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Telegrams.

27 March 1917.

General Staff

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March

"A" FORM
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121

No. of Message.....

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

TO { 1st Auzal
20th Division
2nd Auzal SW

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
* 53358 27th

Advance guard were begun
under cover of a heavy
bombardment at 10.45 pm the
enemy attacked and recaptured the
farm 3863 AAA the point
will be dealt with tomorrow
AAA Ends AAA address 1st Auzal
repeated 20th Division and 2nd
Auzal SW

From 5th Auzal SW
Place 12 20 pm
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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TO { 1st Auzal
1st Auzal [unclear]
1st Auzal [unclear] 2nd Auzal

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
* 53359 27th

Morning Report AAA Enemy intermits
entry shelled front line from
direction QUEANT during the night
AAA

Addressed 1st Auzal reported [unclear]
1st Auzal [unclear] 2nd Auzal
[unclear] 2nd Auzal SW

From 5th Auzal SW
Place
Time

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(in pads of 100).
No. of Message _____

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent _____			Date _____
	At _____ m.		Service _____	From _____
	To _____			By _____
	By _____		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { *1st Amphib*
20th Division
2nd Amph *AW*

Sender's Number. * <i>LS 360</i>	Day of Month. <i>27th</i>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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advance guard were being AAA
we have recaptured town J8c
AAA ends AAA address 1st
amphib repeated 20th Division and 2nd
amph

From *1st Amph* *AW*

Place _____

Time *7.45 AM*

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent _____			Date _____
	At _____ m.		Service _____	From _____
	To _____			By _____
	By _____		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { *8 Brigade*
14th Brigade *CRA*

Sender's Number. * <i>LS 361</i>	Day of Month. <i>27</i>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Prisoners Telegraph Abtending states explosion
Town Hall caused by clockwork
firing gear AAA similar explosion
may be expected elsewhere AAA
Houses and dugouts left in
good condition should be avoided
by Headquarters and troops unless
the explosive charge and firing
gear have defensible been removed

From *5th Aust. Division*

Place _____

Time *8.25 AM*

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

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

TO { 1st ANZAC
 1st ANZAC Intelligence

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * 28365 27th

Message from advanced guards reports
 aaa all quiet on this front
 aaa 17 casualties at FARM
 ✓ 8 c last night of
 whom four are missing. aa
 Address 1st ANZAC repeated
 Intelligence

From 5th Aust Div.
 Place
 Time 12:35 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form J.2121 (in pads of 100). No. of Message.....

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

TO { 8th Brigades ✓ CHG
 Adolgoard ✓ 20 Div ✓ 1 ANZAC
 cha ✓ 2 Aust Div ✓

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * 28366 27th

Reference Divisional Order Number 132 para two
 AAA New dispositions except as regards advanced
 guard will be taken up by 8 a.m. on 28th instant A
 ACID will connect with PAGE on the left AAA
 ACKNOWLEDGE AAA Addressed ACID BLOCK BOOK
 and C.R.A. repeated C.R.E. JEWEL TRUMPET and BUTT

From 5th AUSTR DIV
 Place
 Time 12:45 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form G. 2121
No. of Message.....

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

TO

15th Inf. Bde.

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
*GS 367	27 th		

Wire urgently dispositions as at
8 am 28th inst

From	5 th Aust. Div.
Place	
Time	1.10 pm

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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Office of Origin and Service Instructions							Date.....
			Sent		Service.	From.....	
			At.....			By.....	
			To.....			(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
			By.....				

TO

8th Infantry Brigade 15th Infantry Brigade
14th Infantry Brigade

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
*GS 368	27 th		

A captured document states that the password
of the 2nd Guard Reserve Division from 12 midday
25th March to 12 midday 1st April is ALBERICH
AAA Addressed 15th Brigade repeated 8th and 14th
Brigades.

From	5th	AUST	DIV
Place			
Time	2.30 p.m.		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z) *[Signature]*

Censor.

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No. of Message.....

