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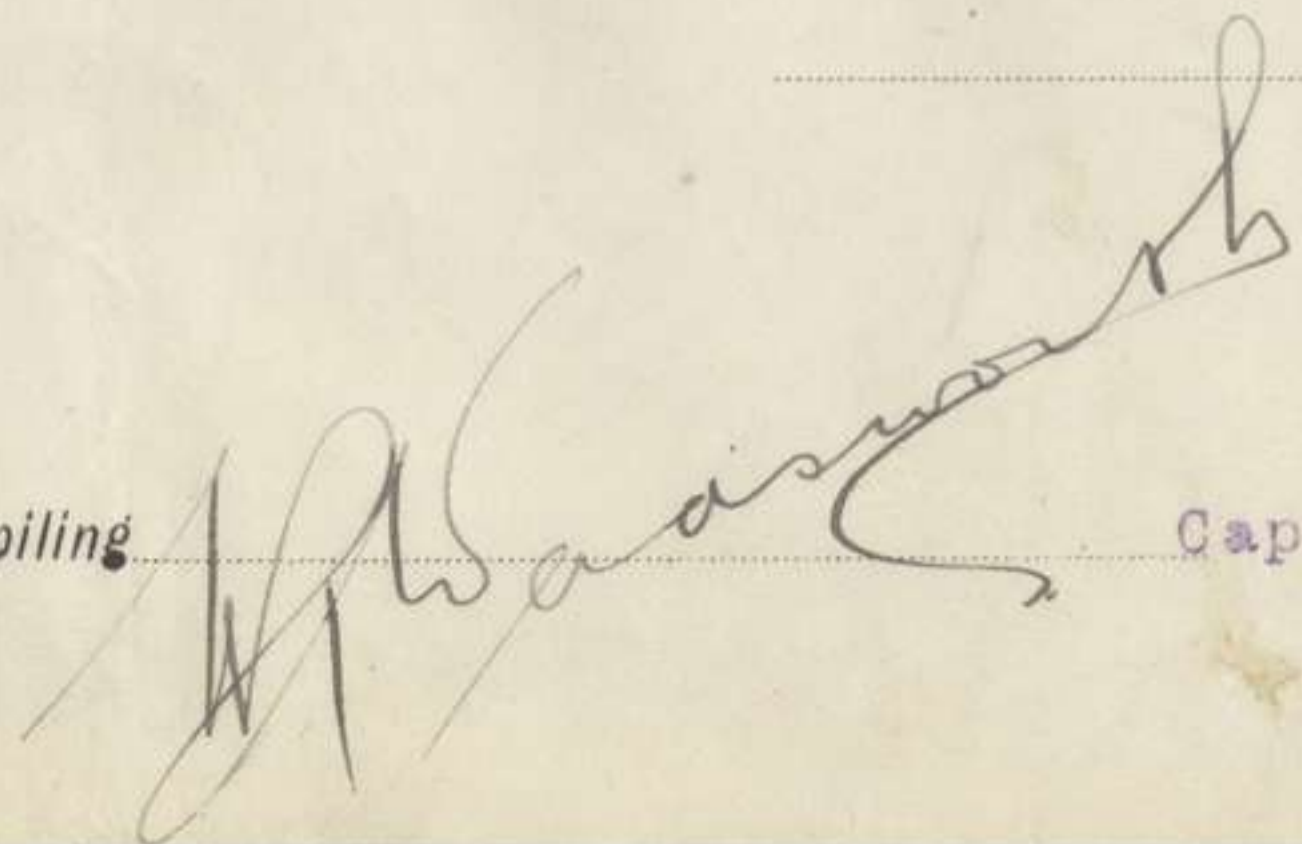
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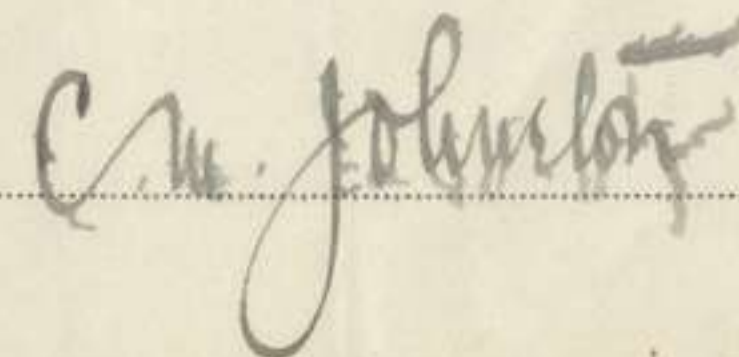
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices									
8 Front line. near ZOLLEBEKE.	1918. Febry.1.		<p>Battalion Headquarters FUSILLIER DUGGUTS (Map ref. I.36.c.9.5). Forward posts of Battalion BELGIAN WOOD & PCTSDAM; HESSIAN & CHATEAU ROAD Groups. Supports at EMBANKMENT DUGGUTS & RAILWAY TRENCH: Reserves at FUSILLIER DUGGUTS.</p> <p>Situation - normal. Artillery normal; a few gas shells and 7.7's fired by enemy etc BELGIAN WOOD GROUP. Machine Guns fairly quiet. Liaison and protective patrolling of front; (see attached reports); Wiring; strengthening of defences by garrison.</p> <p>Observation poor, on account of foggy weather.</p> <p>Evacuations - "Gassed" - 56 c/ranks; wounded, M.G. Fire 3 c/r.; Wounded shell-fire, 2 c/r. Missing, 2 c/r. (report rendered January Diary). Lieut. L.H. Ebbett to 13th T. Bn.</p> <p>Strength - Officers, 39; C/Ranks, 625 (inclusive of at Transport lines).</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>Attached,</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">6.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Detached,</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">131.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>51.</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>762.</u></td> </tr> </table>	Attached,	2	6.	Detached,	10.	131.		<u>51.</u>	<u>762.</u>	<p><i>Intelligence Reports</i> <i>appendix</i></p>
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Detached,	10.	131.											
	<u>51.</u>	<u>762.</u>											
			<p>2. Situation normal; visibility bad, owing to continued fog. Artillery and trench mortars quiet. Machine guns, fairly inactive. Patrols - liaison and protective, during night. Wiring in front of posts, and strengthening of defences by garrison. Reports attached. Evacuations - to Hospital, "Gassed", Major C.R.M. COX; 2/Lieut. J.C. LANGFORD.</p>	<p><i>do.</i> II</p>									
			<p>3. Situation normal; disposition of enemy - passive. Artillery, fairly quiet; machine gun fire rather active. Patrols - see attached. Wiring; strengthening of defences carried on. Low visibility. Our planes crossed our lines about 2.15 am.; bombs heard to drop about 2.30 a.m.</p> <p>Evacuations - "Gassed", 15 c/ranks. Sick 1 c/ranks.</p>	<p><i>do.</i> III</p>									
			<p>4. Situation normal; artillery showing greater activity - 7.5's and 5.9's, falling near posts P.I.c.3C. and P.I.A.3C.2C., and BELGIAN Group. Machine gun fire troublesome, sweeping PCTSDAM Group and BELGIAN WOOD Group. Attitude of enemy - passive. Improved weather conditions taken advantage of by aircraft over enemy's lines. Patrols, etc. Evacuations - to Hospital "Gassed" Lieut. N. Bear; sick, 4 c/r.</p>	<p><i>do.</i> IV</p>									
			<p>5. Our artillery active; enemy's posts and back areas shelled; Machine gun firing from FUNNY FARM silenced.; our aeroplanes active over enemy lines; Intermittent shelling of our posts by enemy artillery. Enemy patrol heard outside our wire opposite Post 3.T.31 at 6.30 p.m.; machine guns active. Battalion relieved by 45th Battalion, rd af completed</p>	<p><i>do.</i> V</p>									

