

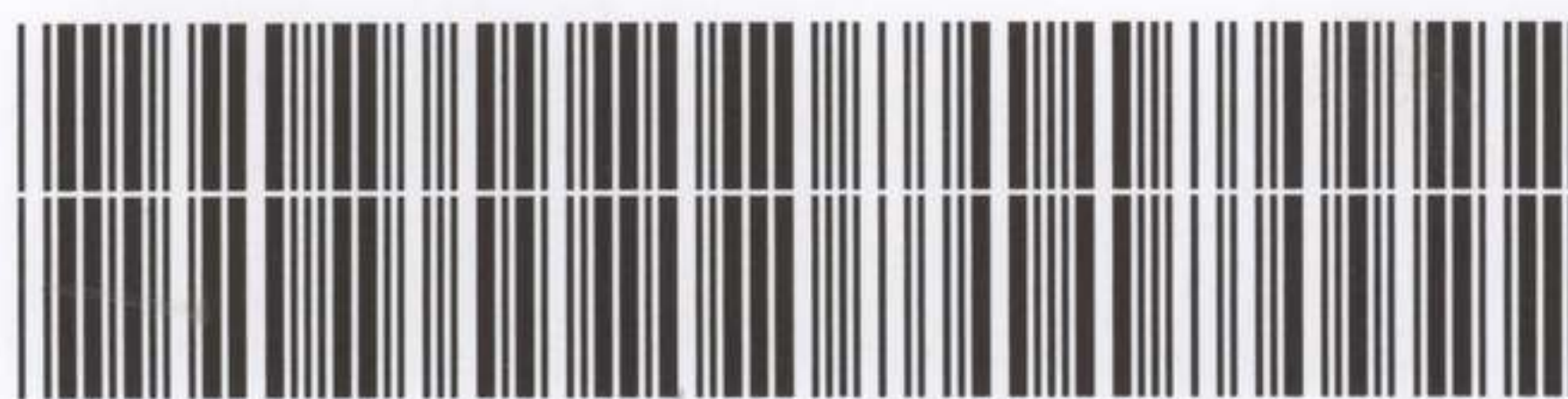
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49<sup>th</sup> Bn  
August

Place	Hour	Date	Reference Sheet 62D S.W.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
LA.GRENOUILLERE.&	1st.	1st.	Weather ,fine and warm. Reference Order No.12 of 30/7/18.		1.
	12M/N		Battalion in Bivouacs and trenches at T.9.b. Battalion Headquarters established in house "La GRENOUILLERE" (Cross Roads T.9.b.7.0.) Night fine and warm. Very Pleasant, Men in good spirits slept well into next morning. Cookers with Battalion.		
	2.p.m.		Instructions issued to Coy. Commanders re administrative arrangements for night 1st/2nd.		
	5.p.m.		Coy. Commanders called together and details for night explained. Companies to be in position ready to move at 9.p.m.		
	9.p.m.		FRENCH Guided expected but did not arrive.		
	9-45p.m.		As several in each Coy had previously reconnoitred the line, the Bn. Moved on without guides, the L.G. Limbers going with Coy's, cookers returning to T'Port Lines at B.12.d.5.3. 51st Bn. were then halted with head at T.9.b.7.0. waiting for this Bn. A Company reserve of 56,000 S.A.A. and 1,100 grenades issued during the day were carried forward and formed in to dumps on arrival. A Bn. reserve of 44,000 S.A.A., 768 grenades 150 Very Lights was sent forward to Bn. Headquarters at 8.45.p.m. and established at U.21.c.44.48. Road and surrounding country a scene of great activity with our artillery and infantry moving in and the FRENCH moving out. Though cloudy the night was not exceedingly dark, and notwithstanding the intermittent shelling and bombing by the enemy, the relief progressed very favourably, no hitches occurring. There were no casualties. The FRENCH left one Officer and one N.C.O. with each Coy. and one officer with Bn. Headquarters until the evening of the second. An interpreter was attached to Bn. Report received from Headquarters that the enemy was supposed to be evacuating his front line. Instructions were issued to patrol vigorously to ascertain his intention. Patrol reported no sign of evacuation.		

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DOMART SECTOR.	2nd		Weather fine early morning. Rain Later.		(2 original only).
		2.50.	Reported relief complete to Bde.by signal message <del>appendix</del> -		
		a.m,			
		4.a.m.	FRENCH Commander and staff moved out. Battalion Headquarters established in sand pit at U.27.a.05.42.. R.A.P.-in U.21.e.80.55. O.P. U.21.d.61.12. Area very dirty ans unsanitary.		
		2.p.m.	G.O.C. Bde visited Bn.Headquarters.		
		4.p.m.	C.O. visited the line and Coy's		
		5.15	Rained heavily.		
		P.M,			
		8.p.m.	Brigade <sup>ORDER</sup> No. 137 received re adjusting boundry. Map,attached.		
		12 M/N	Rations arrived at Bn.Headquarters by limber. Had been delayed on road by traffic. "C" Coy's delivered to Coy's Head quarters. Remainder taken forward by carrying parties. Food containers used for food and petrol tins for water one limber waited at Bn H'qrs for containers and tins to be returned. Left before day-light. 2/Lieutenant L.C. RADCLIFFE Killed by Shell Fire.		
"	3rd.		Weather .Light rain,there being intermittant showers throughout the day.		x 4.
		2.35.	Heavy enemy barrage fell on "A" Coy's front line.		
		p.m.			
DOMART SECTOR.	4th	4.p.m.	Canadian General visited Headquarters also Bn Commander and 2nd in Commanders."D" Company withdrawn from line on night 3rd/4th and replaced by Coy.51st Bn. as per order No.13.		
			Weather fine early rain later.		
		12.55.a.m.	"B" Coy's trenches shelled (H.E. and Gas).		
		2.15.am.	Brigade order No.138 received		

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DOMART SECTOR.	4th	2.35am.	Brigade notified by wire that relief of "D" Coy by 51st Bn. Complete and "D" Coy moved to trenches at T.30.b.57.95 to U.19.a.1.1.		
HANGARD WOOD.		2.35pm,	Enemy put down heavy artillery fire on the front line, the Village of DOMART and for some distance back which lasted for 2 hours. Opening of barrage was followed by a raid on right Bn. but no infantry action on our front.		
		5.p.m.	Order issued No.(14) for relieving 15th Bn, on our left with two Coy's.		5.
		10.pm.	Battalion Headquarters moved to M U.21.a.9.1. (Trenches and Dug-outs )relieving 15th Bn.		
"	5th		Weather intermittent showers throughout the day. During the night the changes as per order/ No.14 of the 4th ( appendix 5 ) were put into execution nothing of special interest occurring. <del>There was</del>		
		2.50.am,	"Relief Complete" notified to Brigade.		
			DISPOSITIONS OF "B" "C" and "D" Companies.		
			"B" Company. - Front Coy.-From U.22.b.34. to U.16b.0.5. Coy Headquarters U.16.c.15.50.		
			"C" " - Left front Coy-From P.16.a.7.6. to P.10.c.9.8. Coy H.Qrs U.15.b.5.6.		
			"D" " - Support Area. -From U.21.c.3.3. to U.21.b.1.1. " " U.21.c.5.5.		
			R.A.P. - U.21.c.4.5.		
		12 noon.	C.O. visited Coys. Throughout the day the enemy was very quiet except on "A" Coy's line.		
		12.M/N	Rations were very late on arriving ,being brought by limber to village of GENTILES.and then carried forward."A" Coy's taken to U.21.c.5.5.		



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DOMART SECTOR. HANGARD WOOD.	6th		Weather raining most of the day, making the trenched slippery and very unpleasant.		
		12.20p.m.	G.O.C. Bde visited Bn. H'qrs. Canadian Officers (Divisional Bde. And Regimental staffs) visited the Bn H.qrs throughout the day.		
		11.p.m.	Rations except "A" Coy brought to near Bn Headquarters and then carried forward. "A:" Coys taken to U.21.c.5.5. List of Bombs etc attached.		6.
"	7th		Weather fine.		
		10,am,	Order No.15 issued.		7.
		2.p.m,	Billeting party of 1 Officer and 4 N.C.O's reported to staff Capt.at GLISY CHURCH.		
		4.p.m,	Further instructions re move issued.		8.
		5.30pm,	Additional instructions issued		9.
		6.35.p.m,	Brigade order No. 128 and memo G 4/13 received. Bn.to be relieved on night of 7th/8th by 13.14.and 16th Canadian BNS. Commanding officers of these Battalions called during the day and verbal arrangements for relief were made.		
		11.p.m.	G.O.C. 3rd Canadian Bde arrived.		
BLANGY- 3th TRONVILLE.	8th		Weather fine.		
		2.15am,	Bn. Relieved. Verbal report made to G.O.C. 3rd Canadian Bde.		
		2.20 am,	Bn. Headquarters handed over to Canadian Bde, and C.O. and staff left. On the way out many Tanks cavalry etc were seen moving towards the line Battalion moved to bivouac as per map.(N.23.and N.29 ). Bn. Headquarters No.4 MARIE Road BLANGY-TRONVILLE.		

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BLANGY- TRONVILLE	8th	6.am.	Bde. notified that Bn. was in position. GENERAL. Very quiet day <del>was</del> spent. The troops had a much needed: rest many bathing in the Canal. The men in good spirits but very tired.		
	9th,		Weather fine.		
BOUZENCOURT GAILLY (Re Sheet 62D.NE.)	3.20am.		Bde order No. 140 received. Bn moved at 9.20.am. Starting point N.23.d.6.8.		
	3.30 am.		Memo R.86 sent to all Coys by D.R.		10-
	9.20 am.		Bn, moved as ordered and occupied trenches and Dug-outs in P.8.a, and b. Rested during day.		
	12.30pm,		Memo R. 87 for move at 8.p.m, to line BOUZENCOURT - GAILLY issued		11.
	3.pm,		C.O. and Company Commanders <sup>left</sup> to reconnoitre bivouacs etc.		
	3.40,pm,		Instructions issued altering starting time to 6.30.pm. Order of march "A" B.B. and D. and H.Qrs. 200 yards interval between Coys 100 between platoons. Cookers and L.G. Limbers with Coy.		
	6.pm,		Brigade Dump <sup>Guard</sup> 1. N.C.O. and 6. men supplied		
	6.30,pm,		Bn, with kitchens and L.G. Limbers moved to trenches and Dug-outs in SOMME reserve line from GAILLY to BOUZENCOURT relieving 3rd Bn. A.I.F. Much traffic encountered on move .		
	8.30,pm,		Bde, informed that Bn, was in position. Bn Headquarters and R.A.P. -P.11.b.3.4. (Sheet 62D.SE.) C.O. and I.O. went round posts and visited left Brigade Headquarters		
	8.40 .pm,		Companies warned to avoid moving during day and lights by night.		

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GAILLY- BOUZEN- COURT LINE.	10th		Weather fine.		
	12.20am,		Verbal order received from G.O.C. that two Coys now in reserve would move at 5.30.am, and take over from 50th Bn., the latter to move to north side of Cahal. Coy. Commanders of "B" and "D" called to Bn. Headquarters and verbal instructions issued to them followed by memo R.97 -		12.
	1.20 am,		Message sent to Transport for S.A.A. and Bombs .		
	2.25.am,		Brigade memo NoMB.98 ordering move to referred to above received.		
	7.15,a,m,		Reports received and Bde informed that Bn in position.		
	11.45.pm.		"B" and "D" Coys ordered to prepare a scheme for defence of CERISY GAILLY .		
	2.pm.		C.O. called to Bde.		
	2.30.pm.		Verbal message from C.O. that Bn Be prepared to move at 6.pm. Memo R.102 issued.		13.
	5.pm.		Meeting of Coy Commanders on C.O.'s return from Bde. Verbal instructions issued as follows. The enemy occupies the village of ETINEHAM. The position of his present front line is obscure. The Bn will assemble at K.18.c. and at 9.30.pm, will move forward crossing the present line at about K.18.d.8.7., and will advance perpendicularly to the line to point L.14.c.9.8. then swing round to the right to point L.14.d.0.2 joining up with the 50th Bn. at L.20.a.1.8. Eight guns of the 13 M.Gun Bn and 4 tanks will be attached. Order of March from bivouac "B" "C" "A" and "D". Headquarters with intervals of 100 yards between Coys and 50 between platoons. On completion of move Coys will be distributed as follows (a) "B" COMPANY. From L,20.b.3.9. due north round N.E. corner of huts at L.14.e.9.8. to L.14.d.20.70. (road) .Company Headquarters L.14.c.9.4. (b) "C" COMPANY From L.14.d.20.70. to road junction (double telegraph poles inclusive) at L.13.cent. Company Headquarters L.13.d.3.7. (a) "A" COMPANY From L,13.central (double telegraph exclusive) along grid line to old system at K. K.18.a.3.1.		



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Near. BRAY.	11th		Weather fine and warm.	
		12.15am	Bn reported in position (See R. 107 Orig. Only)	15.Orig,
		1.45.am.	Three (3) P.O.W. (123rd Regt. WURTEMBERG) sent to Brigade.	
		5.30.am,	Aeroplane flew over and red ground flares were lit in front line to indicate position.	
		10.pm.	Rations delivered by limber to Bn Headquarters and then taken forward to Voys by carrying parties from "A" and "D", Coys. One mule killed during night. <u>GENERAL</u> , Consolidation of positions gained, proceeded.	
"	12th		Weather fine and warm.	
		12.noon.	S.O.S. changed from 3 greens to three reds (Red over Red over Red).	
		12.45.pm.	Bde asked re arrangements for gas proofing, R.A.P. and Headquarters. Reply no men or material available.	
		4.45.pm.	G.O.C. visited Bn Headquarters.	
		5.pm,	S.A.A. and Bombs delivered to Bn Headquarters.	
		7.45.pm.	Brigade order No. 142 received and verbal instructions issued to Coy Commanders concerning same. The line advanced in L.13.a and B. as ordered.	
		8.pm.	Rations arrived but could not be issued before dark.	
		8.30pm.	Coys warned re line being advanced towards SOMME by 50th and 51st Bns.	

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Near BRAY.	13th		Weather <sup>F</sup> fine but very warm.	
		1.am.	Two Bns of the Bde (right) advanced their line under cover of harrassing fire. Enemy replied vigorously.	v
		5.am.	S.O.S. put up by right and left Bns and repeated by one of the front line Coys. Artillery responded immediately and put down a 15 minutes barrage on the whole front. Enemy replied with counter barrage on front areas. It appeared for a time as though enemy was about to attack.	
		7.am.	Front again quiet.	
		4.15 pm.	Other Bns notified of their casualties through our R.A.P.	
		8.pm.	Bde, order No. 143 and liaison force order No. 1 received. Operation order No. 16 issued. One platoon of "D" Coy attached to "A" Coy enabling the latter to extend line to the left and take over line held by 2nd Battalion American Infantry L.13.a.5.5. to L.13.a.2.8. (completed 2.am. 14th). One Company of the 51st placed in supports. New dispositions as per sketch attached.	16.
		8.15pm.	Coys instructed to proceed with wiring of posts. Wire and pickets sent sent up. Liaison was established with the 1/23rd LONDON Regt. on left. Casualties. Lieut. F. Carrol Wounded and Lt Fearnside Missing. Canteen. A small quantity of goods was forwarded to Bn Headquarters and quickly sold to troops	
	14th		Weather fine and warm, misty in the early morning.	
		2.am.	Relief of second Bn. American Inf. Complete.	
		6.15pm	Bde order No. 144 received.	
		8.30pm.	Order No. 17 issued. (Readjustment completed at 4.15 P.m, the 15th inst.) Dispositions as per sketch. Bde message that enemy believed to have evacuated BRAY Received. Two (2) Patrols sent out. Copy of patrol orders attached. Touch with enemy obtained - No sign of evacuation. GENERAL Lieut. A.A. CLARKE wounded but remained on duty. No. in line 20 off. 560 o/rs.	17.
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Near BRAY.	15th		Weather fine but very warm.		
		2.50.am.	Enemy artillery put down a barrage on our position lasting 40 minutes.		
		4.am.	Enemy evidently very nervous, again put down a barrage on our line which was very intense lasting 30 minutes.		
		4.15am.	Re adjustment of line as per Bde order No.144 complete		
		8.pm,	Dispositions of units attached.	- - - -	19
		9.am.	Front quiet.		
		3.15 Pm.	Notified by Brigade -Memo B.138 that 51st Bn would relieve Bn on the night of 16/17th		
		10.pm.	Enemy'planes over line bombing . Otherwise very quiet.		
		11.45pm	Enemy shelling front line at regular intervals.		
		11.50pm	Enemy putting over salvos of gas into back areas rate of about 8 per minute. GENERAL. Battalion issued with clean under-clothing in bulk , taken over from Brigade.		
	16th		o Weather bright and very warm.		
		12.15am.	Enemy shelling the <del>XXXXXX</del> Mallards Wood with H.E. and Gas.		
		3.30.pm.	Bde message B.141 received reference relief.	- - - -	20 (originally
		4.pm.	G.O.C. Visited Headquarters .		
		6.15 pm.	Memo no. R- 144 issued with instructions for relief .	- - - -	21-

