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SOHERPENBERG.	<u>BELGIUM.</u> April. 1st. 1918.		<p>Weather fine and bright.</p> <p>The G.S.O. 11 resumed duty having been recalled from England after short leave and before the assembly of the Senior Staff Course for which he had been nominated.</p> <p>Major-General. H.H. TUDOR. CB. CMG. Commanding the 9th Division arrived with some of his Staff and took up his quarters in this H.Q. The 9th Division is to take over our present Left Brigade sub-sector.</p> <p>For summary of operations etc, on the Divisional front for the period April 1st to April 5th see Appendix 1.</p> <p>Daily morning and evening situation reports for the same period are attached appendix. II.</p> <p>1st. Addendum to 1st. Aust. Div Order No. 67 was issued, a copy is attached to appendix 4 and 5. <i>Shur</i></p>	<p>APPENDIX. I.</p> <p>APPENDIX. II.</p>
" "	April. 2nd.		<p>The Army Commander Sir. Herbert Plumer, called a meeting of Divisional and Brigade Commanders at this H.Q. and communicated the latest information from the SOMME Battle area. After the meeting a demonstration was given of message carrying rockets. The rocket has a range up to 2200 yards with an error of about 400 yards. It emits a whistle and shews a light during its flight and indicates its position by smoke for four minutes after landing. As an alternative means of communication it appears suitable for use through an enemy artillery barrage.</p> <p>1st. Australian Divisional Order No. 68. Appendix III. dealing with the relief of this Division by the 9th and 21st Divisions was issued at 8.30.p.m.</p> <p>At 1.30.a.m. this morning the 2nd. A.I. Brigade carried out a minor operation against the enemy positions near WHIZ FARM. For details and report on the operation see Appendix. IV.</p> <p>At the same hour a Gas Projector Attack was carried out by "Z" Special Company R.E. see Appendix. V.</p> <p>A new Defence Scheme for the Divisional Sector was issued today a copy is attached hereto Appendix.</p> <p>The G.S.O. 11. shewed the G.O.C. 9th. Division round the sector he is to take over. <i>Shur.</i></p>	<p>APPENDIX. III.</p> <p>APPENDIX. IV.</p> <p>APPENDIX. V.</p> <p>APPENDIX. VI.</p>

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SCHERPENBERG.	BELGIUM. 3rd. April.		<p>Dull weather, rain not heavy, but the ground surface is very slippery and walking is difficult.</p> <p>Aust Corps Orders dealing with the Artillery Reliefs on this front and the move of Corps H.Q. to the Third Army area were received. At 10.a.m. the Aust Corps handed over to the IX Corps under whose Command we now are.</p> <p>1st.Aust.Div.Order No. 69 appendix VII, issued dealing with the move by bus and road to Staging areas and the move by train to the 3rd. Army Area.</p> <p>Officers of both 9th and 21st Divisions have been taken all over their respective Sectors by Officers of this Division. The relief is not as simple as usual on account of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) handing over to two Divisions on consecutive days. (b) the fact that incoming Brigades have three Battalions each while ours are still on the four battalion establishment. (c) Some disorganisation of the incoming divisions due to their recent losses etc during the retirement in the South, they are still deficient in certain equipment. <p>A Duplicate set of Defence Schemes, maps etc have been prepared so that each of the relieving Divisions may have one set.</p>	APPENDIX. VII.
"	"	4th. April.	<p>Very dull weather, Slight rain at intervals.</p> <p>The relief of the 3rd.Aust.Inf.Bde by the 26th and 27th Brigades of the 9th Division was carried out very slowly and was not complete until 3.40.a.m. Command of the Sub-Sector passed to the G.O.C. 9th. Division at 4.50.a.m. and 9th Corps were advised.</p> <p>Relief of the 2nd.Aust.Inf.Bde by the 21st.Division was completed without special incident by midnight and the 2nd.Brigade marched to LOCRE.</p>	
"	"	5th. April.	<p>Command of the right sub-sector passed to the G.O.C. 21st. Division at 9.a.m.</p> <p>1st.Aust.Div.H.Q. thereupon closed at SCHERPENBERG and the move commenced in accordance with Div.Order.69. Appendix VII. A complete file of Orders and Administrative instructions dealing with the move of the Division to the SOMME Area is attached. Appendix.VIII</p> <p>Entraining was carried out smoothly and trains left on or before their scheduled times. The companies of the 1st.Pioneer Bn were over strength and as no special provision had been made they were rather crowded. The G.O.C. and Staff left by Car for the 3rd Army Area, less certain Staff Officers who were left behind to supervise the entrainment.</p> <p>On arrival in 3rd.Army Area Divisional H.Q. was ordered to BERTANGLES which on</p>	VIII. APPENDIX

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BERTANGLES	France. 5th. April.	(continued)	<p>investigation was found to be fully occupied by 2nd. Aust. D.H.Q. and the rear Echelon of Aust. Corps. H.Q. An Office for the receipt of messages was established in a bell tent and Officers found shelter in neighbouring villages.</p> <p>The G.O.C. visited Aust Corps H.Q. at VILLERS BOCAGE and VII Corps H.Q. at MONTIGNY. This Division will be under the latter Corps until noon tomorrow when Aust Corps will take over.</p> <p>BERTANGLES. 6th. April. Dull calm day, slight rain.</p> <p>Detraining is proceeding satisfactorily at HANGEST-SUR-SOMME and ST ROCH (AMIENS) under the Supervision of the A.A.&Q.M.G. and D.A.A.G. Trains are running to time. Divisional H.Q. is established at BERTANGLES, 2nd Div. H.Q. moved out to ALLOUVILLE. Brigade Groups on arrival will be billeted as under -</p> <p>1st. A.I. Bde. Group. RAINNEVILLE Area. 2nd. " " BERTHAUCOURT Area. 3rd. " " ST. SAUVEUR. Area. 1st. Pioneer Bn and 1st. A.M.G. Bn. at VAUX.</p> <p>Some inconvenience was caused by troops of another Division occupying the area allotted to the 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde. This was attended to by the A.A.&Q.M.G. and our troops marched in.</p> <p>Aust. Corps. H.Q. relieved the VII Corps at 12 noon. At midnight the Corps ordered the 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde to be in readiness to move forward at one hours notice. The Brigade is not yet completely assembled, certain units have not yet detrained. The 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde. was warned and was instructed to prepare orders prescribing the action of the portion of the Brigade not yet concentrated.</p>	
"	"	7th. April.	<p>Rain has ceased, calm day.</p> <p>The Aust. Corps was transferred to 4th Army at 10.a.m. vide Aust Corps Order No. 54. 11.40.a.m. wire received from Corps ordering one brigade to be at two hours readiness to move forward. 1st Brigade advised. This cancels the previous order reference this Brigade to move at one hours notice.</p> <p>The move of the Division (less Artillery) is now complete and the units are located as per location report attached Appendix. IX.</p>	IX.

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BERTANGLES.	April 7th.	(Continued)	G.S.O.I. visited the 3rd. and 5th. Aust. Divisions, both of which with the 4th. Aust. Div. are holding the line. The situation is now quiet, and prisoners state that they have had no food for two days. The enemy is probably having difficulty in bringing up his supplies.	
"	"	April. 8th.	<p>Cold day, light rain, ground wet and slippery.</p> <p>The wet weather combined with the heavy traffic is rapidly breaking up the roads in this area. The most damage appears to be done by fast moving and heavily laden motor lorries. 1st. Aust. Div. Arty moved from the 2nd Army area to this Area. Entrainment commenced early this morning at HOPOUTRE and GODENWAERSVELDE, the first train leaving at 5.45.a.m. and arriving at the detraining Station ST ROCH (AMIENS) at 5.40.p.m. The remaining trains arrived at about two hours intervals. The artillery is concentrating in the ST LEGER-les-DOMART and ST OUEM Areas.</p> <p>3.45.p.m. a warning wire was received from Corps H.Q. reference to move of the 1st. Aust. Bde to the MONTIGNY area. Brigades were warned, Vide G.23. (attached to Appendix X.) This is the first step towards the move of this Division into close support. Orders etc dealing with the whole move are attached appendix X.</p> <p>7.p.m. G.S.O.I returned from Corps H.Q. with further instructions and G.26. (attached to Appendix X) was sent out. Later Aust. Corps. Order 49. confirming these instructions was received. 1st. Aust. Div. General Staff Memorandum No.42. Appendix XIV. was issued dealing with training.</p> <p>Maps shewing the disposition of the troops of the Aust. Corps in the line are attached Appendix. XVIII.</p>	<p>APPENDIX. X.</p> <p>APPENDIX XIV.</p> <p>APPENDIX XVIII.</p>
"	"	April. 9th.	<p>Dull calm day.</p> <p>1st. A.I. Brigade moved into the MONTIGNY Area in accordance with 1st. A.I. Brigade Order No. 74. and the 2nd and 3rd. A.I. Brigades moved in accordance with their respective orders 35. and 72. (all attached to Appendix X.)</p> <p>Further moves are anticipated and a warning wire G.45. was dispatched to all concerned. Last night passed very quietly on the Corps front - this morning the enemy heavily bombarded the villages in the forward area with gas shell. BUIRE - RIBEMONT - LAVIEVILLE and BRESLE being specially dealt with.</p> <p>1st. Aust. Div. Order No. 70. (Appendix X) dealing with moves tomorrow was issued at 8.p.m.</p>	

