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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
31st Div	1st A.D.	7-18 P.M.	Position x shell X.3.d. and B sheet 27.	IN	17/5/18
3rd Bde.	"	9- p.m.	No parties are being supplied to 2nd Field Coy. tomorrow on account of move.		
1st A.D.	All coned.		Morning report. Artillery more active during the night. STRAZEELE and BORREOUT asked heavily shelled. Patrol killed one enemy in E.11.b. of 63rd I.R. 12th Div. Patrol report enemy more alert and aggressive		"
"	2nd Bde.		The Divisional Commander is very pleased with initiative shown and with the results achieved. He desires his appreciation conveyed to Col. LUXTON.		
"	All coned.		Evening report. Situation quiet on the Divisional front. Hostile artillery has shown slight activity on STRAZEELE and approaches. Low flying R.A. nil. No further information re small enterprise.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials
17/5/18	4-55 p.m.	GOC 1st Bde.	Asked for Gen. Walker as he wished to dine at the Flying Corps tonight. Will wire through to 3rd Bde. to tell GOC and if unable to catch him would like us to inform the General that he has taken the liberty to go.		JDR

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
2nd Bde. 1st A.D.		5-10 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy artillery more active during the night all along the front. M.G. also more active on left and centre sections. Artillery also very active against STRAZEELE and PRADELLES. Centre Bn. patrols report enemy alert and aggressive. Right Section patrol killed man at E.11.b.8.7. Shoulder strap showed 63rd I.R. but no other identification on body. Gas shells fired on to right and centre sections. Wind calm. Estimated casualties 1 killed 14 wounded.	IN	17/5/18
29th Div.	"	5-11 a.m.	Situation very quiet. Patrols report no movement opposite right Bde.front. Wind W 2 mph Captures nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-28 a.m.	Situation report. Increase in enemy artillery activity during the night. Special attention paid to roads in X.13.b. Area X.3.a. and X.9.a. and B was shelled with 15 cm. Hostile M.G. active during the night.		
15th Corps	"	6-40 a.m.	Situation report. Increase in enemy artillery activity. STRAZEELE and BORRE heavily shelled. Hostile batteries engaged mainly E. of OUTERSTEENE Centre Div.patrol killed one enemy of 63rd I.R. 12th Div. in E.11.b. Enemy infantry reported more alert and aggressive.		
2nd Bde.	"	1-28 p.m.	5th Battalion rushed enemy post shortly after 12 noon today. Of garrison of seventeen five were killed remainder escaped escaped to rear. Identification 62nd I.R. Our casualties 2 wounded. Further particulars later.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-4 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet on the front. Enemy artiller have shewn slight activity on STRAZEELE and approaches. Low flying E.A. nil. Estimated casualties nil. Wind N.W. 6 mph.		
31st Div.	"	5-38 p.m.	Situation rrpport. Quiet. Enemy artillery comparatively quiet ours active on enemy rear areas. Aerial activity sklight. Prisoners and material nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-53 p.m.	Situation report. Situation on front quiet. Very little hostile shelling Wind NW 5 mph.		
15th Corps.	"	6-35 p.m.	Evening repptt. Hostile artillery fire normal. STRAZEELE BORRE LE TIRANGLAIS and level crossing N.W. of CAESTRE shelled. Our heavy artillery carried out usual harassing fire. Prisoners nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-54 p.m.	Ref. your G 814. Congratulations on successful enterprise.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	6-26 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery activity below normal HAZEBROUCK MORBECQUE MONT DE MERRIS and vicinity of PRADELLES shelled. Our arty. carried out usual harassing fire and bombarded enemys light railways under construction. Prisoner reported captured a X.20.d.4.7. at 6-45 a.m. Identification 2nd Bn. 62nd I.R.	IN	18/5/18.
No. 2 SCRE	"	7 p.m.	Ref 00 8/18 CANBERRA.		
3rd Bde.	"	9 p.m.	Move complete at 6 p.m.		
2nd Bde.	"	10-41 p.m.	Reference Bde. Order No. 87. COOMA.		
No. 2 SCRE	"	10-50 p.m.	Ref. 0.0.8/18. COOMA.		
1st A.D. All concd.		5-30 a.m.	Morning report. Slight trench mortar activity in X.26.A. Our raiding party entered trench X.26.A.3.6. to X.20.C.7.2. but found it unoccupied. Slight Artillery activity at STRAZEELE.	OUT	18/5/18.
1st.A.D. XV Corps.			One prisoner reported to belong to 2nd Bn 62 I.R. captured at X.20.D.4.7. at 6.45.a.m. he will be brought back from our front post this evening.	OUT	18/5/18.
1st.A.D. All concd.			Evening report Shelling of W.20.B. with 4.2s took place at 1.20.p.m. Otherwise quiet day on Divl front. Two low flying hostile planes at about 2.p.m..	OUT	18/5/18.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	1-42 a.m.	No enemy found in trench raid. Our casualties nil.	IN	18/5/18.
31st Div.	"	2-48 a.m.	Poison shelled X.9.d.4.9. sheet 27 2-15 a.m.		
31st Div.	"	4-50 a.m.	Poison shell X.14.c. Sheet 27 4-14 a.m.		
29th Div.	"	5-15 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Wind W 2 to 3 mph.		
2nd Bde.	"	5-18 a.m.	Morning report. Slight T.M. activity after our barrage at 1 a.m. in X.26.a. and also on centre section in early morning. Our raiding party entered and searched trench complete from X.26.a.3.6. to X.20.c.7.2. but found it unoccupied. Our patrols exceedingly active along the front. STRAZELLE has been intermittently shelled. Casualties ten Wind N.E.		
31st Div.	"	5-25 a.m.	Situation report. Quiet. Certain amount hostile artillery fire back areas Few gas shells on X.9.d. X.14.c.		
15th Corps	"	6-57 a.m.	Morning report. Raiding party from centre Division entered trench X.26.a.3.6. to X.20.c.7.2. but found it unoccupied. Enemy artillery active during evening on railway in W.7. CAESTRE and HAZEBROUCK. Few gas shells in X.9.d. and X.14.c. Our artillery carried out neutralization of batteries in support of raid and fired concentrations on F.25.b.2.6. and F.3.d.8.3.		
2nd Bde.	"	7-38 a.m.	One prisoner belonging to 6 K 2nd Bn. 62nd I.R. captured about X.20.d.4.7. at 6-45 a.m. this morning.		
1st Bde.	"	3-4 p.m.	Move complete.		
2nd Bde.	"	5 p.m.	Evening report. W.20.b. was shelled at 1-20 p.m. with 4-2s. Otherwise artillery M.G and T.M. quiet. Low flying enemy planes two at about 2 p.m. Wind N 5 mph. Estimated casualties nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-20 p.m.	Situation report. Slight enemy field artillery activity against our forward areas. Our heavies active against METEREN where they caused a fire. Slight E.A. activity. Prisoners and material nil.		
29th Div.	"	6 p.m.	Situation on front quiet. Wind N.E. 8 mph.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
18/5/18	1-10 am.	D.O.P.	Reports our artillery have opened a heavy barrage on SqM E.11 and 12.		EFH
"	1-48 a.m.	IG Officer 2nd Bde.	No prisoners. Post found unoccupied.	GOC informed G "	EFH
"	7-30 a.m.	"	One prisoner captured at 6-45 a.m. in Sq. X.20.d.4.7. belongs to 6 K 2 Bn 62 I.R. Owing to daylight prisoner may not be able to come back to-day. Will advise later.	IG Informed G "	EFH
"	12-25 pm.	GSO 2 (I) XV Corps.	(a) Vacancy allotted for Aldershot Course commencing tomorrow. Vacancy declined by this Div. on account of short notice. (b) Allotment of vacancies at Army Schools not yet received.		SLM.
"	5-30 pm.	No.2 SCORE	Weather conditions are now favourable. Gas projector operation will therefore take place at 11 p.m. tonight. Bde. has been warned.		SLM.

