and 2 per cent.</li> </ul>			