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BERTANGLES.	April.	9th.	(continued.) Billeting accommodation is limited and ever since the Division arrived in this area the troops have been crowded. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 1. dealing with Machine Gun Defences was issued. Appendix. XI. General Staff Memorandum No. 43. Defence against Gas issued Appendix. XV.	APPENDIX. XI. APPENDIX. XV.
" "	April.	10th.	Dull weather continues, very light and variable winds, occasionally light drizzle for short periods. 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde. moved to the PONT NOYELLES-QUERRIEU Area, 1 Battalion of the 1st Brigade moved to BAIZEUX and one Battalion of the 3rd Brigade to RAINNEVILLE. 10.a.m. News has been received of a German advance South of ARMENTIERES. The enemy appears to have penetrated to a depth of four miles on a nine or ten mile front. 4.30.p.m. Aust Corps order received ordering the 1st. Aust. Div. Arty to relieve two Army Brigades R.F.A. in the 3rd. Aust. Div. Sector. The orders were passed to the Div Arty. 7.30.p.m. Warning wire (G.311) received from Aust Corps warning the Division to be prepared to entrain tomorrow. This evidently is in anticipation of our move to the scene of the new German Offensive south of Armentieres. 8.p.m. Special D.R.s were dispatched to all units warning them to be prepared to entrain tomorrow. The move of the Divisional Artillery in relief has been cancelled and forward Battalions of the 1st and 3rd Brigades have been ordered to rejoin their Brigades (vide appendix XII)	APPENDIX XII.
" "	April.	11th.	4.15.a.m. Aust Corps Order 64 received reference the move of the Division to the 2nd Army Area. Div Order No. 71 was issued dealing with the move. This order with Administrative Instructions and Brigade Orders are attached hereto. (Appendix XII) Entrainment commencement at about 4.p.m. at ST ROCH (AMIENS) The station and vicinity were shelled during the entrainment and about 60 casualties have so far been reported. Divisional Staff Officers proceeded direct by Car to 2nd Army H.Q. (CASSELL) for instructions and a temporary Div.H.Q. was established at the HOTEL SAUVAGE in CASSEL at 4.p.m. The enemy has pushed against the fronts of the XV, IX and XXII Corps of the 2nd Army and has penetrated to STEENWERCK. This Division on arrival in the 2nd Army area is to be held in G.H.Q. reserve. The detraining Stations originally fixed, CASSEL and HONDEGHEM, have been changed to	

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	April. 11th	(continued)	<p>STRAZEELE and CAESTRE, this changed again as the enemy were approaching comparatively rapidly, to HONDEGHEM and HAZEBROUCK and these two have now been decided upon. The 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde. Group will detrain at HONDEGHEM, the 2nd Brigade at HAZEBROUCK, and the 3rd. Aust. Inf. Bde. at both by alternate trains.</p>	
	April. 12th.		<p>D.H.Q. moved to EECKE.</p> <p>1st. Aust. Div. Order. 72 (Appendix XIII) was dictated to Staff Officers at 10.a.m. and certain Officers were then dispatched to each of the incoming brigades. G.S.O.11 went to the temporary H.Q. of the 2nd. A.I. Bde in HAZEBROUCK. and with the G.O.C. 2nd. A.I. Bde carried out a reconnaissance of the defensive locality allotted that Brigade. A forward defensive position was determined upon and running generally N.E. and S.W. East of the forest of LE NIEPPE.</p> <p>A second defensive position was selected running from the Canal de NIEPPE through LA MOTTE towards PETIT SEC BOIS as the Brigade may not be detrained in sufficient time to occupy the forward position before the enemy reaches it.</p> <p>Detraining is progressing but trains are somewhat behind their scheduled time. Precis of telephone conversations and important messages received during the day is attached</p> <p>At 12. Noon the administrative of the Division passed from 2nd Army to XV Corps. The Div is not to be used without reference to 2nd Army H.Q.</p>	<p>APPENDIX XIII.</p> <p>APPENDIX XVI</p>
	April. 13th.		<p>Div. H.Q. moved to SERCUS. The Office closed at EECKE at 11.30.a.m.</p> <p>The 1st. A.I. Bde is now in position as follows:-</p> <p>3rd. Battalion holding a line E.11.C. to MERRIS-STRAZEELE. road at E.6.B.</p> <p>4th. Battalion from E.6.B. to ROUGE CROIX W.10.</p> <p>1st. Battalion in Support at PRADELLES.</p> <p>2nd. Battalion in Reserve at BORRE.</p> <p>Bde H.Q. and Trench Mortar Battery at BORRE.</p> <p>2nd. Brigade is situated as follows:-</p> <p>7th Battalion holding a line from K.14.D. to E.28.C.</p> <p>8th Battalion from E.28.C. to E.11.C.</p> <p>6th Battalion in support on a line from J.14.D.9.9. along LA NIEPPE Canal to LA MOTTE, thence through E.14.D. to PETIT SEC BOIS.</p> <p>5th Battalion is in reserve at LE TIR ANGLAIS.</p> <p>Bde H.Q. at LE TIR ANGLAIS. The 3rd Brigade has not yet arrived in the area.</p>	

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	April. 13th.		<p>(Continued) 1.15.p.m. The B.G. General Staff 15th Corps rang up to say that Divisional H.Q. must move today from SERCUS to LE GRAND HASARD to make room for a Cavalry Brigade H.Q. This move will be both inconvenient and dangerous as the move to SERCUS is not yet complete and the troops of the Division are just coming into action, and another Division the 31st has its headquarters at LE GRAND HASARD. 17th Bn North'd Fusilier Railway Pioneer Bn has been allotted to this Division. It is at present in POPERINGHE and will travel here by march route.</p> <p>2.50.p.m. G.S.O. 1, 31st Division rang up stating that the enemy had penetrated in small parties, the line (K.10 to E.30.) held by the 4th Guards Brigade, and had also penetrated the front held by the elements of the 29th Division in E.24.B.</p> <p>As the telephone lines to the 2nd.A.I.Bde were cut the G.S.O.1 was asked, and agreed to, at once send this information to the G.O.C. 2nd.A.I.Brigade by D.R. The Corps Commander visited D.H.Q. at SERCUS and ordered the 3rd.A.I.Bde to move to a position of readiness about BORRE on detrainment. Appendix XVII.</p> <p>For details of operations and moves see Appendix XVI.</p> <p>6.p.m. THE D.H.Q. moved from SERCUS to LE GRAND HASARD on the HAZEBROUCK - MORBECQUE Road.</p>	
LE GRAND HASARD.	April. 14th.		<p>Cold windy day. Wind at times reached the force of a gale from the N.E.</p> <p>1st.Aust.Div.Order No. 73 Appendix XXI was issued at 2.15.a.m.</p> <p>For details of operations etc for the period April 14th to 30th see the file of Daily Intelligence Summaries and Operations, Appendix XX and precis of messages etc appendix XVI.</p> <p>The 31st Div, less 4th Guards Bde and 29th Division units in front of the line taken up by the 1st.Aust.Div, vide map appendix XIX. have withdrawn through that line and at 7.a.m. the G.O.C. 1st.Aust.Div, assumed Command of the Divisional front with the exception of the part south of the road corner at E.28.C.1.2. which is still held by the 4th Guards Brigade of the 31st Division. This Div holds as a front line from that point to X.19.C.2.8. where touch has been established with the 33rd Division. The enemy attacked this line several times at different points but in all cases his attacks were repulsed vide appendix XVI.</p> <p>2.p.m. The Corps Commander XV Corps visited this D.H.Q. and emphasised the urgent necessity of our holding our present position in view of certain operations on other sectors of the front.</p> <p>Major. E. HARRISON. psc. A.I.F. attached to this Division reported to H.Q. 133rd French Division for duty as Liaison Officer.</p>	<p>APPENDIX XXI.</p> <p>APPENDIX XX.</p>

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GRAND HASARD.	April 15th.		Cold windy weather continues. The situation has quietened on the Corps Front and the Divisional Sector is being strengthened by the construction of an organised defensive system, vide Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 2. and map attached appendix XX.II	APPENDIX XXII.
" "	April. 16th.		Dull cold day, light N.E. wind. This Division has been ordered to extend its front to the left and to take over that part of the line to the West of the METEREN BECQUE from the 33rd Division. The French Corps will relieve the 33rd Div from the METEREN BECQUE (inclusive) to the left vide XV Corps Order At about midday the enemy attacked the 33rd Division on our left and captured METEREN. Divisional Orders Nos 74 and 75 appendix XXIII were issued and at 6.p.m. the 1st Battalion moved from its position of assembly in W.17 and W.23. and occupied the line. For details of operations see Daily Summary Appendix XX	APPENDIX XXIII.
" "	April 17th.		The enemy placed a heavy barrage between ROUGE CROIX and STRAZEELE for about three hours, between 7.a.m. and 10.a.m. this morning. No infantry action followed although an attack appeared imminent. At 11.15.a.m. Div H.Q. closed at LE GRAND HASARD and opened at the on same time at WALLON CAPPEL. This move was necessary as the H.Q. at LE GRAND HASARD was a main road under enemy balloon observation and offered no protection, the camp would have had to been evacuated shortly and it was thought wiser to move at convenience rather than wait until the place was shelled out. The French attack last night does not appear to have gained much ground and the line now runs from X.20.Central - X.15.Central - X.16.A. X.10.D. - X.4.D. (Sheet 27.) For summary of operations see appendix XX Defence Organisation Series "BB" No.3. was issued appendix.XXIV.	APPENDIX XXIV.
WALLON CAPPEL.	April. 18th.		Cold windy day, some sleet and hail during afternoon and night. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 4. was issued. Appendix.XXV. G.O.C. and G.S.O.1. met the Corps Commander at ST SYLVESTRE CAPPEL and the following moves are forecasted - 2nd.A.I.Brigade to be relieved by the 31st Division, and to move to Divisional Reserve. - 3rd.A.I.Brigade to take over front now held jointly by the 133rd French and 33rd British Divisions on our left. G.S.O.11 and B.M. 3rd.A.I.Brigade visited the H.Q. of the 33rd.Division and their Brigade in	APPENDIX XXV.

