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<p>MERICOURT Sheet 62.D. SSquare Q.6.c.</p>	<p>1.9.18 1.9.18</p>		<p>Corps in line between GISANCOURT along SOMME Canal to PERONNE, inclusive, thence along road PERONNE Road to south of BOUCHAVESNES - Engaged in 3rd Battle of the SOMME on whole front.</p> <p>Appliances in hand at beginning of September Organisation at beginning of September Conditions and difficulties at beginning of September Class of work in hand at beginning of September -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">} Same as at end of August, 1918</p> <p><u>Office Work.</u> Plotting of British trenches from Air Photos and rough surveys. General mapping required by Corps staff. Plotting of Enemy Work from Air Photos.</p> <p><u>Field Work.</u> Resection of Field Artillery Battery Positions. Revision Survey of Square L, Sheet 62.E. continued after being in abeyance. Revision Survey of Square O, Sheet 62.D. 90% completed.</p>	
<p>BOULOGNE WOOD Sheet 62.C. Square N.16.c.</p>	<p>11.9.18 23.9.18 29.9.18 30.9.18 30.9.18</p>		<p>Corps Headquarters.</p> <p>Corps still engaged in 3rd Battle of the SOMME affiliated with 2nd American Corps, in line between LE PETIT PRIET FARM, MALAKOFF FARM and FARM de RIQUEVAL, inclusive, Sheet 62.C.</p> <p>Corps attacked between GILLEMONT FARM and BELLICOURT with the 27th and 30th American Divisions, leapfrogged by the 3rd and 5th Aust. Divns.</p> <p>Corps in line between GILLEMONT FARM, BONY and NAUROY.</p> <p><u>Work Done during the Month: -</u></p> <p><u>Office Work.</u> Maps of British and Enemy Work, Targets, etc. brought up to date and issued. General mapping required by Corps staff. List of special maps produced during the month attached. Total number of maps published by the section during month - 15899.</p> <p><u>Field Work.</u> Number of Field Artillery Battery Positions resected - 535. Revision Survey of Square L, Sheet 62.E. 60% completed. Revision Survey of Square O, Sheet 62.D. Completed.</p>	

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			<p><u>Improvements made to appliances and organisation during month.</u> Enemy material salvaged from DOINGT on 15.9.18 (3 litho. stones). 1 Mobile Electric Lighting Set, salvaged from HARBONNIERES on 11.8.18, was handed over to A.D.Signals on 16.9.18.</p> <p><u>Record of Daily Strengths, Casualties, etc.</u></p>	
	1.9.18		2 officers 29 O.R.	{ 1 O.R. on transport duty to Australia - 1 O.R. attached from 15th Field Coy. Engrs. 1 O.R. rejoined from Hospital - 1 O.R. attached temporarily from 60th Bn. 4 O.R. attached from 2nd American Corps - 1 O.R. attached from 4th Pnrs. 1 O.R. evacuated to Australia on leave.
	8.9.18		2 "	
	15.9.18		2 "	
	22.9.18		2 "	
	30.9.18		2 " 33 O.R.	
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STATEMENT OF SPECIAL MAPS PRODUCED BY AUSTRALIAN CORPS TOPOGRAPHICAL SECTION
DURING SEPTEMBER, 1918

