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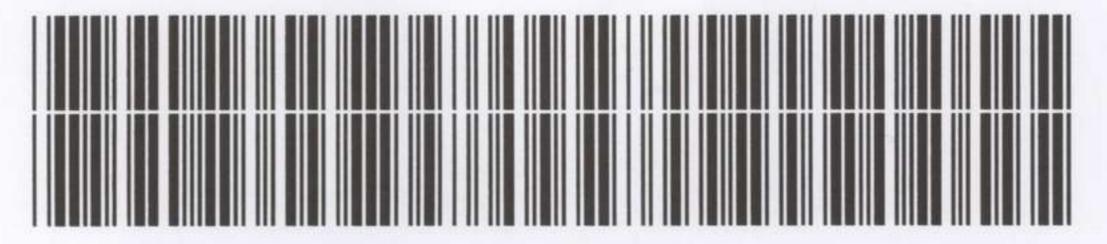
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# INTELLIGENCEBULLETIN.

## OCTOBER 24th, 1915.

TURKISH. It is reported that the Turks propose to send troops TROOPS & BULGARTA. to assist Bulgaria against Serbia, the number being given as 150,000 men. Vehib and Pertev Pashas are to command under the direction of Von der Goltz. The same report states that two divisions have been withdrawn from the Peninsula for the first time.

No confirmation has yet been received of the somewhat vague reports which have been current as to the concentration of a Turkish army of 150,000 - 200,000 men at ADRIANOPLE, nor of the withdrawal of two divisions referred to above.

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PRISONERS. A soldier of the 59th Regiment (26th Division)
surrendered on the right of the 9th Corps on the 22nd instant,
and two soldiers of the 127th Regiment (11th Division) on the
extreme left on the 23rd instant.

NOTE. This is the first prisoner to be taken from the 59th Regiment. Prisoners from various regiments have stated that the other two regiments of the division - 76 and 78 - were in the SUVLA zone, but none had mentioned the 59th.

The 58th and 59th Regiments belonged to the 19th Division when it was first formed. The division was later reconstituted, consisting of the 57th, 72nd (from Div. 24) and 77th (from Div. 23), the 58th and 59th being allotted to Divisions 24 and 26 respectively.

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NAMES OF POSITIONS

The name YEOMAN'S KNOLL is sanctioned for the small knoll on the Southern slopes of GREEN HILL about 105.R.2.

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COMPOSITION The enemy's units in the KUT-AL-AMARA battle, 27th

OF TURKISH September were:-

ARMY. Four squadrons of 31st and two of 33rd Cavalry, also Syrian regiments of Camel Corps, 500 strong, lately from Suez.

The enemy had two batteries Q.F. 11 pounders and four batteries Q.F. 15 pounders, and three 12 cm. guns from ADRIANOPLE. Also one section howitzers and one section mountain guns, plus seven Persian muzzle-loading guns.

Two battalions each of 103rd, 104th and 105th, total six battalions, forming 55th Division; three battalions of 112th and 114th and two battalions of 113th, total eight battalions, forming 38th Division. Muratteb battalion and an Armelah labourers battalion were Army Corps troops, also one company 8th and one company 12th Engineer battalion, and two telegraph sections.

The force was commanded by Nur Ud Din, with Namuk Boy and Sadik Boy as 35th and 38th Divisional Commanders respectively.

3/112th was formerly 3/130th from HEDJAZ, and 2/105th was formerly 3/131st, lately from ALEPPO. Muratteb battalion formed of romnants of 1/141st from NASIRIYEH and fire brigado. Amelah Labour battalion also known as IIIth regiment.

The following additional units are also in MESOPOTAMIA:-2/109th Bis, 1st and 2nd battalions 130th, and a regiment of Askar Sewari, or mule cavalry.

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# R.N.A.S. INFORMATION REPORT.

# Daily Summary, 23/10/15.

The flights arran ged for today had to be cancelled owing to low clouds.

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SUMMARY - 22-10-15.

RIGHT SECTION .

A sandbag and wire barricade has been erected by the Turks at the Northern End of Hella and digging continues in G.13. Hammering was heard during the night in front of our bomb stations at North East of Vineyard and opposite those facing the Southern ends of F.12 and F.13. Work was also done on the parapets of the trenches in this portion of the Turkish line.

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The portion of H.lla newly acquired by us was bombed during the night, f rom 30 to 40 bombs At 2000 and 2030 two large trench mortar bombs were fired into our right sub-sections and at 2200 rifle fire was opened by the enemy along the whole of J.12.

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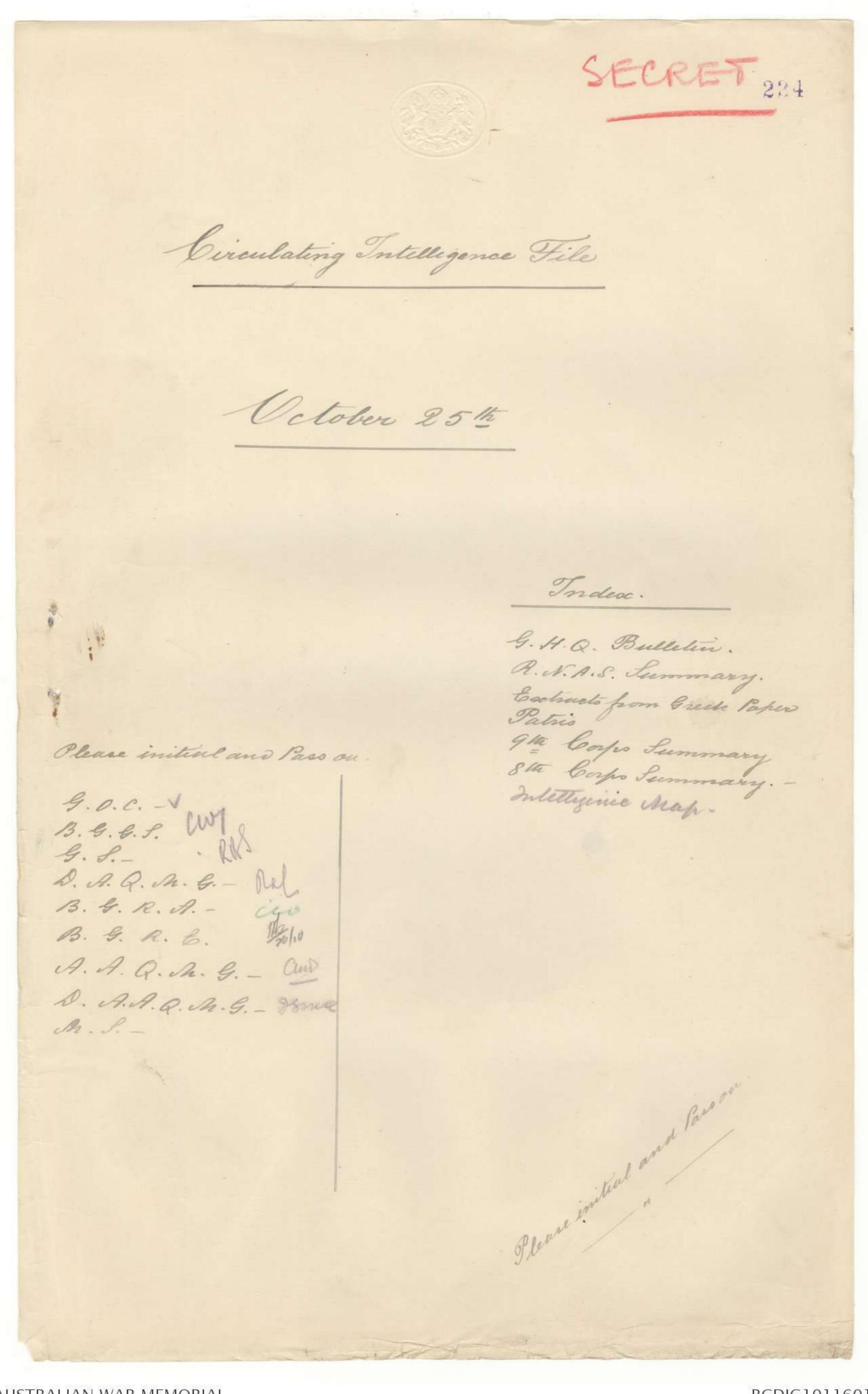
The enemy's artillery was fairly active in the afternoon and our work on the duplicate mule At 1100 the Turks bombed sap 5 barricade. They also threw a canvas bomb filled with bullets into No. 1 bombing sap which exploded but did no damage.

LEFT SECTION.

The enemy put up another sandbag loophole on their side of No. 11 crater in the afternoon. It was There was a considerable amount of movement in East Krithia Nullah between 1630 and 1800. It was Between 1630 and 1700 Turks were seen leaving Krithia in a constant stream and moving down the Two aeroplanes passed over our line, one at 0930 and the other at 0950, both flying West. Enemy artillery fired 85 rounds. francis Serves

> Lieutenant -Gen ral, Commanding 8th Army Corps.

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### INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY - 23-10-15.

RIGHT SECTION.

Enemy repaired parapet of E.13b, put ting up a number of new sandbags, and did some dig-ging in the trenches behind F.13 and in G.12a. A patrol reported that work was also being done at 2100 in the new sap East of the Vineyard.

A considerable amount of bombing was done by the enemy against the newly occupied portion of H.11a. A party of the enemy was seen at 2200 moving in the open along F.13a. Some casualties were effected by rapid fire.

CENTRE SECTION.

Except for an ineffectual bombing of Worcester Barricade the enemy were generally inactive and made little reply to our rifle fire, but their bombs which came from H.12b and H.13a appear to have a considerably longer range than any that we can attain.

LEFT SECTION.

At 1550 the enemy blew up a mine East of the Eastern Birdcage, doing no material damage to our trenches but burying three men. Who were a fundamental damage to our Western Birdcage was heavily bombed at 1120.

The enemy have erected a barricade of sandbags near J.13 and advanced their trench 8 or 9 yards nearer Western Birdcage.

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Lieutenant-General, Commanding 8th Army Corps.

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9th Corps.

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25/10/15.

A man of the 59th Regt., 26th Div. - the first time this regt. has been identified here - gave himself up at A.56 yesterday afternoon, and two men of the 127th Regt., both Greeks, surrendered just South of Jophson's Post during the night. The statements of the latter are attached.

2. 'A' Soction. (2nd hounted Division).

Work can be seen going on at 105 S.7-8; apparently 5 omplacements facing S.W. are being constructed and heavy timber can be seen lying about. A communication trench runs from this point to the South of TIKE CHESHME, from where it seems to continue up the DERE to the East. Three Turkish rifles and one body, apparently of a Turkish sergeant major, were brought in from the ASMAK DERE.

Loft Sub-section.
A good doal of fire, capucially against A.33.

Enomy working parties inactive. Vicinity of DUBLIN CASTLE was heavily shelled between 1100 and 1500. Three Turks were seen climbing down a tree 500 yds. in front of C.58; two were hit. Wereestershire Rogt. claim to have killed 4 and killed or wounded 6 Turks in the last two days with telescopic rifles.

The enemy were very quiet and there was only a little sniping.