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Front line.	Feb.	5th.	relief completed by 8.30 p.m. without mishap. Entrain at SPCIL BANK, and return to MURRUMBIDGEE CAMP (map reference). Strength - Establishment 33 officers 616 c/ranks (inclusive of Transport). Attached, 2 6 Detached, 9 133 <u>49.</u> <u>755.</u>	
LA CLYTTE. map ref. HAZEBROUCK. 1/100,000.		6th.	Cleaning up of kit, equipment and clothing, and inspection by Platoon Commanders. Battalion put through Baths at Camp, and issued with clean underclothing.	Appendix 2
		7th.	Working parties furnished for Corps Line, as per list attached. To Hospital, Gassed, 2 c/ranks.	
		8th.	Working parties for Corps Line, as per list referred to above. To Hospital - Major D. Thomson M.C. "Sick"; Lieut. A.J. Naylor "Gassed, 71 c/ranks "gassed".	
		9th.	Working Parties, 3 officers 150 c/ranks, for Corps Line - reporting at SPCIL BANK. Rejoined Unit - Lieut. L.G. Stevens; J. Craven; G.T. Trewheela; 2/Lieut. C.T. Thompson. From Base, 24 c/ranks.	
		10th.	Working parties for Corps Line - 3 off. 150 c/ranks. Evacuated to Hospital "Gassed", Lieuts. W. Jacka; H.W. Thompson; A.L. Hudson; F. Andersen; 2/Lieut. A.R. Bruford. 80 c/ranks.	
		11th.	Working parties for Corps Line - 3 off. 150 c/ranks. Evacuated "Gassed" - Captain A.R. Blainey M.C.; Captain H. Trumble; Lieuts. G.C. Hyde, N. Wilson. 12 c/ranks.	
		12th.	Working parties for Corps Line - 3 off. 150 c/ranks. Evacuated "Gassed" - Lieut-Colonel W.J. Smith; 2 c/ranks. To hospital from U.K. leave Captain P.J. Hayes. From Base, Lieut. G.F. Wilson. Captain W.R. Wadsworth assumes Command of Battalion. Strength - Estab. 28 off. 461 c/ranks; attached, 2 off. 13 c/ranks; Detached, 12 off. 154 c/r.	
		13th.	Working parties for Corps Line - 3 off. 160 c/ranks. Major C.M. JOHNSON D.S.O. assumes Command of Battalion.	
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LA CLYTTE.	Feb.	15th.	Working parties for Corps Line - 3 off. 150 c/ranks. Major G. L. Johnston command of Battalion. To Hospital - Gassed - Lieut. D. H. L. Hawkins; sick, 8/c/r.										
		16th.	Working parties, 3 off. 154 c/ranks, for Corps Line. From Base, Lieut. F. G. Griffiths, 5 c/r, from hospital 11 c/ranks. Lieut. J. H. Johnson resumes regimental duties from Brigade H'Q. Establishment - 29 off. 471 c/ranks.										
		17th.	Working parties - 3 officers 162 c/ranks, for Corps Line. From hospital, 19 c/ranks. Establishment, 29 off. 494 c/ranks.										
		18th.	Working parties - 3 officers, 168 c/ranks, for Corps Line. From Base, 23 c/ranks. Establishment, 28 off. 516 c/ranks.										
		19th.	Working party for Corps Line, 3 off. 168 c/ranks. From hospital, 11 c/ranks. Establishment - 28 officers 517 c/ranks. Order No. 1 (Move) issued - see attached.	Appendix 3									
		20th.	Morning - cleaning of camp and inspection by C.C. preparatory to move. Battalion moves 2.30 p.m., and takes over TCURNAL CAMP from 15th Battalion. Relieved at MURRUMBIDGER CAMP by 43rd Battalion. Establishment - 28 officers, 523 c/ranks (inclusive of Transport). <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>Detached,</td> <td style="text-align: right;">13</td> <td style="text-align: right;">164.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Attached,</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2</td> <td style="text-align: right;">9</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">43.</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">696.</td> </tr> </table>	Detached,	13	164.	Attached,	2	9		43.	696.	
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TCURNAL Camp.		21st.	Working Parties - 5 off. 110 c/ranks ("A" Coy. 4 off. 95 c/r., "D" Coy., 1 off. 15 c/r. report to 13th Field Coy. SP. LCI (Map reference)) Capt. C. R. T. COLE in charge.										
		22nd.	Working parties detailed for Corps Line Defences etc. as per list attached (see Appendix). Weather very windy and dull.	4									
		23rd.	Working parties - Corps Line Defences etc. as above. Weather fine.										
		24th.	Working parties - Corps Line Defences etc. as above. Weather fine but cloudy.										

