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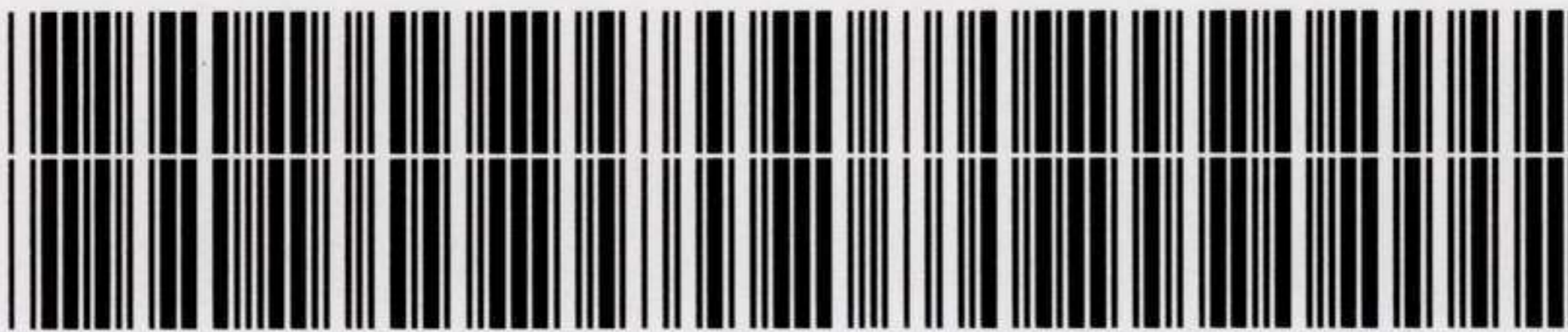
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ASSEL. 1/7/16.	<p>We bombarded enemy front line & wire at LE BRIDOUX. Artillery was shelled during morning. Fifth Corps heavy Artillery engaged four hostile batteries, which ceased fire. 4th Corps bombarded enemy trenches, & cut wire in several places in front of both Divs. 2nd Bde R.F.C. brought down 2 hostile machines near LILLE, & probably a third. One of the machines was missing after bombing in IV Army area.</p>	G. 581.
1/2 night.	<p>Considerable hostile shelling between PAPERINGHE & ELVERDINGHE. We established two posts in captured enemy saps at MORTELJE. Enemy shelled us but made no counter attack. Our casualties slight. 3 Germans killed, two prisoners taken. 1st Wellington Batta, 1st N.Z. Bde entered enemy trenches south of NEZ MACQUART. Ten prisoners taken, German killed estimated twenty. Our casualties are killed, an officer & the tank was damaged. Wire cut in 2 places. 4th Bde</p>	G. 602.

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1/2 night	9th Batta, 3 rd Aust Bde entered South of FLEURBAIX in three places. ^{German} Officer twenty, other ranks taken, 2 machine guns taken. German killed estimated 40. Our casualties one Officer 5 others killed, two Officers 15 other wounded. Our artillery silenced hostile batteries retreating.	C 606.
2nd July.	Hostile trench mortar activity in neighbourhood of Hill 60. Our Trenches from YPRES-FILCKEN road to YSER CANAL heavily shelled during night 1/2. Bombing post at Mortelje withdrawn during heavy T.M. fire. Few attempts by enemy to head tide.	C 627.
2/3 night.	14th Corps successfully raided German trench at Sturt 28 C 14 a. 7. 1. at 10 p.m. Enemy casualties believed heavy. Two German prisoners taken, Our casualties about 15. German front trenches much damaged by our bombardment. Enemy shelled roads & transports in Ypres. 2 raiding parties from 1st Arzac entered German trenches. Both parties met with considerable	707

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<p>July 2/3 night (cont)</p>	<p>oppositon, & were unable to bring back prisoners. Enemy casualties estimated at least 50. Third raiding party also attempted to enter enemy trenches met with considerable oppositon & were heavily bombed.</p>	<p>G. 634</p>
<p>3/7/16.</p>	<p>Our Arty. bombarded enemy's trenches opposite MORTELLE. Hostile aeroplane believed destroyed over HOOTMOOLST FOREST.</p>	<p>G. 658.</p>
<p>H.Q.</p>	<p>2nd Arzac moved to LA MOTTE, taking over the front from the 1st Arzac (from about PETILLON to the R. 443). The troops holding this front were mixed, some, the N.Z. Div. (transferred) being 2nd Arzac, others being still 1st Arzac, until the 5th Aust Div. should be able to relieve them. 4th Aust. Div. lately arrived has been ^{proposedly} transferred to 1st Arzac. Headquarters 1st Arzac to BAILLEUL. 1st Aust. Div. to TIERRIS. Map. 2nd Aust. Div. to STYB. 11. Zwartkopskrook. 4th Aust. Div. to SALLY. Divisionsalutants were reappointed. 1st Arzac</p>	<p>G. 658.</p>

