

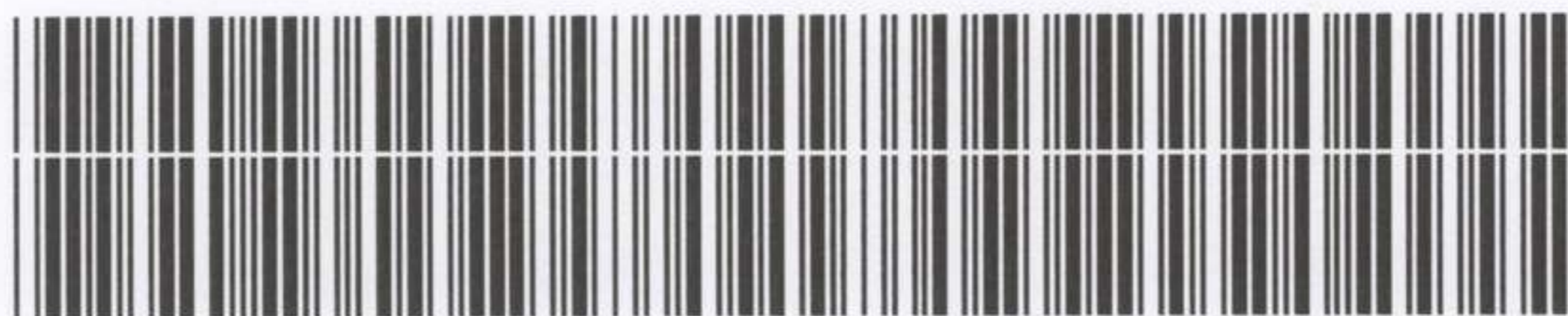
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Place	Date 1917	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HOOGRAF	Oct. 1st.		<p>At about 5a.m. enemy shelling on Right Divisional Front and right of Left Divisional Front increased. S.O.S. was fired from Right Divisional Front. Our artillery opened promptly. Command Right Divisional Sector passed from 4th Australian Division to 21st and 7th Divisions (X Corps) at 6a.m.</p> <p>Enemy aircraft again active during last night, dropping bombs and causing casualties to our troops.</p> <p>Army practice barrages carried out at 9.30a.m. and 8.15p.m.</p> <p>Relief of 4th. Australian Division by 1st Australian Division in new Right Divisional Sector completed 10a.m.</p> <p>4th Australian Division Head-quarters opened STEENVOORDE 10a.m.</p> <p>Enemy made three attacks this morning between 5.30 and 8.40a.m. between N.E. corner of POLYGON WOOD and the REUTELBEEK. Attacks were repulsed except at CAMERON COVERT AND JOIST-FARM, which remain in enemy hands. X Corps is to retake these under cover of Army barrage at 8.15p.m.</p> <p>At 7.10p.m. S.O.S. fired on extreme right of Divisional Front as expected. Our artillery barrage came down promptly.</p> <p>First Anzac letter G.16/215 - firing at enemy aircraft.</p> <p>Congratulatory message</p> <p>Location Report</p>	
"	2nd.		<p>Machine Gun Instructions No.2 Series No.3</p> <p>First Anzac Corps Order No.183 - Order for attack, objectives etc.</p> <p>At about 9a.m. 1st October about 80 of enemy apparently forming up for attack were barraged by our artillery. No attack developed.</p> <p>Consistent shelling between ANZAC HOUSE and the Battalion located in POLYGON WOOD during the day.</p> <p>Corps practice barrage carried out at 6.15a.m. and 5p.m. simultaneously with II Anzac practice barrage.</p> <p>X Corps barrages took place at 5.45a.m. and 2.30p.m.</p>	<p>Appendix (c)</p> <p>Appendix (h) <i>(1 Copy)</i></p> <p>Appendix (d)</p> <p><i>Blue</i> Appendix (i)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p> <p><i>Blue</i></p>