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TCURNAL CAMP. (sheet 23 N.I.C.b).	1918. Feb. 25th.		Working parties for Corps Line Defences etc., as per list. Weather wet. Captains R.W. Jones M.C., and W.R.M. Beaumont rejoined Unit (from Seconded and Supernumerary list respectively). Establishment, 30 officers; 519 c/ranks; attached 2 officers 4 c/ranks; Detached, 14 officers 178 c/ranks - total strength, 46 officers, 701 c/ranks.	
	26th		Working parties on Corps Line Defence Scheme, as per list. Weather fine.	
	27th		Working parties on Corps Line Defences etc., as per list. Weather fine. On information received from intelligence, the Battalion moved up to battle formations in anticipation of enemy attack. Battalion moved out at 11.45 p.m. to strong-point positions in rear of 13th Battalion. No attack eventuated, and battalion returned to TCURNAL CAMP at 8 a.m. on 28th. Battalion Order No. 2 issued (copy attached - see appendix).	Appendix 5
NEUVE EGLISE.	28th.		Weather showery. C.C. inspected TCURNAL CAMP at 12.30 p.m., everything being left in a clean condition. Move from battle area (TCURNAL CAMP) to reserve area (NEUVE EGLISE) by route march, passing starting point at 1.30 p.m.. Battalion arrived NEUVE EGLISE at 3.30 p.m. and occupied billets of semi-wrecked houses. (Exchange of billets with 10th Battalion). Establishment, 28 officers 529 c/ranks; attached, 2 officers 4c/ranks; detached, 14 officers 180 c/ranks - total strength, 44 officers, 713 c/ranks.	

WAR DIARY

OF

14th Battalion A.I.F.

FOR

February

1918.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
1.	Working Party List.
1.	Intelligence Report - Original copy.
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2.	Working Party list.
3.	Order No. 1 - Move from MURRUMBIDGEE CAMP TO TCURNAI CAMP.
4.	Working Party List.
5.	Order No. 2 - Move from TCURNAI CAMP to NEUVE EGLISE.

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FAD Bn. WORKING PARTY List No. 4.

29th January to 3rd February 1918.

No. of party.	STRENGTH. Coy to Furnish.	When, where and to whom to report.	Nature of work.
71.	2 Cff. 50 c/r. R.C	6 p.m. where CLAF AVENUE crosses railway at L. 36. c. 2. 2. to a Sapper 13th Field Coy.	Improvement CLAF AVENUE. Party to be sent daily until further orders. Shovels to be taken.
16.	1 Cff. 40 c/r. B. D	9 a.m. on work to Battalion Maintenance Officer Lieut. Andersen.	Maintaining IMPERIAL Avenue and other routes. daily.
17.	1 N.C.C. 10 men. A. D	5 p.m. on work to Battalion Works Officer, Lieut. Hawkins at Bn. H'Qrs.	Wiring, IMPERIAL AVENUE.
18.	1 N.C.C. 10 men. B. B	5 p.m. to Battalion Works Officer at Bn. H'rs.	Wiring CLAF AVENUE. daily.

Appendix I
War Diary

A. P. Blaney
..... Captain.
Adjutant 14th Battalion A. I. F.

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INTELLIGENCE

OUR OPS.

No details

ENEMY OPS

It has been extraordinarily quiet.
Neither enemy shells, M.G.s or
rifles have been fired.
owing to fog visibility has
been bad for the last 24 hrs.