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WALLON CAPPEL.	April.	18th.	(continued.) line. (the 98th) and also the H.Q. of the 133rd French Division and arranged preliminary details. Div Order No. 73. appendix. XXI was issued.	APPENDIX.XXI.
"	"	April.	19th. The cold weather continues and as the men are of necessity compelled to be lightly equipped, they feel the effects of the cold winds. The 2nd.A.I.Brigade handed over their sub-sector of the line to the 31st Div. Relief was complete at about midnight and the 2nd.A.I.Brigade moved into Divisional Reserve in the BORRE - ROUGE CROIX - THIESHOUC area. Wide Divisional Order No. 76 Appendix XXVI. The relief of the 33rd (British) and 133rd (French) Divisions is under way and has has taken much careful working out as the units were intermingled and the matter of command of the sub-sectors was not quite clear. For details of operations see Summary appendix. XX Prisoners captured state that an attack was intended to take place on the 17th Inst but the two regiments that were to have carried it out suffered so many casualties from our artillery and M.G. fire that the attack never developed.	APPENDIX XXVI.
"	"	April.	20th. Cold weather continues with alternate alternate brief interval of sunshine, some sleet and hail. 3rd.A.I.Brigade completed the relief of the 33rd (British) and 133rd (French Division by about 5.a.m. this morning. The Division now holds the line as specified in S/8095. Div Order No. 77 for a Gas Projector operation was issued appendix. XXVIII. Wind at present is unfavourable and the attack will have to be postponed. The Corps Commander visited D.H.Q. and later the left Brigade H.Q. in the line. He stated that a further strong German attack was expected against the positions held by this Division. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 5. Appendix. XXIX. issued.	APPENDIX. XXVII. APPENDIX.XXVIII. APPENDIX. XXIX.
"	"	April.	21st. Weather milder, light S.E. wind. The 133rd French Division relieved the 34th Division in the sector on our left. The relief was complete at 6.a.m. this morning. Liaison arrangements between this Division and the French are shewn on attached Appendix. XXX. The 31st.Division on our right has been ordered to take over the position of this Div Sector South of the HAZEBROUCK-BAILLEUL, railway. Div Order No. 78. Appendix. XXXI. issued. accordingly. Div Order No. 79 reference the relief of the 1st.A.I.Brigade by the 2nd A.I.Brigade issued.XLII. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 6. was issued appendix. XXXII.	APPENDIX.XXX. APPENDIX.XXXI. APPENDIX. XXXII.

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ST SYLVESTRE WALLON CAPPEL.	April.	21st	(continued.) For Summary of Operations see Appendix.XX. Addendum to Div Order No. 77 Appendix.XXVII. was issued, dealing with further gas projector attack to be combined with the original operation see appendix. XXVII. <i>Shur</i>	XXVII. APPENDIX. APPENDIX.
" "	April.	22nd.	The relief of the right coy of the right brigade was carried out last night by the 92nd Inf Brigade and was complete at 1.a.m. The 1st.A.I.Brigeade captured two prisoners (an Officer and a Corporal) both wounded last night, vide appendix. XX An enemy aeroplane was brought down by A.A. Lewis Gun fire by the 113th R.F.A.Bde. attached to this Division, Aviator is a prisoner, wounded. For summary of operation see Appendix.XX Between 6.p.m. and 7.30.p.m. the vicinity of D.H.Q. at ST SYLVESTRE CAPPEL was bombarded by a single 5.9. H.V. Gun. One civilian and old woman was wounded. At 10.45.p.m. shrapnel was put over the village. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 7. issued. APPENDIX. XXXIII. <i>Shur</i>	APPENDIX.XX APPENDIX. XXXIII.
" "	April.	23rd.	Fine warm day, light S.E. wind. The relief of the 1st.A.I.Bde by the 2nd.A.I.Brigeade was completed by 12.45.a.m. The gas projector attack which was to have been carried out at 1.a.m. was postponed on account of an unfavourable change of wind. The 3rd.A.I.Brigeade advanced its line on both flanks of the enemys position in METEREN. They captured 1 Off, 29 Other Ranks and four M.Guns. This was a preliminary operation to clear the way for the capture of METEREN which will be attempted tonight, Vide 3rdA.I.Brigeade Orders and file attached hereto. 10.30.p.m. Report received that the enemy had penetrated the French positions in the vicinity of DRANOUTRE.	XXXIV. APPENDIX. APPENDIX. XXXIV.
" "	April	24th.	Colder, heavy morning mist. 3rd.A.I.Brigeade operation last night against METEREN was not successful. For report see 1st.Aust.Div.Order No. 80. Appendix. XXXV. was issued dealing with the concentration of 1st line transport in Brigade area. 8.35.p.m. an S.O.S. signal was sent up from the French front on our left. Later it transpired that the enemy had attacked and penetrated the front of the 34th French Division <i>Shur</i>	XXXIV. APPENDIX. APPENDIX. XXXV.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ST SYLVESTRE CAPPEL.	April. 24th	(continued.)	which is on the left of the 133rd French Division. The enemy was immediately counter attacked and driven out and the situation is now restored.	
" "	April. 25th.		This is the Anniversary of the landing on GALLIPOLI in which this Division took part. Warm sunny day, occasional brief showers, Light N.E. wind. The 2nd.A.I.Brigade last night advanced its line at one point without opposition, vide Summary of operations, appendix, XX. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 8. issued appendixXXXVI. 9.30.p.m. Gas projector attack carried out against METEREN vide appendix. V.	APPENDIXXXXVI.
" "	April. 26th.		Dull but mild weather, variable winds. Defence Organisation Series "B" Nos 9. and 10. issued appendix.XXXVII. 1st.Aust.Div.Order No. 81. dealing with the relief of the 3rd.Aust.Inf.Brigade by the 1st. Aust.Inf.Brigade issued appendix.XXXVIII.	APPENDIX. XXXVII. APPENDIX. XXXVIII
" "	April. 27th.		Mild dull weather continues. At 12.30.a.m. a gas projector operation was carried out by No. 2. Special Coy.R.E. against enemy positions near GERBEDOEN farm, vide appendix. V	APPENDIX.V
" "	April. 28th.		Dull weather, some rain, Increased enemy artillery fire over the whole sector. 1st.A.I.Brigade relieved the 3rd.A.I.Brigade in the left sub-sector, in accordance with 1st. Aust.Div.Order. No. 81. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 11. was issued appendix.XXXIX. Major. E. HARRISON who has been liaison Officer with the French 133rd Division returned to the Division, as an Officer has been sent from G.H.Q. to carry out Liaison duty with that Division.	APPENDIX. XXXIX.
" "	April. 29th.		Dull weather, North wind, 12 - 15.mp,h. per hour. 3rd.Brigade relief by the 1st.Brigade was complete at 12.40.p.m. Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 12 issued dealing with the Supply of Ammunition in defended localities appendix.XL Defence Organisation Series "B" No. 13 issued dealing with the garrisons of the rear lines of defence. appendix, XLI.	APPENDIX. XL. APPENDIX. XLI.

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	April. 30th.		<p>Cold day, medium N to N.E. winds.</p> <p>A proposed gas projector attack on METEREN had to be postponed on account of unfavourable wind. Corps Commander visited the Division and asked that identifications of the enemy units opposite this front, might be obtained. Plans have been prepared and prisoners will be obtained tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shur</i></p> <p>In addition to the Appendices shewn in the text the following are attached.</p> <p>APPENDIX. XLIII. Order of Battle dated 30-4-18. APPENDIX. XLIV. Strength at Beginning of Month. APPENDIX. XLV. Strength at end of Month. APPENDIX. XLVI. Casualties for month - Number of Officers and Other Ranks joined for Month - Sick Wastage for Month. APPENDIX. XLVII. Div. Gas Officers report for Month. APPENDIX. XLVIII. Daily Wires "in" and "out" for period 12-4-18 - 30-4-18.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shurington</i> Lieut. Col. <i>GSO II. 1st Australian Division.</i></p>	

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From 6.a.m. 1-4-18. to 2-4-18.

1. OUR OPERATIONS.

(a) Raid.

(of enemy activity) The right brigade carried out a successful raid at 1.30.a.m. this morning on WHIZ FARM (O.17.D.). The special Company R.E. co-operated with the discharge of gas projectors on to POLL HOUSE. FLY BUILDINGS. WAM and PILLEGREMS FARMS, and LOCK 5. Our artillery, in the preliminary preparation, put over a systematic barrage on the chief centres and bombarded known positions of M.G. and T.Ms. At zero plus 2 minutes the 2nd phase opened and a box barrage was placed round WHIZ FARM, the bombardment of strong points and approaches being continued, and one battery swept the area O.11.D.80. 80. to O.12.C.30.40.n. Our left group assisted by 2 6" T.Ms, simultaneously put down a chinese bombardment on the area lying with in O.6.D.25.20. O.12.B.30.50. O.12.B.35.20. and O.12.A.25.87. The Heavy Artillery co-operated by bombarding BOMB FARM. POLL HOUSE. RIDGE FARM. HIGH FARM and LOCK 5.

The objective comprised four pillboxes and the posts in the vicinity of WHIZ FARM. It was found to be strongly garrisoned. Although the wire had been cut by our artillery, it nevertheless formed a serious obstacle.

The pillboxes were bombed and otherwise damaged and it is reported that a large number of Germans were killed.

We captured two wounded and four unwounded prisoners.

Our casualties were very light.

Enemy's artillery fire in reply to our barrage and bombardment was very light.

(b) Artillery. During the day and night systematic shoots were carried out on the chief enemy centres of recent activity and on his approaches. Our forward observers reported a number of suitable targets which were effectively engaged. We fired on movement in HOLLEBEKE MILL. KIVI FARM. P.13.D. APPLE FARM. DUDLEY FARM and BAB FARM. In the early morning we caught an enemy party working forward in O.6.

Between 1.25 a.m. and 2.5.a.m. our batteries subjected enemy positions from opposite HESSIAN WOOD to LOCK 5 to a gas shell bombardment.

(c) T.M. In support of the raid 347 rounds were fired on enemy positions in the vicinity of the objective. On the left 25 rounds were fired on GAME COPSE and 10 rounds on a hostile M.G. at P.1.C. 6.5,

(d) M.Gs. On the left 30.500 rounds were fired for neutralizing purposes on enemy positions and 2.000 rounds were used on approaches. On the right 10.000 rounds were expended on enemy posts, roads and tracks, and 5.000 rounds on enemy low flying planes.

(e) Snipers. Five men moving from the TWINS to POLL HOUSE were fired on but no results were observed.

(f) Aerial activity. Our planes were again active on patrol and reconnaissance work.

(g) Patrols. The whole divisional front was patrolled and the usual liaison patrols were maintained.