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Place	Date 1917.	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HOOGRAF	Oct. 3rd		<p>Location Report Rain during early morning has made ground very sticky, but shell holes have not filled. Desultory shelling of forward areas, particularly TOKIO SPUR. Retaliation to our 1.30p.m. barrage directed against our front and support lines and forward tracks from 1.37p.m. to 2.15p.m. 10.5cm. and 15cm. calibres used. First Anzac Corps Order No.184 - move of 3rd, 6th and 12th Australian Army F.A. Brigades to LA MOTTE AREA. I and II Anzac Corps carried out practice barrages at 7.15a.m. and 1.30p.m., and X Corps at 6a.m. and 3p.m.</p>	Appendix (d)  Appendix (a)
"	4th		<p>During the night weather was very unsettled. Heavy squalls from the South-west accompanied at times with a slight drizzle. Temperature moderately cold. At 5.50a.m. First Anzac Corps attacked the enemy on a 2,000 yards front, viz :- from POLYGON WOOD (exclusive) to ZONNEBEKE (inclusive). The assembly of attacking troops was successfully accomplished, by the 1st Australian Division on the right and the 2nd Australian on the left. X Corps and II Anzac Corps attacked simultaneously with our troops on the right and left respectively. At 5.45a.m. there was considerable hostile shelling on front line but assembled troops moved forward slightly to avoid this. Narrative of Operations. The attack was entirely successful with the exception of one portion at DAISY WOOD where our line is withdrawn 100 yards. At 7.42a.m. enemy reinforcements moving South from BROODSEINDE were dispersed by artillery fire. Left Battalion left Brigade of 1st Australian Division met with strong opposition on road 29 A and C, but pushed on in spite of it. At 9.45a.m. 1st Australian Division reported captured ground was being heavily shelled by the enemy. At 9.49a.m. our heavies and field artillery dealt with enemy troops massing in WOOD D.24.a. One E.A. was shot down by our Lewis gun fire. At 11.53a.m. 2nd Australian Division reported each of 6th and 7th Australian Infantry Brigades reinforced by one Battalion from reserve Brigade. 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions reported consolidation proceeding satisfactorily. Enemy's shelling heavy and our casualties reported severe.</p>	Appendix (e) (copy)

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HOOGRAF.	Oct. 4th	(Continued)	<p>Field and Heavy Artillery engaged enemy troops collecting to East of ANVIL WOOD D.30.a.6.8. at 3.38p.m.</p> <p>At 3.38p.m. 2nd Australian Division reported enemy's shelling decreased, and that communication trenches on right Brigade front were through crest of BROODSEINDE Ridge. 960 German dead were counted in area captured by 1st Australian Division. S.O.S. went up along whole Corps Front at 10p.m. No infantry action developed, and all was reported quiet at 10.20p.m.</p>	
"	5th.		<p>Congratulatory General Staff Circular No.88 - Corps Reinforcement Camp. First Anzac Order No.185 - Readjustment of Northern Corps boundary. Machine-gun instructions No.1, Series No.IV. Weekly Summary of Operations.</p> <p>Posts have been established on the Western edge of FLINTE COPSE by the 1st Australian Division, and at D.29.b.15.95 and D.23.d.4.3. by the 2nd Australian Division.</p> <p>A wounded German captured in D.23.d. reported that his comrades had left him and had retired to the rear. This information, together with the fact that hostile machine-gun fire and sniping during the afternoon was coming from the DROOGENBROODHOEK Ridge instead of from the vicinity of the front line, led the 2nd Australian Division to suppose that the enemy had retired to ridge mentioned. Our men were moving about freely in D.23.d.</p> <p>Patrols were organised by each Division ready to push out and increase our gains, but further reconnaissance showed that the enemy was still in occupation of strong points to our front.</p> <p>At 7p.m. S.O.S. was sent up along front and was repeated at 7.18p.m. and 7.22p.m. Situation reported quiet at 7.50p.m.</p>	<p>Appendix (h) Appendix (b) Appendix (a) Appendix (i) Appendix (f)</p> <p><i>None</i></p>
"	6th.		<p>Location report. General Staff Circular.No.89 - Move of signal detachments with Divisional Artillery. Situation unchanged. BELLEWAARDE RIDGE heavily shelled during morning, also ground to the East of ZONNEBEKE. First Anzac Corps Order No.186 - Move of 5th. Australian Division to GORDON, CANAL and PIONEER Areas on 8th October.</p>	<p>Appendix (d) Appendix (b)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p> <p><i>None</i></p>