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

TO

15th Aust Bde

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 90369	27 th	BM 11873	

Please confirm aaa BRACKET at
 BANCOURT - HAPLINCOURT as right
 flank guard

From	5 th Aust Div
Place	
Time	3.10 pm

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

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

Censor.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			Service.	Date.....
			At.....	m.		From.....	
			To.....			By.....	
			By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO

1 Bnyac
 1 Bnyac Intelligence
 1 Bnyac Heavy Arty
 1st Div
 2nd Div
 20 Div. 5th Aust Div

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* 45372	27 th		

Situation unchanged since morning report
 aaa shared. 1st Bnyac report to Bnyac
 Intelligence. Heavy artillery 1st and 2nd
 Aust. Divs to Division 5th Aust Div

From	5th Aust Div
Place	
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

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

Censor.

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C.2121
 (in pads of 100).
 No. of Message _____

Prefix _____ Code _____ m.	Words _____ Charge _____	This message is on a/c of:		Recd. at _____ m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent		Date _____
8th Inf Bde		Div Sig Co		From _____
14th Inf Bde		Div. Train Service.		By _____
Adv. Guard		20th Div		
5th Pioneer Bde		2nd Aust. Div		
1st ANZAC Corps		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		
3rd Squadron R.F.C.		A.D.M.S. D.A.D.C.S		
C.R.A.		A.D.V.S "Q"		
C.R.E.		S.S.O		
		A.P.M. Camp Commandant		
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
*GS 373	27th			

Advanced Divisional Headquarters will open
 at N.11. central at 12 noon tomorrow 28th March
 AAA Addressed all concerned

From	5th AUST DIV
Place	
Time	6 p.m.
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.	
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Censor.	

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

(in pads of 100).
 No. of Message _____

Prefix _____ Code _____ m.	Words _____ Charge _____	This message is on a/c of:		Recd. at _____ m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.		Sent		Date _____
		At _____ m.		From _____
		To _____		By _____
		By _____		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")
TO {		1st ANZAC		
		1st ANZAC Intelligence		

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
*GS 374	27th			

Large fire observed in
 DEMICOURT

From	5th Aust. Div.
Place	
Time	6.40 pm
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.	
(Z)	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.
Censor.	

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

(in pads of 100).
No. of Message

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

TO { 1st. Anzac. 1st. Aust. Div. C.R.A.
1st. Anzac Intell; 2nd. Aust. Div.
1st. Anzac H.A. 20th. Div.

Sender's Number: * 48375 Day of Month: 27 In reply to Number: AAA

Evening situation report AAA Situation very quiet AAA Large fire observed in DEMICOURT AAA Enemy shelling reported B. or BERTINCOURT AAA Enemy snipers active and intermittent enemy M.G. fire AAA Added 1st. Anzac Reptd. Intelligence Anzac H.A. 1st. and 2nd. Aust. Divs. 20th. Div. C.R.A.

From 5th Aust. Div.
Place
Time 8:15 pm
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) [Signature]
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

(in pads of 100).
No. of Message

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.							Date
			Sent		Service.		
			At	m.	From		
			To	By			
			By		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO { 1st Anzac 1st Anzac Intelligence
20th Div. 2nd Aust. Div

Sender's Number: *GS 376 Day of Month: 27th In reply to Number: AAA

Large fires and explosions have been observed in DOIGNIES this afternoon AAA There has been a lot of wagon and motor traffic on main CAMBRAI Road between DOIGNIES and BOURSIES AAA Movement seen about J.16.a enemy reported digging a trench 1000 yards N.E. LAGNICOURT

From 5th AUST DIV
Place
Time 8.45 p.m.
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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Army Form 511
(in pads of 100).
No. of Message.....

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

TO { 15th Inf Bde

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* G.S. 379	27 th		

Reference your BM 1/880 aaa
Did you manage to get
artillery on to traffic movement
mentioned

From 15th Aust. Div.
Place
Time 9.10 pm

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

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form 511
(in pads of 100).
No. of Message.....

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

TO { Advanced Guard

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* G.S. 380	27	BM 1/880	

You must keep in close
touch with enemy by patrols
AAA endeavour to ascertain reason
for movements observed

From 5th Aust. Div. in
Place
Time 9.40 pm

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

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C.R.A.

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March

8th Infantry Brigade

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message 223

Prefix *SM* Code *AB* Words *42* Received *ms* Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

From *ms* At _____ m. *TELEGR*

By *GRB* To _____

By _____

Charges to collect _____

Service Instructions _____

Handed in at *GPA* Office *F-10* m. Received *254* m.