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CASSEL 3/7/16	R. DOUVE to Wulverghem-Messines Road 24th Div. above road to Northern NEMMEL-WYTSKINETE road, 5th Div. from there to DIEPENHAELE BEEK. ARMENTIERES, also on front line about EPINETTE was shelled G.666.	
3/4 Night	during the early part of the night 3/4 July. E. enemy raided the	
4/7/16	H.Q. 24th Div. moved to LOCHE, being under IX Corps, the H.Q. of which had recently arrived.	
	apex of the Salient. Two or 3 entered trench, leaving one wounded G.672. in our hands. Five of our bombers were missing from post at apex. Our casualties about 20 killed & 70 wounded from bombardment.	
	Enemy also attempted raid west of BAS MAISNIL. It broke down completely under our machine gun & rifle fire. Estimated German casualties to be killed & 30 wounded.	G.692.
4/7/16	No repairs to enemy's wire reported.	
	H.Q. 24th Div, now under IX Corps moved to LOCHE	

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CASSEL, 5/7/16.

A.P. IX Corps to MONT NOIR.

In early morning 5 Canadian Bde patrol captured 2 Germans G719. near ST ELOI. Just N.E. of HT SORREL, machine guns fired on hostile working party, which left 2 dead. Bombing raid just South of ARMAGH WOOD found trench heavily manned, but killed 6 Germans in crater.

Hostile artillery & mortar were active against our front line in MORTELTE Sector. Our reply caused to cease.

G727.

Otherwise quiet. Few enemy attempts to repair wire.

Night of 6.

Our Artillery shelled enemy strong points & f. line between MULVERGEMEN-WITSCHMETZ road & MULVERGEMEN-MESSINES road, to lead enemy to expect a raid. Fire then lifted. Enemy evidently withdrew over considerable front. Later, under the impression we occupied his trenches, he tried to retake & bomb his way back.

G739.

G772.

6/7/16.

During afternoon enemy shelled FLEURBAIT, SANCTUARY WOOD and OBSERVATORY RIDGE. We bombarded enemy's trenches at points just East of WIELTTE, & West of BELLWARDIE LANE. Hostile retaliation was ineffective.

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CASSEL

July
Night 6/7

Hostile machine guns were very active on front of Canadian Corps right Division.
Fourteenth Corps attempted raid, but were unable to reach their objective, owing to strong hostile working parties.

G 787.

7/7/16.

Enemy shelled CHAPPELLE D'ARMENTIERES.
Some shelling of our trenches West of HOOGE. We successfully bombarded enemy's trenches at WIELTJE, also opposite RAILWAY WOOD & at points opposite Guards Div. front.

G 820.

8/7/16.

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Enemy shelled ST YVES with SHRAPNEL & T. MORTAR. We successfully bombarded the MOUND, just South of YPRES-BOULERS road. Hostile retaliation was not heavy.

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JULY

CASSEL

Night 8/9.

Owing to the 1st & 2nd Aust. Divs. having been ordered into the 4th Army Area, fronts were again readjusted. 24th Div (IX Corps) MENNEL-WITSCHAETE rd (incl) to R. Douve (incl) 50th Div. (V Corps) extends its right to MENNEL-WITSCHAETE rd (incl) The 4th Aust. Div. was ordered to be ready to follow the rest of 1st Army at 24 hours notice.

Enemy entered one of our trenches just South of PT. PARTE EGAL, Sheet 36, I. H. C. 2. 3. New Zealanders reoccupied trench after bombing fight. Canadian Corps raid on MT. SORREL by 1st Div was not successful, attack being stopped by uncut wire & machine gun fire. Two ~~wounded~~ German prisoners were taken just South of HOOGE.

G 882

9th.