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HOOGRAF	Oct. 6th	(Continued)	Second Army Summary of Operations during period 27th. September to 4th October 1917.	Appendix (g)
"	7th		<p>Weather - cold, overcast; heavy squalls accompanied by driving rain from 9a.m. onwards.                      At 1a.m. all watches were put back to 12 mid-night.                      Location Report.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.187 - I Anzac Corps attack.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.188 -- Relief of 1st Australian Division by 5th. Australian Division on night 9th/10th in event of no further action than that by 2nd Australian Division on "X" day.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.189 - Relief of 2nd Australian Division by 4th. Australian Division on night 9th/10th in the event of no further action than that of 2nd Australian Division taking place on "X" day.                      Eastern slopes of PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE, D.22.d, D.28.b. heavily shelled at 10a.m. and 4a.m. Valley to West of WESTHOEK also ANZAC and WESTHOEK Ridges heavily shelled at noon.                      At 5.28p.m. S.O.S. was fired on Corps front. All was reported quiet again at 6p.m.                      At 5.40p.m. yesterday enemy barraged front system of Left Brigade, 2nd Australian Division. Shelling was in the nature of a heavy creeping barrage, which was well placed, and caused considerable damage to our trenches. Previous to its commencement 32 enemy aircraft carried out an extensive reconnaissance of our lines. This activity is thought to be preparatory to an organised attack by the enemy.</p>	<p>Appendix (d)                      Appendix (a)                      Appendix (a)</p>
"	8th		<p>Generally quiet during the night. Some shelling on BROODSEINDE Ridge and rear areas. Gas shells fired into rear area early this morning.                      Machine-gun Instructions No.2, Series No.4                      First Anzac Corps Order No.190 - Move of 4th Australian Division to GORDON, CANAL and HALIFAX Areas on 10th and 11th. October. Also move of 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions to Divisional reserve areas on dates 9th to 12th. October (inclusive).                      Location Report.</p>	<p>Appendix (i)                      Appendix (a)                      Appendix (d)</p>
"	9th		<p>Quiet night till 2.30a.m. when some heavy shelling on forward area of 1st Australian Division commenced.                      Weather - heavy rain fell during the early part of the night making the ground very muddy, and the going very heavy.</p>	At -



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HOOGRAF	Oct. 9th	(Continued)	<p style="text-align: center;"><del>66th</del> <del>2nd Australian</del> Division reported that at 3 a.m. only two Battalions of their right Brigade had come up. Two Battalions of their reserve Brigade were therefore put at the disposal of their right Brigade for the operation.</p> <p>At 5.20a.m. 2nd Australian Division attacked the enemy between the BROODSEINDE-DROOGENBROODHOEK Road and the ROULERS Railway simultaneously with the corps on our left (vide I Anzac Corps Order No.187 dated 7th. instant) The attack was carried out by the 6th Australian Infantry Brigade on the right and the 5th. Australian Infantry Brigade on the left.</p> <p>Strong opposition was met by 6th Australian Infantry Brigade at DAISY WOOD, and this, combined with heavy machine-gun fire from BUSY WOOD held our troops up for some considerable time. DAISY WOOD was finally cleared, and 6th. Australian Infantry Brigade established itself approximately on the RED Line, except for the Eastern portion of DAIRY WOOD.</p> <p>5th Australian Infantry Brigade captured the RED line without meeting serious opposition. BLUE Line was reached by elements of our troops, but being unsupported on either flank they suffered heavily from enfilade and reverse fire and were compelled to withdraw to the RED Line.</p> <p>At 5.20a.m. simultaneously with the major operations, a party of 5 officers and 100 other ranks from the 10th Australian Infantry <del>Battalion</del> raided CELTIC COPSE. Considerable opposition was experienced and hand-to-hand fighting ensued. Raiding party steadily moved forward and finally succeeded in clearing the whole of the Copse.</p> <p>It is estimated that 40 of the enemy were killed and 30 wounded. Our casualties totaled 40. Congratulatory.</p> <p>Right Battalion right Brigade of 2nd Australian Division successfully repulsed local counter-attack at 11a.m. It is estimated that 30 casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Enemy plane brought down in flames at D.26.d. One British plane crashed in J.2.d.</p> <p>Narrative of Operations.</p> <p>Quiet throughout night except for intermittent shelling on support areas of Right Division. Command of the right sector passed to 5th Australian Division at 10a.m.</p> <p>Situation generally quiet during day. Intermittent <sup>shelling</sup> on forward areas, but mainly in rear areas.</p> <p>ZONNEBEKE and BROODSEINDE RIDGE heavily shelled with all calibres throughout afternoon. Aerial activity above normal. Prisoners 4 other ranks.</p> <p>First Anzac Corps Order No.101* - Attack of 4th Australian Division on 12th. October. - objectives &amp;c</p> <p style="font-size: small;">2449 Wt. W14957/M90 750,000 1/16 J.B.C. &amp; A. Forms/C.2118/12.</p>	<p>Appendix (h) (1 Copy.)</p> <p>Appendix (e) (1 Copy)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p> <p>Two -</p>

