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**WAR DIARY**

OF

*10<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion*

FOR

*1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> April 1918.*

Signature of Officer compiling

*C. J. Ferguson  
Lieut. Col.  
10<sup>th</sup> Bn*

Signature of Officer Commanding

*W. J. Lewis  
CO. 10<sup>th</sup> Bn A.I.F.*



# WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HOLIEBEKE	1/4/18.	-	Dispositions of HQ. same as shown in March Diary period 25/3/18 to 31/3/18.	
YPRES-COMMINES SEC.	2/4/18.		Preliminary relief orders issued. 2/4/18.	App. I XVII and XVIII
DEZON CAMP	3/4/18.		Battalion relieved from YPRES-COMMINES Sector and moved to DEZON CAMP,	
SCHERPENBERG	4/4/18.		SCHERPENBERG (situated between LACLYTTE and LOCRE (HAZEBROUCK 5 <sup>th</sup> )). - Relief carried out without incident, and completed by about 1 AM. 4/4/18.	App. II XVII & XVIII
do.	4/4/18.		Battalion moved to CAESTRE, from LOCRE, per Motor Bns, en route to join 3 <sup>rd</sup> ARMY. - Move completed and Battalion billeted by 5 pm. on 4/4/18.	App. III
			Bn. HQ. situated X Roads, in HAZEWINDE (near St. Sylvester Cappel) -	App. XVII
			Sheet 27 - P.30. A.2.3. - Corps <del>disposition</del> situated in surrounding farms.	and XVIII
(Sheet 27)	5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup>		Battalion entrained for transfer to III <sup>rd</sup> Army (SOMME). - Train journey occupied about 9 hours route being via CALAIS, BOULOGNE, D'ABBEVILLE to	
P.30. A.2.3.	April 18.		STROCH (AMIENS). - Here the Battalion detrained about midday on 6/4/18 and moved to POUILLAINVILLE near AMIENS. - Billeted in POUILLAINVILLE over night. - Fire occurred in the village about 9 pm. - Pallet unoccupied.	App. IV
(AMIENS 17)	7/4/18.		Day spent in resting, - and company inspections - Another fire occurred, in practically same locality as on night 6 <sup>th</sup> April 1918. - Portion of the building <sup>adjoining</sup> was occupied by Officers of this Battalion -	App. V
POULLAINVILLE	8/4/18.		Battalion parade during afternoon, and inspection by CO. - a 3 <sup>rd</sup> fire occurred tonight destroying a haystack in an open field.	
do.				



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(AMIENS - 17.) POULLAINVILLE	9/4/18.	-	Battalion moved per march route to VIGNACOURT at 1 p.m. today. - March completed and Battalion collected by 6 p.m. -	App VI
do	10/4/18	-	Battalion moved by march route to RAINVILLE at 1 p.m. today. - March completed and Battalion collected by 5 p.m.	App VII
RAINVILLE	11/4/18	-	Parades under company arrangements today. -	
do.	12/4/18.	-	Battalion moved to BIVOUAC position on outskirts to AMIENS. - on RAINVILLE - AMIENS Road, arriving by 2 p.m. - Great enemy aerial activity at night over AMIENS - No bombs dropped on bivouac positions. - While transport was entraining enemy bombs were dropped in vicinity of the station, but no casualties to either men or horses were sustained.	App VIII
AMIENS 17 + HAZEBROUCK 5 FM/OB Sheet 27.	13/4/18.	-	Battalion moved to entraining station (ST ROCH) at 5 a.m. but did not entrain till 9 a.m. - Personnel entrained without incident. Train route was ST POL, LILLERS line. - Detrained at HONDEGHEN siding on night 13/4/18. - Battalion moved into position (support) immediately on detraining, in order to defend HAZEBROUCK.	
Sheet 27.	14/4/18.	-	Battalion in position and dispositions as under:- <div style="margin-left: 40px;">           Battn HQ. V. 20. D. 8. 9.            A Coy D. 6. C. 85. 70. (Sheet 36 A)            B V. 24. d. 40. 50.            C V. 30. a. 20. 25.            D V. 30. d. 35. 65.         </div>	App IX



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Sheet 27. SE 120,000	15/4/18.	-	{ Rear Battalion HQ. (Transport, Gun. - B.O.R.) situated MORBEQUE - near HALEBROUCK. - Bn HQ. and Coy dispositions unaltered to 19/4/18.	
	19/4/18.	-	Battalion relieved Support Battn of elements of 33rd Division in the line from X. 9. a. 3.5. to X. 10. a. 5.8. to X. 11. a. 5.9. with SWITCH TRENCH from X. 10. a. 5.8. to X. 5. C. 4.9.	App X.
	19/4/18.	-	Dispositions were as under:- Battn HQ. - R. 32. b. central A Coy X. 9. a. 3.5. to X. 9. b. 3.7. B ✓ X. 9. b. 3.7. to X. 10. a. 5.8. C ✓ X. 10. a. 5.8. to X. 11. a. 5.9. D ✓ Switch Tr. X. 10. a. 5.8. to X. 5. C. 4.9.	App XI. App XII. App XIII.
	23/4/18.	-	Rear Bn HQ. Q 32. C. 0.5. Dispositions as from 20/4/18 were as under. Battn HQ. - R 32. D. 0.5. Right Coy HQ. X 3 C 8 6 Line Right X 9. a. 3.7 to X. 9. b. 7.5. Left Coy HQ X. 4. C. 3.4. Line Left X. 9. b. 7.5. to X. 10. b. 6.5.	App XIV. App XV. App XVI.
Night 23/4/18.			Battalion relieved 11th Battalion in line left of Bde sector on 23/4/18 - Relief carried out without incident. -	App XVII.



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Meat 27	26/4/18 to 27/4/18.		<p>Battalion in Line - Dispositions as under</p> <p>Br HQ. X 2. d. 83.</p> <p>Right Coy HQ X 9. d. 26.</p> <p>Centre Coy HQ X 16. a. 29.</p> <p>Left Coy HQ X 10. b. 59.</p> <p>Support Coy X 10. c. 24.</p>	<p>App. <u>XIV</u></p> <p>app <u>XIX</u></p> <p>app <u>XX</u></p>
	28/29		Battalion relieved by 2nd Bn A.F. during night 28/29 April 1918.	<p>App <u>XV</u></p> <p>App <u>XIX</u></p> <p>App <u>XX</u></p>
	30/4/18.		<p>Brigade in Divisional Reserve. - Locations hereunder:-</p> <p>Br HQ. W. 9. B. 0. 4.</p> <p>Rear Br HQ P. 6. d. 3. 5.</p> <p>A Coy } <del>Surrounding</del></p> <p>B ✓ } same in vicinity of Br HQ.</p> <p>C ✓ }</p> <p>D ✓ }</p>	<p>App <u>XVI</u></p> <p>App <u>XIX</u></p> <p>App <u>XX</u></p>
	3/5/18.			

Proposed by Lieutenant Colonel  
C.O. 10th Battalion A.F.



## WAR DIARY

OF

10<sup>th</sup> Battalion A.I.F.

FOR

Period 1<sup>st</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 1918.

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5/5/18.

P.W. Jacob Leutboe  
C.O. 10<sup>th</sup> Bn A.I.F.



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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

App. I

PRELIMINARY RELIEF MEMO IN CONNECTION WITH BATTALION ORDER NO. 74.

Reference Sheet 38 S.W.

Battalion Headquarters  
2nd. April 1918.

1. RELIEF The Tenth Australian Infantry Battalion will, in conjunction with the Third Australian Infantry Brigade, be relieved from the present position on the night 3/4th. April.

The Tenth Australian Infantry Battalion will be relieved by the 27th. Brigade; and for this purpose the Brigade & Battalion Boundaries will be as follows:-

BRIGADE BOUNDARIES - NORTH.

OLAF AVENUE to YOUNG AND JACKSONS (present Left Coy. HQ. 9th Batta.) thence to P.I.A.OO (Right of Hessian Group).

SOUTH. - Present South Boundary of Tenth A.I. Battalion.

INTER - BATTALION BOUNDARY

A Line from BOW BRIDGE to Post 4.0.6 (Post 4.0.6 to be inclusive to Left Battalion.)

ON COMPLETION OF RELIEF the Incoming Units will be disposed as under

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS

Batta. Hqrs. - BOW DUGOUTS (present 10th. Bn. Hqrs.)

Line Coys. - Two Coys. will hold the Line from Post 1.0.12 to 3.0.6 inclusive. Two Platoons of each Coy. will be in front Line and two in OAK SUPPORT. Two Coy. Hqrs. will be situated in OAK SUPPORT.

Support Coy. - Spadgers Lane

Reserve Coy. - White Chateau.

CAMERON HIGHLANDERS

Batta. Hqrs. - Railway Trench (present 9th. Bn. Hqrs.)

Line Coys. - Two Coys. will hold Line from Post 4.0.6 to



PRELIMINARY RELIEF MEMO (continued)CAMERON HIGHLANDERS

Line Coys. - 12.9.8 inclusive. Two Platoons of each Coy. will be in Front Line and two in Support thereof.

The Line Coy. Hqs. will be:-

1. Railway Trench (present "B" Coy. Hq. 10th. Bn)
2. Chateau Dugouts (I.36.c.30.35 )

Support Coy. - Railway Trench (Coy. Hq. near present 9th. Bn. Hq).

Reserve Coy. - Canal Dugouts.

ADVANCE PARTIES.

Advance Parties from incoming Units will arrive at 11 a.m. on 3/4/18, when Officers Commanding Companies will give every assistance in showing accommodation, and giving general information.

TENTH BATTALION RELIEF.

On completion of Relief Tenth Australian Infantry Battalion will proceed by Light Railway from Spoil Bank.

ORDER.

Battalion Order No. 73 will be issued on morning of 3rd. April and will contain full detail of Relief.

*McKinnon*  
Captain & Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued by Runner at Midnight

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No. 1.	to C.O.	No. 2 to Adjt.
3.	Assist. Adjt.	4. M.C.
5.	Q.M. Rear	6. Q.M. Forward
7.	O.C. "A" Coy.	8. O.C. "B" Coy.
9.	O.C. "C" Coy.	10. O.C. "D" Coy.
11.	O.C. "HQ"	12, 13, 14 War Diary.



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App II

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH BATTALION ORDER NO 72.

Reference Sheet 28 S.W.

Battalion Headquarters  
2nd April 1918.RATIONS.

No RATIONS will be delivered to the Battalion in present position on 3/4/18. They will be issued at Camp to which Battalion moves on completion of relief.

STORES

All Stores, including Battalion cooking utensils, for transport to new camp will be at RATION DUMP, WHITE CHATEAU, at 2.0.p.m. on 3/4/18. Officer Commanding "C" Coy will detail 1 N.C.O. & 4 other ranks to report to Lt. Gatcliffe at above dump at 1.30.p.m. to act as Dump Guard. They will accompany stores during transport. Transport Officer will arrange for 3 limbers to be at OAK DUMP at 2.30.p.m. for transport of stores to New Camp.

LEWIS GUNS.

All Lewis Guns with the exception of guns of Battalion A.A. Section will be carried out by personnel of Coy. Lewis Gun teams.

A.A. LEWIS GUNS.

The Battalion A.A. Section will move to New Camp with their four guns from WHITE CHATEAU DUMP at 2.0.p.m. on 3/4/18. The guns will be transported with Battalion Stores.

O.C. "C" Coy will mount 2 Lewis Guns for A.A. work at WHITE CHATEAU at 1.0.p.m. on 3/4/18.

O.C. "A" Coy will send 2 Lewis Guns and personnel to Battalion Headquarters at 1.0.p.m. for A.A. work.

The above two A.A. Gunbds will be dismounted and will move with their respective Coys. on completion of relief.

TRENCH AND AREA STORES

Every care must be exercised in the handing over of TRENCH AND AREA STORES. Receipts in DUPLICATE will be forwarded to Adjutant as soon as possible after arrival of Advance parties. Special ~~xxx~~ care must be paid to the handing over of Gun Boots.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT. On the approach of ENEMY AIRCRAFT on 3/4/18, all movement will cease immediately, and all ranks take cover until departure or dispersal of machine or machines.



Captain & Adjutant  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued at Midnight to all recipients of Battalion Order No 72.



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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALIONBATTALION ORDER NO. 78.

Reference Hollebeke 1/10000  
Sheet 38 1/40000

Battalion Headquarters  
3rd. April 1918

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1. RELIEF. The Third Australian Infantry Brigade will be relieved from the present Sector of Line on night 3/4th. April by the 36th. and 37th. Infantry Brigades.
2. The Tenth Australian Infantry Battalion will be relieved by Battalions of Seaforth Highlanders and Cameron Highlanders.
3. DISPOSITIONS The disposition of incoming Units on completion of Relief have been notified in Preliminary Relief Memorandum in connection with this Order.
4. GUIDES. Officers Commanding Companies Tenth Battalion will detail 1 reliable guide per Platoon to report to Adjutant at Battalion Headquarters at 5 p.m. on 3/4/18. These Guides will guide opposite Platoons of incoming Units to positions in Line.
5. PROTECTING SCREENS. During Relief, a strong Protecting Screen will be put out by "A" Company Tenth Battalion. The details are being notified to O.C. "A" Company separately. These Patrols will on no account be withdrawn until Relief is complete.
6. INFORMATION Officers Commanding Companies will see that all possible information in regard to accommodation, Defence Principles etc are handed on to Officers of incoming Units.
7. TENTH BATTALION RELIEF. On completion of Relief the Tenth Battalion will move to SPOIL BANK LIGHT RAILWAY SIDING, thence by Light Railway to BARDENBURG SIDING, where Guides will meet Companies and guide them to New Camp. The move from Line Positions to Spoil Bank will be made by Platoons at 5 minutes interval. On arrival at Siding Officers Commanding Companies will at once organise their Companies into Train Parties and await instructions from Entraining Officer.
8. ENTRAINING OFFICER Lieut. E.C. Harvey will carry out duties of Entraining



BATTALION ORDER NO. 72 (contd)

8. DETRAINING OFFICER - Officer at SPOIL BANK SIDING.  
Lieut. Gatliff will act as Detraining Officer at BRANDENBURG SIDING.
9. NEW DISPOSITIONS The Dispositions of Third Australian Infantry Brigade on completion of Relief will be notified as soon as received from Brigade Headquarters.
10. MAPS. All Maps and Defence Schemes will be handed over to incoming Units and receipts obtained and forwarded to Battalion Headquarters in duplicate.
11. COMPLETION OF RELIEF will be wired to Battalion Headquarters by Company Commanders in B.A.B. Code.
12. ACKNOWLEDGE

*W. Horvath*  
Captain & Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued by Runner at midday.