3. Artillory Roports.

Guns active: - 105 T.2 (shelling CHOCOLATE HILL, silenced by 18-prs.), 95 B.9 (shelling harbour, silenced by 18-prs.), 95 G.9 (shelling Hill 60, silenced by 18-prs.), 95 H.3, 105 U.4 (which Naval F.O.O. claims to have silenced with his first round), 119 M.5 and Q.3 (suspected, not confirmed). Some fresh digging is reported on Hill 60. The wire on SCIMITAR HILL is not yet repaired, but coils of wire can be seen lying near there.

Nullah in 93 4.4 was sholled with effect, constant movement of troops was observed in Nullah 136 Q.4 and

138 R.1-5.

A quiet day. Guns active: - 157 R.7-8 (shelling KARAKOL GAP) about 93 L.5, and one semewhere in 137 X. A gun from KANLI KEUPRU DERE opened fire on our front trenches about SULAJIK at 1330; all rounds fell short, two quite clearly into the enemy's own front trenches. A gun at 118 N.9 which is stated to fire at our trenches at night was shelled by 18-prs.

Very little movement was observed except about 136 P.1-5

whore mon word moving all day singly or in pairs.

F.O.O. at SULAJIK reports enemy are thatching their

rosorvo tronchos with straw in some places.

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STATEMENT of R.41, GEORGE KALFAS and R.42, ANASTAS MANOL, Ptos., 1st Bn., 127th Rogt., who gave themselves up just South of JEPHSON'S POST, 25/10/15.

They state that their regt. has been in the neighbourhood of the ANAFARTAS since August 10th. All the machine guns in the 11th Division are manned by Gormans. A detachment consists of four men relieved every 24 hours. The food id bad; they got a little meat every third or fourth day. They had not seen the Deserter's Letter themselves, but their officers told them that the British had dropped them and that the contents of the letters were to the effect that the British were sorry they had made war on Turkey, and begged the Turks not to fire on their hospitals or hospital ships. When at SEDDUL-BAHR they saw an aeroplane bomb knock over 10 men and 28 horses. Since they had been in the ANAFARTA region they had not heard much about aeroplane bombs. The 127th Rogt. has 2 bomb cat pults, but has not used them much as the trenches are too far apart. The Turk line is now so strongly entrenched that our gun fire does not do much damago; there are, however, about half a dozon casualties every day in the 127th. (Our machine guns do not fire enough; if there was more fire at night Turk working parties would suffer much.) The majority of casu. Itios in the 127th Rogt. are suffered by the 4th Co. of the 1st Bn. which is nearest the plain (Trenchus S.1, R.1 ?) as they are fired into by machine guns (whose bullets come from a great height ? JEPHSON'S POST) and ships' guns; also our field artillory fires a good doal there. (The men are weak and tired but there is not much sickness;) the wounded are better cared for than the sick. There will be no peace until the Germane have conquered the Russians and have marched to Constantinople. The talk in camp is that the Germans have 2 million Russian prisoners ! (Rumours of German aid are circulated daily, the latest is that 5,000 trained bomb throwers are now at Chanak proparing to bomb the British off the Poningula ! Thore are also 14 submarines in the BLACK SEA. ADRIANOPLE has been dismintled and handed over in toto to BULGARIA. The Turks say ("Let us be friends with the BULGARS now; whon this war is over we will settle with them." There is an Arab rogt. at TURSHT-EN-KEUI; a fow nights ago a battalion was brought up and placed in the trenches in batches of 20 or so. The men were much afraid and the Arabs are looked on as quite useless) There was not much damage done during the late bombardment of the PIMPLE and BENCH MARK, the trenches are very deep and well-made cover is good. The Turks would like to attack Jophson's Post, but the men do not like the idea of facing our machine guns. There are six machine guns altogether with the 126th and 127th Rogts., four are given to the 1st/127th as it holds the place of honour. About a wook ago a shell from a ship's gun dostroyod a machino gun located about T.1.A. Tho prisoners do not know where the field guns are located. It is rumoured that all guns which could be spared have been brought to the Peninsula. (There has been no talk of the use of gas. About ton days ago, however, the men received respirators as it was reported that we were going to uso gas.) Thoro is no mining by the Turks opposite 'D' Soction, digging and roofing of tronches good on every night, there are no piencers working on trenches held by 127th Regt. Pioneers mostly work on communications. There are now cook-houses quite close to the trenches, rations arrive daily from AK BASHI and TURSHT-EN-KEUI,

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about 3 p.m.; carts are used as far as TURSHT-EN-KEUI, themco mulo transport right up to the trenches. There is a large ammunition depot at ERIM-KEUI)(:) Prisoners know of no local depotts. The soldiers have one suit of clothes and a great coat; they have to supply their own underclothes. GEORGE says his sergeant took a new shirt from him the other day and appropriated it to his own use. Uniform is disinfected (50 suits at a time) East of TURSHT-EN-KEUI (138 Y.2) near the river. [There is no protection at prosent) from the weather; [127th Rogt. has no blankets. There are three kinds of Mausdrs in uso, all firing the same ammunition, no Martini-Henri's with 127th Rogth Either the 20th or 13th Division will relieve the 11th Division; both those divisions have old fashioned rifles so the relieving division will take over those of the 11th on their arrival in the trenches; this applies to equipment also. The 1st Co. of the 1/127th has one lieutenant and one 2nd lioutenant, the 2nd Co. one lioutenant, one 2nd lioutenant, 180 men. The battalion has 9 officers and 750 men; (the officers go and hide when the shelling begins, and the men are much afraid, they are new drafts. At the beginning of August, however, the 11th Division fought splendidly and was looked on as the best division on the Peninsula. The good men have buon killed off, however. 1/127th H.u. are near KIDNEY HILL.

127th H.Q. are somewhat in rear.

11th Divisional H.Q. are at ASHAGI KAPANJA "where the band plays."

. (Each company holds about 120 metres) of front; there is a softry at every 10th metro) by night and every 20th by day. These sentries usually fire 5 or 6 rounds during their tour of duty which is one hour only. It is reported that our prisoners are well treated, some of them are said to be working on roads near AFION-KARA-HISSAR. Each company has three sections in the fire trenches and one section in reservo. The reserve section relieves one of the fire trench sections every second night, thus each section does 4 days in fire tronch and 2 in reserve. During the day only one section remains in the fire trench, while the other two remain nearby in the support trenches. The troops actually in the firing line do the digging by night (it is not usual to organize special parties for this work) and the following procedure is adopted. A party of one officer and eight men patrol the front 150 yards in front of the working party; 50 yards in front of the party are 12 men and 2 N.C.Os, Those men are extended and "dug in"; it is these men who do the firing during the night which we term "sniping" These on the mon fire 50 rounds per man a night avarage.

Communication tronches are good. Casualties are not suffered therefore while the men are coming up to the firing line. There is plenty of water and it is very good. It is drawn from wells in the plain (KUCHUK ANAFARTA OVA ?) which are exposed to fire from our machine guns; it is safe

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# EXTRACT FROM THE "PATRIS" OF OCTOBER 4th.

# KING FERDINAND's Order of the Day to the Army.

BULGARIANS! You are all witnesses of the unceasing efforts which I have made during the whole of the past year since the outbreak of the European War for the maintainance of peace in the Balkans and for the welfare of the country. I and my Government have striven in every way to realise the ideal of the Bulgarian Nation.

Both groups of the great belligerent Powers have recognised the great injustice which was done to us in the division of MACEDONIA.

Both belligerents are agreed as to the fact that the larger portion of MACEDONIA ought to belong to Bulgaria: only our treacherous neighbour Serbia has remained doaf to the counsels of her friends and Allies; instead of listening to their advice Serbia has made an attack upon our territory, and our noble armies have been obliged to take up arms for the defence of their own soil. Bulgarians! Our National ideals, which are dear to us, obliged us in 1912 to call our hereic army to a struggle in which it raised the standard of freedom and east down the symbols of slavery. Our Allies, the Serbs, subsequently became the general cause of our losing MACEDONIA. Overborne and war-worn, but not entirely vanquished, we were obliged to fold these standards while waiting for a happier day.

That day has come sooner than we expected. The European War is drawing to its close. The heroic armies of the Central EMPIRES are already in Serbia, and advancing rapidly. I call upon the fully-armed Bulgarian nation to defend its fatherland and to free our brothers now enslaved under the yeke of the Serbians. I order my heroic army to drive the enemy from the frontier of the Kingdom and annihilate them, and to free our brothers who are greaning under the Serbian yeke. We shall fight against the Serbians in alliance with the Central powers. May the Bulgarian Soldiers fly from victory to victory. Forward! May God Bless our armies.

(Signed by the King and the Prime Minister.)

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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# OCTOBER 25th, 1915.

BULGARIAN The following is the latest information regarding the dispositions of the Bulgarian Army on the Serbian frontier.

NORTHERN SECTION. (General Boyajioff), between TIMOK and ZAYTCHAR:-

Divisions 1, 6, 11, with 184 field and mountains guns.

CENTRE. (General Jekoff), between VRANIA and PIROT,

extending towards ISTIP:-

Divisions 3, 4, 7, 8, 5 (two brigados), 1st Cavalry Brigado, with 245 field and mountain guns.

SOUTH EAST. (General Kirkoff), between RADOVITZA and STRUMNITZA:-

Divisions 2, 3 (one brigade), with 88 field and mountain guns.

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- BOMBS. Doscription of 2 unoxploded Turkish bombs examined at

  ANZAC:-
  - (a) "Jam tin" bomb of double cylinder type, containing one stick "Roburite" (No. 6 detenator) and filled with revolver bullets, buttons and old Snider caps.
  - (b) Large "stick bomb" made from empty Q.F. case,
    containing 14 packages of "Excellite", 1 lb. of black
    powder and 6 lbs. of bullets.

BOMBARDMENT On the afternoon of the 21st October an Allied of DEDEAGATCH.

squadron bombarded the Bulgarian coast. A number of military look-out stations were shelled and the harbour at DEDEAGATCH including the shipping, warehouses, piers etc., was bombarded. The railway bridges east of the town and much rolling stock were destroyed. Several large fires were started, one evidently an oil depot. The residential part of the town was not attacked; the enemy

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made no reply.

EXAMINATION Two Ottoman Groek prisoners of the 127th Regiment who gave themselves up to the 9th Army Corps just South of JEPHSON'S POST, 23/10/15.

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The soldiers have one suit of clothes and a great coat; they have to supply their own underclothes. Uniform is disinfected (50 suits at a time) East of TURSHT-EN-KEUI (138.Y.2) near the river. There is no protection at present from the weather; 127th Regiment has, no blankets.

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# R.N.A.S. INFORMATION REPORT.

Daily Summary, 24th Octobor, 1915.

The low clouds and rain made work impossible today and no flights were undertaken.

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# R.N.A.S. INFORMATION REPORT.

Daily Summary, October 25th, 1915.

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HELLES.

2nd. Wing. An aeroplane was sent to spot for ship's guns on targets Y.l. and 37.P.3-6.

The former was successfully attacked, but owing to W/T broakdown, the latter had to be abandoned.

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3rd. Wing. Spotted shoro guns on batteries in 105.U.4. and 135.0.9.

2nd. Wing. Spotted for shore guns on 80.2.3. effectively.

A new gun emplacement was located in 68.T.4-5.

apparently unoccupied.

S. ASIATIC \*ARK ROYAL".A bomb was dropped on the Net at NAGARA.

& STRAITS.

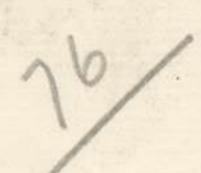
The new Net extends almost half

way across the Channel marked by/buoys.