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Place	Date 1917	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HOOGRAF	Oct. 10th	(Continued)	Two of our advanced posts in vicinity D.23.d.4.2 were abandoned during the night, most of the garrison having become casualties.	<i>Ym</i>
"	11th		Command of the left Divisional Sector passed to 4th Australian Division at 10a.m. Location Report. Situation unchanged. Hostile artillery intermittently shelled WESTHOEK and BROODSEINDE Ridge, tracks and communications.	Appendix (d) <i>Ym</i>
"	12th		Enemy artillery was very active during the night, increasing at times to barrage fire on front and support lines. Shelling quietened down at 4a.m. At 5.40a.m. left Brigade (12th Australian Infantry Brigade) of 4th. Australian Division attacked the enemy, in conjunction with II Anzac Corps, on a front of 500 yards South of the YPRES-ROULERS railway (inclusive); their main role being to protect the right flank of the main attack. (Vide First Anzac Order No.191 dated 10th. October.) At 6a.m. our troops were reported to have captured the RED Line. At 9.20a.m. two and a half Battalions of enemy infantry in vicinity of MOORSLEDE were engaged by our artillery. Letter - G.126/39 - Writing of Telegrams. Second Army - Further Notes on Operations 26th. September and 4th. October 1917. Narrative of Operations.	Appendix (c) Appendix (g) <i>Ym</i> Appendix (e) (1 Copy)
"	13th		General Staff Circular No.90 - Establishment - First Anzac Corps Signal School. First Anzac Corps Order No.192 - Move of 166th Siege Battery from 1st Anzac to LA MOTTE Area. Location Report. Hostile artillery intermittent over the whole area, quietening down during afternoon. Front line between DAIRY WOOD and FLINTE CROSSING heavily shelled between 5p.m. and 5.30p.m. Second Army Summary of Operations - during period 5th. October-12th October 1917.	Appendix (b) Appendix (a) Appendix (d) Appendix (g)
"	14th		Location Reports. Weather - fair, overcast at times in morning, clear sky with good visibility during afternoon.	<i>Ym</i> Appendix (d) Moderately -