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Near BRAY	16th	8am.	Battalion relieved by the 24th Bn A.I.F. and moved put under Coy arrangements to bivouac <sup>C</sup> in Gully in J.30.a. Covering parties were furnished until relief was complete.	
		11.10am.	"Relief complete and reported to Brigade. <u>GENERAL</u> . 650 sets of clean clothing taken over from Brigade.	
NEAR <del>BRAY</del> SAILLY- le SEC.	17th		Weather bright and very warm.	
		12.25am.	Bde message No. B145 received.	
		11.am.	9th and 13th Bde notified that Bn was in position at J. <sup>30</sup> 15.a,	
		12 noon.	Meeting of Company Commanders.	
		7.pm.	Bde. message No. B. 146 received notifying move to K.21.c. on night of 18/19th. <u>GENERAL</u> . All ranks had a swim in the SOMME and a change of under-clothing.	
"	18th		Weather fine and warm.	
		9.am.	40 men sent to Bde Headquarters as working party.	
		10.am.	R.C. Church service.	
		10.30am.	<u>BLACKWOOD</u> Chaplain the Rev. held C.of E Service near Bn Headquarters.	
		12.10pm	Message received from Bde that the bde would move on the 19th to HARBONNIERES AREA by bus relieving the 132nd Reg American Infantry. Orders to be issued 19th.	
		6.pm.	Brigade order No. B.155 cancelling previous instructions for relief received. <u>GENERAL</u> .	
		1.	All ranks had a warm bath, at 9th Bde Baths SAILLY le SEC.	
		2	Parties detailed by all Coys for salvage work. Large quantity collected. Partb Returned to dump, remainder put into Coy Dump.	
		3.	Boot-Makers and Tailors working.	
		4.	Band arrived and played selections.	
		5.	Free issue of Beer to the Battalion.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Reference Sheet 62D NE	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Near SAILLY le SEC	19th		Weather fine and warm.		
			9.50am. Billeting parties reported to Brigade.		
			11.am. Trench shelters and tents handed over to Bde.		
			4.10pm. Order No. 18 issued.		22.
			5.3pm. Bde order No. 145 received notifying that Bn relieve 2nd Bn American Infantry in, W.17.d.		
			5.15 pm. Bn moved from Bivouacs to tow path north side of Canal. Head on BOUZEN COURT Bridge. Crossed at 6 Pm, to embussing point near VAIRE .		
			5.30pm. T'port moved under Bde arrangements . L.G. Guns sent by T'port		
			6.30pm Embussing officer reported to Bde embussing officer.		
			8.15pm. Bn Embussed and moved to new area via VAIRE- VILLIERS BREtonneux and WARFUSSE ABANCOURT.		
			11.30pm. Bde notified that Bn in position in W.16.g. and W.17.a. <u>GENERAL</u> . Salvaging operations proceeded with.		
Near HARBONN- IE RES.	20th		Weather very hot.		
		2.pm.	C.O. saw all Coy Commanders.		
		10.pm,	Gas Guard sent to Bde. <u>GENERAL</u> . General improvement and cleansing of areas. Salvaging parties detailed.		

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Near HARBONNIERES	21st		Weather fairly warm. <u>GENERAL.</u> 1. - Baths available near HARBONNIERES also change of under-clothing both availed by troops 2. - Salvaging parties again busy. 3. - Sports material brought up and issued to Coys. 4. - Two Lewis Gun instructors sent to 13th Bn daily whilst in the area. 5. - Band arrived about 1.p.m. played selections during the evening. 6. - Bootmakers and tailors reported to the Bn and commenced work 7. - Y.M.C.A. established near Bn in charge of Mr GOULD. Free cocoa very acceptable. Water supplied by Battalion. 8. - Lieutenant A. WILLIERS reported back to nucleus. Capt S.E. PERKINS and Lieut W.J. HODSDON reported to replace others. 9. - Branch of Canteen established.		
"	22		Very hot weather misty in early morning. <u>GENERAL.</u> 1. - Training of specialists under Company arrangements. 2. - Wet Canteen opened. 3. - Pay issued. 4. - 21 officers and 587 O/rs available for the line.		
"	23rd	10am.	Weather fine and warm. C.O. saw all recently arrived men.		
		11.am.	Parade and inspection of Battalion Headquarters. <u>GENERAL.</u> Company Training carried out throughout the day. Daily papers were available at Y.M.C.A.		



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HARBONNIER ES AREA.	24th		Weather fine.			
		5.am.	Bde message B.177 received notifying that Bn would be relieved.	- - - -	23 (Brig)	
		10.am	Order No. 19 issued.	- - - -	24.	
		11.am.	Billeting parties of 1 officer and 1 O/r reported to I.O.and proceeded to RIVERY.			
		5.pm.	T <sup>5</sup> Port moved to RIVERY.			
		5.30pm,	Routine order No. 89 issued giving routine etc for the 25th.			
		6.30pm	Brigade message No. B-178 received.	- - - -	25 (orig)	
RIVERY. (Re Sheet 17 AMIENS)	25th		Weather fine heavy thunderstormes.inthe evening			
		12.30am.	AS/Adjutant reported to staff Capt.at W.10.d.6.4. as ordered.			
		1.30am,	Bn in position at W.16.b. ready to embus.			
		4.10am,	Busses ready to move off .			
		6.am.	Busses arrived at the de-bussing point near RIVERY.			
		6.30am	Bde notified that Bn were in Billets.			
		4.pm.	C.O. saw all Company Commanders.			
		6.30pm.	C.of E. Service held in the Hospice by Padre BLACKWOOD.MC			
		7.45pm	Meeting of the sports committee.			
		<u>GENERAL</u> FRENCH interpreter joined the Battalion, The Battalion arrived in RIVERY at 6.p.m.a.m.,and marched to the HOSPICE where Billeted. Meal ready Troops rested during the day.In the afternoon packs were drawn from Bde Dump and re-issued.				

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Place	Date	Hour	( Reference sheet AMIENS 17. )	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RIVERY.	26th		Weather fine.		
		10am.	Sig Officer attended a conference of Signal Officers at Bde Headquarters.		
		11am.	Voluntary Church parade and Holy Communion in concert hall. Brigade Guard of 1 Corporal and 3 men mounted.		
		1.30pm.	Conference of Commanding Officers at Bde Headquarters. <u>GENERAL.</u> Nucleus rejoined Battalion, Lieutenant W.J. GROSE appointed T/Bombing officer vice Lieutenant H.E.M. LONG. MC.		
"	27th		Weather fine. Baths at the Hospice RIVERY allotted to the Battalion, All had a hot bath and a clean change of under-clothing. Training under Company arrangements from 9.am. to 12 noon. Classes and specialists training from 2pm. to 3.pm.		
"	28th		Weather Light showers fell throughout the day. 10.am. Parade of Headquarters details held. 2.30pm. Aquatic sports held at RIVERY baths. Very successful day. Duty Battalion for the day. Supplied Brigade Guard Ploquet etc.		
"	29th		Weather fine. 5.am. Working party of 2 officers and 60 men reported to Brigade to proceed to Area Commandant MERICOURT. 9.am. Battalion parade, Training carried out until 12.30pm. and from 2.pm. to 3.30 pm, 3.pm. Cricket Match V 13th Field Ambulance 5.30pm to		

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## WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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RIVERY	29th	5.30pm. to 7.30pm.	Mr GOULD (Y.M.B.A.) gave cinema shows in the HOSPICE.		
"	30th		Weather dull and showery.		
		1.pm.	Musketry on the Citadel Range throughout the day. Band left by Lorry for the 4th Div'n R.E. sports.		
		2.pm.	Inspection of new L.Gun Carriers at Bde Headquarters. <u>GENERAL.</u> 1. Fodden Lorry allotted to the Battalion. All blankets sterilized. 2. No rations drawn today. Battalion was carrying one (1) days extra. This will bring us back to normal.		
	31st.		Weather showery.		
		8am.	Musketry on the Citadel Range for bad shots from 8.am, to 12 noon		
		9.am,	Battalion parade. Training until 12.30 p.m,		
		4.pm.	Working party returned from MERRICOURT.		

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# WAR DIARY

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## LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.	
1.	Order No 12 30.7.18.	
2.	Copy of Message - "Relief Complete"	(Original) only)
3.	Brigade Order No 137.	(Original only)
4.	Brigade Order No 13.	
5.	Brigade Order No 14.	
6.	List of Bombs &c, 6.8.18.	
7.	Order No 15.	
8.	Further instructions to Order No 15.	
9.	Further instructions to Order No 15	
10.	Copy of Message R. 86.	
11.	" " R. 87.	
12.	" " R. 97.	
13.	" " R. 102.	
14.	" " R. 106.	
15.	" " R. 107.	(Original only).
16.	Order No 16.	
17.	Order No 17.	
18.	patrol orders.	
19.	<del>Distribution of Brigade</del> Disposition of Bde.	(Original only).
20.	Brigade Message B. 141	(Original only).
21.	Copy of message R.144.	
22.	Order No 18.	
23.	Brigade message B.177	(Original only).
24.	Order No 19.	
25.	Brigade Message B.178	(Original only)
26.	Casualties & Sick Evacuations for Month.	
27.	Map, showing dispositions on 2.8.18.	
28.	" " " on 7.8.18.	
29.	" " " on 10.8.18.	
30.	" " " on 17.8.18.	
31.	" " " on 21.8.18.	
32.	Diagram of connections on 3.8.18.	(Original only).
33.	" " " 19.8.18.	(Original only).
34.	Q.M.'s report for month.	
35.	Copy of Intelligence Reports, 2nd. to 16th.	(Original only).

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TO BE DESTROYED.

Headquarters,

NOVE Battalion A.M.F.

30.7.18

ORDER NO 12.

Reference sheet 62D. S.W. 1/20,000.

1. (a) The Battalion will take over a portion of the line now occupied by the French, ~~which~~ on the night 1st/2nd. prox. from River LUCE to U.22.b.5.4.

## (b) 1. Front Line-

Right company, "D" Coy.

Left company, "A" Coy.

2. SUPPORT.

3. RESERVE.

- (c) Coys. will take over present French dispositions with following exceptions:-

1. Support coy. will occupy dug-outs in U.21.c.

2. Reserve coy. will occupy position in VILLA-TERRACE. (T.18.d. &amp; T.24.b.) &amp; CAUBRIERES TRENCH (U.23.a.).

- (d) Battalion Headquarters - U.27.a.1.5.

- (e) R.A.P.U.21.c.6.6.

2. Dress:- Fighting Order. Shaving gear must be carried.

3. As a preliminary move, the Battalion will occupy the NICHOLAS SUPPORT LINE during the night 31st inst./1st. prox. ORDER OF MARCH:-

"B", "C", "D", "A".

STARTING POINT - Cross Roads - M.9.a.7.9.

Time. - 8.0 pm.

DISTANCES. - 100 yards between companies, 50 yards between platoons.

cookers will accompany companies.

companies will be met by their own Guides on the road near the Trench.

4. The march will be resumed at 9 pm 1st. prox. Guides (French) will meet platoons at T.9.b.7.0. and guide to coy. H/Qtrs.

5. Water-bottles must be filled before leaving present area, & again before staging place. In addition, each coy. will take a few tins of water into the line.

6. ACTION AFTER RELIEF:-

- (a) All Troops fight in positions occupied.

- (b) French S.O.S. signals will be used until ~~10pm~~ 10 am, 2nd. prox.

- (c) All movement will be kept down.

- (d) Telephone conversation to be reduced to a minimum.

7. Extra S.A.A. and bombs will be issued prior to leaving NICHOLAS Sector. This will be collected and stored in boxes on arrival in new area. S.A.A. will be used as required and replaced by boxed S.A.A. A dump will be formed ~~by~~ from mobile reserve U.21.c.6.6. At least one box S.A.A. is to be got up to each Lewis Gun position as soon as possible.

P.T.O.



19. 8. Packs, Valises etc. will be dumped at Coy. Headquarters during the forenoon of the 31st. inst. and limbers will collect them at 11 a.m. All packs must be plainly marked with No, Name, & Company. Blankets will be put inside packs. One NCO from "A" Coy. & one man per Coy. will be detailed from Nucleus personnel to take charge of packs. This party will act as pump guard.

9. Nucleus personnel, accompanied by Nominal Rolls in duplicate, will parade at B.O.R. as under:-

- "A" Coy. 2.0 pm.
- "B" Coy. 2.10 pm.
- "C" Coy. 2.20 pm.
- "D" Coy. 2.30 pm.

Lieut. H.E.M. Long (MC) is detailed to take charge of Battalion Nucleus pending return of Major C. Fortescue, (DSO MC). The complete Nucleus will report as above. All men under arrest will accompany Nucleus.

Guard for 31st. inst. will be composed of Nucleus personnel. Rations for 1st. inst. will be sent under Coy. arrangements. Nucleus will be accommodated in the Hospice, Rivery.

10. REAR PARTY - Lieut. A.P. Mosley will be detailed by O/C "C" Coy. to hand over area stores and will report at B.O.R. at 2.0 pm.

Issued at 12 midnight.

DISTRIBUTION.

- Copy No 1 C.O.
- " No 2 - 5. Companies.
- " No 6 File.
- " No 7 T.O. & Q.M.
- " No 8 O/C, Headquarters.
- " No 9 Headquarters Officers.
- " No 10 O/C, 49th. Battalion Nucleus.
- " No 11/12 War Diary.

The march will be resumed at 9 pm last. Guides (French) will meet platoons at 7.30 p.m. and guide to Coy. H.Q. Water-bottles must be filled before leaving present area, & again before staging place. In addition, each Coy. will take a few tins of water into the line.

(a) All troops fight in positions occupied.

(b) French S.O.S. signals will be used until 10 am, 2nd. prox.

(c) All movement will be kept down.

(d) Telephone conversation to be reduced to a minimum.

Extra S.A.A. and bombs will be issued prior to leaving Nucleus Sector. This will be collected and stored in boxes on arrival in new area. S.A.A. will be used as required and replaced by boxed S.A.A.

A dump will be formed by Nucleus from mobile reserve U.S.I.C. At least one box S.A.A. is to be got up to each Lewis Gun position as soon as possible.



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Feuille N° 38 — ARRIVÉE — A remettre au destinataire.	INDICATIONS de SERVICE  Poste d	(2)	Reçu de  le  à heure	Téléphone (3)  Télégraphie optique.	Remis au planton à heure (Signature du planton)
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A hand-drawn map on a grid showing the location of the 19th, 20th, and 21st regiments of the Austro-Hungarian Army. The map is divided into a grid with numbers 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, and 31. A red dashed line runs diagonally from the top left to the bottom right, labeled 'AUST. CORPS' and 'SOUTHERN'. A green dashed line runs horizontally across the top, labeled 'NEW BN' and 'BN'. A red dashed line runs horizontally across the middle, labeled 'PRESENT BN' and 'BDY'. A red dashed line runs horizontally across the bottom, labeled 'BDY'. The numbers 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, and 31 are written in the grid cells.

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APPENDIX

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SECRETCOPY NO.Headquarters,  
Nove Battalion AIF.  
3.8.18 - 3 pm.ORDER NO 13.

1. D Coy. will be relieved in the line on the night 3rd/4th. by a Coy. of the Battalion on our right.
2. Upon relief, D Coy. will replace the relieving Coy. in the GENTELLES Line.
3. Details of the relief will be arranged by the O/Cs Coys concerned.
4. 1 NCO and 1 O/R. per platoon will report to relieving Coy. before daylight on the morning of the 3rd. to obtain a knowledge of the new position, meet and guide platoons in.
5. Ration Limber will be met by a guide at "B" Coys. ration point & guided to wherever wanted. Evening meal and rations will not be issued until after relief.
6. A Limber will be at Battalion Headquarters for carrying Lewis Guns and magazines. These will be loaded en route out.
7. O/C "D" Coy. will notify this Office, by runner, when relief is complete, and will notify, in same manner, when new position is occupied.

Issued at 3 pm.

Distribution.

Captain. *[Signature]*Adjutant. *[Signature]*



Headquarters,  
NOVE Battalion,  
4.8.18.

ORDER NO 14.

Reference sheet 62D. S.W. 1/20,000.