SHIPPING. "ARK ROYAL". The following shipping was reported in the STRAITS:-

1 T.B. and 5 dhows in KILIA LIMAN.
2 dhows and one sailing ship off AK BASHI
LIMAN.
3 tugs each towing 5 or 6 dhows leaving
AK BASHI LIMAN in North Easterly direction.
4 small steamers in AK BASHI LIMAN.

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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# OCTOBER 26th, 1915.

BULGARIA. The following information has been received from a resident in Bulgarian THRACE who left there on October 17th.

There is great activity in constructing field fortifications near KANTHI.

At YENIDJE there is a considerable concentration of old pattern guns.

Russia and there seems to be little enthusiasm in the Regular Army. Several persons including officers and soldiers have been imprisoned in GUMULJINA for expressing Russophil sentiments.

At a parade of the XANTHI garrison on October 15th an order was read to the troops (which was subsequently printed and circulated) instructing them to show every kindness and consideration to Greeks in Bulgaria.

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TROOPS. 950 convalescent soldiers left CONSTANTINOPLE for the front on the 13th and 14th October.

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GREEGE. The embarkation at PIRAEUS of the 1st Army Corps for SALONIKA was begun on the 23rd October.

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RAILWAYS. The new railway in S. PALESTINE now extends from RAMLEH to within a short distance of BEERSHEBA, and trains are running on it.

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SNIPING. The sniping record in the 1st. Australian Division is held by a trooper of the 2nd. Light Horse, who, on the 23rd. instant accounted for his 199th Turk. Every one of this record is vouched for by an independant observer, frequently an officer who observes through a telescope.

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INTERROGATION Prisoner of 59th Regiment (26th Division)

OF PRISONERS.

surrendered on right of 9th Corps on 23/10/15.

The 59th Regiment was formed of companies from the 19th, 20th, 21st Regiments. It was at DERKOS with the 78th and 78th Regiments till July. The latter two were then sent to ADDIANOPLE, whilst one battalion of the 59th was sent to MIDIA, Regimental Headquarters and three battalions going to KIRK KILISSE. In August, 76 and 78 were brought to GALLIPOLI where 59 joined them. After 10 days spent there in getting the division into shape, it was brought down to TURSHT-EN-KEUI and ANAFARTA. (September.)

The 59th Regiment was first the tin reserve at KABA
TEPE (prisoner states that this is the hill between K. and
B. ANAPARTA and East of ISMAIL OGHLU TEPE) and has been
holding the trenches at ISMAIL OGHU for the last 10 days,
having relieved the 17th or 27th Regiment. He states that
on one side of his regiment was the 25th, and on the other the
20th and 21st Regiments.

- G. O. C. VI A.C. is Mustafa Komal Bey.
- G. O. C. 26th Division is Kaimakam Essad Bey.
- O. C. 59th Regiment is Kaimakam Ali Bey.
- O. C. 78th Rogiment is Kaimakam Yussuf Zia Bey.

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The 76th and 78th Regiments are composed mostly of Arabs from the ALEPPO district; the mon of the 59th are Turks.

Prisoner states that the zone from EJELMAR Bay to CHIMEN TEPE is called the ANAFARTA GROUP and is commanded by the G.O.C. VI A.C. G.H.Q. of the Corps and also of the 25th Division are at CHAM TEKKE. He describes this as being half an hour behind KUTCHUK ANAFARTA, (possibly the TEKKE at 107.R.)

Prisoner's company numbers 180 - 190 men. According to his statement there are 4 battaliens in the regiment.

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### INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. - 25-10-15.

RIGHT SECTION.

G.12b appears to have been deepened and strengthened and an earthwork built near junction of G.12b and G.12z. Hew wire has been placed in front of barricade at Eastern end of G.11a. Hammering and digging again reported in F.12 and F.13. Working parties were seen at dif-ferent times near F.13z, F.12a, F.12, E.13b, F.13 and F.14 near the Achi Baba Hullah and in the East Epithia Hullah.

During the night emiping by the urks was more active than usual in the centre sub-section and during the day in G.lia. Six bombs were thrown by the enemy at our bomb station North of Vineyard but all fell short. The enemy shelled our old bomb station A just West of Writhia Mullah from 1500 to 1730.

A Greek deserter ran across from the enemy trenches at 1455.

GENTRE SECTION .

The West and of H.12a has been built up with about 20 yards of very whit-e sandbags. Enoug snipers were active from H.12c and a brisk exchange of bombing and eniping took place at No. 1 bombing station and Northern Barricade. The Worcester Barricade was also bombed in the morning.

LEFT SECTION.

The enemy made many attempts to re-erect their birdcage at East end of Fusilier Bluff but were stopped by our bombing.

At 1800 a large number of bombs were thrown by the Turks at Boyes Point and Western Birdcage.

At 1817 the enemy exploded a small counter-sine opposite No. 2 shaft North of Boyes Point and near their own trench, doing no damage to us.

The mine which they exploded on the 25rd inst near J. 13 partially buried their own wire and three a considerable amount of earth and debris into their trench which they have been busily engaged in clearing.

Enemy artillery fired about 160 rounds.

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Intolligence Summary. 24/10/15.

# 1. 'A' Section. (2nd Mounted Division).

several large objects which look like embrasures made of barrels have appeared in the enemy front line opposite A.52, and a M.G. emplacement has also been observed near the two white birch trees there.

At 0300 a small party of enemy wore seen some distance in front of their tronches N.E. of WHITE HOUSE. They were fired on and dispersed.

'B' Soction. (15th Division).

A Turkich working party opposite B.62 was dispersed by M.G. fire about 1930.

'C' Section. (29th Division).

Enomy snipors quieter than usual, but a certain amount of shelling of our front line trenches. Wiring parties in front of 0.54 and working parties in front of 0.60 dispersed by our fire.

'D' Soction. (11th Division).

Enony very quiet and snipers less active than usual; onemy continued to work on their tranches opposite D.48,47.

Right Flank.

one firing on 8.53 from the N.E., the other on the BLOCK-

HOUSE LAU East.

Other targets engaged: - Parties on the GALLIPOLI Road, a trench mortar N. of KAVAKLER, working parties in 93 M.4, a new Turkish trench at 93 W.4 (enemy seen to bolt after first round), and a Turkish camp in 92 P.5 where white jackets or blankets were seen, and much movement observed when fire was opened.

### Loft Flank.

Enomy guns almost completely silent, none engaged. One was active near 106 C.7 shelling the trenches at SULAJIK, but could not be exactly located, another fired a few rounds at the Beach at 1700.

Targets engaged: - A party of about 30 Turks moving Eastwards in 118 D, and a string of mules about 118 Z.8-9. Other-

wise very little movement was seen.



STATEMENT of V.S, Pto. ISMAIL KAMIL, who gave himself up to the 2nd Mounted Division, 23/10/15.

This deserter from the province of BROUSSA was called up. at MIDIA in Soptember, 1914. For the last month he has been in the region of 'W' Hill, and has been 10 days in the trenches. He belongs to the 2nd Bn., 59th Rogt., 26th Divn. (the other two regts. in this division are the 75th and 78th, reported several times to be in this area, and to be Arabs). . He states that the 20th and 19th Regts, are in the neighbourhood of AIRETCH TEPE SIRT, and that the 13th is at ARI BURNU. There is plenty of S.A.A. but the mon are not allowed to fire without orders. Gun ammunition is smanty, but one big gun battery on 'W' Hill seems to have plenty; the food is good and plontiful. Casualties are caused in his experience (1) by acroplant bombs occarionally, (2) by trench mortar bombs occasionally in the tronchos, (3) from heavy gun fire when in reserve, (4) from gun and machine gun fire sometimes when coming up to the trunches. There has been no sickness so far, but there soon will be as clothing is bad and there are no blankets, waterproof sheets or head-cover even in the reserve tronchos. He hears that the Germans are coming to help them and that there will be prace by the end of the month.) (He knows nothing of arab troops - it is difficult to reconcile this with the current statements about Rogts. 76 and 78.)

He has heard no details about the capture of the barricade in the ASMAN Deric on the 17th/18th, except that 8 to 10 wounded had been brought in. The enemy, he thinks, will never attack us, but expect us to attack them. There are no machine guns or trench mortars in his own trench, but there are machine guns on 'g'. Hill, and for two months they have been told that some trench mortars are being brought up for them.

He knows of no mining in the trenches, but hears that there

are land mines in BIYUK ANAFARTA.

alk the digging is done by the Grook and Armenian Labour Corps.

ANAFARTA, and thence by hand. His regt. is armed with Mausers throughout. There are a captain, a lieutenant, a reserve officer and about 160 men in his company.

Regimental H. v. ar about a quarter of a mile behind the front line, and divisional headquarters at CHAM TEKKE (? about

107 R - S).

There are two sentries to every ten men at night, and one during the day; if the sentry goes to sleep he is beaten.

This prisoner deserted at Trench A.56 because he was tired of the war and afraid of the cold weather.

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Intelligence Summary.

25/10/15.

- 1. The name "THE BOOT" is sanctioned for the hill feature at 135 P.1 and 2.
- About 1830 a party of enemy estimated at 40 50 crept up a ditch close to A.62 and 63 and opened fire to front and flank. They were driven off by rifle and artillery fire. More rifle fire than usual during the night.

A patrol reports the enemy were working behind their wire on the Northern slopes of SCIMITAR HILL.

Enemy snipers active on the right but quiet on the left. The Right Sub-section reports enemy working parties in front of 0.54, and about 100 yds. in front of the enemy 2030 and 2130 the enemy fired about 25 broomstick bombs, located opposite 0.53.

Left Sub-section report that enomy were seen working in epposite C.60 - 61, and that we drove in a covering party

Enomy snipers were less active than usual, and very little work was noticed yesterday. There is an unconfirmed report that the enemy have made a gap in their works on the sky-line 100 yds. West of the PIMPLE. The continuous movement about ASHAGI KAPANJA tends to confirm the desorter's statement that it is a divisional H.Q.

3. Artillory Reports.
Right Flank.

Little activity yesterday. B.59 was shelled by guns not located from the direction of KAVAK TEPE, and a howitzer possibly from the direction of ANAFARTA SAGIR.

There is good reason to suppose that the enemy are in possession of an 18-pr. gun or guns; an 18-pr. shell was picked up by the 54th Division on Hill 60 and others burst there, and the 10th Heavy Battery report that an 18-cr. shell dated 1915 and picked up in ANZAC was undoubtedly fired by the enemy. It is believed that the howitzers in supposed to fire on the tronches near SULAJIK; another indications of a gun position, though there are sand-bags and loop-holes.

Targets ongaged: - GALLIPOLI ROAD (where there was much more movement than usual), trenches opposite A.50 (during night of 23/24th by request of 2nd Mtd. Div. to keep down snipers, fire reported effective), camp fires at 93 M.l and on SCIMITAR HILL, and mounted men in nullah 93 G.3.

Vory quiet day. Gun at 93 L.1-5 shelling the plain between Hill 60 and CHOCOLATE HILL silenced by 4 rounds of Hoavy Battery. Hardly any movement was seen except at by 18-prs.

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# R.N.A.S. INFORMATION REPORT.

# Daily Summary, 26th October, 1915.

Area. Source of Information.

Details.

HELLES. 2nd. Wing. Spotted for shore guns on D.3. and P.1.(25th).

