

**AWM4**  
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,**  
**1914-18 War**

Infantry

**Item number:** 23/33/30 PART 2

**Title:** 16th Infantry Battalion

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AWM4-23/33/30PART2

"A" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121  
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at .....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions						
Sent			Date.....		Service.	Date.....
At.....m.			From.....			
To.....			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { All boys to Ken & Harvey

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 183	21		

1 Officer & 1 Sgt per boy will report to Ft Kehr at 2 PM today & will go forward to reconnoitre positions until safely occupied by 14<sup>th</sup> & will occupy by 13<sup>th</sup> in J12. Officers & Sgts who go forward must be prepared to guide their boys in at a moment's notice & will occupy reconnoitre their opposite 14<sup>th</sup> in the 13<sup>th</sup>. (Men here to be warned against wandering)

From 16/18/14  
Place  
Time 11 AM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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At.....m.			From.....			
To.....			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { Ft Quercok

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 184	21		

In view of something in the way of an inspection of transport within next few days you will see to it that now is up to usual first class standard. How that spring cart wheel been repaired.

From 16/18/14  
Place  
Time 3/30 P

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 Sent Date.....  
 At ..... m. Service. From .....  
 To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { All boys & Details

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* FW185 22

Gravade Discharges for 11<sup>th</sup> 36<sup>th</sup>  
 These are to be handed  
 in at QMS at  
 mee

Officers kit in Matern Dump for  
 the time applications for  
 clothing of various kinds are  
 useful. As soon as clothing  
 is available, you will be  
 notified.

Compasses Pneumatic Racers of  
 all officers in possession of  
 foot owned. Pns compasses  
 to be handed to Rome  
 at mee

From 16413a  
 Place  
 Time 11 am

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
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 Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.  
 Sent Date.....  
 At ..... m. Service. From .....  
 To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { All boys & Transport Officer

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* FW186 22

All hawks in the  
 13<sup>th</sup> to be on  
 parade for C.O.s camp  
 at 2/30pm in field  
 behind HQ stables near  
 O.Rom

From 16413a  
 Place  
 Time 12 noon

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
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Prefix, Code, m, Words, Charge, Office, This message is on a/c of, Recd. at, Date, From, By, (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { H-171 Bae AG

Sender's Number, Day of Month, In reply to Number, A A A

BC 11:6 copy 11:10
is acknowledged

From, Place, Time

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.						Service.	Date.....	
Sent					At.....		m.	
					To.....			
					By.....			
					(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....		

TO { All Coy's & Details

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 188	23		

No need to enaply with BOM re about protection around tents etc. Warning more order preparatim as much as possible for more forward

From 15/10/21  
Place 9A  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

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Sent					At.....		m.	
					To.....			
					By.....			
					(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....		

TO { J. Hillman

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 189	23		

Ref names of officers who are absent from camp. Do you wish your name sent in PC?

From 15/10/21  
Place 2P  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent		This message is on a/c of:	
.....		At..... m.		..... Service.	
.....		To.....		From.....	
.....		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....	

TO { *cf B Coy*

Sender's Number. * <i>FW190</i>	Day of Month. <i>23</i>	In reply to Number.	<b>AAA</b>
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<i>Detail party 1</i>	<i>Off 30 OR</i>
<i>(with bloods) to</i>	<i>bury</i>
<i>rubbish</i>	<i>thoroughly</i>
<i>clean</i>	<i>up ground near</i>
<i>big</i>	<i>slap of this</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>back of form</i>
<i>in</i>	<i>touch with get</i>
<i>Carrigan</i>	<i>DSO of May</i>
<i>will</i>	<i>15/1/24</i>
<i>work</i>	<i>to finish as</i>
	<i>be done</i>

From <i>16/1/24</i>	
Place <i>2P</i>	
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Headey*

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent			..... Service.
		At..... m.		From.....	
		To.....		By.....	
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { 4th A.I. Bde HQ

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW/191	24	DC 183	

Your	more	attachment to	
us	goes	us	this
ticket	to	hold	20
men	area	as	many
of	our	uncommon	
have	at	cover	we
are	unable	to	recede

From: H. B. Ba  
 Place: 7A  
 Time:

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) H. B. Ba

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(In pads of 100.)

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 Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.  
 Sent Date.....  
 At ..... m. Service. From .....  
 To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { All boys

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* F-1192 28

- ① Steel Helmets: Must be worn by all Roads at all times
- ② Gas Respirators: Must always be worn at the "alert"
- ③ Gas Guard: To be provided by each Coy, & to be of sufficient strength to go quietly & awake all men of their respective Coys. Double sentries by night, & remainder of guard to be sleeping close by sentries. Gas alarms to be provided. Plenty of shell cases about.  
 SPECIAL ATTENTION to be paid to gas precautions
- ④ Reconnaissance from fire. At least 1 Off + 1 Sgt per Coy to report to

From  
 Place  
 Time

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 Sent Date.....  
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 To .....  
 By ..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO {

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* 16-100

16-100 MARKS at FACT HQ tonight. These officers & NCOs will have to act as guides in event of sudden call, so will need to find route. They need not worry Col Marks tonight, as he will be just in, but simply tell him where their boys are located, & that if called they can lead their boys to his HQ. & then pick up his guides. Commencing tomorrow all officers & Senior NCOs must make themselves thoroughly acquainted with FACT sector. Rations & water will be up tonight. Daily arrangements will be notified later.

From  
 Place  
 Time

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent			Service.
		At..... m.			
		To.....		From.....	
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....	

TO: *A.C.T. Coy*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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\* *FW 1913*    *28*

*LETTERER will call for following working parties (commencing tomorrow)*

<i>"D" Coy</i>	<i>1 Sgt</i>	<i>20 men</i>	<i>7 AM</i>
<i>"H" Coy</i>	<i>1 "</i>	<i>20 "</i>	<i>3 PM</i>
<i>"G" Coy</i>	<i>1 "</i>	<i>20 "</i>	<i>11 PM</i>

*These will be supplied daily report as instructed by Lt Ketterer*

From *FILE*

Place

Time *7/4/50*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.    **(Z)** *deady*

Censor.    Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.

Sent ..... Date.....

At ..... m. Service. From.....

To..... By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { VDA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

\* FM194 29 96/55 - **AAA**

acknowledged

From RTD

Place 1210 AM

Time

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

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Sent ..... Date.....

At ..... m. Service. From.....

To..... By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { All boys + R & M

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

\* FM195 29 - **AAA**

Re Salwaps.

There are big  
quantities of valuable salwaps  
in this area. Every boy will  
get a party going making  
dump near Railway Arch.  
Rifles + empty 18 port  
cases make best salwaps.  
No shells will be  
salwaps

R & M to see that lumber  
take back this stuff

From FKK

Place

Time

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At.....m.		Service.	From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { All Coy

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 196	29		

Password CAPSTAN

From	Place	Time
FILE		11 AM

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			At.....m.		Service.	From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { FILE

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 197	29		

Dispositions:

BHQ	028 a 15 85
RMP (Railway Area)	027 d 79
"A Coy	028 a 53
"B	028 f 88
"C	027 d 89
"D	028 a 88

All these are approx. I.C. is out at present, I have the copy of true dispositions (as sent in) with him

From	Place	Time
FILE		11 AM

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Prefix..... Code..... m Words. Charge. No. of Message.....

Office of Origin and Service Instructions. *54* This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.

Sent Date.....

At..... m. Service. From.....

To..... By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { *All boys*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

\* *FW198* *29*

*Tankies & all counter clothing to be returned to R.M. Stock by ration hunters coming up today. Boy R.M. to be held responsible for seeing these are got away!*

From  
Place  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Howard's copy*

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions. *54* This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.

Sent Date.....

At..... m. Service. From.....

To..... By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { *All boys*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

\* *FW199* *29*

*ospc boys to week  
CC oh BHD ret  
8/30 PM*

From *NTD*  
Place *Oh*  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Howard's copy*

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	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO

All boys

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW218	3		

Password STANDARD

From	FILE		
Place			
Time	11 AM		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)	Head of camp
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.		

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(18965.) Wt. WI2952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO

NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW219	3	1308	

Acknowledged

From	NTD		
Place			
Time	2/20P		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)	Head of camp
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.		

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Prefix..... Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Service.
Sent				
At..... m.		From.....		
To.....		By.....		
By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO { *Spk. to Base*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>410 203</i>	<i>30</i>		

*Make out forms for second items for me via P/S & forward same to me in order of priority together with letter ready for signature by CO, & passing to Base HQ*

*File re O'NEILL & ROGER. Pass to Base HQ*

From *FILE*  
 Place  
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Brookman*  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Service.
Sent				
At..... m.		From.....		
To.....		By.....		
By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO { *Spk. to Base*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>410 203</i>	<i>30</i>		

*Attached file will show you how your friend DADOS is trying to get us extra work. Can you see how quickly it gets done to keep quiet. Bring file back to me when you are up.*

From *FILE*  
 Place  
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Brookman*  
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Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.

Sent Date.....

At.....m. Service. From.....

To.....

By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { All troops

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A

\* FW 204 30

1 ACC  
 several men wounded whilst  
 in the village this  
 afternoon. Weather not  
 men had any business  
 in the place. I  
 the CO is of  
 opinion that CS/C  
 are not going to  
 if that HILLERS - B is  
 placed strictly "out of bounds"  
 No one is to go  
 into the village unless absolutely  
 compelled by duty to do so

From FILE

Place

Time 8/25P

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

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Sent Date.....

At.....m. Service. From.....

To.....

By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { All troops

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. A A A

\* FW 205 30

Copy of lower post received  
 from Brigade HQ:-  
 "Enemy concentration"  
 "suspected gas bombardment"  
 "ordered on enemy front."  
 "Prepare for retaliation"  
 Take all necessary  
 precautions

From FILE

Place 8/25P

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

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			At..... m.		Service.....	From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { All Gys

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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CHAMPION

From <u>FILE</u>		
Place		
Time		

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Army Form C. 2121.  
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At..... m.		Service.....	From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO { FACE

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Suggest one reserve ration  
camp for this unit  
that to be in  
Lumpen Rd at 028588

From <u>FILE</u>		
Place		
Time		

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At..... m.		Service.	From.....
			To.....			
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { FACE

Sender's Number. * FW 208	Day of Month. 1	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Ref G.O.Cs Memo re numbering of posts in new line - VILLERS SWITCH 14 posts are now nearing completion. May we be supplied with necessary number boards please?

From FILE  
Place  
Time

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At..... m.		Service.	From.....
			To.....			
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { c/o "B" Coy

Sender's Number. * FW 209	Day of Month. 1	In reply to Number.	AAA
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You will supply following party tomorrow & daily until further notice:-  
1 Sgt 15 CRKs report at 8/30 AM to Lt THOMAS. 4th AFsq Coy at briefings 029 0645 G.  
This party not to interfere with other parties being supplied

From FILE  
Place  
Time 7/30 AM

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(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
Sent			Service.	From.....
At ..... m.				
To.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
By.....				

TO { *All Capt*

Sender's Number. * <i>FW210</i>	Day of Month. <i>1</i>	In reply to Number.	<b>AAA</b>
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*Several men of the B<sup>4</sup> were found in the village today; drunk. The C.O. points out the seriousness of this & directs that some measures be taken to stop this sort of thing, which disgraces the B<sup>4</sup>.*

From *FILE*  
Place *7D*  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
Sent			Service.	From.....
At ..... m.				
To.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
By.....				

TO { *osfc ATC Coy*

Sender's Number. * <i>FW211</i>	Day of Month. <i>2</i>	In reply to Number.	<b>AAA</b>
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*Major Parks will release about 20 men each from A & C Coy for purpose of buying horses.*

From *FILE*  
Place  
Time *10A*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
.....			At.....m.		From.....	By.....
.....			To.....			
.....			By.....			

TO { All boys

Sender's Number. * FN212	Day of Month. 2	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Password  
GOLD FLAKE

From FILE  
Place  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected, (Z) Hoops

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
.....			At.....m.		From.....	By.....
.....			To.....			
.....			By.....			

