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	18th (Ctd.)		Hd. Qrs. of 7th Aust. Inf. Bde., 6th Field. Coy, 27th & 28th Bns. and <u>L.T.M.</u> Batteries moved into 5th Corps area and were replaced by Hd. Qrs. 4th Aust. Inf. Bde. 4th Field Company, and 15th and 16th Bns. 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde., 1st Field Coy. and 1 section 1st Field Ambulance moved into 5th Corps area and were replaced by 13th Inf. Bde. 13th Fld. Coy. and 27th Coy. A.S.C.	
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			<u>Our Activity.</u>	
			Our artillery and trench mortars fired regularly during the day. Back areas were shelled and the enemy's wire and parapet were damaged. Support to the 2nd Division was given. Enemy wire reconnoitred during night and found to be much damaged. We fired a c-amouflet at 8.30 a.m. - enemy working just before.	
			<u>Enemy Activity.</u>	
			Enemy's reply to our activity was slight and little damage was caused.	
			<u>2nd Australian Division.</u>	
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			During the day our artillery supported aircraft operation against hostile balloons. At 11.30 a bombardment preparatory to a raid by 5th Bde. against portion of enemy trenches at I.26.c.9½.1½. The raid was carried out by a special party commanded by Major Travers, D.S.O. 17th Bn. 4 prisoners were captured. 20 of the enemy killed by the party besides casualties caused by our shell fire. Our casualties were 1 officer killed, 1 officer and 12 o.r. wounded.	
			<u>Enemy Activity.</u>	
			Retaliation for our bombardment and raid lasted from 11.35 p.m. to 12.40 but no serious damage was suffered.	
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			After previous bombardment a successful raid was carried out by special party of 3 officers and 68 o.r. of 3rd N.Z. Bde. under Captain POWLEY on enemy's trenches opposite PONT BALLOT. 9 prisoners were captured and 29 of the enemy were killed by the raiders. A great deal of equipment, etc. was brought back, and a pumping apparatus at the head of a mine shaft was destroyed. Our casualties were 1 killed and 8 wounded.	

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