A howitzer was seen to fire twice in 28.U.9.

(25th).

Aeroplanes were sent to spot for ship's guns and shore batteries on various targets, but, owing to low clouds, had to return.

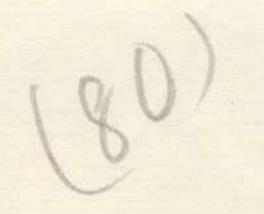
ANZAC & 2nd. Wing. Forty eight photographs were taken in the SUVLA.

ANZAC area, but a forced landing in the sea rendered the plates useless. (25th).

"ARK ROYAL". Spotted for ship's guns in camps in 56.C.4.

5.6 and 55.P.9.

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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

## OCTOBER 27th, 1915.

KIRETOH TEPE. The two prisoners of the 127th Regiment who surrendered on the 23rd October state that two additional lines of trenches have been dug some distance behind the firing line trenches on KIRETOH TEPE SIRT. These are at present unoccupied but would be occupied by reserve troops in case of our making an attack.

They give the distribution of the 11th Division as Regiment 123 on the right next the sea, Regiment 127 in the centre, and Regiment 33 on the left, each regiment having two battalions in first line and one in reserve.

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NAMES OF LOCALITIES. The name "the Boot" is sanctioned for the hill feature at 155 P.1 & 2.

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MESOPOTAMIA. Euphrates Line. - The Officer Commanding, NASIRIYAH, reports that the name of the Turkish Commandor at KEFIL is Akif Bey. He has two field, one mountain and two machine guns. The 33rd Turkish Cavalry Regiment arrived at HILLA on the 10th August from ALEPPO and left soon afterwards for destination said to be KEFIL. It is also reported that of the four battalions at KEFIL, two came from ALEPPO, and two from VAN.

A report states that up to the 11th September there were no signs of troops between KUT and SHATTRA, except a continual stream of desertors from KUT going towards SHATTRA.

Tigris Line. Since mid August the only reinforcements believed to have arrived at BAGDAD amount to some 700 cavalry, 1,000 Infantry and ten mountain guns.

A report received at BASRA indicates that the Germans attached to the Turkish force on the TIGRIS have had a split with the Turkish Commander at KUT and are leaving IRAK via BAGDAD. Cause of the dissension is said to be that the Germans advocate defensive and the Turkish Commander offensive tactics.

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CENSORED TELEGRAM. A censored telegram dated October 17th

Important troop movements in Turkey. Communication between CONSTANTINOPLE and Asia Minor is suspended, the trains being used for the movement of troops. Most of the soldiers used for the defence of SMYRNA are being bemoved under the command of Turkish officers for the defence of VARNA, BURGAS and DEDEAGATCH. Only a few Turkish troops will take part in the attack on Sorbia.

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# TURKISH TROOPS. It he reported that:

- (a) Two Turkish Army Corps, formed of the best trained men under Von der Goltz, Pertev and Vehib Pashas will be sent to assist the Bulgarians.
- (b) A division, No. 48, armed with old rifles, will be sent to SMYRNA to replace the troops who have left.
- (c) Gorman officers and N.C.Os. are to be employed as Captains and Lieutenants owing to the heavy losses amongst the Turkish officers.

- (d) A new army corps now under formation will be sent to the Jerusalom district.
- (e) On October 14th a Gondarmeric division formed at CONSTANTINOPLE was sent to SHILEH (Black Sea Asiatic Coast.)
- Note. Division 48 is the highest divisional number yet reported of the rewly formed units. Information has now been received of Divisions 43, 44, 45, 47 and 48. The Turks have therefore recently formed at loast 6 now divisions, one, possibly two, of which are bolieved to be in SYRIA.

It is reported that reorganisation is taking place and that the numbers of units are being changed; until further information has been received on this point, nothing definite can be stated as to the composition of the two corps referred to in (a).

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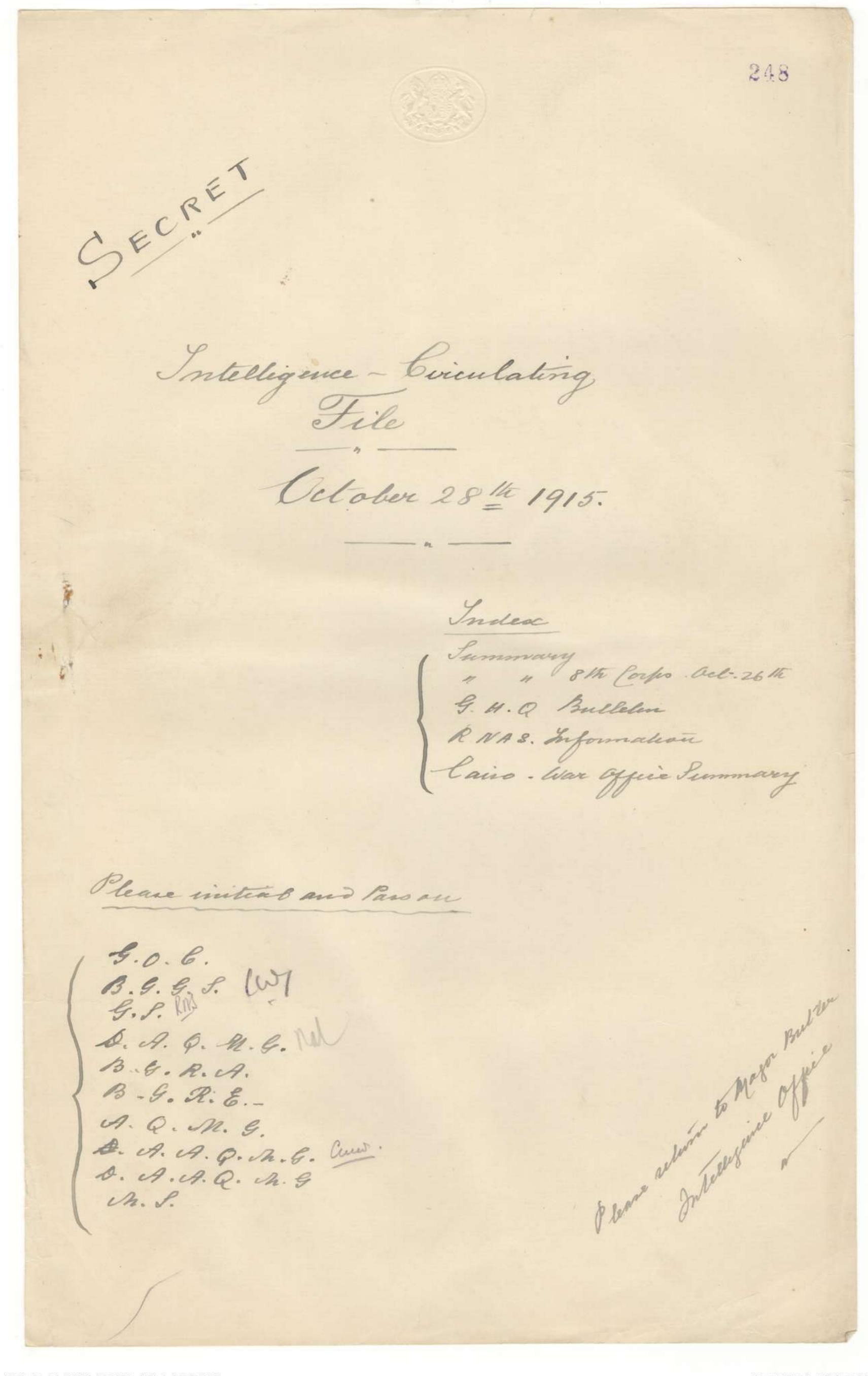
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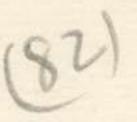
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GILLESPIE HILL. 92 N 1-8. W HILLS. 105 T - U. CHOCOLATE HILLS. 105 I M.

Army Corps Head-quarters. 27th October, 1915.



INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY - 26-10-15. RIGHT SECTION. Digging was heard during the night in F.12 near the Small Mullah. Wire has been increased in front of 4.11, G. lie and the Barricade in East Krithia Mullah. Work has been done on the parapet of E.13b, in F.13a, and sounds of sawing and hammering were heard in the Turkish sap on the East of the Vineyard. The merry shelled the support line near Krithia Mullah and throw some bombs at our Nor th Vineyard bomb station. In peoply to our bomberdment at 1830 yesterday, Turkish Artillery fired at the right of our CENTRE SECTION. line and broke down 10 feet of parapet: at the same time a few shells fell near Essex Enell. Enemy bombers were active yesterday opposite wordester Barricade but no r eply was made to our bombing from No. 1 station and from Worthern and Southern Barricades. , Turks dug a sap during the night f rom J.12 b to to mullah. The sap runs from between LEFT SECTION. 2 and b (grench diagram 6a, 3rd revision) in an B.S.E. direction to the Mullah. The onemy have established a machine pun somewhere W. of Fusilier Bluff East which is laid on the pathway between H Y and Bruce's Ravines. Turkish artillery damaged a small length of parapet in the support line of the right subsection. Total number of rounds fired during the day, about 180 rounds. (signed) Francis Davies. Lieutenant -Coneral, A. and N. Z. A. C. Commanding 8th Army Corps.



# R.N.A.S. INFORMATION SUMMARY, 26th October, 1915.

Area. Source of Information.

Details.

BULAIR. 3rd. Wing. The following is the report of a long reconnaissance of the Northern Area (25th):-

(Ref. 1/50,000 map.)

15 miles N. of

TURSHT-EN-KEUI.

Fifty mon halted here.

KARNABILI. Transport camp by road junction South of R
KARNABILI. About 300 animals in standings.

UNGERDERE. 20 tents in nullah 2 mile South of the town.

(ref. 1/250,000) New bridge being built alongside and to W. of permanent bridge at G in GALATA.

BAIR KEUI.

Several scattered small partness of troops moving South along main road, towards bridge at G in GALATA. Altogether 200 men (about).

North of Scattered groups of men and transport moving S.N. GALLIPOLI. on GALLIPOLI - BULAIR main road.

GALLIPOLI.

Large column of transport, consisting of a few carts, large number of mules and dismounted men, moving in a northerly direction. Head of column entering GALLIPOLI. Length of column about 600 yds.

GALLIPOLI.

Dropped one 100 1b. bomb on this column which fell into the edge of the water beside the column.

Road junction due S. Camp of 30 tents and huts on the N. of the of Pt.436 and BULAIR- main road. 40 carts moving S. at this point, and 100 mules moving S. about 4 mile S. of this point.

DOGHAN-ARSLAN. 88 (?) carts moving N. on road just S. of D in DOGHAN-ARSLAN. 100 animals, in lines, S. of the road near this point.

MAGHARALIK.

About 120 tents painted earth colour, where the main road crosses the nullah just N. of G in MAGHARALIK, with rows of trenches and gun emplacements just N. of this and extending westwards.

HEXAMILI.

Large camps of huts, tents and dug-outs about a mile east of the town with trenches around.

There are only 2 bridges over the river north of the town as previously reported.

There is a ford which is evidently used across the stream opposite the south end of the town and another doubtful ford at the mouth of the river.

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KAVAK.

Area. Source of Information.

Details.

### Northern Abea reconnaissance report continued:-

Marsh W. of KAVAK. There is a bridge where the main road KAVAK-KHOJACHESEME crosses the nullah running South,

which crosses the centre of the Harsh.