TO { F-ACK

Sender's Number. * FN213	Day of Month. 2	In reply to Number. 4866/1	AAA
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Yes!  
(a) B. H. Q. 028 6 88  
(Work has been commenced on a dog out here)  
(b) No  
(c) RAP 029 02 99 approx

From FILE  
Place  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected, (Z) Hoops

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(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent			..... Service.
.....		At..... m.		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	From.....
.....		To.....			By.....
.....		By.....			

TO { All caps

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 214	2		

Send short practice  
 PLAYFAIR Messages tonight  
 tomorrow

From FHK  
 Place 5/50P  
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } 12<sup>th</sup> Bde HQ

Sender's Number. * FW 210	Day of Month. 3	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Herewith paybook + effects of  
1683 Appleton AM of the 47<sup>th</sup> B<sup>n</sup>.  
This man died at the motor  
Ambulance Post at ~~027~~ 027d79,  
+ was buried in angle made by  
Railway + Road at 027d6095  
We are having a cross made  
to erect over the grave

From FILE

Place S/HO HQ

Time 8/40 AM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Hoare*

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	To.....			From.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....

TO } Lt Ketterer

Sender's Number. * FW 217	Day of Month. 3	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Mining party at Brigade.  
The party working this afternoon  
will be the last required

From FILE

Place 10/30 A

Time 10/30 A

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Hoare*

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office.....Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } Capt Cook AEC

Sender's Number. * FW220	Day of Month. 3	In reply to Number.	AAA
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As soon as you  
are in position let  
us know.

Touch with Capt in  
FACT as early as  
possible.

new CWS summer your  
dispositions

From FILE

Place 9/4070

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
	By.....			

TO } *Lt Bull*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>F10221</i>	<i>4</i>		

*I am sending back some trophies taken & get these away, writing manual letters*

*Label:*

*"Taken at VILLERS BRETONNEUX during tour in line Here Apr 11<sup>th</sup> - May 1918"*

*\* Fill in dat. we came in but have May date a blank*

*Several rifles were sent back a few days ago. فرمان اوس*

From <i>FILE</i>		
Place		
Time		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Hoops Copy*

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
	By.....			

TO } *All Cap*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>F10222</i>	<i>4</i>		

*Parlword*  
*WELCOME NUGGET*

From <i>FILE</i>		
Place		
Time <i>11 Am</i>		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Hoops Copy*

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(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.	Service	From.....	
	To.....		By.....	
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

*Search.*

TO

*All Coy*

Sender's Number. * <i>FW 223</i>	Day of Month. <i>H</i>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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*Following will be new rationing arrangements:-*

*Coopers will be at OIB B  
All rations etc will be brought by  
linkers to CRUCIFIX at 024707 at  
9PM & 3 AM, & will then be met  
by parties.*

*Parties will be supplied as follows:-*

*"C" Coy 2 Parties, each of 1 ~~120~~ 114 PRs  
with an officer in charge, to carry  
for A + C  
"D" Coy Ditto to carry for B + D*

*These parties must be at CRUCIFIX to  
time, so that there may be no delay*

From <i>FILE</i>		
Place		
Time		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Headquarters*

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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"A" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.	Service	From.....	
	To.....		By.....	
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

*All Coy*

Sender's Number. * <i>FW 224</i>	Day of Month. <i>H</i>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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*As there is to be no movement  
downward of B<sup>4</sup> H.Q. <sup>by</sup> the Coy.  
messenger will bring in the following  
returns set down daily, & these  
remain until dusk*

- ① Intelligence Summary & Patrol reports*
- ② Parade State*
- ③ Casualty return (Any casualties between time return is sent off, & 9 AM ring Adj: personally about)*

*Situation reports will be sent by  
phone to reach H.Q. by 3/30 AM &  
3/30 PM daily*

From <i>FILE</i>		
Place		
Time		

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } All boys

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* F10225	4		

Receipts for all stores taken over to be at B<sup>co</sup> H.Q. by tomorrow certain

From FILE		
Place		
Time		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Hooper Cpt

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(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } of PR

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW227	4		

The R.I.U. will need two more parties: each 11.00 & 3.00. Sure time. Today

From FILE		
Place		
Time		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Hooper Cpt

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO

NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FN 228	H	46/60/1	

Acknowledged

From	Place	Time
NTD		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO

NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FN 229	H		

BOM 60 received

From	Place	Time
NTD		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:  Service	Reed. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.			From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
TO	NDA			
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA	
* P10230	5			
Situation	quiet	aaa	village	
skilled	12	10	12/30	
From	NTD			
Place	HA			
Time				
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)	H. D. ...	
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.			

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } *All Corps*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>FW 231</i>	<i>5</i>		

- ① Password CHAIRMAN.
- ② Ration Parties - "C+E" Carrying Parties in morning must be at rendezvous by 2 1/2 hrs am, or it will be too light for carrying.
- ③ LAA etc Apparently the spirit line is very early off, so also is the left support. Reserve is to be made & kept up to the following -  

Frank line	2000	Ras LAA	at each [ ]
			(etc) + above that in magazines
	250	Ras LAA	per man over
			+ above what he carries
Support line	1/2	above	quantities

From	
Place	
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)**

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } *[Blank]*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
*			

*Let me know how much is required to complete. Returning must bring back requisitions. This LAA is to be distributed to posts in quantities as stated. Thanks. Have you sufficient, & of the right kind? So's are you all right? Working is to be proceeded with. Let's push line & support. Use Corps to report as to what is there is at present in front of them.*

From	<i>FILE</i>
Place	
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)** *[Signature]*

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } *C/O PA*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>FW232</i>	<i>25</i>		

*Do you require any  
more up from away  
back to replace the  
lost?  
If you do, give  
names by return means*

From *FILE*  
Place *7P*  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } *All boys*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>FW233</i>	<i>5</i>		

*SAA etc is being sent  
you tonight as follows:-*

- A 30% SAA 10% 36<sup>s</sup> 4 SOSs*
- B 25%.*
- D 15%.*

*Let me know by morning  
what has been received  
by you.*

From *FILE*  
Place *10/30P*  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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"A" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:  .....Service	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.			From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } NDA

Sender's Number. * FM234	Day of Month. 5	In reply to Number.	AAA
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11/93	11/95	acknowledged
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From	NTD	
Place	11/40P	
Time		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z) <i>[Signature]</i>
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.	.....Service		From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

Sender's Number. * F10235	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Dear Sasha,  
The policy laid down for the defence of our line by as high an authority as the Army Commander is that the principal line of resistance is to be the front line. It has been laid down therefore that posts are to be joined up & wired.

Push on with the linking up of posts within platoons - you should finish this tonight - then get on with the wiring & joining up of platoons simultaneously.

From information it appears that a big attack will be made on the sectors on or about the 8<sup>th</sup> inst so you haven't much time to put

From your place in order.  
Place Burn this when you have read it  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.	.....Service		From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

Sender's Number. * F10237	Day of Month. 6	In reply to Number. 111/94	AAA
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Bugle Call SOS Signals

We are putting a bugler in each of the following posts:

- (1) Left front line Coy HQ P25! C2045
- (2) Right Support Coy O30 C9030

We have no other men able to blow bugle - to establish further repeat posts. The two at posts mentioned above are valuable bandsmen

From FILE  
Place IAW  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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"A" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
		Sent	Service	Date.....
		At.....m.		From.....
		To.....		By.....
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } NDA

Sender's Number. * F-11238	Day of Month. 6	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Situation quiet aaa  
very little artillery fire

From INTD  
Place HA  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

\*This line should be erased if not required.  
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"A" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
		Sent	Service	Date.....
		At.....m.		From.....
		To.....		By.....
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } CO. 51st Bn

Sender's Number. * F-11239	Day of Month. 6	In reply to Number.	AAA
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The following men were  
evacuated through our RAP  
this morning:-  
279 VARIAN. T. H.E. Right Thigh  
07971 GOUCHE. C.R. " Abdomen

From FILE  
Place 11 AM  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*

\*This line should be erased if not required.  
(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of..... and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } All Corps

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
\* FW240 6

Forwarded LUCY HINTON  
esp Corps on receipt of this to report to H.Q. to C.C.'s meeting

From FILE  
Place 70  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Head/6/Jan  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of..... and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } NDA

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
\* FW241 6 de 285

yes

From NTD  
Place 720P  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Head/6/Jan  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of <i>in</i> and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } Capt TIMEWELL MC

Sender's Number. * F.W.244	Day of Month. 10	In reply to Number.	AAA
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We are sending back valuable salvages in the way of wool etc. I am doing this in do so by weights.

We are also sending back various articles, including an m/c for war museum.

From FILE	
Place	
Time 11/15 PM	
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) <i>Headquarters Capt</i>	
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of <i>in</i> and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO } FACE HQ

Sender's Number. * F.W.245	Day of Month. 10	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Please supply the following at CRUCIFIX:

50	Boxes 11°	36	Reveries
50	" "	34	(FH)

From FILE	
Place	
Time 11/30 PM	
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) <i>Headquarters Capt</i>	
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of .....n and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
	By.....			

TO

NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* F.W. 246	7		

Situation satisfactory  
Enemy artillery + quick  
aaa  
M. C. B. M.

From	N.T.D.
Place	
Time	4 AM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
(18965.) W.L. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of .....n and Service Instructions.	Sent			
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
	By.....			

TO

NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* F.W. 248	7		

Situation quiet  
Enemy artillery inactive

From	N.T.D.
Place	
Time	4 PM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
(18965.) W.L. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { PA PB PC PD

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FN249	7		

840			
MMMM	873	961	877
871	990	869	950
911	961	699	915
656	880	907	902
940	900	915	871
897	902	940	953
948	871	850	

From NTD  
Place 5/20P  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.		Service	From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { All Eyes

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW280	7		

PASSWORD PREACH.  
Do you require any sandbags?  
A 20 miles intense barrage will be put down starting at 3AM  
There is bound to be a certain amount of back lark, so all work will stop in time to allow of parties being under cover by 3AM  
Ration Parties C & D parties will work rations at Crucifix at 1/45 AM for tomorrow only, so as to allow them to finish before strike starts

From  
Place  
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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Prefix.....	Code.....	m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent		Service	Date.....
			At.....m.			From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } Capt. TIMEWELL + Sgt Cook  
inc

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW251	7		

Morning rations to be at  
CRUCIFIX at 1/45 am instead  
of 2/45 am ~~XXXXXX~~ tonight,  
as there is to be some heavy  
fire at our usual time

From	Place	Time	
FILE	6/40P		Capt Cook

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Capt Cook*  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.  
 \*This line should be erased if not required.  
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Prefix.....	Code.....	m.	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent		Service	Date.....
			At.....m.			From.....
			To.....			By.....
			By.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } NDA

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW252	7	BIM26	

Major HAWWOOD  
Capt AARONS  
LTS MOSELEY BITHEAD +  
MOSS

From	Place	Time	
NTD	SP		<i>Hooper</i>

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Hooper*  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.  
 \*This line should be erased if not required.  
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Army Form C. 2121  
(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.	.....Service		From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

Sender's Number. * FW253	Day of Month. 7	In reply to Number.	AAA
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I am sending you  
thought ..  
10 Bates Long Service  
8  
10  
I can send a further small  
quantity if it is required.  
Let number have a reply as to  
whether it is needed thought

From FLK		
Place SOP		
Time		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)		
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	

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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			Date.....
	At.....m.	.....Service		From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

Sender's Number. * FW254	Day of Month. 7	In reply to Number.	AAA
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MMMM  
840. 904  
945  
850. 798  
709  
940  
950  
219  
968  
946  
650  
900  
871

From NTD		
Place 10/25		
Time		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)		
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	

(18965.) Wt. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)

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(in pads of 100).

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent			.....Service
	At.....m.			From.....
	To.....			By.....
	By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO	NDA		
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Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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* FI 255	7	AC 296	
Yes.			

From	NTPD		
Place	1150		
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
 (18965.) W.L. W12952/M1294. 187,500 Pads. 1/17 M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E. 818.)



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Army Form C. 2121.  
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
Sent			At.....m.	
To.....			From.....	
By.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....	

TO { NDA

Sender's Number. * FW256	Day of Month. 8	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Situation report. aad Quiet  
now aad sector lightly  
skilled at 3.7am aad  
No gas

From NTD  
Place HPM  
Time 4/5/51

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E, 1187.)