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1/8

R. Hall
O/C Brush

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F.A.D. 2/1/18
 Intelligence Report

Our Operations

Artillery firing off and on throughout night

M.C.'s Very Quiet

Enemy Operations

No Artillery fire whatsoever

M.C.'s Very Quiet

A fog hung about all day & observation was impossible.

A post at 0.6. d. 70.80 observed a man climbing down from a tree but he was not noticed until it was too late to shoot, a strict watch

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is being kept for this
man.

An enemy working party
was at work and appeared
last 6. This was hidden
at 12. midnight

~~Account~~
C.C.opp

to

with

Patrols

Strength	Time of Departure	Time of Return	Route	Remarks
1 NCO 1 Man	8 P.M. 12 Midnight 4 A.M.	8.45 P.M. 12.30 A.M.	From P.l.a. 30.20 To P.l.a. 30.45	Latinal Patrols
1 N.C.O 1 Man	8. P.M. 12. P.M.	8.50 P.M. 1. A.M.	From O.B.d. 30.80 O.B.d. 70.70	Latinal
1 N.C.O 1 Man	7. P.M.	12. Midnight	From O.B.d. 70.80 To O.B.d. 30.80	Patrolled in front of perimeter to No 4 post

APP I.A.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

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APP I.A.

From: OC. DASH
To: FAD.

Our OperationsArtillery.

Activity normal. Livened up
towards night. CIRCUS POINT & DAMP
BOPSE receiving special attention.

MACHINE GUNS.

Very little activity.

Trench Chatos

Nil.

Aircraft.

Nil.

Miscellaneous

Garrison Post P.H.2. Belgian Wood
improved. POSITION for Lewis Gun
made in window facing FISH
POND. Special sentry posts arranged
for DAY WORK & Foggy Weather.

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Enemy Operations.

Artillery

Was very quiet. At 10 P.M. 6 Gas shells and 10 77. M.M.S fired onto Belgian Wood Group.

MACHINE GUNS

~~Not~~ Not as active as usual. M.G. from MAY FARM & CIRCUS POINT harassed POTSDAM GROUP through-out the night. 1 M.G. also firing from FUNNY FARM.

MOVEMENT.

At 4 P.M. 6 Hunts were seen to enter MAY FARM. At 1. A.M. sounds of winning party heard from direction of GAME COPSE. Voices heard from the direction of DAMP COPSE at Aircraft 9.50 AM.

Line trench mortar

appeared to be shelling Bn. on our left. firing from DAMP COPSE. at 10.30 AM.

PATROLS D.F.S.W. Coy. 1/2 Feb. 18.

Strength	Time of Departure	Time of Return	Route	Remarks
1. N.C.O. & 2. OR.	6. P.M.	7. P.M.	From J. 31. D. 45. 25 to night post of Bn. on left flank	Seasion & protective patrol. Kept touch with flank no enemy seen.
1. N.C.O. & 2. OR.	6. P.M.	7. P.M.	Seasion Patrol with Potdam Group	
1 Officer & 2 H.O.R.	12.45. A.M.	2.45. A.M.	From J. 31. D. 85. 50 to J. 32. C. 20. 20 along escheme edge of Belgion Woods. to P. 1. B. 65. 60. back	Special duty of patrol to search for body (see last night's report) unable to locate same. Ground almost impassable.
N.B. This patrol carried out by OT. D.F.S.W. Lieut WOOD will patrol same locality after day - break under cover of the fog. A Jacka Capt			Southern edge of FISH POND through wood in front of our posts to G. 5. Post where men were missing from	Enemy were in front of road from MOAT FARM to WET POND. fairly good Patrol fired on by M.G. from position in rear of FARM. No enemy patrol seen.

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- (1) ARTY: - Normal. Sifted up towards high CIRCUIT POINT and DAMP COPSE: receiving special attention.
- (2) M.G.s: - Very Quiet.
- (3) T.M.: - Nil
- (4) Firecraft: - Nil.
- (5) Miscellaneous: - Our position improved by 14th Jan.

Enemy OperationsIdentifications: - Nil.Dispositions: - Nothing Fresh.

Arty: - Very Quiet, at 10 P.M. a few shot + 7.7. M.M. shells fell onto Belgian Wood Group.

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Enemy Operations (contd)

M.G.s:- Very Quiet
harassing fire on
Potsdam Group from May Farm
and Circus Point. a M.G. firing
from Funny FARM

T.M.s:- Appeared the firing
on 18th on our left in
direction of DAMP COPSE

Aircraft:- Nil

Attitude:- Passive

Defence:- Scattered same as
our own.

Movement in Rear of Lines:- dt

4 P.M. 6 Huns were seen to enter
MAY FARM at 1 A.M. Whirring
partly heard in direction of
GAME COPSE. Voices heard
from direction of DAMP COPSE
at 9-50 A.M.

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Intelligence Summary
Enemy Operations (cont)

MOVEMENT:-
Post at O.6.0, 7.0.80.
observed a man climbing
down from a tree but not
until it was too late to
shoot, a strict watch is
being kept for this man.

App. I.B.

Intelligence Report.

App. I.B.
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"AIM" From 7.30 pm to 4 am night 2/3 Feb.

Our Operations

① Artillery Intermittent shelling behind lines chiefly on our flanks.