TO *Tools*

*Sender's Number *BM33* Day of Month *27* In reply to Number *Phone message* **AAA**

<i>active</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>trench</i>	<i>askew</i>	<i>moving</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>relieve</i>	<i>advance</i>	<i>guard</i>	<i>left-</i>
<i>arch</i>	<i>moving</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>relieve</i>	<i>advance</i>
<i>guard</i>	<i>right</i>	<i>anger</i>	<i>now</i>	<i>trench</i>
<i>active</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>occupy</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>line</i>
<i>13.1</i>	<i>central</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>1422.20.2</i>	<i>as</i>
<i>line</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>resistance</i>	<i>area</i>	



FROM *Acid*

PLACE & TIME *1:1/pw*

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (6334). Wt. W7496/M857. 500,000 Pads. 10/16. D. D. & L. (E 489). Forms C/2123/3.

14th Infantry Brigade

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message 21

Prefix *M 21* Code *10* Words *10*
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *M 21* At *4:40* m.
 Charges to collect By *apd* To
 Service Instructions. By

Handed in at Office *4:40* m. Received *5:10* m.

TO

*Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number
X 118 *27* *AAA*

Situation normal aca
wind north. aca



FROM
PLACE & TIME

14th a/c Bde

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message 5

Prefix *M 21* Code *14* Words *14*
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *M 21* At *4:40* m.
 Charges to collect By *apd* To
 Service Instructions. By

Handed in at Office *4:40* m. Received *5:10* m.

TO

*Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number
D/m 533 *27* *93/357* *AAA*

Received



FROM
PLACE & TIME

14th a/c Bde, 210am

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15th Infantry Brigade

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March

"C" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message 25
 Army Form C. 2123.
 (In books of 100).

Prefix <u>25</u>	Code <u>11</u>	Words <u>25</u>	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <u>mp</u>	At <u>11:27</u> m.	
Service Instructions.			By <u>act</u>	To	
Handed in at <u>27</u>			Office <u>337</u>	m. Received <u>11:27</u>	m.

TO Tools

*Sender's Number <u>Bm 4862</u>	Day of Month <u>27</u>	In reply to Number	AAA
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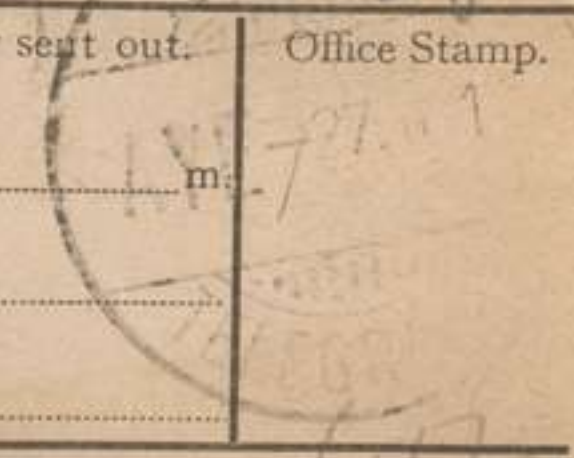
Intermittent shell fire aaa
 5.9 from QUEANT aaa
 enemy still holding
 FARM aaa no other action
 on front



FROM Book 4:15am

PLACE & TIME

"C" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message 38
 Army Form C. 2123.
 (In books of 100).

Prefix <u>12</u>	Code <u>12</u>	Words <u>12</u>	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <u>act</u>	At <u>11:57</u> m.	
Service Instructions.			By <u>act</u>	To	
Handed in at <u>27</u>			Office <u>655</u>	m. Received <u>6:57</u>	m.

TO Tools

*Sender's Number <u>Bm 4862</u>	Day of Month <u>27</u>	In reply to Number	AAA
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We have recaptured
 the FARM J8c



FROM Book 5:15am

PLACE & TIME

* This line should be erased if not required

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message

Prefix *Am* Code *26* Words *24* Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *ms* At *11-25* m. m.
 By *2/10* To
 By
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at *27* Office *11-25* m. Received *4:00* m.

TO *Tools*

*Sender's Number *Am 1/869* Day of Month *27* In reply to Number *—* **AAA**

*all quiet on this front
 AAA 17 casualties at FARM
 last night of whom four
 are missing*



FROM *Book*
 PLACE & TIME *11-10 AM*

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message

Prefix *LB* Code *39* Words *32* Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *ms* At *2:35* m. m.
 By *CVB* To
 By
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at *27* Office *2:35* m. Received *2:45* m.