"A" Form.  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121.  
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				
Sent			At.....m.	
To.....			From.....	
By.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....	

TO { NDA

Sender's Number. * FW257	Day of Month. 8	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Would SF 4 miles  
per hour aad few  
No aad No enemy  
balconies up aad Enemy  
attempted raid on me  
of left Company posts  
aad several enemy killed  
Two bodies examined aad  
Post identification JAG B7.3  
K438 and JAG B7.3  
K444 aad no papers  
on bodies

From NTD  
Place H45A  
Time 4/5/51

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E, 1187.)

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 (In pads of 100.)

Prefix..... Code..... m Words. Charge. No. of Message.....  
 Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.  
 Sent Date.....  
 At..... m. Service. From.....  
 To..... By.....  
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { *AGM 2<sup>nd</sup> Aust Div. Engrs*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* *FW 258* 8

*"BAB" French Comm No. 4:  
 Book No. 1259H.  
 The above  
 was picked up by  
 an officer of this  
 Bn. Two days ago,  
 it is being sent  
 to you by registered  
 parcel. Please acknowledge  
 receipt.*

From *16<sup>th</sup> Aust Bn*  
 Place  
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
 (3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

"A" Form.  
**MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.**

Army Form C. 2121.  
 (In pads of 100.)

Prefix..... Code..... m Words. Charge. No. of Message.....  
 Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of: Recd. at ..... m.  
 Sent Date.....  
 At..... m. Service. From.....  
 To..... By.....  
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { *13<sup>th</sup> Bde AGC*

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA  
 \* *FW 259* 8

*Following men were evacuated  
 through our RAP today  
 ① 519<sup>B</sup> EVANS JR 13<sup>th</sup> MIG Coy  
 ② 6164 BAVENLOCK M.A. 51<sup>st</sup> Bn  
 ① Bwica, Hardy shaken  
 ② Hill Commission*

From *FILE*  
 Place  
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *[Signature]*  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
 (3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

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(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At.....m.		From.....	
			To.....			
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { FILE

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 219	8	M/219	

Herewith. These figures show our reserves, & do not include quantities carried on men. These reserves are distributed so that at every post is the following:-

Front line { 2000 Rds PAA per L Gun  
250 " " " " man  
3 Grenades " "

Support { 1000 Rds SAA per L Gun  
250 " " " " man  
3 Grenades " "

The quantity not accounted for above is at B<sup>4</sup> H.Q. & the Crickfix

From	FILE
Place	/
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

"A" Form.  
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Army Form C. 2121.  
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			
			At.....m.		From.....	
			To.....			
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { All boys

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* FW 262	8		

Password APPLE  
Probable relief tomorrow.  
It may assist if you get stores etc. rallied together ready for the hand over

From	FILE
Place	
Time	7P

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

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"A" Form.  
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No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at ..... m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent			
		At..... m.		Service.....	From.....
		To.....		By.....	
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { *NDA* }

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <i>FW263</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1309</i>	

*acknowledged*

From *NTD*

Place *7 PM*

Time *7 PM*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Charge*

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)

"A" Form.  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

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		To.....		By.....	
		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { *All Eyes* }

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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*① Password APPLE*  
*② Reconnoitering officer arriving to you tonight, also reports to his patrols with you men*

From *FILE*

Place *7 PM*

Time *7 PM*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *Charge*

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By.....				

TO { *NDA*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	<b>AAA</b>
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\* *F-1268*

*Situation quiet* *aaa*  
*very little artillery fire*

From *FILE*

Place *AAA*

Time *4:10*

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"A" Form. Army Form C. 2121.  
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By.....				

TO { *NDA*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	<b>AAA</b>
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\* *7159*

*Wind calm* *aaa*  
*Sea calm* *aaa*  
*Ballon up* *aaa*  
*fog* *aaa*

From *FILE*

Place

Time

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DISPOSITION REPORT.

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AS AT 8 AM. on 4<sup>th</sup>.

BN. HQ	—	O 27. b. 90. 70
R.A.P.	—	O 27. d. 70. 90
A. Coy.	HQ.	O 28 a 50. 30.
	Coy <del>shown</del>	O 28 c 20. 90.
	to	O 28 a. 90. 60.
'B' Coy	HQ.	
	Coy <del>shown</del>	O 28 b. 90. 80
	to	O 22 d. 60. 10.
'C' Coy	HQ. <del>shown</del>	O 30. c. 95. 30.
	COY. <del>shown</del>	O 30. c. 95. 30.
	to.	O 36 a. 80. 30
'D' Coy.	H.Q.	O 28 a 40. 65
	COY <del>shown</del>	O 28 a. 30. 60
	to.	O 28 a. 80. 70

*John R. ...*  
10.10.18

# DISPOSITION REPORT

FILE 5-5.18.

REF MAP. SHEET. 62D.

BN HQ. O30.C.00.40.  
R.A.P. O29d.95.40.

## FRONT LINE

RIGHT COY. HQ. 1.LG. O36.b.60.20.  
No 1 Post. 1.LG. O36d.60.90  
2 PLATOON HQ. O36 b.60.00.  
3 1.LG. O36 b.60.20.  
4 1.LG. O36 b.60.40.  
5 PLATOON HQ & LGS O36 b.60.50.  
6 O36 b.70.60.  
7 PLATOON HQ O36 b.80.70.  
8 1.LG. O36. b.90.80.  
9 P31 a.10.80.  
10 PLATOON HQ & 1.LG. P31 a.20.90.

LEFT COY. HQ. P25 C 20.45.  
POST. P25 C 20.05.  
1.LG. P25 C 30.20.  
1.LG. P25 C 50.30.  
1.LG. P25 C 60.30.  
P25 C 60.30.  
1.LG. P25 C 70.35.

Post P25 C 80.40.  
1.LG. P25 C 80.45.  
Post 1.LG. P25 C 80.60.  
" 1.LG. P25 C 70.80.

## SUPPORT COYS

RIGHT COY. HQ O30.C 90.30

PLATOON 1<sup>st</sup> G Troop O36.a.90.30  
2<sup>nd</sup> G Troop O36.a.90.45.

PLATOON 1<sup>st</sup> G Troop O36.a.85.50  
2<sup>nd</sup> G Troop O36.a.85.70

PLATOON 1<sup>st</sup> G Troop O36.a.85.85  
2<sup>nd</sup> G Troop O36.a.85.87.

PLATOON Troop O30.C.95.30  
Troop O30.C.97.35

LEFT COY. HQ O30 d. 30.80

COY 1<sup>st</sup> LGS Troop O30 d. 50.30  
Troop O30 b. 80.40.

*W. R. [Signature]*  
10/11/18

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6-5-18.

Having checked the dispositions, as given yesterday, by daylight we find that there was a mistake made in those of the right front line Coy, these should be:-

Coy. HQ	036 b. 5.4.	1 LG
No 1 Post	036 b. 30.00	1 LG
2 "	036 b. 40.00	
3 "	036 b. 40.30	1 LG
4 "	036 b. 50.40	1 LG
5 "	036 b. 45.50	2 LG's.
6 "	036 b. 65.70	
7 "	036 b. 75.80	
8 "	036 b. 90.90	1 LG
9 "	P25C 05.10	
10 "	P25C. 15.05.	1 LG

J. St. Paul  
10. 16. 18

# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

FILE. 5-5-18.  
For period ending at 6 am.

## OUR OPERATIONS.

ARTILLERY: - ACTIVE, intermittently shelled enemy positions during the day, at 6 pm the orchard near the monument on our right flank was heavily shelled by all calibres. At 5 a.m. a heavy barrage was put down by our guns on to enemy positions. Villers Bretonneux was shelled during the period.

T.M's: - No activity.

MACHINE GUNS: - Normal activity, enemy's front being intermittently swept by fire during night.

PATROLS: - Owing to the fact that the ground in the vicinity posts has not yet been seen in daylight only protective patrols were sent out during the night, these worked the ground commencing

in front of our line of posts, kept touch between posts and liaison between the 49th Bn on our right and 15th Bn on our left.

AERIAL: - Much activity, during the day many low reconnaissance flights were made over the enemy's lines, large flights of our planes crossed over the enemy's line during late afternoon, between nine and ten pm. many bombs were dropped on enemy back areas.

GENERAL: - During the evening FACT was relieved by FILE, relief being completed, without incident by 11 pm.

## ENEMY ACTIVITY: -

ARTILLERY: - Very quiet, at 6:15 pm in retaliation for our "strafe" VILLERS BRETONNEUX and the vicinity of O.S.O.C. 6.7 were shelled.

T.M's: - Nothing doing.



MACHINE GUNS: — Fairly quiet, occasional bursts of fire across our front. One gun firing from suspect P 25 C. 72! being the most active.

PATROLS: — An enemy patrol came towards one of our posts under cover of hangar, they attempted to bomb one post but when fired on withdrew hurriedly.

AERIAL: — Three E.A.'s came over our lines at 7 pm and made a thorough reconnaissance they withdrew upon the approach of one of our flights.

MISCELLANEOUS: — Smoke was observed rising from left corner of farmhouse on right of this sector, by a P.A.C. observer

Jst Perry  
1.10.1943

# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

FILE — — 6.5.18

## OUR OPERATIONS:—

ARTILLERY:— Very active throughout the period firing on enemy movement during the day and during the night maintained harassing fire on to roads and approaches. One battery sprung from between the AMFENS & VILLERS-BRETONNEUX road and the sewer fires very short, the shells falling around our supports in O.S.D. As the gun only appeared to fire when there was a general 'strafe' we cannot be sure of calibre but think it was an 18 pdr.

T.M.'s:— Nil.

MACHINE GUNS:— Normal harassing fire during the night.

PATROLS:— Protective and liaison patrols were out throughout the night, touch being kept with 40th on right and 15th on left. All these report a quiet night. In addition the following patrols were out.

No 1

STRENGTH	DEPART.	RETURN.	ROUTE	REMARKS.
1 NCO & 20 i.s.	12.30am	2am	Route from P.31a. 4.8. towards huts at P.31a. 4.8.	Patrol got to the huts and examined them. No signs of enemy were seen. Transport could be heard on roads. in P.31a. c.o.d.

No 2

10 i.s. & 2 a.s.	1.30am	2.15am	From O.366.4.1. towards house at P.36d. 7.8.	Patrol moved towards haystack at P.36d. 7.8. and got to within 50yds. The enemy then opened fire from both the haystack and the house, firing many flares and made it impossible for patrol to approach nearer.
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PATROLS (Contd).

STRENGTH	DEPART.	RETURN.	ROUTE	REMARKS.
1NCO 201's	2am.	2.45am.	From P25C.74 to P25C.82.42; P.25C.8.4.	When at P25C.82.42 a large enemy working party <del>was</del> <sup>was</sup> seen at P25C.90.40 patrol crawled forward and ascertained that the enemy was digging a C.T. forward to his position at P25C.90.42. Patrol returned and L.B. fire was directed against enemy party, result could not be ascertained.

10ff 201's	1.30am	2.30am.	From P25C.20.201 to P25C.6.0 to P25C.5.1	Nothing was seen of the enemy and back, as per route. Occasional bursts of MG. fire from vicinity of third Mangar.
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AERIAL:— Visibility was poor and weather bad for flying, from 11 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. ~~our~~ <sup>our</sup> planes reconnoitred the enemy's lines.

ENEMY ACTIVITY:—

ARTILLERY:— Very little activity, occasional bursts into the village during the day. Quiet night.

MG'S:— Moderately quiet except our front at intervals during the early night.

T.M'S: NIL.

PATROLS: None observed.

AERIAL: Five enemy aeroplanes reconnoitred our positions at 6.30 p.m.

IDENTIFICATIONS:— Identification was obtained from body of HON killed on night of 4/5th during attempted raid on our post P.25C.80.60. The 137. I.R. being identified.

MOVEMENT: - Much movement was observed during the day in squares V. 7. 13 & 14. Six horse transport moving on roads in V14 were observed several times during day. At 10.30 am a large block working party was seen digging in P.25/d.

Enemy transport observed moving on road running from P.21 to P.28. Wagons passed along this road at frequent intervals moving towards village.