A fow transport animals were halted here. About 40 transport vehicles were moving towards KHOJACHESEME down the winding road from YERLISU, and at different points on the same section of road four very large flocks of sheep, moving South.

The buildings previously reported to be stables YERLISU. There are about 20 of them each capable are stables.

of stabling about 20 animals.

10 long huts have now been built N. of the road cach about 100' long. The remainder of the camp is as reported.

MAVRIA. 30 vehicles and a fow men moving S. at this place,

> The camps here have changed since last report. There are now about 100 tents altogother in scattered camps to the N. of the town.

40 carts packed to the S. of the town and 40

carts to the north.

The round dots shown on the map represent windmills which stand in an open space. This open space was filled with horsed transport, probably 200-250 vohicles. Two 20 lb. bombs were dropped here. one falling amongst the vehicles and one just missing them. 20 carts moving S. just south of KESHAN.

BULGARKEUI. A camp & mile N. of this place (capable of containing probably 1500 men) consisting of tents and dug-outs.

Two miles W. 20 tents South of the road here.

14 tents North of the road North of this place. LIZGHARKEUI.

MALGARA. Nothing of military importance seen here.

KURU DAGH 15 odd tents in mullah due South of U in KURU, (Mountains) and midway between it and the winding road.

> In the whole of the MALGARA - KESHAN area cultivation is being carried on.

The greater part of the marsh land West of KAVAK is trenched, with a few gun emplacements to the North of the main road.

> Short lengths of trenches run enland from the coast, at intervals, from CHOJA-CHESHME to South of the K in KARACHALI.

KESHAN.

of MALGARA.

KAVAK.

Area.

Source of Information.

Details.

Off BERGAZ CHARDAK. BERGAZ.

SHIPPING.

A dostroyer steaming N. in the centre of the stream.

3 largo sailing ships and about 20 small craft. 2 steamships about 300' long and one small craft. 3 tugs, each with lighters steaming North towards BERGAZ.

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and CHANAK (25th).

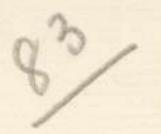
Twenty-five transport waggons were observed on the road 11.P. to 565.L. moving South (25th).

3rd.Wing. Bombs were dropped on camps and stores near MAIDOS and in KILIA LIMAN, with good results, The shipping in KILIA LIMAN was also attacked. (25th).

"ARK ROYAL". Observer reports: 1 steamer 250 feetleaving Kilia Liman. Six dhows in KILIA and a tug lying at the nets.

SHIPPING. 3rd.Wing.

Observers report (25th) BERGAZ 2 ships 350', 3 or 4 about 200!. Off BERGAZ. 2 ships about 150-200' on patral, and a T.B.D. steaming North. 1 mile South of UZUN BURNU, close to the shore, and steaming South, steamer 150'. towing 2 lighters. 2 miles NE of ABYDOS POINT. 1 T.B. AK BASHI LIMAN. 2 steamers 150' long, 2 tugs, 12 dhows. 71.X.8. Gun-boat of Burak-Reiss class. KILIA LIMAN. 2 T.B.Ds. (1 of Gorman type) and 7 dhows. CHARDAK. 3 large sailing ships and about 20 small craft. NAGARA BAY. 3 steamers 150' and about 6 dhows.



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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# OCTOBER 28th, 1915.

- BULGARIA. The following is believed to be the present-location of the Bulgarian Army:-
  - (a) NORTH SECTOR, NEGOTIN, TIMOK Valley ZAYECHAR:
    Divisions 1, 6, 5 (two brigades), 9 (one brigade),
    under General Boyajieff.
  - (b) <u>OENTRE SECTOR</u>, PIROT VRANIA USKUB: extending towards ESTIP:

    Divisions 7, .8, 11, 3 (two brigades), under General Jekoff and Prince Boris.
  - (c) SOUTH SECTOR, RADOVITZA STRUMNITZA:
    Divisions 2, 3 (one brigado).
  - (d) AEGEAN COAST, Division 10.
  - (e)Roumanian Frontier, under General Toscheff:

    Danube line Division 9 (two brigades) and Division 5

    (one brigade).
    - Dobrudja line, Division 4.
  - (f) BLACK SEA COAST, Two Turkish divisions are reported moving towards VARNA.

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NAVAL. It is reported that the "Gooben" left CONSTANTINOPLE for VARNA on October 18th.

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AEROPLANES. It is reported that the Bulgarians have seized for their own use 22 hydroplanes and aeroplanes which were in transit for Turkey.

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ARTILLERY. A report has been received giving the following list of guns in use in the Turkish Army:-

Calibre 35 cm.

30.5 cm.

24 "

15 " long and short.

12 "

9 11

8.5 old field guns.

7.5 " field guns.

8.5 " mountain guns.

4.5 " " "

28 " howitzers.

21 " short howitzers.

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YEMEN. According to a deserter the battalions at LAHEJ and in the South are:-

2nd and 3rd Battalions 115th Regiment.

1st, 2nd and 3rd " 116th "

let and 3rd " 117th "

2nd " 118th "

1st and 3rd " 119th

1st " 120th "

It is said that describers amongst the Turks and Arabs are increasing in numbers.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 27th October, 1915.

RIGHT SECTION.

Enemy did some work on their wire near our N.W.Vineyard bomb station.
Turkish sap on East of Vineyard is reported by patrols to be shallow and unoccupied.
In reply to our bombing in the right subsection the enemy threw some bombs which fell short and opened a furious but ineffective fire for about 10 minutes.

CENTRE SECTION.

Digging reported in H.13c and H.12a and four new loopholes made in the former and two in the latter trench.

On the whole the Tu rks were quiet on this front throughout the day but there was considerable movement of troops from 1840 to 1750 on the reads leading into Krithia

considerable movement of troops from 1640 to 1750 on the roads leading into Krithia from the North. Early this morning some hundreds of the enemy were seen moving in a Northerly direction near the Red Grescent flags at the windmills and movements were also seen towards the South through the road behind H.17 - J.17 from 6700 to 1100. The thir d windmill from the right near the Red Grescent flag is believed to be an observation station.

LEFT SEC TION.

The enemy put up a bomb screen at East end of Fusileer Bluff. It has been knocked down. They threw thirty bombs at Boyes Point after we had bombed their trenches J.13 and J.13a.

The support line East of Gully Ravine was shelled from 1430 to 1500 but no damage was done.

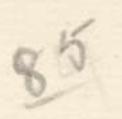
Total number of hostile rounds fired, about 150.

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# R.N.A.S. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REPORT, 27/10/15.

Area. Source of Information.

Romarks.

Several spotting flights were attempted today, but the strongth of the wind and low clouds provented them being carried out.

DEDEAGATCH. "Ben-My-Chree". Reconnaissances were made of DEDEAGATCH - ENOS - and BODOMA Junction, on the 25th instant, and the observers report considerable damage caused by the bombardment of DEDEAGATCH on the 21st.

The Ottoman Railway Station to the West of the town, the sheds and warehouses by the harbour, and the large factory to the East of the Town were completely buint out and were still smouldering. The Earracks, some distance to the West, had been badly damaged, and, together with the town itself, was apparently deserted. The Railway Station, East of the Town, did not appear to have been hit, but the railway bridge had been damaged.

Bombs were also dropped with offect.

The coast in the immediate vicinity of DEDEAGATCH has been extensively prepared for defence, but there was no sign of life in the trenches, and no guns were visible in the emplacements.

ENOS, which presents no features of importance, appears to be practically undefended. There are extensive sheds or warehouses on the bank of the southernmost of the three branches of the MARITZA, but no traffic of any sort could be seen.

The Railway from DEDEAGATCH to BODOMA is a single track, as is the main line, and the Southern line to FEREJIK.

BODOMA Junction consists of some red brick buildings and some sheds. There is no town. Some small camps were seen there.

BODOMA Junction was attacked by ship's guns on the 26th, with good offect, a scaplane spotting. Photographs were taken of the defences of DEDMAGATCH and of other places of interest.

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# R.N.A.S. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REPORT, 28/10/15.

Area. Source of Information.

Remarks.

HELLES. 3rd. WINE. Spotted for ships guns on camps in SOGHANLI DERE, effectively.

ANZAC & 2nd WINE. SUVLA.

Some photographs were taken of the ANZAC Area. (27th)

3rd WINK.

A reconnaissance was effected of the Country around EJELMER BAY.

Sheds were seen on the western side of the Bay and also under the hills South of the Bay - but there was no sign of Red Crescent or Red Cross flags to denote that these were hospitals.

camps were located on the East side of the valley in 137-0-7-8, in 120.Q.3 - and a large one on the west side of road at 94.B.9.

Fresh work was noticeable on the heavily entrenched redoubt, previously reported in 105.Z.

SHIPPING.3rd Wing. The following shipping was reported:-

In FALSE BAY. 2 steamers (350'), 3 TB'S and
10 or 12 small craft.

BERGAS BAY. 2 or 3 small craft.

DARDAN BAY. 1 steamer 350' - 1 TB and 5

Dhows.

AK BASHI LIMAN. 6 dhows.

KILIA LIMAN 1 ste amer 350' and some
lighters. Two small steamboats working
on Nat, and a TBD crossing Net.

Several flights attempted to day had to be abandoned, the pilots reporting that they could make no headway against the wind.

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9th Corps.

Intelligence Summary.

26/10/15.

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1. 'A' Section. (2nd Mountod Division).

About 250 men were seen yesterday at 0800 near 137 L.1-2, and a considerable number of men, mules and wagons were continually seen passing over the ridge N.E. of BIYUK ANAFARTA on which a row of pine trees show up conspicuously on the sky-line.

Digging was heard during the night opposite A.53, and small parties of the enemy were observed after dusk moving

about E. and N.E. of the WHITE HOUSE.

Patrols report that the enemy were working both N. and S. of SCIMITAR HILL and on the hill in front of B.63.

'C' Section. (29th Division).

Right Sub-section.

Enemy snipers and working parties were kept quiet by riflo and M.G. fire. At 1900 it was thought the enemy were working in front of their trenches opposite C.54 and 5 rounds rapid were fired from this trench. This drew about 2 minutes intenso rapid fire, which would seem to show that the onomy's line is strongly held or that he was standing to arms at the time. Enemy's fire was bad, few bullets hitting the parapet or being heard passing overhead. A possible M.G. emplacement has been located at 118 M.8.

Enemy have put up some more wire opposite C.60, but their wiring party in front of C.59 was bombed back by our patrols.

'D' Section. (11th Division).

Enemy were very quiet and no now work on their trenches was reported. Combined artillery, M.G. and rifle fire has done much towards keeping their snipers quiet.

2. Artillery Reports. Right Flank.

Guns active: - 93 G.3 and G.9 and several others not located. Clouds of smoke, either guns, puffs or camp fires about 93 A.6,

B.4. B.8, G.5. H.9 and L.4 were also fired on.

Other targets engaged: - Enemy trenches and wire entanglements in 80 F.6 (by 10th Heavy Battery, considerable damage done), and parties of enemy seen near the salient at J.1 at about 1845 (casualties observed; this same target was shelled with offect during the night to keep down snipers).

Left Flank.

A quiet day; during the night guns from 119 C.1 and near BAKA BABA CHESHME and KANLI KEUPRU DERE fired on our trenches.