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2nd Bde.	1st A.D.	4-58 a.m.	Morning report. Light shelling along the front. T.Ms and M.Gs inactive. Patrols report enemy alert as usual. Wind N 5 mph Estimated casualties three.	IN	19/5/18
31st Div	"	5-5 a.m.	Situation quiet, with exception of Gas shelling on X.9.b. and X.10.c. Between 10 p.m. and midnight E.A. dropped bombs in vicinity of HONDEGHEM		
29th Div.	"	5-26 a.m.	Morning situation report. Quiet night E.A. very active during night over back areas. Wind N.E. 5 mph. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-30 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Same gas shelling on X.9.b. and X.10.c. Enemy aircraft very active over back areas. Bombs dropped in vicinity of HONDEGHEM Our arty fired 1000 rounds gas shell on targets in L.2.		
2nd Bde.	"	4-33 p.m.	5th Battalion raided enemy post at X.20.d.3.3. at 4-30 p.m. this afternoon. Strong opposition met with Identifications by shoulder straps 269th R.I.R. and 242nd R.I.R. Our casualties one wounded.		
2nd Bde.	"	5 p.m.	Evening report. Light intermittent shelling on STRAZEELE and E.4.b. and shoots on W.8.d. and W.24.b. and 40 gas shells 5-9 on E.4.c. and D at 2-45 p.m. and 4 p.m. wind N 8 mph Low flying E.A. nil. Estimated casualties nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation quiet. Our artillery active on METEREN. Hostile artillery very quiet. E.A. active at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Prisoners nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-43 p.m.	Evening situation report. Situation quiet. Wind S.E. 4 to 8 mph		
15th Corps	"	6-45 p.m.	Evening report, Hostile artillery quiet. Chiefly shelled was STRAZEELE and STRAZEELE station, the latter with some gas. E.A. active over left div, front, Centre div. report that at 4-30 p.m. they raided enemy post at X.20.d.3.3. Identifications taken from 2 of enemy dead are reported as 269 R.I.R. and 242 R.I.R. No further details yet Prisoners nil.		
1st A.D.	All concd.		Morning report. Light shelling on front, and back areas were bombed by enemy planes Patrols report enemy still alert. M.Gs and T.Ms inactive. Unfavourable weather conditions caused postponement of our gas projector operation.	OUT	
"	"		Evening report. Light intermittent shelling on STRAZEELE and E.4.b. Shoots on WM18.d. and W.24.b. Forty 5-9 gas shells in E.4.c. and D. at 2-45 and 4 p.m.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action Taken.	Initials.
19/5/18	10-20 a.m.	B.M. 2nd Bde.	Owing to Bde. relief gas projector operation will not take place tonight.	Approved	S.L.M.
"	12-5 p.m.	do.	A Bosche plane is flying over W.30. spotting for his arty. He looks probable that he is attempting to range on to the Gas projector positions there. Could we send a plane up to remove him.	Informed XV Corps E who promised to send a plane up.	J.D.R.
"	3-15 p.m.	GSQ 3 to D.A.D.O.S.	Issue trench mounts and mounts overbank to M.G.Bn. at the prescribed rate for $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of front.		S.L.M.
"	5-20 p.m.	BM 2nd Bde.	At 4-30 p.m. 5th Bn. raided enemy post at X.20.d.3.3. Enemy resisted and no prisoners were secured. Two Germans were killed. Shoulder straps read 269 R.I.R. and 242 R.I.R. We had one man wounded.	Corps informed	S.L.M.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	5 a.m.	Morning report. Very quiet night. Artillery light and scattered over forward areas. T.M. fired 30 rounds on to cross roads at X.20.c.8.8. during night. Low flying planes nil. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties nil.	IN	20/5/18
29th Div.	"	5-15 a.m.	Situation report. Situation on front quiet. Enemy shelled CAUDESCURE with gas at intervals. Wind very light northerly. Captures nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-30 a.m.	Situation report. Enemy artillery has been very active throughout the day X.2.d. has received considerable attention with 5-9. Areas X.3. X.4. were subjected to gas shelling. Wind mild N.W.		
15th Corps	"	6-30 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Some gas shells on CAUDESCURE and about X.3. and X.4.		
15th Corps	"	10-37 am. Early this	morning french Pan carried out an operation to advance their line from about LOCRE HOSPICE to LA CLYTTE - KEMMEL road. All objectives were reported to have been gained and over 300 prisoners taken.		
1st Bde.	"	12-30 a.m.	UUU 303.		
2nd Bde.	"	2-15 p.m.	At 4-20 p.m. 19th inst. one man of C Coy 5th Battalion was reconnoitring an enemy post in X.20.d.3.4. when two Germans were seen stealthily following him. On seeing what was happening 4 men left one of our posts in the hope of frustrating the enemys intention and covering fire was given by two of our posts. The enemy then ran towards their line and although hostile posts opened up heavy fire on our party they followed the Germans to their own line at X.20.d.3.3. killing both and securing shoulder straps marked 242 and 269 Papers could not be secured as the enemy were arriving in force By following dead ground our party returned with but one casualty.		
1st Bde.	"	4-53 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet day along whole front. Light scattered shelling of support area on left section otherwise artillery inactive. Aerial activity nil. Prisoners and material nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-33 p.m.	Situation quiet. Scattered shelling of east edges of BOIS D'AVAIL Wind N.W.		
31st Div.	"	5-36 p.m.	Situation report. Quiet. Light shelling on rear areas E.A. inactive Prisoners and material nil.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps 1st A.D.		6-37 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Only light scattered shelling reported. Our heavy artillery carried out usual harassing fire. Prisoners last 24 hours nil.	IN	20/5/18.
15th Corps	"	11-16 p.m.	Evening report received from Second Army 8-33 p.m. Attacks carried out to improve DANC positions were entirely successful. LOCRE HOSPICE the whole of the WOOD in M.24.c. BRULOOZE and Cross roads 300 metres S.E. of it BUTTERFLY FARM - LE POMPIER - (N.14.a.5.0) FARMS 400 metres S.E. and 400 metres N.E. of POMPIER and VROUDNEDYK FARM (N.14.b.9.8) were captured and the line advanced east of HILL 44 to CHEAPSIDE road. 500 unwounded prisoners were taken. French casualties slight. The enemy replied feebly during the day.		
1st A.D. all coned.			Morning report. Very quiet night. Hostile artillery fire very light and scattered over forward area. Low flying planes nil. Captures nil.	OUT	"
"	"	5-18 pm.	Evening report. Very quiet day along divisional front. Light scattered shelling of support area on left sector otherwise artillery inactive.		

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20/5/18	9-50 am.	XV Corpz	The French attacked this morning and have taken their objectives. Up to present 200 prisoners have been reported.		S.L.M.
"	5-30	No.2 SCRE.	Its 'COOMA'	Bde.informed	G.F.P.
"	10-40 pm.	BM DA.	Enemy put up yellow clusters and his artillery lightly shelled over forward area. Repeated by 1st.Artilletry Bde.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	6-42 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery very active on left division front between LE ROUKLOSHILLE - LE BESAGE FARM and FONTAINE HOUCK HAZEBROUCK and approached were also shelled. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire and completed six destructive shoots. Prisoners nil.	IN	21/5/18
1st A.D.	All coned.		Morning report. Quiet night PRADELLES fairly heavily shelled with 5-9 and 4-2 between midnight and 1 a.m. also a few gas shells. Gas shells fell at intervals in STRAZEELE and forward areas.	OUT	"
"	"		Evening report. Situation quiet. Slight shelling in W.19-a. and B. and W.24 during morning. H.V. gun firing on HAZEBROUCK 3-30 p.m. Aircraft inactive. Prisoners and material nil.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials
21/5/18	10-45 am.	DM 1st DA.	Reply to 1stcAust.Div. 159/248 re certificate of signal returns. The DA Col.M reply to above letter was sent in yesterday 20th inst.	informed	G.F.P.
"	11-50 am.	D.O.P.	Enemy gun firing from F.20.a.05.05. on to STRAZEELE Station.	Informed BM 1st D.A.	A.L.
"	12-45 pm	BM 2nd Bde.	Will Colonel MILLIGAN please ring up BM 2nd Bde.	Col.informed	G.F.P.
"	3-50 pm	XV Corps "I"	Send car to BLENDESCURE for photographer and accommodate and feed him until the work required is complete.		S.L.M.
"	11-10 pm	To XV Corps I	Car is going to 2nd Army "A" at 8 a.m. tomorrow. Will you arrange for it to pick up the photographer.		J.D.R.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde. 1st A.D.		4-50 a.m.	Morning report. quiet night. PRADELLES fairly heavily heavily shelled with 5.9 and 4.2 between midnight and 1 a.m. Gas shells also. Gas shells fell at intervals in STRAZEELE and forward area.	IN	21/5/18
31st Div.	"	5-22 a.m.	Poison heavy reported from X .7. Sheet 27 at 4-35 a.m.		
29th Div.	"	5-23 a.m.	Morning situation report. Left Brigade report situation on front quiet until 3 a.m. Hostile shelling about E.28.c. and S.E. edge of wood at 3-10 a.m. S.O.S. went up from Brigade on right at 3-10 a.m. Enemy counter attack on small scale developed. Did not spread to this brigade front. Everything now quiet. Right Brigade report quiet on front. Wind S.W. 5 mph Captures nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-36 a.m.	Situation report. Enemy artillery active on squares X.14.c. and X.9.b. X.10.a. During the night. Some fairly heavy gas shelling at 4:35 a.m. in Sq. X.9. No result from attempted raid. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-52 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery showed considerable activity during the night Fairly heavy shelling of PRADELLES STRAZEELE the forward area of centre and left divisions and LE TIR ANGLAIS with gas and H.E. Our artillery opened on SOS lines to assist Corps on right. Situation now quiet. Captures nil.		
29th Div.	"	3-30 p.m.	Man of 221st I.R. 48th Res.Div. apparently deserter found in BONS D'AVAIL this morning. States order of battle north to south 172 221 222 223 Saw men of 172nd yesterday. Reports losses since commencement of offensive about 50% expect to be relieved shortly. Losses heavy through our artillery prisoner came forward in order to escape artillery fire.		
1st Bde.	"	4-47 p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Slight shelling in W.19.s. and B. and W.24 during morning. H.V. gun firing on HAZEBROUCK 3-30 p.m. Aircraft inactive. Prisoners and material nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-19 p.m.	Situation quiet. Wind N N E 10 mph.		
31st Div.	"	5-28 p.m.	Situation quiet. During morning hostile artillery very active on LE ROUKLOSHILLE with 15 cm LA BESACE FARM X.2.d. X.3.c. and X.4.a. heavily shelled with 15 cm and 21 cm in morning and afternoon. Prisoners nil.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Init.
22/5/18	6 pm.	GOC 1st Bde.	Capt. CULVERWELL, R.A.F. crashed in 1st Bde. sector.	Car sent for RAF OFFICER	SLM
"	9-25 pm	No. 2 SCRE	Its "COOMA".	GSO 2 informed GSO 1 AQ	EFH
"	10-55 pm	BM D.A.	Gas shelling at W.14.a. V.30.d. and W.15.d. Described as sneezing gas		
"	11 p.m.	"	W.20.a. and W.13.d. also being shelled with occasional gas shell.		