Smoke was seen coming from WARFUSEE. either from a train or steam tractor, believed to be the former, judging from rate of travel.

At 8.30 much movement of enemy with packs on was observed in P.26. A & C.

J. Kerr  
10.10.42

# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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7-5-18

## DUR OPERATIONS: -

**ARTILLERY: -** Normal activity engaged all targets which presented themselves at 11 am. 18 pdrs fired on suspected enemy M.G. position P.25 6 4-2 causing four bombs to hurriedly vacate the position. On two occasions during the afternoon whilst our artillery was attacking HANGARS, a pigeon was seen to fly from MISSEN HUTS east of HANGARS.

**T.M's: -** Nil

**M.G's: -** Normal activity during night

**AERIAL: -** A good deal of activity during the afternoon. Bombing planes were over the enemy lines at 10pm many ~~planes~~ bombs being dropped in and behind WARFUSEE, one of these appeared to ignite a dump which burnt throughout most of the night.

**PATROLS: -** Owing to the extensive defensive work being carried out patrolling was limited, protective patrols were pushed out in front of right sector, one patrol established itself about 50 yds in front of farm at 0.36 0.7.8., many flares were fired from the farm.

In addition to the ~~special~~ protective patrols which were out on the left sector, two special patrols were out

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STRENGTH	DIR.	RET.	ROUTE	OBJECT	REMARKS
1 NO. 200	11 pm	12 MID.	From P.25C.20.10 to P.31A.4.8. to P.31A.7.7 to P.25C.4.1	Patrol	No enemy movement seen or heard
1 NO. 200	12.45	1.15 am	P.25C.3.2 to P.25C.6.1 back same route.	Patrol	Patrol remained at P.25C.6.1 for an hour, reports having seen many flares fired from immediate rear of third hangar, <del>then</del> enemy movement

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PATROLS (Contd) - Liaison was maintained between the 49th on right and 15th on left.

### ENEMY OPERATIONS:-

ARTILLERY:- Hostile artillery was exceptionally quiet on our sector. VILLERS BRETONNEUX was <sup>lightly</sup> shelled by 5.9's during late afternoon and early night. A few 4.2's fell around our left company in P25.C.

T.M's:- Nil.

M.G's:- Normal activity firing occasional bursts over NO MANS LAND and our positions.

AERIAL:- Active, one enemy plane made a low reconnaissance of our front at 7 a.m. also at 11 a.m. In the late afternoon several planes attempted to cross our lines but were driven off by MG and LG fire.

BALLOONS:- Four enemy balloons were up opposite our front at 6 a.m.

MOVEMENT:- During the morning several horse transport were seen on road at P21d.7.5. moving towards WARFUSEE.

At 10 a.m. a train with ten trucks attached was seen travelling westerly from HARDOUMERIES. This disappeared behind factory in V.S.C. Later at 10.15 these trains were seen one going towards HARDOUMERIES. The other two appeared to be standing at a siding in V.S.C.

Gun flashes could be seen in W.I.B. approximately 7.7.5.

A good deal of movement can be seen in P25 B.D. and in V.13.14 & 7. in the latter squares much work is being done.

### GENERAL:

Between 10 and 12 midnight over H.5's and 6 inch how's. were firing short the shells falling in P36 B + P30d.

J.H. W.L.  
10.15 P.m.

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# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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## OUR OPERATIONS:-

ARTILLERY:- Very active, all day. shells targets observed during the day, and maintained harassing fire throughout the night. At 3 am an intense barrage was put down on the enemy's lines, the hows immediately fired many flares which burst into two spots at 3.15. his artillery replied with a fair barrage of short duration. At midnight 6" hows again dropped shells between our front and support line.

It is very noticeable that a very large percentage of shells fired by our guns are "duds", fortunately for us. on occasions, one battery fired 30 rounds at house in IP 36 d. 7.8. of these 20 were "duds".

T.M.S.:- Nil

MACHINE GUNS:- A good deal of indirect fire during the night, no suitable targets during the day.

AERIAL:- Visibility was poor throughout the period and no aerial activity was observed.

PATROLS:- Protective patrols were pushed well out in front and liaison was kept with units on flanks, in addition the following special patrols were out

STRENGTH	DEP.	RET.	ROUTE	REMARKS
INCO 200	12.30am	1.30am	O36b.99 to P35d.2.1 to P31a.2.7 O36b.7.5	Patrol went out to RED ROOF HUT. which were unoccupied they then moved south and returned to our lines by route shown. No movement was seen.
INCO 200	1.45am	3.45am	O36b.99 to P31a.3.9 to O36b.9.9	Patrol moved out past RED ROOF HUT. and remained there observing for an hour and a half. On return various shell hole positions were examined. No movement

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## PATROLS (Contd):

INCO 307. 11 pm. 3 am. P25C.3.2 Patrol worked  
P25C.4.1 out about 300  
P25C.3.2 yards, parties  
of the enemy  
could be heard  
working in rear  
of third hangar, closer  
observation could not be  
made on account of  
flares and MG fire.

IDENTIFICATIONS: - Identification was  
obtained off the bodies of  
two boys killed in the attempted  
raid, there were no papers on bodies,  
but on their identity discs was  
stamped  
JAG. B7.3. K438.  
JAG. B7.3. K444.

One shoulder strap is forwarded  
herewith.

## ENEMY OPERATIONS:

ARTILLERY: - Fairly quiet, replied  
to their S.O.S. at 9 am.  
and intermittently shrapnel village  
and back areas in late evening.

T.M.S: - Nil

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M.G's: - Active during night  
sweeping our parapets and  
NO MANS LAND.

AERIAL: - Three enemy planes flew  
at a low altitude over our  
front line positions at 6.45 pm.

PATROLS: - At 2.30 am. an enemy  
patrol of about 12. attempted  
to raid our post at P25C.3.2.  
The Lewis team opened fire and  
killed two of the party & wounded  
several others, judging by the cries,  
it is thought that probably  
more were killed, this will be  
verified tonight by a closer  
examination of the ground.

SIGNALS: Many flares were put  
up during night when our  
barrage commenced, flares bursting  
into two reds were put up over  
our sector, on night near  
MONUMENT WOOD a white flare  
which burst into two reds, went  
up twice.



MOVEMENT:— No movement could be seen during the morning owing to bad visibility at 7.30pm 1 four horse team was seen on road at P22 running from P22b to P21d. From then on much individual movement could be seen on this road.

At 8pm large bodies of BOCHE were seen in P25d & 26a.

C. J. P. H.  
10.10.44

# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

FILE

9-5-18.

OUR OPERATIONS: - Our artillery were fairly active during the day and night, the great number of dud shells fired by our guns was again noticeable. Eight shells fired at RED ROOFED HUTS in P31 p., at 5:20 pm all failed to explode. Six inch howo again fell short, in fact shorter as one shell fell in P30.C.23. at about 1 A.M.

T.M's

Nil

M.G's: Usual harassing fire during night.

AERIAL: - Very poor visibility prevailed throughout the day, at 6 pm our planes became fairly active, reconnoitering enemy's ~~positions~~ lines.

## PATROLS: -

STRENGTH	Dep.	RET	ROUTE	REMARKS.
10ft 2 ORS	12 mid 1 am		O36.B.1.2.	No movement was observed around the farms in O36 B.
			O36.B.4.1	patrol then worked along top of ridge to O36 p. 4.1 then out to within 50 yds of RED ROOFED HUTS, an enemy working party was heard at P312.5.6
			P25C.1.0.	
			P30A.3.8.	
			O36.B.8.8.	
INCO 301	11 pm 12:45 am		O36.B.9.9.	The patrol worked out to within 50 yds of RED ROOFED HUTS. and remained there for one hour observing. An enemy working party was heard hammering at P312.5.6 otherwise all quiet.
INCO 2 ORS	10:45 10:30 pm		P25C.3.2	At 12:45 am an enemy patrol was seen <del>south</del> making for position south east of RED ROOF HUT. No other movement
	11:30 pm 12 mid		P25C.6.1	
	12:30 am 1:15 am		P25C.3.2	
	2-AM 2:45 AM			

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## PATROLS (Contd).

Our patrols acting under instructions have not been very aggressive, as we are busy working the front, and the machine gun fire which the enemy plays across NOMANS LAND all the last sign of movement greatly hinders work.

The usual protective and liaison patrols were out all night, touch being maintained with flank units.

## ENEMY OPERATIONS: -

ARTILLERY: - Enemy artillery was very quiet against front sectors, a little more shell fire against VILLERS.

BRETONNEUX: - Both 4.2's & 5.9's

T.M.'S: - Nil.

M.C.'S: - Very quiet during the night.

MOVEMENT: - AERIAL: - At 2.15 p.m. two enemy planes made a thorough reconnaissance of our front lines flying back

## AS FAR AS BLANGY.

MOVEMENT: - Much movement can still be observed in V13-14, our artillery did some good shooting against enemy transport in these positions making them move at the double rate. At 8.20 p.m. three enemy horse wagons were observed on road running from P.21 to P.28, moving in the direction of WARFUSEE. This road appears to be one of his main transport routes ~~from~~ to Bois de VAREE from WARFUSEE. Individual movement of Boche was seen during the day at P.28 to 4.3, there appears to be some sort of a HQ at that spot, as what are evidently ~~hundreds~~ <sup>hundreds</sup> of men come & go on both bicycle and foot!

J. H. [Signature]  
10.11.1918

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Handed over by I.O. 16th Bn.  
to incoming Battalion H 8th  
on the night of the 9/10 April.

Aerial Photos.	6 Copies
	5 "
Patrol Maps.	5 "
Map (Vallen Bretonnais)	3 "
Blue Prints (Water Supplies)	5 "

Handed over by:-  
J.P. [unclear]  
I.O. 16th Bn

Taken over by:-  
[unclear] Arnold A  
I.O. 4th Btn.

9-5-18.

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

Works Report

1<sup>st</sup> May 1918

MINING

1. One officer and 60 O.R. have been employed on continuous shifts in New Brigade H.Q. in Railway cutting in O. 25 A. (not shown on sketch)
2. 1 M.C.D. and 12 O.R. enlarging and improving Battalion H.Q.

ACCOMMODATION

3. The accommodation in our area was quite inadequate to hold the men of the Battalion. Old existing dugouts and shelters have been improved and new ones constructed. There is now ample accommodation for everyone.

ENTRENCING

4. Digging a switch line from O 28 C 2.8 to O 29 b 9.9. This is well constructed and deep, traversed. This is called 'VALLEY SWITCH'.

SALVAGE

5. All material in way of timber, iron & coverings of all sorts for forming dugouts & shelters has had to be salvaged.
6. All hands when not engaged on other works have been engaged in salvaging. A large quantity has been returned & a much larger quantity is dumped here waiting for removal.

GENERAL

7. A considerable number of dead men found in the neighbourhood have been buried.
8. 60 men were engaged for a while daily hauling dead horses away from Camp sites.

J. Howell  
21st

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was handed over to  
12th Battalion R.I.F.

### MINING.

1. Party of 120 men in shifts  
- of 40 working in part of  
20 in two places making  
New Brigade HQ in O25 b.
2. Party of 20 miners & labourers  
excavating dugout at O28. 8.8.
3. Party of 20 miners & labourers  
completing connection of ~~chambers~~  
chambers at Battalion HQ.  
at O27 b 9.5.
4. Party of 40 burying dead  
bodies.
5. All available men completing  
VILLIERS SWITCH LINE.  
Posts Nos 1 2 3 require completion  
wiring throughout. There is 250  
yards of wiring done on western  
end.

John Howell  
Sgt

THE HQ

To of C. Coy. 5<sup>th</sup> May 1918

The following work has to  
be carried out by your Company  
immediately.

1. Sink a shallow trench (down  
to the chalk) to connect  
up with the Battalion on  
your right. This is  
for direction purposes  
not cover.
2. In order to prevent cyclist  
& vehicles wandering out enemy  
lines the following roads  
require barricading.  
The main AMIENS ROAD at  
the Cemetery in O.30.C.  
The 3 roads running North  
east, East & South East  
from the cross roads at  
O36 a 2. b.

Head East

CIE HQ  
WORKS REPORT

for  
WEEK ENDING 8<sup>th</sup> May 1918.