The CRATER at O.11.D.65.00. appeared to be unoccupied and was full of water. No Mans Land in O.11.D. and O.17.Central is reported to be in fair condition. One of our patrols whilst at O.6.D.10.45. sighted an enemy patrol of about 15 strong moving from the CANAL towards one of our posts. Our patrol opened fire and dispersed the enemy party. As dawn was just breaking we were unable to search for any enemy casualties.

2. Identifications. The six prisoners captured in the raid on WHIZ FARM belonged to the 76th R.I.R. 17th. Res.Div.

3. Hostile Artillery. On the whole hostile artillery was quiet. The reply to our bombardment in support of the raid was poor.

The rear areas of our left brigade were shelled with 10.c.m. gas from ZANDVOORDE between 8.25.p.m. and 8.45.p.m. O.6.B. was also subjected to a gas shoot between 7.40.p.m. and 8.p.m.

4. Enemy attitude. Quiet.

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5. Enemy Defences.

Wire. The wire is 10 feet thick and 3 feet high in front of JULY FARM. In front of the GIANT and the TWINS it is 6 feet wide and 3 feet high (concertina barbed) and seems to be kept in good order.

Work. Enemy working parties opposite our posts in O.S. were twice dispersed by our Artillery and H.C. fire.

6. Hostile Aerial Activity. Enemy planes tended to be more active than usual. At 7 a.m. 11.55 a.m. 7 p.m. enemy planes were observed flying very high over our areas.

At 3.40 p.m. and again at 4.55 p.m. an enemy plane flew low over our forward system, mainly over HOLLSBEKE and the vicinity. Lately the enemy has been rather persistent in his attempts to make low flying reconnaissances over our forward positions on favourable occasions during the morning and evening.

7. Movement and Organisation in and behind enemys lines.

Individual movement was noticed at various points but none of exceptional interest. As mentioned above, our artillery got on to a number of targets with effective results.

Light Signals. On our bombardment opening before the raid the enemy sent up double red and double green flares which were followed by a light enemy barrage over our forward areas.

During our bombardment it was also noticed that the enemy sent up many "chasers" (like tracer bullets) in groups of 4 with an interval between the 1st and 2nd in each group.

8. Miscellaneous. At 3.15 p.m. two 21 cm Hows were observed firing from P.17.C.70.95. in the direction of HILL 80.

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Preliminary Examination of prisoners taken on
raid on WHIZ FARM O.17.D. this morning.

1. Identification. Prisoners belong to the 8th company 2nd Battalion
73.R.I.R. 17th. Res. Division.

Order of Battle. According to a reliable Sergeant the order of
battle from N to S 76.R.I.R. 162. I.R. 133. I.R.

Method of Holding the line. -

The same prisoner gave the following information as
regards the holding, and evacuating of the front posts by
night and day. The garrisons of front posts mostly
held by 2 men are all withdrawn during the day and remain
in Pillboxes. Opposite this particular sector, the
posts are located as follows O.17.D.3.6. O.17.D.5.5.65.
O.17.D.55.90. These three posts are known as "double
posts", 2 men being on duty, whilst the relief of two,
are in an adjoining splinter proof post.

There is a larger post of about 8 men on the enemys
right hand side of VERNE ROAD O.17.D.65.20. The majority
of men garrisoning these posts withdraw during the day
time, to the one remaining intact pillbox at O.17.D.77.87.

A platoon consisting of 5 gruppon of 8 men each, hold
these posts on a front of rather more than 250 yards.
Prisoner states that 4 days ago the 8th company of the 2nd
Battalion 73.R.I.R. took over a company sector of the
adjoining regiment viz, 162. I.R., He was almost certain
that this was an additional sector to their original one,
the right of the sector not changing.

Disposition of 76. R.I.R. -

1 Battalion holds the front line, one in support, and the
3rd in rest.

When last the 2nd Battalion were in rest, they
were billeted in HALLUIN and underwent strenuous everyday
training, including practice in getting over and through
wire entanglements.

Enemy Attitude. -

Prisoners were confident that a purely defensive policy
is at present in vogue along this front.

Moral. The MORAL and general stamp of the prisoners taken,
was more impressive than has lately been the case.

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From 6.a.m. 2-4-18 to 6.a.m. 3-5-18.

1. OPERATIONS.

Artillery. In accordance with pre-arranged programme all batteries maintained searching, and swooping fire on enemy tracks and communications east of S.O.S. lines.

Bursts of fire were also directed on to the following centres of much recent enemy activity at intervals during the period. LOCK 5. POLL HOUSE. DICE. UGLY. POOL. CHALK. NAPOO and LAKE FARM. FLY BUILDINGS. TIN HOUSE. PAINT LODGE. WIND COTTES. CIRCU POINT. PANCOTTES and TRACK HOUSES.

Enemy working parties were effectively dealt with at PIE FARM. J.32.B.5.1. and J.33.D.1.5. in addition to dealing with hostile machine guns, and silencing an enemy battery.

Trench Mortars. Good shooting was observed on to WAIL. RIFLE and BANG FARM. FLY BUILDINGS. THE GIANT and THE TWINS. 30 rounds harassing fire on LOCK 5 and 30 rounds were expended on to GAME COPSE, and hostile M.G. in vicinity. 128 rounds in all being fired.

Machine Guns. 19,000 rounds of S.A.A. were expended in maintaining harassing fire on enemy centres of activity, communications, known tracks and positions.

Snipers. Were active at early morning.

Aerial Activity. Our aircraft were very active during daylight, patrolling our own and enemys positions, and on occasions flew low over the latter, firing on ground targets.

Patrols. Liaison and protective patrols were out throughout the night. The more important information from reconnaissance patrols include.

No Mans Land in vicinity of O.6.D.2.3. is very wet and muddy. Much movement could be seen and sounds of work were heard in vicinity of LOCK 6.

Two of the enemy were observed to evacuate O.6.D.4.4. (suspected listening post) on approach of patrol.

A fairly strong belt of barbed wire (concertina) with several breaks in it was located at O.23.C.9.5. A M.G. was active from RIFLE FARM.

An enemy listening post is suspected at O.17.D.2.5. A considerable amount of broken wire is strewn over No Mans Land in O.17.D. Lights in Pill Box in rear of enemys line could be seen.

2. IDENTIFICATION. Nil.3. Hostile Activity.

Artillery. Artillery has during the last few days shown a much less aggressive attitude, with the exception of a destructive shoot on batteries immediately W of WYSCHAITE the remainder of his shelling was of a harassing nature.

Trench Mortars. Exceptionally quiet throughout the period. On our Right Brigade front, the enemys M.W. activity instead of bombing our left sector, have transferred their attentions to the centre and right Battalion sectors.

Machine Guns. Likewise showed a decreased activity. M.G.s at CHALK FARM fired intermittently during the night.

4. Enemy Attitude. Exceptionally quiet during the 24 hours under review, but enemy still maintains his alertness during the dark hours.

5. Aerial Activity. One low flying plane patrolled our forward positions at 6.15.a.m. to 7.20.a.m. Several planes crossed our lines during the day, always flying at a high altitude.

6. Movement and Organisation in and behind enemys lines.

At 4.10.p.m. and throughout the afternoon considerable movement about dugouts at approx. P.7.A.7.3. some men were seen wearing white armbands on left arm, a dog was also observed at this position.

During the night a 77mm battery fired a few rounds on VERNE ROAD and GRUBB WOOD from a very close range (about 1,000 yards) from direction of LOCK 6.

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It is thought that this battery is at P.13.A.7.8. and is brought up at night and taken away before dawn.

At 10.55.A.M. 5 men with packs and rifles were observed to leave Pillbox at P.7.A.55.70. and move to LOOK 5.

Two men with packs left P.13.B.40.35. and moved to LOOK 4. Individual movement was observed on ZANDVOORDEN RIDGE, LOOK 5. HOLLIBAKE HILL and SUBURB VILLAS.

A Battery was seen firing at 800 G.D. from O.13.D.70.55. a battery was also seen firing from G.E. of 810. this battery was also spotted at 790 20' and 800 50' from O.12.D.52.55.

7. Miscellaneous.

Hostile balloons were observed at grid bearings of 108, 118 and 34 degrees from O.5.C.75.20. Battery flashes of 15cm. Howitzer firing in direction of HILL 60, were observed on grid bearing of 106 degrees from O.5.C.75.20. Gun emplacements are suspected in P.7.A. and B. and at true bearings of 145 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 155 degrees from O.5.E.3.7. at distances of 6.000 and 4.500 (approx) yards respective.

Balloons were up during the day at; - 85, 56, 102, 109, 128, 38, 77, 91, 103, degrees True from O.20.D.0.2. and 93, 36, and 35 degree True from O.15.C.6.9.

A gun flash was observed at 80 degrees true from O.20.D.0.2., approx. range 6.000 to 7.000 yards.

At 5.45.p.m. signal lamp observed flashing in WERVICO.

At 8.10.a.m. smoke was observed rising from LOOK 5. During the night searchlight observed 55 degrees True from O.20.D.0.2.

At 7.p.m. enemy fired 5 white flares from vicinity of POLL HOUSE and immediately 6 men ran from POLL HOUSE towards HOUTHEN.

During our gas projector attack on the night 1/2nd April no gongs nor alarms of any kind were heard, but this may possibly be accounted for by the noise of our artillery barrage.

Train movement.

Time	from	To
12.40.p.m.	MININ.	WERVICO.
12.45.	WERVICO.	MININ.
12.50.	WERVICO.	COMINIS.
12.50.	TENBRITLEN.	WERVICO.
1.15.	GHELUWE.	MININ.
1.45.	HALLUIN.	WERVICO.
1.50.	MININ.	GHELUWE.
1.55.	GHELUWE.	MININ.
4.15.	MININ.	HALLUIN.
4.50.	HALLUIN.	MININ.
5.30.	WERVICO.	South direction.
5.55.	GHELUWE.	N.E. (fired on by our heavies)
6.45.	GHELUWE.	WERVICO.
6.50.	WERVICO-SUD	Shunting.
7.20.	TENBRITLEN.	WERVICO.
7.30.	WERVICO.	HOUTHEN.
12.15.p.m.	HALLUIN.	North
1.p.m.	HALLUIN.	South.
3.20.p.m.	HALLUIN.	South.
5.20.	HALLUIN.	South.
3.50.	WERVICO.	North.
1.p.m.	HALLUIN.	RONCO.
1.10.	MININ.	Shunting.
3.45.	HALLUIN.	RONCO.