Map No.	Date	Nature of Job	Type	Scale	Particulars	Sheet Prodced. on	No. of Copies	For
930	1.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1/20,000	ERIE Base Map	ERIE	200	Ig.
931	1.9.18	"	"	1/40,000	Situation Map	ERIE	200	Ig.
932	1.9.18	Hand	Operations	"	Corps Area & Sub-area Map	62.D.62C.	21	O.
933	2.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1/20,000	Corps Area Maps	GLISY	130	Ig
934	2.9.18	Litho	"	1/20,000	Corps Area Maps	62.D.62C.	200	Ig
935.	2.9.18	Hand	Corps School	----	Graph of Courses	---	20	C.Schl.
936	3.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
937	3.9.18	Hand	"	1/40,000	Layered Maps	62.B.62C.	12	Ig
938	4.9.18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
939	5.9.18	Hand	"	1/250,000	Map of Front Lines	1/250,000	1	Ig
940	5.9.18	Litho	Salvage Offer	1/100,000	Salvage Area Map	BRAY-sur-SOMME	52	S.Off.
941	5.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
942	6.9.18	Hand	"	"	Objective Map	62.C.	6	Ig
943	6.9.18	"	"	1/20,000	Layered Map	57.B.62C	14	Ig
944	6.9.18	Dupl.	Operations	---	Graph of Courses	---	170	O
945	6.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
946	6.9.18	Hand	Operations	"	Cavalry Objective Map	"	5	G
947	7.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	"	Situation Map	"	200	Ig
948	8.9.18	Hand	Operations	"	Administrative Map (Corps Area)	"	20	G
949	8.9.18	"	"	"	Training Map	62.D.	1	G
950	9.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	"	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
951	9.9.18	Hand	"	1/20,000	Layered Map	66.C.N.W.	1	Ig
952	10.9.18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
953	10.9.18	Hand	"	"	Corps Forward Area	"	10	Ig
954	10.9.18	"	"	"	Objective Map	62.C.62E	11	Ig
955	10.9.18	"	"	1/100,000	Corps and Flank Corps Area Map	PERONNE	20	Ig
956	11.9.18	Litho	"	1/40,000	Situation Map	62.C.	180	Ig
957	12.9.18	"	"	"	JEANCOURT Base	JEANCOURT	200	Ig
958	12.9.18	"	"	"	Situation Map	62.C.	200	Ig
959	12.9.18	Dupl.	"	1/20,000	Trench Map	ROISEL	360	Ig
960	12.9.18	Hand	Operations	1/40,000	Corps Disposition Map	JEANCOURT	1	G
961	12.9.18	Hand	Intelligence	"	"	"	33	Ig
962	13.9.18	Hand	Operations	"	Traffic Maps	62.D.62C	2	O

APPENDIX

963	13.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Objective Maps	62.C.	11	"O"
964	13.9.18	Litho.	Intelligence	"	Situation Map	JEANCOURT	200	"I" ³²⁹
965	13.9.18	Litho	"	"	JEANCOURT Base	JEANCOURT	200	"I"
966	13.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,20,000	Objective Map, No. 10.	62.C.	22	"O"
967	14.9.18	Intelligence	(Dupl)	1,250,000	ST. MIHIEL (Franco-American)	Sheet No. 2.	350	"I"
968	14.9.18	Intelligence	(Hand)	1,40,000	Objective Maps	JEANCOURT	2	"I"
969	15.9.18	Hand	Intelligence	120,000	Map showing enemy work.	62.B.	10	"I"
970	15.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Barrage Map F.A.	VILLERET	400	"I"
971	15.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Corps Area Map	SUZANNE	30	"I"
972	16.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Barrage Maps H.A.	62.C. 62.B.	100	"I"
973	16.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	Objective Maps	62.B.	6	"I"
974	16.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	Disposition Map	JEANCOURT	6	"I"
975	16.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	Corps Disposition Map	JEANCOURT	35	"I"
976	17.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	Situation Map	JEANCOURT	120	"I"
977	17.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,20,000	Layer Maps	57.B. 66C.N.W.	12	"O"
978	17.9.18	Hand	"	Objective Map, No. 11 (20,000)	Special Bombardment Map	62.B.	3	"G"
979	17.9.18	Hand	Intelligence	1,20,000	BELLICOURT (Printed by 4th Army from Corps zinc plate)	62.B.	10	"I"
980	17.9.18	Litho	"	1,10,000	GILLACOURT (Printed by 4th Army from Corps zinc plate)	BELLICOURT	2500	"I"
981	17.9.18	Litho	"	1,10,000	Objective Map	GILLACOURT	2500	"I"
982	18.9.18	Hand	Corps Comdr.	1,20,000	JEANCOURT Base	62.B.	2	Corps Cor.
983	18.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	VILLERET Trench Map	JEANCOURT	200	"I"
984	18.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Situation Map	VILLERET	230	"I"
985	18.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	RAMICOURT Base Map	JEANCOURT	200	"I"
986	19.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Situation Map	RAMICOURT	200	"I"
987	19.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Corps Area Map	RAMICOURT	200	"I"
988	20.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	RAMICOURT Base Map	62.C.	4	"G"
989	20.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Road Map	RAMICOURT	250	"I"
990	20.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Corps Boundary Map	62.C.	4	"G"
991	20.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Objective Maps	62.C.	27	"G"
992	21.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,20,000	Corps Area Maps	RIQUEVAL	30	"G"
993	21.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	RAMICOURT Base Map	62.C.	26	"G"
994	21.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Situation Map	RAMICOURT	500	"I"
995	21.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	ST. QUENTIN CANAL	"	200	"I"
996	21.9.18	Dupl.	"	"	Boundary Map	"	30	"I"
997	22.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Corps Administration Map	62.C.	5	"G"
998	22.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	BELLICOURT Trench Map	62.C.	45	"G"
999	23.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,10,000	Traffic Map	BELLICOURT	120	"I"
1000	23.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Classification of Prisoners	ETAVES	25	"G"
1001	23.9.18	Dupl.	Intelligence	"	Graph	"	230	"I"
1002	24.9.18	Litho	Operations	1,40,000	Corps Administrative Map	62.C.	30	"G"