Some shelling of DICKEBUSCH neighbourhood & of YPRES. G 904. MEMENT road, other wire quit day. We bombarded LES ECLUSES. There were 2 loud explosions followed by large fire. Heavy hostile G. 908. bombardment on ARNIGH WOOD, SANCY WOOD & HOOGE 7pm to 10.45pm G. 911.

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July
CASSEL. Night 9/10

1st Arzac closed 9/10 midnight reopening in 4th Army area 10th.

Raiding party from 41st Div entered trenches at 28. U.22.C.34. Ci 91376.914.
They came straight on to enemy's machine gun. They bombed team, killing German officer. Party then returned, owing to shell fire.

Machine gun had to be abandoned in shell hole in no mans land.

Raiding party of 151 Bde captured German of 214th Res. Regt in front of enemy's parapet at O.7.C.4.9.

Third ~~Raiding~~ party of 150th Bde. raided crate N.24. a. 6 1/2. 8 1/2 finding it manned by about 50 enemy. Party attacked killing at least 15 & brought back prisoner of 215th Res. Regt. Other casualties slight. All quiet on Canadian Corps front.

2nd Arzac report New Zealand raiding party reached enemy's C. 422.

wire at C. 23, north of PONT BALLOT. Wire was found uncut & party withdrew. Our casualties 1 killed, 5 wounded.

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CASSEL 10/7/16.

Our Artillery set fire to DELAIGRE farm in German Reserve line, South of FLEURBAIX. We carried out wire cutting in the neighbourhood of ST ELOI. Some hostile shelling of back areas West of YPRES. Gaps in enemy's wire nearly everywhere reported still open.

G 948.

Canadian Corps readjusted their front 1st Div. taking over about 1000 yds. from 2nd Div. from 134. D2 to Railway.

Can Corps G 259

Night 10/11.

Strong patrol from 20th Div. entered the woods, but was unable to take prisoners.

G 948 + X 14 G 8 87

Two Parties of 24th Div. also entered trenches but only taking prisoners. 2 Germans known to have been killed. 17th Bde & 73rd Bde found the position. Raid of 2nd Arzac was unable to get through enemy's wire.

G 970.

Raid of 41 Div. found enemy prepared & were unable to enter trench.

Hostile aircraft dropped bombs near BAILLEUL Station, doing little damage. POPERINGHE was shelled during the night.

Bombing party of machine gun of 4th Canadian

G 963.

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CASSEL.

July
11/7/16.

1st & 2nd Aust Divs, 1st ANZAC, left 2nd Army for 4th Army. 38th Div. began arriving from 1st Army. H. P. to BLARINGHEM.

Night 9/10 (cont)

Bde attacked enemy's post in our old trenches in SANCTUARY WOOD. Post practically destroyed & number of garrison believed killed. Gas was successfully discharged about WIELTTE. Retaliation took place in front trenches, but haven't further back.

G. 963

11.7.16 (cont)

We bombarded enemy's trenches about Bois BLANCS, S.E. of BOIS GRENIER. Enemy retaliated heavily on our trenches opposite POPERINGHE again shelled during afternoon.

Night 11/12/7/16.

Enemy shelled POPERINGHE during night of 11/12th. Raid attempted by N.Z. Div during night 11/12th failed to enter hostile trenches. German patrol attempted a raid W. of WYTSCHAETE but was driven back by bombers. Enemy's attempts to mend wire stopped by our artillery. POPERINGHE shelled intermittently throughout day.

G. 975.

G. 976.

G. 989.

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4th Aust. Div, having been relieved a night 11/12 by 5th Aust. Div, began entraining 12/13 night to rejoin 1st Anzac in 4th Army Area. 1st Army Area. 1st Army Area. 1st Army Area. Support of 3rd Can. Div, by 2 Bde Art. of 6th Div joined with 4th Aust. Div.

12/13th. Night.

Raid by 41st Div. was unsuccessful. 18th ~~Hampton~~^{K. R. R. C.} got G. 6. + G. 11. Stripped enemy's wire, but German sentry gave the alarm. Parapet was heavily manned & our party met by heavy rifle machine gun & shrapnel fire, & forced to withdraw. About 20 casualties, including 4 missing, which latter prevented the release of gas intended to follow the raid. 3 of them afterwards G. 32. recovered. FRELINGHIE was again shelled during evening.

13/7/16.

13/14 Night.

We released gas East of ARMENTIERES. Retaliation heavy. Enemy's trenches Northwest of FRELINGHIE N bombarded & gas released. G. 49. Retaliation slight.