TUNNELLING

- (1) 1 Officer and 60 other ranks engaged in constructing new Brigade HQ in O25d until 4<sup>th</sup> inst.
- (2) 1 NCO, and 15 other ranks engaged in improving Battalion HQ at O28.8.8 until 4<sup>th</sup> inst.

ENTRENCING.

- (3) All available men engaged on VILLIERS SWITCH LINE repairing same and building parapets until 4<sup>th</sup> inst.
- (4) All available men have been engaged since the Battalion took over the RIGHT BATTALION sector of the Front Line in improving existing posts

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enlarging same & connecting up to form a continuous line from P25C.8.8. to O36 b 10.15.

- (5) Connecting posts in the Right Company Support Line from O30 c. 9.3 to O36 a. 9.4 thus making the support line continuous from O30 d. 20.55 to O36 a 9.4.
- (6) Digging a snake communication trench from Left Support Company to Right Company of LEFT BATTALION.
- (7) Digging shallow communication trench to LEFT BATTALION of BRIGADE on RIGHT.

WIRING.

250 yards of double apron wire  
in R. " VILLIERS SWITCH  
LINE

## WORKS REPORT (Cont)

9. 300 Yards of double apron wire erected in front line.

BARRICADES.

10. Erecting barricade on the three roads leading out of VILLERS BRETONNEUX in direction of enemy at  
0300 3.4. 0360 8.8.  
036 to 10.15.

SALVAGE.

11. All available men that could be spared from other works were salvaging up to 4th inst. This material was placed in dumps & transport has been and still is engaged in taking some away.
12. All ~~the~~ Ration transport returns loaded with wool salvaged from factories in the town.

W. Burrows Lieut.



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FILE HQ

8<sup>th</sup> May 1918.

REQUISITION

Kindly complete former  
requisitions

Frank Burrows  
JW4

To 4th Brigade Works Officer.

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

WORKS REPORT.

4<sup>th</sup> May to 9<sup>th</sup> May, 1918.

ENTRENCHING. FRONT LINE.

The front line extending from P25C 77 to O36 b 1.1. was in an exceedingly unfinished state, being merely a succession of small unconnected posts.

These posts have all been enlarged and deepened to a depth of 6ft.

All posts have been connected by trenches 4ft deep on Right and 3ft 6in deep on Left.

This makes the front line continuous with the exception of about 20 yards across the main AMIENS ROAD.

WIRING.

In all about 600-700 yards of double apron wire has been erected. Three hundred yards on the Right of the Right Coy front and one hundred and fifty yards on either flank of the Left

Company front.

SUPPORT LINE.

RIGHT COMPANY.

This front extending from the AMIENS ROAD at O36 d 1.4 to O36 a 9.4. consisted of a succession of good Platoon posts about 6ft deep.

Communications have now been dug between these posts 3ft 6in deep, joining up with the VILLIERS LINE on the northern side of the AMIENS Rd. in which was situated the LEFT SUPPORT Coy.

LEFT COY.

A Communication sap has been dug 3ft 6in deep between the LEFT of the Company front and the SUPPORT LINE of the Battalion on our LEFT. The Battalion on our left have run a sap from their Support Line to their front line.

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COMMUNICATION.

The communication of posts in the front line and Support line and the C.T. to Battalion of left makes practically all round communication between Support & Front Lines. The only gap being over the main FRIENDS ROAD.

BARRICADES.

All road out of the Town in direction of enemy have been barricaded.

SALVAGE.

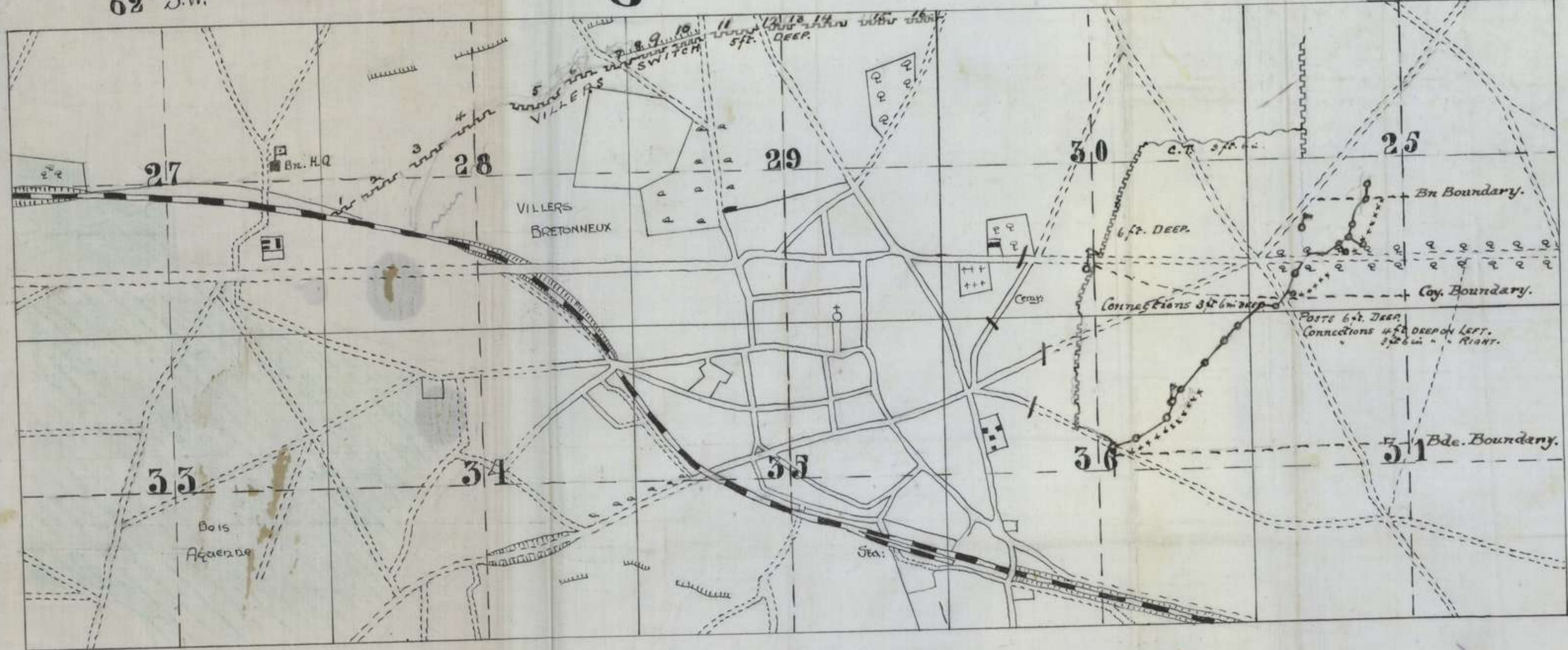
A large quantity of wool has been salvaged and handed in.

J. Harrell  
2Lt.

62<sup>D</sup> S.W.

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(enlargement from 1/20,000.)

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX

Disposition Report as at 8.p.m. 13/5/1918.

Reference Sheet 32.d. 1/20,000.

Brigade Headquarters. 0.25.c.5.5.  
Advance Report Centre. 0.23.d.75.95.

FRONT LINE BATTALIONS.

I. Right Bn. --14th Bn. H.Q. 0.33.c.80.50.  
R.A.P. 0.35.c.30.30.  
Observation Post. 0.34.b.50.50.  
Front Line Coys.  
Right Coy.H.Qrs. U. 5.b.30.75.  
From U. 5. central  
To. U. 5.b.30.90.  
59. U. 5.b.30.90.  
Listening Post at U. 5.b.50.30.  
Left Coy. H.Qrs. 0.33.c.40.40.  
1.platoon from U. 5.b.80.90. to 0.33.c.20.20.  
2. " " 0.33.c.20.20. to 0.33.c.30.25.  
5. " section posts  
at 0.33.c.40.20. + 0.33.c.50.20.-0.33.c.60.3  
4.platoon.posts at 0.33.c.70.30. - 0.33.c.30.30.-0.33.c.90.3

Support Coys.

Right Coy.H.Qrs. 0.35.d.70.45.  
2.platoons from U. 5.b.30.75. to 0.35.d.40.20.  
2. " " 0.35.d.30.40. to 0.35.d.55.45.

Left Coy. H.Qrs. 0.33.c.30.40.  
In Railway cutting, from 0.33.c.40.55. to 0.33.c.00.40.

II Left Bn.-15th Bn H.Qrs. ✓ 0.23.d.30.45.  
R.A.P. ✓ 0.23.c.80.50.

Front Line Coys.

Right Coy H.Qrs. ✓ 0.33.c.90.35.  
NO 1a post ✓ 0.33.d.95.30. - Composite bombing post with 1  
" 1. " From ✓ 0.33.d.15.35. to 0.33.d.20.45.  
" 2. " " ✓ 0.33.d.15.55. to 0.33.d.15.30.  
" 3. " " ✓ 0.33.d.15.30. to 0.33.d.15.35.  
" 4. " " ✓ 0.33.d.10.30. to 0.33.d.12.62.  
" 5. " " ✓ 0.33.d.10.30. to 0.33.d.10.35.  
" 6. " " ✓ 0.33.d.05.95. to 0.33.b.95.00.  
" 7. " " ✓ 0.33.b.05.00. to 0.33.b.05.05.  
" 8. " " ✓ 0.33.b.95.15. to 0.33.b.10.20.  
" 9. " " ✓ 0.33.b.15.30. to 0.33.b.17.30.  
" 10. " " ✓ 0.33.b.25.30. to 0.33.b.25.35.  
Left of Coy. at ✓ 0.33.b.30.40.  
Left Coy. H.Qrs. ✓ 0.33.b.75.75.  
1.platoon from ✓ 0.33.b.35.55. to 0.33.b.70.70.  
1.platoon from ✓ 0.33.b.80.80. to P.25.c.20.15.  
1.platoon from ✓ P.25.c.20.15. to P.25.c.40.35.

Support Coys.

Right Coy. H.Qrs. ✓ 0.35.c.30.75.  
1.platoon from 0.33.c.40.30. to 0.33.a.55.00.  
1.platoon from 0.33.a.55.00. to 0.33.a.75.20.  
1.platoon from ✓ 0.33.a.75.20. to 0.33.a.90.40.

Left Coy. H.Qrs. 0.30.c.90.50.  
1.platoon from 0.33.a.80.55. to 0.33.a.90.35.  
1.platoon from 0.33.a.90.35. to 0.30.c.30.05.  
1.platoon from 0.30.c.90.95. to 0.30.c.95.25.

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Support Battalions.