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29th Div.	1st A.D.	5-58 p.m.	situation report. Enemy artillery active during morning. Intermittent shelling of E.13.c. by 8 inch How. from 9-40 a.m. to 12-30 p.m. E.7, shelled 15 cm 9-20 a.m. to 10 a.m. Artillery dump in DM17.d. exploded by hostile fire. Wind N.E. 5 mph	IN	22/5/18
No.2 SCRE	"	6-16 p.m.	Ref O.O. 8/18 CANBERRA.		
15th Corps	"	6-46 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery fairly active Battery positions in E.19. and W.6. shelled with 15 cm Dump in D.17.d. exploded by hostile fire. Our artillery carried out nine destructive shoots and engaged back areas between BAILLEUL-DOULIEU and ESTAIRES with harassing fire. Captures 3 O.R. and one machine gun already reported.		
29th Div.	"	7-53 p.m.	Refce. My CGS 57/34 of 19th. NOBBY		
No.2 SCRE	"	9-54 p.m.	Ref. O.O. 8218 COOMA.		
1st A.D.	All coned.		Four enemy killed in E.11.d. this morning. Identification from identity discs. 126th I.R., 39th Div.	OUT	22/5/18
"	"	4-40 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Hostile artillery active between 11-30 p.m. and midnight. Slight gas shelling of STRAZEELE at 10-30p.m.		
"	"		Evening report. Very quiet day. Hostile artillery M.Gs and T.Ms inactive Hostile planes nil. One of our planes SOPWITH CAMEL landed in vicinity W.25.d.		

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22/5/18	7-30 am	GOC 1st Bde.	Four enemy were killed in E.11.d. at 6 a.m. this morning. Identification from identity discs was 136th I.R. (This is 29th Div, normal)	Wired to XV Corps and flank Divs.	J.D.R.
"	12-15 pm	GSO 2 to XV Corps	One additional officer vacancy for Army S.O.S. School is requested.	Reply for -promised when Gs T returned.	S.L.M.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date,
29th Div.	1st A.D.	3-20 a.m.	Two prisoners captured tonight in E.23.c.3.8. one belongs to 221st R.I.R. 48th Res.Div. the other to 172 I.R. 39th Div. Boundary confirmed to be about E.23.c.0.7. 39th Div. expects to be relieved tonight.	IN	22/5/18
31st Div.	"		Prisoner captured in X.17.a. belongs to 3rd Coy. 1st Bn. 10 R.I.R. 11th Res.Div. States order of battle N to S 12th Div, 11th R.D. 81st RD all belonging to 4 Army Corps. The 4, 6, 7 Corps will attack any day with MONT DES CATS as objective. A feature of the attack will be preparation of gas shelling a new gas called BLUE GAS to be used. D.I.O. report.		
1st Bde.	"	4-23 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Artillery quiet in forward area except between 11-30 p.m. and midnight. Slight gas shelling of STRAZEELE at 10-30 p.m. M.G active in front of right Bn. during night. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-23 a.m.	Situation report. Hostile artillery slightly more active on rear areas. Now quiet. Our artillery active all night. Bde. relief took place during night. Prisoner 1 O.R.		
29th Div.	"	5-18 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Hostile artillery active during the night chiefly in K 2 a and E.27.a. and c. 2 Prisoners one of the 221 R.I.R. and one of the 172 I.R. and one M.G. captured. Wind S.W. very light.		
25th Corps	"	6-40 a.m.	Situation report. Right Division carried out successful raid capturing two prisoners and one M.G. left Division also captured a prisoner. Hostile artillery active on K.2.a. and E.27.a. and c and rear areas left sector. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire and fired gas on OUTERSTEENE		
1st Bde.	"	9 a.m.	Information from patrols. Four enemy killed at E.11.d.3.4. 6 a.m. this morning. Identification 7th Coy. 126 I.R. 39th Div.		
1st Bde.	"	4-36 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet day Enemy artillery M.Gs and T.Ms inactive. Hostile planes nil. One of our planes SOPWITH CAMEL landed in vicinity of W.25.d. Estimated casualties nil. Prisoner and material nil.		
31st Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation report. During morning hostile arty shelled FLETRE METEREN road and areas north and north west of METEREN. Bty. position in W.6. shelled with 8 inch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. E.A. active in early morning.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	4-25 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night. Slight scattered shelling. Few gas shells STRAZEELE near midnight. One low flying E.A. at 8-55 p.m.	IN	23/5/18
31st Div.	"	5-21 a.m.	Situation report. Hostile artillery active at intervals during the night. Between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. HOUTE RORTE FME Hostile T.M. active E. o METEREN		
29th Div.	"	6-2 a.m.	Morning situation report. Situation on front quiet. At 2-35 a.m. enemy fired 200 rounds 10 cm CAUDESCURE Parties of enemy seen moving in E.29.a. and C probably indicating a relief. Wind N.E. 2 to 5 mph		
15th Corps	"	6-35 a.m.	Morning report. Situation report. CAUDESCURE received 200 rounds 10 cm shell about 2-30 a.m. Some gas shelling of STRAZEELE PRADELLES and BORRE Relief suspected about E.29.a. and E.29.c. Enemy aircraft active about midnight. Our artillery carried out harassing fire at increased rate during the night.		
2nd Bde.	"	8-36 a.m.	Patrol nothing further to report.		
2nd Bde.	"	11-6 am.	Shelling report nil.		
1st Bde.	"	4-35 pm.	Evening report. Very quiet day. Slight shelling in E.11.a. and vicinity of STRAZEELE Stn. with 5.9 otherwise 4.2 during morning. Otherwise artillery inactive. Planes very active in early morning remainder of day inactive. Prisoners and material nil. Casualties nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation on front very quiet. Slight shelling of back areas with 10-5 and 15 cm. hows. Wind N.W. 30 mph.		
31st Div.	"	6-9 p.m.	Situation report. Slight shelling of road in X.10.a. Intermittent shelling of ROUKLOSHILLE Prisoners nil.		
29th Div.	"	6-38 p.m.	Refce my CGS 67/34 of 19th. BON.		
15th Corps	"	6-56 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet. Some shelling of STRAZEELE village and station COURTE CROIX valley and LE ROUKLOSHILLE Our artillery carried out the usual harassing fire on back areas, and centres of activity. Prisoners nil.		
No.2 SCRE	"	11-57 p.m.	Fired 1178.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st A.D.	All concd.	Rise Morning report.	Quiet night. Few scattered gas shells vicinity STRAZEELE PRADELLES and BORRE. Enemy aircraft fairly active about midnight bombing back area. Captures prisoners nil.	OUT	23/5/18
"	"	Evening report.	Enemy shelled COURTE GROIX valley W.24.a. E.11.a. and vicinity of STRAZEELE Sth. with 4-2 and 5-9 E.A. active in early morning. Prisoners and material captured nil.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
23/5/18	12-15 am	2nd Army G	Transmitting report from II Corps that BOSCHE is dropping Gas Bombs N. of POPERINGHE.		EFH
"	4-20 am.	BM DA.	Reports a few rounds of gas shell have fallen in W.15.d.		EFH
"	10-45 am	BM 1st	Would very much like a vacancy for an officer at a T.M.school.		GFP
"	11-10	BM 1st	Gas projector attack went off alright.		HK

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out Date
1st Bde. 1st A.D.		4-28 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Light intermittent shelling of forward area during night. T.Ms active against W.30.c.3.0. M.Gs very quiet. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties nil.	IN 24/5/18 .
29th Div.	"	4-52 a.m.	Situation report. Everything quiet on front and situation normal. Wind S squally 30 to 35 mph.	
31st Div.	"	5-42 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet. Slight harassing fire by enemy artillery on roads and tracks. Our artillery active. Enemy gas and T.Ms inactive.	
15th Corps	"	6-48 a.m.	Morning report. A quiet night with the exception of some shelling near MORBECQUE. 1178 projectors successfully discharged by us on centre div-front. Our artillery carried out harassing fire at increased rates during the night.	
1st Bde.	"	9-13 a.m.	Patrols nothing further to report.	
2nd Bde.	"	11-6 a.m.	Shelling report nil.	
31st Div.	"	3-24 p.m.	Shoulder strap taken from freshly killed German at X.17.a.6.4. gives identification 22 R.I.R. 11th Res.Div. normal.	
29th Div.	"	3-30 p.m.	Ref. my GS 166 this date time will be 2 a.m. tonight not 11 p.m.	
1st Bde.	"	4-36 p.m.	Evening report. Enemy artillery very active during afternoon. 4-28 very active on W.11.W.17, W.23, W.24. between 12-10 p.m. and 2;30 p.m. About 200 77s placed on W.17.c. and D and W.23.a. and B between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Vicinity W.30.c.4.8. and STRAZEELE St. received attention. T.M. and M.Gs inactive. Aerial activity nil. Prisoners and material nil. Estimated casualties nil.	
29th Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation very quiet on Divisional front. Wind NW 20 mph.	
31st Div.	"	5-30 p.m.	Situation report. Eastern outskirts of FEETRE and HAUTE porte farm heavily shelled this morning. Light shelling of our trenches north of METEREN M. Captures nil.	
15th Corps	"	6-40 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery very active on area FLETRE. Heavy shelling reported of area east of FLETRE and of HAUTE PORTE FARM. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire. Prisoners nil.	

