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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	February.			
	1st.		New Exchange opened at BOESCHEPE owing to some Administrative Branches of the Corps Staff being moved there. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Major Yates, acting A.D. Signals. ordered to report to 2nd Corps, and proceeded on this date,	
	2nd.		Circuit built for 2nd Australian Tunneling Company. Unit connected up to 23rd Divisional Exchange: Dismantling spare lines in BOESCHEPE area. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
	3rd.		Alterations to 41st Divisional routes at RENINGHELST - ZL route now terminated on cross-arm pole in RD route, thus rendering possible for circuits to be easily put through from one route to the other. Re-building HC route (Corps H.A. route) brought down by German shelling in that area. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
	4th.		Work as for 3rd. New dug-out completed at StELOI for new (No.12) Listening set- personnel moved up to occupy position.	
	5th.		Repairs to HC route completed. Work continued on improving RD and ZL routes at RENINGHELST. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
	6th.		No change. Large amount of cable twisted at Corps Signal Camp for special work.	
	7th.		Lt.Col. F.A. ILES returned from sick leave, and took over duties as A.D. Signals. Work at RENINGHELST completed. Deviating RK route to make way for new railway lines built. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
8th.		Work completed on deviation of RK route. 23rd Divnl. Rest Station put through to 23rd Divisional Exchange. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.		

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	9th.		Recovering Stores in LA CLYTTE area. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. New Listening set (No. 12) moved up to centre ^{take up} position in St-ELOI sector.	
	10th.		Recovering stores LA CLYTTE area. Survey of new route 69th H.A. Group to a Central Battery Exchange to be established at H 27 b 5.8 also survey of substation diversion of BK route into 69th H.A. Group Headqtrs. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
	11th.		Twisting cable in camp - overhauling stores. Boring arms. Work on buried communications - erecting dug-outs on buried routes.	
	12th.		Dismantling spare route and recovering stores in LA CLYTTE area. Work commenced on new buried cable for "X" Scheme, Belgian Chateau - EN.1 and EN3 (Divnl: report centres) number of pairs in bury - 50. First report received from No. 12 Listening Post in St-ELOI sector.	
	13th.		Work commenced on deviation of BK route, into 69th H.A. Group Hqrs: Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	
	14th.		Work continued on deviation of BK route, new route completed from point of deviation to 69th H.A. Group Hqrs: Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Belgian Chateau - Divl: Report Centres - 500 men employed.	
	15th.		Work continued on deviation of BK route to H 27 b 5.8. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Belgian Chateau - Report centres.	
	16th.		No change.	
	17th.		Thaw precautions. Work in Signal Camp; twisting cable, running through stores, practice in building new form airline for mobile warfare. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme.	

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	19th.		Ammunition railheads (Pacific Siding and Ouderdom Siding) connected up to Northern A.A. Exchange; for purpose of warning railheads of approach of hostile aircraft at night; and to thus enable lights to be extinguished before raiders should reach the railheads. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Belgian Chau: - Report centres.	
	20th.		Dismantling and recovering spare route in LA Clytte area. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Belgian Chau. - Report centres- also erecting of test dug-outs on buried routes.	
	21st.		Diversion of L. of C. route to avoid new construction of light railway near PACIFIC SIDING. Work continued on buried communications for "X" Scheme. Belgian Chau: - Report Centres - - Test rack erected at Belgian Chau:	
	22nd.		Diversion of L. of C. route completed. New circuit put through for A. D. Light Railways BRANDHOEK Exchange to sub control stations (H 16 c 2.2). Work on buried communications between Belgian Chau: - report centres completed. Number of men employed - 500. Work commenced from FG dugout to D dugout . 2/Lt. R.G.M. Wilson "LC" Cable Section transferred to 47th Divnl: Sig. Coy. 2/Lt A.T. Terry "SX" Cable Section transferred to 2nd Army Sig. Compy: for duty with Area Party.	
	23rd.		Work continued on BK route diversion to central Battery exchange H 27 b 5.8 (New scheme for H. A. Communications.) Work continued on buried communications between "FG" and "D" . Erection of test dug-out on buried routes - Number on men employed - 570.	
	24th.		Work continued on BK diversion. Work on buried communications FG test box - D test box - Number of men employed- 500. Dug-outs constructed at various points on buried system.	

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	25th.		(Sunday). Cable twisting in camp, repairing stores, practice building new form of airline for mobile warfare. Work continued on buried communications from FG test box - D test dug-out. Number of men employed - 500.	
	26th.		Erection of poles for BK diversion completed. Work on buried communications FG test box - D test box - Number of men employed - 500. Work on dug-outs for buried routes.	
	27th.		Guns. for defence of PACIFIC and OUDERDOM ammunition railheads, connected up to northern A. A. Exchange. Wiring BK diversions. Work on buried communications FG test box - D test box and Belgian Chau: - YPRES † number of men employed 550. General improvements on buried routes.	
	28th.		Wiring BK diversions - circuit built for "X" Supply Column to STEENVOORDE Exchange. Work continued on buried communications FG test box - D test box and also route TROIS ROIS - YPRES. Number of men employed - 500. First German conversation picked up by new listening post in St-ELOI sector.	Dm