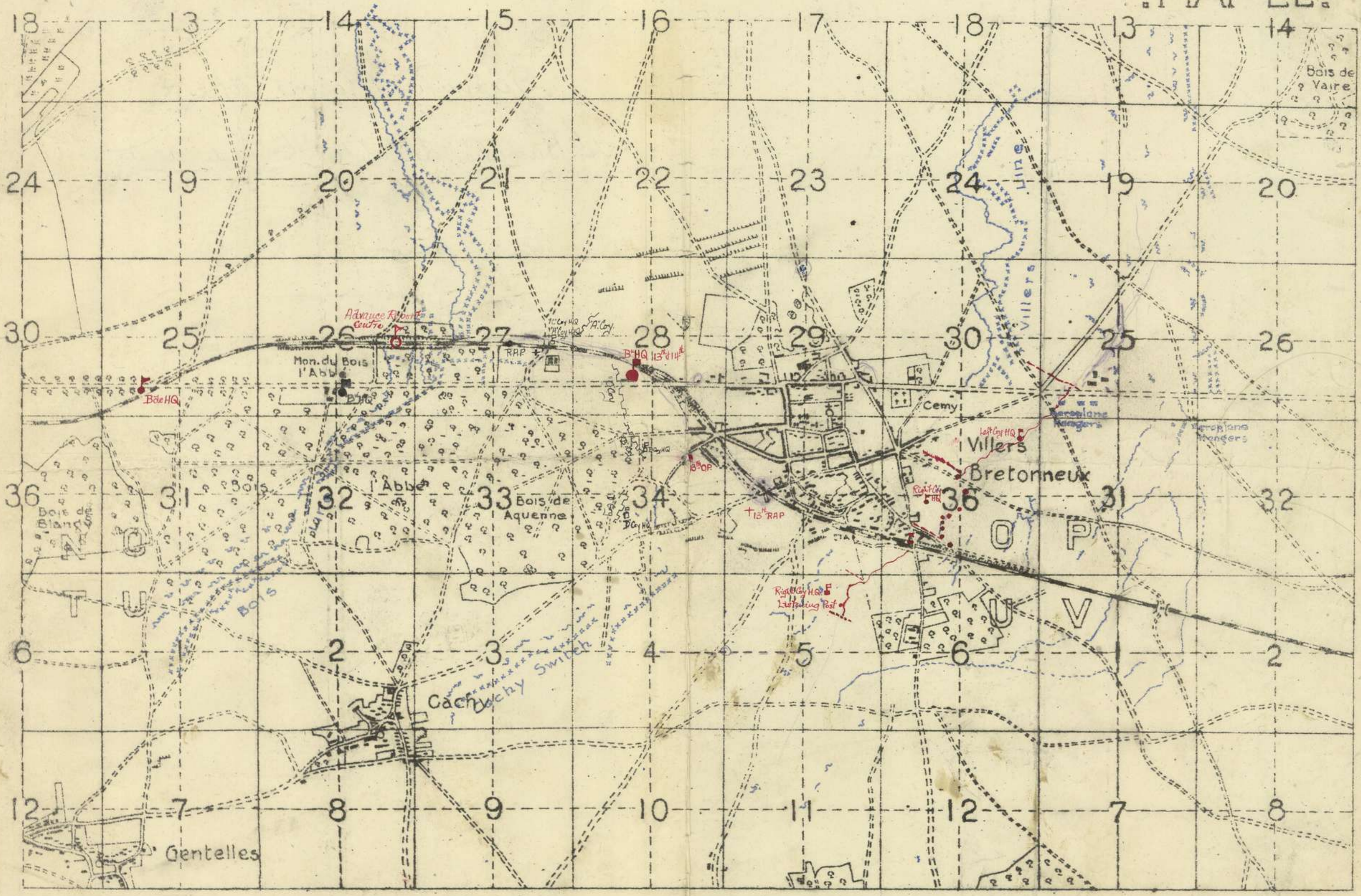
15th Bn. H.Qrs.	0.26.c.90.20.
R.A.P.	0.26.c.00.80.
"A" Coy from Coy. H.Qrs. in trench	0.32.c.00.10. to 0.32.a.70.40.
"B" Coy from Coy H.Qrs. in trench	U. 3.c.80.70. to U. 4.a.10.50.
"C" Coy. from Coy H.Qrs. in trench	U. 4.a.60.60. to 0.34.a.60.30.
"D" Coy. from 16th Bn. H.Qrs.	0.32.a.70.40. to 0.26.d.40.20.
<del>Support</del> R.A.P.	0.27.c.90.80.
"A" Coy. H.Qrs. from	0.27.d.70.95. D.28.a.00.00. to P.28.a.20.30.
"B" Coy. H.Qrs. from	0.34.a.90.60. 0.54.a.90.50. to 0.34.a.70.90.
"C" Coy. H.Qrs. from.	0.27.d.70.95. 0.28.c.45.00. to 0.28.c.50.70.
"D" Coy. H.Qrs. from	0.34.c.60.80. 0.34.c.50.70. to 0.34.a.70.10.
4th A.L.T.M. Battery H.Q.	0.27. central

Note. The amendments to the locations of the posts of the Front Line Coys.--Left Battalion are not due to the occupation, NEW POSITIONS but after studying air-photos it is found that they are as now stated.

*Barbara Benn* LIEUT.  
For Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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Disposition Report of the  
4<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Brigade as at 6<sup>th</sup> May  
with  
Accompanying Maps.

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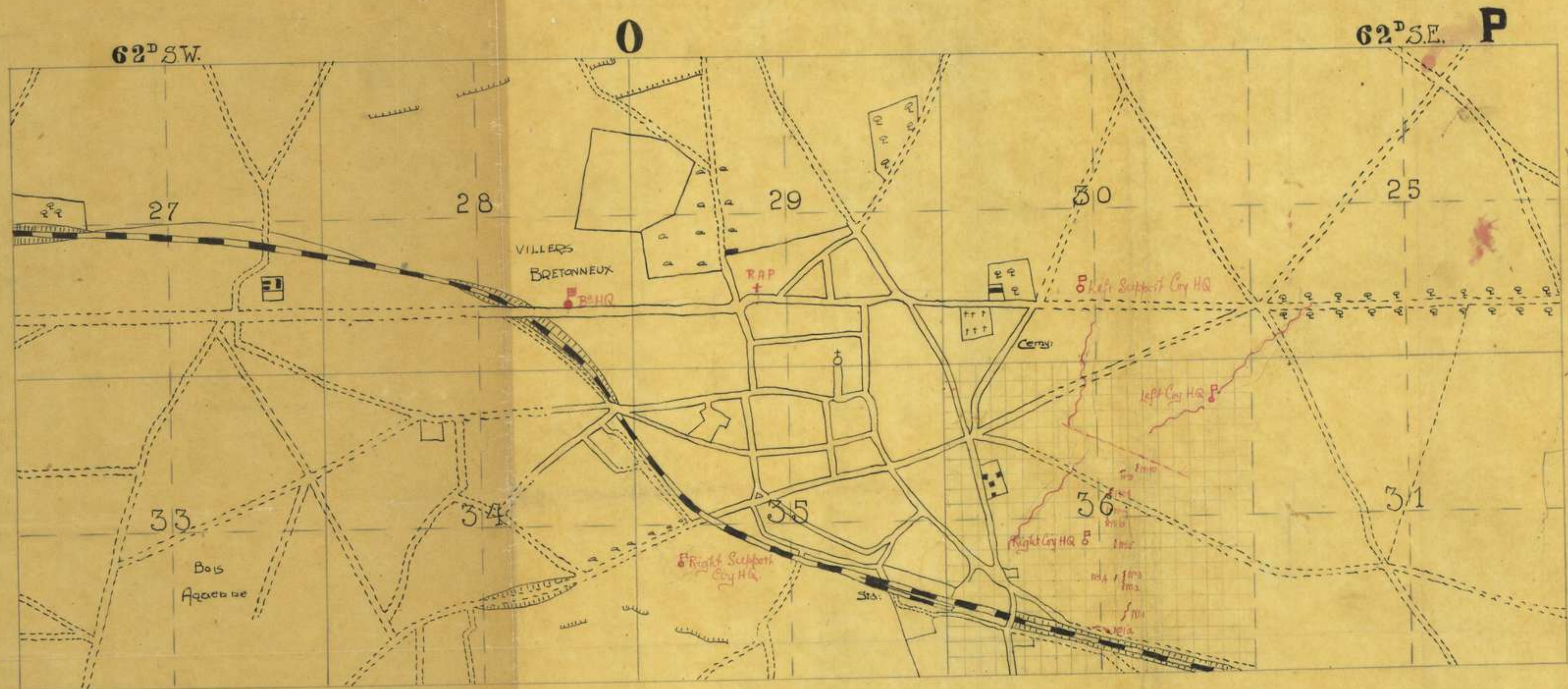
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S E C R E T.

Copy of G.H.Q. letter O.A. 166 dated 6th May, 1918.  
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It is now known for certain that the enemy has been constructing Tanks for the past year. The number which he has been able to turn out is not known but it is possible that he may have some 200 or 300.

The nature of the first type of German Tanks has been ascertained from the recent operations at VILLERS BRETONNEUX, and a description of it and its capabilities is shown on the attached paper.

The attention of Army Commanders is drawn to pamphlet on Anti-Tank Defence, No. S.S.203, dated February, 1918. Special measures should be taken to protect certain localities of importance. In this connection it is noteworthy that this first type of hostile Tank traverses wet broken ground with difficulty and that a trench 8 feet wide provides a formidable obstacle to it. Roads should therefore be cut by wide trenches.

Attention of Machine Gun Commanders should be directed to the fact that concentrated small arm fire against the German Tank will produce a very effective "lead splash" on the occupants.

The employment of our Male Tanks as a mobile defence against the enemy's Tanks should receive careful consideration.  
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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
13th May, 1918.



C. O., 16Bm

1. The above copy of G.H.Q. letter O.A. 166, dated 6/5/1918, is forwarded for information. Sufficient copies of the sketch of a hostile tank have been forwarded for distribution down to Companies.
2. The Army Commander wishes to emphasise :-
  - (a) The importance of the 8-foot wide trench as an obstacle, particularly on roads for the protection of localities of tactical value.
  - (b) "The very effective "lead splash" that can be produced on the occupants of a German tank by concentrated small arm fire, in particular that of machine guns."

*Reference German Tanks  
The following points is to be  
specially noted*

*Am. Lovell*  
Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Copy of Fourth Army I.G.2/2 dated 10th May, 1918.

A report of a gas shell fired recently into RIVERY given below:

"The plaster was from a room in RIVERY and the shell fragments from the same place. The plaster contained dichlorethylsulphide and the fragments show that the shell was one of the new pattern 15 cm. shell with false cap which is probably fired from the 1916 pattern 15 cm. gun which is stated to have a range of about 25,000 yards and is described in Ig/48583. The hole through which the liquid is introduced is 2 inches above the upper driving band.

As a side filling hole is used it is probable that this shell has a central tube filled with H.E. This idea is supported by the fact that the fragmentation is such as could hardly be caused by the explosive in the gaine of the fuse (Gr.Z.04).

Such a shell would hold about 2 litres of liquid and is interesting as the first sample of a long range shell filled with 'gas' ".

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
13th May 1918.



C.O. file

The above is forwarded for your information.

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Headquarters,  
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.  
12th May, 1918.

4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

CAMOUFLAGE.

1. In continuation of Australian Corps memo G.34/71 of 4th instant, copies of which were forwarded to you, it is notified for information that the Corps Camouflage Park has been moved from H.16.d.1.8. to H.17.a.1.9. (17 CHARING CROSS ROAD) QUERRIEU. The Corps Camouflage Officer lives with No. 2 Australian Tunnelling Coy. (H.Q., H.16.d.9.9).
2. The Corps Camouflage Park has for some days been in position to meet all moderate demands. All demands for camouflage will in future be made as laid down in G.34/71.
3. Observation from the air in the last few days has brought out the following points :-
  - (a) Coconut matting stretched taut and pegged down in "Dun" coloured or clay country gives the trench the appearance of being filled in or disused, owing to the total elimination of shadow, and is useful to this extent. Lengths of scrim treated with chalk wash has the same effect in chalk country.
  - (b) Rolls of scrim painted with a bright black centre and representing dummy trenches are fairly effective in imitating trench system. The deception, however, should be helped by removing the sods from a foot on either side of the scrim and placing them upturned on the edge of the scrim. This both serves to hold down the scrim without pegging and gives some real broken ground at the edges.
  - (c) Green painted scrim, as at present supplied, is in most cases too bright and should be toned down with patches of mud. The edges should be harmonised with grass or surrounding greenery.

(Sgd) E.C. PLANT, Major,  
for Lieut-Colonel,  
C.S., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
13th May, 1918.

C. O.,

*H. B.*

For information.



*R. Kelly*

Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

(Copy)

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

13th May, 1918.

The following works are in progress in the Brigade area. -

DEFENCES.-

Front Line is being wired with a double-apron fence. About 70. yards remains to be done from the railway Northwards. From the railway to the right of the Left Battalion sector the wire needs thickening in places. There are a few short gaps in this line required to be dug to make it continuous.

Support Line. At present only consists of isolated posts with a little wire in front of them. A good deal of work is required to make a properly organised system.

CACHY Line. A new trench about 200. yards long is required from about O.28.d.1.4. to O.34.b.11.7. and some deepening is required about O.34.b.3.3. to put this line in good order.

ACCOMMODATION.- A deep dugout to accommodate about 120. men is being constructed at O.34.b.2.4. A tunnel dugout is being constructed for R.A.P. at O.28.c.7.5.

Fourth Australian Infantry Bde.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
14th May 1918.



C.O..

File.

The above is a copy of report by 13th Field Coy. on works in progress in this area.