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3.	Adj't.	4.	Assist. Adj't.
5.	Q.M. Rear	6.	Q.M. Forward
7.	M.O.	7.	O.C. "A" Coy.
8.	O.C. "B" Coy.	9.	O.C. "C" Coy.
10.	O.C. "D" Coy.	11.	O.C. "HQ"
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TRAIN TIMETABLE

Three Trains will leave SPOIL BANK at each of the following times : 5.30 p.m. : 9.30 p.m. : 12.30 a.m.



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TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F. APPENDIX

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BATTALION ORDER NO 73.

Battalion Headquarters.  
4th April 1918.

Map reference.  
Sheet 38. 1/40000.

- TRANSFER. (1) The 1st Aust Division is being transferred by rail to the 3rd Army.  
Entrainment of the Brigade Group will commence on the 5th inst, in accordance with the programme to follow.
- (2) BRIGADE GROUP. ~~THE BRIGADE GROUP WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING UNITS~~  
For purposes of the move the Brigade Group will consist of.  
3rd Aust Inf Bde. 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy  
3rd Aust Fld Coy Engrs. 3rd Aust. Fld Ambulance.  
No 4 Coy Div Train 21st Aust. M.G. Coy.  
1st Aust M.G. Bn. Hqrs. Cable Section S/ignal Coy.  
Mob. Vet. Section. No 2 Sanitary Section.  
Hqrs Div Wing Reinf Camp. Aust Corps Salvage Coy.  
1 S.A.A. Sectn 1st D.A.C.
- (3) MOVE. The 10th Battn. less transport, will move by bus to CAESTRE sub area on 4/4/18 in accordance with attached table "A" and will entrain on 5th inst.
- (4) TRANSPORT. Will move by road in accordance with table "B" attached.
- (5) BATTN EMBUSSING OFFICER. Lieut M.G. Saunders MC.
- (6) INTERVALS. (a) Between Companies, Unit Transports, & between transport and its units when brigaded, 100 yards.  
(b) Between Battalions, 500 yards.
- (7) ORDER OF MARCH. Hd Qrs, "A", "B", "C", and "D" Coy.
- (8) STARTING POINT. Battalion Orderly Room.
- (9) TIME. Time to pass starting point - 1345.
- (10) BUS PARTIES. On head of column reaching embussing point, column will get clear of the road, and parties of 35 will be formed immediately.
- (11) ACKNOWLEDGE.

*W. J. Hargreaves*  
Lieut Col  
Capt & Adj. T.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F.

Issued by Runner at on 4/4/18.

Copy No 1 to	C.O.	No 2 to	Sen Mjr.	No 3 to	Adj. T.
4	A/Adj. T.	5	T.O.	6	C.M.
7	M.O.	8	"A" Coy	9	"B" Coy
10	"C" Coy	11	"D" Coy	12	Hqrs
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## APPENDIX 3

(A). EMBUSSING TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 19th BATTN. ORDER NO 73.

Units in the order of Embussing.	Embussing Pt.	Date & Time	Debussing Pt.	Billeting Area.
3rd Bde Hqrs No 3 Sig Sectn. 9th Battn. 10th Battn 3rd Fld Coy Engrs 3rd Fld Amb.	Sheet 28. M.17.c.8.4. (CANADA CORNER). Facing South -west.	4th April 2.30 p.m.	Sheet 28. N.3.b.8.4. (just outside CAESTRE on the CAESTRE-FLETRE Road)	CAESTRE Brigade Sub-sector.

C.O. 10th Battn will be in charge of Column.

(B) TRANSPORT COLUMN. Head of Column will pass the STARTING POINT  
Cross Roads in LA CLYTTE at No 7 Central at 10am

Date	Units in order of March.	From	to	Route	Remarks.
4 Apr	11th Battn 12th Battn 3rd M.G. Coy 9th Battn 10th Battn 3rd Bde Hqrs 3rd Fld Coy Engrs Cable Sect Sig Coy Mob Vet Sectn S.A.A. Sectn D.A.C. 3rd Aust Fld Amb.	LA CLYTTE	CAESTRE	LOCRE-BAILLEUL METEREM-FLETRE.	At interval of 100 yds will be maintained between Unit Transport. 4th Coy A.A.S.C. will move independently Bde Trans Officer will command the column.



ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM ISSUED IN CONNECTION  
WITH BATTALION ORDER NO. 73

Battalion Headquarters  
4th April 1918.

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1. ADVANCE PARTIES. Lieut. C.J.Scott MC and five N.C.O.s (already detailed) will report to Battalion Orderly Room at 0840, in readiness to proceed to CAESTRE, as billeting party. Lieut Scott will report to Asst. Adjutant at 0835 for orders. Dress for N.C.O.s, full marching order and blankets and iron rations. 4/4/18
2. TRANSPORT - Baggage Waggons. Two Baggage Waggon's will report at Battalion H.Q. at 7 a.m. on 4/4/18 for loading. No unauthorised loads will be carried by Transport. Superstructures on Cookers will carry only authorised cooking equipment, and Company wet rations.
3. STORES
  - (a) Lewis Guns and magazines complete will be dumped at Q.M.s Store by 0800 on 4/4/18, for loading.
  - (b) Officers Mess Boxes, one per Company, will be returned by respective companies. These will be carried to Embussing Point <sup>ained</sup> Company arrangements.
  - (c) Officers Valises to be at Q.M.s Store by 0830. These will be reduced to a minimum.
  - (d) Company boxes, one per company to be at Q.M.s Store for loading at 0800, on 4/4/18.
4. DRESS Full marching order and blanket. Felt hats to be worn. Iron rations to be carried,
5. FELT HATS Companies will draw Felt Hats, and distribute at 10 a.m.
6. INSPECTION O.s C. Companies will furnish to Asst. Adjutant, a certificate as to the cleanliness of their lines, by 1200 on 4/4/18. Lines to be left scrupulously clean.
7. LOADING PARTY Loading Party will report at Q.M.s Store at 0800. This party has already been detailed.
8. GUARDS & PRISONERS. Lieut. A.H.Goode will be responsible for the transfer of prisoners to CAESTRE. Present Guard will NOT be relieved until midday 5/4/18.
9. SUPPLIES. Q.M. will arrange distribution of Iron Rations before 10 a.m. on 4/4/18. These will be carried on the man. Rations will be drawn on 4th inst. for consumption on 6th, from A.S.C. located at Church, CAESTRE.
10. RATIONS. Q.M. will arrange for hot meal to be prepared on evening of 4th inst. Headquarters will draw meal from Cookers' H.Q. to arrange with Sgt.Cook, which details will draw from the respective Company Cookers.
11. CLOTHING Full Company Parades are required at times as shown hereunder, for the purpose of being reclothed.

"C" Coy .	0900.	H.Q.	0930.
"B" Coy.	1000.	"A" Coy	1030.
"D" Coy.	1100.		

O.s C. Companies will render certificate by 1200, stating whether ALL other ranks, of their respective companies, have been inspected by the Quartermaster,



ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM (contd.)

12. CYCLIST ORDERLY. Signal Officer will detail one cyclist orderly to report at Brigade Headquarters, on arrival at CAESTRE. 24 hours rations to be carried. Departure to be reported to B.O.R.

13. BAND. Band will proceed full marching order (as per para. 4 ) and will carry instruments also.

*C. H. Jorgensen*

Lieut & A/Adjt.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION.

Issued to all recipients of Battalion Order No. 73.

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TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F.

APPENDIX

4

BATTALION ORDER NO 74.Battalion Headquarters.  
5th April 1918.

## Reference :-

Sheet 5.A.  
Hazebrouck 1/10000.

1. The brigade Group will entrain at CAESTRE on the 5th and 6th April.
2. TIMES. The times for the entraining of the 10th Battalion will be as under.
- | Train No | Serial No | Unit.  | Date   | Time      |
|----------|-----------|--|--------|-----------|
| 13       | 1.A.33    | 10th Battn (less "D" Coy with Cooker & team) | 6/4/18 | 3.25 a.m. |
| 19.      | 1.A.33.   | "D" Coy 10th Bn. with Cooker and team.       | 6/4/18 | 9.25 a.m. |
3. TRANSPORT. 10th Battn. Transport and Personnel will entrain with the Battn. train No 13.
4. ENTRAINING OFFICERS.
- | Brigade. | Entraining Officer | Detraining | Officer               |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-----------------------|
|          | Capt R.R. Agnew.   |            | 3rd Battn             |
|          | Major C. Rumball   |            | MC 10th Bn.           |
| Battn    | Entraining Officer |            | Lieut M.P. Gatchliff. |
|          | Detraining         | "          | " E.C. Harvey.        |
5. The trains are made up as follows :-
1. Officers Coach.
  30. Covered Trucks.
  17. Flat Trucks.
  3. Brake Vans.
- Each covered truck will carry 40 men, or 8 L.D. horses or 6 H.D. horses. Each covered truck will take on an average 4 axels.
6. OFFICERS. Owing to the lack of accomodation on train No 13, the following Officers will be attached to "D" Coy for move to detraining Station.
- | Lieut         | Officer | Coy. | Lieut                | Officer | Coy. |
|---------------|---------|------|----------------------|---------|------|
| F.E. Rice.    | "A"     | Coy. | 2/Lt A.E. Mining     | "A"     | Coy. |
| " P. Holloway | "B"     | Coy  | " W. Sharland        | "B"     | Coy. |
| " C.B. Fenn.  |         |      | Lieut W.H. Davidson. |         |      |
7. MOVE TO ENTRAINING STATION.
- The 10th Battn will move by March Route to CAESTRE Station on 6/4/18.

INFANTRY PERSONNEL.

10th Battn (less "D" Coy & Cooker) will pass Starting Point "D" Coys Billet, at 1.15 a.m. on 6/4/18.  
Order of March. Hqrs, A, B, C.

"D" Coy 10th Battn (& cookers & team) will pass Starting Point "D" Coys Billet, at 7.15 a.m. on 6/4/18.

The Battn. less Transport & "D" Coy will arrive at Entraining Stn at 3 a.m. on 6/4/18.

"D" Coy, 10th Battn, will arrive at Entraining Stn at 8 a.m. on 6/4/18.

TRANSPORT.

The 10th Battn. Transport will arrive at CAESTRE Station at 12.25 a.m. on 6/4/18. The Battn. T.O. will arrange Starting Point and time to pass same.



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APPENDIX 4

## BATTALION ORDER NO 74 (continued)

8. LEWIS GUNS. Each Company will mount 1 Lewis Gun for protection against enemy aircraft during train journey. The positions of mounting will be arranged by Battn. L.G. Officer.  
The above guns plus 2 panniers to each gun will be drawn from Transport by Coys on 5/4/18.
9. DISCIPLINE. Coy Commanders will give the matter of discipline during the train journey their personal attention. All ranks will be warned that silence is essential during entrainment, when passing through stations, and during detrainment.
- 10 ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS will be issued separately.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*R. G. Brown*  
Captain and Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued by Run ner at 12.15.p.m.

Copy No 1	to C.O.
2	Senior Major.
3	Adjutant.
4	A/Adj.
5	Q.M.
6	M.O.
7	T.O.
8	"A" Coy.
9	"B" "
10	"C" "
11	"D" "
12	Hqrs.
13	War Diary
14	do
15	do



ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BATTN. ORDER NO. 74.

10th. Battalion Headquarters  
5th. April 1918

- 1. ADVANCE PARTY Lieut, ~~A.T. Hill~~ <sup>W. Leary</sup> and 5 N.COs ( one per Coy) will proceed to new area as Billetting Party. This party will report to Assist. Staff Capt. 3rd. Brigade, at CAESTRE Station at 1330 today.
- 2. STORES Officers Commanding Companies will arrange Coy. Mess Boxes are carried on superstructures of respective Coy. Cookers. During present move Hqrs. Coy. Mess Box will be carried by "C" Coy. Cooker. Q.M. will arrange that all Valises are loaded by 1600 today.
- 3. DRESS Full Marching Order. Felt Hats. Band will also carry instruments.
- 4. INSPECTION. Officers Commanding Companies must ensure that all Billets are left clean. Certificates will be rendered to A/ Adj. with reference to cleanliness of Billets vacated, immediately on arrival in New Area.
- 5. GUARDS & PRISONERS Duty Company is responsible for the Transfer of prisoners to the New Area.
- 6. SUPPLIES Supplies for consumption on the 7th. will be drawn today from Supply Dump, CAESTRE. There will be no issue tomorrow 6/4/18. Supplies for consumption on 8th. will be drawn on 7th.
- 7. RATIONS Q.M. will arrange that either Hot Tea or Hot Soup is provided at entraining Point. Hqrs. will draw from Cookers. Iron Rations will be carried on the man. Q.M. will arrange distribution.
- 8. BILLETING LISTS These will be prepared by Coys. and rendered to A/Adj. by 1600 today. Particulars required as under:-

No. of Billet	Name of Householder	:	Off	OR	Horses
:	:	:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:	:	:

- 9. MARCHING IN STATES On arrival at New Area marching In States will be rendered immediately.

*Ed. Jorgensen*  
Lieut. & A/Adj.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued by Runner to all recipients of Battalion Order No. 74.



TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALIONSPECIAL ORDER.

19th. Battalion Headquarters

7th. April 1918.

The following has been received from the Brigade:-

The G.O.C. directs that the following orders be promulgated to all Troops under this Command, and that they be strictly complied with.

1. No Officer, N.C.O or man will leave the Village in which he is billeted, without a pass countersigned by a Brigade Staff Officer.
2. AMIENS is out of Bounds to all Troops of this Brigade.
3. All Troops must be kept well in hand and must be prepared to move at short notice. All ranks, therefore, must be kept within the restricted area of this Village.
4. Strict Fire precautions will be observed at all times.

*McGowan*

Captain &amp; Adjutant.

TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

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Copy No. 1 to G.O. 2 to S.M. 3. to Adj. 4. to Q.M. 5. to M.O.  
 6. to O.C."A" Coy. 7. to O.C."B" Coy. 8. O.C."C" Coy. 9 O.C."D" Coy.  
 10. to O.C."D" Coy. 11. O.C."HQ" 12,13,14 War Diary.