TO *Tools*

*Sender's Number *B171/873* Day of Month *27* In reply to Number *45367* **AAA**

*Bae HQ frencourt area Keller
 frencourt under at Bapaume area
 bless at Bapaume area Brackets
 at Bancourt-hapencourt is right
 flank quadra aaa machine gun
 Coy and trench mortar in
 front line aaa light horse
 squadron and cyclists at hapencourt
 aaa 312¹ Br front line
 right aaa 30⁴ Br front
 line left aaa 1/2 Company
 engineers at frencourt aaa two
 sections amc beugny*



FROM *Book*
 PLACE & TIME *2:30*

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message

Prefix *Am* Code *2416* Words *16*
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *KDA* At *27* m.
 By *ajd* To
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at *27* Office *444* m. Received *5.37* m.

TO

Took

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

*Large fire observed in
 DEMICOURT aaa otherwise
 situation quiet*

FROM
 PLACE & TIME

Book 3.55 pm

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message

Prefix *Am* Code *2416* Words *28*
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From *ada* At *27* m.
 By *ajd* To
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions.
 Handed in at *27* Office *444* m. Received *5.45* m.

TO

Took

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

*6015 Pm Bracket has 2 Companies at
 Bancourt and two Companies with
 Centre at Haplincourt and Platoons
 disposed in forward protective
 positions*

FROM
 PLACE & TIME

Book 4.20 pm

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"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message

Prefix Code Words Received Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

From KDIA At YE-27. III. 17.

Charges to collect

Service Instructions

Handed in at Office 7:50 P.m. Received 7:58 P.m.

TO

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number

Large fires and explosion have been observed in DOIGNIES this afternoon. There has been a lot of wapon and motor traffic on main CAMBRIE road between DOIGNIES and Boursies. Movement seen about J16 A enemy reported digging a trench 1000 yards N of LAGNICOURT

FROM PLACE & TIME Book 700



"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message

Prefix Code Words Received Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

From At m.

Charges to collect

Service Instructions

Handed in at Office 10 P.m. Received 10:37 P.m.

TO Goals

Sender's Number Day of Month In reply to Number

951881 27 95379 AAA

Yes but results not seen. BINDER has gained objective D25 D78-92 a77-98 CB.3 after sharp fight and is consolidating

X-92a77



FROM PLACE & TIME Book 9:50 PM

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1st. Awyae.

111.

Midnight 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March.

"C" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....15

"C" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....16

Prefix *SM* Code *MH* Words *34*
 Received From *aus* Sent, or sent out At.....m. Office Stamp
 By *Robtson* To.....m. *YE-27.17.*
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at *aus* Office *1240* m. Received *12.50* m.

Prefix *SM* Code *MH* Words *59*
 Received From *aus* Sent, or sent out At.....m. Office Stamp
 By *Robtson* To.....m. *YE-27.17.*
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions
 Handed in at *aus* Office *1258* m. Received.....m.

TO *5th Aust Div*

TO *5th Aust Div*

*Sender's Number *4601* Day of Month *27/8* In reply to Number *AAA*

*Sender's Number *4602* Day of Month *27/3* In reply to Number *AAA*

Message from KELLY timed 10
pm 26th inst: begins aaa
EQVANCOURT in our hands aaa
Cavalry holding same till taken
over by our infantry

Folly message from KELLY timed
10.45 pm aaa Begins aaa
MONKEY TADPOLE have occupied LONGANB
and have patrol to the
east of that village aaa
Defence of village has been
handed over to Inf who
are digging in covered by
cavalry aaa Ends aaa



FROM *1st anzac*
 PLACE & TIME *12.15 am*


FROM *1st anzac*
 PLACE & TIME *12.55 am*

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"C" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2123.
 (In books of 100.)

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.