1. During the night 4th/5th. inst., the following changes will be made:-
  - (a). "B" Coy. NOVE will relieve "B" Coy., GONA, in the line from U.22.a.3.5. to U.16.a.8.6.
  - (b). "C" Coy. NOVE will relieve "C" Coy. GONA, in the line from U.16.a.8.6. to U.10.a.1.9.
  - (c). "D" Coy. will relieve the Support position, now occupied by "C" Coy. (U.21.c. & b.).
2. Details of the relief (Guides etc) will be arranged between the Coy. commanders concerned.
3. The evening meal will be brought up to the present positions. Coys. will move without delay after meal has been issued.
4. S.A.A. & bombs (except on the man) will be handed over to relieving Coys. and receipts, in duplicate, forwarded to this office by 8-0 am, 5th. Any French bombs etc and French stores will likewise be handed over.
5. Copies in duplicate of receipts for S.A.A., bombs, and French stores, taken over in new area, will be rendered by 8 am 5th. inst.
6. All food containers and petrol tins at "B", "C", & "D" Coys. must be either returned to R.Q.M. by limber tonight or carried to new area. Limber for "A" & "C" Coys. will wait at present Bn. Headquarters as usual. After today, (unless otherwise ordered) A & D Coys' rations will be delivered to D Coy's Headquarters. D Coy. will supply the necessary carrying parties for "A" Coy.
7. "C" Coy. will supply carrying parties for "A" Coy's meal & water tonight. (Dry rations for all Coys were issued on the 3rd.) This party must return as early as ~~early~~ as possible.
8. Lewis Guns & magazines must be carried to new positions.
9. A return of S.A.A. & bombs will be rendered by noon, 5th. inst.
- 10 Bn. Headquarters will close at present position at 10 pm and reopen at X Roads U.15.a.9.1. at 11 pm. Telephone communication may be obtained without interruption through present relay post.
- 11 After 12.0 midnight, R.A.P. will be located at U.14.b.30.55.
12. Completion of relief will be notified by code word attached, using Station calls of Battalion relieved.

Adjutant. Captain.

NOTE:- Valises etc. if left at Bn. Headquarters by dusk will be taken to new Bn. Headquarters.

Issued at 5 pm.  
Distribution.



Headquarters,  
NOVE Battalion A.I.F.

LIST OF S.A.A. & BOMBS ON HAND ON AUGUST 6th., 1918.

	S.A.A.		B O M B S.		
"A" Coy. U.21.d.7.8. & Area	21700	36's	240		
"B" Coy. U.16.c.15.45 & Area	30000	23's	216	36's	384.
"C" Coy. U.15.b.60.55 & Area	14000	36's	368		
"D" Coy. U.21.c.3.4. & Area	52000	27's	24	36's	954.
Bn. H.Q. U.15.a.9.1.	30000	23's	168	34's	144.

ON THE MAN.

"A" Coy.	10660.
"B" Coy.	7520.
"C" Coy.	13280.
"D" Coy.	18300.
H.Q.	3000.

*Full*  
Captain.  
Adjutant.



SECRETCOPY NO

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Headquarters,  
NOVE Battalion AIF.  
7.8.18.

ORDER NO 15.

1. The Battalion will be relieved tonight and on completion of relief, will move to Trench System in T.9.a. & b. If possible, the same trenches, which were occupied before, will be ~~taken over~~ again taken over.
2. Guides etc. will be arranged with representatives of Battalions concerned. As soon as the forward posts are taken over, the Troops will move under Coy. arrangements to the positions above referred to. Completion of relief will be notified by wire using code message as under:-
 

"A" Coy.	AAA617	"B" Coy.	BBB617.
"C" Coy.	CCC617	"D" Coy.	DDD617.
3. One man per Coy. will be sent back to report to Lieut. Addison ~~at~~ at spot where cookers were on move up. Meal will be ready on arrival of Troops.
4. All Trench stores, extra S.A.A. bombs, reserve S.A.A., S.O.S. &c. will be handed over, receipts obtained, and forwarded to this Office.
5. All L.M.G. magazines etc. must be carried out.
6. Coy. commanders will send to A/Adj. a full report on relief immediately they arrive at halting place.
7. Battalion Headquarters will remain in present position until relief is complete. Upon arrival in new area, a runner from each Coy. will report to A/Adj. to ascertain where Bn. Headquarters will be on completion of relief.

Issued at 10 am.  
Distribution.

Adjutant.

*Paul*  
Captain.

*W.D.*



Headquarters,  
Nove Battalion AIF.  
4 pm 7.8.18.

coy. commanders,

The instructions already issued re Battalion moving to Trench SYSTEM in T.9.a. & b. are cancelled.

Upon relief, the Bn. will move to Glisy. The N.C.O. sent this morning has gone back to there. It is advisable for coys (However), to send back a few N.C.O's or men (if they can do so) to assist as guides on arrival. These may be sent as early as possible. No guides are available here, so if required, must be sent back by coys.

Movement must, however, be kept down. Routes will, however, be selected by company commanders.

No orders have yet been received re above, and alterations may still be necessary. They will, however, be slight.

Each party must pass the X Roads at N.26.c.6.4.

*Fui*  
Adjutant. Captain.

*W.D.*



9<sup>27</sup>SECRETHeadquarters  
NOVE 7/8/18  
8.30.pm.

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Company Commanders

The following additional instructions with regard to move:-

ROUTE:, From R.A.P. (U-24.b.Central), through U.8.d, U.8.e.

~~U.8.e.~~ U.7.b., U.7.a, T.12.b. T.12.a, T.5.d., T.5.a., N.35.c., N.34.b.,

The Battalion will probably bivouac near BLANGY CABET.

O/C "D" Company will supply one officer and 30 men to picquet the ROUTE. Lieutenant W.L. POTT will report to O/C "D" Company at 7.pm. when this party will be available for him. The picquets will start ~~from~~ at "D" Company for "A" and "D" Companies and at Battalion Headquarters for "B" and "C" Companies. The latter two Companies will make their own arrangements for Guides to Battalion Headquarters.

The party will take their orders from Lieutenant W.L. Pott.

ACKNOWLEDGE

*Pott*  
Captain.  
Adjutant.....

*(W/A)*



By <u>BR</u>		(Signature of "Franking Officer")		By
TO { <u>All Corp. Sig. Off. RSM</u>				
Sender's Number * <u>R 86</u>		Day of Month <u>9</u>		In reply to Number <u>AAA</u>
<u>Orders</u>	<u>have</u>	<u>just</u>	<u>been</u>	
<u>recd</u>	<u>that</u>	<u>the</u>	<u>Bn</u>	
<u>will</u>	<u>move</u>	<u>at</u>	<u>9.20 am</u>	
<u>starting</u>	<u>point</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Junction</u>	
<u>12346.9</u>	<u>aaa</u>			
<u>So</u>	<u>comply</u>	<u>with</u>	<u>above</u>	
<u>the</u>	<u>Bn</u>	<u>will</u>	<u>be</u>	
<u>at</u>	<u>starting</u>	<u>point</u>	<u>9.15 am</u>	
<u>Reports</u>	<u>to be</u>	<u>sent</u>	<u>to</u>	
<u>at</u>	<u>starting</u>	<u>point</u>	<u>be</u>	
<u>very</u>	<u>arrangements</u>	<u>will</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	
<u>make</u>	<u>for</u>	<u>Reserve</u>	<u>Lunches</u>	
<u>for</u>	<u>Cookers</u>	<u>and</u>	<u>and</u>	
<u>to</u>	<u>accompany</u>			
From	<u>Capt. A. J. H.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Sig. Off.</u>	
Place	<u>3.30 am</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>RSM</u>	
Time		<u>C</u>		
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.....		By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		By.....
TO { <u>All boys.</u> <u>RMO.</u> <u>JO JO</u> <u>Rom</u>						
Sender's Number		Day of Month		In reply to Number		AAA
* <u>R 87</u>		<u>9-8-18</u>				
<u>The</u>		<u>Bo</u>		<u>will</u>		<u>more</u>
<u>at</u>		<u>8pm</u>		<u>and</u>		<u>take</u>
<u>over</u>		<u>the</u>		<u>some</u>		<u>River</u>
<u>line</u>		<u>from</u>		<u>GALLY</u>		<u>to</u>
<u>BOUZEMOUT</u>		<u>aaa</u>		<u>Detailed</u>		<u>instructions</u>
<u>will</u>		<u>be</u>		<u>issued</u>		<u>verbally</u>
<u>to</u>		<u>boy</u>		<u>orders</u>		<u>aaa</u>
<u>boy</u>		<u>orders</u>		<u>will</u>		<u>be</u>
<u>at</u>		<u>Bo</u>		<u>orders</u>		<u>at</u>
<u>3pm</u>		<u>mounted</u>		<u>prepared</u>		<u>to</u>
<u>proceed</u>		<u>on</u>		<u>reconnaissance</u>		
<u>with</u>		<u>C. O.</u>				
From <u>Five boys 49 Rm</u>						
Place <u>1230</u>						
Time <u>1230</u>						
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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.....	To.....			By.....
.....	By.....			

TO {	All	Coys	T.O.
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Sender's Number * 13 47	Day of Month 10-8-13	In reply to Number	AAA
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B+D Coys will relieve 50 Bn in present position taking over Bn's head defences and 1 Officer per Coy will be sent forward immediately to get in touch with opposite force. Coys will be clear of present area by 5.30 am and 2 Gun Limbers will go with Coys. AAA Coasters will be taken forward under Coy arrangements. 50 rounds SAA 4-2 bombs per man will be issued before leaving present area. AAA Coy will occupy the area vacated by B+D Coys by 3 p.m. AAA Completion of move will be notified to Bn HQ.

From	Fuller Capt
Place	
Time	

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

TO	Coy Cars A+C	Cops	Reguals
			DR

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* R102	10		

Post	to	be	wishdrawn
at	once	and	Cops
assembled at	Be	boy	H.Q.
aaa	at	prepared	to
none	Cars	6 pm	aaa
boy	for	to	report
at	once	H.Q.	<del>forward</del>
at			

A+C Cops - 20 note. Allow 20 minutes for other Coy cars to report.

I.O. 20 note send ladders & up.

A RWA

C Churchill

TO Churchill

From	Place	Time
Place	Time	

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		To.....		From.....	
		By.....		By.....	
		(Sig. of "Franking Officer.")			
TO { <u>of C</u> <u>H. Coy</u>					
Sender's Number		Day of Month		In reply to Number	
* <u>R 106</u>		<u>10/8/18</u>		<u>AAA</u>	
<p>The Americans who are on our left flank are being withdrawn from trenches running north and south through K18 b + d crossing main road at point 18 d 77.</p> <p>The London Regt are digging in about K12 d 81.</p> <p>You will send out a Patrol to take 100 yds along East edge of wood through K18 b and get in touch with LONDON Regt. You will then arrange to have two posts each of 10 CO + 10 men between cross Rds at 15 Cen and K12 d 81.</p> <p>Report to be made when this is done.</p>					
From		Place		Time	
<u>Regt.</u>		<u>11 56</u>			
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		To			
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TO

RUNO

Sender's Number * R107	Day of Month 11/8/18	In reply to Number AAA
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Pen in position  
 Touch obtained with GOZE  
 and Americans aa Prisoners  
 5 of 119 - WURTERER  
 aa Casualties 3 aa  
 Patrols pushed out aa  
 Situation quiet aa Consolidating  
 aa Disposition later

From GOZE		
Place		
Time 12.15 am		

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Headquarters,  
GOJE 13.8.18.

ORDER NO 16.

1. The 2nd. Bn. W.S.A. will be relieved tonight.
2. That portion of the line now held by 2nd. Bn. U.S.A. from L.13.a.7.0. - K.18.b.9.8. will be relieved by one platoon of "D" coy which will be attached to "A" coy.
3. O/C "D" coy. will get in touch with O/C "A" coy, 49th. & U.S.A. Coy. 2nd. Bn, and arrange for protection of relief.
4. O/C "A" coy. will adjust the present line as follows:-
  - "A" Left flank to L.13.a.5.6.
  - "D" coy. right flank L.13.a.5.6.
  - left flank K.18.b.9.8.
  - (Liaison post with 23rd. Londons).
5. Bn. to be notified when relief is complete and touch established on both flanks.

Issued at 8-30 pm.

(Sgd.) G.E. Gill,      captain.  
Adjutant, GOJE.



SECRET

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Copy  
Headquarters,  
GOJE 14.8.18.

APPENDIX

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ORDER NO 17.

The 131st. American Regiment is extending the left and taking over the front as far north as the BRAY-ETINEHEN Road (Running from Crucifix L.15.a.2.7. to L.14.d.1.3.) at about the point L.14.d.2.4.

For the purposes of relief the Troops of the 49th. Bn., being relieved, will be placed under command of 50th. Battalion & the company commander of the right Coy. 49th. Bn. will report for instructions to left Coy. 50th. Bn.

"C" Coy. will make necessary adjustments of line to ensure close touch with 131st. Americans at point L.14.d.2.4.

Liaison post to be established consisting of 49th. Bn. and 131st. Americans.

"B" Coy. will, on completion of relief, move to position in "D" Coy's area.

"D" Coy. will arrange six guides to report to "B" Coy. Headquarters at 9-45 pm to guide "B" Coy. into position in "D" Coy. area.

Coy. to report when adjustments have been completed.

"D" Coy. will carry rations etc. for "B" Coy. to "D" Coys Headquarters where "B" Coy. will make arrangements for taking delivery.

Issued at 8-20 pm.  
To all Coys & 131st.  
American Regiment.

(Sgd) G.E. Gill,      Captain.  
Adjutant

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Headquarters 18  
G.O.E. 14.8.18.

No 1 PATROL. B. Coy.

STRENGTH:- 1 officer and 10 G.R.s.

ROUTE:- Leave B Coy line at L.H. d. 2.4  
working through 14.d. - 15.C. towards  
outskirts of BRAY. returning by 14.d.  
Cross road at 14.d. 5.7.

OBJECT. To ascertain to what extent enemy  
are holding ground approaching WEST  
and South-West of BRAY and to get  
touch with enemy.

TIME. 10 p.m. to 12 midnight

Headquarters  
G.O.E. 14.8.18

No 2 PATROL. ~~B. Coy~~ "C" Coy

STRENGTH:- 1 officer and 10 G.R.s.

ROUTE:- To leave C. Coy line about  
L.H.C. 80.70. To work along ERAY-  
CORBIE Road towards BRAY returning to  
C Coy line 05.75

OBJECT. To ascertain to what extent the enemy  
are holding ground approaching BRAY  
and get touch with enemy.

TIME 1 A.M. to 3 A.M.

(B)

Phil  
Adit.



## DISPOSITIONS OF UNITS.

AS AT 8 a.m. 15th AUGUST, 1918.

APPENDIX

Secret 37  
1949th. BATTALION. Front Line Battalion.

Battalion H.Q. &amp; R.A.P.

K.18.a.8.0.

1 Company

H.Q.

L.13.d.3.7.

Coy, in 4 posts. at

L.14.d.4.6.

- L.14.c.8.7. - L.14.c.3.7.

L.13.d.7.7.

1 Company.

Headquarters.

Company from

L.13.d.3.3.

- L.13.d.0.8.

One platoon.

L.13.c.5.5.

1 Company.

Headquarters

L.13.c.55.40.

Company in 4 posts at

L.13.c.9.4.

- L.13.c.95.95. - L.13.a.7.3.

L.13.a.5.3.

1 Company.

Headquarters.

L.13.c.6.4.

Company in 4 posts at

L.13.d.7.3.

- L.13.d.2.3. - L.13.c.7.3.

L.13.a.5.9.

51st. Battalion. Support Battalion.

Battalion Headquarters and R.A.P.

K.29.a.45.30.

1 Company.

Headquarters

K.18.a.5.0.

Company in 7 posts from

K.18.d.70.05.

- K.18.b.7.2.

1 Company.

K.24.c.

2 Companies.

K.29.a.

50th. Battalion. Reserve Battalion.

Battalion Headquarters and R.A.P.

K.23.b.8.2.

3 Companies

In bank from

K.34.b.2.4.

- K.34.d.0.4.

1 Company.

At quarries

K.23.b.7.2.

13th. A.L.T.M.B.

Headquarters

K.29.a.0.3.

1 Detachment

L.20.a.95.92.

1 Detachment

L.14.c.95.00.

1 Detachment

L.13.d.25.40.

13th A.I. BRIGADE TRANSPORT LINES.

All Units

J.36.b.1.5.

13th. A.I. BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS.

Bde. Headquarters Rear

K.28.d.7.5.

Observation Post

CHIPILLY.

K.29.a.85.35.

Acting Brigade Major, 13th. AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Lt Colonel  
for Captain.



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TO

49 Bn.

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

AAA

\* B.141

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This office B.138 added 49 and 51 Bns. is cancelled AAA 34th. Aust. Inf. Bn. will come under command 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde. and relieve 49th. Bn. in the line tonight 16th/17th. August AAA 49th. Bn. will move to bivouacs J.30.e. with H.Q. J.30.a.1.8. AAA Completion relief to be notified by wire AAA Bns. acknowledge AAA Added 49th, 51st, and 34th. Bns. reptd. 50th. Bn. 13th. Aust. M.G. Coy. 13th. L.T.M.B., Liaison Force, 9th. Aust. Inf. Bde., 4th. Aust. Div. 13th. Field Coy. 13th. Fld. Ambce., 131st. American Regt. 142nd. Inf. Bde.