Two guns firing from 136 M.6 for the first time since Oct. lst were silenced by 6 rounds of our 18-prs.; two anti-air-craft guns previously reported at 137 M.1 were observed firing from 137 H.7.

Parties of Turks at 118 K.9 and 118 K.7 were dispersed by 19-prs.; otherwise little movement was observed.

An enemy aeroplane flew over parts of our front line yesterday and dropped what appeared to be a message bag in the Turkish trenches.

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9th Corps

Intolligence Summary,

27.10.1915.

# 1. "A" Section (2nd mounted Division)

About 200 Turks were seen at 0730 near 137 L 1. Enemy working parties in their tronches opposite WHITE HOUSE were dispersed by M.G. fire. The barrel-shaped loop-holes reported in the enemy front line tronches opposite A 152 in the Summary of 24.10.1915 appear to be made of wickerwork.

# "B" Section (13th Division)

Enemy have placed more wire in front of their trenches on the top of "W" HILL at 105 U 4. Their attempts to establish a sniper's post in some trees 200 yards N.E. of the Apox in B 66 were frustrated by M.G. fire.

# "C" Section (29th Division)

Right Subsection.

Enemy working parties opposite C 54 and C 56 were dispersed by rifle and E.G. fire. There was a good deal of enemy sniping during the night and between 0100 and 0500 several trench-mortar bombs were fired at C 54, all of which fell short.

During the night the onomy worked at snipers' posts opposite the Right, Centre and Left of the subsection. Our posts and support trenches were shelled by a small gun at 1530; no damage was done.

# "D" Soction (11th Division)

Enemy were very quiet and there was little sniping. There was a small combined bombardment of the BENCHMARK, PIMPLE, and NORTH REDOUBT by the Navy and some field guns.

# 2. Artillory Roports.

Right Flank.

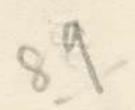
A very quiet day. Guns active: - 93 G 9, 137 L 2-6.

Other targets engaged: - Camp-fires at 93 G 3, Parties of enemy in gully at 93 Q 4, and snipers' posts at 105 N 2 (with effect). Puffs of smoke, perhaps indicating a gun position, have been located at 119 I 3. Two Red Crescent flags were placed to-day near the Turkish fire trenches at a point variously reported as 105 C 6-9, and 105 D 7 - J 1.

Very quiet day; no hostilo guns engaged. The gun reported by R.A. Right at 137 L 2-6 is a 4.2" howitzer which bombarded the Northern slopes of KARAKOL DAGH. Gun flashes were twice clearly seen at 105 U l. Except for parties of enemy at 118 Z 6, Z 8-9 and 136 P 7 dispersed by 18 pdrs., little movement was observed.









# PEGETVED 88th OCTOBER 1915.

It is reported that there is great activity in Constantinople, and that many German officers have received unexpected orders to proceed at once to the Dardanelles. The report ends with the words "Scmething is expected."

the 9th October, is to the effect that the Turks are forming two new Army Corps to assist the Bulgarians in their operations against Serbia, and that Turkish troops (half trained) will be used to protect the Bulgarian coast against possible landings.

favourable to us, in the views of the Greek General Staff with regard to intervention is probable.

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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# OCTOBER 29th, 1915.

TURKISH The POLITICAL.

The following is an extract from a report in the Greek Press:-

The Ottoman Chamber met on September 28th in private, the President boing absent through sudden indisposition.

The deputy for YOZGAT asked for a statement on the present situation. On the refusal of the Vice-President to allow discussion, uproar ensued which ended in the suspension of the sitting and prorogation to October 3rd.

The arrest of member for YOZGAT and 50 of his adherents would have been decided upon by the Committee of Union and Progress but for the intervention of the President of the Chamber, who deprecated this step on account of its possible bad effect on the Army.

At the session of the Senate on the same date Ahmed Riza asked the Government why it was hiding the real situation of the army at the Dardanelles, military disasters, and financial crisis. He blamed the Government for the Armenian massacres and generally for the persecution of Ohristians, adding that Turkey had ungratefully turned against its Triends and protectors; he finally accused the Government of having brought the State to an impossible situation.

Talaat Boy was summoned and on arrival ordered the suspension of the sitting and the arrest of Ahmed Riza; the latter was released next day on the intervention of the heir-apparent.

The Government has decided to ask Germany to state

what compensation Turkey will receive if the war ends favourably for the Contral Powers.

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PRISONERS. A soldier belonging to the 56th Regiment (15th Division) surrendered to the 8th Corps on the 24th Instant on the East of ACHI BABA NULLAH.

Note. The regiments of the 15th Division are Nos. 37, 45 and 56. They all took part in the earlier fighting in the Peninsula. The Division was withdrawn in June to CONSTANTINOPLE and there reformed. About the 15th August it was sent via UZUN KEUPRU to the BULAIR area, remaining there till about the 13th October, where it moved to the Southern Zone. The prisoner surrendered from the Section of the enemy's line previously held by the 13th Division; it appears therefore that the 15th Division has relieved the 13th Division.

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INTERROGATION The above prisoner states that hhe 15th Division belongs to the XVIIth Army Corps, commanded by Bach Pasha.

The O.C. 56th Regiment is Mahmoud Shukri Bey.

The 56th Rogiment was armed with Martinis, but before leaving BULAIR for the south it handed these in and received Mausers.

The whole 15th Division was in the trenches about YILDIZ TEPE at BULAIR, and there was an Arab regiment in the vicinity. They marched to the South via SHEITAN K, MAIDOS and KILID BAHR, moving chiefly at night.

prisoner did not know who the troops were who were reported by R.N.A.S. to be moving towards BULAIR about the 10th instant. He had be ard, however, that they came from SMYRNA and ADRIANOPLE.

After leaving BULAIR they passed a regiment going in the opposite direction, which had been withdrawn from the firing line.

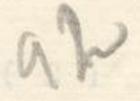
Supplies for the troops at BULAIR came from GALLIPOLI where there are depots.

His company is about 200 strong, and there are about 20 Christians in it. Of the Moslems a great number are men of about 40 years of age; they are not eager to fight.

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A.N.Z.A.C. 111/4/1/11/11 Intelligence //////////// REPORT 28th October, 1918. In the right sub-cection enoug parties were seen last night working in front RIGHT SECTION. of their lines. At 2000 digging was also being done near our W.W. Vineyard bomb station. At 1000 the enemy shelled our front line between F.12 and F.13 b bomb stations, shells all shrapnel, well burst and apparently now. The Turks are constructing a stone wall joining the parapets of 0.14 on either side of the Bullah & G. 152. The parapet of H. 13c has been rebuilt with new sandbags and provided with CESTRE SECTION. loopholes. Turks were very quiet to-day and do not appear to be holding their front tranches in any strongth. What little rifle fire there was ame from their second line. LEFT SECTION. Enemy are still attempting to work Northwards from their birdeage at J. 18. A supposed observation station has been erected in the trench joining J. 14. & J. 15. The Western Hule Trench was shelled in the afternoon but suffered no damage. 15 incendiary sholls were fired at Fuelleer Bluff and behind Bluff Street. IT. burst and burnt out 3 dug-outs. Smooy artillery and bombing have been more active then usual in the right sub-section. (Sgo) M. Forling Major, GS.,
Lieutenant-General, Commanding 8th Army Corps. 30 N 10 W

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9th Corps.

Intelligence Summary.

28/10/15.

1. 'A' and 'B' Sections. (2nd Mountod and 13th Divisions).

A quiet day save for the behardment mentioned below which caused some casualties but little material damage.

'C' Section. (29th Division).

The bombardment did not extend to this section.

Soveral hostile bombs from a catapult or trench mortar fell in or near the trenches but did no damage. Sniping normal. A black and white snipers dog was shot in the enemy's lines. Wire was successfully erected in front of DUBLIN CASTLE. During the night the wiring and covering parties were attacked with bombs to which they replied, and completed their task with four casualties.

Sniping normal. Enomy working parties opposite C.59 were dispersed by our fire. Enemy are still blasting opposite C.64 and improving their snipers' posts. This work was stopped by rifle grenades.

'D' Section. (11th Division).

No damago was done during the bombardment except to two parapets, one the South side of JEPHSON'S POST and the other bolonging to a cook-house in D.47. There was very little eniping. A eniper's post located North of the BENCH MARK was silenced by M.G. fire. At 0230 there were 4 explosions near the BENCH MARK, probably due to blasting.

Reservo Areas 'A'and 'B'.
The bombardment caused little material damage but a few casualties.

There was a violent bombardment along most of our front yesterday beginning at 1145 and lasting about 10 minutes. It is estimated that about 20 guns fired about 5 rounds each on the right section of our line, and that about 12 were firing on the left. Little damage was done; it is suggested that it was in retaliation for the Naval bombardment of BIYUK ANAFARTA and the enemy's reserve areas. Apart from this burst of fire the enemy's artillery was very quiet.

Right Flank.

Guns observed active: - 92 F.9, 105 F.9 (a 75 m.m. which fires at 'B' Section trenches, engaged and silenced), 93 A.6 (howitzer), 93 B.8, G.9, H.9, R.4, X.3, 119 B.3, I.2-3,137 L.6. Other targets engaged: - Working parties in and near J.1 (with effect), party of enemy at 92 D.3 (with effect), troops at 119 Q.3 and a large party of enemy and mules in gully at 118 U.3 (with effect).

The dummy gun placed in a new position in the SALT LAKE again drew fire.

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## Loft Flank.

Guns active: - During the bombardment, 136 0.3 (4 75 m.m.s), 136 0.6 (3 4.5" howitzers),119 0.1, 106 I.8 - N.3, and one in 106 Q.; at other times 119 C.1 and 136 0.3.

Little enemy movement was seen; small parties were seen on the sky-line at 136 M.2-5 and 9, and moving between the rost camp at 118 D.3 and the bush near the hospital flags.

A working party was seen in the communication trench at 118 A.3-6. Snipors were active from a post at 118 B.4; the parapet behind the chevaux-de-frise at T.1 has been raised to conceal movements; the trenches at 118 H.7 are protected by barbed wire on wooden posts.

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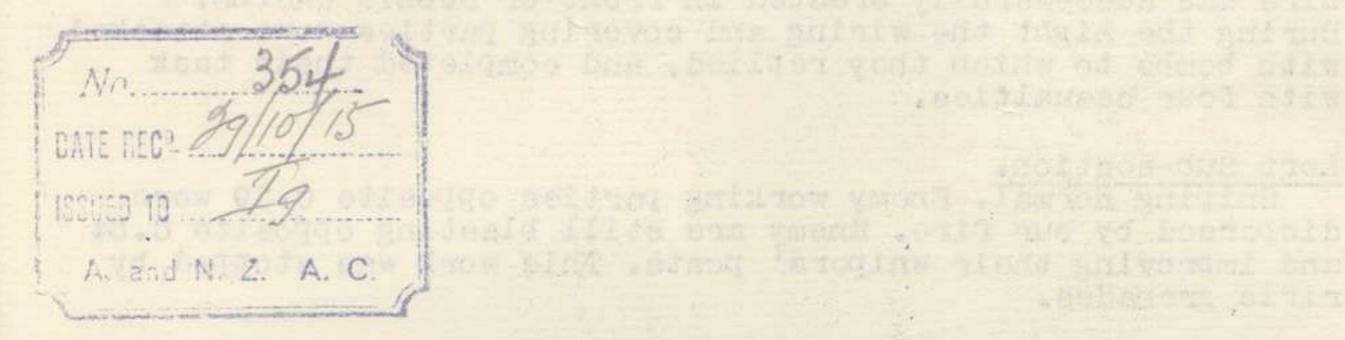
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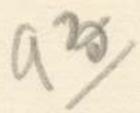
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# R.N.A.S. SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REPORT.