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BATTALION ORDER NO 75.

Battalion Headquarters.  
5th April 1918.

Reference :-  
AMIENS 1/100000.

1. MOVE. The 10th Aust Infantry Battalion will move by  
March Route to VIGNACOURT on 9/4/48.
2. STARTING POINT. Battalion Parade Ground.
3. TIME TO PASS STARTING POINT. 1 P.m. Order of march H.Qrs ,  
"B" "C" "D" "A".
4. DISTANCES. Distances on March will be maintained as under.  
Between Coys and between unit and its Transport - 100 yds
5. Administrative Orders are being issued separately.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. Howard

*H. D. D. D.* Capt. & Adj.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION. A. I. F.

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3	Senior Major
3	Adjutant.
4	Asst. Adjt.
5	Q.M.
6	M.O.
7	T.O.
8	"A" Coy
9	"B" Coy
10	"C" Coy
11	"D" Coy
12	Hqrs.
13	War Diary.
14	do
15	do



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APPENDIX

COPY NO. 645

TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALIONADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BATH, ORDER NO. 75.

10th. Battalion Headquarters  
9th. April 1918.

1. ADVANCE PARTY. Lieut. J. P. Searcy and 5 Other Ranks from "HQ" Coy. (Intelligence) will proceed to New Area as billeting Party. This Party will report to Assist. Staff Capt. at VIGNACOURT at 9 a.m. today.
2. BILLETS AND INSPECTION Officers Commanding Companies will ensure that billets vacated today are left in a clean condition. Certificates to this effect will be rendered to Adjutant immediately on arrival at destination today.
3. STORES. (a) Valises - All Valises will be at each Company Headquarters ready for collection at 11 a.m. today. Q.M. will arrange that same are collected.  
(b) Coy. Boxes - These will be on each Coy. HQ. Dump ready for collection at 11 a.m.
4. HOT MEALS Q.M. will arrange that Hot Meal is prepared for all Companies which will be ready for consumption by 11.30 a.m. to day. On arrival at destination today hot tea will be prepared immediately.
5. BAND Q.M. will arrange that Packs of Bandmen are conveyed to New Area.
6. IRON RATIONS Each Company must ensure that every man is in possession of 24 hours Iron Rations.

*Sum*  
Lieut. & A/ Adjt.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

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6. T.O.  
7. M.C.  
8. C.O. "A" Coy.

9. C.O. "B" Coy.  
10. C.O. "C" Coy.  
11. C.O. "D" Coy.  
12. C.O. "HQ"  
13.)  
14.) War Diary  
15.)  
16. File.



TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

APPENDIX

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BATTALION ORDER NO. 78.Reference:-  
Lens 1/100,000Battalion Headquarters.  
9th. April 1918.

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1. MOVE The Tenth Australian Infantry Battalion will move by route march to RAINNEVILLE tomorrow 10/4/18.
  2. STARTING POINT Starting Point will be "D" Coys. billets.
  3. TIME TO PASS STARTING POINT Time to pass starting point will be 1.0. p.m.
  4. ORDER OF MARCH "C", "D", "A", "B", Coys. and Hqrs.
  5. DISTANCES Distances on March will be maintained as under:-  
Between Coys. and between Unit and its Transport - 100yds.
  6. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS Administrative instructions will be issued separately.
  7. ACKNOWLEDGE

*[Signature]*  
Captain & Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Issued by Runner at 9.9.p.m.

## Distribution

Copy No. 1 to C.O.	6. M.O.	11. "D" Coy.
2. S.M.	7. T.O.	12. "Hqrs."
3. Adjt.	8. "A" Coy.	13.)
4. A/Adjt.	9. "B" "	14.) War Diary.
5. C.M.	10. "C" "	15.)



TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BATTALION ORDER  
NO. 76.

Battalion Headquarters  
9th April 1918

1. ADVANCE PARTY. Lieut. J.W. Searcy and five other ranks from "H.Q." Coy. (Intelligence) will proceed to New Area as billeting party. This party will report to Asst. Staff Capt. at RAINEVILLE at 9 a.m. tomorrow.
2. BILLETES AND INSPECTION Officers Commanding Companies will ensure that Billets vacated, are left in a clean condition. Certificates to this effect will be rendered to the Adjutant immediately on arrival at destination.
3. STORES (a) Valises. All valises will be at each Company HQ, ready for collection at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow. Q.M. will arrange that same are collected.  
(b) Coy. Mess Boxes. These will be on each Coy. Dump ready for collection at 10.30 a.m.
4. HOT MEALS Q.M. will arrange that hot meal is prepared for all companies, which will be ready for consumption at 11.30 tomorrow. On arrival at destination, hot meal will be prepared immediately.
5. BAND Q.M. will arrange that packs of bandsmen are conveyed to New Area.
6. IRON RATIONS Each company will ensure that every man is in possession of 24 hours rations.
7. DRESS Marching order, with or without packs. This will be notified later. In the event of packs being conveyed (1) Blankets will be rolled in bundles of ten and clearly labelled. To be at Coy. dump by 10.45 a.m. (2) Steel helmets will be collected and placed at each Company dump by 10.45 a.m. Mess tins must be inside pack, *if packs are conveyed by Lorry, inside haversack.*
8. MEN FALLING OUT Men falling out on line of march, must be in possession of chit signed by platoon Commander, and this will be endorsed by the R.H.O.

*C. J. Searcy*  
Lieut & A/Adjt.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF.

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## APPENDIX

## BATTALION ORDER NO 77.

10th Battalion Headquarters

## Reference:-

AMIENS 1/100,000  
HAZEBROUCK 1/100,000

11th April 1917

1. The 10th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION in conjunction with the FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION is being transferred to the 2nd ARMY.

The move will be made in two stages:-

(a) March route from RAINNEVILLE to Bivouac Position between POULAINVILLE and AMIENS.

(b) Rail from St ROCH "A" Station to CASSELL.

2. MOVE BY MARCH ROUTE.

(a) The Battalion will move by march route to Bivouac position on 12/4/1918.

(b) STARTING POINT - "B" Coys. Headquarters. Time to pass Starting Point 11.30.a.m.

(c) ORDER OF MARCH - "B", "A", "C", "D", and Hqs.

(d) Lieut Jorgensen will meet the Brigade Major at Cross Roads at the "E" in POULAINVILLE at 10.30.a.m. on 12th inst and reconnoitre Bivouac Position. He will then meet the Battalion on main AMIENS ROAD and guide same to Bivouac position.

3 MOVE BY RAIL

(a)	Train No.	Serial No	Entraining Station	Unit.	Date	Time
	33	1A33	St Roch.	10th A.I. Battn less "B" Coy & "B" Coys. Cooker and team.	12/4/18	3.47.a.m
	35	1A33	St Roch.	"B" Coy 10th Btn plus "B" Coy Cooker & Team.	12/4/18	6.47.a.m

(b) ENTRAINING OFFICERS

(3rd Brigade. Capt. R.R. Agnew. 3rd Bde.  
ST ROCH. (10th Battalion Lieut H.P. Gatcliffe.

(c) DETRAINING OFFICERS

CASSELL. 3rd Brigade Capt. B.J. Andrew 10th Battn.  
10th Battn. Lieut E.C. Harvey.

Lieut H.P. Gatcliffe will report to Brigade Entraining Officer at 1.0.a.m. on 12th inst.

O.C. "B" Coy will detail 1 Officer (entraining) to report to Brigade Entraining Officer at 4.0.a.m. on 12th inst.



- (d) Infantry Transport will arrive at entraining Station 3 hours before the time of departure of train, and Infantry Personnel 1½ hours before departure of train.

### 3. MOVE FROM BIVOUAC.

- (a) The time for Battalion to move from Bivouac to Entraining Station will be notified by message on afternoon of 19th inst.

### 4. LEWIS GUNS.

Each Company will mount 1 Lewis Gun for the journey by train. These will be for protection against low flying Enemy planes. The Battalion Lewis Gun Officer will supervise the mounting of the above.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS are being issued separately.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*R. Bouché*

Captain and Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION.

Issued by Runner at 10.30.p.m.

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	4	A/Adj.
	5	Q.H.
	6	T.O.
	7	M.O.
	8	O.C. "A"
	9	" " "B"
	10	" " "C"
	11	" " "D"
	12	" " "H.Q."
	13	
	14	War Diary
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App. VIII APPENDIX 25  
Copy No. ....

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM  
ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BATTALION ORDER No. 77.

AMMUN 1,100,000.  
HABSBROUCK 1,100,000.

En. Hqs. 11.4.18.

1. BILLETING PARTIES. Lieut. J.W. Searey and 5 other ranks (Intelligence Section) will proceed with bicycles to New Area and on arrival at detraining point will report to Sds. Billeting Officer for instructions. This party will proceed with train departing from ST. ROCH Station at 9.47 p.m. on 12.4.18 (Train No. 19) 48 hours rations will be carried by this party.
2. TRANSPORT. All vehicles will be entrained full. Water carts must be full. Horses to be watered prior to entraining.
3. RATIONS for consumption on 14th inst. will be drawn at 12 midday 12.4.18 at ST. ROCH Station. No rations will be drawn on 13th inst. On 14th inst. rations will be drawn in New Area. Location will be notified later.
4. HOT MEALS. Hot tea will be prepared and issued by 10.30 a.m. tomorrow. On arrival at bivouaging site hot meal will be prepared. This meal will not be issued before 4.30 p.m. Q.M. will arrange that either hot tea or hot soup is provided at entraining and detraining points.
5. MOTOR LORRIES. Motor transport (1 lorry per Coy.) will be available for moving packs and blankets from present location to bivouaging location. Each Coy. will have packs strapped at Coy. Hqs. by 11 a.m. Blankets will be strapped round packs and steel helmets under flap of packs. Lt. Allanson will proceed with lorries, and will be met by guides from advance party at approximately cross roads above first "L" in LINE KILN on main road running from RAINEVILLE to AMMUN. Each Coy. will send two men ONLY with lorry allotted Coy. Lt. Allanson will ensure that no other personnel ride on lorries. This party will load and unload packs and remain as guard until arrival of the Battalion.
6. DRESS. Fighting Order, plus water proof sheet (under flap of haversack) Mess tins will be carried inside haversacks.
7. MEDICAL. Sick parade will be held at 8.30 a.m. on 12.4.18. Ambulance Cart is not available to follow in rear of column.
8. BILLETS. O's.C. Coys. will ensure that Billets are left scrupulously clean when vacated. Certificate to this effect will be forwarded to B.O.R. immediately on arrival in New Area.
9. STORES. (a) VALISES. All Valises will be at each Coy. Hqs. ready for collection at 9 a.m. tomorrow. Q.M. will arrange for collection.  
(b). COY. BOXES. These will also be at Coy. Hqs. for collection by 9 a.m. on 12th inst.
10. BAND. Bandmen will collect packs at bivouaging location and from there will convey same until detrainment.



ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS (Contd.)

- 11. IRON RATIONS. All men must carry Iron Rations, and certificate will be forwarded to Adjt. by 10 a.m. tomorrow that every man is in possession of same.
- 12. MEN FALLING OUT. Second in command of Coys will ensure that men falling out on the line of march have permission to do so. This permit must be endorsed by Medical Officer who will be in rear of column.
- 13. GUARDS & PRISONERS. Duty Company will be responsible for transfer of prisoners to New Area. Guard will not be changed during move.
- 14. MARCHING IN STATE will be furnished immediately on arrival in New Area.
- 15. BILLETING LISTS will be prepared and forwarded immediately on arrival in New Area.

*C. J. Ingenda*

Lieut. & Asst. Adjt.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F.

Issued to all recipients of Bn. Order. 77.

*11/Jan.*



## TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

## DISPOSITIONS

APPENDIX 9

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BRIGADE BOUNDARIESRIGHT

A line passing E and W through W.12.a.0.5. (Sheet 37)

LEFT

A line passing E and W through W.12.a.0.4.

INTER-COY. BOUNDARIES.RIGHT D.12. Central to E.1.c.2.5. (Sheet 36a)RIGHT CENTRE E.1.c.2.5. to E.1.a.0.9. (Sheet 36a)LEFT CENTRE E.1.a.0.9. (Sheet 36a) to W.25.a.1.9. (Sheet 37)LEFT W.25.a.1.9. to W.12.a.1.9.HEADQUARTERS

3rd A.I. Brigade	Sheet 36A	D.3.d.2.0.
Reserve Battalion	" 37	V.30.c.4.4.
Right Forward Batta	" 36A	D.12.a.2.1.
Left " "	" 37	W.12.c.7.9.
3rd Bde Amm. Refill. Pt.	36A	D.6.a.4.3.
Nucleus Battalion	" 36A	D.12.a.3.5.
Btn H.Qs and R.A.P.	" 37	V.29.d.8.9.
Transport Lines (Rear H.Q.)	36A	D.12.b.3.7.
Battalion O.P.	37	V.30.c.40.45.

Battalion is in Support to 3rd A.I. Brigade Line which is defending HAZEBROUCK. The line is held on a four Company frontage, consisting of Platoon Strong Posts, each Company having three platoons in the line, and one platoon in support.

RIGHT COY. "A" COMPANY. (REFERENCE SHEET 36A.)

Post	Location	Remarks	Billets	Remarks
Coy H.Q.	D.6.c.15.20.			
S.P. 1.	D.12.b.30.00.	1 L.G.	In Strong Post	
" 3	D.12.b.60.45	1 L.G.)		
" 3	D.12.b.90.70	1 L.G.)	E.7.a.05.90	Farm
" 3a	D.12.b.30.90	1 L.G.		
			D.6.d.30.70.	"

RIGHT CENTRE COY "C" COMPANY (REFERENCE SHEET:-

Sheet 37 H.Qs.	V.30.a.20.35		V.30.d.20.35	Farm
" 36A S.P. 4	D.6.d.80.70.	1 L.G.	E.1.a.30.00	"
" 36A " 5	D.6.b.80.30.	1 L.G.	D.6.b.80.40.	"
" 36A " 6	D.6.b.50.80.		D.6.b.45.80	Hayrick
" 36A " 6A	D.6.b.20.80	1 L.G.	D.6.b.30.80	Cottage
" 36A L.G. Post.)	D.6.b.95.80	1 L.G.	D.6.b.95.80.	Farm

LEFT CENTRE COY. "D" COMPANY (REFERENCE SHEET 37)

Coy H.Qs.	V.30.d.35.60		V.30.d.35.60.	Farm
S.P. No 7.	V.30.d.70.50	1 L.G.	V.30.d.70.50)	MARK
" 3	V.30.d.90.90	1 L.G.	V.30.d.90.90)	In posts.
" 3	V.30.b.95.45	1 L.G.	V.30.b.90.70	Farm
1 <sup>st</sup> Platoon and L.G. in RESERVE at Coy. Headquarters.				



