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Appendix #6

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HOME GUARD POSTS IN WINDOWS OVERLOOKING 13 PLATOON AREA

8. Desmond Hotel, King's Rd & Cannon Place, 1st floor, 1st bay window on Cannon Place.
9. 106 King's Rd., Hippell's Chemists, roof over store on Cannon Place.
10. Metropole Hotel, balcony, ground floor.
11. 122 King's Rd., over Ice Cream Parlour, 4th floor, 1st window up same lane.
12. Abbott's Hotel, over front balcony.
13. St. Alban's Hotel, 1st floor, behind "LAWSON".
14. 134 King's Rd., Fox & Sons, 3rd floor, 2nd bay window up Preston St.
15. Hockley's Hotel, King's Rd & Preston St., 3rd floor, 1st curved window Preston St., Rm 52.
16. Other side of same Hotel, flat roof, up street, on west side of Hotel.
17. Bedford Hotel, 2nd floor, 1st turret window up street to east of Hotel.
18. Burleigh Hall Hotel, 2nd floor, square bay window on Cavendish Place.
19. Glass balcony, King's Hotel, up Oriental Place.
20. Abinger House, over door, up Oriental Place.
21. Montpelier Rd., roof over corner.
22. Salesbury Hotel, front balcony.

  
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HOME GUARD POSTS IN WINDOWS OVERLOOKING 14 PLATOON AREA

*W. J. G.*

1. Roof over dining room, Queen's Hotel, facing west.
2. Window facing north, Lyons & Hall Store, on King's Rd.
3. Window facing N.E. in Savoy Theatre on Pool Alley over ARP shelter.
4. Saleen, Lion Mansion Hotel (to be C.Coy.H.Q. also in front of Hotel)
5. Low roof at east corner of the Royal Albion Hotel.
6. Roof over entrance at the N.E. corner of the Royal Albion Hotel.
7. S. W. corner, 1st floor up, Sam Isaacs Store.
8. Low roof 25 paces up Steine Street on left.
9. 1st bay window up Steine St., on right (Albermarle Hotel)
10. Behind balustrade directly facing Manchester Street.
11. The Arlington, wall facing north in rear, LOOPHOLE.
12. Edlin's - 2nd bay window, 2nd floor, Charles St.
13. Behind balustrade opposite Broad St.
14. Porch on right, up Madeira Place - E M G to put platform.
15. Round roof just west of Princess' Hall.

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HOME BUILT POSTS IN WINDOWS OVERLOOKING 15 PLATOON AREA

1. Apt. 3 Madeira Mansions, Marine Parade. (On premises Mr. Senior  
(Owners Atkin & Co. Chipstead Valley Rd., Apt. 2)  
Coulston.
2. Flat roof S.W. corner Arundel - DeCourcel Rd. (Rear of Convalescent  
Home)
3. 2nd floor, F. A. Greens (Garage) Builder's Arundel Rd.
4. N. W. windows, 2nd floor, Convalescent Home.
5. Arundel House porch, east side, and front windows.
6. Behind fence opposite Arundel Place.
7. House corner of Arundel Terrace and Lewes Crescent, 2nd storey,  
glass balcony square.
8. 2nd storey, square balcony (glass) at 18 Lewes Crescent.
9. Balcony, front <sup>#1</sup> Lewes Crescent.
10. 1 Chichester Terrace, balcony.
11. East porch on Chesham Place.
12. West porch on Chesham Place.
13. Pillbox opposite Eaton Place.

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|---|---|--|------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Manageress Miss Cox  | Yes   | Yes  | On premises                        | On premises  | Substitute bay window<br>in lieu of roof.  |
| 2. Lyons & Hall   | Yes   | Yes  | On premises                        | ?  | Door will be open on Sun.  |
| 3. Savoy Theatre  | Yes   | Yes  | With fire watcher<br>on premises   | ?  | Best position up Exit<br>stairway coming from<br>circle.   |
| 4. Lion Mansion   | Yes   | Yes  | On premises                        | ?  | Caretaker will be<br>there Sun.  |
| 5. Agent, Mr. Yarnell<br>150 North St.                          | Yes   | YES  | On premises                        | With Mr. Yarnell   | Porter will be on<br>premises Sun.   |
| 6. Same as 5.   |   |  |                                    |  |  |
| 7. Nutball Caterers Ltd.  | Yes   | ?  | In-County Cafe                     | ?  | Manageress of County Cafe<br>will show over to Isaacs<br>on Sun.   |
| 8. County Cafe  | Yes   | Yes  | On premises                        | On premises  | Ring both bells of County<br>Caffe for keys. Roof subst.,<br>for low roof further up.<br>Prop., could not be contacted |
| 9. Mrs. Lyons   | ?   | ?  | ?                                  | ?  |  |
| 10. No remarks  |   |  |                                    |  |  |
| 11. Courage Co., Limited  | Yes   | Yes  | On premises Sun.                   | ?  | Key will be available<br>at pub Sun. A.M.  |
| 12. Kalin's.  | Yes   | Yes  | On premises Sun.                   | ?  | Subst., 3rd floor instead 2nd  |
| 13. No remarks  |   |  |                                    |  |  |
| 14. Town of Brighton  | Yes   | Yes  | No applicable                      | ?  | Town valuator must be<br>contacted for key later   |
| 15. Town of Brighton  | Yes   | ?  | Not applicable                     | Not applicable   | Town engineer will notify us<br>if not strong enough.  |