# October 29th, 1915.

Area.	Source of Information.	Details.
HELLES.	2nd. Wing.	Spotted for shore battery on targets Ca.
		Cb. Ml. M2. and M3. Also on Pl. P.A. and N1
BULAIR.	3rd. Wing.	Gallipoli was bombarded by ships' guns' effectively, an aeroplane spotting. Three hits were made on the storehouses on the wharf, and several shots were placed in the Western portion of the Town.
		Thirty horse drawn transport waggons were seen on the road near the larracks in the BULAIR lines; also 50 entering GALLIPOLI from the N.E. and 20 leaving the town

SHIPPING. 3rd. Wing. There was no shipping seen at GALLIPOLI.

2nd. Wing. In the Straits generally shipping was reported normal.

proceeding S.W.

# WEATHER FORECAST for 30th October, 1915.

Moderate southerly or south westerly winds; cloudy with some showers.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,
MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

29th October 1915.

G. O. C.

ANZAC.

Information has been received that a certain Turkish Officer now in the Peninsula, may be expected to take an opportunity of surrendering to the British.

You should take such steps as you consider advisable for warning units in your front line, so that his surrender may be facilitated, and accidents avoided. Intelligence Corps Officers should be warned and arrangements made that, if the surrender is happily achieved, the Officer may be properly treated and not subjected to unnecessary inconvenience.

He is to be forwarded at once to G. H. Q. for examination, and local interrogations are to be dispensed with.

Lieut. Col.

for Major-General. C.G.S.

Army Corps Head-quarters. 30th October, 1915.

From : General Staff, A & NZ Army Corps.

To : 1st Australian Division. do NZ & A Division. 54th Division.

# MEMORANDUM.

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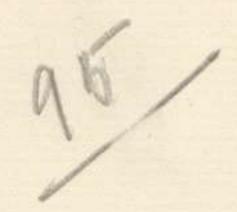
> (Signed) E.E. Tyrrell. Lieut.Col.GS.

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# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# OCTOBER 30th, 1915.

PRISONERS. A soldier belonging to the 33rd Regiment,

(11th Division) surrendered to the 9th Corps on the 29th
October.

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BALKAN POLITICAL. The following is an extract from the CAIRO Intelligence Bulletin of the 10th October:-

## Greek Cabinet.

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M. Zaimis. (President and Foreign Affairs.) Aged about 70. Is a personal friend of Venizelos, and undoubtedly pro-Ally. A firm Constitutionalist, for which reason he refused seven months ago to form a Cabinet, without the support of the Venizelist Chamber. Universally esteemed.

M. Rhalli. (Justice.) Aged 75. Appears to have changed his Francophile for Royalist tendencies. A man of difficult and contradictory temper.

M. Dragoumis. (Finance.) Ex-Prime Minister. Pro-Ally and Anglophile. Was in agreement with Venizelos in the orisis seven months ago.

M. Gounaris. (Interior.) Aged 48. Became Prime Minister, for the first time, seven months ago, on M. Zaimis refusing to form a Government without the support of the Venizelists. Violent adherent of the King, and anti-Venizelist.

M. Theotokis. (Education.) Aged 75. Several timed Prime Minister. Pro-English, and of English education. A courtier said to have been influenced by the Kaiser at CORFU.

Admiral Coundouriotis. (Marine.) Not a politician. Severe disciplinarian. Friend of Venizelos.

General Yannakitsas. Fought as a General in the Balkan Wars. A politician and friend of Gounaris.

The programme will probably consist publicly of a pro-Ally attitude, combined with a detormination not to act against German interests.

The King is said not to ontertain the idea of war except against Bulgaria alone, and then only after Bulgarian

aggression.

The Ministers of Interior and War will probably be followed by the Ministers of Justice and Education, against whom the President and the Minister of Finance will be ranged, with the Minister of Marine entirely occupied with his official as opposed to his political duties. The presence of MM. Zaimis and Dragoumis is the only guarantee against a coup d'état on the part of the King, but they are probably strong enough to prevent any such attempt.

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BULGARIA. The following information is dated the 23rd October:-

On the 22nd October French troops were engaged with the Bulgarians near VALANDOVO (by DOIRAN). (It may be in connection with this fight that the Bulgarians are reported to have suffered heavy casualties in the STRUMNITZA district:1350 killed and 3650 wounded).

The Serbs were then holding up the German attack on their Northern frontier, but the Bulgars had occupied ISHTIP in the South and fighting was proceeding round VELES (KEUPRULU). - (Since then it has been reported that the Bulgars have occupied USKUB).

The exact location of the Bulgarian divisions is rather doubtful, but it is stated that 3 came in by ZAYECHAR, 2 or 3 by PIROT, and 3 by KUSTENDIL.

2 Turkish divisions, one from the Dardanelles and one from Asia Minor, are reported to have moved into Bulgarian Thrace for the defence of DEDEAGATCH and the coast.

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Intelligence-Circulating File October 31st G. H. Q. Bulletin Prisoner 15th Regl: Interrogation gthe Corpo Summary - Oct . 29th 19.0.6. WIND 31/W A. A. Q.M. G. - 14 B. G. R. A. B.G. R.E A.Q.M.G. WIL AA. Q.M.G Com D. A.A. Q.M.G. some Sh. S. Ty

29/10/15.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 29th October, 1915. \*

RIGHT SECTION.

Enemy's snipers were very quiet, except against our H.lla bomb station which they sniped heavily during the night from G. 11a and H. 11a. The G trenches were shelled at intervals throughout the day. Several shrapnel shells were burst over our Redoubt Line and an enemy machine gun fired bursts of four or five shots at intervals during the night against the parapet of Main Street.

A machine gum has been located in Galla.

Enemy reported to have put up a bomb shelter in their sap on the East of the Vineyard.

CENTRE SECTION.

Enemy were exceptionally quiet along this front all day. A Turkish working party came into the open in the afternoon between H.12x and H.12y. They were dispersed by fore from the Northern barricade - the only spot from which they were visible. They made another attempt to work at the same place during the night.

From 1530 - 1610 about 200 men completely equipped left E.Krithia Mullah about ten at a time and entered Krithia. At the same time other men also entered Krithia near the Red Crescent

flag coming from the south.

LEFT SECTION.

Movements of the enemy were seen in their trenches East of Gully Ravine as though manning the trenches were being practiced.

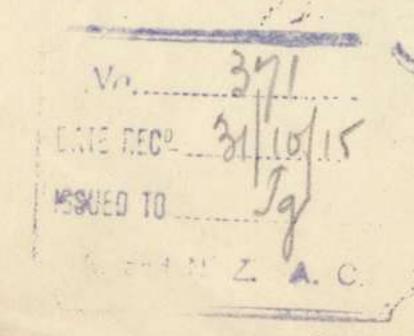
Underground digging was heard on the N.W. side of the craters at intervals during the night. Twelve rounds from an Asistic battery fell near the new Corps Headquarters. Total rounds fired

about 200.

(Sp) Francis

Lieutenant General,

Commanding 8th Army Corps.



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## CONFIDENTIAL.

# INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN.

# O C T O B E R 31st, 1915.

PRISONERS. A soldier belonging to the 15th Regiment (5th Division) surrendered at ANZAC on the 29th instant.

#### 经存款的经验的证券

XEROS GULF Guns etc. which have recently been located in the Gulf of Xeros area. Compiled from information supplied by H.M.S. "M.16" and other ships.

# Guns.

Squares. 137 H.1. 2(perhaps more) 4" guns: fire on ships going up Gulf of Xeros.

263 U-Z. 2 4" guns. (A 4.7" naval gun under 2nd windmill from left; may be a dummy.)

365 H.1. 2 6" or 8" guns, probably howitzers.

(2 large guns seen on sky line; may
be dummies.)

367 N. 2 8" guns: behind Fort SULTAN, but doubtful if still there.

## mile inland 2 3.9" guns. (KARACHALI Battery);
from BOSTAN BURNU.
their fire commands Xeros Islands'
anchorages.

mouth of KAVAK DERE.

2 (perhaps more) 3.9" guns; their
fire commands Xeros Islands' anchorages.

Trenches. West of YENI KEUI to KAVAK DERE whole coast line prepared with elaborate trenches, many of them roofed in.

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# Camps, etc. Cosking camp under BULAIR.

- " near KAINEDJI DERE.
- " SUFULA Boy Farm.

Forago store or factory with chimney on left bank of KAVAK DERE.

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The following is a resumé of extracts from the Intelligence Summary of the C.E.D. of the 27th and 28th October:-

# FRANCE.

The Ministerial crisis still continues. M. Léon Bourgeois has refused the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, and it is believed that the portfolio will be offered to M. Briand or M. Doumergue.

# BULGARIA AND SERBIA.

Information from various Greek sources is that the war is unpopular in Bulgaria, even amongst the officers, owing partly to the natural sympathy of the people towards Russia, and partly to disappointment at the slow progress of the Austrogerman advance in Serbia, and at the very heavy losses that have attended the Bulgarian operations as evinced by the arrival of thousands of wounded at SOFIA. The Bulgarians have had little success at great cost, and scarcity of munitions and disorganisation prevails, coupled with numerous cases of desertion. The relations between Greece and Bulgaria have latterly improved.

After violent fighting, the Bulgarians have made themselves masters of half the town of VELES, but the Serbians hold a strengly entrenched position upon the heights on the

The Greek papers announce, 23/10/15, that a combined squadron of French and 6 English ships with one Russian cruiser (the "Askold") has bombarded PORTO LAGO and DEDEAGATCH. It is rumoured toothat Turkish troops are to hold the whole DEDEAGATCH - ADRIANOPLE line as well as the Bulgarian towns on the Black Sea. A message of 27th October from SOFIA states that VELES has been taken, and USKUB is shortly to be besieged, but NISH contradicts this with the statement that the Bulgarians have abandoned their attacks on VELES.

According to a telegram from LONDON, Bulgaria might even be willing to treat with the Entente Powers and take part against Turkey if given a free hand in MACEDONIA.

# ROUMANIA.

The attitude of Roumania is still uncertain. She leans towards the Entente and would intorvene is the Allied leans towards the Entente and would intorvene is the Allied Forces on the Balkan Peninsula were strong enough to discount the "German Peril". A Roumanian Mission is on its way to the "German Peril". A Roumanian Mission is on its way to PETROGRAD and will go on to PARIS. After a period of

conflicting views, which the fate of M. Venizelos eccentuated, the French, English and Russian Governments have now decided to put 500,000 men into the Balkan Peninsula to oppose of the Germans on CONSTANTINOPLE. The "Patris" considers that this decision will have a great influence on Greek policy. Even if Roumania refuses to give Russian troops a passage through her territory this will not affect Russia's resolve not to abandon Serbia to her fate. M. Pachich has been assured of this by the Russian Minister at NISH. For greater safety the archives of the Legations have been moved from NISH to LEVKOVATZ.

## ALBANIA.

There is reason to believe that no Italian troops have been disembarked at VALONA. The Albanian Government has broken off all relations with Bulgaria and Austria since Bulgaria declared war on Serbia.