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ASSEL. 17/16

Hostile artillery active against our trenches South of FLEURBAIA B.83.

Our artillery silenced hostile battery shelling KEMMEL HILL, & bombarded trenches near PETIT BOIS. Our artillery inflicted heavy casualties on working party by PILGNEM. POPERINGHE received several hundred shells during the day. VLAHERTINGHE & waggon lines Northeast of POPERINGHE were also heavily shelled.

2nd Bde R.F.C. carried out a bombing raid by twenty machines G.93. on WESTROSEBENE dropping forty 112 lb. bombs, apparently with success. One bomb went through the Station roof. All troops

& Headquarters were removed from POPERINGHE. One Fokker was brought down. G.145.

14/15 Night.

Party of 70 ^{1st N.Z. Bde} from 2nd Arzac entered hostile trenches which were much damaged. Traces of dead Germans seen but no other enemy met. One camouflaged tank. G.102.

Patrol of 1 Officer & 15 others from Canadian Corps attacked 10 enemy just South of YPRES-COMMINES CANAL. One German seriously wounded, one taken prisoner who died. Two other Canadian patrols each of one officer & five others attacked a hostile patrol of ten near MT SORREL, killing six. G.133.

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CASSEL. 15/7/16.	<p>Enemy's front & second line wire cut at many places between River DOOVE & KEMMEL-WYTSCHAETE road. Retaliation light. Considerable artillery activity on our back areas about STELOI. We cut wire in this sector. Enemy's wire successfully cut at many points on 14th Corps front. Little retaliation. Hostile aeroplanes bombed BRIELEN & REIGERSBURG, doing little damage. We fired on WESTROOSEBEKE, OOSTNEUNERKE and PASSCHENDAELE from an advanced position. I Cps carried out wire cutting at many points. Headquarters IX Corps left for II Army, 24th Div. coming under I Cps.</p>	<p>G. 146.</p>
15/16 night.	<p>Successful bombardment & smoke demonstration against PONT BALLOT Salient. Raid of 41st Div. failed to enter</p>	<p>G. 163.</p>
16/7/16.	<p>Enemy's trenches being prevented by wire & machine guns. Enemy bombarded our trenches S.E. of PETILLON, doing considerable damage & causing 100 casualties. Fifth Corps cut wire at many places in front & second line. Our 6 inch guns shelled suspected mine & mortar emplacements just West of WYTSCHAETE. Considerable amount of trench activity & shelling during day on trenches just North</p>	<p>G. 177.</p> <p>G. 177.</p>

CASSEL. 16/7/16 (cont)

of YPRES-COMINES Canal. Wire was cut between YPRES-ROULERS railway & WIELTJE at several points. Enemy made no attempt to repair it.

5th Corps successfully cut wire at numerous points.

Men & W. howitzers bombarded hostile trenches South of PETIT BOIS, causing considerable damage to trenches, parapet, & wire. Canadian Corps cut wire in places to total width of 75 yds. G. 177.

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17/7/16.

Enemy shelled our back areas East of HOUPINES. G. 200.

Canadian Successful wire cutting at many points between YPRES-ROULERS railway & our extreme left. Retaliation

Slight: In the evening our artillery bombarded enemy's trenches East of VIERSTRAAT. G. 203.

Wire cutting was successful at ten points between PLOEGSTEERT-MESSINES road and WULVERGHEM-WYTSCHAETE road, also on the Northern & Southern faces of SPANBROEN MOLEN salient and at five points

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between VIER STRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road & NEMMEL-WYTSCHAETE road. G. 215.

17/18 night.

Raid by 24th Div. succeeded in entering hostile trenches. No prisoners were taken, nor identifications as Germans were seen. 14 Germans believed killed G. 231. Enemy's retaliation slight. Hostile covered listening post was

18/7/16.

blown up near STELOI. ~~Hostile~~ Our artillery cut wire & bombarded trenches, chiefly at: - Bifurcation of Wytschaete-NEMMEL road. Or Canadian Corps front. East of WIELTTE. MORTELTE Estaminet, where a supposed bomb store exploded. South of PILGHEM. Near our extreme left.

18/19 night.

There were 2 distinct hostile bombardments, & attempt to enter our trenches. First, one each side of YPRES-COMINES railway on a front of about one thousand yards, followed by Germans attempting to enter trenches just North of canal. Attempt failed. G. 252 & G. 272.