From 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Place

Time 1.30 p.m.

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TO { All Corps					
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* 15/18		16/8/18		A A A	
<p>The Bn will be relieved on the night 16/17 by - Bn A.I.F. as details of relief will be arranged between Cps concerned as All S.P.A. (except that covered on the map) and Bombs, also machine stores, will be handed over and receipts obtained and forwarded Bn HQ in duplicate as a good copy of the relief is not already sent back will be duplicated at Bn HQ as K.C. numbers will be at Bn HQ and upon relief Cps will move in small bodies to T.S.D. via Bn HQ. Command Bn. A guard will be posted at turning off point and meal will be ready on arrival. Completion of relief will be notified by the code word 'OK' and arrival in new area by written message as</p>					
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Lieut-Col. W.L. Arrell

T/Commanding.

Headquarters,

19th. August 1918.

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1. The Battalion will move at 5.15 pm today, 19th. inst. to Har-bonniers Area.
  2. starting point - Road J.30.a.9.5.
  3. TIME. - 5-15 pm, at which time companies will be formed in column of route.  
A report will be sent to head of the column when ready to move.
  4. ORDER OF MARCH. - Headquarters, "A" "B" "C" "D" coys.  
Troops to be grouped of 25 with 25 paces interval between groups and 100 yards between companies.
  5. Lewis guns limbers and kitchens to be ready to move at 5 pm.  
Valises will be collected.

Issued at 4-10 pm.

*Full*  
Adjutant, 49th. Battalion A.I.F.      Captain.



SECRET

## WARNING ORDER.

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~~49th. 50th. 51st. Bns. 13th A.L.T.M.B.~~

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13th. Aust. Inf. Bde. will be relieved tonight and move to RIVERY area by bus AAA  
 50th Bn will be relieved by a Battalion of 33rd French Regiment AAA 51st Bn will be relieved 3rd Battalion 39th French Regiment AAA 49th Bn will not be relieved by any other troops AAA

Transport will proceed by road under orders Brigade Transport Officer leaving at 5 p.m.

today AAA Added 49th, 50th, 51st Bns,  
 13th A.L.T.M.B.

13th. A.L.Bde.

10.30

H. M. L.

Capt.  
 A/Bde. Major, 13th. A.L.Bde.







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* B. 178.		24 <sup>th</sup>		A A A	
<p>After relief tonight units will move to positions as shown on attached sketch and embus at 1.30 am. aaa busbussing officer from each unit will report to Staff Captain at W. 10. d. 64 at 12.30 am with embussing state aaa units will remain at least 300 yards from the road until they are ready to embus aaa under no circumstances whatever will any lights be shown during the embussing and smoking must NOT be permitted aaa when embussing is complete units will send report to head of column</p>					
From 13 <sup>th</sup> Ans: Inf: Bde					
Place					
Time 6.30 p.m.					
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49<sup>th</sup> Bn

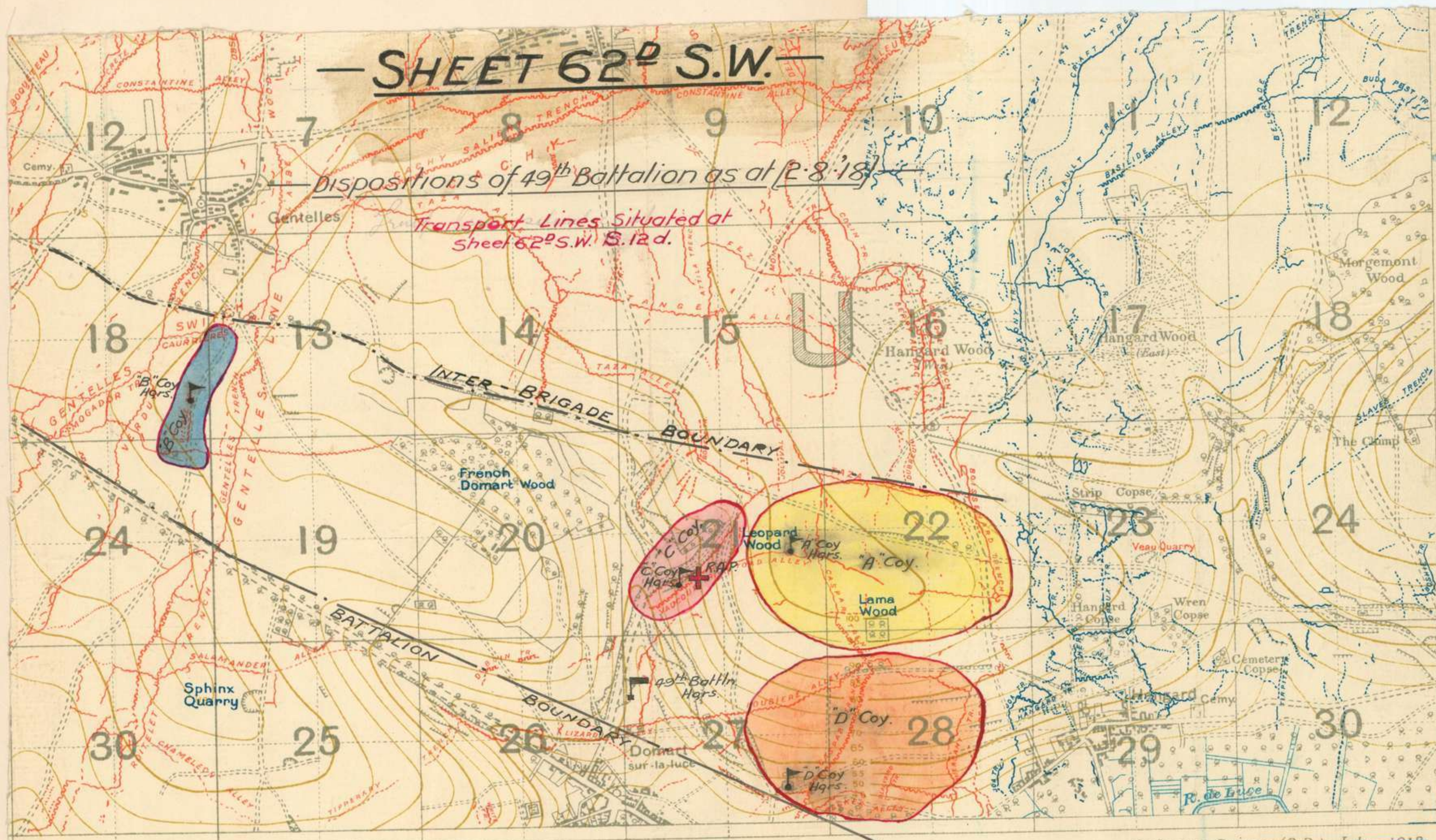
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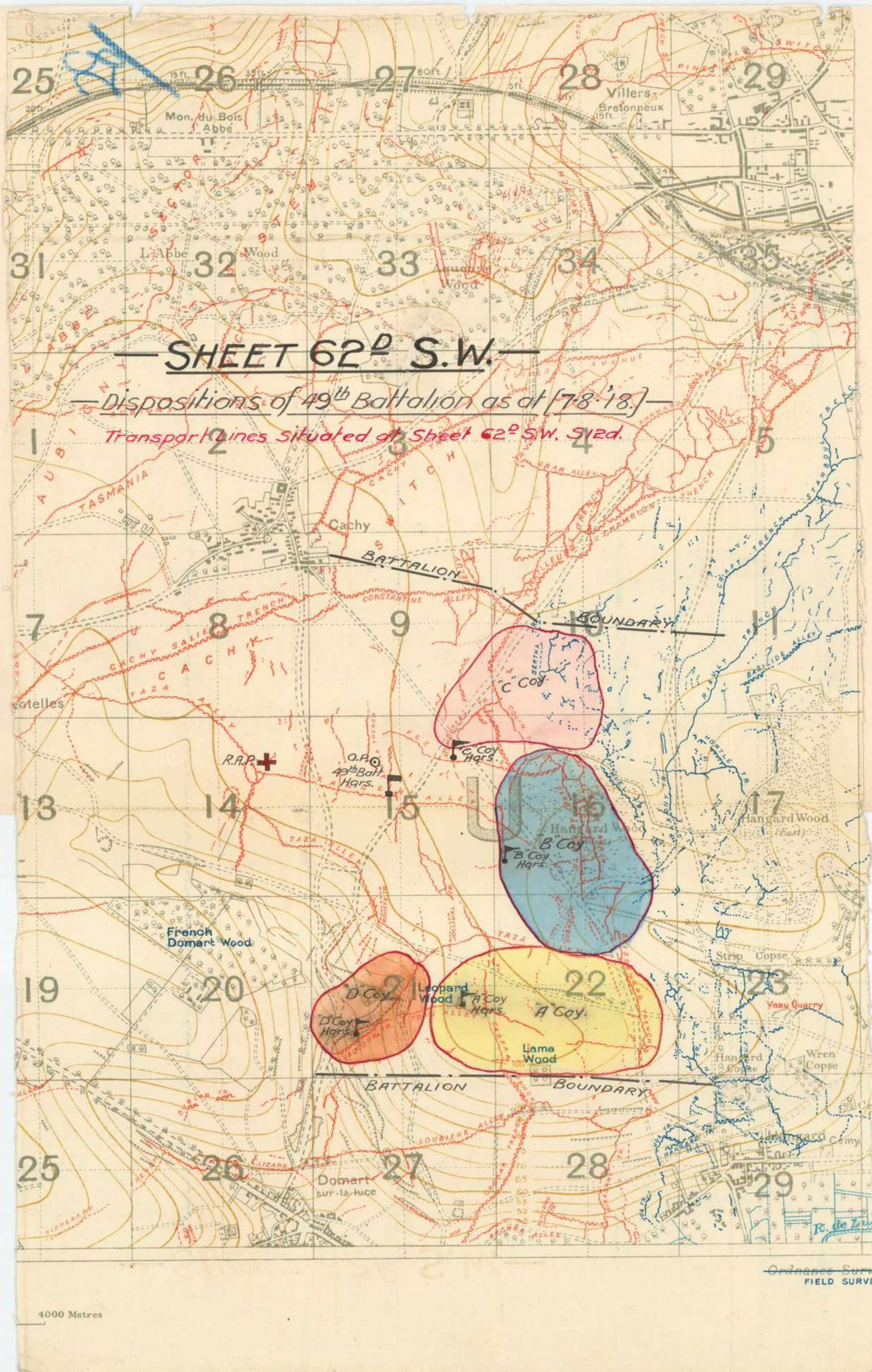
## Casualty State for August '18

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7		4		-						
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31	-	1								
Totals	4	59	2	88	1	18	-	7	1	4
	63		90		19		7		5	
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— SHEET 62<sup>d</sup> S.W. —Dispositions of 49<sup>th</sup> Battalion as at [2-8-18]Transport Lines Situated at  
Sheet 62<sup>d</sup> S.W. B.12 d.Ordnance Survey (O.S.) July, 1910.  
FIELD SURVEY B<sup>n</sup> R.E. (3941) 9-7-18.





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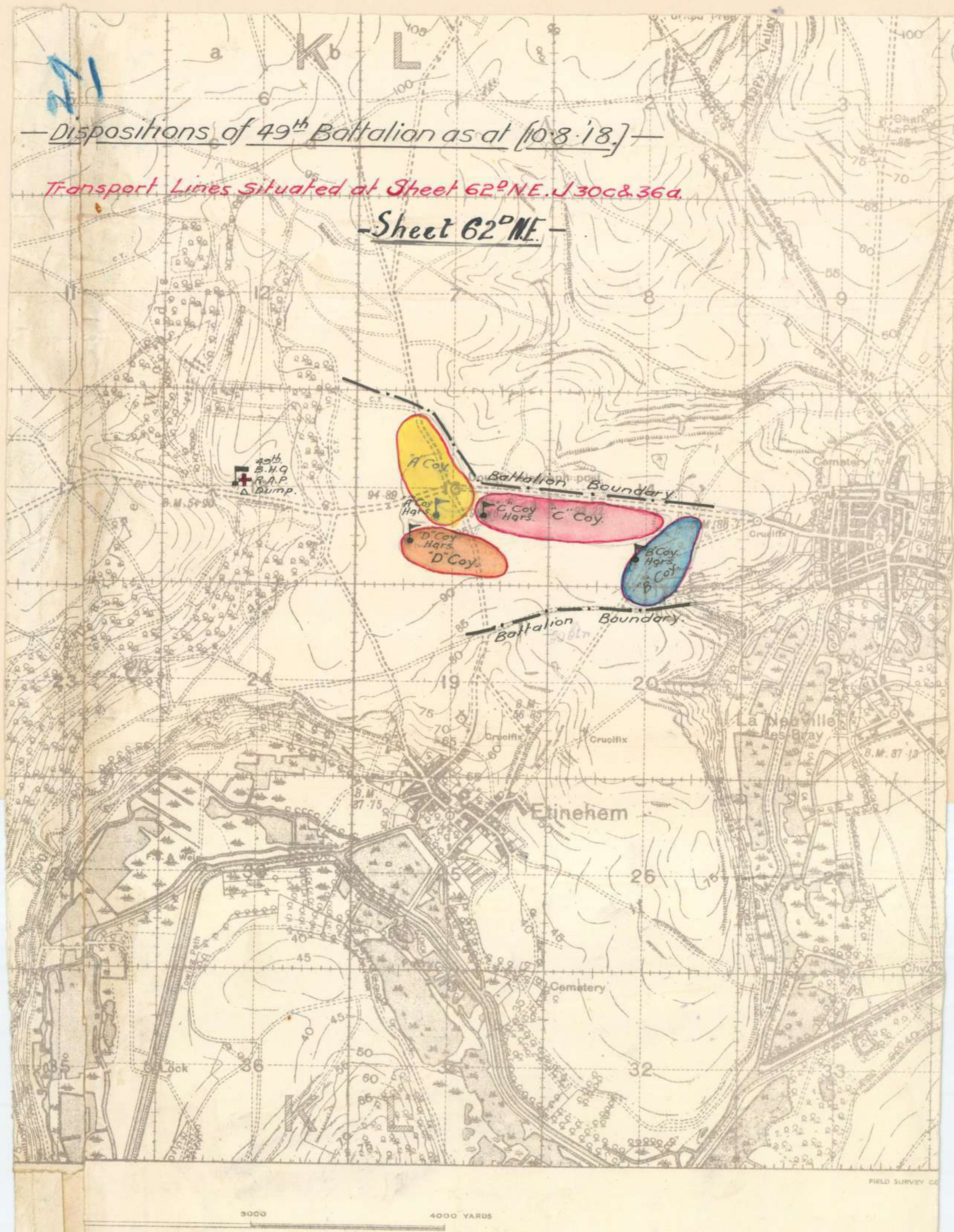
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—Dispositions of 49<sup>th</sup> Battalion as at [10.8.18.]—

Transport Lines Situated at Sheet 62<sup>nd</sup> NE. J 30c & 36a.