LEFT COY. "B" COMPANY. (REFERENCE SHEET 27)

Coy H.Qs.	V.34.d.40.50.	V.34.d.40.50.	Farm
S.P. No 10A)	W.25.a.15.50. 1 L. G. )		
L.G. Post. )			
S.P. No 10.	V.34.d.30.50. 1 L. G. )	V.34.d.30.35.	Farm
" " 11	W.19.a.10.00 1 L. G. )	V.34.d.40.50.	Coy H.Qs.
" " 12	W.19.a.10.30 1 L. G. )	V.34.b.25.75.	Tarp. Shelter
1 Platoon	- 1 L. G. )	V.34.d.40.50.	Coy H.Qs.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT STATIONS

Battn H.Qs.	V.39.b.30.00	3 L. G.	Sheet 27.
Rt. Coy H.Qs	D. 6.c.25.20	1 L. G.	" 36A
Rt Centre )	V.39.d.30.35	1 L. G. )	
Coy H.Qs. )			
Lt. Centre )	V.39.d.35.60	1 L. G. )	" 37
Coy H.Qs. )			
Lt Coy H.Qs.	V.34.d.40.50	1 L. G. )	

SIGNAL COMMUNICATION

Battn H.Qs. to Brigade H.Qs.	D3 Telephone
Battn H.Qs. to 4 Coy H.Qs.	D3 "
Battn H.Qs. to Reserve Battn H.Qs.	D3 "

(T on to Brigade Line)

Battn H.Qs. to Left Forward Bn H.Qs.	D3 Telephone
	Visual both ways.
Battn H.Qs. to First Brigade H.Qs.	D3 Telephone
	(Left Forward Battalion)
Battn H.Qs. to 4 Coy Support S.P.	D3 Telephones
	(emergency lines)

TO

HEADQUARTERS

3rd A.I. Brigade.

Forwarded.



Captain and Adjutant  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

15/4/1918



## BATTALION ORDER NO 78

## APPENDIX 10

Reference Sheet 37.S.E.  
1/30,000

Battalion Headquarters  
April 19th 1918

4. The 3rd Australian Infantry Brigade will relieve elements of the 33rd British Division in the line from the left of the 1st Australian Infantry Brigade, Square X.39.c.8.8. inclusive to Square X.11.a.70.05

3. Brigade Headquarters will be established at X.1.a.0.0.

The Brigade will take over as follows :-

10th Bttn.....	Front Line, RIGHT.
11th "	.....Front Line, LEFT.
10th "	.....SUPPORT.
9th "	.....RESERVE.

On completion of relief the Battalions will be disposed as follows :-

10th Battalion. 3 Coys in line and 1 Coy. in Support

1 Coy from	METTEREN BECQUE to X.29.b.7.8.
1 " "	X.30.b.7.8. to X.15.c.3.8.
1 " "	X.15.c.3.8. to X.15.a.9.3.
1 " "	X.14.c.U.E. to X.14.b.5.4.
Bttn Hqs.	X.14.c.7.5.

11th Battalion. 3 Coys in Line and 1 Coy in Support.

1 Coy from	X.15.a.9.3. to X.16.a.3.8.
1 " "	X.16.a.3.8. to X.16.b.3.8.
1 " "	X.16.b.3.8. to X.11.c.5.9.
1 " "	X.15.a.9.0 to X.10.c.3.1.
Bttn Hqs.	X.15.b.7.7.

10 Battalion. Support Line.

From X.9.a.3.5. to X.10.a.5.8. to X.11.a.5.9. with Switch Trench from X.10.a.5.8. to X.5.c.4.9.

Coys. of 10th Battalion will be disposed as under :-

"A" Coy.	X.9.a.3.5. to X.9.b.3.7.
"B" "	X.9.b.3.7. to X.10.a.5.8.
"C" "	X.10.a.5.8. to X.11.a.5.9.
"D" "	Switch Trench X.10.a.5.8. to X.5.c.4.9.
Bttn Hqs.	will be established at R.33.B. Central.

### 3. MOVE FROM PRESENT AREA.

The Btn will move from this area at 7.30.p.m. on 19/4/18 by march route.

4. STARTING POINT- "A" Coy. Headquarters. TIME to pass  
Starting Point 7.30.p.m.

5. COOKERS. Mess Cart, water Cart, and Ammunition mules will move in rear of Battalion.

7. GUIDES. Guides will meet Coys. at X Roads in R.33.A.

### 8. COOKING ARRANGEMENTS.

Coy. Cookers will move to the vicinity of Battalion Hqs



Cooking arrangements will be notified later, and if possible Cookers moved close to Coys.

9. LIAISON DUTIES.

The undermentioned Officers will carry out Liaison duties :-

Lt Allanson C.R. Support Battn of Right Bde. (3rd Battn)  
Cap Perry W.H. Support Battn of Left Bde.  
Lt Mead F.J.S. Liaison with 11 Battn. Hqs. X.15.b.7.7.  
Lt Singleton P.E. Liaison with 12 Battn. Hqs X.14.c.7.3.

The above Officers will report to the Battn H.Qs. to which they are allotted on arrival in new area. They will keep such Battalions supplied with all information possible.

10. MOVE FROM THIS AREA.

- (a) ORDER OF MARCH - "Hqrs", "C", "D", "B", "A" Coys.
- (b) INTERVALS of 100 yards will be maintained between platoons.
- (c) ROUTE.- X.9.b.1.9. - X.3.b.4.3. - Oostivnd - Threushoek -  
W.6.a. Central - C Roukleshille - R.32.b.4.3. -  
X Roads R.33 A.

11. COY COMMANDERS' SKETCHES.

Coy. Commanders' Sketches of new locations will be forwarded to reach Battalion Headquarters before 6. a.m. 20th inst.

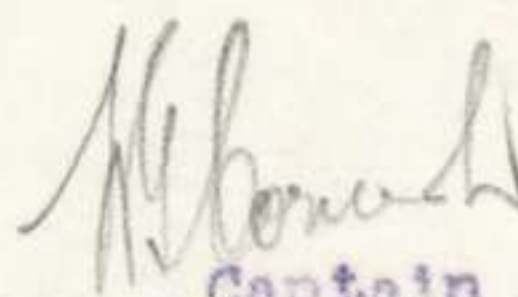
12. AMMUNITION SUPPLY

Brigade Ammun. Refilling Point Sheet 37 X.1.b.3.1.  
Brigade Ammunition Dump " 37 X.2.d.7.3.

Ammunition will be delivered to Coys by pack mules from Brigade Ammunition Dump.  
All requisitions for ammunition and bombs will be forwarded to Battalion Headquarters.

13. RELIEF Completion will be notified to Battalion Headquarters, URGENT MESSAGE in CODE.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE.



Captain and Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF.

Issued by Runner at 6.0.p.m.

Distribution :-

Copy No 1. C.O.  
2 Adj.  
3 M.O.  
4 Q.M.  
5 T.O.  
6 O.C. "A" Coy  
7 " B "  
8 " C "  
9 " D "  
10 " Hqrs  
11)  
12) War Diary.  
13)



SPECIAL ORDER.

Battalion Headquarters  
April 20th 1918.

1. The method of holding the Battalion portion of SUPPORT LINE is being altered as under :-

The RED LINE will be held by "A" & "C" Coys with boundaries as follows :-

"A" Coy. From X.9.a.2.7. to X.10.a.1.5.

"B" Coy. From X.10.a.1.5. to Divisional Boundary at X.10.b.5.6.

"B" Coy. Will take up Support position on approximate line X.3.a.9.1. to X.4.a.1.6.

"D" Coy. In Reserve position on approximate line R.33.c.9.7.

Arrangements for these alterations will be made mutually between Coy. Commanders concerned, and the different moves will take place immediately.

"B" Coy will dig in on line allotted.

"A" Coy will extend its present position in RED TRENCH to left

"C" Coy will extend its present position in RED TRENCH to right.

"D" Coy is already in position.

Battalion Headquarters will be notified immediately on completion, and Coy Commander's sketches showing dispositions will be forwarded as soon as possible.

2. ACTION IN CASE OF ATTACK.

In the event of an enemy attack being launched the S.O.S. Signal will be sent up opposite the front attacked.

On S.O.S. being fired all ranks will "stand to arms".

The lines held by "A" & "C" Coys will be held at all costs, there will be no retirement, even if the enemy penetrates the flanks of position.

The 9th & 10th Battalions hold the Brigade SUPPORT LINE, each with TWO Companies, the remaining Companies will -

1. Counter attack to retake any portion of front line that may be lost, or,

(b) Form defensive flanks should enemy break through.

The Reserve Coys. of 9th Battn will operate on RIGHT FLANK, and those of the 10th Battn ("B" & "D" Coys) on LEFT FLANK.

Our Vickers Guns are distributed in depth, specially covering the dangerous ground on flanks.

All ranks will carry 330 rounds of S.A.A., and will be warned against acting on orders issued by spies or irresponsible Officers and men.

The Brigadier enjoins all ranks to act on the Divisional Motto

"WHAT WE HAVE WE HOLD."

*M. Brown*  
Captain and adjutant  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF.



DISPOSITIONSR E P O R T

20/4/1918.

The TENTH. BATTALION. is in SUPPORTS and holds with two companies a line of trenches from LE BESACE FARM at X.9.a.3.7. to X.10.b.6.5

The remaining two Companies are held in reserve for counter attacks if necessary.

DISPOSITIONS.

Battn. H. Qs. ~~X.8.b.4.1~~ R.32.d.9.5.  
 Right Coy H.Qs. .... X.3.c.8.6.  
 Line Right. .... X.9.a.3.7. to X.9.b.7.5.  
 Left Coy H.Qs. .... X.4.c.3.4.  
 Line. Left. .... X.9.b.7.5. to X.10.b.6.5.  
 The line consists of a series of Platoon and section Strong posts.

1st Reserve Coy H.Qs. .... X.4.c.1.5.  
 Coy in bivouacs along hedge in X.3.b.

2nd Reserve Coy H.Qs. .... X.3.a.6.5.  
 2 platoons entranced in wood at. X.3.a.4.9.  
 1 " in S.P. with trench R. 33.d.5.9. ) International  
 1 " " " " " " X.4.a.3.2. ) Posts

A.A. DEFENCES.

Battn H.Qs. .... R.33.d.9.5. .... 2 Lewis Guns.  
 Right. Coy. .... X.3.c.8.6. .... 1 " "  
 .... X.9.a.5.8. .... 1 " "  
 .... X.9.b.7.5. .... 1 " "

DUMPS.

Battn Ammunition Dump at R.33.d.9.5.  
 X.4.a.2.4.

OBSERVATION. POST.

X.4.d.2.9. (Blown up. 23/4/1918.)

23/4/1918.



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1/20,000.Battalion Headquarters  
April 23rd 19181. RELIEF.

The 10th Australian Infantry Battalion will relieve the 11th Australian Infantry Battalion in the line left of Brigade sector on night 23/24th April.

The 11th Battalion on relief will take over position at present occupied by 10th Battalion.

On completion of relief the 10th Battalion will be disposed as under :-

Battn. Hqrs.....	X.3.d.3.4.
"A" Coy, Line Right, Coy Hqrs	X.15.b.3.3.
"B" Coy, " Centre "	X.16.a.3.3.
"C" Coy, " Left "	X.15.b.7.3.
"D" Coy, " Support "	X.15.c.3.4.
R. A. P.....	X.3.d.3.3.

"A" Coy 10th Battn.	will take over from	"B" Coy 11th Battn
"B"	d i t t o	"B" do
"C"	d i t t o	"A" do
"D"	d i t t o	"C" do

2. ADVANCE PARTIES.

Co. C. Coys will send one officer per Coy, and one N.C.O. per platoon forward to reconnoitre new position at dusk on 23rd inst. They will then await arrival of their Coys.

3. GUIDES.

One guide per platoon will be supplied by the 11th Battn and will be at the following places at 9.0.p.m. on the 23/4/1918 :-

- (1) 4 guides for Left Coy (C) at X.15.b.3.3. at 9.0.p.m.
- (2) 4 guides for each Right and Centre Coys (A & B Coys) respectively at LE BESAGE FARM at 9.0.p.m.
- (3) 4 guides for support Coy (D) at X.3.d.3.3. at 9.0.p.m.

The relief will be pushed forward as soon after dark as possible on the 23rd inst.

4. S. O. S. 8 S.O.S. flares are maintained at Battalion Headquarters and 3 at each Coy Headquarters.

5. COY COMMANDERS' SKETCHES.

Coy. Commanders' original sketches will be forwarded to Battalion Headquarters within 12 hours after relief is complete.

6. COMPLETION. Completion of relief will be wired to Battalion Headquarters in code.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*W. H. Ingouie*  
for Captain and Adjutant

Issued by runner at 3.0.a.m.  
Distribution.-

Copy No 1	C.O.	8. O.C. "A" Coy
2	Adj.	9 " B "
3	A/Adj.	10 " C "
4	M.O.	11 " D "
5	Q.M.	12 " Hqrs.
6	T.O.	13 War Diary
7	Sen Mjr.	14)

TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF



## ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BATTN. ORDER 79.

Reference Sheet 37 S.E.  
1/30,000

Battalion Headquarters  
April 23rd 1918.

1. AMMUNITION SUPPLY

Pack animals will be quartered at LE BESACE FARM.

The following ammunition dumps have been established by the 11th Battalion :-

Dump	Location	S.A.A.	Bombs.
Main ammunition.	X.9.c.7.8.	30,000 rds	30 cases
Left Coy H.Qs.	(X.9.c.7.8.)		
	(X.10.b.7.8)	46,000 "	-
Centre Coy H.Qs.	X.16.a.3.8.	13,000 "	10 "
Right Coy H.Qs.	X.16.b.3.8.	10,000 "	10 "
Support Coy H.Qs.	X.10.c.3.4.	10,000 "	10 "

2. COOKING ARRANGEMENTS.

The cooking arrangements for this Battalion's coming tour will be as follows :-

The Battalion Coy. Cookers will return to the Transport Lines at dawn on 23/4/18.

