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Aerial wire: Varies from 150' to 240' in length & consists of 7 strands of copper wire plaited together for strength.

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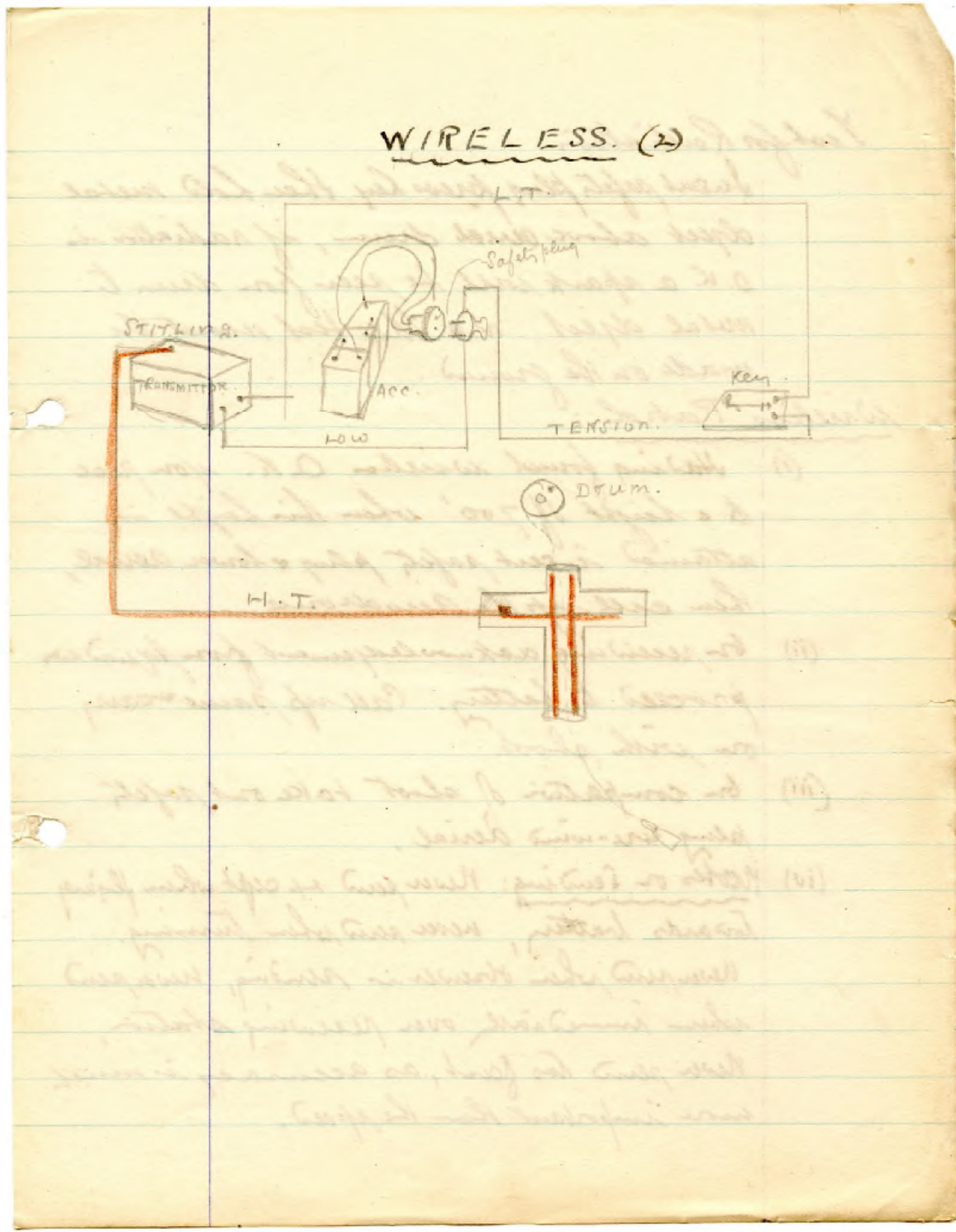
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(Full page illustration of connections between Stirling transmitter and key)