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st A.D.	All concd.	4-50 a.m.	Morning report. Light shelling on forward area during the night. A few gas shell on PRADELLES and T.M. active against W.30.c. Patrols nothing to report. Gas projectors successfully fired last night against vicinity of MERRIS.	OUT	24/5/18
"	"		Evening report. Enem artillery very active during afternoon. 4-2s very active on W.11. W.17., W.23. and W.24. between 12-10 p.m. and 2-30 p.m. About 200 77s placed on W.17.c. and D. and W.23. A and D between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Vicinity W.30.c.4.8. and STRAZEELE Station received attention. Aerial activity nil.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
24/5/18	1-40 pm	GSO 2 to GSO 1 29th Div.	1st Aust.Div. wishes to emplace four M.Guns in Squares E.16.b. and E. 10.d. to give flanking fire towards MONT de MERRIS. 29th Div. has no objection unless the emplacements interfere with their assembly position. 1st Aust.M.G.Bn. must consult Bde. on Bn. on the spot.	M.G.Bn.in- formed	SIM
"	6-10 pm	C.R.E.	Asks GSO 2 to inform him time of start to inspect line tomorrow.		EFH
"	9 p.m.	BM 1st Bde.	May permission be given to carry out a small enterprise tonight hence to capture some Bosche.	Note on GSO 1 table	JDR
"	9-45 pm	BM, DA.	29th Bde. report that enemy was apparently wire cutting with one section of 4-2s guns today. Wire cut ran along W.24.a., W.23.d. W.29. B and D An examination showed very little damage done at all.	Notified GSO 2	AL.
	10-15 pm	BM., D.A.	Reporting Gas shelling in vicinity of W.21.c. Rate 5 rounds per minute. from direction of OUTERSTEELE.	GSO I & II informed	EFH
"	1-30 pm	C.O. M.G.Bn.	1st M.G.Bn. H.Qs moved to new location.	GSO 2 informed.	EFH

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials
24/5/18	10-30 pm	1st A.I.Bde. I.O.	Confirming report re gas on W.21.c. 1600 and S.E. of PRADELLES by 77.	GSO 1 inf-	EFH
"		D.O.P.	Enemy putting down gas concentration on BORRE-PRADELLES-STRAZEELE Road and on communications between PRADELLES STRAZEELE for last hour and a half.	GSO 1 inf.	EFH.

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From	To	Time recd.	Information.	IN	Out	Date.
31st.Div.	1stA.D.	3.30.a.m.	Relief complete 2.30.a.m.	IN		25-5-18.
29th.Div.G.	"	5.7.a.m.	Morning situation report Situation quiet about 500 gas projectors successfully fired left Bde front at 2.a.m. wind notth west 5 mph. captures nil.	I		"
1st.Bde.	"	5.a.m.	Morning report. Increased activity hostile shelling which was intermittent and scattered Pradelles heavilly shelled with gas from 9.p.m. about 200 mustard gas shells fell in W.28.A. and a few gas shells are reported in E.5. increased machine gun activity on centre battalion.			
31st.Div.	"	5.12.a.m.	Situation report quiet.			
XV Corps	"	6.28.a.m.	Morning report hostile artillery activity above normal on centre division front Pradelles and Strazeele heavily shelled with gas the latter with mustard gas H.V. gun shelled St Sylvestre Cappel gas projectors successfully fired from left of right division front at 2.a.m.			
9th.Div.	"	10.3.a.m.	H.Q. close at BLARINGHEM open HONDEGHEM and G.O.C. assumes Command left sector XV Corps 9.a.m.			
2nd.Bde.	"	10.58.a.m.	Shelling report nil.			
1st.Bde.	"	4.41.p.m.	Evening report situation quiet W.18. W.24. and Strazeele Stn shelled at intervals during the day otherwise she lling light and scattered over forward area T.M. and Sniers active in early morning in MONT DE MERRIS. Machine Guns quiet Increased aerial activity no low flying planes prisoners and material nil.			
29th.Div.	"	5.43.p.m.	Situation on front quiet wind west 6.mph.			
XV Corps.	"	6.3.p.m.	Evening report hostile arty fire normal intermittent on STRAZEELE and PRDAELLES and STRAZEELE STN HAZEBROUCK was also shelled Our Arty carried out usual harassing fire on back areas prisoners nil.			
9th.Div.	"	6.28.p.m.	situation quiet captures nil.			

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From	To	Time rec.	Information.	IN	OUT	DATE.
11st.A.D.	All concd.	5.16.a.m.	Morning report hostile arty above normal pradelles and Strazeeles heavily shelled with gas the latter with Mustard hostile M.Gs also active no infantry movement observed H.V. gun active against St Sylvestre Cappel before 10.p.m.			25-5-18.
1st.A.D.	" "		Evening report situation quiet W.18. W.24. and STRAZEELE STATION shelled and lights cattered shelling over forward area T.Ms and Snipers active in morning on MONT DE MERRIS Increased activity of high flying hostile planes.			

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action Taken.	Initials.
25-5-18	3.p.m.	9th.Division.G.	Asks permission to make extracts from our Code Calls for issue to the Brigade on our flank and the reserve Brigade.	Agreed.	E.F.H.
"	8.15.p.m.	B.M..D.A.	Bosche is shelling FLETRE with gas shells at the rate of 10 rounds per minute.	G.S.O.II. informed	H.K.
"	8.25.p.m.	B.M.,D.A.	W.20. being shelled with 5.9s and gas shells at the rate of 2 rounds per minute.	G.S.O.II. informed.	H.K.
"	8.35.p.m.	B.M, D.A.	Re gas bombardment to be carried out by arty tonight, A wire is being sent re same	No action taken.	H.K.
"	9.50.p.m.	B.M. 1st.Bde.	Gas shelling reported earlier consists of phosgene and mustard at COURTE CROIX and phosgene at PRADELLES.		E.F.H.
"	10.30.p.m.	28th.Bde. then 28th.F.A.	W.20.B. gas falling in the square is reported to be giving off a bluish vapour		E.F.H.

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Time.	Date.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
10.40.p.m.	25-5-18.	B.M.1st.Bde.	Attempted raid on E.6.A.5.6. driven off without reaching our line None of our men missing Our artillery dropped a barrage on this raid Patrols are following up this raid		E.F.H.
12.Midnight.	"	G.O.C.1st.Bde.	Estimated strength of raiding party 60 2 of our men wounded slightly 1 of whom stayed on duty.		A.L.

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To.	From.	Time sent.	Information,	In Out	Date.
All	concd	1st A.D.	Morning report. Increased artillery activity during night. Barrage placed on front systems on MONT DE MERRIS 9-40 p.m. W.18. PRADELLES and vicinity shelled intermittently large percentage gas. T.Ms and M.Gs more active than usual opposite centre Bn. front. Enemy raid estimated strength 60 beaten off by artillery and infantry fire at 10-11 p.m. in E.6.a. Patrols nothing to report.	OUT	26/5/18
"	"		Evening report. Slight intermittent and scattered shelling. Low flying planes over our right front driven off at 2 p.m.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initial
26/5/18	3:40 a.m.	1st D.A.	W .26., W.27., still being gassed with gas shell.	GSO 1 inf.	A.L.
"	3 a.m.	GOC 1st Bde.	C.O. Left Bn. reports that they found right post of 9th Div empty only pieces of equipment left.		
"	1-20 pm.	" "	8 wagons (Pioneer Bn) loaded with concrete are coming into Brigade Headquarters. G.O.C. 1st Bde. will not allow it. He is dumping the stuff near the H.Q. today, but he asks that such carrying be done in future only at night.	Spoke Pnr. Btn. who will give instructions that the concrete be carted by night only.	A.L.
"	5-55 p.m.	29th Div.G	2-15 a.m. tomorrow, small operation on Left Flank of 29th Div. asks warn Brigade.	BM 1st Bde. informed.	E.F.H.
"	8-50 p.m.	BM/ D.A.	Gas shell falling in W.19.a.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	5-1 a.m.	Morning report. Situation quiet at present. Increased artillery activity during night. Barrage placed on front systems on MONT DE MERRIS 9-40 p.m. W.18. and PRADELLES shelled intermittently from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. large percentage of gas. T.Ms and M.Gs more active than usual opposite centre bn. front. Enemy raid beaten off at 10-10 p.m. in E.6.a. Patrols nothing to report. Estimated casualties 6.	IN	26/5/18.
29th Div.	"	5-24 a.m.	Situation report. Situation quiet. Wind N.W. 10 kts to W 5 mph. Captures nil.		
9th Div.	"	5-45 a.m.	Situation report. Between 7-20 p.m. and 9-30 p.m. X.1.c. and FLEURE heavily shelled with small sneezing gas shell. Intermittent gas shelling at intervals during night. Enemy put down barrage on right half of Div. front at 1 a.m. Slackened at 1-30 a.m. Rest of front all quiet.		
15th Corps	"	7-30 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery very active. FLEURE STRAZELLE and PRADELLES shelled with gas and H.E. Barrage put down front system on MONT DE MERRIS at 9-30 p.m. and on right half of left Div. section between 1 a.m. and 1-30 a.m. At 10-10 p.m. enemy attempted to raid posts in E.6.a. Raiding party estimated strength 60 was beaten off by artillery and rifle fire. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire.		
2nd Bde.	"	10 a.m.	Shelling report NIL.		
1st Bde.	"	4-25 p.m.	Evening report. Slight intermittent and scattered shelling. Low flying planes on our RIGHT front driven off at 2 p.m.		
29th Div.	"	5-27 p.m.	Situation report. Situation quiet a good deal of shelling in neighbourhood of PAPOTE. Wind NNW 12 mph.		
9th Div.	"	5-50 p.m.	Situation gas shelling in vicinity of LA BESACE FARM from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sweet smelling and sneezing. Situation otherwise unchanged. E.A. activity nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-50 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery fire above normal. Vicinity of PAPOTE LA MOTTE and MORBECQUE rather heavily shelled. Heavy gas concentrations were put on areas south of FONTAINE HOUCK. Our artillery carried out normal harassment fire and shelled wood in F.7.b. with gas. Low flying E.A. over right of centre Div. were driven off at 2 a.m. Prisoners NIL.		
2nd Bde.	"	8-26 p.m.	Move complete.		
15th Corps	"	10-30 pm.	Air observers report 8-25 p.m. Platoons of Infantry moving south on road in 36A L.23. and L.24. 36 G.19. and G.20. weather cloudy. Heavy M.G. fire from G.26.		