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Place	Date 1917	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HOOGRAF <sup>A</sup>	Oct. 14th	(Continued)	<p>Moderately quiet day.                      Our batteries to the West of WESTHOEK were shelled by enemy counter-batteries.                      Enemy air-craft were very active flying low. Bombs were dropped on the vicinity of WESTHOEK.                      British machine was brought down at D.8.a.5.3.                      General Staff Circular No.91 - Training of Artillery Staff Officers.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.193 - Withdrawal of personnel of one section per battery of Divisional Artilleries for 3 day's rest.</p>	<p>Appendix (b)                      Appendix (a)  <i>Yuse</i></p>
"	15th		<p>At 5.30p.m. enemy commenced shelling right Divisional Front with H.E. shrapnel and gas shells. Bombardment increased to great intensity between 12.30a.m. and 3a.m., gas shells being extensively used.                      Constant shelling of BROODSEINDE Ridge throughout the night.                      At the request of 5th. Australian Division a counter-attack plane patrolled our front from dawn.                      Location report.                      General Staff Circular No.92 - Defence against Gas.                      Last night patrol from 4th Australian Division reconnoitred to D.30.b.3.8. without encountering any enemy troops.                      Enemy activity last night, and reports received from our aeroplanes indicate his retirement from the water-logged valley between BROODSEINDE Ridge and KEIBERG Spur on to the latter.                      During daylight we established a post in CHINA WOOD at D.24.c.1.1.                      A patrol from 5th. Australian Division accounted for eight of the enemy this afternoon, five being taken prisoner, and the remainder killed.                      At 2.30p.m. enemy aircraft dropped 3 bombs in vicinity of Ouderdom Area.                      Enemy aircraft very active, bombing battery positions.                      8" Howitzer effectively neutralised by our counter-batteries.                      YPRES was intermittently shelled by H.V.gun.</p>	<p>Appendix (d)                      Appendix (b)  <i>Yuse</i></p>
"	16th		<p>Daylight patrols yesterday afternoon reached D.23.d.4.5. and D.24.c.15.60.                      Enemy artillery active on forward trenches during the night. Some gas shells used.                      Patrol from 5th Australian Division advanced through FLINT COPSE and FLINT FM. to D.30.a.3.7.</p>	<p>Flares -</p>

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HOOGRAF	Oct. 16th	(Continued)	<p>Flares sent up by enemy West of ANVIL WOOD.                      Enemy were shelling N.W. corner of CHINA WOOD.                      Two prisoners GUARD FUSILIERS captured this morning.                      Location report.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.194 - Transfer in situ of Heavy Artillery Units to X Corps on 17th instant.                      Patrols last night report no enemy in TABLE WOOD and BUSY WOOD. Touch with enemy was gained at ASSYRIA where enemy is established in strength.                      Forward system, ANZAC and WESTHOEK Ridges frequently shelled with 15cm. and 10.5cm.                      Enemy aircraft directed hostile artillery fire on our troops in front and support trenches.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.195 - relief of 1/1 Highland Heavy Battery, 230th Siege Battery and 204th Siege Battery by batteries at present with First Army.</p>	<p>Appendix (d)                      Appendix (a)                      Appendix (a)</p>
"	17th		<p>Quiet night.                      Enemy artillery fairly active. Gas shells used about ANZAC and WESTHOEK Ridges.                      4th Australian Division reports patrols penetrated to ZWERG Cottage and found enemy entrenched at about E.13.c.0.5 - also to 150 yards East of CHINA WOOD and South-east corner TABLE WOOD, locating enemy posts at D.24.c.8.2. and 9.7.                      First Anzac Letter G.16/206 - Recognition of Aircraft at night.                      First Anzac Corps Order No.196 - Transfer of 3rd, 6th and 12th Australian (Army) F.A. Brigades from LA MOTTE Area to X Corps as from 16th October.                      Location Report.                      Light scattered shelling on forward areas during day.                      Between 6a.m. and 7a.m. 37 enemy aircraft crossed our lines.                      One enemy aircraft shot down in flames at H.20.a central at 11.15a.m.                      At 10.55p.m. following wire was dispatched to 4th and 5th Divisions and B.G.H.A. - "5th Army report indications hostile attack tomorrow probably Northern portion of their front AAA For your information and any defensive action you may think necessary AAA Addsd 4th 5th Aust. Divs. reprd B.G.H.A.</p>	<p>Appendix (c)                      Appendix (a)                      Appendix (d)</p>
"	18th		<p>BROODSEINDE and ZONNEBEKE heavily shelled during night.                      Between 7 and 9p.m. ZONNEBEKE Valley heavily shelled with gas.</p>	<p>At -</p>