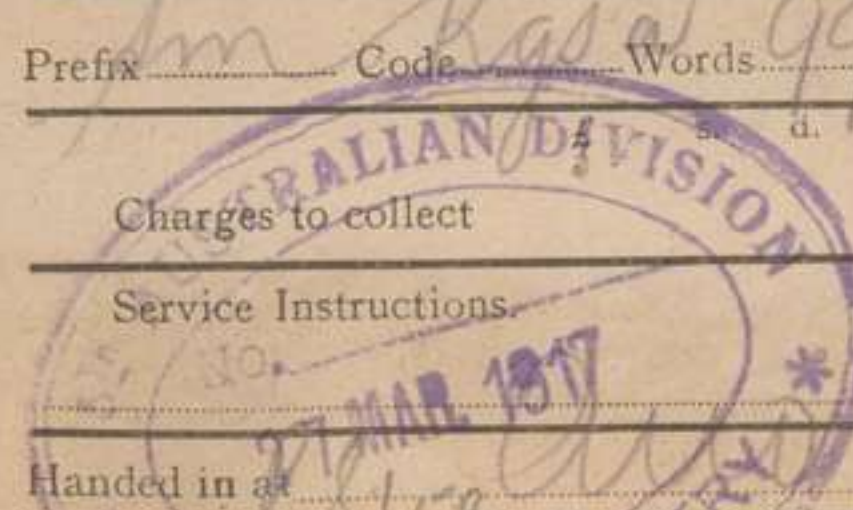
TO
 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
5609	27/3		

Morning report aaa Right div reports capture by enemy under cover of heavy bombardment of farm J8.C.6.3 otherwise situation unchanged aaa Phone message now reports farm retaken by our troops aaa enemy inter-mitted the shelled right div front from direction of QUEANT during night aaa Left div reports situation unchanged and quiet night aaa one more prisoner belonging to 1st Coy STURM TRUPP 1st Bn taken added fifth army report fifth 15 Corps B5.H.17 1st 2nd 4th 5th AVST Div 2nd Corps

FROM
 PLACE & TIME
 mounted troops 3rd and 4th Div
 First ANZAC

"C" Form. (In books of 100.)
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			From.....	At..... m.	
			By.....	To.....	
Charges to collect			Service Instructions.		

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

TO
 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
	27th		

Morning report aaa BUTT reports aaa Enemy attacked and carried farm at J8C6.3 at 10.45 pm aaa They were driven out this morning at 5 am by a counter attack aaa PEEL reports explosion last evening in Sapignies Church aaa No details yet to hand aaa BUTTS outpost line now runs from VEU (inclusive) J20 D0.3 BEAUMETZ (inclusive) J8C6.3 J1 Central LAGNICOURT NOIGNIES Road at D25 B3.1 thence along road to C24 D6.5 posts at C24 B4.4 and C24 B3.1 thence to about C18 Central C17 Central to C17 C1.5 C16 D7.0 C22 A9.5 C14 Central VRAUCOURT Copse B18 Central aaa COPPER and RADIUM report quiet night

FROM
 PLACE & TIME
 1st Anzac Corps

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

(In books of 100).
No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... Words 53
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From ans At..... m.
 By WH To.....
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions. ans
 By.....

Handed in at Office 12:39 m. Received 1:10 m.

TO 5 Anzac Divn

Sender's Number 9614 Day of Month 27 In reply to Number AAA

A captured document states that the password of the 2nd Guard Reserve Division from 12 midday 25th march to 12 midday 1st April is ALBERICH and address 2 Ans 5 Anst Divn repts Fifth Army and 15 Corps 2.



FROM 1 Anzac I.
 PLACE & TIME 12:55 pm

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"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

Prefix..... Code..... Words 107
 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.
 From..... At..... m.
 By Harris To.....
 Charges to collect
 Service Instructions.

Handed in at Office 2:27 m. Received 2:28 m.

TO 5 Anzac Divn

Sender's Number 9619 Day of Month 27/3 In reply to Number AAA

Following message timed 12:45 pm from KELLY begins ans our advanced posts on our left front are now as follows: add trench in V. 22-A to eastern outskirts of wood just south of EQUANCOURT to V. 11-A. Thence along main trench line running NW from EQUANCOURT to south of BERTINCOURT and one of our patrols reached the outskirts of RUYALCOURT last night and about 15 of the enemy were encountered and our patrol withdrew under fairly heavy fire and Cavalry patrols now being pushed out to GUYENCOURT and SAULCOURT and wood in V. 21-A and V. 21-B. add Ends

FROM First Anzac 1415
 PLACE & TIME

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"C" Form.