All rations, wet and dry, will be brought forward each night after dark to the following places :-

Battn H.Qs. to Battn H.Qs. X.3.d.8.4.  
Right, Centre, and Support Coys to X.9.c.7.8.  
Left Coy to X.3.d.3.8.

The Support Coy. will arrange carrying parties forward from these dumps. Strength of parties, times etc. will be given to O.C. "D" Coy on 23/4/1918.

HOT FOOD CONTAINERS will be used, and as much food as possible sent forward each night.

TOMMY COOKERS will be issued to all Companies. These will be used wherever possible.

The Q.M. is arranging for supplies of soap, foot powder etc.

3. WATER Coy. Commanders will see that all men go forward with full water bottles on 23/4/1918.

4. DRESS All ranks will go forward in fighting order plus blanket and waterproof sheet.

5. GAS HELMETS, EMERGENCY RATIONS, AND AMMUNITION will be examined and checked by Coy. Commanders on morning 23/4/1918.

6. TOOLS The Mobile reserve of tools now distributed to Companies will be taken forward.

*[Signature]*  
for Captain and Adjutant  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF.

Issued by runner at 2.0.a.m.  
to all recipients of Battn Order 79.



to all recipients of British Order of  
Issued by Minister of 3.0.8.11.

LEIGH INDEPENDENT BULLYTON VIL.  
The Secretary and Valence

*[Handwritten signature]*

1. **FOOD** will be taken forward.  
The Ministry of Health of food now distributed to companies  
and specified by Col. Commanders on morning 22/4/1918.  
2. **DRINK** will be taken forward in following order by the printer  
after 10.00 on 22/4/1918.  
3. **WATER** Col. Commanders will see that all men go forward with water  
the O.C. is attending for supplies of water for food board etc.  
re used wherever possible.  
4. **COOKING** will be turned to all companies. These will  
be used wherever possible.  
5. **COOKING** will be used and as much food as  
re given to O.C. "D" Col on 22/4/1918.  
from these companies. Supplies of water, etc. will  
be given to Col. will attend supplying water forward

Get Col to X.2.4.1.1.  
Water, etc. will be given to X.2.4.1.1.  
Water H.2.4.1.1. will be given to X.2.4.1.1.

Water will be given to the following places :-  
All locations, etc. will be provided forward

Water will be given on 22/4/1918.  
The Battalion Col. Cooks will be given to the following  
will be as follows :-  
The cooking arrangements for this Battalion, a cooking post

3. **COOKING ARRANGEMENTS.**

Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"
Water Col H.2.4.1.1.	X.2.4.1.1.	10,000	"	10	"

Water Battalion :-  
The following arrangement will be made as described by the

Back supplies will be given to the Battalion.

1. **WATER SUPPLY**  
Reference given 22.4.18.  
Battalion Headquarters

MINISTERIAL INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH BULLYTON ORDER 22.  
APPENDIX



## TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

APPENDIX 74

## REPORT.

METEREN SECTOR LEFT. REF. SHEET 37.

Battalion Headquarters,  
April 27th 1918.

Location.

Accommodation.

Battalion Hd. Qrs.....X.3.d.3.3.....

R. A. P.....X.3.c.3.0.....

Transport Lines.....Q.33.c.3.5.....

Battalion G.P.....X.10.b.4.3.....

Nucleus Battalion.....P.30.a.1.3.....

RIGHT COY.

Coy. Hd. Qrs.....X.9.d.3.6.....

Post.....X.15.b.9.6. to X.15.b.5.7..

".....X.15.b.6.6.....

".....X.15.b.6.5.....

".....X.15.b.7.6.....

".....X.15.b.3.7.....

Listening Post.....X.15.b.5.5.....

".....X.15.b.7.5.....

".....X.15.b.75.55.....

Post.....X.15.b.95.60 toX.16.a.3.6.

Platoon Hd. Qrs.....X.16.a.1.7.....

PostX.....X.16.a.3.7.....

Listening Post.....X.16.a.0.6.....

".....X.16.a.95.50.....

".....X.16.a.1.5.....

3 Platoons.

3 L.Guns.

1 Section.

1 L.Gun.

"

"

"

"

Night only.

"

"

3 Sections

1 L.Guns.

1 Section

Night only.

"

"

"

"

CENTRE COY.

Coy. Hd. Qrs.....X.16.a.3.9.....

Post.....X.16.a.40.75.....

".....X.16.a.3.3.....

".....X.16.a.30.55.....

".....X.16.a.6.7.....

1 Platoon.

1 L.Gun.

"

"

"

"

LEFT COY.

Coy. Hd. Qrs.....X.10.b.5.9.....

Post.....X.16.b.90.75 to X.16.b.95.75

".....X.17.a.30.85.....

".....X.11.c.40.15.....

Listening Post.....X.17.a.4.8.....

".....X.11.c.50.15.....

3 Plat.

2 L.Guns.

"

"

"

1 L.Gun.

SUPPORT COY.

Coy. Hd. Qrs.....X.10.c.3.4.....

Post.....X.9.d.7.5. to X.10.c.3.4.

".....X.11.c.6.5.....

3 Platoons

3 L. Guns

1 Platoon

1 L. Gun.

(International Post)

A. A. LEWIS GUNS :-

Position.

Location.

No. of Guns.

Battn. Hd. Qrs.....X.3.d.3.3.....

Support Coy.....X.10.c.3.4.....

3 Guns.

1 Gun.

S. O. S. STATIONS :-

Stations

Location

No of Signals.

Front Line Right....

" " Centre....

" " Left.....

Right Coy Hd. Qrs...X.9.d.3.6.....

Centre " " " ...X.16.a.3.9.....

Left " " " ...X.10.b.5.3.....

Support " " " ...X.10.c.3.4.....

Battalion HD.Qrs ...X.3.d.3.3.....

3 Signals.

3 "

3 "

3 "

3 "

3 "

6 "



AMMUNITION DUMPS.

<u>Position.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Q u a n t i t y.</u>	
		<u>S. A. A.</u>	<u>Bombs.</u>
Brigade Forward Dump...	X.2.d.9.5.		
Battalion Ammun. Dump..	X.9.a.1.8.....	65,000 rds.....	40 boxes.
Right Coy. )	Distributed.....	19,000 "	16 "
Centre Coy. )	along	16,000 "	23 "
Left Coy. )	line.	13,000 "	26 "
Left Coy. Hd.Qrs. (Reserve)	X.16.b.8.7...	40,000 "	23 "
Support Coy Hqrs.....	X.10.c.3.4...	2,000 "	13 "

DISPOSITIONS OF OTHER UNITS.

Right Battn. Left Coy Hqrs. X.14.b.4.6.  
 Left " Right " " X.11.a.7.9.

M.G. COMPANY (Covering this front)

Right Section Hqrs..... X.3.d.9.5.  
 Centre " " ..... X.3.d.3.8.  
 Left " " .....

MEDIUM TRENCH MORTARS.....

Section Headquarters..... X.9.d.2.7.

LIGHT TRENCH MORTARS

Section Headquarters.....

RESERVE BATTALION

Right Coy. Hqrs..... X.5.c.85.65.  
 Left " " ..... X.4.c.3.4.

*H. G. Bouché*

Captain and Adjutant.  
 TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTN.

27/4/1918



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BATTALION ORDER NO. 81.

APPENDIX 12

Reference Sheet 27 S.E.  
1/30,000.Battalion Hqrs.  
April 27th 1918.OPERATION. "G"

1. RELIEF. The 3rd Australian Infantry Brigade is being relieved in the line by the 1st Australian Infantry Brigade on the night 28/29th April.

The 10th Australian Infantry Battalion will be relieved by the 2nd Australian Infantry Battalion as follows :-

RIGHT			
"A" Coy	( <del>XXXX</del> COY)	10th Batt.	will be relieved by "C" Coy 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn
"B" "	( CENTRE )	d 1 t t o	"D" do
"C" "	( Left )	d 1 t t o	"B" do
"D" "	( SUPPORT )	d 1 t t o	"A" do

On completion of relief the 10th Battalion will move to ROUGE CROIX Area (area occupied by the Battn. before moving into present Brigade Area.)

2. GUIDES Each Coy will send 5 guides (1 per Coy. Hqrs. and 1 per platoon) to meet incoming Coys at the undermentioned places and times :-

Coy.	To meet.	At.	Time.
"A" 10th	"C" Coy 2nd Batt	X.3.c.1.5.	9.9.2.m.
"B" "	"D" " " "	X.3.d.3.8.	9.9.p.m.
"C" "	"B" " " "	X.3.d.3.8.	8.59.p.m.
"D" "	"A" " " "	X.3.d.3.8.	9.10.p.m.

HEADQUARTERS 2nd Battn. will move direct to 10th Battn Hqrs.

3. MOVE. On completion of relief Coys. will move independently to ROUGE CROIX by the following route :-  
Via Cross Roads X.7.d. - Cross Roads W.12.b. -  
COURTE CROIX - ROUGE CROIX.
4. DISTANCES. Distances of 200 yards will be maintained between Platoons
5. WAGON LINES.  
The 10th Battalion will take over the Wagon Lines at present occupied by the 2nd Battalion on 28/4/1918.
6. COMPLETION  
Completion of relief will be notified to Battn Hqrs by URGENT CODE message.

ADMINISTRATION. 4.

1. STORES. All Area Stores, ammunition, and S.O.S. Signals will be handed over to incoming Unit, and receipts for same obtained in DUPLICATE.  
Mobile reserve of tools will be carried out by Coys.  
Very Pistols and other Battalion Stores will on no account be handed over to incoming Unit.
2. ADVANCE PARTIES TO ROUGE CROIX.  
Each Coy will send 1 N.C.O. and 1 man per Coy to report to Intelligence Officer at Battn Hqrs. by dawn on 28/4/1918.  
They will proceed to ROUGE CROIX to arrange billeting etc.
3. WAGON LINES.  
Certificate as to cleanliness of lines vacated will be forwarded to Battalion Hqrs by the T.O. and Q.M. on completion of move.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H. G. C. Smith*  
Captain and Adjutant  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION



## ACTION IN CASE OF ATTACK.

APP. XVI

Reference Sheet 37.

Battalion Headquarters,  
April 30th 1918

1. The THIRD AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE is at present the Divisional Reserve.

Units are located as under :-

Unit.	Headquarters	Wagon Lines.
3rd A.I. Brigade.....	W.7.b.9.4.....	W.7.b.5.3.
9th Battalion.....	W.13.a.3.8.....	W.3.c.4.1.
10th ".....	W.9.b.0.4.....	P.6.d.3.5.
11th ".....	Q.35.b.3.5.....	W.3.d.0.2.
13th ".....	W.7.b.3.5.....	P.34.d.6.1.
Nucleus ".....	P.30.a.1.2.....	
3rd A.L.T.M. Battery.....	R.31.d.4.3.....	
3rd M.C. Company.....	W.7.b.3.4.....	

2. For the purpose of manouvre the Battalions of the Brigade will be lettered as under :-

"A" Battalion...	9th Battalion.
"B" ".....	10th "
"C" ".....	12th "
"D" ".....	13th "

3. In the event of a local success by the enemy, the Reserve Battalions of the Brigades in the line will be used to counter attack, but should further assistance be required to restore the situation the Brigade will be used in accordance with the attached "Plans for counter attack."

4. ASSEMBLY. On reaching Assembly Positions the Battalion will be disposed as under :-

SCHEME "A" Battalion Headquarters W.14.d.3.1.

Line Right "B" Coy.	Frontage	W.20.b.8.5. to W.21.a.0.6.
Line Centre "C" "	"	W.21.a.0.6. to W.21.a.2.7.
Line Left "D" "	"	W.21.a.2.7. to W.21.a.5.9.
Support "A" "	"	W.14.d.7.4.

SCHEME "B" Battalion Headquarters W.14.d.3.1.

Line Right "B" Coy.	Frontage	W.20.b.8.0. to W.20.b.6.4.
Line Centre "C" "	"	W.20.b.6.4. to W.20.b.8.8.
Line Left "D" "	"	W.20.b.8.8. to W.15.c.1.1.
Support "A" "	"	W.20.a.9.9.

SCHEME "C" Battalion Headquarters W.11.a.3.1.

Line Right "B" Coy	Frontage	W.11.c.7.3. to W.11.d.1.4.
Line Centre "C" "	"	W.11.d.1.4. to W.11.d.5.7.
Line Left "D" "	"	W.11.d.5.7. to W.11.d.9.9.
Support "A" "	"	W.11. Central.

SCHEME "D" Battalion Headquarters W.5.D.3.4.

Line Right "B" Coy	Frontage	W.5.d.5.0. to W.5.d.8.4.
Line Centre "C" "	"	W.5.d.8.4. to W.5.d.10.7.
Line Left "D" "	"	W.5.d.10.7. to W.6.c.4.9.
Support "A" "	"	W.5. Central.

Each Company will adopt the following formations :-

Lines of sections preceded by lines of ground scouts.

1 Platoon will be kept in Support.



(Sheet No 2.)

5. STAND TO. Coys. will be prepared to move at all times at 15 minutes notice. On receipt of warning order, all ranks will "Stand TO" in fighting order, with ground sheet and great coat rolled; 330 rounds of S.A.A., 1 bomb, filled water bottles, and 1 day's Iron Rations per man will be carried.

6. GENERAL On receipt of warning pack horses will be prepared ready to move forward with ammunition. Movement to the Assembly position will depend on the situation. Roads and well defined tracks to the should be avoided, and if the enemy fire is heavy, artillery formation will be adopted. Both on the move to the Assembly Point and during the counter-attack closest liaison must be kept with Units forward, on the flanks, and in rear of Battalion. During the counter attack touch with flanking Units must be kept, and communication maintained, whether by visual runner or visual (lamp, flags, or flappers, depending on circumstances.)

Officers and N.C.Os must thoroughly reconnoitre the whole Divisional Sector and be familiar with all routes and assembly positions therein. This can be done by day whilst the Battalion is in Divisional Reserve.

Captain and Adjutant.  
TENTH INFANTRY BATTALION AIF.

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	6	" " "D" "
	7	" " "Hqrs"
	8	Rear Hqrs.



APPENDIX

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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F.

30/4/1918.