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|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| 1 - 8 Discarded                                | Not applicable                       | - -  | Not applicable                               | - - -   | - -   |
| 9. Reason & Tickle (Mr. Fraser)                | yes                                  | yes  | Coy. H.C.                                    | Insp. Holt Brighton Police                          | 3rd bay window offers better fire                         |
| 99 Roof in rear of Hippell's (Metropole Hotel) | yes                                  | yes  | Engineer Metropole                           | Engineer Metropole                                  | Engineer bell on Cannon Place about 100' above King's Rd. |
| 10. Metropole Hotel                            | yes                                  | yes  | Not applicable                               | Not applicable                                      | - -   |
| 11.  | yes                                  | ?  | With caretaker on premises                   | With caretaker on premises                          | - -   |
| 12. Mrs. Martin & Davigsons Court Rd.          | yes                                  | yes  | Caretaker will be there                      | ?   | Caretaker Mr. Smith.                                      |
| 15. Requisitioned                              | yes                                  | yes  | H.C.O. i/c post West Pier - H.A.             | On premises with H. A.                              | - -   |
| 14. L. Denton - 37 Beckenham Rd. Wickham, Kent | -yes                                 | ?  | Owner will be on premises                    | ?   | - -   |
| 15. Mrs. Hockley o/c Hotel                     | yes                                  | yes  | Caretaker on premises                        | Caretaker on premises                               | Ring both bells for keys.                                 |
| 16. Mrs. Hockley o/c Hotel                     | yes                                  | yes  | "  | "   | Accessible through 1st floor lavatory window              |
| 17. Discarded                                  | - -                                  | - -  | - -  | - -   | - -   |
| 18. Mr. Davies                                 | yes                                  | yes  | On premises                                  | On premises   | Substitute bay window on 3rd floor for S.C. bay.          |
| 19. Requisitioned                              | yes                                  | yes  | On premises                                  | On premises   | - -   |
| 20. Agent, Mr. Bailey                          | yes                                  | ?  | ?  | ?   | Entrance thru gate on Montpelier Rd - front of Co. ops    |
| 21. Same as 20                                 |                                      |  |  |   |   |
| 22. Mr. Pickering, manager                     | yes                                  | ?  | On premises                                  | On premises   | Owners not keen on H.G. in                                |

LEFT SECTOR - 15 P1

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| 1. AAtkin & Co. Chipstead<br>Valley Rd. Garswood                       | Yes  | Yes   | On premises Apt. 2                        | On premises Apt. 2   | Carotaker Mr. Senior. |
| 2. French Convalescent<br>Home   | Yes  | Yes   | On premises                               | On premises  | - -                   |
| 3. F. A. Greens  | Yes  | Yes   | On premises                               | ?  | - -                   |
| 4. French Convalescent Home  | Yes  | Yes   | On premises                               | On premises  | - -                   |
| 5. Requisitioned   | Yes  | Yes   | On premises                               | On premises  | - -                   |
| 6. French Convalescent Home  | Yes  | Yes   | N. A.                                     | N. A.  | - -                   |
| 7. Agents - Collings & Co.   | Yes  | ?   | Coy. H. Q.                                | ?  | ?                     |
| 8. ?   | No   | ?   | ?   | ?  | ?                     |
| 9. Wilson  | No   | ?   | ?   | ?  | ?                     |
| 10. Mendel Estate - owner<br>tenants G.K.                              | Yes  | ?   | On premises                               | On premises  | Owners not contacted. |
| 11. ?  | No   | ?   | ?   | ?  | ?                     |
| 12. Borough  | Yes  | Yes   | On premises                               | On premises  |                       |
| 13. N. A.  | N. A.  | N. A.   | N. A.                                     | N. A.  | N. A.                 |