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message 294

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

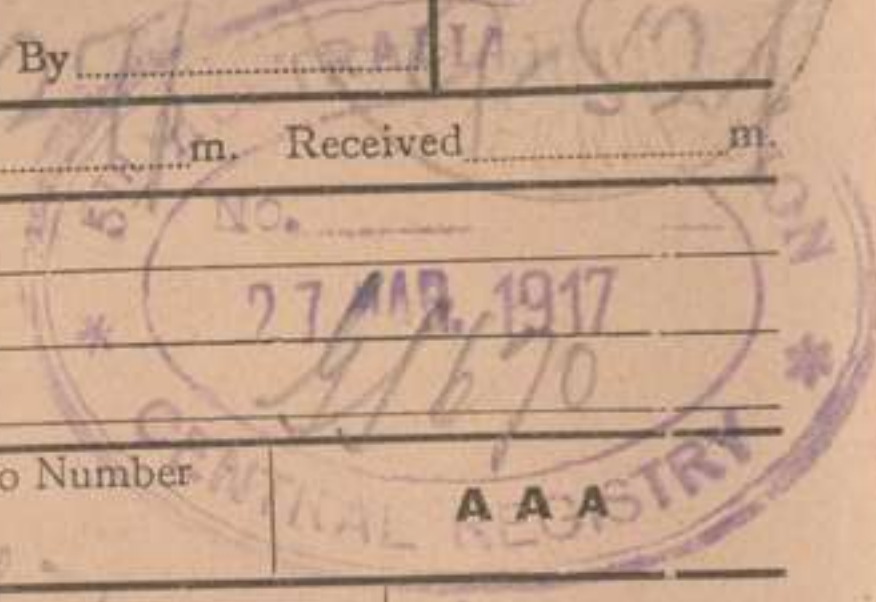
Handed in at Alto Office 10/10 P m. Received 10/27 m.

TO 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number 4645 Day of Month 27/3 In reply to Number AAA

Evening report AAA Situation on
 Corps front unchanged AAA Very
 quiet day AAA During afternoon
 enemy parties and vehicles in
 U.29 and U.30 and in
 C.6.A and B successfully
 shelled by our Artillery AAA
 During day our artillery plucked
 enemy roads and approaches to
 limit of their range AAA
 Right div reports enemy snipers
 active and intermittent mg fire
 AAA left div reports a
 few 15 cm howitzers and
 77 mm's fell in C.26.B
 and D. about 5 pm

FROM First Anzac Corps
 PLACE & TIME 9/10 pm



MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message 117

(In books of 100).

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

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

TO 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number 4645 Day of Month 27/3 In reply to Number AAA

KELLY reports MONKEY TADPOLE
 entered GUYENCOURT and SAULCOURT
 at 5:45 pm

FROM First Anzac Corps
 PLACE & TIME 22 00



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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100.)

Prefix <i>SM</i>	Code <i>RR</i>	Words <i>96</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp
Charges to collect			From <i>Ans</i>	At.....	
Service Instructions			By <i>WH</i>	To.....	
				By.....	

Handed in at *No. 15/11/17* Office *10.51 P.* m. Received *4.6 P.* m.

TO *Aus Dir*

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

Evening report	aaa	BUTT	reports
situation unchanged	Quiet	day	aaa
REEL reports	During night	in	
face of	considerable	opposition	
two companies	established	forward	
posts on line	C.F.C. 8.6	-	
C.Y.C. 4.3 - C.I.C. 3.2	Close	to	
enemy trenches	running	through	
C.F. Central to C.F. A. 2.2	new posts		
also established	T. 29. B. 4. 8	and	
T. 23. C. 5. 5	aaa	slight shelling	COMIECOU
and STLEGER	aaa	prisoners	through
Corps Cages	1	officer	42
OR	aaa	RADIUM	reports
day	aaa	COPPER	reports
captured corpses	in	to 21 and 24	
east of LONGAVESNES	ES	aaa	Cavalry

FROM *took several prisoners out*
PLACE & TIME *Charentais slight*
1 Angac Corps

* This line should be erased if not required.
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2nd Australian Division

Midnight - 26/27 March

to

Midnight 27/28 March.

"C" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Army Form C. 2123.
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Prefix <i>SM</i> Code <i>aa</i> Words <i>99</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp
£ s. d.	From <i>aus</i>	At.....m.	<i>YE-27.11.17</i>
Charges to collect	By <i>robt</i>	To.....	
Service Instructions	By.....	To.....	