Disposition Map and Report for the 1st and 2nd April, during which time the Battalion was in the line in HOLLEBEKE. Sector, was attached to WAR DIARY for month of march.



WAR. DIARY.

APPENDIX

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10th. AUSTRALIAN. INFANTRY. BATTALION.OUR OPERATIONS.PATROLS.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/1918. to 6.am. 2/4/1918.

1 officer and ten O.R. left post 4.0.12. at 8.30. p.m. to act as inter screen platoon relief and afterwards to patrol NO MANS LAND and intercept hostile patrols.

NO MANS LAND is in a very boggy condition, No enemy was observed, Front was exceptionally quiet.

Patrol returned through post 4.0.6. at 11-45 p.m.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

1 Off and 10 O.R. left post 1.0.6. at 1.45. a.m. to lie in our wire between post 1.0.6. and 200.6. and act as counter raid party.

No signs of enemy was seen.

Patrol returned through post 2.0.6. at 5-15 a.m.

1 Off and 10. O.R. left post 7.0 6. at 3.a.m. to lie in our wire, wire between post 6.0. 6. and 9.0.6. and act as counter raid party.

At 4-45. a.m. an enemy party of 15 were sight at 0.6.d.2. Moving from Canal towards post 10.0.6. Fire was opened and party disperesed, as dawn was breaking enemy casualties could not be looked for. Patrol returned through post 9.0.6. at 5.a.m.

Listening Posts were established in front of our wire from 8-15. p.m. The following is reported.

A party of enemy was working on wire between 11-15.p.m. & 1-15. p.m. in front of post 2.0.6. No other movement was observed.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/1918. to 3/4/1918.

1 Off and 10.O.R. left post 6.0.6. at 8-30. p.m. to examine condition of NO MANS LAND and intercept hostile patrols. NO MANS LAND is in a very marshy condition, Owing to intense darkness a thorough search could not be made for enemy dead, no enemy movements was heard or seen.

Patrol returned through post 12.0.6. at 11.p.m.

1 Off and 10. O.R. left post 3.0.12. at 11-30.p.m. to examine conditions of NO MANS LAND and intercept hostile patrols. Owing to intense darkness listening posts were establish in place of patrol. L.P. were in front of posts 3.0.12. and 1.0.6. No enemy were seen or heard.

patrol returned through post 3.0.12. at 2-30. a.m.

1 Off and 10.O.R. left post 6.0.6. at 2-40 a.m. to examine condition of NO MANS LAND and intercept hostile patrols.

2 enemy were seen to leave a position at 0.6.a.4.4. which is suspected to be a listening post, considerable movement was seen at and about LOCK 6. A group of men was seen walking away from Pill Box along Railway Embankment, Loud knocking as of hammering could be heard from direction of LOCK 6.

Patrol returned through post 9.0.6. at 4-45. a.m.

Listening Posts were established along front from Dusk to Dawn The following is reported.

Between 2-40 a.m. + dawn, enemy covering + working party was observed in front of post 1.0.6. Laughing, talking + pegs being driven in, was heard.



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OUR OPERATIONS. Continued.ARTILLERY.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/1918. to 6 a.m. 2/4/18.

Very active all day shewing a marked increase, Between 11.a.m. & 12. a.m. also between 1.p.m. 3.p.m. some direct hits were observed on Pill Box in front of post 6.0.6.

At 1-15. a.m. a barrage of Gas H.E. and shrapnel was dropped by our artillery, at 1-35 a.m. flares of two Reds were fired by the enemy, his Artillery replied, Our Barrage ceased at 2-30. a.m.

At 3-30 a.m. our Artillery dispersed an enemy working party in front of post 11.0.6.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/1918. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Were active throught day Shelling enemy posts on left of LOCK 6, LOCK.6, ZANDVORDE, & TEMERINLEN.

At 4-45.p.m. our heavies caused an explosion at 125d (True Bearing ) Distance about 4000. yds, Bearing taken from 0.5.d.5.7.

An enemy working party was despersed by our Artillery At 0.12.b.4.6.

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TRENCH MORTARS.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/1918. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

From 4-30.a.m. to 4-45.a.m. our 3 in, Stokes fired 24 round on enemy post at 0.12.d.60.7B.

FROM 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Stokes mortars in Railway Trench fired 30 rounds at LOCK 6. between 1.a.m. & 2.20. a.m. as a result of which enemy Mortars shelled our left posts.



OUR OPERATIONS.    Continued.    --MACHINE. GUNS.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/1918. to 2/4/ 1918.

Our Machine Guns were very active playing on enemy lines and rear intermittently during night.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/1918.

As usual great activity was shown, being very alert and firing intermittently during night on enemy lines, Tracks, and other important targets.

SNIPING.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18 to 6.a.m. 2/4/1918.

During this period, no suitable target appeared movement was observed but beyond range, so no action was taken.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/1918.

As previous day no suitable target appeared within range, Weather also being against us.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/1918.

Our planes have shown great activity during above period, patrolling forward and frequently crossing enemy lines. No action was taken by enemy defences.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/1918.

Very active during day and more so during late afternoon patrolling our forward area and enemy lines.

At 1-45.p.m. 3 planes flew at a low altitude along Canal and behind enemy lines and appeared to be firing into LOCK.6. No activity by enemy A.A. defences.

Our activity goes to prove that our planes hold supremacy in the air, on this sector.



OUR OPERATIONS. Continued.GAS.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18 to 6.a.m. 2/4/1918.

At 1-30.a.m. our projectors sent large volumes of Gas in direction of LOOK 5.

At 1-55.a.m. gas was smelt in Railway Trench owing to change of wind which blew Clouds of Gas up Canal. At 3-45. a.m. wind again changed and Gas cleared.

Result of Gas on enemy cannot yet be reported on.



ENEMY ACTIVITY.ENEMY ATTITUDE.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

He was much less active even than previous day in all cases with exception of his Aircraft which showed a slight increase.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Still remains very quiet but alert, his flares and M.Gs. were very active during the dark hours of the night.

HOSTILE DEFENCES.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

WORKS. --- Working party was heard on wire in front of post E.O.G. between 11-15.p.m. and 1-15.p.m.  
At 3-30.a.m. enemy working party was despersed by our Artillery in front of post 11.O.G.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18 to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Between 3-30 and 11-30.p.m. a working party was heard in front and direction of LOCK 6.

Between 2-40.a.m. and Dawn a working party was heard and observed in front of post 1.O.G.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

MACHINES GUNS. --- His M.Gs were very active during night firing intermittently on parts of our tracks and front area.  
No activity was shown during day.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

As reported on previous day, his M.Gs. were very active during dark hours of night, firing intermittently on and behind our lines.

TRENCH MORTARS. ----

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

Very slight activity was shown during this period, even less than previous day.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Quiet until 12-35.a.m. when 27 L.T.Ms were fired on our left posts this continued until 2.a.m.  
His Trench Mortars are fired from LOCK. 5&6



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.MOVEMENTS & ORGANISATIONS.DUMPS.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/

At 10-5.a.m. several explosions were heard and observed in WERVICQ. result of our shelling.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/

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SNIPERS POST.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/

Located at O.6.d.5.7. which was found to be unoccupied and a store of about 8 doz Bombs.

SIGNALS.

At 4.a.m. 5 lights (white) were fired along Cal Bank. No activity followed.

At 12-30. p.m. A lamp signal was observed which appeared from a large building in rear of COMMINES. True bearing of same is 139½ dgs bearing taken from O.5.d.5.7.

At 8-30.p.m. signaling observed from WERVICQ.

At 8-50.p.m. what appeared to be a signal was fired with tracer bullets fired thus, a single bullet first and followed by two others this was continued at an interval of 4 minutes. It was again observed at 2.a.m. and lasted to 4-00.a.m.

At 1-30.a.m. after our Barrage was put down, 2 red flares was sent up by the enemy in reply a light Barrage, was put down on our front line.

SMOKE.

Thick smoke was observed coming out of Pill Box at P.l.c.9.l. at 11.a.m. and 11-55.a.m. from Pill Boxes at LOCK 8.



MOVEMENTS & ORGANISATIONS. Continued.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/1918.

SIGNALS.

At 8-10.a.m. A lamp signaling to front line (enemy) from WERVICQ. Was unable to read.

TRANSPORT MOVEMENT.

Movement of enemy Transports could be heard at night and early morning. This was previously reported.

TRAINS.

At 3.a.m. in. COMMINES.  
At leaving- 5-50.p.m. leaving WERVICQ, going N.E.

FACTORIES.

In direction of TEMBRIELEM working all day.

MOVEMENT.

At 10-35.a.m. at P.7.a.55.70. two men were seen to leave Pill Box and proceeded to LOCK 5. both had packs and rifles  
10.00.a.m. at 0.12.b.4.6. three parties of men were 15 in all were seen in vicinity of pill boxes, they appeared to be pointing out parts of our line, were dispersed by our artillery  
5-50.p.m. to 6.p.m. at LOCK 5. a few isolated men seen, who tried to avoid exposing themselves.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/1918

With exception of a light barrage at 1-35.a.m. of Gas, H.E. and Shrap, which was put down in reply to our Gas and Barrage, His artillery has been very quiet.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

Exceptionally quiet all day even more so than yesterday.



ENEMY ACTIVITY, Continued.AERIAL ACTIVITY.

From 6.a.m. 1/4/18. to 6.a.m. 2/4/18.

More activity than previously reported, was patrolling our front line and Supports. Our A.A.Guns showed great activity.

From 6.a.m. 2/4/18. to 6.a.m. 3/4/18.

One plane patrolled our Front Line and Supports at 6.a.m. was actively engaged by our A.A.Guns.

This plane which has been giving us a lot of trouble, has been previously reported. Is hard to distinguish as crosses on it are small and it resembles our planes in that lower wing which is shorter than the upper wing.



TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.A.I.F.

OUR OPERATIONS.

MOVEMENT of BATTALION.

From 14/4/1918. to 15/4/1918.

Battalion moved into SUPPORT to the 3rd A.I. Brigade, line which is defending HAZEBROUCK.  
Disposition report attached.

From 19/4/1918. to 20/4/1918.

Battalion moved into SUPPORT . Line of which extends from BESAC FARM. at X9.a.3.7. to X. 10. b.6.5.  
Disposition report attached.

From 23/4/1918. to 24/4/1918.

Moved into Front Line, METEREN Sector.  
Disposition report attached.

From 28/4/1918 to 29/4/1918.

Moved into RESERVE with 3rd A.I. Brigade. in STRAZEELE. sector.  
Disposition report attached.



TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION, A.I.F.

OUR OPERATIONS.

24th April, 1918.

ATTACK ON METEREN.  
(2nd Phase)

A. Coy. Left platoon at X.16.a.2.4. pushed forward to establish post but encountered strong force of enemy and finding both flanks in the air returned to their original position.  
Coy H.Qrs at X.15.b.3.9. was set alight by shell fire and is now established at trench location X.15.b.4.7.

B. Coy. Advanced posts to X.16.c.9.9. and X.16.b.1.0. Heavy opposition was met with and both flanks became subject to enfilade fire from METEREN and FARM at X.16.d.7.9. which was a nest of Machine Guns.  
At the approach of day light as the Moppers-up had failed to enter town of METEREN, and as Machine Guns had had not been dislodged from FARM on left. Coy was compelled to dig in on this line.

C. Coy. Advanced and established left flank at X.11.c.4.0. right flank advanced until held up by a nest of Machine Guns at X.16.d.7.9. which they promptly attacked getting within 30 yds of FARM. Two platoon leaders were wounded and many other casualties occurred, being unable to capture FARM and finding right flank in the air platoon withdrew to original position where right flank is subjected to enfilade fire but is now in trench with B Coy.  
Artillery support was called for to assist advance on left, a barrage was put down at 2-59.a.m. lasting for ten minutes. at 2-30.a.m. C. Coy reported that with exception of flank opposite X.16.a.7. they were in RED LINE.

D. COY. Moved out from Coy H.Qrs at X.10.c.2.3. at 1-30.a.m. and reached a point opposite jumping off place but several hundred yds in rear, as B. Coy was held up, head of Coy pushed up to head of B.Coy lines and Lieut Du RIEU attempted to push forward and becoming a casualty. Mopping-up party on left appeared to be held up as well. It being considered impossible to move, one platoon dug in assisting B.Coy to consolidate this position. Coy then withdrew to position in support.

CASUALTIES.

OFF.

O.Rs.

Killed	.....	2	19
Wounded	.....	3	55.



OUR OPERATIONS.P A T R O L S.

From 25/4/1918. to 26/4/1918.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs from 9-30.p.m. until 11-30.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions on immediate Coy front, to work from right to left.

Party left X 11.c.5.4. isolated movement seen on left of FARM at X.16.d.7.9. enemy post located on right of FARM X.16.b.7.5. We were fired on by Machine Guns and they were silenced by Rifle Grenades fired from our trench.

Party returned at X.16.b.4.4.

1 Officer and 3 O.Rs left our lines at 11-30.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions, enemy patrol was sighted at X.16.a.3.5. despersed with Rifle Grenades and Bombs. House at X.16.a.4.1.1s occupied. Enemy post located along Hedge at X.16.a.3.5.

Party returned at 2.a.m.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines 11-30.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions, large body of troops were observed moving as though relief was in progress, enemy posts were located at X.16.b.3.2. with M.G. X.16.d.3.9. with M.G. X.16.d.1.9. X.16.c.7.9. with M.G. X.16.c.5.8. X.16.a.4.1. and X.16.a.3.2. no wire was observed.

Party returned at 12-40.a.m.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines at 11-30.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions, Party left X.16.b.4.4. posts located at X.16.b.5.2. with L.P. X.16.b.5.3.

Enemy Machine Gun at X.16.b.8.5. was silenced by our Rifle Grenades.

Party returned at X.11.c.4.0. at 1.a.m.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines at 2.a.m. to definitely locate enemy positions. party of men were seen moving about two of which were carrying something, enemy appears to have at least 12 posts in front of Coy sector, six of which are as follows. X16.b.8.4. X.16.b.5.3. X.16.b.3.2. X.16.d.3.9. X.16.d.1.9. and X.16.c.7.9.

From 26/4/1918. to 27/4/1918.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines at 9.5.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions, a party of enemy heard digging at X.16.b.9.4. owing to ground being very exposed and Machine Guns that were very active patrol was forced to return.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines at X.16.a.2.8. at 11-30.p.m. The following was located at X.16.b.8.2. a Farm House occupied by enemy, Sniping post at X.15.b.5.1. digging heard at X.15.b.3.1. Party returned at 11-30.p.m.