## GREECE.

The Greek Government has refused with thanks the offer of CYPRUS by England. Greece has further decided to maintain her neutrality, holding the view that the terms of the Treaty with Serbia do not cover the present disturbances and further, that without the assistance of a large force of Allied troops - considerably more than 100,000 men - on the Balkan Peninsula, Greece would only be courting disaster if she intervened. As things stand Greece has, in her own opinion, already greatly assisted the cause of the Allies by compelling Bulgaria to keep a strong force on the Greek frontier and by giving a passage to the Allied troops through her own territory.

The offer of CYPRUS has, however, made an impression on Greek public opinion of both parties, and a hope is expressed that other concessions will be added. Along with this comes the report that France and England have consented to a loan of 30 millions to Greece, of which ten millions have already been paid, and another ten millions will be paid into the National Bank of Athens on 23/10/15. The Crown Prince of Greece left ATHENS on 24th October for SALONICA, and those Greek Deputies visiting their constituencies have received urgent summonses to return to ATHENS.

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9th Corps.

Intelligence Summary.

29/10/15.

# 1. 'A' Section. (2nd Mounted Division).

A larger number of Turks than usual was seen at 137 L.

Enomy snipers more active than usual during the night. Several trench mortar bombs fell in A.54, A.55, and A.57, but did no damage. Enemy snipers and working parties opposite A.56 were dispersed by M.G. and artillery fire.

Six stick and twelve trench mortar bombs were fired into A.GI.

# 'C'Section. (29th Division),

Enemy snipers more active than usual, especially opposite C.57. Enomy working parties were heard opposite C.51 and C.64, near the broken wire opposite C.58 and also blasting opposite the left sub-section. A deserter of the 1st Bn., 33rd Regt. gave himself up on the left of the line. His statement is attached.

# 'D' Section. (11th Division).

Vory quiet day, little sniping.

# 2. Artillory Reports.

## Right Flank.

A quiet day. - Guns activo: - 93 G.9 (2 guns), 105 F.9 (silenced by 18-prs.).

Other targets ongaged: - M.G. omplacement at 105 S.7 (with offect), roliefs moving into fine trenches past 118 U.3 (with effect), gun emplacement at 118 U.5 (reported destroyed by two direct hits), enemy camp at 106 N.5.

Largo bodies of enemy are daily seen at dawn carrying apparently building material about 137 L.2-3. Blasting was observed at 105 C.6-9 near the Red Croscent flags. Troops were seen om parade in a field at 118 B.9.

## Loft Flank.

Very quiet day. Guns activo: The 75 m.m.s at 136 0.3, and a gun not located which ceased fire directly the observation post at 105 F.7 was shelled. Little movement was seen encopt occasionally on the track in 118 B, C, and D. A working party at 118 X.5 was dispersed by 18-prs., and a sniper's post located at 118 R.4 was shelled. Digging was going on noarly all day in the trench about 118 A.2.

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STATEMENT of B.777, Pte. ARIF OGLU DURMUSH, 1st.Bn.,53rd Regt., who gave himself up to the left sub-section, 29th Division, 29/10/15.

He was called up from his village in Mat and joined his regt. at SARI CHALI (Asia) end of July. After 7 days crossed to Biyuk Anafarts, where he remained nearly two months, and was then transferred with or berfarts of division to Turkish right. The remainder of the division went to KUMKEUI for a short while before coming to present position. There are two German officers who come to the trenches once or twice a week for inspection. Each man carries 250 rounds, which he is not allowed to use for everyday sniping. There are one or two open cases per section in the firing line for this purpose. The reserve dump of S.A. Ammunition is about 700 yards further back in the communication trench. About 7 days ago a big supply of cricket ball bombs arrived. Whereas before only special "bombers" wore allowed to handle these, now every soldier carries one and the "bombers" carry 3 or 4. There is also a dump of bombs 100 yds. down every communication trench. He knows nothing of gun ammunition but is told . ! that more guns are being brought. The food is not good and scarce. Men are all tired of the war and always talk of peace. There are many cases of self-inflicted wounds, but the M.O.s will not treat those, and men with such have to remain in the trenches. The 41st Regt. was on their right but has been changed. He heard that the21st Division was to relieve them in a day or two.

He left his trench day before yesterday evening and slept in a small valley. Yesterday morning there was too much firing for him to surrendor, and he waited until this morning. Ho left his rifle in the trench. In this valley there were two other Turks with rifles. These moant to surrender this morning with him, but it was then agreed they should come in one by one. They had no food. Ho says all ammunition comes over from CHANAK KALA, and not so much by Bulair; supplies come via Bulair. Supply depots are near Divisional H.Q. and rations are brought to the communication trench by pack animals (mules, there are no donkeys) during the night. Men are sent from each section before dawn to fetch these. They go about 20 minutes back from the firing line.

His part of trench was too far from our line for bombs to cause much damage. To his left though, many casualties occur. Gun fire is not so effective.

For the last 20 days there has been talk of 50,000 Germans coming.

There are 3 machine guns, one just near where he was, a little behind, and one on each side about 100 yds. away.

There is now no pioneer battalion with them. Every man digs 6 hours per day; now on a 3rd line trench 60 yds. behind firing line.

Clothing bad; nothing new for winter; small old bivouac tents id all they have that is waterproof.

In his company there are two officers (Lts.) and 120 men. In his battalion about 800.

No order necessary for individual firing.

No limit as to number of rounds.

Proportion of men in front trench to support trench about 10 to 5 per ten paces.

No sleop allowed at night; only during day. All digging is done by day.

# Australian & New Gealand any Corps.

Information from Corp MAHONET HUSSIEM, descriter, 2nd By, 18th Regt, owner dural & 2nd L. H. gde, 29-10-15.

Scroed with the 19th Regt in SAHAA in YEMEN district 1909-1912. Nature of MAIKARA near KESHAN. Called up in 1944 and found medically unfit but again called up at Advianople on July 1915. Joined his Megt at Ari Burnu the and of August and was wounded! Sent to hospital at Constantinople. On being returned fot, stayed 5 days at MALKARA. About Oct 15th while at RESHAN oaw Leman Saunders Taska and two other officers in a motor car followed by enother motor with an escott of four soldiers. No troops except returning wounded at KESHAN. At Buldir famed one Rest. At Gallipolithere were no troops. It AK BASHI LIMAN he rejained his In, the whole regiment of 3 In having been resting there after the August fighting. He 48th Pest was resting at An BASHI. Proceeded by a newly made road was Minarci Keni (Aga Done) with the whole Test. At MINARRELI KENI itself there are no troops but in gullier near are comps of 2 Regts, but could not give numbers of regts.

On either mide of the road near event apprently of SCRUBBY KNOLL about 10 metres delow is one 75 m/m gun well built un and concealed by overhead cover. The Ins of the 15th Tegt were each about 800 strong apparently rather over than under. Losses had been heavy and made up by recruits with 2 monto training at a depot and one month with Py. Cach company has one Capitain and two Cadet Officen. The 2 In is occupying TURKISH DESPHIR and BIRD TRENCH with 3rd In in support in the PINE PIDGE.

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The position of 1st Bn not known, but from the fact that this Regt relieved the 47 Test, the 1st In is probably in WEIR and SNIPERS TINGES. On the left of the 15th Regt is the 17th Regt. The 47th Regt had been reduced to 400 Our ships fire on OLIVE GROVE could not be observed from the trunches occupied by the presoner, but two days ago at about 5 pm, two of our Howitzer shells struck the front trench of TINE KIDGE, the first destroyed the parapet luying several men, the second heart right in the trench, altogether 4 Turks were tilled and 27 wounded by the two rounds. The supply of bombs in the Turkish translan is very limited, none being in reserve and only one hand grenade being served to each corporal of a section with enstructions for it not to be used without direct order. Very good hookout is kapt in the transler, two men in each section during the day and four men at night, the same number of men one on the tuligist Despair at day as at night - about one for youd - but at night they were sufficiend to stand to with fixed bayonets all night, sleeping during the day. He special digouts or shelters from artilley fire exert in these trencher. There are no machine guns in the firing line, special positions being chosen and no Termans have been seen with his fight machine guns. BIRD /RENEH is well held. Health of meis very good, no sickness or diarihoras, but hospitals at Constantinople crowded. Tatients well looked after but very few attendants. Treatment mainly consists of using Lodine and feeding on rece and soup. Here or thaty of Doctors but at the largest hospital no women menses. No wenter clothing has been served out, but as week Regt was sent to AR BASHI to rest they were refitted. The Turks are very sick of the war though reasonably well fed, there was plenty of burnit but aboutage of bread.

It had been given out that peace would be declined by the end of November. Det showed 36th Right (Gendermiere) to be in reserve at ANAFARTA. About 10 days ago letters were thrown by auroplane. Officers collected them at once and one man who got held from had it motalied out of his hand long an officer. Did not here of Justo trying to praternize in some parts of the lines. Iwo or thee me in his section were discussing The question of deserting. He has not discussed the situation other than with the men of his section as the Deargeonts are instructed not to orline any discussion on the war. The men of his scretion have tout hope of success and one very discouraged. Has heard of no men reciprocurate coming down. Beard that his Division was going to be moved to KESHAN. Howard men of his Kegt discuss actions they had been in on this first. They spoke to him of our heavy bombardment by ships x artillery, which they stated warried much fear. The Hills of his Test are me vicinity of Ax BHSHI, but the Commander of the Test is with the for in sufficient name of Commandow Haganin SHUKRI BEY (Trant-Col). 26th Kent is on the west of Sallipoli about 1/4 of one hour outside the town High of 47th Regt is in a walley If of MINARELI KEVI, about 10 menutes from the millage. HOUR DERE in the most popular docality for resting places of Tests withdrawn from firing line, there was a telephone in his trans. communicating with Teat 70 with In in support. When one on in relieving another in the firing line, the reducing In goes along the comm's trench section by westion the relieved of does not leave the trunch until relieving In is me fortion. These is an order that they must look ade-ways through the loopholes on account of our accurate firing.

Companies are composed of 20 regulais, 40 reservists and remainder untrained recruits composed of classes 1290 (ages 41 years), 1295 (ages 36), 1296 (35) to 1311 (ages 20). The majority of recruits are men passed as medically unfit at first mobilization. Tant date of arrival of reinfine. ments was in august. The ws nothing of classes now in depot. The classes reviewted by the recruiting office. to which he belonged were men between 20 to 45. The men aged 45 years do duty as Sendarmes. States besides telephone, Jocksto are used as signals. Hed Rocket is signal for Turkish attacks. no other rockets or other signals. Thous niting about the use of spies. Cloth has distributed in the me. They were told to past this small but of clitte or or their noses when there as a had smell. This cloth has a small cushion in the middle which must be furt over the nostril. Cloth is tied over the ears with tapes. Has seen only one machine gun in the when. There were no Termans with machine gum. Saw no Terman trained bomb throwers and her heard of nones. Heard no was news and did not know Julyana had come ento the war. Turks fear most the attilling bomb. ardment from Ships and land Hattities and brombs from acroplanes. Meal termen - Greatfast at al I 10 am; Dinner at about 12 am and dupper it about 5 km. The food in prepared at the Tog HOs and brings to it which ". longe time and distributed among the men, who would e I where they are army Corps Head-quarters Jg/366 Prismer states he does not know the reason of recent Bombardments, -We has no knowledge as to supply of ammunition for Big genes.