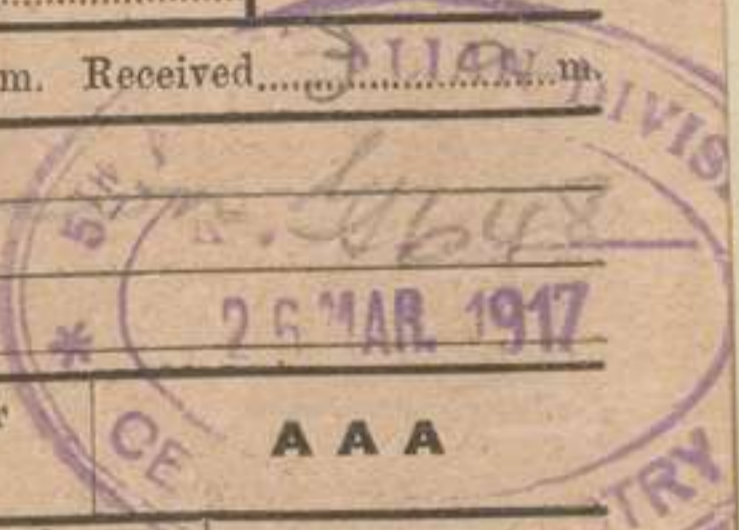
Handed in at *ay/B* Office *5/300* m. Received *3110* m.

TO *5th Aust Div*

*Sender's Number *972* Day of Month *27* In reply to Number *AAA*

Prisoners of Telegraph Abteilung captured today states Explosion in town HALL BAPAUME was expected aaa We had received special orders to watch for it from a HQ in rear aaa Explosion was caused by an electric clock which could be adjusted to any number of days aaa Similar explosions may be expected in any dug outs or buildings left in good condition aaa all such dugouts or buildings should be avoided by Headqrs and Troops aaa added JAY QUAIL POPPY CRA RPTD 7th Divn and 5th Aust Divn

FROM *2nd Aust Divn*
 PLACE & TIME *12:35 am*



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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

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Prefix <i>Mr</i> Code <i>82044</i> Words.....	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp
£ s. d.	From <i>aus</i>	At.....m.	<i>YE-27.11.17</i>
Charges to collect	By <i>apt</i>	To.....	
Service Instructions	By.....	To.....	

Handed in at *ay/B* Office *5/300* m. Received *3110* m.

TO *5th Aust Divn*

*Sender's Number *975* Day of Month *27/3* In reply to Number *AAA*

Situation unchanged aaa Quiet night aaa one more prisoner belonging to 1st Coy STURM TRUPPE 1st Battalion taken aaa addressed 1st ANZAC Corps 1st ANZAC intelligence anzac HQ 5th Aust Divn 7 Divn 14th HAFG CRF informed

FROM *2nd Aust Divn*
 PLACE & TIME *sa*



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"For n" Form. (In books of 100)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message: 33

Prefix SB Code 6P Words 58 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

From KDA At AYE-27 III 17.

By KB To _____ m. Received _____ m.

Charges to collect _____

Service Instructions Priority

Handed in at _____ Office AYB m. Received 6.15 m.

TO 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number 992 Day of Month 27 In reply to Number — **AAA**

Afternoon report situation unchanged and quiet. AAA. Much movement of parties and vehicles in U29 and U30 and in C6A and B heavy artillery informed AAA. Our artillery searched roads and approaches to limit of their range and several parties were dispersed. AAA addressed 1st Anzac reported all concerned.

CENTRAL DIVISION
27 MAR. 1917
CENTRAL REGISTRY

FROM 2nd Aust Div

PLACE & TIME 5.50 pm

"C" Form. (In books of 100)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message: 33

Prefix HB Code HS Words 45 Received. Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp.

From KDA At AYE-27 III 17.

By EMB To _____ m. Received _____ m.

Charges to collect _____

Service Instructions Priority

Handed in at _____ Office AYB m. Received 8.45 m.

TO 5th Aust Div

*Sender's Number 100 Day of Month 27 In reply to Number — **AAA**

evening report. AAA. a few 15 CM hows and 77 mm fell in C26 B and D about 5 pm. AAA generally quiet along sector. AAA 19th Bri took one prisoner wounded of 91st. RIR

CENTRAL DIVISION
27 MAR. 1917
CENTRAL REGISTRY

FROM 2nd Aust Div

PLACE & TIME 8.40 pm

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"C" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message 270

Prefix <u>LB</u>	Code <u>4375</u>	Words <u>10</u>	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <u>Blair</u>	At <u>7.11.17.</u>	
Service Instructions <u>only</u>			By <u>Blair</u>	To	
Handed in at <u>8.15.17</u>			Office	m. Received	m.