—Sheet 62<sup>nd</sup> NE.—



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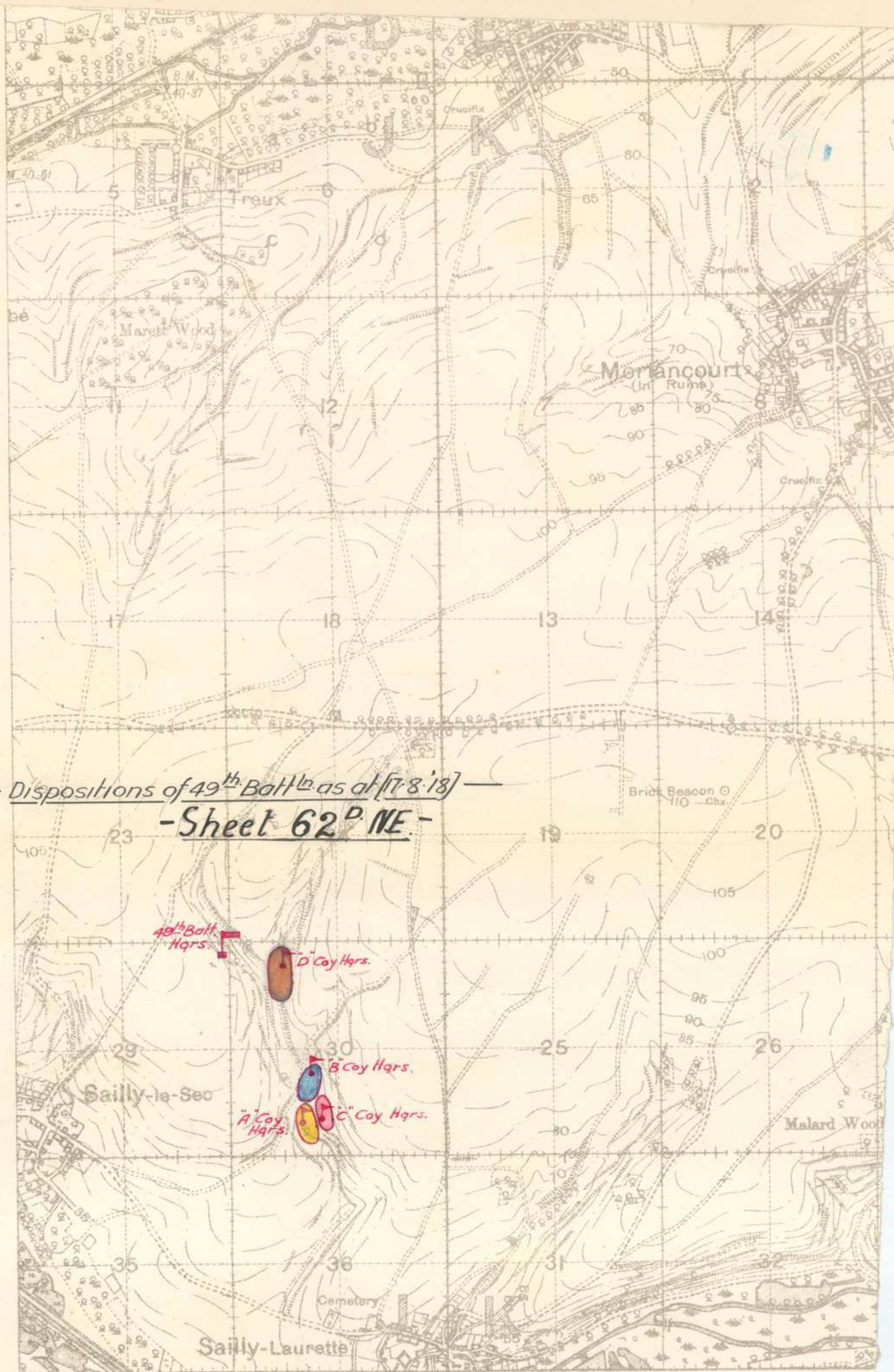
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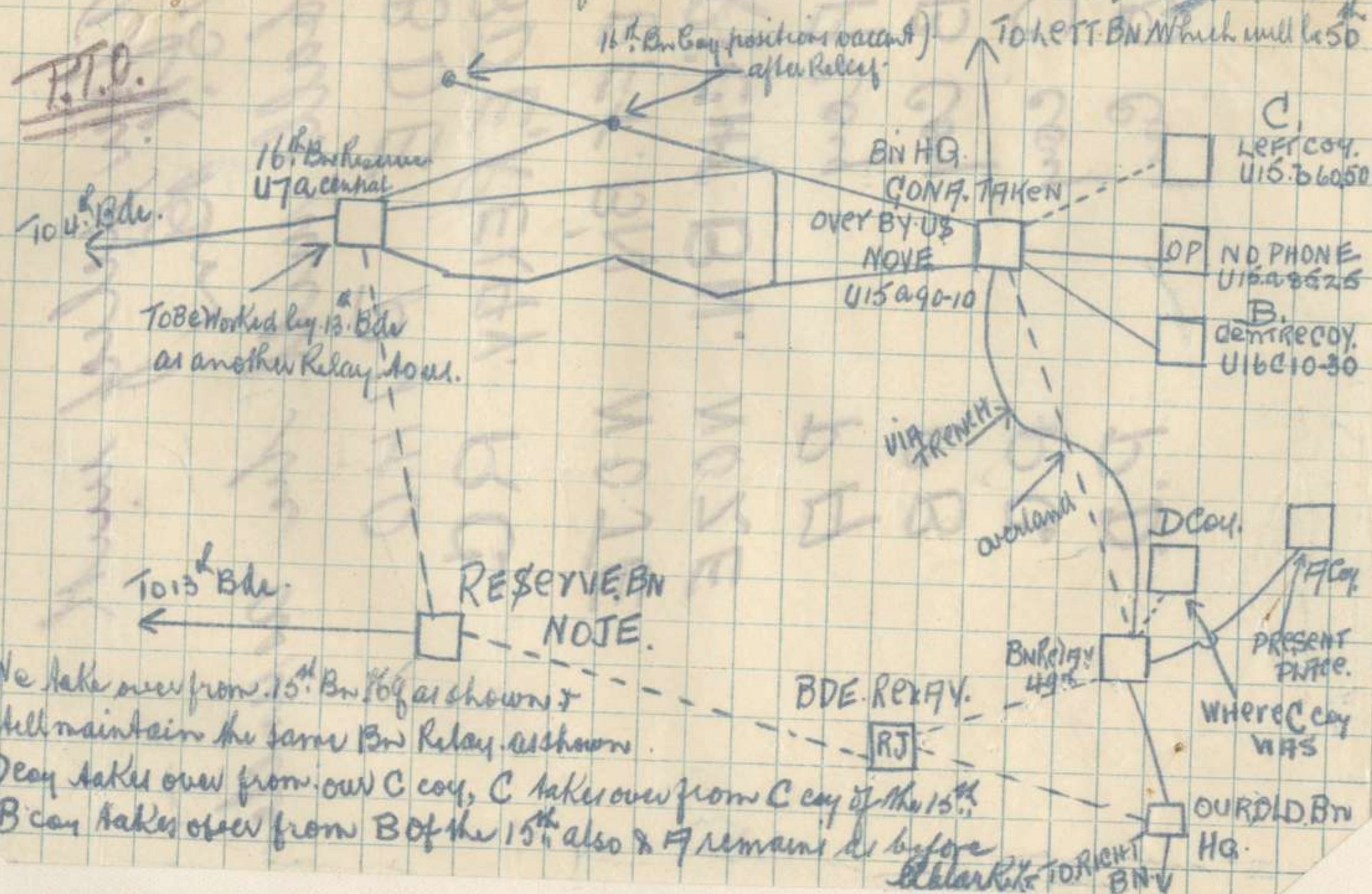
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— Dispositions of 49<sup>th</sup> Batt<sup>le</sup> as at [17.8.18] —  
 - Sheet 62<sup>D</sup> NE -

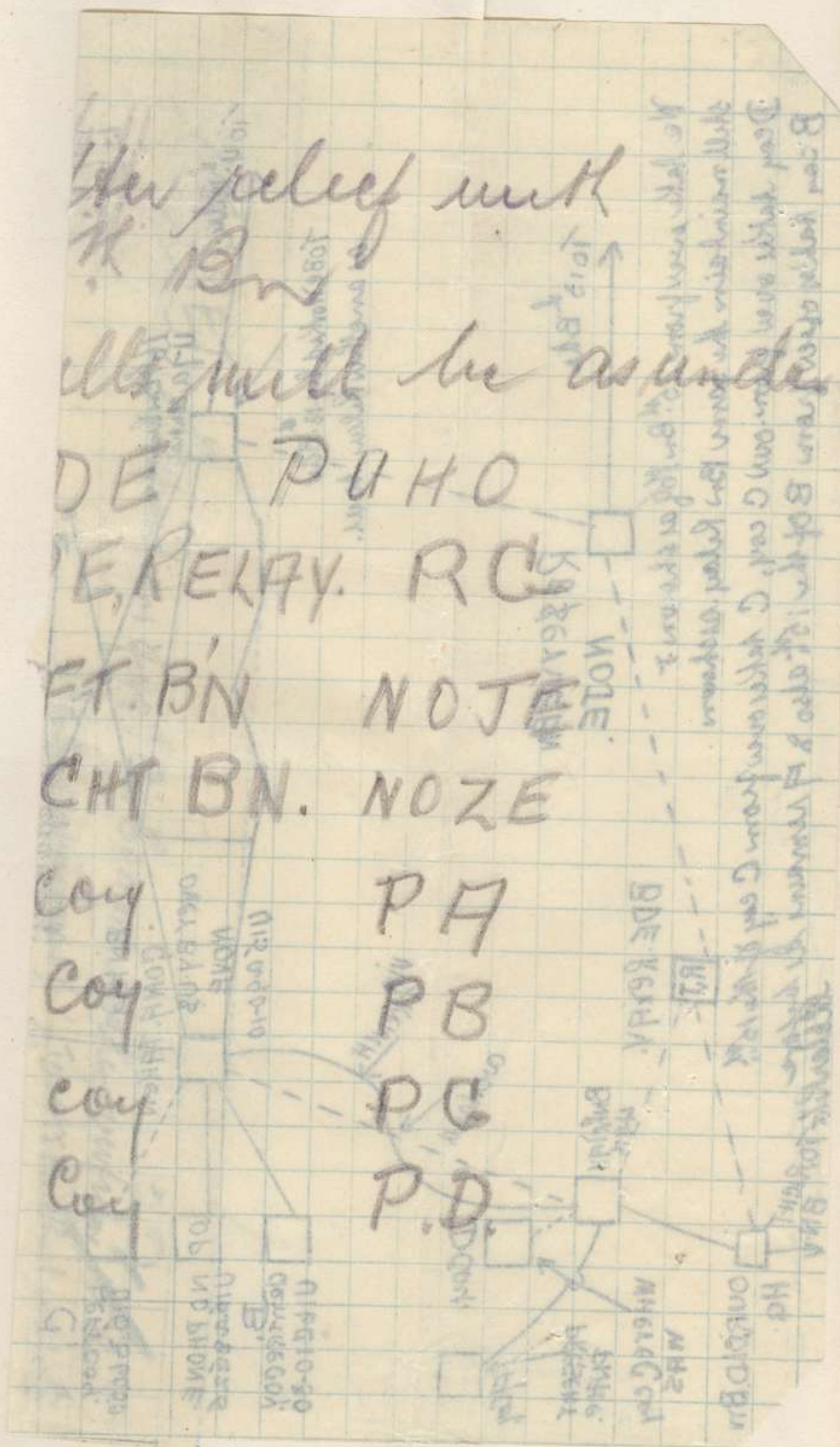


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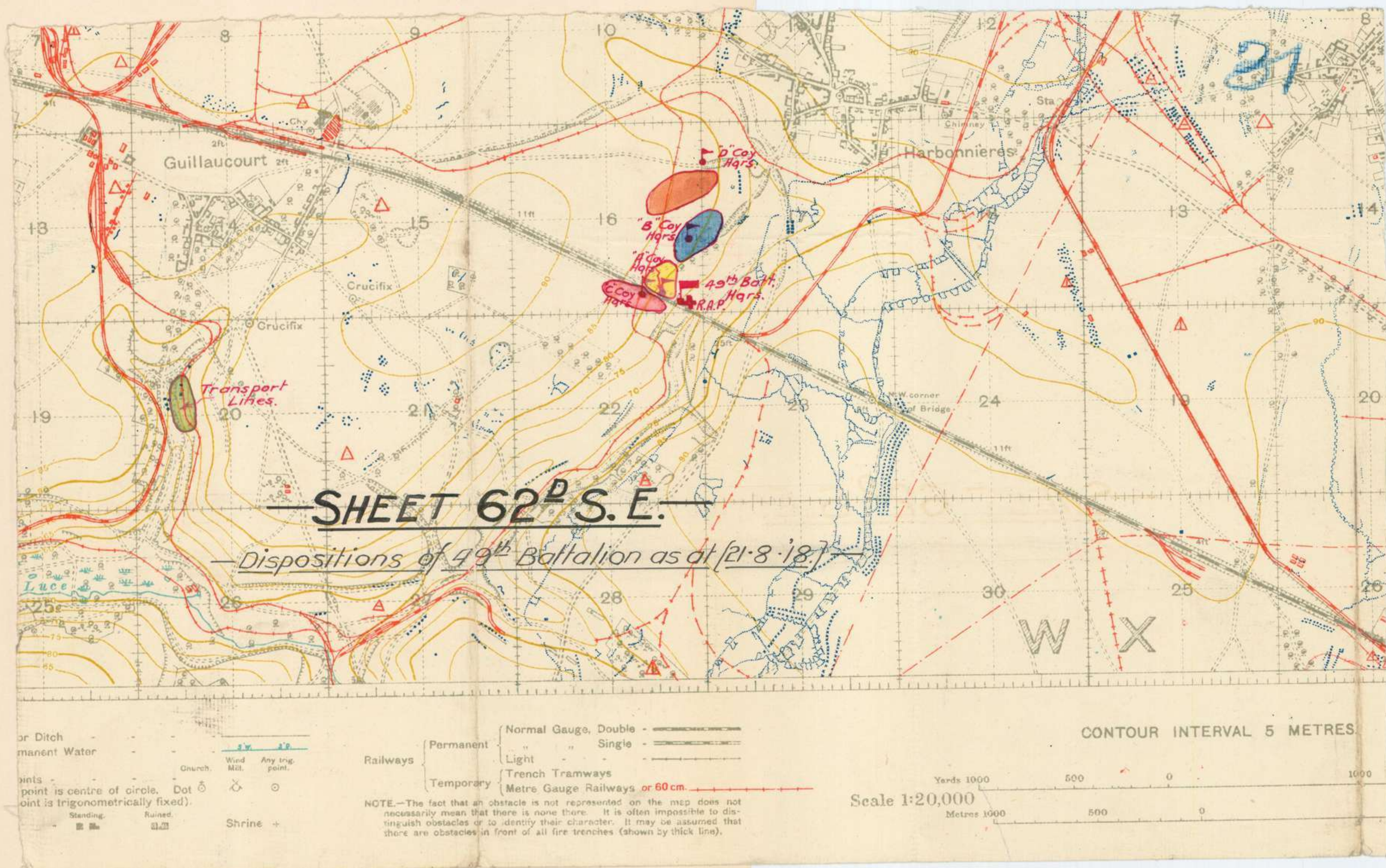


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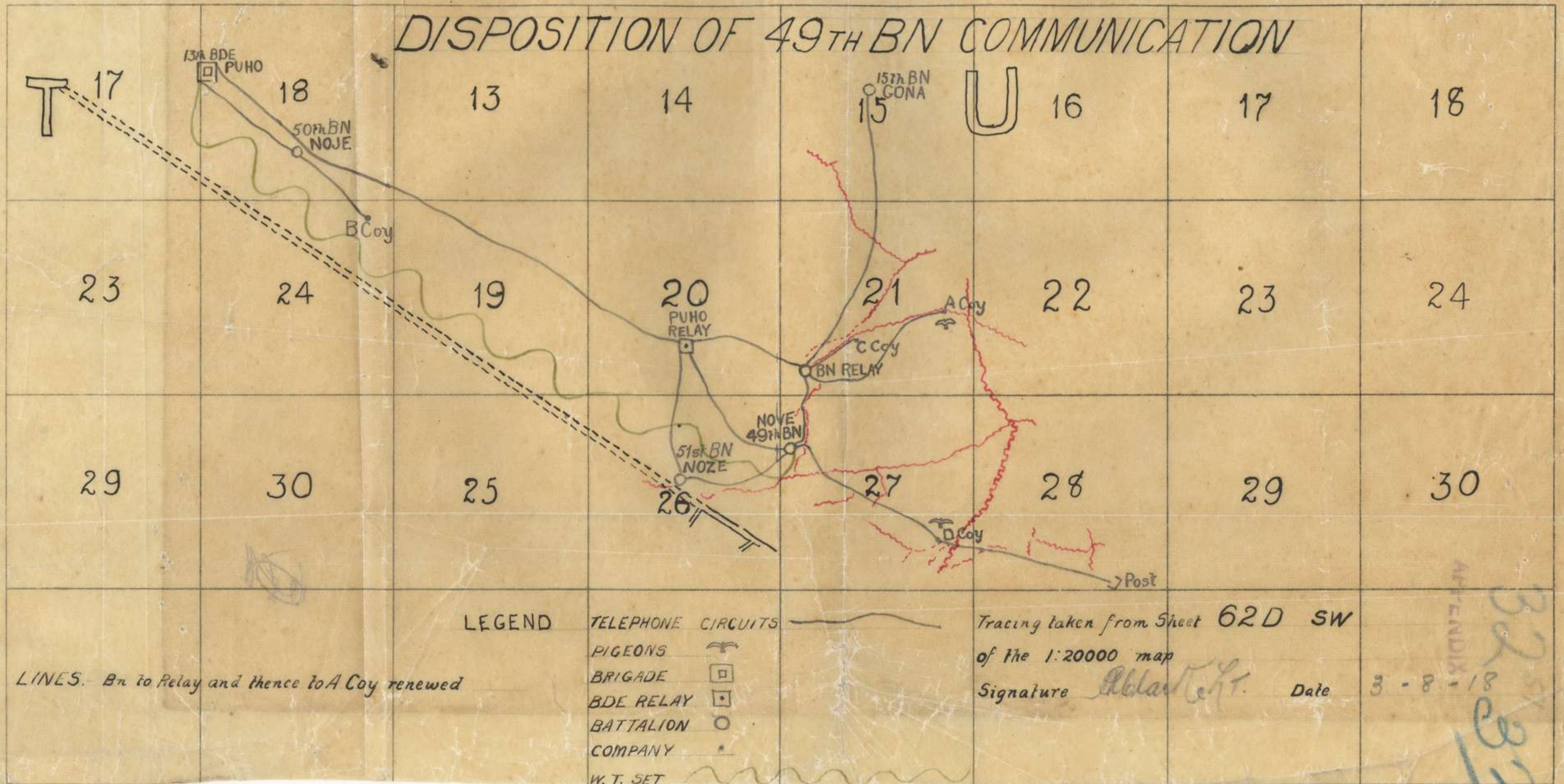






