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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CHAPPELLE d' ARMENTIERES.	1st	1700	7 guns fired 80 rounds each on to I.31.B.45.30., I.21.C.7.2., I.21.C.8.4., Shoot 1/10,000 by all guns successful. - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 53 Other ranks. - SICK - 1 O. Rank CASUALTIES - Wounded - No. 642 Pte. Robertson, W.	REFERENCE MAP. NW 4. " 36 NW 2 & NE 1 (pts. of) 1/20,000 28 SW Ed.3D " 36 NW 6C
	"	2nd 1100 1730	1 gun fired 60 rounds on to E.W.P. at I.21.c.5.1. Working party disbursed. Section relief. - STRENGTH 4offs., 53 Other ranks.	ditto
	"	3rd	Day quiet.- STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 53 Other ranks - SICK 1 Other rank.	ditto
	"	4th 1630	4 guns fired 75 rounds each on to I.26.B.33.70, I.26.B.9.8. and at screen opposite CHARD'S FARM.- STRENGTH 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks	ditto
	"	5th 1500	4 guns fired 50 rounds each on to I.16.a.65.95, I.16.d.1.3., I.27.A.05.85., I.27.A.18.95 - STRENGTH - 4 offs., 53 other ranks - SICK - 1 Other rank	ditto
	"	6th	Day quiet on whole front - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 53 Other ranks.	ditto
	"	7th 1000 1530	C. O. 172nd L. T. M. Battery shown round trenches by C.O. 4 guns fired 50 rounds each on to I. 16. d. 30.55., I.21.b.45.25., I.21.d.15.85. Good results. - STRENGTH - 4 offs., 53 other ranks.	ditto
	"	8th 0900	Comdg. Off. completed inspection with C.O. 172nd T. M. Battery. Section Offs., and Nos. 1 of 172nd Battery moved into the line, and Nos. 3 of this unit came out of the line - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 52 other ranks - SICK - 1 Other rank	ditto
	"	9th 2100	Relief by 172nd Battery completed - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 52 Other ranks.	ditto
	STENTJE	10th 1000 1700	Marched out of billets at CHAPPELLE d' ARMENTIERES. Arrived at STENTJE and settled in billets. STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 52 other ranks. LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS - LEROY BILLET, STENTJE.	ditto

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STENTJE	11th	1000	Inspection of clothing, equipment etc., - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 53 O.Ranks.	1/20,000 36 NW Ed. 6 C
"	12th	0900	Commenced Battery Training. - STRENGTH, 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks	" 28 SW " 3 D 1/100000 Hazebrouck 5a
"	13th	0900	Squad and Battery Drill - STRENGTH, 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks.	1/20,000 France 27 A.S.E
"	14th	0900	Bathing Parade, Steenwerck - STRENGTH, 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks.	ditto
"	15th	"	Battery and Infantry Training. - STRENGTH, 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks.	ditto
"	16th	"	Route March, Lectures - STRENGTH, 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks.	ditto
"	17th to 20th	0900 to 1700	Battery training was continued, including Squad Drill, Battery Drill, Physical Exercises, Dummy firing, Lectures, N.C.O's. classes and Route marches - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 54 Other ranks. 1 N.C.O. to Gas School, ARMENTIERES.	ditto
BOORE	21st	0815 to 1300	Marched out of STENTJE Arrived at BOORE - STRENGTH, 4 offs., 60 other ranks 7 D.A.C. men with 2 wagons and 12 mules attached. LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS - Main Road	ditto
RENESECURE	22nd	0830 to 1230	Marched out of BOORE. Arrived at RENESCURE - STRENGTH 4 Offs., 60 Other ranks. LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS - Main Road.	ditto
ETREHEM	23rd	0830 to 1300	Marched out of RENESCURE. Arrived at ETREHEM - STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 60 other ranks LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS, Main Road.	ditto
"	24th	0800	C. O. and section officers attended a lecture and demonstration on the training of a Division in Offensive action. Battery rested. STRENGTH - 4 Offs., 60 other ranks LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS - LEMAIRE BILLET	ditto

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ETREHEM	25th -31st	0900- 1700	Battery engaged in training, Physical Drill, Squad and Battery Drill, Firing Dummy shells, Gas Drill and Lectures. N.C.O's School, and Route Marches. STRENGTH - 5 Offs., 105 Other ranks. SICK - 2 Other ranks.	<u>REFERENCE MAP</u> 1/20,000 36NW Ed C " 28SW Ed 3D 1/100000 Hazebrouck 5a 1/20,000 France 27 ASE.
	29th		----- 42 Other ranks from 10th A.I. Bde (the four Battalions) attached for training in use of Mortar.	

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