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1st Bde.	1st A.D.	4-55 a.m.	Morning report. shelling intermittent and scattered. Few gas shells fell in X.13. and W.18. One low flying B.A. at 5-30 p.m. on right front. No patrol information to report.	IN	27/5/18
29th Div.	"	5-2 a.m.	Situation report. Situation normal. Captures 3 O.R. of 39th Div. (normal) and 1 M.G. Wind light N.E.		
9th Div.	"	6-9 a.m.	Situation unchanged. Heavy gas shelling about X.7.a. and C. during night Mustard gas One wounded prisoner taken opposite right Bde. front. E.A.nil.		
15th Corps	"	7-5 a.m.	Morning report. Some gas shelling during night about COURTE CROIX and in front of FLETRE with mustard gas. Our artillery carried out increased harassing fire on back areas and roads leading west from ESTAIRES. A relief being suspected Captures 3 O.R. of 39th Div. and one M.G. by right Div. and one O.R. (wounded) by left Div. not yet identified.		
29th Div.	"	7-50 a.m.	Three prisoners belonging to 132 I.R. 39th Div. captured this morning at 36A E.17.d.1.1. Normal. No knowledge of any attack. Prisoners do not know what Div. is on their right.		
15th Corps BI	"	2-40 p.m.	Photos ready.		
15th Corps	"	2-56 p.m.	The enemy attacked this morning on the OUDERDOM front. DAN reports 11-30 a.m. It appears that the objective of the enemy attack this morning was not deep but aimed at recapture of ground recently occupied by us. The front has been entirely re established except in the DICKEBUSCH sector where the enemy penetrated to a maximum depth of 800 metres on the left and about 100 metres on the right. Steps are being taken to deal with the situation. About 100 prisoners were captured		
15th Corps	"	4-33 p.m.	Following received from Second Arm . At 3-30 p.m. this morning after intense bombardment of the French and British positions the enemy attacked on a wide front between RHEIMS and SOISSONS and penetrated the forward positions. Heavy fighting is taking place. The enemy used tanks. Ends.		
1st Bde.	"	4-40 p.m.	Evening report, Situation very quiet. Light scattered shelling of forward systems during afternoon. M.Gs and T.Ms inactive. Four low flying enemy planes over front systems during morning. Prisoners and material nil. Casualties nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-25 p.m.	Situation on front quiet. Some shelling of back areas with 10 cm and 15 cm guns Wind N.E. 15 mph.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
9th Div.	1st A.D.	6-13 p.m.	Situation unchanged . 5 to 10 a.m. E.A. active. Nine hostile balloons up. Prisoners nil. 10 men reported missing as result of enemy raid on post X.20.central on night 25/26	IN	27/5/18
15th Corps	"	6-45 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery has been less active since 4 a.m. scattered shelling only being reported. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire and completed 8 destructive shoots. Low flying E.A. active centre and left division fronts during morning. Prisoners last 24 hours 4 O.R. already reported.		
15th Corps A.	"	8-20 p.m.	Prisoner taken today in E.17.d. under states under special examination that 39th Div. is to be relieved tonight by 44th Res. Div. and that they will attack on completion of relief. Further examination is proceeding. Result will be communicated later.		
15th Corps G	"	11-20 p.m.	Reference IG 387 of today. Further examination tends to confirm previous report. Divisional artillery and H.A. will actively harass enemy during night. Reserve Brigades to be at 1 hours notice till further orders.		
1st Bde.	"	11-31 p.m.	Have placed LAMB with two companies in each of reserve and B lines. JAKE will put two companies in C line. Mobile echelons have been ordered forward to V.23.b.		
D.I.O.	"	1-41 a.m.	D.I.O. report. Two prisoners taken this evening belong to 5th Company 2nd Bn. 47th R.I.R. 13 Res. Div. Prisoner a reliable man stated no attack is contemplated in the near future. They came into the * during the night 26/27th relieving an unknown unit. Their Bn. was relieved in the Kemmel sector 16 days ago after 14 days rest when only the usual infantry was carried out they were told by their Coy. Comdr. they were coming into a very quiet sector for ten days then they were to be relieved and sent to rest. Coy. file strength 35 to 40 men. Further interrogation follows.		
1st A.D. All coned.			Morning report. Intermittent and scattered gas shelling through night with a few gas shell on X.13. and W.18. E.A. nil. Patrols nothing to report.	OUT	27/5/18
"	"		Evening report. Situation very quiet. Light shelling of forward systems during afternoon. Four low flying E.A. over front systems during morning. Prisoners and material nil.		

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From.	To.	Time sent.	Information.	In Out	Date.
1st A.D.	All coned.		Prisoner taken today in E.17.d. stated under special examination that 39th Div. is to be relieved tonight by 44th Res.Div. and that they will attack on completion of relief. Further examination is proceeding result will be communicated later.	OUT	27/5/18
1st A.D.	1st, 3rd Bde	11-20	1st A.I.Bde. will place two companies in Reserve Line SOUTH of PRADELLES and one battalion in B and C lines half in each SOUTH of BORRE from hour of relief tonight until after stand down in morning 28th.		
1st AD.	2nd Bde.	11-20 p.m.	If Brigade group required to move tomorrow will do so on one hours notice. Latest information confirms previous wire but date not yet confirmed.		
"	1st Bde.	11-20 p.m.	Your proposal to allot the battalion to Reserve and B lines and the extra two companies is approved. Amend this office G 990 accordingly. Div.Comdr. thinks it best for you to remain at forward Bde. H.Q. tonight.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
27/5/18	10-10 pm	1st D.A.	Report E.8.b. is being gas shelled,		
"	11-30 p.m.	GSO 2 to BM D.A.	Received XV Corps G 772 All Brigades will exercise increase harassing fire by 50%		S.L.M.
"	11-45 pm.	GSO 2 to XV Corps G.	2 prisoners captured by right Bn. they belong to 57th I.R. or 57th R.I.R.		S.L.M.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde.	1st A.D.	1-44 a.m.	Relief complete situation quiet.	IN	28/5/18
3rd Bde.	"	3-35 a.m.	M.M.P. despatched with the two prisoners.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-7 a.m.	Morning report. Enemy quiet but alert. Two prisoners of 57th I.R. 13th Div. were captured in E.12.a. north of the Railway abnormal.		
9th Div.	"	5-28 a.m.	Morning report. Situation normal.		
29th Div.	"	6-5 a.m.	Morning situation report. All quiet Hostile artillery slightly active between midnight and 2-30 a.m. Patrols report no movement opposite front. Our raiding party was seen by enemy who put down heavy machine gun and Trench Mortar barrage.		
15th Corps	"	6-40 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery fairly quiet during the night. Our artillery very active. Harrassing hostile communications and back areas. 2 prisoners captured by centre Div. in E.12.a.		
3rd Bde.	"	9-10 a.m.	Patrols No further information.		
15th Corps	"	10-30 a.m.	There was heavy fighting all yesterday on the front between RHEIMS and SOISSONS In places our line has been forced back across the AISNE Maps of this part of the front are being prepared and will be issued to Divisions later.		
3rd Bde.	"	10-40 a.m.	Liaison officers right Bde. Capt. MACDONALD 10th Bn. Left Bde. Lieut. COOPER 12th Bn. Right front flank Bn. Lieut. KELLY 12th Bn. Left front flank Bn. Capt. BIGGS 9th Battalion.		
15th Corps	"	11-14 a.m.	Telephone message received from 2nd Army 10 a.m. as follows. All ground lost yesterday has been regained this morning by counter attack except for one pocket of 150 of the enemy who are still holding out in SCOTTISH WOOD though surrounded.		
1st Bde.	"	2-5 p.m.	Enemy plane dropped some bombs at W.8.a.9.1. at 11-5 p.m.		
3rd Bde.	"	4-55 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet on Bde. front. Our aircraft active at Midi. and were heavily engaged by enemy A.A. guns. Visib. fair. Casualties nil.		
29th Div.	"	5-3 p.m.	Situation quiet. Enemy artillery activity below normal. High shrapnel burst over WALLON CAPPEL during the day. Wind NW 10 mph.		
9th Div.	"	5-4 p.m.	Situation quiet. E.A. active in morning.		

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From.	To.	Time recd	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps	1st A.D.	6-47 p.m.	Evening report. Hostile artillery activity below normal and confined mainly to H.V. shelling of MORBECQUE and area west of and N.W. of BORRE. Our heavy artillery carried out 10 destructive shoots and fired on BAC ST MAUR station with aeroplane observation. E.A. active over left Div. front. Prisoners last 24 hours 2 already reported.	IN	28/5/18.
15th Corps	"	6-50 p.m.	Heavy artillery tonight will continue active harassing fire. Divisional Artys. harassing fire 50 per cent increased expenditure above normal.		
15th Corps	"	7-20 p.m.	Situation report CHAMPAGNE front. No change in position held by British troops. Enemy reported to have crossed the AISNE and reached LONGUE-VAL D'HUIZEL St.MARD and CYS. Thence the French hold the line of the river to CONDE-SUR-AISNE NEUVILLE-SUR-MARGIVAL LEUILLY.		
15th Corps	"	9-18 p.m.	Wire from 2nd Army timed 6 p.m. begins. CHAMPAGNE situation report. The enemy developed his attack yesterday rapidly and in great strength. The left of the British 9th Corps was pushed back in a south westerly direction to a line on the high ground between the AISNE and VESLE rivers. Last night the 8th Div. was still holding 2nd line position about BUFIGNE-REUX and 21st Div. were holding their batt ^{le} positions intact about CORMISYB. FISMES was held by French troops. The line ran thence along the VESLE to Junction with AISNE and N.W. to neighbourhood of LAFFEUX to NEUVILLE SUR MARGIVAL.		
15th Corps	"	9-34 p.m.	Wire from 2nd Army timed 7-15 p.m. begins. French report that allied line on AISNE front runs LEUILLY plateau south of PONT ROUGE CINDE SUR AISNE OELLES VALLEY of VASLE river to VASSENY-AUGY-CERSUIL LHUYS FISMES BREUIL PROUILLY VILLERS FRANQUIEX COURCY. American troops attacked this morning on a two kilometre front and captured the villages of CANTIGNY north west of MONTDIDIER with over 140 prisoners. Ends.		
1st A.D.	All comd.		Morning report. Enemy artillery active during the night. Two prisoners of 2 Bn. 57th I.R. 13th Div. captured in E.12.		
"	2nd Army		Thirteen enemy balloons up south East of STRAZEELE.		
"	A.A.Defn.		Evening report. Very quiet. Our aircraft heavily engaged by enemy A.A. guns.		
"	All concd.				