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HOOGRAF	Oct. 18th	(Continued)	<p>At 5.45a.m. enemy barraged forward system. Some steady rain fell during night. Between 2p.m. and 3p.m. ZONNEBEKE and support line of 4th Australian Division was heavily shelled by 5.9" Howitzers. WESTHOEK and ANZAC Ridges and intervening valley was heavily shelled at intervals throughout the day. Otherwise light scattered shelling of forward area. Enemy aircraft very active. At 2.15 p.m. 20 enemy aircraft crossed front line to North of our sector at high altitude. First Anzac Corps Letter G.126/39. - Writing of Telegrams. Canadian Corps relieved II Anzac Corps on our left at 10a.m.</p>	Appendix (c) <i>Mue</i>
"	19th		<p>Quiet on 5th Australian Division front except for some gas shelling on forward area. 4th Australian Division reports front and support lines KIT and CAT and vicinity POTSDAM, D.26.c were heavily shelled with H.E. and gas shells during night. At 9p.m. last night patrol of 1 officer and 9 other ranks proceeded to ASSYRIA, which was found unoccupied. Enemy were heard in E.13.a, and in DECLINE COPSE at approximately D.18.a.3.6. Patrol returned via railway and DECOY WOOD. Weekly Summary of Operations. Location Report. Correction to B.A.B. Trench Code No.3. Hostile artillery during day considerably above normal on forward and back areas. Concentration shoots ANZAC and WESTHOEK Ridges and valley between also vicinity of BELLEWAARDE. Area - BELLEWAARDE RIDGE - ZOUAVE WOOD - HALFWAY HOUSE heavily shelled 5.9" and 8". Shelling eased off after 3p.m. Enemy aircraft below normal. First Anzac Corps Order No.197 - Alteration in inter-divisional boundary on night 20th/21st. October.</p>	Appendix (f) Appendix (d) Appendix (i)  Appendix (a) <i>Mue</i>
"	20th		<p>Yesterday enemy aircraft fairly active towards dusk. During early part of night hostile artillery became very active on front and support lines of 4th Australian Division and ZONNEBEKE and intermediate area of 5th Australian Division. Intermittent shelling on front line 5th Australian Division. Activity decreased towards morning, becoming quiet about 5a.m.</p>	First -

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HOOGRAF	Oct. 20th	(Continued)	<p>First Anzac Corps Order No.198 - Move of 1st Australian Division to forward area and 4th Australian Division to Reserve Divisional Area.</p> <p>First Anzac Corps Order No.199 - Relief of 11th A.F.A. Brigade by 13th. A.F.A. Brigade.</p> <p>Location Report</p> <p>First Anzac Corps Order No.200 - Relief of 4th Australian Division by 1st Australian Division on night 23rd/24th October.</p> <p>Wire G.589 - Cancelling First Anzac Corps Order No.199.</p> <p>Hostile artillery above normal on 4th Australian Divisional Sector between 10a.m. and 3p.m., POTSDAM Valley (D.26.) YPRES-ROULERS Railway, WESTHOEK Ridge and ZONNEBEKE being shelled with 5.9" and 8". After 3p.m. light scattered shelling on back areas.</p> <p>Hostile artillery not so active on 5th Australian Divisional Sector. ANZAC Ridge and Battery positions fairly heavily shelled.</p> <p>At 10a.m. enemy aircraft bombed vicinity OUDERDOM.</p>	<p>Appendix (a)</p> <p>" (a)</p> <p>Appendix (d)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p>
"	21st		<p>Front and support lines shelled at irregular intervals up to mid-night.</p> <p>Some gas shells fired on LILLE Gate vicinity.</p> <p>At 5.15<sup>pm</sup> several enemy aircraft bombed OUDERDOM and PIONEER Area causing casualties 4 other ranks and 80 horses.</p> <p>Hostile artillery not so active.</p> <p>ANZAC, WESTHOEK and BELLEWAARDE Ridges and valleys between heavily shelled at frequent intervals.</p> <p>YPRES Railway Station shelled by H.V. guns.</p>	<p><i>None</i></p> <p><i>None</i></p>
"	22nd		<p>Front line heavily shelled from 5 to 6p.m. Elsewhere shelling normal during the night.</p> <p>Last night's patrols report DECLINE COPSE held in strength and entrenching work in progress.. ASSYRIA is unoccupied. No enemy seen in BUSY WOOD. We have established post at D.17.b.75.40.</p> <p>General Staff Circular No.93 - Anti-aircraft protection.</p> <p>Hostile artillery quieter during day. WESTHOEK and ANZAC Ridges shelled mainly from direction of WATERDAMHOEK.</p> <p>Enemy aircraft below normal.</p> <p>First Anzac Corps Order No.201 - Move of 2nd Australian Division to right forward area (Appendix (a) 5th Australian Division to Reserve Divisional Area, and 4th Australian Division to BOMY Area.</p>	<p>Appendix (b)</p> <p>Appendix (a)</p>