② Machine Guns Very quiet

③ Truck Mortars Listening Post of POTSDAM Group forward from Post. S.P.I. report that 2 of our T.M shells fell very short of GAME COPSE and pieces of shells landed quite close to them.

One of our mortars was observed firing on DAMP COPSE

④ Aircraft At 3 am Enemy searchlights (6 in all) were observed searching sky for our plane approximately over J. 32 b

- 'Enemy Operations' -

① Artillery Except for short burst of fire on our rear at 11.50 pm Artillery very quiet on our front.

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Intelligence Report. (continued) ^{app 1: B}

(2) Machine Guns Instantaneous bursts of fire on Pile boxes in both groups also on Sap Head at J 31 G 45.50. Flashes of guns observed at CIRCUS POINT. DAMP COPSE and FUNNY FARM

(3) Mortars Flash of a trench mortar seen at Funny Farm

(4) Patrols Liaison and Protective Patrols sent out every two hours during the night. Liaison patrol on right flank of POTSDAM Group reports that at 12 midnight they observed a man coming towards them from direction of Enemy lines. When within 50 yards of our Patrol he made off half left towards Enemy lines.

(5) FLARES. During dark part of night white flares set up occasionally from GAME COPSE

(6) MOVEMENT. Warning Bards heard at work in vicinity of GAME COPSE

~~Advised~~ ^{Advised} ~~Unit~~
O.C. "AIM."

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OUR OPS.

Arty. 18 pdrs. shelled enemy front posts at intervals during night. Heavies fired a lot into back areas.

M. G. Very quiet

T. M. S. Our TMS registered with 6 rds. fired to near edge of GAME COPSE. Seemed to go too far to left. There was 1 dud.

Aircraft Planes crossed our line about 2.15 AM. About a dozen bombs were heard dropped at about 2.30 pm. + again at 3.20 pm.

ENEMY OPS

Arty Very quiet.

M. G. 2 guns fired occasional short bursts from about vicinity of GAME COPSE. M. G. seem to be traversing with short bursts indiscriminately all through the night, about our sector. Cannot give definite location yet. 1 MG in GAME COPSE apparently was silenced by our T.M. fire.

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FLARES About 6 golden rain flares sent up from ridge in front.

MOVEMENT. A working party was heard in gully about 250 yds in front of HESSIAN WOOD. Men could be heard singing out, whistling & dumping material on the ground.

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4.5 am.

L. B. 10
O/C Brush

No Gas Shells have fallen in our vicinity, nor have the ~~effects~~ of the gas shells which fell last night had any effect here
L.B.

Strength	TIME OF DEPT.	TIME OF RETURN	ROUTE	REASON	REMARKS
1 NCO & 1 O/R	10 pm.		From No 4 POST to RIGHT BN.	Contact	all correct
do.	2 am.		do	do	do.
do	8 pm.		From No 9 POST to LEFT BN	do	do
do	12 pm.		do	do	do
do	4 am.		do.	do.	do
<p>4.20 am Patrols every hour between all posts in both RIGHT & LEFT groups & also between groups.</p>					
<p>3/11/18 No enemy movement observed S. W. S. / c</p>					

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"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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

TO {	FAD.		

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* DASH.	2 / 2 / 17.		

Intelligence Report.

our operations

artillery

was very active throughout the day. Very accurate shooting observed on GAME COPSE, CIRCUS POINT, DAMP COPSE ~~CHALK FARM~~ CHALK FARM & other enemy Pill-Boxes.

MACHINE GUNS

were more active than usual.

Trench Mortars

nil.

Aircraft

our aeroplanes very active throughout the day. Flying low over enemy lines. Heavily engaged by adv. aircraft and M.G.s

From	Place	Time

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"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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

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Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* <u>DASH.</u>			

Patrols 1 Officer 4 OR.
~~From~~ Under cover of fog
patrolled from J.31.D. 89.35.
through enemy side of
Belgian Wood. Fog was not very thick
& patrol unable to approach
wide round MORTFARM on account
of M.G. fire position in rear.
No sign of body of mentioned
in previous report. Patrol
made a thorough investigation
of wood in front of all round
posts where men missing from
Nothing seen. Ground an
absolute quagmire all round
this post it very well wired

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Place _____
Time _____
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Sent					By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By.....
At.....							
To.....							

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

Relief carried out by A & D boys. outposts hoops moved out from reserve line at 6 P.M. Relief complete by 7.5 P.M. effort excellent relief.

Enemy Operations.

Artillery

Very lively during the afternoon shelled bluster Dugouts very heavy at 1.30 P.M. mostly 5.9 + 4.2 being used. 4.2 appeared to have instantaneous fuse. Several direct hits on IMPERIAL AVENUE between blusters & Fusilier

From	DUGOUTS:	At 9.45 PM heavy bombardment
Place	ment	with Gas shells finished
Time	about	10.5 PM. FUSILIER RAILWAY

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

TRENCH receiving special attention

* This line should be erased if not required. P.T.O.

MACHINE GUNS

Less active than usual

T.M.

Nil

N 8

This deals with day & until relief by A. Coy

W. Jacka
Capt.

App I.C.

Appendix ~~I.C.~~

I. O. F. F. C. E.

3.2.48.

Intelligence Summary.