*P. J. Forey*  
Major,  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.

13th May, 1918.

Dear *Woods*

I had lunch with the G.O.C. Division to-day and learnt that the 3rd Division will probably relieve the 4th Division on about 20th instant. This of course is only contemplated and must not be taken as final for no one can say definitely when reliefs are to take place.

If I find in a day or so that the relief is absolutely certain then the 15th Battalion will relieve the 14th Battalion and 16th Battalion the 13th Battalion on night 17th/18th May.

As the 13th Brigade patrols got through the greater portion of MONUMENT WOOD without opposition during the past two nights the general belief is that MONUMENT WOOD is not held in strength. The Army Commander as well as the Corps Commander considers that it might be possible to advance our lines so as to deny the enemy, should he feel so disposed, the facilities of forming up for attack E. of the MONUMENT. This means that our line (4th Brigade) would have to be advanced to about U. 6. central, our left moving up in sympathy, with our right thrown back to meet the French at about the road in U. 5. d.

This minor operation will not be carried out except on Divisional Commander's recommendation. Notwithstanding the great advantage to the Hun of a concealed assembly place, and thereby menacing the safety of our line, the question of the price we would have to pay is the chief consideration.

As soon as the Commanding Officers of 13th and 14th Battalions are settled in, I would like them to keep in mind the wishes of higher authority and by vigorous patrolling and offensive Lewis Gun enterprises gain ground, especially in the direction of the Wood.

Remember identifications nightly are of the utmost importance.

The intelligence Officers and Scouts of the 15th and 16th Battalions should keep in touch with their opposite number of the 14th and 13th Battalions respectively in case the minor operation is to be persevered with.

Yours sincerely,

*C. W. Woods*

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For information & action

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
13th May 1918.

C.O..

16<sup>th</sup> Bn

Capt

Numerous complaints have been received of late, of short shooting by the Heavy and Field Artillery covering our front. In future, should this occur a report will be wired "priority" to this Office giving the following information, if possible:-

Time, number of rounds fired, calibre of guns, and direction from which shells were affired.

This will materially assist in tracing the battery or gun at fault.

The following is a list of O.P.'s at present manned by the 69th Brigade R.G.A. (Heavy Artillery) which covers the Divisional Front -

<u>O.P.</u>	<u>How manned</u>	<u>Code Name.</u>
0.30.D.3.8.	By day and night.	Dover.
0.30.B.0.0.	By day.	Ramsgate.
0.29.D.0.7.	By day.	Deal.

Please arrange for senior Officers from your Battalions to visit the F.O.O's at all posts within your area, daily, to assist them in every way possible by pointing out the front line, and giving them any information in their power that will assist in minimising the possibility of short shooting.

These Officers must be warned to exercise the greatest care during these visits to avoid being seen or doing anything that would tend to the location of the O.P. being discovered by the enemy.



*[Signature]*  
Major,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
13th May 1918.

C.O..

Herewith list of passwords and counter signs used in the  
1st FRENCH Army:-

Date.	Pass Word.	Phonetic Pronunciation in English.	Counter Sign.	Phonetic Pronunciation in English.
✓ 12	MASSENA	MARSEENAR	MARENGO	MARRENGO
✓ 13	MURAT	MURRAH	MYREGCURT	MERE CUR
✓ 14	NERON	NAIRON	NAMUR	NARMUR
✓ 15	PARMENTIER	PARMONTIAY	PHILIPPEVILLE	PHILIPVEAL
✓ 16	SULLY	SOOLIE	SAINTES	SENT SENT
✓ 17	COURBET	CURBEX	CAEN	KHON
✓ 18	VOLTA	VOELTAR	VENISE	VAIN EASE
✓ 19	TOURVILLE	TOUR-VEAL	TOUR	TOOL
✓ 20	VOLTAIRE	VOULTEAR	VALMY	VALNEY

*Secret*

During patrol work the counter sign only is used.



(signed) E.C. Plant, Major.  
for Lieut-Colonel.  
G.S. 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

C.O..

16/5/18

Forwarded. The words will not be communicated  
to subordinate commanders more than 12. hours previous to their  
coming into force.

*E.C. Plant*  
Major,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Inf. Brigade.

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Secret.

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Copy of Fourth Army No. 12/1 (G) dated 13th May, 1918.

1. Under instructions from Army Headquarters, the 5th Brigade B.A.F. send out reconnoitring machines daily, weather permitting before dawn so that the actual reconnaissance of the area immediately E. of our front line can commence as soon as it is light enough to see.
2. This morning, and on previous occasions, machines shortly after leaving their aerodromes in the dark, notwithstanding their having fired the colour of the night when first fired on, have been subjected to long continued M.G. fire.
3. Will you please inform all concerned that our machines are in the habit of starting out in the dark before dawn, and take such steps as will prevent our machines which are either showing their navigation lights or have fired the colour of the night from being engaged by M.G.'s from the ground.

No machine is to be fired on, unless it is established beyond doubt that it is an enemy.

4th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE  
No. 891/3  
16/5/18

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
Headquarters.  
Capt May 16th 1918.

G.O. file.

Copy of above letter is forwarded for information and necessary action.

Attention is drawn to Instructions for Defensive No. 12. dated 11th instant, copy of which has been sent to all Battalions. Steps are to be taken to ensure that contents of para. (V) lines 7 and 8 are complied with.

*Arnold*  
Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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(Copy)

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
14th May 1918.

SECRET.

Copy of Fourth Army I.C. 50/1. dated 11th May 1918.

A wave message last night stated that a German Listening Set (probably in the region of the BOIS de VAIRE) had noticed an unusual amount of activity on the part of our Power Buzzer Sets during the whole of yesterday afternoon until 8.50. p.m.

This should serve as a reminder to all concerned that our Power Buzzer traffic can be overheard by the enemy, and the greatest care and discretion should therefore be exercised in the use of this means of communication.

(2)



C.D.. File

For your information and necessary action.

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

<sup>BOE</sup>  
(Copy to Signal Officer).

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Works in progress showing no. of men employed.

Batt. No.	Strength	Duty.
1	1 nec. 12 ofrs	Sandbagging Battr. H. Co.
2	7 ofrs	Filling in large Reference pits and clearing up Battr. H. Co.
3	3 nec. 18 ofrs	Working continuously in 3 shifts at R. A. Barrage Battr. H. Co.
4	1 nec. 20 ofrs	Digging Tank Trap No. 2.
5	1 ofr. 1 nec. 50 ofrs	do do do do. 4.
6	1 ofr. 1 nec. 5 ofrs	Permanent BARRIERS BRETONNEUX
7	3 ofrs. 90 ofrs.	Connecting + deepening RAILWAY TRENCH

do.	Strength	Duty.
8	3 ofrs.	Connecting + deepening STRONG POINT in VILLERS SWITCH
9	4 ofrs.	Connecting + deepening CACHY LINE from O.S.H.C. S. 7. to RAILWAY
10	80 ofrs.	Anti-Aircraft Guard, Gas wards, Cooks, Runners, etc. 20 per Coy.
Total		2 ofrs 428.

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J. J. ...  
 was no officer file

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
14th May 1918.

G.O..

*File*

With reference to this Office G.892/1. of 13th instant in addition to the information asked for therein when reporting short shooting it is desired that when possible the following details will also be furnished :-

- (a) Rate of fire of offending guns.
- (b) Whether Battery salvos or single shots were being fired.
- (c) If salvos were fired interval of time between each.

*Arnold*  
Major,  
Bde-Major,  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

REPLY COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMANDANT.

To

C.O.

16th Battalion.A.I.F.

FRANCE.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,

130, HORSEFERRY ROAD,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

AJA/AEC.

IN REPLY QUOTE-

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14th May.

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TELEPHONES: VICTORIA 8860 (10 LINES).

CABLE & TEL. ADDRESS: "ADMINAUST LONDON."

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FOR PERUSAL AND RETURN.

Herewith copies of Statements made by the undermentioned Repatriated Prisoners of War for your perusal and return, please.

- 355. L/Cpl. TEMBY. A.V.
- 770. Pte. CREWS.C.A.
- 6018.Pte. FINN.M.T.
- 5680.Pte. BUNTER.C.H.
- 250. Pte. COMERY.F.

} 16<sup>th</sup> Bn. A.I.F.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

for Officer i/c Records.



*[Handwritten initials]*

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
Headquarters  
May 16th 1918.

C.O. *File*

The attached is forwarded for your information.

*Anthony May*  
Captain,  
Staff-Captain,  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Detailed Statement showing personnel not in forward area with units.  
9. a.m. on 16th May, 1918.

Detail.	15th Bn.		14th. Bn.		15th Bn.		16th Bn.		4th T.M.B.	
	O.	O.R.	O.	O.R.	O.	O.R.	O.	O.R.	O.	O.R.
Transport Q.M. } Stores & Orderly } Room. }	3.	78.	3.	75.	5.	97.	3.	90.	-	18.
										7.
Bn. Duties.	-	19.	-	19.	-	52.	-	14.	8.	24.
Guards.	-	-	-	-	-	14.	-	-	-	-
Bands.	-	51.	-	52.	-	28.	-	28.	-	-
Detonating Bombs.	-	-	-	-	-	4.	-	3.	-	-
Prisoners.	1.	8.	-	8.	-	2.	-	6.	-	-
Escort.	1.	-	-	-	-	2.	-	3.	-	-
Light Duties.	-	4.	-	1.	-	2.	-	1.	-	-
No Duties.	-	20.	-	1.	-	3.	-	6.	-	-
Anti-Aircraft.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.	-	-
Tunnelling Party.	1.	33.	-	32.	1.	50.	1.	31.	-	-
Town Major's Party. (On wet days only)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Available for Training. )	-	30.	15.	56.	22.	28.	9.	48.	-	4.
<b>Total.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>15.</b>	<b>149.</b>	<b>23.</b>	<b>185.</b>	<b>10.</b>	<b>142.</b>	<b>2.</b>	<b>28.</b>

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Midnight 15/16. May 1918.

Headquarters.  
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Reference Enemy Gas Bombardment, at 5.35. a.m. today.

The attached report from G.O. Right Coy. is forwarded, it was received at 9.30. a.m. today. In company with the Brigade Major I visited this company this morning and found the area to be fairly free of gas as the holes had all been filled in; six men had been evacuated by noon the B.M.O. stating they were slight cases. The company could not be relieved in daylight, but relief was complete by 11.30.p.m. today. At 10.p.m. tonight I was informed that Capt. Jacka, Lieut. Boyce, Lieut. Thomas, and twenty four men are being evacuated. I again sent for the Brigade Gas Officer to inspect this area, and have asked him for a report.

(signed) G.H. Johnston. Major.  
T. Comdg. 14th Batta. A.I.F.

(Copy)

G.O. 14th Battalion. A.I.F.  
Dash Coy.

Report on Gas, 15/16.

At 5.35.a.m. the enemy opened up a very intense bombardment of Gas shells on the right of Dash Coy sector. The area mostly affected was Company H. Coys and the front line at approx U.S.b. 10.30. & U. 5- central. About 200 Gas shells of very large calibre (specimen obtained, about a 6" shell) fell on the sector named in about 10. minutes. The Gas alarm was immediately given and all ranks in the affected area put on their Gas Helmets and all the shell holes were immediately filled up under the guidance of the Company Gas H.C.O. Some shells fell in NO MAN'S LAND, and these had to be filled in under fire from the enemy. One man was badly wounded whilst on this work. Battalion H. Coys. was informed as soon as possible by phone, and the Battalion Gas H.C.O. sent up, and the affected area was inspected and samples of Gas obtained. The Brigade Gas Officer arrived at 7.a.m. and was satisfied with the precautions that had been taken, and stated the Gas was now clear. The French sector adjoining us was also affected and was treated with Chloride of Lime. So far we have not had any casualties, but a few men appear to be slightly affected.

(signed) G. Jacka. Capt.  
G.O. Dash.

G.O. 14th Battalion.

Re Gas Casualties.

The main causes appear to have been as follows :-  
(a) By gas given off during the heat of the day from shells which fell in "No Man's Land". The shell holes could not be filled in or treated with Chloride of Lime.  
(b) By gas which the wind carried across from the left flank of the French Line. It was reported that the French did not fill in all the shell holes about this sector.