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TELEPHONE MESSAGES.

Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
28/5/18	9-30 a.m.	Corps G.	31st Division would like an instructor sent to them on 30th if possible to teach them the use of sling with L.T.M. Mortar?	Spoke BM 2nd Bde.	A.L.
"	9-40 a.m.	G 2.	13 Bosche balloons up S.of STRAZERLE.	Informed Corps G. and 2nd Army A.A.Def	A.L.
B	10 a.m.	NM 2nd Bde.	Cant supply instructor to Divs (use of slings with L.T.M.Mortar) Results of experiments will be to hand tonight.		A.L.
"	515 p.m.	1sy Bde.I.O.	4.2 H.V.Gun firing on to V.11.d.6.4. Sound bearing 1270 from that point (T.B) Fired this morning. Recommencing now.	Info med BM DA	A.L.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date,
1st Bde.	1st A.D.	5 a.m.	Morning report. All arms very quiet on Bde. front. No enemy patrols encountered. Enemy very quiet and no so nervous as usual. Casualties nil.	IN	29/5/18
29th Div.	"	5-18 a.m.	Very quiet night. Hostile artillery inactive. Wind N 5 to 10 mph.		
9th Div.	"	5-35 a.m.	Situation quiet except for slight shelling of battery areas. Captures nil.		
15th Corps	"	6-40 a.m.	Morning report. Quiet night on the Corps front.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-53 a.m.	Patrols. Right Coy. centre battalion established post at E.6.a.5.3. Patrols have nothing further to report.		
3rd Bde.	"	12-15 a.m.	10th Bn. have occupied enemy posts E.6.c.2.9. one prisoner of 57th R.I.R. reported captured at present.		
15th Corps	"	1-52 p.m.	Situation on SOISSONS-RHEIMS front on evening of 28th May as follows. Our line runs between TERA and SORNY (N. of SOISSONS) east of WENIZEL south of SERCHES LESGES JOUAINES TO CHARY which is held by us. Thence between MONTOUR-COURVILLE and COURVILLE between UNCHAIR and CRUGNY S.W. of BRANSCOURT to heights of STTHIERRY south west of COURCY		
3rd Bde.	"	2-50 p.m.	The 10th Bn. is sending out fighting patrols tonight at 11-30 p.m. to examine enemy posts on the line E.6.u.05.70. to E.6.a.4.0. and if possible to occupy them. Artillery has been informed.		
15th Corps	"	3-34 p.m.	Situation on the AISNE front on morning of 29th as follows. Line runs BETHENDY BRANSCOURT between HARGER and ARCISLEPORSART thence LONGUEVIELE N.E. of LOUPIEGNE BRANGES CUIRCY HOUSSE MAAST N.E. of MURET, N.E. of NAMPTOUIL. SOISSONS has been lost and retaken. Line continues through JUVIGNY-CRECYANMONT Violent attack going on from LOUPIEGNE to CUIRY HUSSEM		
3rd Bde.	"	4-4- p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet on whole Bde. front. Slight harassing fire on forward area. Visibility good. Casualties 1 O.R. killed.		
29th Div.	"	5-28 p.m.	Situation very quiet. GRAND SEC BOIS shelled 8 to 8-30 a.m. Front line E. of BOIS D'AVAIL shelled this afternoon. Wind N.E. 8 to 10 mph.		

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
9th Div.	1st A.D.	5-58 p.m.	Situation quiet. 2 E.A. brought down 3-15 p.m. 6 enemy balloons up. Prisoners nil.	IN	29/5/18
15th Corps	"	6-54 p.m.	Evening report. Quiet day on the whole front. Slight shelling of front line east of BOIS D'AVAIL and neighbourhood of SEC BOIS HAZEBROUCK STRAZEELE and MAESTRE' Left Div. report 2 E.A. brought down one in French area one in enemy lines. Prisoners nil.		
15th Corps	"	8-13 p.m.	From tonight inclusive until further orders harassing fire will be at normal rates.		
1st A.D.	All coned.		Morning report. Quiet night on Div. front. No patrols encountered.	OUT	"
"	"	5 p.m.	Evening report. Very quiet on whole front. Slight harassing fire on forward area.		

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
29/5/18	12-35 pm.	XV Corps I.	E. Planes reported by 9th Div. to have been brought down at 10-23 a.m. yesterday in X.19-A.	Assured Corps I that location was incorrect.	A.L.
"	11-55 pm.	BM 3rd Bde.	10th Bn. have captured 1 prisoner 57th I.R. 10th Bn. have captured their objective.		A.L.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
15th Corps 1st A.D.			Evening report. Hostile artillery quiet scattered shelling only being reported including some gas on and south of STRAZEELE station and vicinity of SWARTEN-BROUCK in LA MOTTE sector. Our artillery carried out usual harassing fire and completed 3 destructive shoots. E.A. active over forward area of STRAZEELE sector at midday. Captures last 24 hours 1 O.R. and 1 M.G. already reported.	IN	30/5/18.
1st Bde.	"	7-32 p.m.	Owing to continued shelling of bivouac 1st Bn. will move tonight V.16.a. Will find it necessary to reduce working party on BORRE switch 50% in consequence		
1st A.D. All coned.			Morning report. Right Company of centre Battalion advanced line about 200 yards OUT at 11-30 p.m. in square E.6.c. One prisoner of 2 bn. 57th R.I.R. 13 Res. Div. one M.G. captured. Enemy artillery and M.Gs active from 11-30 p.m. until daylight. numerous enemy flares used.	"	
"	"		D.I.O. report. Prisoner taken this evening in E.6.c.2.9. belongs to 6 Coy. 2nd Bn. 57th R.I.R. 13th Res. Div. Reliable prisoner states the 2nd Bn. relieved the 3rd Bn. of the 63rd I.R. 12th Division on the night 26/27th inst. Coy. rifle strength about 50 men. Prisoner confirms previous statements and is confident no attack on this front is imminent imminent by them the battalions of their regt, being situated 1 in line 1 in reserve and 1 in rest. The relieved Division told the incoming division that they were coming into a fairly quiet sector with an average of 10 casualties a day.		
"	"		Evening report. Light scattered enemy shelling over forward area. Some gas on and south of STRAZEELE station Seven E.A. active over forward area at midday.		

TELEPHONE MESSAGES.

Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken	Initials.
30/5/18	10-15 a.m	BM 2nd Bde.	Could you arrange for a car to be at this Bde. H.Q. to carry instructors to 9th Div. for L.T.M. demonstration.	Arr. for car at Bde. H.Q. at 8-30 a.m. Friday 31st May. Bde. informed. 1st DA informed.	EFH
"	2-40 pm.	D.O.P.	Reporting battery active at F.11.c.	" " "	EFH
"	5-25 p.m.	D.O.P.	H.V. gun from L.2.d. 35.55. still active.	" " "	EFH
"	8-45 p.m.	BM 3rd Bde.	Extra battery of T.Ms for 3rd Bde. could we tell them who they will be to enable 3rd Bde. to get in touch with them.	BM inf. No.1	G.F.P.

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From.	To.	Time recd.	Information.	In Out	Date.
3rd Bde. 1st A.D.		1-50 a.m.	At 1-10 a.m. small counter attack developed against new positions successfully dealt with.		30/5/18.
3rd Bde.	"	5-5a.m.	Morning report. The right coy. of centre Btn. advanced their line about 200 yards at 11-30 p.m. in square E.6.c. One prisoner of 2 Bn. 57 RBR. 13th Res. Div. and one M.G. captures. Enemy artillery and M.Gs active from 11-30 p.m. until daylight. Numerous flares, and light signals used. Estimated casualties 3 Officer and 22 Ors wounded 10 Ors killed.		
9th Div.	"	5-15 a.m.	Morning wire. Situation normal.		
29th Div.	"	5-15 a.m.	Left Brigade reports hostile artillery active in back areas between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. Otherwise night night quiet.		
15th Corps	"	6-35 a.m.	Morning report. Hostile artillery fairly active on back areas especially in left sector. Centre Div. carried out successful minor operation at 11-30 p.m. last night and advanced its line about 200 yards in Square E.6.c. taking one prisoner and one M.G. Since 4 p.m. yesterday our artillery carried out six destructive shoots and 13 neutralisations. Usual harassing fire maintained.		
3rd Bde.	"	8-15 a.m.	Patrols. Enemy alert but quiet since 1-30 a.m. Word at E.11.d.7.9. reported to be strongly held.		
15th Corps	"	11-22 a.m.	DAN reports we gained possession of SCOTTISH WOOD in a local operation. AISNE front 10 p.m. 29th May line runs approximately as follows. GRECY AUTMONT JUVIGNY west of SOISSONS BERZYLESC GRAMALLE NESLES COULONGNES TRESLON ROSNAY THILLOIS the valley of the VESLE.		
3rd Bde.	"	12-41 p.m.	Aituation normal light retaliation only with 77s on STRAZEELE area.		
3rd Bde.	"	5-16 p.m.	Evening report. Scattered enemy shelling over forward area light. STRAZEELE station and right Bn. H.Q. on occasions shelled with gas and H.E. Seven hostile aeroplanes active at medium height over forward area during morning. Casualties officers two killed 6 wounded O.R. 15 killed 56 wounded. Includes those reported this morning.		
29th Div.	"	5-33 p.m.	Situation normal. Scattered shelling of reserve and support lines between 7 and 11 a.m. also gas shells on E.20.b. Wind NE 5 to 10 mph.		
9th Div.	"	5-46 p.m.	Situation quiet.		