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HOOGRAF	Oct. 22nd	(Continued)	<p>First Amendment to First Anzac Corps Order No.198. An Army barrage was carried out at 5.35a.m. this morning.</p>	Appendix (a) <i>None</i>
"	23rd		<p>Situation unchanged. Enemy artillery normal, except that D.26.c was heavily shelled from 5p.m. to 7p.m. Location report. Second Army - Further Notes on Training and Preparation for Offensive Operations. Second Army - Further Notes on Operations. Situation normal during the day. Enemy replied to our morning barrage by placing a light shrapnel barrage in rear of our front line 15 minutes after our artillery opened. Enemy counter-batteries did not reply. First Addendum to General Staff Circular No.93 - Anti-aircraft protection. First Anzac Corps Order No.202 - Relief of 5th Australian Division by 2nd Australian Division on night 27th/28th October.</p>	Appendix (d) Appendix (g) Appendix (g) Appendix (b) Appendix (a) <i>None</i>
"	24th		<p>Enemy artillery active during night against vicinity DAISY WOOD. A few gas shells were fired on ANZAC Ridge between 10p.m. and 11p.m. Command <del>right</del> Divisional Sector passed from 4th Australian Division to 1st Australian Division at 10a.m. <del>LEFT</del> First Anzac Corps Order No.203 - Attack of 1st Australian Division for purpose of protecting right flank of Canadian Corps. First Anzac Corps Order No.204 - Withdrawal of 4th Australian Divisional Artillery from line. First Amendment to First Anzac Corps Order No.200. Hostile shelling normal during day. Enemy planes active throughout the afternoon, ZONNEBEKE being bombed. Enemy replied to 9.15a.m. barrage by shelling front system at 9.30a.m. with 5.9" and 7.7cm. Enemy counter-batteries did not reply. One prisoner was captured by Left Division. First Anzac Corps Order No.205 - Transfer of batteries to and from First Anzac on 24th and 28th October.</p>	Appendix (a) Appendix (a) Appendix (a) Appendix (a) Appendix (a) Appendix (a) Appendix (a)

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HOOGRAF	Oct. 24th	(Continued)	<p>Congratulatory to 1st Canadian Tunnelling Coy.</p> <p>The Enemy's Probable Intentions for Defence and Counter-attack.</p>	<p>Appendix (h) 1 Copy. Appendix (i)</p>
"	25th		<p>Quiet night with the exception of some heavy shelling between 9 and 11p.m. on front line of left sector right Division.</p> <p>Further notes on Operations - Second Army. General Staff Circular. No.94. - Wireless Communications.</p> <p>Situation unchanged during day. Scattered heavy shelling forward area. WESTHOEK and ANZAC Ridges, battery positions and tracks shelled at frequent intervals. 4 enemy aircraft dropped 40 bombs on DICKIEBUSCH and OUDERDOM Areas between 9.15 and 9.30p.m. No damage or casualties reported. At 9.45p.m. 1st Australian Division reported enemy aircraft flying low in large numbers over forward areas.</p>	<p>Appendix (g) Appendix (b)</p>
"	26th		<p>Location report. Weekly Summary of Operations. Congratulatory. Situation fairly quiet throughout night. Scattered shelling forward and rear areas. Gas shells fired in vicinity of ZONNEBEKE. In co-operation with Canadian Corps on our left, 1st Australian Division attacked the enemy at 5.50a.m. with the object of protecting right flank of Canadian Corps (vide First Anzac Order No.203 of 24th October)</p>	<p>Appendix (d) Appendix (f) Appendix (h) (1 Copy)</p>
"			<p>Narrative of Operations. Enemy replied to right Division barrage this morning by barraging our front and support lines. Barrage then deepened and gradually decreased till situation became quiet at 11.30a.m. Shelling on left Divisional Sector was normal during the day, but increased to heavy bombardment on forward area at 4p.m. YPRES occasionally shelled by heavy calibre H.V. gun. Total captures reported, 72 prisoners, 4 machine guns.</p>	<p>Appendix (e) (1 Copy)</p>
"				<p>27th -</p>