OPERATIONS

Arty: - Intermittent shelling through our high ground ~~causing~~ ~~casualties~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~enemy~~ ~~at~~ ~~10:30~~ ~~to~~ ~~11:00~~ ~~AM~~

T.Ms: - Only our T.Ms resulted a few rounds only by AME Corpse, 15 ft. near edge.

Aircraft: - Our Planes crossed our line about 2.15 PM. about 12 bombs were heard to drop at between 2.30 PM + 3.20 PM.

Patrols: - See chart.

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(cont)

Intelligence Summary

(2) Nil 3.2.16

(3) Nil

(4) Hostile Arty: Quiet.

Had shells fall around
the vicinity of FUSILLIER wall
at 9-55-9-55 p.m. and again at
10-5-10-15 p.m.

(5) Passive.

(6) Flash of an enemy T.M.
seen at FUNNY FARM.

(7) Nil

(8) Enemy Winery Party heard
at work in vicinity of
GAME COPSE. Men could
be heard singing out, whistling
& dumping material on the ground.

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3.2.18

Intelligence Summary

(9) FLARES - During the dark part of the night white flares were sent up occasionally from ~~GAME COPSE~~
GAME COPSE

(10) MISCELLANEOUS - Two gun

fire in shot-belt
app. we at GAME COPSE.
M.G. seen the enemy in
shot belt indiscriminately all
thru the night about our
sector. M.G. in GAME COPSE
apparently silenced by our
T.M. fire. Flashes of fire
observed at CIRCUS POINT
DAMP COPSE, and FUNNY FARM.

J. Clavel
I.O.

3.2.18.

App'l. C.

3 - 4th Feb. 1918 Intelligence Report. App'l. C.
"AIM"

Our Operations

① Artillery Our artillery active on Funny Farm and PIEFARM from 1 pm to 3 pm 3rd inst
At 10 pm two salvoes evidently intended for Circus Point fell in front of POTSDAM GROUP

② Machine Guns. Post at J 31 at 50.20 report our Vickers gun near JARROCKS FARM firing low into BELGIAN WOOD grove

③ Trench Mortars Nil

④ Our aircraft very active throughout the day. At 5.15 am 3rd inst one of our planes flew over enemy lines in direction of ZANDVOORDE, some numerous later loud explosions were heard

Enemy Operations

① Artillery BELGIAN WOOD was subjected to light shrapnel during afternoon
at 5 am enemy artillery active on our back areas

From 10 am to 11 am POTSDAM GROUP was shelled at intervals with

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② Intelligence Report (4th Feb) ^{app. 1. C}
 5.9. All of our posts escaped
 damage

② Machine Guns Gun at CIRCUS POINT
 very busy on POTSDAM Group throughout
 the night

Gun at FUNNY FARM fairly active
 throughout the day

Gun at CIRCUS POINT also very
 troublesome to posts in BELGIAN WOOD
 group

③ Flares about 6 flares were fired from
 direction of DAMP COPSE between
 6 pm and 10 pm

④ Movement. At 6 am about 7 of enemy
 were observed moving at P. 8 & 9.9.

⑤ At sun down about 6 of the enemy
 were seen to leave a trench and enter
 PIE FARM.

5 am 4/2/18

~~W. C. A. I. M.~~
 O. C. A. I. M.

Patrols see Pro Forma attached

PATROLS "AIM" 4/2/18

Strength	Time of departure	Time of Return	ROUTE	Remarks
1 off 3 O/R	6.15pm	8pm	Left J31 at 45.20 To J31 at 95.50 do J32 C 30.20. do P1 b 95.95 do P1 b 50.80 do J31 at 30.20	No signs of enemy ground very boggy almost impassable in places
2 NCO	every 2 hours		POTSDAM GROUP do BELGIAN WOOD	Working Party heard at MAY FARIM
1 NCO + 2 O/R	every 2 hours		POTSDAM do HESSIAN GROUP	Working Party heard at CIRCUS POINT
1 NCO + 1 Man	every 2 hours		BELGIAN WOOD do LEFT Batten	Sound very bad Fired on from CIRCUS POINT.

[Signature]
OC AIM

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App. I.C.

LB 12 INTELLIGENCE APP. I.C.
OUR OPS.

Arty. Fairly active. 18/hrs. shelled enemy forward posts during day & at intervals during night up till midnight.

T.M. fired 3 shots to register on GAME COPSE. 2 am.

Aircraft. Active during day & frequently crossed enemy lines

ENEMY OPS

Arty. Fairly active during day. About 20 shells fell near post PIC 3070 & PIA 3020 mostly 77mm. & a few 4.2". About 10 4.2s fell at short distance in rear of post at 06 D 7080

MG one gun from GAME COPSE fired several short burst across front during 8 am. 12 noon.

FLARES 2 green flares went up from $\frac{1}{2}$ about LOCK 6. Nothing observed to happen before $\frac{1}{8}$ or after. A 35 am

Sony Jim late O/C Bunch

STRENGTH	TIME OF DEPT.	TIME OF RETURN	ROUTE	REASON	REMARKS
8 3 QR	8 pm	8.47 pm	O6D 3070 to O6C 8060	Contact	All correct
1 QR 2 OR	12 m.n.	12.58 am	do	do	do
3 QR	4 am	4.35 am	do.	do.	do.
3 OR	10 pm	10.50 pm	P. I. A 3020 to P. I. A 9530	do	do
3 OR	2 am	2.40 am	do.	do	do.