OUR OPERATIONS. Continued.PATROLS.

From 26/4/1918. to 27/4/1918.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines from X.15.b.0.6. at 2-0.a.m. to definitely locate enemy positions.

A working party heard at about X.15.b.3.1. Two enemy were observed at about X.15.b.7.2. A dead German was found at X.15.b.7.3. appeared to have been dead several days.

Party returned at X.16.a.2.8. at 4-30.a.m.

A few other patrols went out but owing to active Machine Gun fire favourable results could not be obtained.

From 27/4/1918. to 28/4/1918.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines from X.15.b.0.6. at 9-15.p.m. to definitely locate enemy positions.

Party was fired on heavily with Machine Guns we were forced to return.

1 N.C.O. and 3 O.Rs left our lines from X.16.b.9.7. at 9-0 p.m. fired at by M.Gs at X.16.b.3.2. and sniped at from X.17.a.3.7. we were forced to return.

5 other patrols went out during night but with the same result as above. owing to heavy M.G. fire patrol could not be carried out, and was forced to return to our lines



OUR OPERATIONS.ARTILLERY.

From 3.a.m. 20/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 21/4/1918

Very active throughout the day, result of firing could not be observed.

From 3.a.m. 21/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 22/4/1918.

Very active, Counter preparations was put down over METEREN Ridge, from 4-30.a.m. to 5-30.a.m.

From 3.a.m. 22/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 23/4/1918.

Actively engaged during period on road through X.17.a.&c. wheremovement had been previously reported.

From 3.a.m. 23/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 24/4/1918.

Very active, shelling METEREN during day, with good result as observed.

From 3.a.m. 24/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 25/4/1918.

Very active all day, Between 6.p.m. and 7-30.p.m. Meteren was heavily shelled by us, causing 3 fires.

From 3.a.m. 25/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 26/4/1918.

Between 2 to 4-30. p.m. Our Artillery opened a Barrage line of which ran through on FARM HOUSE at X.16.d.7.9. which was set alight and burnt down.

From 3.a.m. 26/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 27/4/1918.

Active, shelling has been carried out by our Artillery on enemy line and strong points.

At about 1-30. p. m. our Artillery shelled FARM. at X.16.d.7.3. result of which they got several direct hits on object causing disfigurement.

From 3.a.m. 27/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 28/4/1918.

Further shelling was carried out on Farm House at X.16.d.7.3. owing to dull weather result of shelling could not be observed but suspected to be very good.



OUR OPERATIONS. Continued.TRENCH MORTARS.

From 3.a.m. 20/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 21/4/1918.

Active.

From 3.a.m. 21/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 22/4/1918.

Nothing reported.

From 3.a.m. 22/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 23/4/1918.

Very active shelling METEREN throughout day.

From 3.a.m. 23/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 24/4/1918.

As previous day shelling METEREN all day.

From 3.a.m. 24/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 25/4/1918.

At 3.p.m. our Newton T.Ms.were engaged on Farm House at X.21.a.5.8.with very good results, enemy stretcher bearers flying a white flag was observed carrying away 5 or 6 casualties after shelling ceased.

From 3.a.m. 25/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 26/4/1918.

Very active, but results could not be observed owing to weather conditions.

From 3.a.m. 26/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 27/4/1918.

Showing great activity. Our 6in Stokes fired on STEAM MILL on X.24.c. 3 direct hits were observed. Result of other firing could not be observed owing to dull weather.

From 3.a.m. 27/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 28/4/1918.

At 2330.p.m. Our 6in Mortars fired 20 rounds into building occupied by enemy as a Machine Gun Strong Position. several direct hits were inflicted.

A further 30 rounds were fired at house in X.15.b.8. 3 direct hits, also a number of rounds at houses at X.15.a.8.9. to X.15. d.8.7. with very good results. These buildings are very strongly held with M.Gs.



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OUR. OPERATIONS. Continued.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

From 3.a.m. 20/4/1918. to 3.a.m.21/4/18.

Very slight activity was performed by our planes during this period.

From 3.a.m.21/4/1918. to 3.a.m.22/4/1918.

More activity shown than usual.  
 Two air fights took place and two planes brought down behind enemy lines, both planes appeared to be hostile.

From 3.a.m.22/4/1918. to 3.a.m.23/4/1918.

One plane was patrolling enemy line at about 5.p.m. otherwise no activity was noticed.

From 3.a.m.23/4/1918. to 3.a.m.24/4/1918.

Very active over enemy lines and back area at periods. But do not appear to hold supremacy in the air over this area.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Slight activity was shown by our planes patrolling enemy lines. 2 French planes were observed scouting over enemy lines, a cluster of five lights was dropped by them result of which our Artillery opened fire immediately.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918.

At 1-30.p.m. two of our planes were patrolling enemy lines at a very low altitude. No action was taken by enemy A.A.Guns. only a few machine Guns were heard.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Very active . At 3-30.p.m. one of our planes was patrolling our forward area, enemy lines and enemy rear defences.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

Our Aircraft are now showing an increased activity flying at low altitudes over enemy lines at all periods of the day very little enemy A.A. activity was shown.



ENEMY. ACTIVITY.

ENEMY. ATTITUDE.

From 3.a.m.21/4/1918. to 3.a.m.22/4/1918.

Very active in all respects.

From 3.a.m.22/4/1918. to 3.a.m.23/4/1918.

Still remains very active and alert.

From 3.a.m.23/4/1918. to 3.a.m.24/4/1918.

Fairley quiet but very alert.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Active and alert, constantly sniping with rifles  
and Machine Guns. Patrols report that enemy consolidating  
over whole front.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 26/4/1918.

Enemy very alert, but not so active as previously  
reported, less active in sniping.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Rather quiet during this period. but alert.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

Very alert and has shown more activity with his  
Artillery.



ENEMY DEFENCES.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

A trench manned by about 30 enemy was located at X.15.c.6.1. to X.15.c.6.3.

Also at house in X.15.c.8.9. and house at X.15.c.8.2. Both these buildings are heavily manned with Machine Guns.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918.

From information gained enemy is suspected to change over tonight.

Hedge in X.12.a. is strongly wired and slight movement has been noticed there.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Hedge that was reported yesterday in X.12.a. is strongly manned.

Hedge in X.11.d. appears to be manned during night, slight movement has also been noticed here.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

A listening post is suspected to be in front of Hedge at X.12.a. two enemy were seen to leave this position at early morning.



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.

M O V E M E N T S.

From 3.a.m. 21/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 22/4/1918

Enemy movements were observed during day close to his lines.

At 5-40.p.m. two horse<sup>v</sup> Vehicles ( colour of horses one Grey and the other Bay ) driving towards line, along road running through X.17.a & c. ( N.E. ) they returned on same road at 5-55.p.m.

At 6-20.p.m. another horse Vehivle flying a Red Cross flag observed on same road.

At 6-50.p.m. 4 men observed on same road moving away from line with full packs up.

From 3.a.m. 22/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 23/4/1918

Troops observed at X.29.b. throughout the morning, suspected to be from billets in CLAPBANCK.

From 3.a.m. 23/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 24/4/1918

Owing to dull weather visibility was impossible.

From 3.a.m. 24/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 25/4/1918

Stretcher Bearers flying a white flage was observed removing 5 or 6 casualties from Farm House at X .21.a.5.8. result of our T.Ms. activity diplayed at 3.p.m.

Working parties have carried out a lot of trench work at METEREN BECQUE. at X.20.d.2.6. to X.20.d.7.9.

A working party was observed at X.15.c.6.2. and was despersed by our Artillery.

From 3.a.m. 25/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 26/4/1918.

Several enemy were seen leaving building at X .16. a.7.9. which was set alight by our barrage that was dropped between 2.to 4-30.p.m.

From 3.a.m. 26/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 27/4/1918.

Owing to dull weather ~~visitibility~~ visibility was impossible.

From 3.a.m. 27/4/1918. to 3.a.m. 28/4/1918.

A lot of movement was observed during this period in METEREN.

Enemy were seen to leave buildings ( Machine Gun strong posts ) which was engaged by our T.Ms.



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.F I R E S.

From 3.a.m.21/4/1918. to 3.a.m.22/4/1918.

At 4-30.p.m. thick smoke was seen in METEREN ( burning buildings) result of our Artillery.

At 5- p.m. what appeared to be a dump burning in vicinity of METEREN.

At 8-20.p.m. two fires in vicinity of BAILLEUL. still burning at 3-30.a.m.

From 3.a.m.22/4/1918. to 3.a.m.23/4/1918.

At 11-5.a.m. fire observed at rear of enemy lines.

At 7-30.p.m. fire observed on western out skirts of METERN.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

3 fires were observed in METEREN . Result of our heavy Artillery shelling that took place at 6.p.m. lasting till 7-30.p.m.



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.Artillery.

From 3.a.m.20/4/1918. to 3.a.m.21/4/1918.

His Artillery was very active on cross roads in X.4.c. at intervals during day and night, other areas in this sector w which he shells are RED LINE. X.10.a. and X.10.c. also road from Battalion H.Qrs. in R.34.c. and X.4.a.

A large quantity of Gas shells are sent over mixed with his H.Es.

From 3.a.m.21/4/1918. to 3.a.m.22/4/1918.

Very active, set alight to what appeared to be a dump in vicinity of CASTRE. at 12-30.p.m. and was still burning at 3-30.a.m. In this area the most of his shelling is round and about Cross Roads in X.4.a. and on locations mentioned in yesterdays report.

From 3.a.m.22/4/1918. to 3.a.m.23/4/1918.

Shelling still very active on locations previously mentioned.

From 3.a.m.23/4/1918. to 3.a.m.24/4/1918.

Continually harrassing our forward area and shelling a large number of our Battery positions and on our forward spstems.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Enemy put down a barrage from 9-15.p.m. to 9-45.p.m. on our forward area.

3.a.m. to 4-30.a.m. a barrage of Gas was put down on our back area.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918.

A considerable amount of shelling on X.10.a & c. on and about road. A few Gas shells were dropped near C. Coy. H.Qrs. at X.10.b.

Enemy appeared to be ranging on our right of line with his 4.2s. the first of his shells fell short, red flares were sent up and range was lengthened.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Very active on our front line and in rear. A heavy bombardment seemed to be carried out on our left sector, and on X.10.a and c. 98 rounds were fired on X.10.d.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

At 5-45.p.m. a barrage was dropped on X.10.a and b. 108 shells fell in vicinity of R.33.d and c. and 90 shells fell round and about SUPPORT line. At 5-15. to 6-20.p.m. several shells fell in the vicinity of our left posts and left sector.

On the whole his Artillery has been very active.



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.MACHINE GUNS.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Very active during night firing intermittently on our roads and tracks. A lot of sniping is also carried out with them

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918

Very active during night, more so during mid-night. A large amount of his sniping is done with his M.Gs.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Machine Guns that used to fire from STEAM MILL has been dis lodged so no firing from there has been since noticed, but has been very active from other quarters.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

Still remains very active firing from several buildings in METEREN. and behind Hedges, these we silence with our M.Gs. whenever they asart start.

TRENCH MORTARS.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Active on our left posts, during this period.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918.

As previous very active. Between 9-30.a.m.to 1-30.p.m. 62 Pineapples bombs were dropped on X.16.a and b. but caused no casualties or damages.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Very active on our left out posts, 3 direct hits on left Coy H.Qrs

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

At 2.p.m. 8 H.T.Ms. fired 6 of which fell on X.10.c. and near SUPPORT Coy. H.Qrs. no damage done.

At 9-30.p.m. a few Pineapples were dropped along our line but fell in rear of posts, they appeared to be fired from vicinity of CHURCH in METEREN.



ENEMY ACTIVITY. Continued.AERIAL ACTIVITY.

From 3.a.m.20/4/1918. to 3.a.m.21/4/1918.

Very active reconnoitring along our lines and back area, flying at a comparatively low altitude, this is carried out at all and any hour of the day. Several planes were heard during the night crossing our lines and making towards rear areas.

From 3.a.m.21/4/1918. to 3.a.m.22/4/1918.

Showing great activity and in many cases flying at a very low altitude.

His planes appear to be able to patrol our area without molestation by our planes. The condition regarding our A.A. defences have improved slightly and more activity shown. But the enemy still appears to hold supremacy in the air over this area.

From 3.a.m.22/4/1918. to 3.a.m.23/4/1918.

Still showing very great activity, flying over us all day, and at times playing his Machine Guns. Very little action seems to be taken against him having complete control of the air.

One plane apparently in trouble descended in our line 4 enemy Balloons were up in front of our sector from dusk to dawn. To dusk.

From 3.a.m. 23/4/1918. to 3.a.m.24/4/1918.

Very active, daringly firing in our trenches and back area with his Machine Guns.

A great No. of bombs were dropped on our left sector during night.

From 3.a.m.24/4/1918. to 3.a.m.25/4/1918.

Still remains very active and continues his daring deeds with his M.Gs. even firing on a couple of men that may be on the move and exposed to observation.

From 3.a.m.25/4/1918. to 3.a.m.26/4/1918.

A squadren of enemy scouting planes, between 12.p.m. and 2.p.m. scouting our front line and back area, observed starting from BAILLEUL. and continuing along past our lines.

From 3.a.m.26/4/1918. to 3.a.m.27/4/1918.

Less activity was shown during this period. Our A.A. defences are also showing more activity.

From 3.a.m.27/4/1918. to 3.a.m.28/4/1918.

Again showing a marked increase in activity, patrolling our front line and back area.