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The objective of the 41st Div. was approximately the ARRAS-LENS railway.

The objective of the 137th Div was BLANGY.

Three "Stoss" divisions were to go through and capture VINNY heights.

South of the SCARPE, the 2nd Guard Div. was to take ARRAS, and another division was to capture the heights east of the town.

Losses of German Divisions in the Battle, from prisoners statements.

1st Division.	Average strength of companies reduced to 40 when division reached SAILLY LAURETTE on the 28th March.
16th Bav.Div.	Suffered further heavy losses in attacks west of ROYENNEVILLE. One company wiped out by machine gun fire.
28th Division.	Suffered considerable losses while in support, as well as in fighting.
12th Division	Heavy casualties along ARRAS-CAMBRAI road. 62nd I.R. lost 800 and had to be withdrawn.
Guard Ersatz Div.	Losses since 21st March amount to 25%, Division expects relief.
6th Division.	A prisoners diary shows losses amounting to about 40%, sustained by his company in the fighting at EPEWANCOURT.
195th Division.	Incurred heavy casualties on the 23rd and 24th March.
4th Division	Companies suffered heavy losses in the attack on PUISIEUX and again in the COLINCAMPS attack.

Command. According to the Dutch Press, Lieut-Gen Bloch von BLOTTEN-ITZ, the commander of the 18th.Inf.Div., was killed on the 22nd March near ST QUENTIN.

Miscellaneous. It has been noticed that the enemy fires gas and smoke at dusk and dawn. It is believed to be a protective screen to allow his advanced posts to take up and withdraw from forward positions. During the month of March, the enemy unsuccessfully attempted to raid the Corps front on 12 occasions. In the course of these raids he lost to us 23 prisoners and is known to have suffered some 71 other casualties.

We carried out 10 raids against the enemy during the month and took 34 prisoners and killed at least 137 of the enemy.

The total number of prisoners taken up to the end of March 1918 is therefore:-

	Officers.	Other Ranks.
January.	-	4.
February.	2	43.
March.	5	52.
Total.	7	102.

The following material has also been captured.

	January.	February.	March.
Machine Guns.	2	4	6
Machine Gun Stores			
Bolt Box Ammunition.		1	
Bolt		1	
Machine Gun Belt		1	
Minenwerfers	1	4	0

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From 6.a.m. 3-4-18. to 6.a.m. 4-4-18.

1. OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Throughout the period under review all batteries were actively engaged in harassing known enemy communications, tracks and centres of activity in accordance with recent Intelligence.

CIRCUS POINT, DAMP COPSE, FLY FARM, MAY FARM, DEVOORSTRAAT, BUND COTTS, THE BAB HAIZE and POOL FARMS were all included in a pre-arranged programme and subjected to intermittent bursts of fire.

Owing to considerable movement being observed during the early evening, opposite our right sector an enemy relief was anticipated, and an extra expenditure of ammunition allotted to the thorough searching and swooping of trenches and tracks.

In addition short bursts of fire were at intervals directed on to the following locations;- FLY BUILDINGS, MIDGE, CODE, COPSE, PIP and DICE FARMS. A number of rounds were expended by our F.O.Os in effective fire on movement at KORTEWILDE, APPLE FARM, SQUARE FARM, FORT BUILDINGS, LAKE FARM, and O.18.O.60.60.

T.Ms. 34 rounds were expended on the following targets - THE TWINS, THE GIANT, FLY BUILDINGS, WHIZ, BANG and BEEK FARMS. Good bursts were observed. At 5.15 p.m. whilst firing on THE TWINS, 10 or 12 of the enemy were observed to rush out and take cover in shell holes but soon returned and commenced digging amongst the debris. Three stretcher cases were carried away and two wounded walked away with arms bandaged.

M.Gs. 9,500 rounds were expended during the night on known enemy tracks and occupied positions.

Aerial Activity. Our planes crossed over into enemy territory on several occasions during the day but owing to the inclemency of the weather much flying could not be indulged in.

Patrols. Usual flanking and protective patrols were maintained during the night. Information gained by patrols:-

Right Section. No Mans Land in O.25.O. is reported to be in a very wet and muddy condition. Nothing of the enemy could be heard.

Centre Section. No Mans Land in O.17.B.&.D. was very wet and slippery.

2. Identifications. Nil.

3. Hostile Artillery. Enemy artillery has again been very quiet. The places receiving the most attention being O.10.D. where he throw over shells at irregular intervals in the attempt to harass operations.

4. Enemy Attitude. It has been noticed during the last few days that enemy artillery has been gradually decreasing.

He appears to continue M.W. activity on the right and centre sections whilst inactivity continues to prevail on the left section. M.Gs continue harassing fire on our O.Ts and duckwalks during the hours of darkness.

5. Enemy Defences.

Work. Parties were working on defences at LAKE FARM. Again heard in vicinity of WHIZ FARM.

T.Ms. Active from direction of July Farm, bombs falling in picquet line right section. Also active from BLD FARM in the morning, firing 40 bombs at about O.25.A.2.3.

6. Hostile Aerial Activity. Hostile enemy aircraft were quiet throughout the period under review, only one plane attempting to approach our lines and this was driven off by M.G. and A.A. fire.

7. Movement. Trains.

Time.	From	To.
11.a.m.	COMINS.	Stationary.
11.20.a.m.	GHELUWE.	South.
11.28.a.m.	HOUTHEM.	WEEVICQ.
11.59.a.m.	WEEVICQ.	South.
12.40.p.m.	GHELUWE.	South.
12.55.p.m.	South.	KEVIN.
12.58.p.m.	South.	KEVIN.

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Time	From	To
1.p.m.	GHELUUT.	MININ.
1.3.p.m.	South.	MININ.
1.6.p.m.	GHELUUT.	MININ.
1.14.p.m.	South.	MININ.
1.15.p.m.	WERVICO.	COMINES.
1.15.p.m.	MININ.	GHELUUT.
1.13.p.m.	MININ.	HALLUIN.
1.20.p.m.	TENBRIELEN.	S. E.
1.33.p.m.	South.	MININ.

At. 1.30.p.m. 4 men moving about dugout at P.S.D.2.8.
At 7.15.p.m. 8 of enemy left pillbox near POLL HOUSE and disappeared behind trees towards HIGH FARM.

An O.P. appears to be situated in a tree at O.18.D.3.3.

Several men left RIFLE FARM at 7.p.m. with packs up, our artillery was informed.

11.a.m. 3 men seen walking N along road P.S.C. 11.10.a.m. 3 men seen to leave HARRODS STORES and proceed in W direction to road.

3.25.p.m. 7 men seen at Pill Box in P.S.A.

8. Miscellaneous. 4.35.p.m. a dump was set on fire in enemys lines at 370 3' G.B. From O.15.D.70.50. it burned for 5 minutes flames continually leaping up in the air.

2.p.m. Gun flash seen at G.B. 390 from O.19.D.52.53. firing towards RAVINE WOOD.

Smoke rose from pill box at O.13.B.4.4., O.18.L.5.5. and O.30.A. 9.0. and also from trench at O.24.C.3.4. Smoke was observed rising from factory at 97 degrees True from O.20.D.0.2.

Balloons were up during the day at;- 78, 101, 108, 76, and 88 degrees True from O.20.D.0.2.

[Signature]
Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

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Charges to Collect 1 By *[Signature]*
 Service Instructions To *[Signature]*
 Handed in at *Bar* Office *6.50 p.m.* Received *7.30 p.m.*

TO

Pl Aus Dir

* Sender's Number. *9593* Day of Month. *1/3* In reply to Number. *AAA*

*Evening report to AAA Last night
 Batty areas in PASSCHENDAELE &
 GOUDBERG sectors shelled with gas
 and During day increased enemy
 arty activity on front & back areas
 of these sectors. AAA PRES & neighborhood
 shelled by HV guns. AAA One C.A.
 brought down in our lines. See
 indecisive combats. AAA bombs
 dropped 76-20 lb on MENIN 92-20 lb
 on various targets. AAA Prisoners
 last 24 hours 3, of whom
 1 wounded. AAA Added
 GHQ report all concerned*

FROM

PLACE & TIME

*2nd Army
 6.50 p.m.*

* This line should be erased if not required.

(19629) Wt528/M1970. 300,000 Pads. 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1212).



Charges to Collect

Service Instructions

To

By

Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO

* Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

AAA

FROM

PLACE & TIME

This should be erased if not required.

(18986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 1/2 1/2 H.P.Ltd.,S.



Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Sent At m. Service. Date
 To
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { Aust Corps - HQ Aust Bn
 2nd Aust Bn - 3rd Squadron 17FC

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

* 4806
 Morning Report - aaaa

Quiet night nothing to
 report aaaa Added
 Aust Corps reptd all
 concerned.

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From 1st Aust Bn
 Place
 Time
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (1925.) Wt. W 428/M1647. 50,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ltd. (E. 1181)

Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Sent At m. Service. Date
 To
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { Aust Corps - HQ Aust Bn
 2nd Aust Bn - 3rd Squadron 17FC

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

* 4806
 Morning Report - aaaa

T.M. is active on WALL Fm (0.23.A)
 during afternoon aaaa Low flying
 enemy planes active between
 at midday and between 3.40
 + 4 p.m. aaaa Added Aust Corps
 reptd all concerned

From 1st Aust Bn
 Place
 Time
 The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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 (1925.) Wt. W 428/M1647. 50,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ltd. (E. 1181)

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Prefix... Code... Words...
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 From... At... m.
 By... To...
 By...

Handed in at... Office... m. Received... m.