Patrols of 2 OR sent each hour for lateral communication between all posts.
See Location Report.

L. J. Waller
C/Oe Bush

Apple
18/12

Apple 1.1.2

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Appendix ~~IV~~

I.O. F.F.C.E.

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Intelligence Summary

4. 2. 18.

Our Operations

Artillery: Active, during 1-2 night
shelled FUNNY FARM.
and THE FARM. ~~from~~
At 10 P.M. two salvoes evidently
intended for CIRCUS POINTE
fell in power of POTDAM
GROUP

M.G.s: - Post at T31 d. 50. 20.
up all our Vickers Gun
near THIRROCK'S FARM firing
low into BELGIAN Wood group

T.M.s - At 2 AM. fired 3 shots
deficient on GAME CORSE.

Aircraft: very active all day,
crossing and crossing
enemies' lines. At 5.15 AM.
on 3rd one of our planes flew over
enemy lines in direction of
ZAND VOORDE. Some minutes
later several loud explosions were
heard.

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Intelligence Summary (Contd)

Enemy operations

Identifications - Nil

Dispositions - do.

Artillery :- Action, about 20 shells fell near our position at P. 1. 30.00 + P. 1. 17. 30.20. These were mainly 7.7mm. MI. about 10 4.2's fell a short distance from P. 1 at 0.6. 7.0. 8.0. BELGIAN group subjected to some shrapnel during afternoon 7.10. 11. 11. 11. P. 1's dam group was shelled at intervals with 5.9's. No damage.

M.G.'s Gun fire from 2/AMIE @ OPSE one from CIRCUS POINT swept P. 1's dam group through out the night. Same gun also gave trouble to Belgian Wood group. Gun fire from FUNNY FARM.

Copp. I. D.

4.2.18
Intelligence Summary (cont'd)
Enemy Operations

IMC: Nil.

Aircraft: Nil.

Artillery: Passive.

Defences: Scattered.

Movements in rear of lines: At 6 AM

7 of the enemy were observed moving at approx P 2 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. 6 tanks were seen to leave a trench & enter P I E F I R M.

FLARES: Two green flares

were observed to go up at 4.35 AM from about Lock 6. No result.

J. Chamberlain / W
 I. O.

App I.E.

Appendix VI.

I.O. FACE. 5-2-18.

Intelligence Summary.

OPERATIONS

Arty in action, enemy's posts
~~in~~ about area were both
 attended to. FUNNY FARM,
 receiving special attention,
 the M.G. which usually
 fires from that position was
 silenced & has not fired since.
 CIRCUS POINT - MAY FARM,
 PIE FARM, were also
 subjected to fire throughout
 the day.

Aircraft in our planes were
 very active throughout
 the day. About 7 P.M. several
 four planes crossed enemy's
 lines, shortly afterwards
 loud exp. noises were heard.
 enemy search lights endeavored
 to locate planes.

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5.2.16 app. I.E.

Intelligence Summary (cont.)

T.M.S. :- at 7-15 P.M. 10 rounds
were fired over by H.M.E.
CORSE.

Patrols :- See Pro Forma.

Identifications :- Nil

Disposition :- Nothing fresh

Hostile Arty Activity :- Quiet

at 6 A.M. (4th) - HESSIAN WOOD
was shelled with 77 M.M.
& 4.2" for 5 min.

at brief intervals during
afternoon H.E. shrapnel
fell near posts at P.O. 30.00
and P.O. 30.20.

Enemy's Attitude :- Passive.

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5.2.1941
Intelligence Summary (contd)

Enemy References: Scattered

Hostile Aerial Activity: - Nil

Movement: - Enemy patrol
 heard outside
 our wire opposite post
 3. J. 31 at 6.30 p.m.
 apparently crossed leading
 to MOHT FARM.

Arms etc:

Flare: - During hour
 of darkness a few
 put up from I D AMP CO
 + wind over, also MOHT FARM.

Opp. I.E.

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Intelligence Summary

Miscellaneous:-Enemy M.G.s:- 2 guns actionin vicinity of DUMP CORSE,
@ IRONS POINT, MAY FARM,
+ @ HOME CORSE.Gun at DUMP CORSE
located from Post No 5 J 31.
on a true bearing of 132° T.Enemy Balloons:- Two balloons
appeared
above our home before sunset
remained up till dark.

M. Chamberlayne / R
I.O.

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14th Battalion A.I.F.
6th February 1918.

C.G., Companies.

WORKING PARTIES.

The following Working Parties will be supplied daily until otherwise ordered.

No. of Party.	Strength. C/R.	Company to furnish.	When, where and to whom to report.	Nature of Work.
1.	3. 150.	A. Coy. 2 eff. 75 c/r. B. Coy. 1 eff. 75 c/r.	By train 7.30 a.m. from KILMARNOCK to SPICIL BANK. Report to 4th Field Company.	Mid-day meal & dummies for making tea to be carried. Finish work at 2.30 p.m.
2.	3. 150.	C. Coy. 2 eff. 75 c/r. D. Coy. 1 eff. 75 c/r.	Return train from SPICIL BANK 3 p.m.	

(The 2 officers will be furnished by B. & D. Companies on alternate days.)