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# DISPOSITION OF 49TH BN COMMUNICATION





49<sup>TH</sup> BN COMMUNICATION

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DISPOSITION

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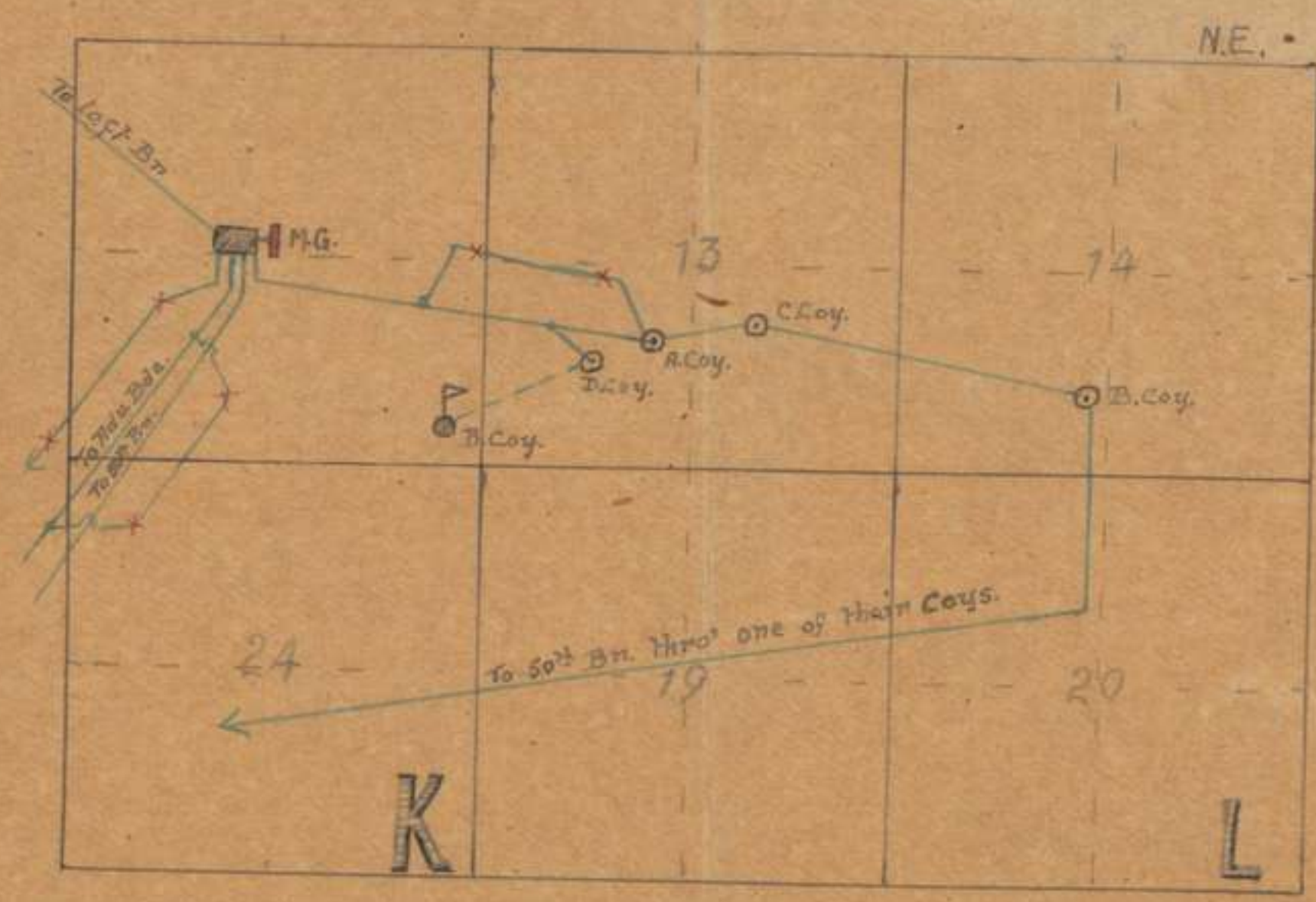
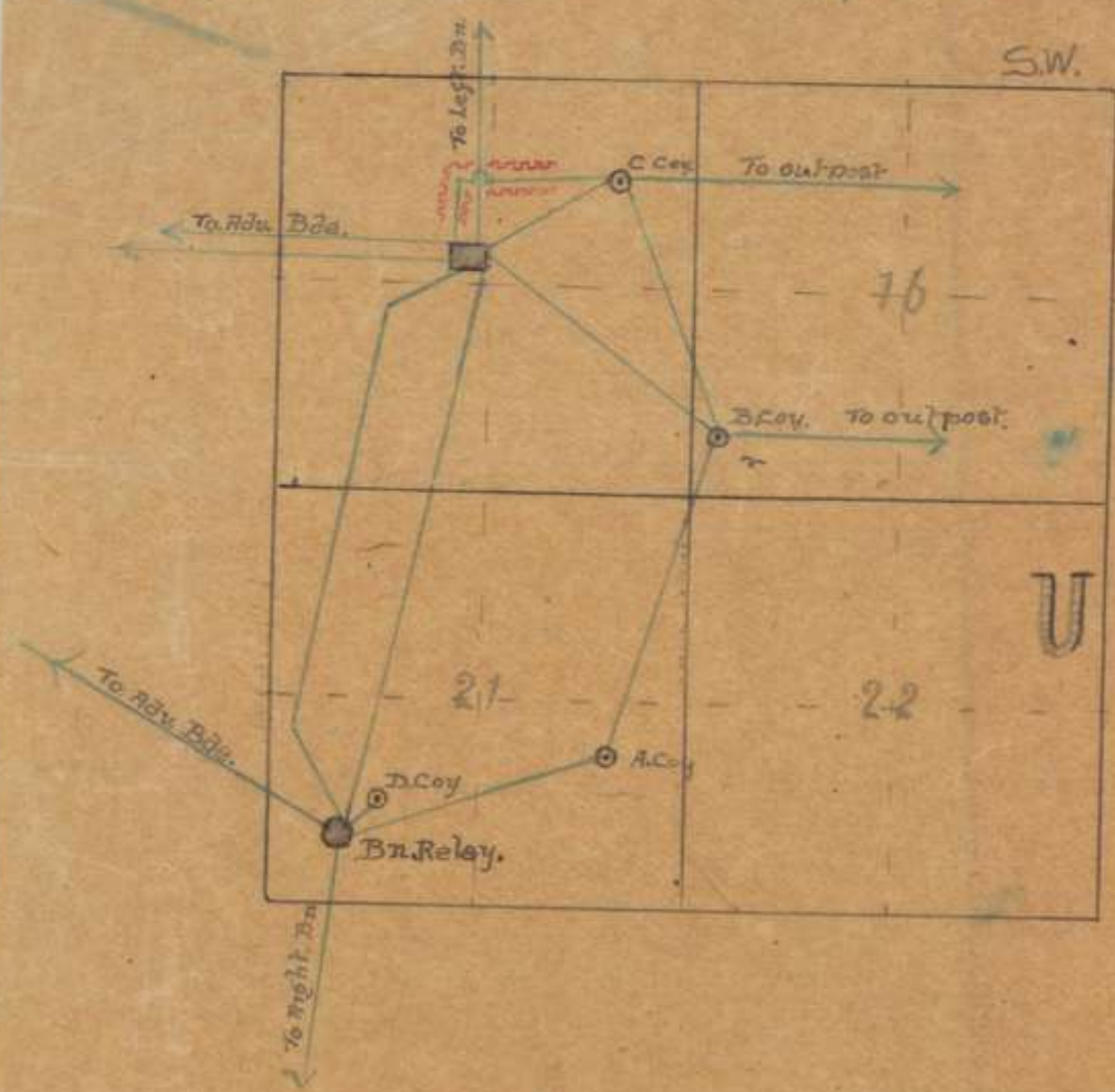
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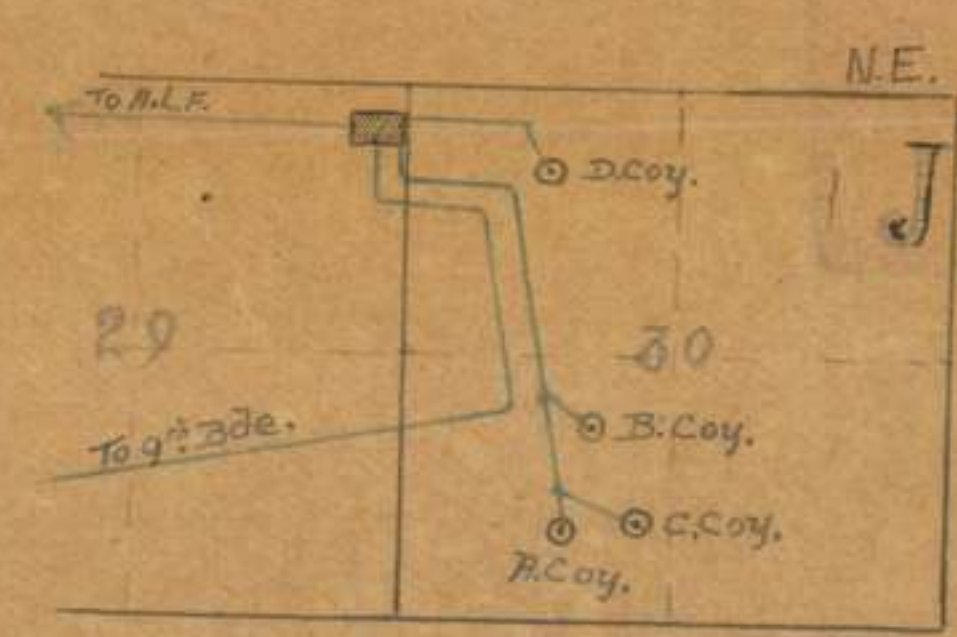


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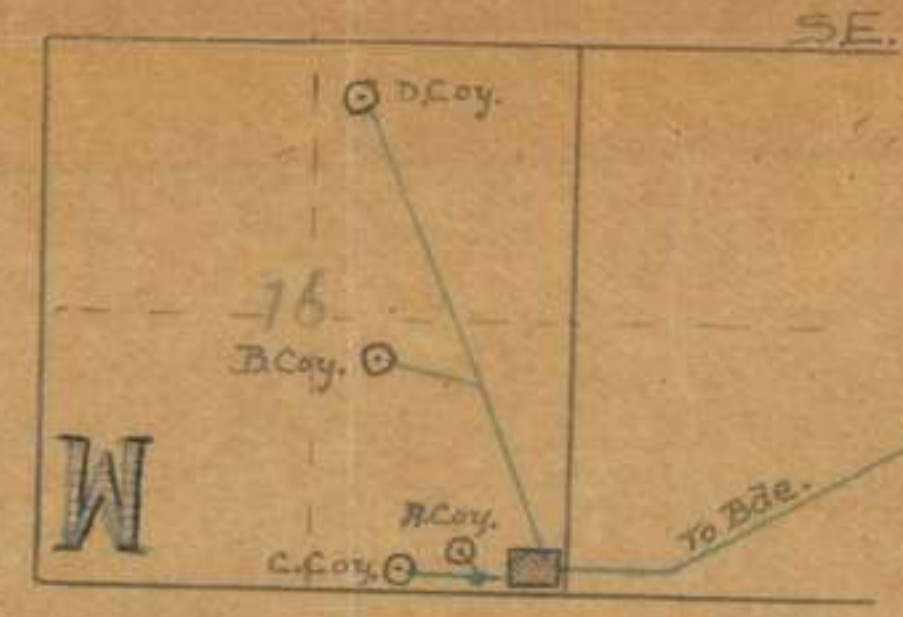
# DIAGRAM of COMMUNICATIONS 49<sup>th</sup> Batt, Hangard 2<sup>nd</sup> position Bray Sector,



## Sailly-Laurette Area,



## Harbonnieres Area,



- Bn Hq
- Coy Hq
- B Coy's 2<sup>nd</sup> position (Bray)
- M Gun
- Liaison force
- Telephone lines
- " in C.T.
- Looplines
- heavily shelled areas
- Pigeons

— Sheet 62<sup>D</sup>

Scale - 1:20,000

Parts of NE, NW, SE, SW, —

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GOJE SIGNALS  
19-8-18

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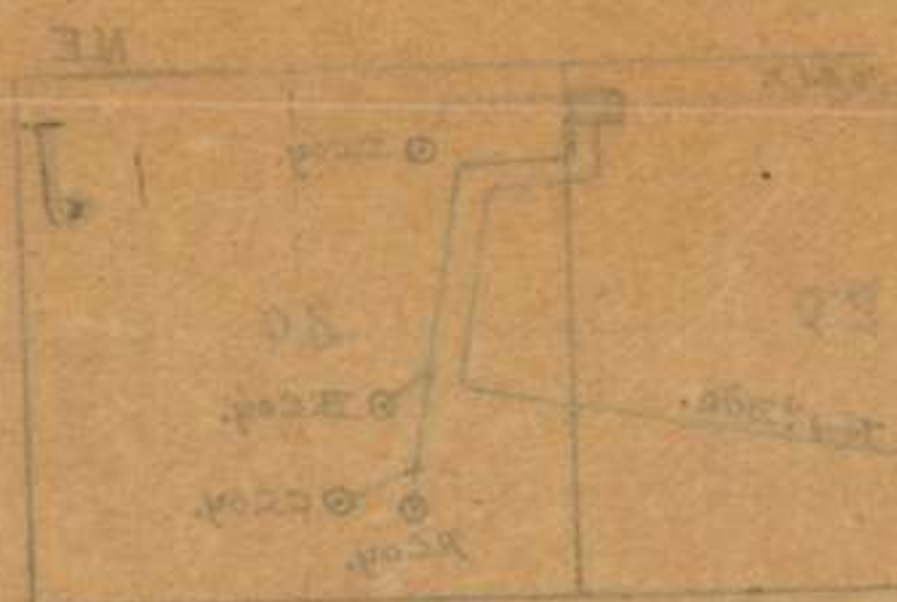
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August 1918

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Sally-Lamelle Area

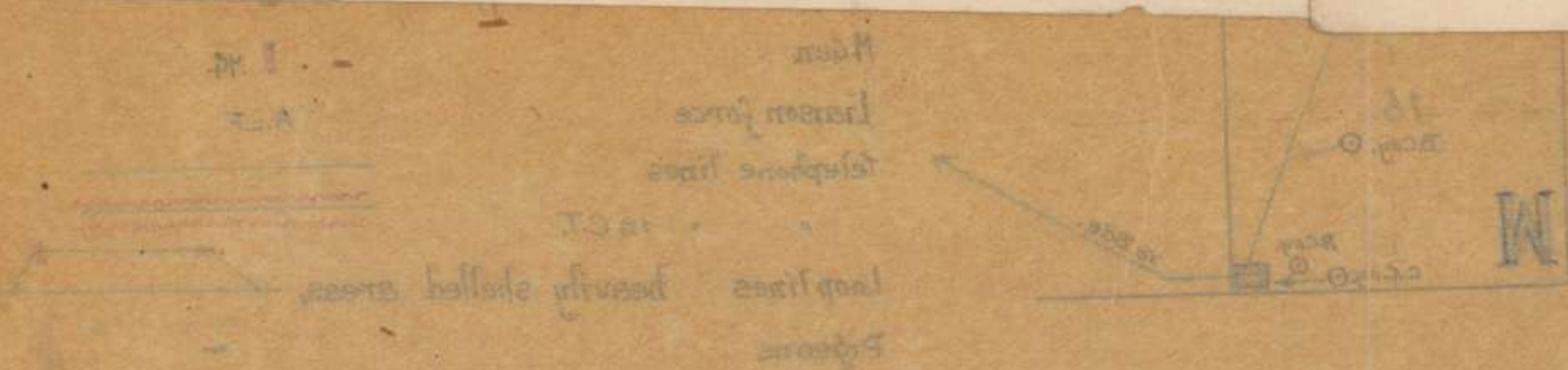


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Scale - 1:25000

Parts of NE, NW, SE, SW

14-8-18  
Cable Signal  
Karl's Peak





Aug 1<sup>st</sup>: Btn moved into line in front of  
Domart - all cooking had to be  
done at 9<sup>th</sup> Port Luce but owing to  
savings salvaged a good many  
food containers and petrol tins and  
hot meal was got up every night  
also hot tea packed in straw in  
web packs -

Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>: Same procedure as on 1<sup>st</sup> -  
Transport located in valley behind  
Bones and all rations got forward,  
by linkers to Domart, thence carry-  
ing parties -

Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> Same as two previous nights

Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Btn moved to left in front of  
Dentelle - Great congestion of traffic  
on all roads owing to preparation  
for Stint -

WPA

Aug 5<sup>th</sup>: Everything practically the  
same

Aug 6<sup>th</sup>: Ditto

Aug 7<sup>th</sup>: No traffic allowed on forward  
roads so it was impossible to  
get rations up - Btn came  
back to Blangy - Trouville switch  
arrived there about 2 am - Rations  
were moved over there & a hot  
meal made on arrival -

Aug 8<sup>th</sup>: Btn stayed at Blangy switch  
all day where rations were located  
with Coy -

Aug 9<sup>th</sup>: Btn moved to Hamel - Rations  
taken to Hamel with them -  
Balance of transport moved  
from Bones to Hamel

Aug 10<sup>th</sup>: Btn advanced on line some  
1500 yards to in front of



Aug 10<sup>th</sup> (Contd): Etinehens - Hot meal was sent up to Line by use of Containers - Lumber delivered to Btm AB. thence by carrying parties -

Aug 11<sup>th</sup>: Transport in valley in front of Saily-le-see, all cooking was done there & sent up by ladders as on the 10<sup>th</sup> - Very hot weather and a considerable quantity of water was required which was drawn from wells in Saily-le-see & sent up in petrol tins -

Aug 12<sup>th</sup>: Ditto

Aug 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>: Exactly the same procedure as on previous days. - Rather heavy shelling on night of 13<sup>th</sup>. our driver wounded, one animal killed -

Aug 16<sup>th</sup>: Btm came out to rear Transport lines at night & a hot meal was ready for them there on arrival.