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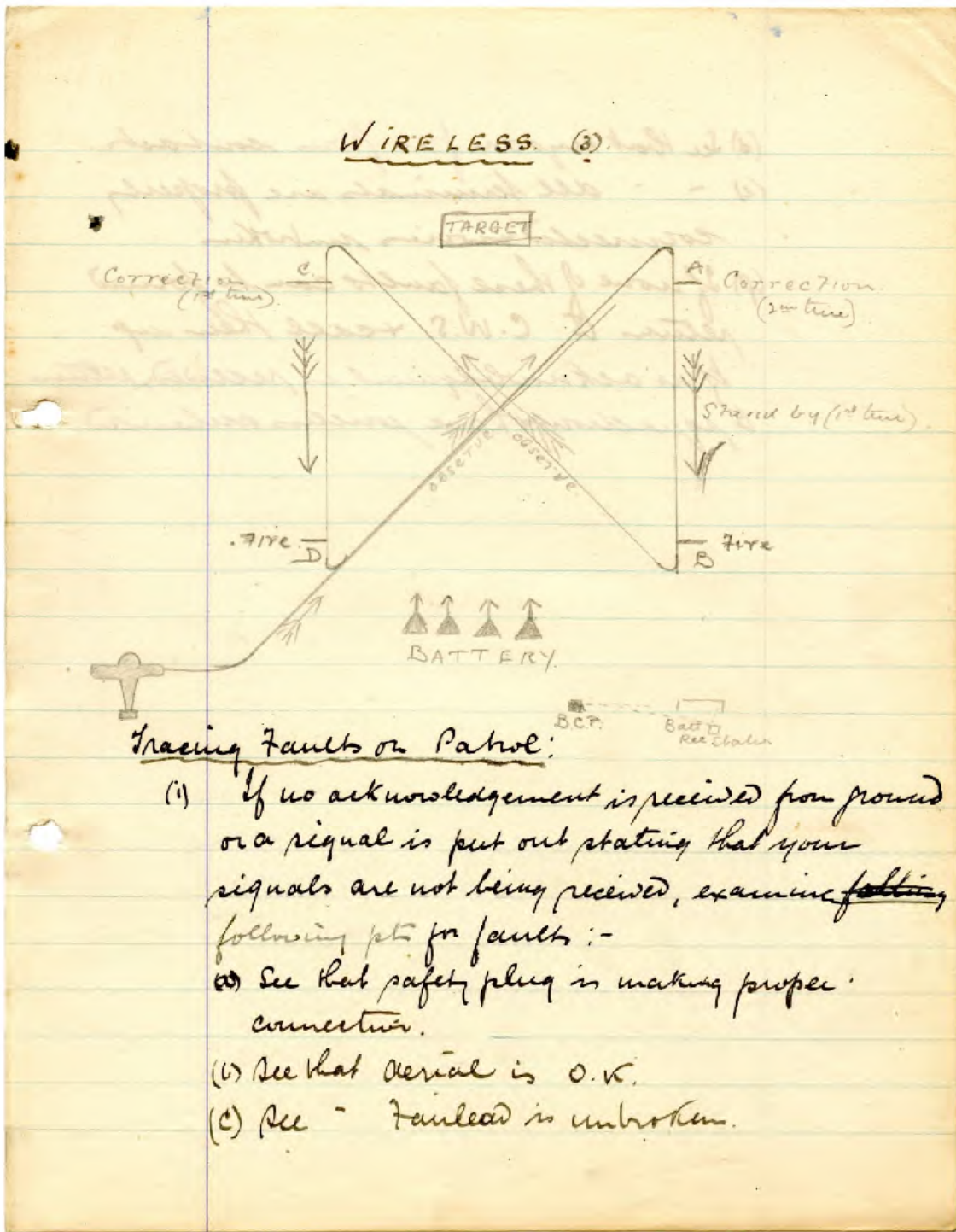
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(Illustration of appropriate sending points in relation to plane, battery and station)

Tracing Faults on Patrol:

- (i) If no acknowledgement is receive from ground or a signal is put out stating that your signals are not being received, examine following pts for faults:
 - (a) See that safety plug is making proper connection
 - (b) See that Aerial is O.K.
 - (c) See " fairlead is unbroken

- (d) See that keys are free from contact
(e) - - all terminals are properly
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