- The senior officer of each party will command. He will also detail one officer to act as Entraining and Detraining Officer. This officer will be at siding twenty minutes before departure of train, and will make all arrangements for entraining and detraining of troops.
- All parties will carry fighting order and 120 rounds S.A.A. Steel helmets and box respirators to be worn.
- Officers will obtain from Engineers a report in writing showing,
 - Strength of Party;
 - Nature of work;
 - Remarks on work executed.
 This report to be handed in to Battalion Orderly Room on return to camp.
- The Orderly Officer of the Day will be present when Working Parties parade and will render report to Battalion Headquarters at 8 a.m. daily, showing actual numbers on parade.

War Diary

Appendix 2

Jamieson
.....Captain.
Adjutant 14th Battalion A.I.F.

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14th BATTALION ORDER No. 1.

Copy No. 1.....

Reference Map, HAZEBROOK, 1/100;000.

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1. The 14th Battalion will move by March Route to TCURNAI CAMP on 20/2/18 relieving the 15th Battalion.
Route - LA CLYTTE - NORTHEAST CORNER.
Starting point - Cross Roads, LA CLYTTE.
Time - To pass starting point at 2.30 p.m.
2. Order of March - Headquarters, Pipe Band, "A", "B", Brass Band, "C", "D".
Transport. Cockers will march with their respective Companies.
3. Dress - Full Marching Order. 1 blanket to be rolled in waterproof round the pack.
4. The second blankets will be rolled in bundles of 10, labelled and dumped near Quartermaster's store, at spot to be indicated by Quartermaster, by 9 a.m.
Officers' valises will be dumped on duckboards near Headquarters Mess at 10 a.m.
5. Huts to be left clean, and surroundings of camp in good order. The usual certificates by C.C.'s, Companies, will be handed in to Battalion Headquarters by 1 p.m.
6. Marching Cut states to be handed to the Adjutant at 2.30 p.m.
7. Intervals for the Area are, 100 yards between Companies and 100 yards between Transport and preceding Company.
8. C.C., "A" Company, will detail a party of 1 officer and 12 men to act as Rearguard.
9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Mitchell
.....Captain.
Adjutant 14th Battalion A.I.F.

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14th Battalion A.I.F.
21st February 1918.

WORKING PARTIES.

Battn.No.	Brigade No.	Strength.	Ncs.supplied by Companies.	When, where and to whom reporting.	Nature of work.	Remarks.
1.	13.	5 eff. 11c c/r.	"A" Coy. 4 eff.95 c/r. "D" Coy. 1 eff.15 c/r. (1 platoon).	Living-and-working 11 a.m.21/2/18 ST.ELCI, Officer 13th Field Coy.	Living and working with 13th Field Company.	Permanent party. Cap.C.R.T.CCLE in command.
2.	2.	2 eff. 11c c/r.	"B" Coy.30 c/r. "C" Coy.45 c/r. "D" Coy.35 c/r.	7.30 a.m.SPCIL BANK. Officer,13th Field Coy. Train at BARDENBURG 6.55 a.m. daily. Return 2.15 p.m.from BPC IL BANK.	Right section. Reserve line. Wiring etc.	Daily. Leave camp 6.30 a.m. daily.
3.	-	1 N.C.C. 30 c/r.	"D" Coy.13 c/r. Bands, 18 c/r.	C.R.E. ELZENWALLE. DUMP 3 p.m.21/2/18.	---	Permanent party
4.	-	1 N.C.C. 17 c/r.	"A" Coy. 1 c/r. B. 6 c/r. C. 6 c/r. D. 5 c/r.	SIEGE FARM BATHS.	Running baths.	dc. dc.
5.	-	1 eff.	Band, Ccys. 5 c/r. 5 c/r.	RIDGE WCCD AREA.	Salvage.	dc. dc. Lieut.W.J.Fulten in command.
6.	-	1 N.C.C. 13 c/r.	Ccys.	as per No.1.	<i>J. Mitchell</i>Captain. A/Adjutant 14th Battalion A.I.F.	as per No.1.

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14th Battalion C.O. No. 2.

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Reference Map, BELGIUM & FRANCE 1/C, 000.

1. The 14th Battalion will be relieved by the 10th Battalion on 25/2/18 and will move by route march to billets in NEUVE EGLISE.

Route - VIERSTRAAT-LINDENHOF.

Starting point - Cross Roads, VIERSTRAAT.

Time to pass - 1.35 p.m.

2. Order of March - Battalion Headquarters, "A" Coy, "B", "C" and "D".
Officers will accompany their respective Companies.

3. Dress - Full marching order. 1 blanket to be rolled in waterproof sheet round the pack.

4. The second blanket will be rolled in bundles of 10, labelled and dumped on ramp leading to officers' lines by 12 noon. Officers' valises will be dumped at same place by same hour.

5. Huts to be left clean and surroundings of camp in good order. The usual certificates by C.O.'s Companies will be handed to Battalion Headquarters by 1 p.m.

6. Marching out states to be handed to the Adjutant at 1.20 p.m.

7. Intervals for the area are 100 yards between Companies and 100 yards between Transport and preceding Company.

8. C.O. "D" Company will detail a party of 1 officer and 12 men to act as Rear guard.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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appendix 5.*

J. Mitchell
.....Captain.
Adjutant 14th Battalion A.I.F.