Aug 17<sup>th</sup>: All Btm had food bathes in river at Saily-le-see & clean clothing had been procured from Div clothing store - Kitchens with their Corps.

Aug 18<sup>th</sup>: Same arrangements as on 17<sup>th</sup> re cooking etc. Small issue of new clothing to cover bad cases.

Aug 19<sup>th</sup>: Btm moved to Railway Line near Harbouiers in evening by Motor Lorries - Transport moved to Saily near Pullan-court. - Kitchens, Saily. Lewis Guns etc were delivered at Coy positions about midnight - Btm



Aug 19<sup>th</sup> (Contd) arrived about 1am -

Aug 20<sup>th</sup>: Kitchens situated with their  
Cops - All water drawn from  
well half a mile away -  
Bootmakers & tailors also with the  
Btm -

Aug 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> - Same arrange-  
ments re cooking etc. - Very  
hot weather - A good deal of  
beer was procured and cricket  
material got up from the dump.

Aug 24<sup>th</sup>: Btm moved to Riving by Motor  
Bus arrived about 5am - Transport  
arrived about 11.30pm - Cops had  
meal before leaving & tea on  
arrival - Both Btm & Transport  
billed at Hospice. Riving. very  
fine bills -

Aug 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>

Btm billed at Hospice during  
all these days - A new issue of  
clothing was made to replace all  
unserviceable & boots etc thoroughly  
repaired - all Btm shortages replaced.  
Hot baths located at Hospice & all  
men had baths & clean change of  
clothing - Hot Canteen was run  
& Bed Canteen was kept well stocked.  
A free issue of a bottle of beer per  
man was made from proceeds of Hot  
Canteen. -

L Cadell

Hon Capt & Btm

49<sup>th</sup> Btm. at 2.



— 49th Australian I. Battalion —

Disposition Report

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As at 6 a.m. 2nd August 1918.

Map sheet reference 62. D. S.W. 1:20,000.

Battalion Headquarters situated at  
Quarry U. 27. a. 05.42.

Regimental Aid Post U. 21. C. 80.55

Battalion Dump U. 21. C. 44.48.

Battalion Observation Post U. 20. d. 61.12

Two Companies Front Line one Company  
Support and one company Reserve  
Line.

D. Company right Front company.  
Right Front company Headquarters  
situated at Quarry U. 27. d. 60.50.



Two platoons occupying system "Caspar  
Trench" from V.27.d.75.25 to V.28.a.  
1590. Platoon boundary at V.28.c.19.  
Right platoon Headquarters situated  
at Caspar Trench V.28.a. <sup>10.05</sup> ~~10.05~~

Left platoon Headquarters situated  
at Caspar Trench V.28.a. 2.5.

Right Front platoon Headquarters  
situated at V.28.c.35.40.

supplying 2 Posts. of (1 officer in charge).  
and 2 N.C.O.'s and 15 men per post.  
and 1 Lewis Gun per post.

Post No. 2. Situated at V.28.c.35.40  
strength of 2 N.C.O.'s <sup>men</sup> 15 and 1 Lewis  
Gun. Post No. 1. situated at

V.28.d.40.17. with 1 Officer 2 N.C.O.'s.  
15 men and 1 Lewis Gun.

No. 1 post supplying a listening  
post of 1 N.C.O. and 3 men by night  
at ~~10.05~~ H. b. 35.70 near river  
Luce.

Left Front platoon of right Company.  
Platoon Headquarters V.28.b.38.20.  
supplying 1 officer 4 N.C.O.'s and 30 men.  
No. 4 Post situated at V.28.b.15.70  
strength 2 N.C.O.'s & 13. with 1 Lewis  
Gun.

No. 3. Post situated at V.28.b.40.40  
strength 2 N.C.O.'s & 13. with Lewis Gun



Left Front Company Headquarters  
situated at V. 21. d. 67.84. strength  
1 officer and 20 other ranks.

2 Platoons and 1 section with  
four Lewis guns occupying  
Caspar trench from V. 28. d. 1.9. to  
V. 20. b. 9.5.

No. 1 Platoon Headquarters V. 22. d. 7.4  
strength of 1 officer 13 other ranks &  
1 Lewis gun. Lost at V. 22. b. 4.4.  
strength 2 N.C.O.s 13 Men and 1  
Lewis gun.

No. 2 Platoon posted 1 N.C.O. 1 Lewis  
gun and 8 men at V. 22. d. 0.8.

during the day this post withdraws  
to V. 22. b. 0.4.

1 N.C.O. and 8 men and 1 Lewis gun  
at V. 22. b. 0.4.

1 sergeant and 11 men extending from  
V. 22. c. 2.0 to V. 22. c. 0.3.

No. 3 Platoon Headquarters situated  
at V. 21. d. 95.78. platoon area  
extending from V. 22. c. 0.2. to V. 21. b.  
9.0. with 1 officer 24 men & 2 Lewis guns.

No. 4 Platoon Headquarters at  
V. 21. b. 95.55. Platoon area  
from V. 21. b. 9.0. to V. 21. b. 9.7.

1 Officer 26 men and 2 Lewis guns.  
b. company Support Company.  
company Headquarters situated  
at V. 21. c. company area from



Hq. the Australian 1. Battalion  
Summary of Daily Intelligence -  
Up to 6 a.m. August 2nd. 1918.  
Operations.

Relief. The Battalion relieved the  
1st Battalion 2nd. Div. on  
the night of the 1st/2nd. inst.

The relief was completed at

Our Activity

Artillery. Quite no activity on part  
of artillery.

Machine Guns. Support Tickers guns  
firing at intervals from 3pm to 4am.

Patrols.

On completion of relief patrol  
reconnoitring and listening were pushed  
forward.

Line patrol visited the left  
Barrade during the night.

Enemy activity

Artillery. From information from  
the French enemy artillery last night  
was above normal. The village of  
'Domart' was shelled for five minutes  
from 11.30 p.m.

Machine Guns.

Quite occasional  
bursts throughout the night.



Trench mortar. Shells fell in locality V.28.d.  
2.5. no damage, at 12.30 a.m. and  
1 a.m.

Aeroplanes. Enemy planes were active  
over our sector during the night.

2/8/18.

W. J. Lott.  
Lt.

19. th Ltn  
A. L. F.

V.21. c. 5.5 to V.21. b. 1.1.

B. Company Reserve Company  
Company Headquarters situated at  
T. 18. d. 80.40.

3 Platoons occupying village trench  
and 1 platoon at V. 13. a. 1.2 to  
T. 18. b. 0. 8.

2/8/18

W. J. Lott.  
Lt.  
19. th Ltn.



— Hq. 4th A.I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
From 6 a.m. 2nd August to 6 a.m. 3rd Aug.

Operations.

Artillery.

Our artillery has been very quiet during the last 24 hours, no shooting being observed on our sector.

Machine Guns.

Not active

French Mortars.

Not in position

Observation

Report attached, bad visibility on account of heavy showers of rain. There appears to be practically no movement by day on the enemy side

Patrols.

Liaison patrols have been in touch with <sup>battalions</sup> companies on either flank during the night.

Patrol reports attached.

Aerial Activity

Nil owing to bad visibility and heavy showers of rain.

Enemy Activity

Artillery

About twelve 5.9" H.E. fell at road junction in T.13.a. and several in Gentelle's village, and near T.13.b. At 4.30 p.m. enemy shelled our positions at V.21.d. 98. V.21.d. 97 & V.22 C.4.1. with 5.9". About 140 rounds



Were fired, four direct hits obtained  
on our trenches and four in Wood at  
V.21.d.78. Shells H.2. fell in the  
vicinity of V.21.a.3.8.

Machine guns. Fired bursts from  
9.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

Light & Heavy Machine Guns fired  
projectiles during the day on night  
Company frontage  
movement.

Transport. The noise of transport could  
be heard coming from the direction of  
"Hanzard", also transport could be  
plainly heard moving on road in

V.23.C.5.5. from 1.30 a.m. to 3.30  
a.m.

Labels and observation  
reports enclosed.

2/8/18.

Dispositions unchanged  
with the exception of the Reserve  
Company head quarters ~~from~~ to  
T.24.b.7.8.



— 49th A. I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
from 6 a.m. 3rd. August to 6 a.m. 4th. August.

Operations.

The night company was relieved by a company of the 51st. Battalion on the night of the 3. 4th. inst. The relief was complete at 2.35 a.m.

Our Activity  
Artillery.

Our artillery has been quiet throughout the day, eighteen pounder batteries, were active at intervals during the night.

Machine Guns.

Quiet inactive throughout the day and night.

Patrols.

Liaison and reconnoitring patrols, keep in touch with Battalions, on both flanks during the night.

Observation

As per report attached.

Visibility was good at intervals, black clouds and showers of rain prevented continuous observation.

Aerial Activity

Planes.

Our planes were most active at 3.30 p.m. and 4 p.m. They were heavily engaged by Machine Gun fire.

Enemy Activity

" Artillery

Has been about normal



at 11 p.m. enemy shelled our post at  
U. 22. b. 4. 3. about 30 shells fell in vicinity  
of above post. At 2.35 a.m. enemy  
put down a barrage in front ofumont  
U. 27. c. and. d. and U. 26. c, also  
light shelling of left and right front  
sectors. The barrage ceased at 3.25 a.m.  
French Mortars were active during the  
barrage falling along road and trench  
from U. 22 a. 4. 7. to U. 28. b. 7. 7.

Machine Guns Fire bursts occasionally  
during the night, but otherwise very quiet  
Patrols. No patrols were seen or heard  
during the night

### Enemy Aircraft

Planes were active during the day,  
especially from dawn till 4 p.m. Also 8 p.m.  
a low flying aeroplane dropped 2 bombs.

14. 8. 18.

W. J. Pott.  
Lt. W. 19th Str.



— 49th A.I. Battalion —

Disposition Report

As at 6 a.m. 4th August. 1918.

Disposition unchanged with the exception of the right company which is now situated as follows.

Company Headquarters T. 24. d. 40. 83

Company in continuous trench from T. 30. b. 57. 95 to U. 19. a. 1. 1.

Wf. 40th.

LT 49th Bn.

— 49th A.I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence

From 6 a.m. 4th August. to 6 a.m. 5th August.

Operations

Relief. Two companies of the 49th Bn. relieved two front line companies of the 15th. on the night of the 4-5th. inst. The relief was completed at 2.50 a.m.

Our Activity

Artillery. Our artillery was a little active during the afternoon from 4 p.m.

Machine Guns

Quiet.

Patrols

1 liaison & reconnoitering patrols active after the relief.



## Observations

### Aerial Activity

Our aeroplanes were active during the day, flying low, over our sector. They were engaged heavily by machine gun fire.

### Enemy Activity

#### Artillery

At 3.55 a.m. centre company was heavily shelled with 14.2 and 5.9. for 14 minutes

#### Trench Mortars

Heavy & Light At 3.55 a.m. Heavy & Light trench mortars were also active, on centre company sector.

## 49th A.I. Battalion Summary of Daily Intelligence



149. th. A. I. Battalion

Summary of Daily Intelligence

From 6 a.m. 4th August to 6 a.m. 5th

Operations

Relief.

Two companies of the 149th Btr. relieved two front line companies of the 15th Btr. Coy the night of the 4th/5th inst. The relief was completed at 2.50 a.m.

Our Activity

Our artillery was a little active during the day. At 3 a.m. our artillery was shelling in the direction of Barcelona. During a shoot carried out at 3.45 a.m. 4/8/18. About ten sixteen pounder shells fell in the

vicinity of U 22. d. 6.4. There was an interval of about 1 minute between shots which appeared to come from 29°

Barqueter bearing from U. 21. d. 7.8.

Machine Guns.

Quiet throughout the night.

Patrols. Liaison & reconnoitring patrols were out as soon as the relief was complete.

Aerial Activity

Our planes were active during the day, they were heavily engaged by Machine Gun fire.

Enemy Activity

Enemy artillery active area shoots



At 1.20 a.m. and 3.55 a.m.

Shells fell in the vicinity of U22.C.14.  
Bent's company was heavily shelled  
at 3.55 a.m. for 15 minutes 5.95  
and 7.7. H.B. The shells fell in rear of  
our positions doing no damage to our  
trenches.

Machine Guns. Active at intervals  
on indirect fire.

Rifle Grenades. Twenty rifle grenades  
were fired from approximately at U22.a.  
9.50. They landed in the vicinity of  
U22.d.6.7.

— 1st. I.L. Battalion —

— Disposition Report —

Is at 6 a.m. 5th August. 1918.

Map Reference 62 D.S.V. 1:20,000

Battalion Headquarters situated

at U. 15.a. 90.10

R.A. Post U. 14. b. 50.55

Observation Post U. 15.a. 8.5

Three companies Front Line and  
1 company support.

A. Coy. Right Front Company.  
Headquarters situated U. 21. d. 67.84.

2 Platoons and 1 section with four  
Lewis Guns occupying Gaspar trench from  
U 28. a. 1.9. to U. 21. b. 9.5.



No. 1 platoon Headquarters located at  
V. 22 d. 7. 14. 1 officer 13 of And 1 Lewis  
gun. Post at V. 22. b. 4. 14. Strength  
2 T.C.O's. 13 Men and 1 Lewis gun.

No. 2. platoon extending from V. 22 c. 10.  
to V. 22. c. 14. 3.

No. 3. platoon at V. 21. d. 95. 76.

platoon area from V. 22. c. 22. to V. 21 b.  
9. 0. with 1 officer 26 men and 1 Lewis  
gun.

No. 4 Platoon H.Q. at V. 21 b. 95. 55

Platoon area from V. 21 b. 9. 0 to V. 21 b. 9. 7.

B. company front Company.

company Headquarters. V. 16. C. 15. 50.

3 platoons occupying outpost system  
1 platoon in support at 16. C. 2. 14

to 16. a. 1. 1.

b. company Left front company  
company Headquarters at V. 15. b. 5. 6.

2 platoons occupying outpost system, &  
2 platoons in support (as per sketch)

W. P. 1.  
Lt. 49th Bn.

5/1/11



French Mortars Heavy & light trench mortars were active at 3.55 a.m. on centre company Centre.

Observations: Battery of guns firing at 3.55 a.m. reported to be firing from approximately "Barcelonne".

Wp. Lett.  
Lt. 49 Btr.

— 449th A.I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
From 6 a.m. 5th August to 6 a.m. 6th.

Operations.

Our Activity

Artillery

Our artillery has been very much more active during the last 24 hours, and have shelled enemy positions at U.23.69 d. with H.C. & 4.2s. Light guns shelled "Strip Copse". At 3.30 a.m. At 4 a.m. a heavy gun fired at 1 minute intervals.

Machine Guns

Quiet on our sector, all being silent.

Patrols, Liaison & Reconnoitering/etrols



were active during the hours of darkness  
Doach being maintained with left and  
right Battalions.

Observations as per reports attached.

Aerial Activity.

Due to heavy showers of  
rain our planes were not active at 3pm.  
one of our planes flew very low over our  
lines, and was not engaged by machine  
gun fire.

Enemy Activity

Artillery. During the past 24 hours  
very little shelling has taken place on  
sector, but during night of 5/6 the int.  
heavy shells passed over apparently over  
the roads and battery positions.

French Bortas. During the Medium trench  
Bortas fired projectiles on left sector of  
Centre Company.

Machine Guns.