Second about MT. SORREL. After heavy bombardment, which considerably damaged our trenches, enemy advanced but

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CASSEL 18/19 Night/pt)
19/7/16.

were driven back by our rapid fire.
In preparation for a minor offensive, the 60th Bde, 20th Div. had
taken over part of II Anzac front, the 5th Aust. Div closing
on its right, with its left about CORDONNERIE Farm.
The N.Z. Div spread out to its right. The 5th Aust Div.
was placed under the XI Corps 1st Army, & resulting
operations should appear in 1st Army Summary.
In conjunction with above, Enemy destroyed emergency
bridge over R. Lys West of ARMENTIERES & registered on
PONT DE NIERPE. We successfully cut wire at several points
between PLOEGSTEERT-MESSINES and NEMMEL-WYTSCHEDE roads.
Hostile T Mortars were active on trenches about ST ELOI.
DICKEN BOSCH was intermittently shelled during the afternoon.
We continued wire cutting between YPRES-ROULERS railway
road.

G. 276.

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19/7/16 (cont) Early morning.	Retaliation slight. We bombarded trenches just west of WIELTTE apparently very successfully. Retaliation heavy on C 14.C. 2 nd Bde R.F.C. dropped 16 bombs on GHELUWE in the morning, which were apparently effective. LILLE railway Station was also bombed. Two bombs were seen to burst in station & siding, & railway appeared disorganised.	
19/20 Night.	3 rd Bde began to return 20th night. Hostile gun shelling DRAMOUTRE ceased on our reply. Raiding party from 1st N.Z. Bde entered hostile trenches just N. of ARMENTIERES - LILLE railway, but found them empty. 3 rd N.Z. Bde also successfully raided trenches 1.21.C, South of ARMENTIERES, killing many Germans, but being unable to take prisoners. German raid, about 20 strong entered our trenches in the RUE DU BOIS Salient. They were driven out, leaving many on killing of 2 prisoners. Our artillery, trench mortars, and ...	G. 219. G. 219.

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<p>July Cassel Night 19/20 (cont)</p>	<p>were active all night on the New Zealand front.</p>	<p>G 219 (cont)</p>
<p>20/7/16.</p>	<p>Our Artillery bombarded VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road & trenches astride it.</p>	
<p>19th</p>	<p>Large column of smoke went up from near a hostile battery North of MESSINES, which we were shelling.</p>	
	<p>We bombarded hostile trenches in the vicinity of HOLLANDES-CHUUR.</p>	
<p>20/7/16.</p>	<p>Intermittent hostile shelling throughout day from about HOOGE to our extreme left. No repairs were reported to German gaps in ^{German} wire recently cut by our artillery.</p>	<p>G 312.</p>
<p>20/21 Night.</p>	<p>Enemy shelled our subsidiary line between the ARMENTIERES-LILLE railway & the RIVER LYS about 10 p.m. His heavies</p>	<p>G 325.</p>
	<p>shelled YPRES & NAAME salient from 10.45 p.m. to 2 a.m.</p>	
	<p>There was some trench mortaring of our trenches North of the HEMMEL-WYTSCHAETE road & South of ARNIGH WOOD.</p>	

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<p><u>JULY</u> 20/21 Night.</p>	<p>Commandant ST OMER reported hostile aircraft over AUDRUICQ at 2.30 a.m. A large fire was caused, & continuous heavy explosions heard.</p> <p>2nd Bde R.F.C. bombed huts Sheet 36, U.3.d.9.5, AUBERS, VYFEGE, all reported successful. Also level crossing & river bridge at QUESNOY. Result not known.</p>	<p>G 325.</p>
<p>21/7/16.</p>	<p>Hostile T. Mortars were active on our trenches NE of MULVERGHEM & East of VIERSTRAAT. Our artillery replied on trench tramway & battery. Enemy's trench mortars were also active on MT SORREL. Back area just East of YPRES-ST. ELOI road was shelled.</p>	<p>G 350.</p>
<p>21/22 night.</p>	<p>H.G & T. Mortar fire very heavy 1-2 a.m. on our trenches South of PETIT BOIS. Our trenches just S. of YPRES-COMINES Canal considerably damaged by T. Mortars & 5.9 shells. Our artillery replied effectively. Our aeroplanes dropped bombs on MERMIN Station & MERCHEM. Bad light made it impossible to observe results.</p>	<p>G 359.</p>