1003	24.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Situation Map	RIQUEVAL	220	"I"
1004	24.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Objective Map	62.B.	15	"G"
1005	25.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Barrage Map F.A.	RIQUEVAL	360	"I"
1006	25.9.18	Hand	Operations		Tank Scheme		10	"G"
1007	25.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Road Map Forward Area	62.B.	6	"G"
1008	25.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	Bivouac Area	62.B.	13	"G"
1009	25.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	Traffic Map (Back Area)	62.G.	19	"G"
1009	25.9.18	Hand	"	1,40,000	" (Forward Area)	ETAVES	60	"G"
1010	26.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	CARTIGNY Base Map	CARTIGNY	50	"I"
1011	26.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	Corps Administrative Map	CARTIGNY	50	"I"
1012	27.9.18	Litho	Chief Engineer	1,40,000	Corps Water Supply Map	62.C.	30	C.E.
1013	27.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Barrage Maps, F.A.	WIANCOURT	600	"I"
1014	27.9.18	Litho	"	1,20,000	Situation Map	RIQUEVAL	150	"I"
1015	27.9.18	Litho	"	1,20,000	Enemy Tunnels	WIANCOURT	220	"I"
1016	28.9.18	Litho	"	1,20,000	Barrage Map, H.A.	WIANCOURT	340	"I"
1017	28.9.18	Litho	Operations	1,40,000	Scheme of attack Map	ETAVES	85	"G"
1018	28.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,20,000	Hostile Battery Map	WIANCOURT	150	"I"
1019	28.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Infantry Disposition Map	62.C.	6	"G"
1020	29.9.18	Hand	"	1,20,000	Layer Map	62.B. N.E. S.E.	8	"G"
1021	29.9.18	Litho	Intelligence	1,40,000	Situation Map	ETAVES	200	"I"
1022	30.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	CARTIGNY Base	CARTIGNY	200	"I"
1023	30.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	RAMICOURT Base	RAMICOURT	220	"I"
1024	30.9.18	Litho	"	1,40,000	Situation Map	ETAVES	220	"I"
1025	30.9.18	Hand	Operations	1,40,000	Corps Area Map	ETAVES and 62.C.	2	"G"