Sprayed tracks and trenches  
by night and fired occasional bursts  
during the day, a large number of machine  
guns appear to fire from the direction of  
"Strip Copse." several have been located  
as per observation report.

Signals.

When trench Bortas was firing  
about 8pm. apparently shells burst short,  
signals of three white flares were sent up  
they were repeated by one flare in rear  
positions.

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Movement Several small parties of men moving about in the vicinity of "Strip" area during spin, and spin.

Observations An enemy observation post has been discovered in a tree at V.23.C.4.4.

W. J. Pate.  
Lt. 49th Bn.

49th A. I. Battalion  
Summary of Daily Intelligence  
From 6am Oct August to 6am <sup>the</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Aug  
Operations  
Artillery

Our artillery has been quiet throughout the day and night.  
Machine Guns. Quiet throughout the night.

Patrols Liaison & reconnoitring patrols were active during the hours of darkness.  
Enemy Activity

Artillery Enemy artillery active throughout the night & back.



Shells and roads in rear being  
shelled U 15 a and C. being shelled with  
5.9s and 47 lbs. Positions at V 24 d 9.7  
was also shelled during the night.

Machine Guns

Displayed greater activity  
during the night, being directed on  
tracks and trenches

French Positions

Not active

W. P. 10.

Lt 49th Bn.

49th Bn. Battalion

Disposition Report

As at 3. a. m.

Battalion Headquarters situated  
at P. 11. b. 3.4.

Regimental Aid Post P. 11. b. 3.4

Battalion Bump P. 11. b. 3.5.

A. Company Headquarters situated  
at P. 12. b. 1.8. Company area from  
Q. 7. a. 0.3 to P. 12. a. 2.5

B. Company Left Company Headquarters  
at P. 5. c. 9.3. Company area from  
P. 5. d. 9.0 to T. 34. d. 5.9.

C. Coy. Headquarters at P. 11. b. 2.0  
Company area from P. 12. a. 0.0 to  
T. P. 11. d. 9.9.



b. company Headquarters at P. 11. d. 8.7.  
company area from P. 11. d. 5.5 to  
P. 11. d. 8.9.

W. J. J. J.  
Lt.

49th. P. 11.

— 49th. A. I. Battalion —

Disposition Report

at 7. a. m. 10th. August. 1918.

Battalion Headquarters situated at

Regimental Lia Post

P. 11. b. 8.4  
P. 11. b. 3.4.

Battalion Dump

P. 11. b. 3.5

a. company Headquarters P. 12. b. 1.5

company area from Q. 7. a. 0.3 to

P. 12. a. 3.5

b. company Headquarters P. 11. b. 8.0

company area from P. 12. a. 0.0 to

P. 11. d. 9.9.

a. company Headquarters at Q. 9. c. 9.5.6.5



Company area from Q.3.a.7.8 to  
Q.4.c.2.1.

G. Company Headquarters situated  
at Q.3.b.3.9.

Company area from Q.2.d.5.6 to  
Q.2.b.3.8.

Touch has been maintained with the  
50th Battalion (A Company) in Chipilez.  
10/8/18.

W. J. Fox  
Lt. 70th Bn.

B and G. Companies  
relieved two companies of the 50th  
Battalion at 6.30 a.m.

- 147th A.I. Battalion -

- Disposition Report

at 6 a.m. August 11th 1918.

Battalion Headquarters situated  
at Quarry K.18.a.8.0

Q. A. F. K.18.a.4.0

Battalion Dump K.18.a.4.0

amm. gun A.F. K.18.a.4.0

S.O.S. station K.18.a.4.0

Three Companies Front Line and  
one company reserves.

Right Front Company Headquarters

L.14.c.7.4. Company area from  
approximately L.25.b.3.8 to L.18.d.27.



Platoons are digging in. Groups of  
ten. 3 posts per platoon

Centre Company Headquarters

C. Company L. 13. d. 30. 70

Company area from L. 14. c. 9.5 75 to  
L. 13. d. 40.95.

Left Front Company Headquarters

L. Company L. 13. c. 8.6

Company area from L. 13. d. 40.95  
to L. 13. a. 30. 70. Platoons are

established in 3 groups of 10

R. Coy Reserve Company Headquarters  
at L. 13. c. 5.5 Company area

from L. 12. c. 30. 70 to L. 13. d.

L. 13. also dug in in groups.

Eight Vickers Machine Guns

covering our sector and are disposed  
as follows.

W. 1st  
Lt. 1st  
Lt. 1st



49th A.I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
6 a.m. August 11th 1918.

Operations

Artillery

Our artillery has been a little active on our sector during the night. A 5.9 Howitzer firing at 10 seconds interval fell within 50 yards of <sup>our</sup> positions at 10.55 p.m., approximately L 14 Central.

Machine Guns

In position - but

being

Patrols. Our patrols have been active during the night. Liaison

has been maintained with the company of the 50th P.I.R., 2 Battalion

121st American Regiment, and the 12th Loran Regiment.

Identification

8 prisoners being captured during the night. 5 of which belonged to 119th <sup>and</sup> Württemberg and 3 others 123rd Württemberg Regiment.

Enemy Artillery

Was active shelling R. B. C. also as shelling with Police magazine at 2.45 a.m. to 3.20 a.m.

Machine Guns were active during the operation.

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L-13.0.9.9

30.45

L-13.0

L-14.0.9.8

L-14.0.2.4



Observations  
 No post established. No  
 establishing one this morning.

My Post.  
 Lt.  
 No 49th Bn

49th A.I. Battalion.

Disposition Report.

As at 6 a.m. 12th August 1918.

Battalion Headquarters. H. 18. a. 8.0.

H. H. Post H. 18. a. 8.0

Battalion Bump H. 18. a. 8.0.

A. D. L. Station H. 18. a. 8.0.

Observations Post. H. 18. a. 4.35

3 Companies Front Line and 1

Company Support

3 platoons of the 3 Front Line Companies

are dug in in groups of posts. One platoon

each company in close support.

1 company of Americans in support.

The Line is not continuous but

grouped in posts. There is no barbed



work in front of our positions.

Right Company Headquarters L. 14.0.9.4  
Company area from L. 20. 6. 3. 9 to  
L. 14. d. 20. 70.

Left Company Headquarters L. 13.0.8.6  
Company area from L. 13. d. 40. 95 to  
L. 13. 0. 30. 70

Centre Company Headquarters L. 13.0.3.7  
Company area from L. 13. d. 40. 95  
L. 14. d. 20. 70

B Company Support Company  
L. 13.0.5.5

Company area from L. 13. 0. 30. 70  
to R. 18. d. 9. 4.

— 40th A.I. Battalion —

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
from 6 a.m. 11th August to 6 a.m.  
12th August.

Operations.

Artillery. Our artillery was very quiet during the morning, artillery support was called for on Centre Company frontage. During the afternoon from 4 p.m. our eighteen pounder batteries were active. At intervals during the night our guns were also active.

Machine Guns Four machine guns at

were firing during the night and also throughout the day. 4000 rounds were fired.



Patrols

Patrols and reconnoitering parties were active during the hours of darkness.

Observation

Report attached

Aircraft

Our planes have been very inactive throughout the day, not patrolling our lines.

Movement

American troops in the area are constantly moving about in daylight.

Enemy Activity

Artillery

During the day enemy artillery had been very active shelling our forward positions heavily from 10 am. to

to 1.15 p.m. Many H.E. gas shells

(Blue Cross) fell in the vicinity of the right company sector. K. 16. d. 70. 70

and along road from L. 13. d. 9. 9. to K. 18. d. 6. 8. L. 16. d. and K. 18. a. c.

were also heavily shelled. This shelling appears to come from the direction of Bray.

Machine Guns

Indirect fire about 2.30 p.m. which seemed to be coming from the direction of L. 14. b. 6. 2.

Enemy Aircraft

Bioplanes were very active patrolling our lines, with no opposition whatsoever.



Movement

The following was reported by  
wire yesterday. The moving forward  
in artillery positions in L 27090  
and L 28000. Strength estimated  
one Battalion section in single file  
moving in a southerly direction.

W. J. Pott,  
Lt 40th Bn

1 Company B. and Battalion 131  
Regiment. A. S. H. extending from  
K 18.00.00 to L 13.00.00.

W. J. Pott,  
Lt 40th Bn



- 44th A.I. Battalion -

Summary of Daily Intelligence

From 6 a.m. to Request to 6 a.m. 13 August

Air Activity

Artillery

Our artillery has been active

throughout the day and night. At

1.2 a.m. a barrage was put down on the

Bugade sector. At 5.0 a.m. the 1.2 a.m.

was fired up on the left.

Machine Guns

Four machine guns were

active during the night

rounds

were fired on indirect targets

\* Atrob. Patrols, Leisure, and

connecting patrol were active

during the hours of darkness.

Observation Report attached.

Air Activity Our planes have been

observing our lines. They were

not engaged by A.D. fire.

Air Activity

Artillery Not very active in our

sector <sup>last</sup> evening about 20. 200 H.E.

in the vicinity of night bomb

sector. During the night artillery

was exceptionally quiet until 10.15.

When our barrage came down the

replied vigorously and shelled forward

positions, especially R. 18. 6. 4 was

running through R. 18. 1. L. 13. 1. 4



Explosions Large explosions were observed in the direction of Beaumont 10 p.m. 12 hours and 8 p.m. It would appear that the enemy was destroying dumps or works.

Enemy Aircraft Very little activity

11/2/2008

4. 4. 4.



## 29th A.I. Battalion

Summary of Daily Intelligence  
from 6 a.m. 13th August to 6 a.m. 14th August

### Our Activity

Artillery Our artillery has been active during the 24 hours ended. Firing on positions and occupants on L 20.69 d Machine Guns.

Our machine guns fired indirect fire during the night.

6000 rounds were expended.

Patrols Liaison & reconnoitring patrols have been active during the hours of darkness.

Observations Very little enemy movement

observed. Guns reported in Bray during the night, also explosions. At dusk transport could be heard in the direction of Bray.

### Enemy Activity

Artillery Quiet, although at intervals ~~artillery~~ during the day battery would shoot for ten minutes on different areas. R. 18. artillery very active shelling this area intermittently for about 15 minutes.

Machine Guns Quiet, except for occasional bursts over our frontage at intervals during the night.



## Aerial Activity

At 10 am. German plane reconnoitering,  
very low over our lines. At 2 pm.  
plane flew several times over our position  
being engaged with Machine Guns.  
At 9.30 pm. plane passed overhead,  
(Bombing machine) to the back areas.

W. P. H.  
Reports, Observations, Patrols, and  
Disposition maps attached.

## 14th. I. I. Battalion.

### Summary of Daily Intelligence

From 6 am August 14th. to 6 am 15th August.

#### Operations

Relief. One company of the 14th. Battalion  
was relieved by 1 Platoon of the  
13th. American Engineers, during the  
night. The relief passed over satisfactorily.

Artillery. Our artillery has been active  
throughout the day, our heavies being  
active in Clayton Wood areas. Eighteen  
pounders were also active in the village  
of Brau. our sommers. Batteries were  
active at L. I. C. and L. F. B. C.

#### Machine Guns.

Our machine guns were active  
during the night in indirect fire. 4000 rounds  
were expended.

Patrols. Liaison and reconnoitering patrols.



No special patrols were sent out. No reports to hand.

### Observation Report.

Attached.

### Aerial Activity.

Our planes are very inactive over our sector, the German planes being constantly over us, meeting no opposition, and flying very low.

Explosions were heard in Draz during the night apparently enemy detaching dumps and etc.

### ENEMY ACTIVITY

#### Artillery.

At 11.15 pm. to 12.30 am enemy put down a solid gas shelling over our sector valley and Woods etc. 18. receiving most attention. Phosphorus gas and blue cross - was used, also by the smell a mixture of mustard gas shells were also used. In some places it did not affect your eyes, but only irritate your throat and chest, and other places it would irritate your eyes. A little gas was also reported at 2.30 am.

At 3.58 am. enemy put down a heavy barrage on sector with 4.2's and 5.9's. Cross roads in L. 13. Central also main road was heavily shelled. K. 18. A.C.C.D. was well strangled. Quarry H. 50 at K. 18. a. 2.0. was very little, trying very hard to land a howitzer in sector. He succeeded in putting a 4.2 in. Barrage finished at 4.20. Machine Guns

Very active at intervals during the night, sweeping the outposts, also a machine gun on indirect fire firing up to Quarry at K. 18. a. 8.0. During the barrage machine guns were also active.

#### Enemy Artillery

At 3. am. also enemy put down a heavy barrage. Several rifle shots and several bombs bursting were heard approximately in the direction of L. 7.C. immediately following the enemy sent up a number of green and red flares and his Artillery replied with a heavy barrage. Battery of 7.5. to 8.0. observed to be firing from approximately L. 9.C. 8.3 to L. 15. b. 1. m. L. 9. d. 7.8 to L. 9. d. 7.5.

Aeroplane. Very active patrolling over our area and lower at a very low height. They seem to have it as they like.



With A. I. Battalions

## Disposition Report

Shower's posts and strength of  
mouth of river in front of posts

B. Company

Right Front Company

Headquarters at 7 L. 13. d.

Strength of 1 Officer and 18 men

No. 9. Platoon

Post of 1 M.C.O. and 6 men 1 L.G. L. 13. d. 35.75

1 " " 8 " " L. 13. d. 45.25

2 " " 10 " " 1 L.G. L. 13. d. 60.75

No. 9. Platoon has 130 yards of double  
wire running from L. 13. d. 60.75  
to L. 13. d. 35.90

No. 12. Platoon

Platoon H.Q.

1 Officer and 8 men L.G. L. 14. d. 10.85

1 M.C.O. and 6 " L. 13. d. 5.90

1 M.C.O. and 10 " L.G. L. 14. d. 35.85

No. 12. platoon has double wire in front  
of post at L. 14. d. 10.85 about 35 yards.

No. 11 Platoon

Platoon Headquarters

1 M.C.O. and 11 men L. 14. d. 60.75

1 M.C.O. " 7 " L.G. L. 14. d. 80.70

1 M.C.O. and 6 men L.G. L. 14. d. 55.85

No. 11 platoon has no wire out in front.

No. 10. Platoon

Platoon Headquarters

1 Officer and 5 men L. 14. d. 75.70

1 M.C.O. and 6 " L.G. L. 14. d. 15.60

1 M.C.O. and 6 " L.G. L. 14. d. 40.80

1 M.C.O. and 4 " L. 14. d. 05.75

No. 10 platoon has a low double wire in  
front of post at L. 14. d. 40.80 about 40  
yards. Another stretch at L. 14. d. 7.7 to  
L. 14. d. 7.6 about 50 yards.

A. Company

Left Front Company

Headquarters at

Strength of 1 Officer and 19 men

Platoon No. 1. Headquarters at

Post 1 M.C.O. and 5 L.G. at L. 13. d. 7.8

1 " " 5 " at L. 13. d. 9.8

1 " " 5 " at L. 13. d. 8.8

1 " " 4 L.G. L. 13. d. 7.8

1 " " 7 " L. 13. d. 6.8







Enemy Disposition Parties of enemies seen moving about our ridge at L. 7. d. 3. 2.

Enemy Defences Digging has also been reported on ridge at L. 7. d. 3. 2.

Flares Flares were fired up regularly on our frontage during the night.

Enemy Attitude Appears to be very nervous on frontage

Barrage at 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. has been the heaviest put down since we have been in this sector. He appears to have got a lot of heavy batteries into position and would suggest that Bealon Wood received a heavy barrage.

Gas shelling was also pretty solid during the night, gas helmets had to be worn at 11-30<sup>was</sup> to 12 midnight continuously when gas was the most heaviest. As far as possible Blue Cross and Buxton gas was used.

Patrols Reports have arrived. Liaison

post has been established with the 2nd London Regiment on our left flank. Liaison has also been maintained with the 13th Regiment W. I. C.

Disposition sketch attached showing the right front company back in supports.

100th Batt.  
Lt. H. J. Battalions



— Mr. T. B. Britton —

Summary of Daily Intelligence.

From 6 a.m. 13 August to 6 a.m. 14 August.

Our Activities.

Artillery.

1 pounder batteries were active during the night. <sup>Heavy</sup> L. 8. 6. was struck by our artillery at intervals.

Machine Guns.

Guns at K. 18. a. were active during the night. Records were extended.

Patrols. Liaison and reconnoitering patrols were out during the hours of darkness.

Observations. Report reached yesterday good.

Enemy Activities. Our aeroplanes were active during the day being heavily engaged by A. C. fire.

Enemy Activities.

Artillery. During the day has been very quiet. Light shelling at intervals.

K. 18. b. and K. 18. c.

Machine guns occasional bursts during the night in forward positions.

Enemy Activities.

Then planes patrolling our lines at 7 a.m., 2.5 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Enemy Activities.

For ~~night~~ quiet, flares fired at intervals.

L. 8. 6.

As

Gold. P. 1.



10/10  
(No. 11) platoon. 12  
1/12 (1/2)  
17.10.1918