TO 8th Aus Div

*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
<u>8100</u>	<u>27</u>		<u>AAA</u>
<u>Evening report</u>	<u>AAA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>few</u>
<u>15</u>	<u>cm</u>	<u>hours</u>	<u>and</u>
<u>mins</u>	<u>fell</u>	<u>in</u>	<u>C26B</u>
<u>D.</u>	<u>about</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>pm</u>
<u>Generally quiet</u>	<u>Along</u>	<u>sector</u>	<u>AAA</u>
<u>19th</u>	<u>Bn</u>	<u>took</u>	<u>one prisoner</u>
<u>wounded of</u>	<u>9pm</u>		

FROM 2nd Aus Div 8.40 pm

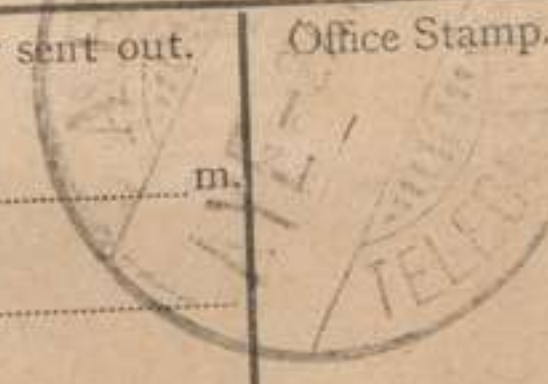
PLACE & TIME

20th Division.

Midnight 26/27. March
Midnight 27/28. March

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No. of Message.....

Prefix <i>Sm LK</i>	Code <i>LR</i>	Words <i>165</i>	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <i>ans</i>	At	
Service Instructions.			By <i>WH</i>	To	
Handed in at <i>YT</i>			Office <i>11:50P</i> m.	Received <i>12:49P</i> m.	

TO *5th Aus Div*

*Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
<i>4B155</i>	<i>27</i>		

patrol report aaa officers patrol
left BERTINCOURT at 10:30 pm
and advanced towards RUYAUCOURT
aaa no very light were
being sent up from VILLAGE
but none of
it at P9B4.7 and P16A55
aaa patrol reached dip in
ground at P9D9.5:35 and heard
coughing SE of them and
saw light of flash lamp
being used by some one
on road P16A0.8 - P10C5.7aaa
patrol then proceeded along rd.
edge of village and found
trench running NE at P10C1.4
aaa it was not wired aaa

FROM	
PLACE & TIME	

"C" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C.
(In books of 100).
No. of Message.....

Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From	At	
Service Instructions.			By	To	
Handed in at <i>20 Div</i>			Office	Received	

TO *27 MAR. 1917*

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

whilst following trench patrol heard
coughing and was fired upon
by sentry at P10C2.6 aaa
very light was sent up
and a 3 man issued from
trench and fired on patrol
aaa more very light present
up and over a 800m
enemy emerged from trench and
pursued patrol aaa at same
time pat at P9D9.1 opened
fire upon patrol which was
pursued with rifle fire and
bombs to railway at P8B5.7
aaa no mg fire was
opened upon patrol which returned
without casualties

FROM	<i>20 Div</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>11:45 am</i>

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"C" Form. Army Form C. 2123.
(In books of 100).

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message 230

Prefix SB Code Cap Words 40 Received MS Sent, or sent out. Office Stamp

Charges to collect £ s. d. From MS At 5-27/17 m.

Service Instructions. Priority By MS To 5th Aust Div

Handed in at 5th Aust Div Office 5/17 m. Received 5/30 p.m.

TO 5th Aust Div

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
<u>90162</u>	<u>27</u>		<u>AAA</u>
<u>Evening report</u>	<u>aaq</u>	<u>Situation quiet</u>	
<u>Slight</u>	<u>Shelling of</u>	<u>BERTIN COURT</u>	
<u>aaq.</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Corps av regt</u>	
<u>report</u>	<u>NEUVILLE</u>	<u>occupied by enemy</u>	
<u>aaq</u>	<u>address 10</u>	<u>Corps reptd</u>	
<u>8th Div</u>	<u>and</u>	<u>8th Aust Div</u>	

5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION
No. 665
27 MAR. 1917
REGISTRY

FROM 20th Div 5pm

PLACE & TIME

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