Report on Gas (contd)Re Gas Casualties.

(c) By gas lying about the trenches when the sector was taken over from the 52nd Battalion. It was reported that gas shell bombardments had taken place, during the last few days that the 13th Brigade held the sector.

(d) By men leaning against the sides of the trench where the liquid had fallen. (This would be the cause of men being evacuated with blisters). All precautions were taken, as soon as possible after the bombardment ceased. Shell holes were filled in, and Chloride of Lime was spread on the infected soil.

I visited the area at about 7. a.m. the trenches were clear of gas excepting one bay where a shell had fallen on the parapet. This bay was evacuated.

6.15. a.m.  
16.5.18.

(signed) L.C. Barnes. Lt.  
Gas Officer.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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**"C" Form** Army Form C. 2123.  
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**MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.** No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>SM</u> Code <u>D-PA</u> Words <u>34</u>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
e s. d.	From <u>NDA</u>	At.....m.	<u>NTD</u> <u>16/7/18</u>
Charges to collect	By <u>243</u>	To.....	
Service Instructions. <u>NDA</u>		By.....	

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received 4:30 pm

TO NTD

*Sender's Number <u>13M 179</u>	Day of Month <u>16</u>	In reply to Number <u>AAA</u>	
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Working party list No 4 NAA  
Amend as follows AAA Party  
No 7 1 officer and 15 OR NAA  
Party No 8 1 officer 30 OR AAA  
should finish tonight

FROM NDA

PLACE & TIME

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
Headquarters.  
May 16th 1918.

C.O., 16th Battalion.  
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Brigade Transport Officer.

185. water tins are being delivered to wagon lines. These are to be distributed as follows, -- with necessary instructions.

(1) 125. to 13th Battalion, as refund for those placed on reserve ration dump in left Brigade sector.

(2) 5. to 16th Battalion, - to be placed on dump at O.34.c.8.8. to complete to 125. tins.

(3) 50. to 15th Battalion to be placed,  
(a) 5. on dump at O.34.b.9.8. ) to bring up to  
(b) 45. " " " U. 3.b-6. ) 125. tins.

Report of completion of above to be sent to this Office.



*H. Thomson*

Captain.  
Staff-Captain.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
Headquarters.  
May 16th 1918.

C.O.,

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During the last tour of duty in the line the Brigade headed the list for quantity of salvage returned.

Considerably less attention is being given to that this time, and returning ration wagons are generally empty.

Please give this your attention.--It is particularly asked by Division that the good work done by the Brigade in returning wool from VILLERS BRETONNEUX be continued.

*H. Thomson* Captain.

Staff--Captain.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

"C" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 212B.  
(In books of 100.)

Prefix <i>SM</i> Code <i>CCPM</i> Words <i>37</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect	From <i>NDA</i>	At.....m.	<i>NTD</i>
Service Instructions.	By <i>WRus</i>	To.....	<i>17/5/18</i>
Handed in at <i>NDA</i>	Office.....m.	Received <i>3:14 PM</i>	

TO *NTD*

*Sender's Number <i>BM187</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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*working Party test No 4 AAA*  
*reduce Party No 2 to 3 rco's*  
*24 men AAA 1 rco and*  
*8 men Per shift from 4pm*  
*today*

FROM *NDA*

PLACE & TIME

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORT ON SHELL FALLING SHORT.

Time short-shooting commenced.....Shell.....P.M.  
 Calibre of shell :- .....Gun.....Howitzer  
 Nature of shell :- time or percussion shrapnel. H.E. Gas. Smoke.  
 Method of fire :- salves or single rounds.  
 Interval of time between salves or single rounds.....  
 Direction from which fire comes :- compass or other bearings.....  
 Locality where shell are falling. Map co-ordinates.....  
 Time shelling ceases.....Shell.....P.M.

Date / /1918. Signature.....Rank.  
 .....Batta.....Brigade.

Note :- Please report any shells falling short to Brigade Headquarters at earliest possible opportunity per telephone.  
 strike out inapplicable terms.



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INTELLIGENCE REPORT  
16-17 MAY 1918.

2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Zouaves.

I Identification.

Battery of 105 m.m. situated at N.W. point of Vignes Wood. Flash of battery easily seen.

II Enemy Works.

Fresh work S.E. of Monument. Enemy seen carrying planks during the day. Heightening of parapet at this point. A new trench has been commenced N.W. of Monument wood & towards the N. It probably connects with the front line.

III Artillery Activity.

Front line quiet. a few gas shells on the Eastern side of Pigeon Wood & reserve company & also to the N. & of the Robbery bn.

Bursts of 105 mm on the Casley plateau & on the support line. Heavy burst by 210 mm on our batteries in Blangy Wood & South of this wood.

IV Movement & Circulation.

A few isolated groups seen between Marscléon & Monument.

VI Enemy Aerial Activity.

Very slight activity during the day - during night squadrons of planes passed over our lines.

Balloons, nothing to report.

VII General Outlook.

Quiet.

VIII Miscellaneous

Patrols reconnoitred Blangy & Pigeon & Abbt Wood for the enemy aviators who were supposed to be hiding there - they patrolled without result.

Colonel de Monty.

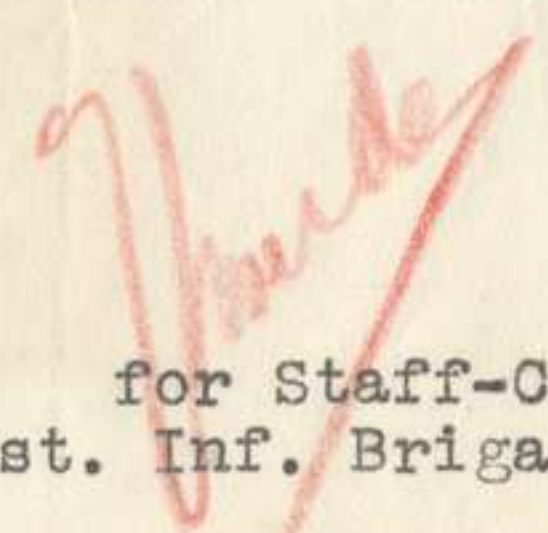
FOURTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

STRENGTH OF UNITS AS AT 9.a.m. on 17/5/18.

Unit.	Total Strength. (includes attached and detached.)		With Unit.		Forward.		Rear (33% Nucleus inc. Bands)		Transport. Includes Q.M. Branch &c.	
	Off.	O.Ranks.	Off.	O.Ranks.	Off.	O.Ranks	Off.	O.Ranks.	Off.	O.Ranks.
13th Battalion.	34	727	31	665	22	431	6	155	3	79
14th Battalion.	46	789	38	697	25	468	10	154	3	75
15th Battalion.	57	979	51	916	25	573	23	244	3	99
16th Battalion.	43	873	38	817	24	591	11	137	3	89
4th L.T.M.Battery.	5	66	5	64	3	30	2	27	-	7
	185	3434	163	3159	99	2093	52	717	12	349

C.O..

For your information.

  
 Lieut.  
 for Staff-Captain.  
 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2128.  
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Prefix <i>ND</i>	Code <i>NDDB</i>	Words <i>39</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <i>NDA</i>	At.....m.	<i>NTD</i>
Service Instructions.			By <i>WASTON</i>	To.....m.	<i>17/5/18</i>
Priority <i>NDB urgent operation</i>			By.....	Received.....m.	<i>12-55P</i>

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO *All Battalions*

*Sender's Number <i>Bm 769</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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<i>Description of figure</i>	<i>two</i>	<i>of</i>	
<i>crew of</i>	<i>GOETHIA</i>	<i>AAA</i>	
<i>About 5 ft</i>	<i>6 ins,</i>	<i>dark,</i>	<i>last</i>
<i>seen wearing</i>	<i>overcoats</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>flying</i>
<i>helmet</i>	<i>with goggles.</i>	<i>warn</i>	<i>all</i>
<i>concerned.</i>	<i>Adv 4 Aust Div.</i>	<i>repeated</i>	
<i>flank</i>	<i>Brigade</i>		

FROM	<i>GABY</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>12-25</i>

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade,  
Headquarters.  
May 17th 1918.

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AMMUNITION DUMP.

An emergency ammunition dump has been established at O.27.d.2.4. on North side of main road containing the following :-

3 <sup>rd</sup> T.M. Ammunition.	----	150. rounds
" " " " rings.	----	500.
Grenades. No. 23.	----	500.
" " " 34.	----	500.
" " " 36.	----	1000.
" " " 27.	----	100.
S.A.A.	----	60000.
" A.P.	----	2000.
Very Lights. D1.1 <sup>st</sup> (white)	----	300.
Ground Flares. (red)	----	300.

Lines. Demands for ammunition will still be met from Wagon  
emergency. Above dump is only to be drawn on in case of

*L. J. Law*

Captain,  
Staff-Captain.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



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"C" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2123.  
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Prefix <i>M</i>	Code <i>217m</i>	Words <i>24</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <i>NDA</i>	At.....m.	<i>NTD</i>
Service Instructions <i>NDA</i>			By <i>W. A. Honey</i>	To.....	<i>17/5/18</i>
			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received *8 P* m.

TO *All Bns*

*Sender's Number <i>Bm 191</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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*Pioneers instructed to take sole charge of double Bn HQ and arrange for occupation tomorrow night*

FROM	<i>NDA</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>7.45 PM</i>

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81513  
C. O.,  
16th Battalion.

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
18th May, 1918.

Your F.W.313 - Salvaged Motor Car.

Please forward particulars of the house in VILLERS BRETONNEUX in which the bulk of this car was salvaged - and if possible the proprietor's name. It is understood it is a combination of the remains of a number of cars, so that there may be some difficulty in finding rightful owner. Please also state whether this is the case.

If you will report when car is in running order notification will be sent to the French Mission with a view to the ultimate disposal of car.

*H. Thomson*  
Captain.  
Staff-Captain.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



Copy.

Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade,  
Headquarters,  
May 18th 18.

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1. It is proposed to make use of the message-carrying rockets, lately issued to line Brigades, as a means of rapid transmission of S.O.S. signals in foggy weather.
2. The rockets will carry from 1,500 to 2-000 yards, and it should usually be possible to pass on the S.O.S. by telephone from such a distance behind the most forward rocket stations. Arrangements should, however, be made to relay the call on by rocket in case telephone communication from the first receiving station is cut.
3. Brigades will arrange for a system of rocket stations, extending directly back from the fronts of the respective Battalions towards the artillery groups responsible for their support.
4. Fixed mountings will be erected for firing the rockets, in order to ensure uniformity, and tests will be carried out as soon as conditions are favourable. Notice boards will be erected at the localities where the rockets land.
5. Not less than two flights will be provided for in each case; more should not be necessary.
6. ~~It is suggested that the rockets calling for S.O.S. barrage~~ might be painted red, in order readily to distinguish them from ordinary message-carrying rockets which might be discharged during a complete breakdown in signal communication. Brigades will consider this suggestion and report their conclusions.

(signed) J.S. Laverack.  
Lieut-Colonel.  
G.S. 4th Aust. Division.



Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade,  
Headquarters.  
May 18th 1918.

C.O.. File.

Please report re the above by 20th instant.

Major,  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade,  
Headquarters,  
May 18th 1918.



C.O. file

The following message received from 4th Ambulance, is forwarded for your information :-

" The Ambulance Post at WHITE CHATEAU has now been given up. An Ambulance Post has been established in the TUNNEL (sheet 62.d. 1/20,000) B.27.d., at which there are two Medical Officers."

Major,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



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"C" Form  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2122.  
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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
		£ s. d.	From <i>NDA</i>	At.....m.	<i>NTD</i>
Charges to collect			By <i>was</i>	To.....	<i>18/5/18</i>
Service Instructions.	<i>NDA near</i>		By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received *10-10 P* m.

TO

*Capt Wadge NTD*

*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
<i>0148</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>P 310</i>	

<i>It</i>	<i>Devenish</i>	<i>nominated</i>	
<i>gas</i>	<i>school</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>go today</i>
<i>will</i>	<i>he</i>	<i>go</i>	<i>school</i>
<i>report</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>reply urgent</i>

FROM

*NTD near*

PLACE & TIME

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