TO 1st Ans div (259)

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

Continuation of morning Report
 ANX Prisoner captured by
 right div result patrol
 encounter west DEULLE MONT ANX
 our casualties 1 officer
 and 2 OR killed
 ANX 10 of enemy
 believed to have been
 killed or wounded ANX
 Evening Report ANX Situation
 quiet ANX 1 low
 flying EA over left
 div at 6 am ANX
 Prisoner last 24 hours
 4 OR's (1 since
 died) was material nil
 ANX added 2nd arm

FROM Reptd all concerned
 PLACE & TIME Aust Corps

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W:483a/M:523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 By... At... m.
 To...
 By...

Handed in at... Office... m. Received... m.

TO 1st Ans div

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

4862
 Yesterday 9 to 13 hours
 Carried and resulting in
 9 Rits destroyed 3
 fires and 7 explosions
 Air morning report and
 Successful Raid Carried out
 No of HOLLEBEKE By left
 Div AAA 30 Prisoners
 Captured and many enemy

FROM
 PLACE & TIME (46)

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W:483a/M:523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

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Charges to Collect
Service Instructions

From At m.
By To
By
Handed in at Office m. Received m.

TO

(2)
... ..
... ..

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

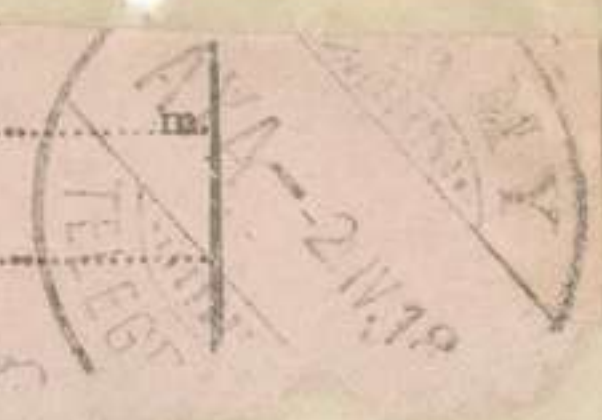
Killed
Projectors on to Lock
5' in conjunction with said
... ..
... ..
... ..
Wounded
Near PONT ROUGE
Dros (ained indentifications
night Generally quiet
20'

FROM
PLACE & TIME

... ..

* This line should be erased if not required.
115986.) W14373/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd., S.
(46)

Prefix Code Words
Charges to Collect
From At m.
By To
... ..



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Prefix *2* Code *4* Words *4*
 Charges to Collect *2*
 Service Instructions *7547*
 Handed in at *7547* Office *3.17* m. Received *3.17* m.

TO *Aust Corps*
41st Aust Div
 Sender's Number. *LP* Day of Month. *17* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Please Cancel LP, as
 Correct identification of
 Prisoners taken in raid
 on *WHIZ* FARM 017D
 76 RIR 17th Res
 Division *AAA*

X WHIZ

FROM *1st Aust Div*
 PLACE & TIME *Presley*

1110861 Wt W492/M1647 50,000 Pads. 5/17. A.C.Ltd. (E 1187)

Service *gobblers*
 Date *17*
 From *1st Aust Div*
 By *gobblers* (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO *Aust Corps*

Sender's Number. *IG. 101* Day of Month. *2* In reply to Number. *—* *AAA*

Three prisoners so far
brought in in raid
on WHIZ Fm 0.17Daa
Identification aa 8 Coy
2 Battalion 67th R. I.R.
33 R Division. aa

Addd Aust Corps reptd
49th Div. 2nd Aust Div, 1st & 2nd Bde
3rd & 4th Bde.

From *1st Aust Div*
 Place *2.12 am.*
 Time *2.12 am.*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) *gobblers*
 Censor. Signature of Addressee or person authorised to telegraph in his name

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (227) Wt W492/M1647. 50,000 Pads. 5/17. A.C.Ltd. (E 1187)

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Prefix	Code	m.	Words	Charge	This message is on a/c of:	Reed. at.....m
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.						Date
Sent					Service	From
At.....m.						By
To.....					(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
By.....						

TO: 1st Aus. Div. 49 3rd Div. A.F.C.

Sender's Number. 2831 Day of Month. 1/4 In reply to Number. AAA

Morning Report aa
Gas projectors fired on
vicinity of LOCK 5 and
on buildings E of WHIZ
Fm in conjunction with raid aa
three prisoners of 76th R.I.R.
captured in raid, aa One enemy
response feeble aa added
Aust Corps Capt. All concerned!

From
Place
Time
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)
Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name

* This line should be erased if not required.
(227) Wt W492/M1647. 50,000 Pads. 5/17. A.C.Ltd. (E 1187)

Charges to Collect	From	At
Service Instructions	By	To
Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received.....m.		

TO: 2nd Aus. Div.

Sender's Number. 546 Day of Month. 1/4 In reply to Number. AAA

Morning Report and Light
troop activity on front
brigade front aa
quiet night
Added Aus. Corps
All concerned

FROM
PLACE & TIME
2nd Aus. Div.
4.50 am

* This line should be erased if not required.
(18986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 5/17. I.L.P.Ltd.,S.

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Charges to Collect
Service Instructions

From..... At..... m.
By..... To.....
By.....

Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO *Not anst down*

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

4A 519 1

Continuation quiet intermittent shelling 58 POTISZE area and 1190C. mill. hr during morning. KAT captures and EA mill added. 22. Capt's report 33 drw. Not anst down

FROM
PLACE & TIME

49 Drwin

* This line should be erased if not required.
(19629) W1522/M1970. 300,000 Pads 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd (E1213).

Charges to Collect
Service Instructions

From..... At..... m.
By..... To.....
By.....

Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received..... m.

TO *pt. Ans. Div. ET101*

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

Aizh 655 1

Programming report any situation generally quiet along the Blue Subsector area. At 2.30am Centre Dr reported gas drifting N over our line and estimated casualties 2 O.R. down. heard 5 5 mph

FROM
PLACE & TIME

2nd Lt. Bde

* This line should be erased if not required.
(18986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads 4/17. I.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.
 TO
 * Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 028 657 1
 Evening report ana Quiet
 trench mortar active at
 3.30 Pm against WALL
 FARM ana One low
 flying hostile plane over
 Left and Centre sections
 forward systems at 3.40
 Pm ana Casualties nil
 and wind SW 6 mph
 FROM
 PLACE & TIME
 7th 28 2nd RS Bde
 4.30 Pm

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.
 TO
 * Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 028 657 1
 Morning reports ana
 ana have been quiet on
 the 3rd front ana
 at 1.50 am ana gas was
 reported by the line
 to be burning lack
 ana ana
 By 3 am only slight
 traces noticeable ana estimated
 casualties 1 officer 10
 10 wounded
 FROM
 PLACE & TIME
 1st 101 3rd Bde
 4.15 am

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
102	26	7	430	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions			By.....	Received.....m.	
Handed in at.....			Office.....m.	Received.....m.	

TO 1st Aus Div

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
AVL 20	1st		

Evening report aad
 enemy arty No guns &
 Hence mountains quiet
 aad low flying
 hostile planes
 active at 3.45 pm
 H pm and midday
 aad casualties
 two wounded
 two sick 2 P's

FROM

PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

(15986.) W:4832/M:523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Charges to Collect
Service Instructions

From At - 2 IV. 18.
By To
By

Handed in at Office m. Received m.

TO 1st Lt. H. J. Dwyer

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

light aa in attempt
to reach Port about
018 B. 4.6 Early morning was
an unsuccessful attempt
"missing" believed killed aa
aaaa C. 10.0 Report all
concern R.

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FROM Second Group
PLACE & TIME 7/13 am

* This line should be erased if not required.
(18986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix Code Words
Charges to Collect
Service Instructions

Received. Sent. At m.
From By To
By

Handed in at Office m. Received m.

TO 1st Lt. H. J. Dwyer

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

5646
Evening Report AAA attempted
hostile raid last night
at 9.6 C - east of
NOORDE MIDHOEK stopped before
reaching on line by rifle
and Lewis gun fire
one OK captured
in a patrol encounter
west of DEUEL MONT AAA
Quiet today but for
disintegrated shelling on forward
area AAA three hostile
balloons forced to descend
by anti air fire in
PASSCAENDALE Sector AAA
Hazebrook K shelled AAA one
SEA crashed two out

FROM
PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
(18986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

ADDITIONAL
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Prefix... Words...
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at... Office... m. Received... m.
 TO
 * Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 • 07 control four indecision
 combats AAA bombs dropped
 69 20 16 on
 various targets AAA Prisoners
 lost 24 shown 4
 of which
 died 111 added 5 HQ
 reptd all concerned
 FROM Second Army (285)
 PLACE & TIME 7 pm
 * This line should be erased if not required.
 (1986) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.S.

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at... Office... m. Received... m.
 TO
 * Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 Killed AAA gas Successfully
 Projectors on to LOCK
 5 in conjunction with said
 AAA enemy retaliation felt
 AAA right now secured one
 Wounded prisoner since died
 Near PONT ROUGE. AAA Both
 Dros gained identifications. All
 night generally quiet. AAA added
 2000000 Reptd all concerned
 FROM
 PLACE & TIME Anst. Corps
 * This line should be erased if not required.
 (1986) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.S.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions

This message is on a/c of: Read. at m.

Sent Service. Date.....

At m. From.....

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

(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO: Amst Corps

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

* PG 102 2

Ref PG 101 of this morning
identification should read
76 R.I.R. 17th Res. Division
aaa added Amst Corps
reptd 2nd Amst Div +
49th Div 1st + 3rd
a 9 tones
1st Amst Div

From
Place
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) 10 J. J. J. J. J.

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions

This message is on a/c of: Read. at m.

Sent Service. Date.....

At m. From.....

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

(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO: Amst Corps - HQ 1st Div - 19th Div
3rd Squadron ATFC

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

* PG 837 2

Training Report ATFC Quiet
day on whole of
divisional front aaa One
low-flying hostile plane
over right section at 6 a.m. aa
Added Amst Corps reptd
all concerned

1st Amst Div

From
Place
Time

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

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.

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FROM *43* To *43* At *43* m.