## Appendix LXI

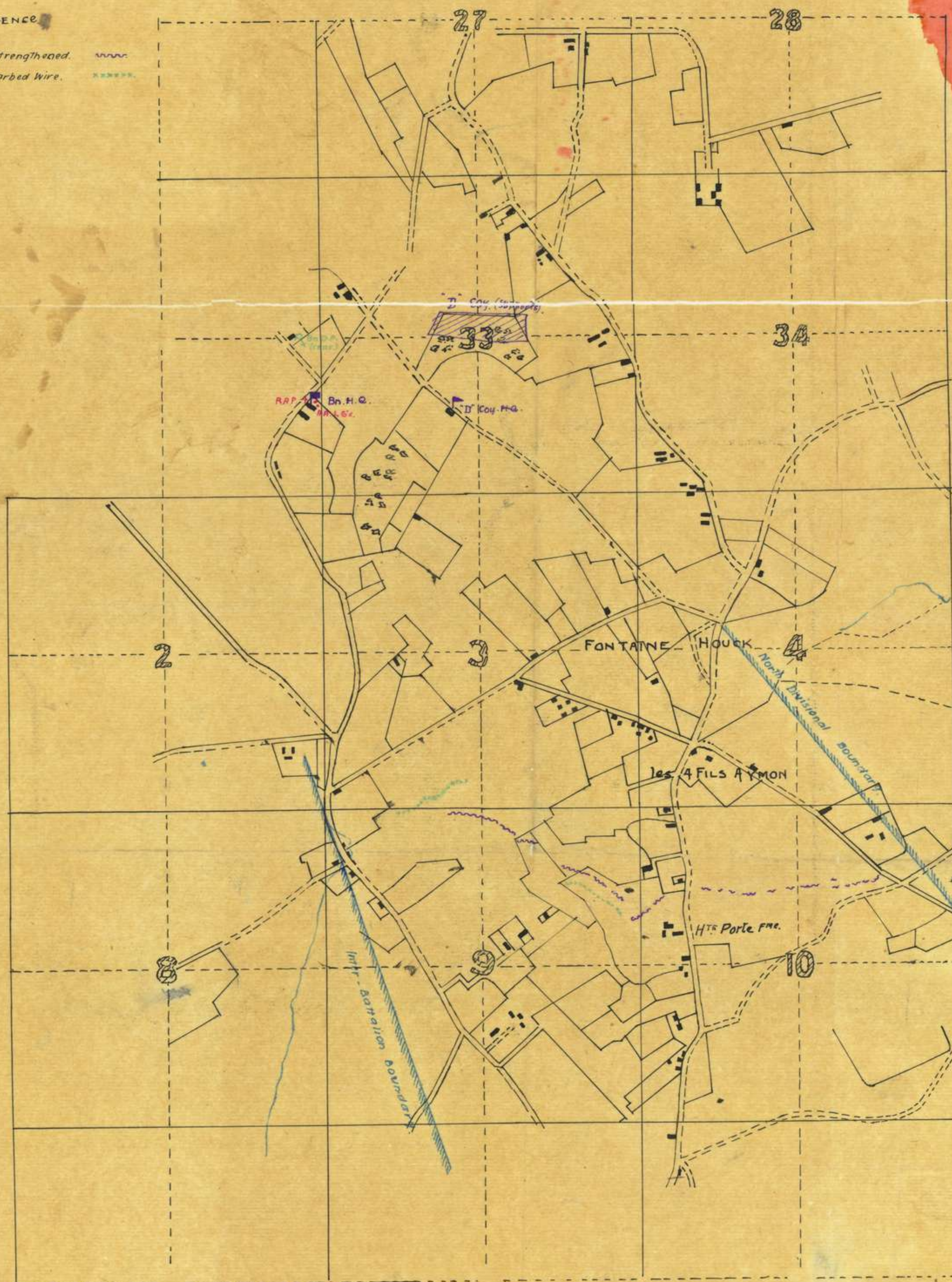
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## REFERENCE

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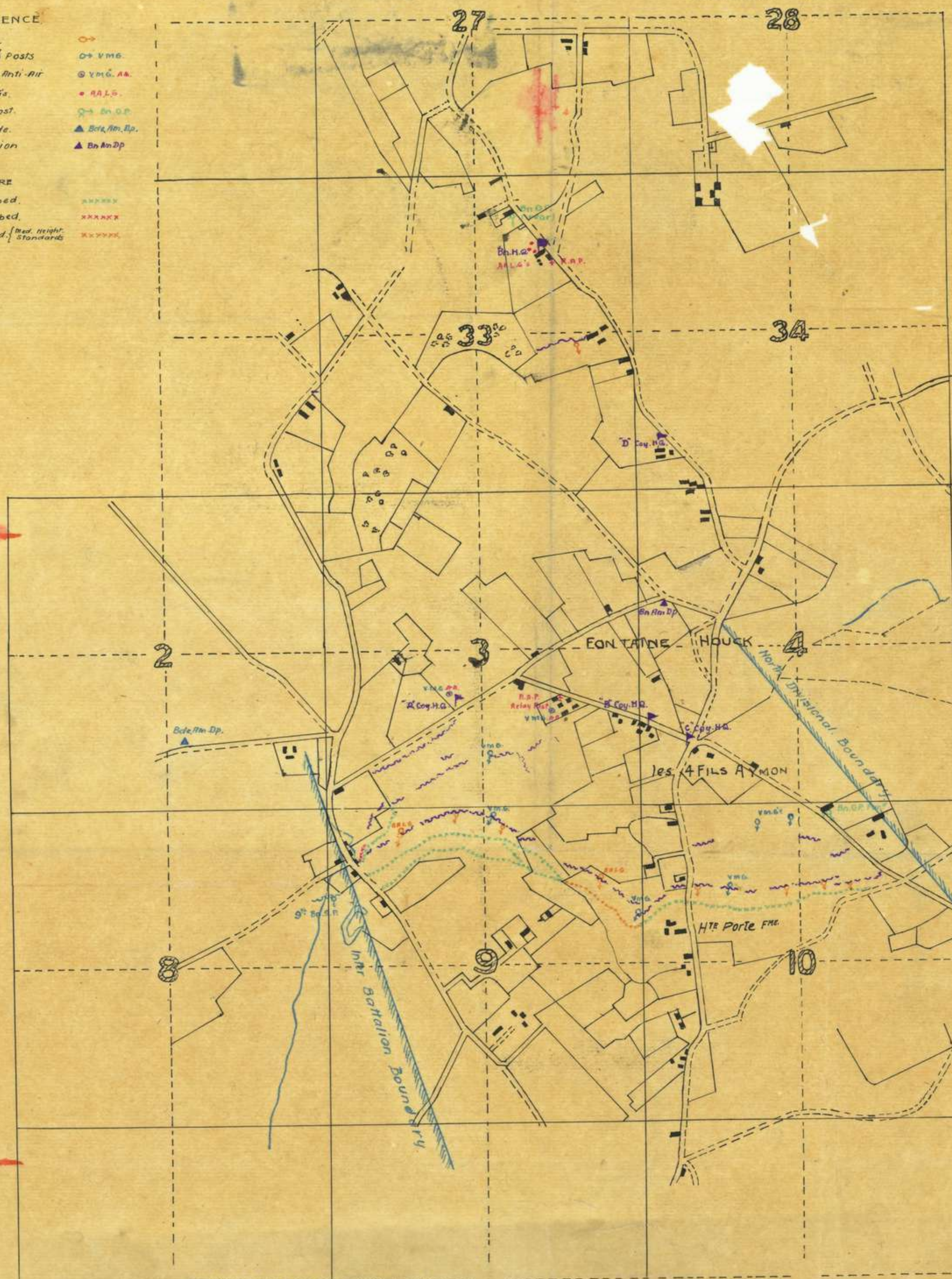
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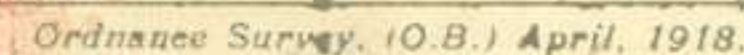
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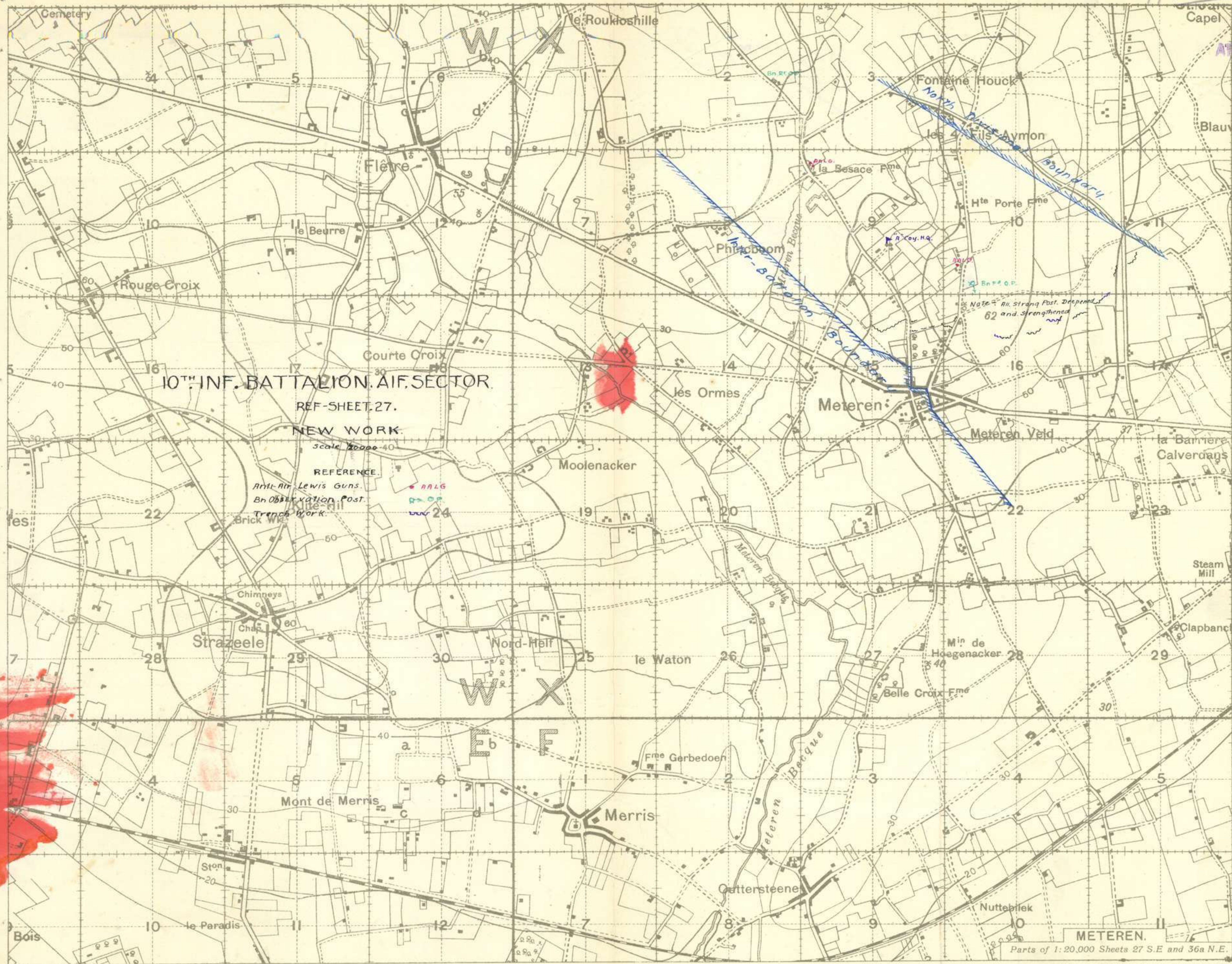
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APPENDIX

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS OF OTHER RANKS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH APRIL 1918.

Killed in Action.	26.
Missing.	5.
Wounded.	100.
Died of Wounds.	9.
Gassed.	2.
Accidentally Injured.	2.
Wounded. (Self inflicted).	4.
Reinforcements, joined Battn.	126.
To Hospital, Sick.	21.
From Hospital.	76.
To Leave, United Kingdom.	1.
From Leave, United Kingdom.	18.
From Leave, Paris.	1.
To School.	1.
From School.	20.
To Detached Duties.	23.
From Detached Duties.	32.
Transferred to other Units.	2.



Month ending 30th APRIL 1918.

1918.

- April 3. Lieut. M.G. Saunders MC rejoined Battn from Brigade Concert Party
10. Chaplain-Major E Makeham rejoined Battn. from Leave.
11. 2/Lieut. A.P. Chittleborough joined Battn from Reinforcements  
(ex O.T.C.)
- Lieut. L.B. Laurie rejoined Battn from Hospital.
- Lieut A.H. Jackson MM rejoined Battn from Hospital.
- Lieut H.W. Reid MC rejoined Battn from Hospital.
16. Lieut A.E. Mining attached to 153rd French Division as Liaison  
Officer.
20. Capt. E.M. Inglis MC rejoined Battn from Hospital.
24. Lieut A.H. Jackson MM. Killed in Action.
- Lieut J. Sprott MM. Killed in Action.
- Lieut F.J.W. Schneider Wounded in Action.
- Lieut C.B. Fenn Wounded in Action.
- Lieut D.T. DuRieu Wounded in Action.
26. 2/Lieut H.L. Cleworth Joined Battn. from Reinforcements.
- 2/Lieut E.P. Orman Joined Battn. from Reinforcements.
- 2/Lieut J.J.A. Younger Joined Battn from Reinforcements.
- Hon-Lieut W.M. Perry Wounded in Action.
27. Lieut L.B. Laurie Wounded in Action.
- Lieut L.B. Laurie Died of Wounds.



Adjutant  
10th Bn.

I have to report.

In addition to 3 bathos for men the following amounts of Underclothing were issued & returned

Underclothing	Socks	Pairs	3,645
	Shirts		1,800
	Drawers		1,000
	Rawels		31

The following S.D. Clothing were issued and exchange returned

Clothing S.D.	ackets	216
	Pantaloons	10
	Drawers	251
	Puttees	208
	Boots	281
	Ground Sheets	6

Anti Gas Stoves

B.R.S.	71
Containers	16

Davidson  
Lieut  
Adj. 10th Bn.



App. XXV

10<sup>th</sup> Bn<sup>th</sup> Transport  
April  
1918.

To The Adjutant,

The beginning of the month saw the Battalion still in the line but before Hellebrooke, but with prospects of being relieved.

On the night 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> we were relieved by and on the morning of the 4<sup>th</sup> left for Caestre which we reached early in the afternoon.

At 3 am on the 6<sup>th</sup> we left for the Somme & detrainning near Amiens reached Paulancville 4.30 pm. In this area the horses had some splendid grazing. On the 7<sup>th</sup> one of the mules was evacuated.

We left the Somme area again on 13<sup>th</sup> and detrained in the old area late that night and proceeded by road to Merbecque arriving about 8 am.

In this area we lost 2 heavy and 2 light draughts making us 7 horses short.

Since 12<sup>th</sup> we have supplied rations to Battalion in the forward area. No vehicles have been lost, and the horses are now in excellent condition though the unit is still 3 short.

Yours faithfully,  
T.O.