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From	To	Time recd.	Information.	IN	OUT	date.
3rd.A.I.Bde	D.H.Q.	5.1.a.m.	Morning report aaa Enemy arty fairly active all night on forward areas. Enemy very nervous used numerous flares. Machine guns active at intervals. Right Bn patrol encountered enemy and captured M.G. also killed three enemy no identification yet further details later. Scattered gas shelling on forward areas and along Railway line during night. Estimated casualties 2 Officers wounded 2 O.Rs killed. 5 wounded.	IN		31-5-18.
9th.Div.	"	5.50.a.m.	Situation quiet. Some gas and harassing shell fire in right Bde sector during night. prisoners nil.	IN		31-5-18.
XV Corps.	"	6.58.a.m.	Situation report. Slight hostile Arty activity chiefly in form of harassing fire. As the result of patrol encounter on Centre Divn front 3 enemy were killed and one M.G. captured. Our Arty carried out usual counter Batty work and harassing fire. 9 destructive shoots were compated and BAC ST MAUR Railway Stn shelled causing 3 large explosions and a fire which burned for some hours.	IN		31-5-18.
9th.Div.	"	9.28.a.m.	Relief of 26th Bde by 27th Bde complete. 26th Bde now in Corps Reserve.	IN		31-5-18.
3rd.A.I.Bde.	"	5.10.p.m.	Evening report. Light scattered shelling on forward areas. Otherwise quiet. Estimated casualties one killed six wounded four missing believed killed.	IN		31-5-18.
29th.Div.	"	5.40.p.m.	Situation quiet. Hostile Arty moderately active. Wind N.E. 10 to 15 mph. Captures Nil.	IN		31-5-18.
9th.Div.	"	5.48.p.m.	Situation quiet. 1 E.A. brought down by 4 of our planes 5.p.m. fell in french area.	IN		31-5-18.
XV Corps.	"	6.37.p.m.	Evening report. Situation quiet. Some hostile shelling of STRAZEELE IN and SEC BOIS areas and harassing fire of our back areas. Our heavy Artillery completed 7 destructive shoots and carried out usual harassing fire. One E.A. reported by left Div as brought down in French area at 5.p.m. by 4 of our planes. Prisoners last 24 hours Nil.			31-5-18.
D.H.Q.	All concd.		Morning report. Enemy artillery fairly active all night. Enemy very nervous using numerous flares. Machine Guns active at intervals. 12th BN patrol encountered enemy capturing one M.G. and killing three. Identi-	OUT		31-5-18.

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From	To	Time recd.	Information.	IN	OUT	Date.
D.H.Q.	All concd.	(continued)	fications later. Scattered gas shelling on forward area and along railway line during night.			
"	"	"	Evening report. Light scattered shelling on forward areas. Other arms quiet.		OUT	31-5-18.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS.

Date.	Message from.	Time.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.	
31-5-18.	B.M. D.A.	12.55.a.m.	Reporting a certain amount of gas shelling round ROUGE CROIX Reporting also a raid by 29th Divn took place at 12.30.a.m.			
"	"	D.O.P.	6.30.a.m.	Working party of 12 men on O.500 to O.600 working in S.26.C. circling around S.26.C. and C.9.65.	Artillery notified.	H.K.
"	"	D.O.P.	8.85.a.m.	Working Parties in S.20.C. still active.	Artillery notified.	H.K.
"	"	B.M.D.A.	10.30.a.m.	Complaints have come in that traffic make a hobby stopping just beside the 2nd Battery at W.13.D.8.2. on the road, under direct observation by Balloons.		G.F.P.
"	"	B.M. D.A.	7.5.p.m.	6th.Bty A.F.A. at W.5.C.3.9. have been told to move by the B.B. of the F.A.Bde of 9th Division as they have been there for a month could arrange anything be done to obviate a move.		E.E.H.
"	"	R.O. 1st.D.A.	9.30.p.m.	Report received from O.C.1st.Bty.A.F.A. that about 3rd.Bde.know 9.15.p.m. a party of our Infy were fired on by what nothing. appeared to be 3 R.E.8. planes 1st Btys Locatn.W.14.A. 1st.Bde. do. 62.54.		E.F.H.
"	"	XV Corps.	9.40.p.m.	Range at LA BELLE HOTESSE is to be closed tomorrow. Arranged with B.M. 2nd. Bde.		E.F.H.

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Date.	Time.	Message from.	Information.	Action taken.	Initials.
31-5-18.	9.45.p.m.		Div. Commander told B.G.G.S. that the 3rd.A.I.Bde. wanted to postpone their attack for 24 hours owing to their preparations taking longer than anticipated. The B.G.G.S. said the Corps Commander agreed to the attack on morning of 3rd. June.	3rd.Bde warned. C.R.A. do	GA.W.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

S E C R E T .

S/8604

Divisional Headquarters,
22nd May, 1918.

"A.Q.",
C.R.A., 1st Aust. Div.,
C.R.E., 1st Aust. Div.,
A.D.M.S., 1st Aust. Div.,
1st Aust. Inf. Bde.,
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.,
3rd Aust. Inf. Bde.,
1st Aust. M.G. Battn.,
1st Aust. Pioneer Battn.

1. During the past twenty-four (24) hours four prisoners have been taken from three different German Divisions and all agree that an attack is imminent on the front of the XV Corps, the objective being MONT DES CATS.

The plan appears to be to employ heavy gas shelling on the FOREST d'WIEPPE and to attack north of the forest. It is probable that gas may be expected on the STRAZEELE and FONTAINE HOUCK positions, and that the attack will be delivered between these three bastions.

2. Although the date of the attack is specified as the 25th instant, the Army Commander wishes all preparations made each day as if the attack was coming the following morning.

3. The Divisional Commander desires that patrol activity should be maintained, and that prisoners taken during the night should be interrogated on the spot, if this is possible, with a view to finding out whether the attack is coming the following morning.

The arrangements for turning out and assembling reserve troops should be perfected.

Gas shelling, particularly between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m., should be promptly reported to Divisional Headquarters.

Geo. F. Walker
Lieut.-Colonel,
General Staff,
1st Australian Division.

SECRET

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,
10th May, 1918.

DEFENCE ORGANIZATION, SERIES "B", No. 16.

1. Consequent upon the re-distribution of the Division and the organization of the Divisional sector on a one brigade frontage, and the withdrawal of the 17th Northumberland Fusilier Railway Pioneer Battalion, the following amendments will be made in the instructions contained in Defence Organization papers, Series "B".
 - (a) Series "B", No. 8 will cease to be operative with the exception of paragraphs 5 and 6;
 - (b) Series "B", No. 8 will cease to be operative;
 - (c) Series "B", No. 12 is cancelled;
 - (d) Series "B", No. 14, paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 are cancelled.
2. The line brigade has organized the sector in three battalions sections of defence, each battalion having two companies in the forward system, one company detailed as garrison to the support system, and one company in reserve. One battalion is held in brigade reserve less one company allotted as garrison of STRAZELLE.
3. The 1st Australian Pioneer Battalion will provide the garrison for the reserve system of the forward zone including the garrisons of defended localities of ROUGE CROIX and PRADELLES. It will also provide a nucleus garrison for the COURTE CROIX switch. The battalion will be distributed on the following principles :-
 - (a) Companies will be distributed as garrisons to the sections in which they are employed;
 - (b) No battalion reserve will be retained;
 - (c) The total strength allotted to the garrisons of the defended localities of PRADELLES, ROUGE CROIX and the nucleus garrison of the COURTE CROIX switch will not exceed one and a half companies;
 - (d) The remainder of the reserve line will be occupied by posts. A post will not normally be of less strength than two sections of riflemen or one section of riflemen and one Lewis Gun section (approximate strength, 20 to 25 men).

A sketch of the distribution of the battalion showing the strength and location of each post will be forwarded to 1st Aust. Divisional Headquarters as soon as completed.

Reconnaissances should be made in order to ensure that posts can be rapidly manned. The instructions now in force as to manning the posts on the initiative of the C.O., 1st Australian Pioneer Battalion, or in the case of detached companies on the initiative of Company Commanders, in the event of emergency, will continue in force. After the first nucleus manning C.O. 1st Pioneer Battalion will report the time estimated to man the defences from the present location of the companies after the receipt of the order "occupy defences" at Battalion Headquarters.
4. The nucleus battalion of the line brigade will remain responsible for the defence of the locality of BORCE.
5. SUPPORT BRIGADE.
 - (i) The support brigade will be prepared to counter attack in the event of an enemy penetration of the Divisional front. Routes will be reconnoitred and assembly positions chosen -
 - (a) For a counter attack as laid down in D.H.Q. S/8339 dated 4th May, paragraphs 7 and 8;
 - (b) For a counter attack in the event of an enemy penetration in the vicinity of STRAZELLE station.

(ii) One battalion

(2)

- (11) One battalion of the support brigade is held in close support to the line brigade. Direct communication will be arranged from Headquarters, line brigade, to this battalion. In the event of necessity the line brigade will have direct call upon this battalion. Should the Brigade be in communication with Divisional Headquarters and this necessity is considered to arise by the Brigade Commander the battalion will not be employed without reference to Divisional Headquarters.

The G.O.C., support brigade, in working out the details for counter attack will take into consideration the possibility of this battalion not being available.

Colonel,
General Staff,
1st Australian Division.

DISTRIBUTION.