Charges to Collect *43* By *43*

Service Instructions

Handed in at *10/10/1917* Office *10/10/1917* m. Received *10/10/1917* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

Sender's Number. *233* Day of Month. *2* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Situation quiet - all on line
Between ridge and trench
Shelled all Captured the
all 1 6 h. Crossed
on line flying low
at 2 pm all went in
all added 22 troops
and planks down

FROM *49* *Down*
PLACE & TIME *4 30 a*

FROM *43* To *43* At *43* m.

Charges to Collect *43* By *43*

Service Instructions

Handed in at *10/10/1917* Office *10/10/1917* m. Received *10/10/1917* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

Sender's Number. *233* Day of Month. *2* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Situation quiet - all on line
Between ridge and trench
Shelled all Captured the
all 1 6 h. Crossed
on line flying low
at 2 pm all went in
all added 22 troops
and planks down

FROM *49* *Down*
PLACE & TIME *4 30 a*

* This line should be erased if not required.
(10986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

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From *Yokohama* At *2 IV. 18.*
 Charges to Collect By *Ken*
 Service Instructions To *Yokohama*
 By *Ken*

Handed in at *Yokohama* Office *23h* m. Received *5.50h* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>94250</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>AAA</i>
<i>Observation report</i> <i>aaa</i> <i>Intermit</i> <i>shelling of crater and goy</i> <i>Hg in 296, bn Hg at 10.31.7</i> <i>itms on TOWER HAMLET sector</i> <i>front line LHM + HTM on</i> <i>forward posts in MENIN RD</i> <i>sector</i> <i>aaa</i> <i>6d active</i> <i>several low flying machine</i> <i>over forward area of</i> <i>right side from 8-11 am</i> <i>3d over CAM sector at 9.5</i> <i>9.55 + 10.30 am one of our</i> <i>planes 63522 fell at 2272.9</i> <i>captured nil</i> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 50px; margin: 10px auto;">245</div>			
FROM	<i>49th Div</i>		
PLACE & TIME			

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W1483a/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

From *Yokohama* At *2 IV. 18.*
 Charges to Collect By *Ken*
 Service Instructions To *Yokohama*
 By *Ken*

Handed in at *Yokohama* Office *23h* m. Received *5.50h* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>94250</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>AAA</i>
<i>Theraine report</i> <i>aaa</i> <i>situation</i> <i>quiet from 11 am</i> <i>to 11 am</i> <i>Enemy shelled</i> <i>W10 6.4.4. with 77 mm</i> <i>and 4.2. 10.6. 1st</i> <i>division 100 RV 235th</i> <i>15 PR captured at PONT</i> <i>ROUGE</i> <i>aka</i> <i>prisoners now</i> <i>revived</i> <i>dead</i> <i>aaa</i> <i>added</i> <i>Amst Corps Reptd all</i> <i>concerned</i> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 50px; margin: 10px auto;">44</div>			
FROM	<i>49th Div</i>		
PLACE & TIME	<i>5.20 am</i>		

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W1483a/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

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Charges to Collect By *1st Aust Div* At *11* m.
 Service Instructions To *1st Aust Div* By *1st Aust Div*

Handed in at *1st Aust Div* Office *11* m. Received *11* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

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

*Yesterday 9 1015 Shook
 Carried out resulting in
 9 hits destroyed
 7 explosions
 AAA Morning report
 Successful raid carried out
 No of HOILBEKE By left
 Div AAA 30 Prisoners
 Captured and many enemy*

FROM *1st Aust Div*
 PLACE & TIME *(46)*

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W1483a/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

Charges to Collect By *1st Aust Div* At *11* m.
 Service Instructions To *1st Aust Div* By *1st Aust Div*

Handed in at *1st Aust Div* Office *11* m. Received *11* m.

TO *1st Aust Div*

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

*Morning report AAA situation
 quiet from 11 10 am
 to 11 am Enemy Shelled
 U15 680.45 with 77 mm
 and 4.2 143 Area 1st
 Prisoner 1st BN 225th
 RR RR Captured at PONT
 ROUGE AAA Prisoner now
 reported dead AAA added
 Aust Corps Rupta all
 concerned*

FROM *1st Aust Div*
 PLACE & TIME *6 20 am*

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W1483a/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

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Prefix.....Code.....V. OFUS.....
 From *AYA* At *AYA* m. *2 IV, 18.*
 Charges to Collect By *Pen*
 Service Instructions To *TELEGRAPHS*
 By *Pen*

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received *5 52 1/2*

TO *pt Aus Div*

* Sender's Number. *66300* Day of Month. *2nd* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Situation unchanged aaa
visibility good aaa
quiet day aaa
Added Aus Corps
reptd 1st & 2nd Aus
Divs
244

FROM *19th Div G.*
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

(18986.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....V. OFUS.....
 From *AYA* At *AYA* m. *2 IV, 18.*
 Charges to Collect By *Pen*
 Service Instructions To *TELEGRAPHS*
 By *Pen*

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received *5 52 1/2*

TO *pt Aus Div*

* Sender's Number. *66300* Day of Month. *2nd* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Situation unchanged aaa
visibility good aaa
quiet day aaa
Added Aus Corps
reptd 1st & 2nd Aus
Divs
244

FROM *19th Div G.*
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

(18986.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.
 TO
 Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 0213658 2
 Morning report aca Situation
 quiet aca In Raid
 on WHIT FARM In
 017.0 Prisoners Captured belong
 to 76th RIR aca Enemy
 replied freely to Our
 Operations aca Estimated Casualties
 1 Officer and 1 OR Missing
 1 OR Gassed and 8 OR Wounded
 FROM aca Wind Calm
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/57 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.
 TO
 Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 0213658 2
 Reference Operational Order to
 66 Para 6 aca
 Operation Completed
 FROM
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/57 H.P. Ltd., S.

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Charges to Collect
 Service Is -
 From At
 By To

Prefix Code Words
 Received Sent, or sent out Office Stamp
 From At
 By To
 Service Instructions
 3000 FN 38

Handed in at Office m. Received 4-336

TO
 KF62
 FT101
 RA46 101
 Cus Dur

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number
 659 2 AAA

Evening report aaa
 Very quiet aaa one
 low flying hostile plane
 over Centre Section at
 Cam Casuarina mel
 aaa Wind S.W. 8
 mph

FROM
 PLACE & TIME
 FH 38. 2nd & 3rd
 4.30pm

* This line should be erased if not required
 (110986) W14812/M1521 50.000 Pads H P Ltd. S

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Charges to Collect *50* From *AK* At *...* m.
 By *AK* To *...*
 Service Instructions *long* By *...*

Handed in at *1st Div* Office *...* m. Received *37h*

TO *...*

Sender's Number *112/21* Day of Month *2* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Morning report	AAA	Enemy
Arty. T.M's	And	M.G's
Shore	Slight	activity during
night	AAA	projectors
fired	on	locks at 7.00
A.M.	Enemy	retaliation very
feeble	AAA	faint
of	Gas	blew back
over	own	4 or more men
AAA	estimated	Casualties 2
OK's	wounded	

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FROM *6 T 101* 3rd A.I.B.
 PLACE & TIME *4.5 a.m.*

* This line should be erased if not required.

(1986.) W:483a/M:523. 50,000 Pads 27/2/27 H.P. Ltd., S.

Charges to Collect *50* From *AK* At *...* m.
 By *AK* To *...*
 Service Instructions *long* By *...*

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received..... Sent, or sent out..... Office Stamp.....
 From..... At..... m.....
 By..... To.....
 By.....

Charges to Collect.....
 Service Instructions.....
 Handed in at..... Office..... m..... Received..... m.....

TO.....
 TO.....

* Sender's Number..... Day of Month..... In reply to Number.....
 3222 2000 AAA

Summary report and
 situation. Unit along
 whole brigade front and
 casualties. I.O.R.
 wounded

FROM.....
 PLACE & TIME.....

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (18086.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

From..... At..... m.....
 By..... To.....
 By.....

Charges to Collect.....
 Service Instructions.....
 Handed in at..... Office..... m..... Received..... m.....

TO.....
 TO.....

* Sender's Number..... Day of Month..... In reply to Number.....
 606 2nd AAA

Party O.K. on Assembly
 Position

FROM.....
 PLACE & TIME.....

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (10986.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

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Prefix.....	Code.....	Words.....	From.....	At.....m.					
Charges to Collect			By.....	To.....					
Service Instructions			By.....	By.....					
Handed in at.....			Office.....m.	Received.....m.					
TO: <i>Arthur Dean</i>									
* Sender's Number.		Day of Month	In reply to Number.						
<i>HR 607</i>		<i>2nd</i>	AAA						
<i>Enemy not retaliated</i>									
<i>Yes</i>									
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 100px; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> 9 </div>									
FROM		<i>FA 8 C 2 B</i>							
PLACE & TIME									

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(1986.) W14832/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out.
 From.....At.....
 Charges to Collect By.....To.....
 Service Instructions

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div

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

Situation unchanged
aaa Considerable
shelling on this
army front

FROM Second Army
 PLACE & TIME 10.30 pm

(110986.) W14832/M1523. H.P.Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From.....At.....
 Charges to Collect By.....To.....
 Service Instructions

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div
9th Div

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

Morning Report aaa
Situation unchanged
aaa We carried out a
successful raid on enemy
post on the POELCAPPELLE
SPRIST ROAD in which four
prisoners were captured
aaa Quiet night on
rest of army front
aaa added LHO repts
all concerned

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FROM Second Army
 PLACE & TIME 6.40 am

(110986.) W14832/M1523. H.P.Ltd., S.

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received.....
 Sent, or sent out.....
 Office Stamp.....
 From.....At.....m.
 By.....To.....
 Charges to Collect.....
 Service Instructions.....
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div

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

8400 310

Morning Report via
 front night added
 2nd Army repts
 all concerned

FROM
 PLACE & TIME

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110086-1 W14812/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.S

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received.....
 Sent, or sent out.....
 Office Stamp.....
 From.....At.....m.
 By.....To.....
 Charges to Collect.....
 Service Instructions.....
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div

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

Second Army wire 7.50
 from begins AKA Evening
 Report AKA GRAVEL FARM
 south of YPRES STADEN
 Railway raided by no
 last night AKA Enemy
 fled and no identifications
 secured AKA Quiet day
 AKA slight enemy arty
 activity in the PLOEG-
 STEERT area about WESTHOEK
 ZONNEBEKE in GOUDBERG sector
 and east of TOELCAPELLE
 AKA HAZEBROUCK shelled AKA
 one indecisive aerial combat
 AKA Bombs dropped 63
 20 Ab in DON

FROM
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

110086-1 W14812/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.S

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Priority to 9th Corps

This message is on a/c of:

Sent At m. Service.

