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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CHAPPELLE d' ARMENTIERES.	1st	0900	Ammunition dumps left in front line withdrawn to Support Line dumps. STRENGTH - 4 offs., 51 other ranks	MAP REFERENCE 1/10,000 36 N.W. 4 " 36 N.W. 2 & NE 1 (pts of)
"	2nd	1800	Section relief - STRENGTH 4 offs., 51 other ranks	1/20,000 28 S.W. Ed. 3 D 36 N.W. 6 c.
"	3rd	0900	Arrangements made with Pioneer Officer to erect overhead cover for gun emplacements. 25 rounds registration was fired on our wire. STRENGTH - 4 offs., 51 other ranks.	ditto
"	4th		5 rounds registration fired on our wire. - STRENGTH 4 Off, 50 O.Rs. SICK - 1 other rank	ditto
"	5th		Registration continued - STRENGTH - 4 offs., 50 other ranks - 2 O.Rs. and 1 Off. to Trench Mortar School	ditto
"	6th		Registration continued - STRENGTH - 4 offs., 50 other ranks.	
"	7th	1700	3 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I 21.c. 20.01. Direct hits STRENGTH - 4 offs., 51 other ranks.	
"	8th	1000	700 rounds ammunition carried from Brigade Dump to Reserve Dump in second supports. STRENGTH - 4offs., 51 O. Rs.	ditto
"	9th	1900	Section relief. STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 51 O. Rs.	ditto
"	10th	1700	4 guns registered on E. M. G. opposite RUE DE BOIS locality. STRENGTH - 4 officers, 52 O. Rs.	ditto
"	11th	2230	4 guns fired 200 rounds in conjunction and in support of 102nd Inf. Bde. raid on our sector. Enemy Machine Guns were silenced. (See Brigade Order 16 of 10/2/16). STRENGTH 4offs., 52 Other ranks.	ditto
"	12th		Overhauling of ammunition in forward dumps. Fired in conjunction with Brigade raid on enemy trenches See Brigade Order No. 14 of 11/2/17.	ditto

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CHAPPELLE d'ARMENTIERES	13th	1400	2 guns fired 50 rounds on to I. 21 C. 82.45. Enemy retaliated very heavily on our wire - STRENGTH - 55 Officers, 54 Other ranks.	MAP REFERENCE. 1/10,000 36 N.W. 4 " 36 N.W. 2 & N.E.1 (pts. of)
	14th		C. O. visited trenches. STRENGTH - 5 Officers, 54 O. Rs.	1/20,000 28 S.W. Ed. 3D " 36 N.W. 6 C
	15th		C. O. continued visit to trenches. - STRENGTH - 5 Offs. 54 O. Rs. SICK, 1 O.R.	
	16th	1430	5 guns fired 50 rounds each on to I. 21. B. 15.15, I.21.B.30.15, I.21.C.2.0. and I. 27 A.2.9.	
		1830	Section relief. STRENGTH - 5 Offs., 54 O. Rs.	ditto
	17th	1430	4 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.16.D.3.6., I.16.D.35.35 and I.21.B.3.1. STRENGTH - 5 Offs., 54 Other ranks. PRO MOTIONS. - 1 Sergt., 1 Corpl., 1 L/Corpl. Lieut. Grieves returned to the 37th Battalion for duty.	ditto
	18th	1530	2 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.27.A.03.80. Good result. STRENGTH - 4 Officers, 53 O. Rs.	ditto
	19th	1500	2 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.16.D.30.63. Results good.. STRENGTH - 4 Offs, 53 O. Ranks.	ditto
	20th	1400	2 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.21.B.43.26 and I.21.B.24.05. Direct hits were obtained. STRENGTH - 4 Offs. 55 O. Rs. - 1 O.R. attached from 37th Bn.	ditto
	21st	1530	2 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.16.D.60.93 and I.16.D.22.48. STRENGTH 4offs., 55 O.Rs. - CASUALTIES - Wounded, No.1160 Pte. Cargill R.E.	ditto
	22nd	0100	Four guns placed in position to support if necessary, raid by 39th Battalion Detachments remained in position until 0540 but no firing. At-0130	
		0130	Silent raid by 39th Battalion carried out.	
		1600	2 guns fired 40 rounds each on to I.21.A. 15 90. STRENGTH 4 offs., 55 O. Rs.	ditto

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CHAPPELLE d' ARMENTIERES	23rd	0540	Enemy attempted raid repulsed.	MAP REFERENCE 1/10,000 36 N.W. 4 " 36 N.W. 2 & N.E.1 (pts of) 1/20,000 28 S.W. Ed. 3D " 36 N.W. Ed. 6C
		1900	Section relief. - STRENGTH 4 offs., 56 O. Rs.	
"	24th	0800	Ammunition party reported from Battalion to carry shells from LEITH WALK DUMP to LEITH WALK GUN EMPLACEMENT. STRENGTH 4 offs., 56 O. Rs.	
"	25th	1100	Four guns were lent to the 11th A.L.T.M. Battery. STRENGTH 4 offs. 54 O. Rs. - SICK 2 Other ranks	ditto
"	26th	1730	3 guns fired 60 rounds each on to I.21.C.80.40., and I.21.C.30.05 and I. 27.A. 1.9. - STRENGTH - 4 offs., 54 O.Rs.	ditto
"	27th	1300	4 guns lent, returned by 11th A. L. T. M. Battery.	ditto
		1630	4 guns fired 60 rounds each on to I.21.B. 15.10., I. 21.B. 2.4., I.16.D.3.6. and I.16.B.7.0. STRENGTH - 4 offs., 54 O. Rs.	
"	28	0030	37th and 38th Bns. carried out raid on enemy's trenches. No firing by stokes required.	ditto
		1330	3 guns fired 60 rounds each on to I.21.B.75.20 and I.21.B.4.3. STRENGTH - 4 offs., 54 O. Rs. PROMOTION - 1 Lieutenant.	