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CASSEL. 22/7/16.	Situation normal.	G. 388.
23/7/16.	<p>4th Div. began arriving from II Army. Posted to XIV Corps. 18th Div began arriving. Posted to V Corps. H.Q. 36th Div. moved to MT. NOIR. Right Bde (59th) of 20th Div. relieved by Composite Bde of 36th Div. G. 414. Some hostile heavy Trench Mortar activity on our trenches astride WULVERGHEM-WYTSCHAETE road. Severe Trench Mortar bombardment of our trenches just North of VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road. Our Artillery carried out wire cutting in this area.</p>	
23/24 night.	<p>Over six inch howitzers bombarded trenches opposite MESSINES and WYTSCHAETE in retaliation for mine warfare. Small German patrol entered unoccupied portion of our trenches opposite HOLLANDESCHUUR but was promptly driven out.</p>	G. 438.

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<p>July 24/7/16.</p>	<p>24th Div began withdrawal for II Army, & 20th Div (less artillery) for Reserve Army.</p>	
<p>24/25 night.</p>	<p>The 4th Div. & 18th Div. completed arrival, less artillery. One 6 inch howitzers has landed trenches opposite MESSINES and WYTSCHAETE in substitution for minor weapons.</p>	
<p>24/25 night.</p>	<p>South Hostile shelling of our trenches S.W. of FRELINGHIEN, also G. 464 just North of WULVERGHEM-WYTSCHAETE road. Hostile trench mortars active astride VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road.</p>	
<p>24/25 night.</p>	<p>3rd Canadian Div. Artillery, recently arrived, went into the line in support of 3rd Can. Div., in relief of 6th Div. Art.</p>	

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CASSEL. 25/7/16.

Hostile T. Mortars were active on our support line just South of
VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road. Also about ST. ELOI, but they
stopped here on our artillery replying. Some shelling of
BRIELEN & area between it & CANALBARRON. Enemy blew a mine
at CORDONNERIE. No casualties. Our gallery somewhat
damaged. About 10 p.m. enemy blew mine at the BLUFF.
Little damage was caused to our trenches, & it gave us a
good observation Post. It was feared that a mine might be
exploded there. All preparations were made. Our casualties
were about 15. We occupied the crater which was 220 by
150 ft and about 45 feet deep.
Enemy's attempts to repair wire by PLOEGSTEERT were
frustrated by our machine gun fire.

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CASSEL 26/7/16.	<p>During the afternoon hostile artillery has been active against our trenches west of Wytschaete. We replied with Artillery & trench mortars against enemy trenches on SPANBROENMOLEN. Our trenches in neighbourhood of ST. EDUI were shelled during afternoon. This shelling was quietened by our reply. Early in the morning a small party of enemy entered our trenches just west of PILCOPEN YPRES road after a heavy bombardment. This party was at once driven out. None of our men were missing.</p>	

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<p>July CASSEL 26/27</p>	<p>4/1st Div carried out 2 raids (1) 1 Coy 124th Bde raided enemy trenches near LE GHEER. German were found ready in front of their wire. 30 of them were killed. Front trenches were found full of dead from our bombardment. Support line was heavily mined, so after bombing, our party withdrew (2) The Coy 123rd Bde raided near LE TOUQUET. Hostile barrage was heavy & only a few succeeded in entering trench. Retaliation was heavy for both raids. Our trenches S of Wytschacte road intermittently sheltered from 10pm to 12 midnight. We bombarded enemy trenches & wire just west of Wytschacte. Raiding party from 1st Canadian Bde found enemy's front line unoccupied, but were unable to reach his second line which was heavily mined. Artillery & heavy trench mortars were active on trench front</p>	<p><u>C. 527.</u></p>

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CASSEL. 27/7/16.	<p>Hostile T Mortars active near SPANBROEKHOLEN and on whole Brigade front South of VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road. Our artillery bombarded enemy trenches opposite. Some shelling of our trenches astride VOPES-COMINES railway.</p> <p>Enemy attempts to repair the railway</p> <p>29th Div. less Art'y began detaching in II Army area. 41st Div. came under I Corps, the front of which became RLYS-VIERSTRAAT-WYTSCHAETE road.</p>	G. 554.
27/28.	Gido Divs were relieved by 4th Div.	
28/7/16.	<p>Situation normal.</p> <p>Weekly Summary of operations issued today -</p>	G. 579. Appendix IV