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HOOGRAF	Oct. 27th		<p>Location Report.                      Situation generally quiet during night.                      8th Australian Battalion report enemy still holding DECLINE COPSE.                      Situation normal during day.                      Between 1p.m. and 4.30p.m. HANEBEEK Valley heavily shelled.                      Low flying enemy aircraft continually active. Our Batteries were engaged with their machine-gun fire.                      Transport on FREZENBURG - ZONNEBEKE Road was bombed during morning.                      At 5.45p.m. enemy aircraft dropped 6 bombs in CANAL Area, causing casualties 11 killed, 41 wounded.                      Canadian Corps improved their line during the night by establishing themselves in the pill-boxes along road from 4.b.6.2. to cross-roads 5.c.1.6. 18 machine-guns were captured in this operation.                      Second Army Summary of Operations during period 12th October to 25th October and on 26th October.1917.                      Second Army, Further Notes on Operations.</p>	Appendix (d)
"	28th		<p>Quiet night.                      During day shelling on forward area below normal.                      Vicinity POTSDAM was shelled by heavy calibre till 11a.m.                      BIRR Cross-roads and vicinity heavily shelled at intervals from 11.20a.m. and 4.45p.m.                      During night Canadians captured DECLINE COPSE and are in touch with 1st Australian Division.                      Enemy heavily shelling DECLINE COPSE.</p>	Appendix (g) <i>Ypres</i> Appendix (g)
"	29th		<p>First Anzac Corps Order No.206 - Extent of Co-operation of 1st Anzac with Canadian Corps in their attack on morning 30th October.                      Army Barrage Map - Canadian Corps Attack.                      General Staff Circular No.86 - Anti-aircraft Defence.                      Location Report.                      Quiet night WESTHOEK RIDGE heavily shelled with gas shells.                      Situation quiet during day except for some heavy shelling ANZAC Ridge from 3pm. onwards.</p>	Appendix (a) Appendix (j) Appendix (b) Appendix (d)

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	HOOGRAAF	29th	(Continued) YPRES shelled by H.V. gun between 11 and 11.30a.m. Considerable aerial activity at high altitudes. RHINE COPSE reported unoccupied. Operation telegram G.30 to 1st Australian Division.	
"		30th	First Anzac Corps Order No.207 - Move of 1st Australian Divisional Artillery to MORBECQUE Area on 2nd and 3rd November. Successful destructive shoots carried out on two enemy batteries yesterday and two others subjected to concentrated bombardments. Intermittent shelling during the night. Gas shells freely used against our forward area. Post established at DECOY WOOD at 2.40a.m. to ensure protection of Canadian right flank. At 5.50a.m. Canadian Corps attacked the enemy (vide First Anzac Corps Order No.206 of 26th October). At 8.40a.m. Canadian Corps reported enemy massing on EDDY HEIGHTS E.13. Our heavy and field artillery increased rate of fire. No attack materialised. Narrative of Operations.	Appendix (a) (1 copy) Appendix (a)
		31st	Location Report. Yesterday 5 successful destructive C.B. shoots were carried out on enemy Batteries. Concentrated shoots also dealt with 5 other enemy batteries on two occasions. Situation quiet during night, enemy artillery being inactive. Enemy aircraft considerably active during night 30th/31st October bombing RENINGHELST and OUDERDOM Areas and WESTHOEK. Damage reported slight. Situation to-day generally quiet. At 10a.m. enemy batteries from S.S.E. commenced heavy shelling on HALFWAY HOUSE. Our counter-batteries replied and shelling ceased at 1p.m. Intermittent shelling on back areas. First Anzac Corps Order No.208 - Extension of frontage as far North as TIBER (inclusive) on night 1st/2nd November.	Appendix (e) (1 Copy) Appendix (d) Appendix (a)

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