XV Corps.	Nucleus Battalion, 1st A.I. Bdo.
1st Aust. Inf. Bdo.	Nucleus Battalion, 2nd A.I. Bdo.
2nd Aust. Inf. Bdo.	Nucleus Battalion, 3rd A.I. Bdo.
3rd Aust. Inf. Bdo.	29th Division.
C.R.A., 1st Aust. Div.	31st Division.
C.R.E., 1st Aust. Div.	1st Aust. M.G. Battn.
1st Aust. Pioneer Battn.	

SECRET.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

S/8555.

Headquarters.
19th. May. 1918.

A.Q.
C.R.A.
C.R.E.
A.D.M.S.
1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde.
3rd. Aust. Inf. Bde.
O.C. 1st. Div. Sig. Coy.

In the event of the Corps being attacked and forced back on to the SECOND ZONE of Defence, present Headquarters of the Division and forward Brigades will be too far advanced.

As a precautionary measure, which in no way foreshadows a retirement, the following locations of proposed new Headquarters are notified.

(a) Corps holding a 3 - Division front.

D.H.Q. U.25.C.1.5. (N.E. of LYNDIE)

Advanced D.H.Q. C.4.A.9.6.

Brigade H.Q. (Right) D.7.A.95.95.
(Left) D.1.D.2.1.

(b) Corps holding a 2 - Division front.

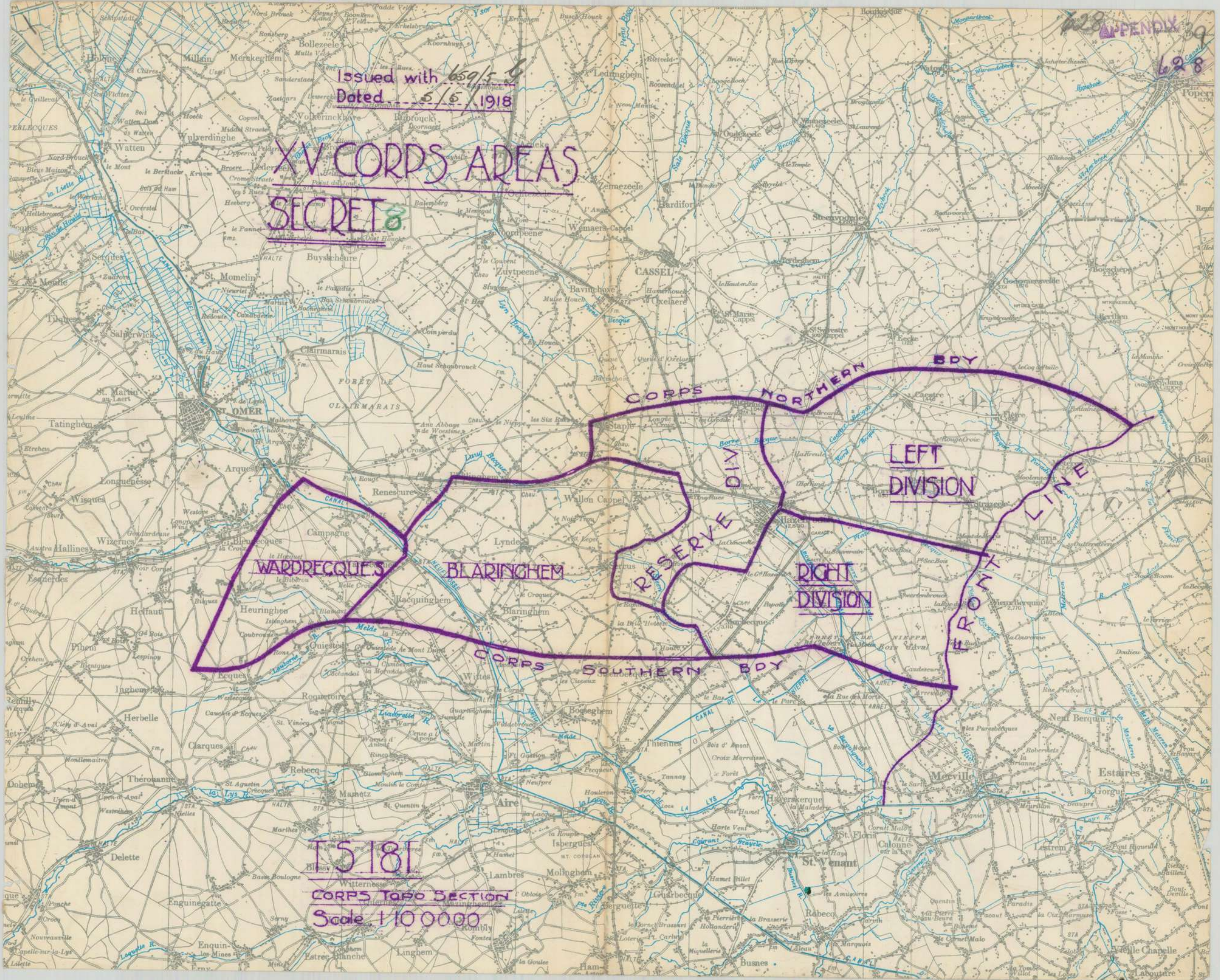
D.H.Q. - T.13.D.0.4. (N.E. of EBBLINGHAM.)

Brigade H.Q. (Right) as in (a)
(Left) as in (a)

It is realised that most of the accommodation will have to be found by tents but it is considered that this is preferable to locating Headquarters in towns and villages which are sure to be shelled.

As opportunity offers representatives should be sent to gain a knowledge of the various localities.

Rec. F. Smith
Major.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.



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XIV CORPS AREAS

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LEFT DIVISION

RIGHT DIVISION

RESERVE DIV

CORPS SOUTHERN BDPY

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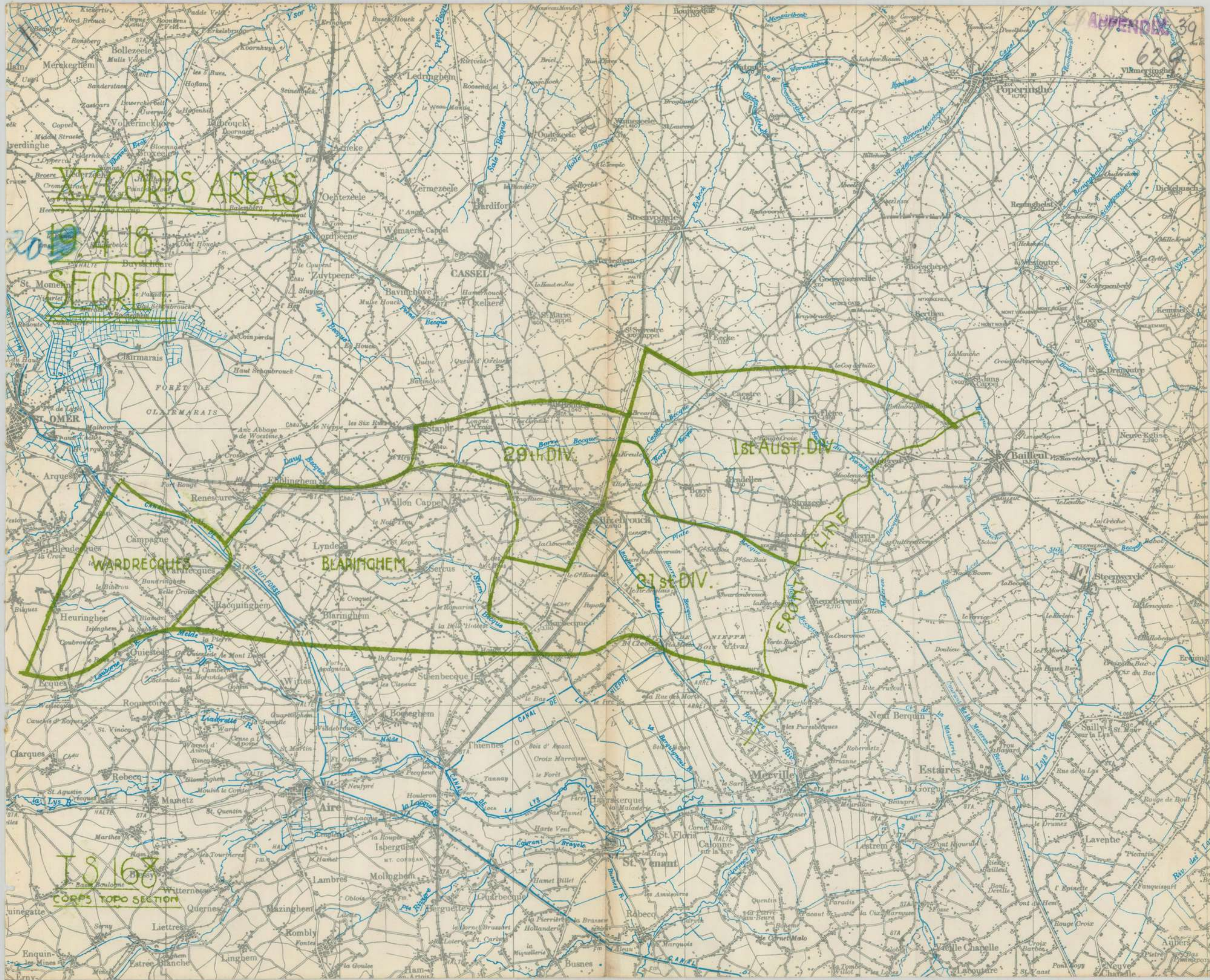
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APPENDIX 2

X CORPS AREAS

BDY:

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LEFT

CORPS

RIGHT DIVISION

la Pierre
CORPS
de la Montagne

SOUTHERN

BDY

A map fragment showing a road network. A large purple label "TSI 179" is superimposed over the map. To the left of the label is the word "Blossy". Above the label, there are labels "Tourbillon" and "Em". The map shows several roads intersecting.

Corps Topo. Section

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