Date Recd. at m.

From

By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO 9th Corps. 47th Bn. 21st Div
3rd Sqn A.F.C.

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

2853 3rd

Evening report- AAA Enemy
artillery showing slight activity
otherwise very quiet along
divisional front. Addd
9th Corps report all
concerned

6B 1015

From 1st Bn. 47th Bn.

Place

Time

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

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Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2389.)

Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Priority to 9th Corps

This message is on a/c of:

Sent At m. Service.

Date Recd. at m.

From

By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO 9th Corps - 9th Bn
19th Bn - 3rd Squadron AFC

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

493 3

Substant. morning Report as a
quiet night on Divisional
sector as Relief of 2nd A.S. Bde
by 62nd + 64th Inf Bdes completed
by 12 midnight as a Addd
9th Corps report all concerned.

From 1st Anst. Bn

Place

Time

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

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp
L s. d.	From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect	By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions		By.....	
Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.			
TO 1st Air Dir			
* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
GA 780	3		
Morning	Rept	aaa	
Some	hostile activity		
on right	Bn	aaa	
otherwise	no		
change			
(21)			
FROM	19th Dir	1450am	
PLACE & TIME			

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (19629) W1523/M1970. 300,000 Pads. 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1213).

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp
L s. d.	From.....	At.....m.	
Charges to Collect	By.....	To.....	
Service Instructions		By.....	
Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.			
TO 1st Air Dir			
* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
GA 793	3		
Situation unchanged	aaa		
POLLARD SUPPORT	shelled		
twice during morning	aaa		
Slight shelling of right			
Bn	U4610		
(3)			
FROM	19th Dir	450pm	
PLACE & TIME			

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (19629) W1523/M1970. 300,000 Pads. 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1213).

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From.....At.....m.
 By.....To.....
 By.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div

* Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 9207 4

Situation	Quiet	aaa
Wind	NW	aaa
Captures	NIL	aaa
Added	9th Corps	
Reported	Flank	Dues

FROM 9th Div
 PLACE & TIME 4 45 am

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 (18986.) W1483a/M1523. 50,000 Pads. 27/5/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From.....At.....m.
 By.....To.....
 By.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO 1st Aus Div

* Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 9259 3

Situation	Quiet	aaa
light	2 Mo	Active
Ante	Bde	2 to 10 pm
Area	Captures	nil
6a	mil	swind
Reported	to	flank
	Dues	

FROM 49th Div
 PLACE & TIME 4 45 am

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (19629.) W1528/M1970. 300,000 Pads. 4/17/ M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1213).

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Prefix Code Words 41
 Received. Sent, or sent out.
 From 1007 At 1007 m.
 By 11 To 11
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at 1007 Office 5467 m. Received 137 m.

TO 1st Aust Div

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 4A 261 3

Situation quiet AAA only
 slight shelling centre of
 left brigade reserve area
 AAA captures nil AAA
 wind SW AAA aerial
 activity slight AAA add
 22 Corps reftd 6
 33 and 1st Aust
 divns

FROM 49 divn
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (19629) W1528/M1970, 300,000 Pads, 4/17, M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1213).

Prefix Code Words 41
 Received. Sent, or sent out.
 From 1007 At 1007 m.
 By 11 To 11
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at 1007 Office 5467 m. Received 137 m.

TO 1st Aust Div

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 A3B6600 315

Morning report aa
 except for intermittent
 bursts of MG fire enemy
 has been very quiet
 aa wind calm
 estimated casualties
 1 officer wounded aa
 light rain fell
 during night
 making ground
 heavy going for
 patrol

FROM 2nd A.I. Bde
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (19629) W1528/M1970, 300,000 Pads, 4/17, M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1213).

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Charges to Collect

Service Instructions

Handed in at

Office

m. Received

TO

Sender's Number

Day of Month

In reply to Number

4706/3 3 AAA
 Evening report aaa light
 falling in O/C aaa
 front quiet aaa
 low flying la nil aaa
 Estimated casualties nil
 aaa wind SE 5 mph

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FROM

PLACE & TIME

77 28 2nd as Bar

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (1056) W. & A. G. P. Ltd. 1917 H.P. Ltd. S.

Charges to Collect

Service Instructions

Handed in at

Office

m. Received

TO

Sender's Number

Day of Month

In reply to Number

4706/3 3
 Morning report aaa
 a very quiet night
 on whole Bde
 front aaa estimates
 casualties 1 OR
 wounded

FROM

PLACE & TIME

77 28 2nd as Bar

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 (1056) W. & A. G. P. Ltd. 1917 H.P. Ltd. S.

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PREFIX..... CODE..... W. CODE..... 2 1 2		FROM <u>438</u> BY <u>438</u>	AT m. TO BY
CHARGES TO COLLECT 24		SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS <u>British Empire</u>	
Handed in at <u>1st Post Office</u>		Office.....m.	Received.....m.
TO <u>1st Post Office</u>			
* Sender's Number. <u>A 10784</u>	Day of Month. <u>3</u>	In reply to Number.	AAA
<u>Enclosed paper 1000</u> <u>are telling showing slightly</u> <u>and otherwise they</u> <u>are whole back front</u> <u>and as to the</u> <u>1000</u>			
FROM <u>438</u> PLACE & TIME <u>1st Post Office</u>			

* This line should be erased if not required.

11-2086 1 32-5-11/M1523 50,000 Pads. 27/6/-

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received.....
 From.....At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions To.....
 By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO.....

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

2nd Army were turned
 6-45 am begins morning
 report aca HOLLEBERG
 intermittently shelled during
 night aca Hostile arty and
 OTMs active in TOWER
 HAMLETS & MENIN ROAD action
 yesterday evening aca WALLENC-
 LEN ridge & WOLF COPSE
 W of PASCHENDALE heavily
 shelled at 5-45 pm aca
 Hostile TMs active E of
 MESSINES aca ends aca

FROM 9th Corps
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

(18986.) W1483a/M15a3. 50,000 Pads. 27/2/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Received.....
 From.....At.....m.
 Charges to Collect By.....
 Service Instructions To.....
 By.....

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 At.....
 To.....
 By.....

Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m.

TO.....

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

2nd army wire timed
 6.51 pm beginning aaaa
 Evening report aaaa
 day but for some
 harassing fire in forward
 areas. Prisoners lost
 24 hours 3 OKs
 of whom one wounded
 aaaa ends aaaa added
 all concerned

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FROM 9th Corps
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions
 This message is on a/c of:
 Recd. at.....m.
 Sent.....
 At.....m.
 To.....
 By.....
 (Signature of "Franking Officer.")
 Service. Date.....
 From.....
 By.....

TO { 49th Div 1st Div 9th Div AF C

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

Morning Report Quiet night
 machine guns active on
 right communication French
 light intermittent
 aaaa, artillery fire on
 HOLLEBEKE Spur aaaa
 Command of left
 brigade subsector
 passed to 9th Div at
 4.50 am

From 1st Div
 Place
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Cableman
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.

(7981) Wt. W492/M1647 130,000 Pads 5/17 D. D. & L. E1187

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

TO *9th Corp 19th Div 3rd Squadron 17FC*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>67H</i>	<i>11</i>		

bremsy report. aaa Quiet day nothing to report AAAA addressed 9th Corps repeated all concerned

LOC

1st Lt 19th Div

From *1st Lt 19th Div*

Place

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z) *S. M. H.*

Censor.

Signature of Addressor or person authorized to telegraph in his name.

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 Wt. W 3253/P511. 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd. (E2359.)

Prefix	Code	Words	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Sta.
			From	At	
Charges to Collect			By	To	
Service Instructions			By	By	

Handed in at *1st. 19th Div* Office *11.18* m. Received *11.18* m.

TO *1st. 19th Div*

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>67H</i>	<i>4th</i>		

Situation quiet. AAA wind NE. AAA Capt. ... and addressed 9th Corps. Reptd flank div.

FROM *9th Div*

PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (12086) W. 3253/M-500 500,000 Pads. 1/18. B. & S. Ltd.

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Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m

TO 1st Ave Down

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
50229 4th

Situation report Hostile
 artillery and guns
 active in Tower Hamlets
 & Merion Road S.
 Sections yesterday evening
 considerable movement
 behind enemy lines
 of heavy transport
 of guns & POLD EAHORX CHATEAU
 captures &
 Loss nil

FROM 49 Down
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (18986.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

Prefix.....Code.....Words.....
 Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at.....Office.....m. Received.....m

TO 1st Ave Down

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
50229 4th

Morning report
 Situation unchanged
 Added 9 Corps
 Reptd flank Drive
 & C.A.C.
 19 Down

FROM 19 Down
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (18986.) W14832/M1523 50,000 Pads 27/2/17 H.P.Ltd.,S.

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Prefix ... Code ... Words ...
 Charges to Collect ...
 Service Instructions ...
 Handed in at ... Office ... m. Received ... m.

TO ...

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

Morning report aaa
 Artillery slightly active
 on left section area
 aaa Muzzle intermittently
 firing on forward
 communications on right
 section aaa otherwise
 quiet aaa Estimated
 casualties nil aaa
 Wind calm

FROM 2nd Bde
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (1986.) W1483a/M1323. 50,000 Pads. 27/4/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

Prefix ... Code ... Words ...
 Charges to Collect ...
 Service Instructions ...
 Handed in at ... Office ... m. Received ... m.

TO ...

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

Evening report aaa
 quiet along the
 sub sector front aaa
 low flying EA No
 estimated casualties
 Nil wind east
 3 mph

FROM 2nd Bde
 PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (1986.) W1483a/M1323. 50,000 Pads. 27/4/17 H.P. Ltd., S.

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