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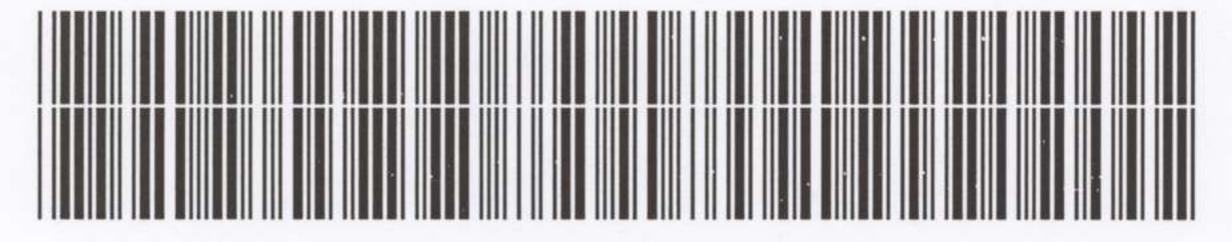
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Artillery Brigade

February 1918



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APP. 12

REPORT ON WORK DONE ON REINFORCING AND REAR ZONE POSITIONS.

For Week-Ending 23rd-2-1918.

| lst | Zone | 2 | 2nd Zone | 3rd 2 | Zone. |
|----------|------|-----|----------|------------|-------|
| V/A Bty. | VRA. | ASV | VZRA. | V3A | VZRA |
| 90% | 70% | 40% | 50% | - | _ |
| V/D Bty. | VRD. | V2D | VERD. | <u>V3D</u> | V3RD. |
| 90% | 20% | - | - | - | - |

The Work is well in hand and is being proceeded with in the Order of Work laid down.

V/A and V/D positions are complete with the exception of Gas-proof Dugouts. Work in this direction is in course of being completed.

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Appendix /2/

SPECIMEN.

T/3/357.

REPORT ON WORK DONE ON REINFORCING AND REAR ZONE POSITIONS.

| | lst | Zone | 2nd | Zone | 33 | rd Zone |
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NOTE. Percentage on completion to be shown only. i.e. 50% complete, etc. Work is to be done at once, and completed on reinforcing positions in 1st Zone, before starting on 2nd Zone.

ORDER OF WORK.

- (1) Approaches.
- (2) Camouflage.
- (3) Platforms.
- (4) Control Post.
- (5) Cover for detachments.

REPORTS TO REACH GROUP HQ. BY 6 p.m. FRIDAYS.

Appendix', 27

T/3/357

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 18th February 1918.

To Battery Commanders.

Herewith specimen of Report to required to reach this Office by 6 p.m. each Friday.

Work on the first positions will be started immediately.

Captain,

Adjutant, Right Group Artillery.

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THIRD

AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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Right & Left Groups.

Office by 12 noon each Saturday. Will will will work on these positions be started immediately.

Headquarters, 16.2.1918.

B.M., R.A., 3rd. Aust. Division.

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APP 13

1/3/324

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 27th February 1918.

To

3rd Aust. D. A. H.Q.

With reference to your S.331/1.

Reporting that Dummy positions have been constructed as follows:-

26th Battery. Two Section-positions at

C.2.d.20.70. and C.2.c.30.90.

107th Battery. 4-Gun position at C.7.d.65.25.

Captain,

Appendix/2

T/3/324.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 22nd February 1918.

To

3rd Aust. D.A. H.Q.

The following Weekly report is forwarded with regard to the construction of Dummy Gun emplacements, reference your S.331/1 of 16th instant.

26th Battery.

Two Section positions at C.2.d.20.70 and C.2.c.30.90 are practically completed, including the making of Tracks, blast marks etc.

107th Battery.

The construction of a position is nearing completion. Approaches and tracks have been made, 25% of Camouflage erected, and temporary platforms, control post etc. prepared.

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Captain,

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T/3/324

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY,
18th February 1918.

To

Batery Commanders.

withe reference to the location of dummy Gun emplacements forwarded to this Office. It is considered by D.A.H.Q. that these are too far away from existing positions.

Rach Battery will choose and make a 4 Gun Dummy position within a radius of 200 to 300 yards from its present position. When completed a Gun will periodically be put into this dummy position and fired either when an enemy plane is over or at night.

As far as possible these emplacements should avaid

Duck walks, routes to existing positions and tramways.

Work is to be started at once, and a Progress of Work Report will be submitted to this Office by 6 p.m. each Friday together with the Report asked for in this Office T/3/357 of to-day's date.

Captain,

(SECRET)

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. Appendix /3.

S. 331/1.

Right & Left Art. Groups.

With reference to the location of dummy gun emplacements forwarded to this office. - These would appear to be too far away from existing positions.

Each Battery will choose and make a dummy position within a radius of 200 to 300 yards from its present position. A gun will periodically be put into this dummy position and fired either when an enemy plane is over or at night.

Please report when all dummy emplacements have been

completed. As far as possible these emplacements should avoid duck walks, routes to existing positions and tramways. Do Blyo

Headquarters. 16.2.1918.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET.

S.331.

To

Right & Left Arty. Groups.

The following has been received from Headquarters, 3rd Australian Division and is forwarded for your information, and action:-

"It has been suggested that skilfully constructed dummy gun emplacements would cause the enemy to expend a considerable proportion of his Artillery fire uselessly.

The Divisional Ecommander desires that, so far as is possible with spare labor available in the Artillery, such emplacements should be constructed as early as possible, well away from Battery positions.

To ensure that dummy emplacements are not included in existing or proposed defence organisations, sites selected should be notified to this Office before any work is commenced on them."

The Right & Left Groups will select respectively 3 and 4 suitable positions for dummy guns, and notify this Office immediately.

Headquarters, 7-2-1918.

Sgd. - W.A.NICHOLLS Major R.A., B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

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T/3/324

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 9th February 1918.

To

Battery Commanders.

With reference to the above, Battery Commanders will please forwards to this Office locations considered suitable for the erection of dummy gun emplacements. Reports to reach Group Headquarters as early as possible.

Captain,

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Appendix 13.

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Headquarters. 7.2.1918.

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B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

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Appendix 11.

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SECRET.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 21st February 1918.

To

Battery Commanders.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANTI-TANK DEFENCE.

- l. As far as this Group is concerned, action will be confined for the present to running out flank Guns, when necessary, to prepared positions.
- 2. O.Ps. will be selected as near as possible to these Guns, the object aimed at being control by voice. If it is impossible to find an O.P. which will permit of voice control, a short length of telephone line from the Guns to the O.Ps. must be laid.
- 3. Laying will usually be direct, and detachments should be practised in this.
- 4. Ranges to points in our own country will be carefully measured, and communicated to detachments.
- 5. A supply of ammunition 50 rounds Delay H.E. will be maintained at prepared positions.
- 6. Selected positions for flank guns should command a good view of all country over which tanks are likely to operate.

The attention of Battery Commanders is directed to the principles of Anti-Tank Defence which are clearly laid down in the Pamphlet which is at present being passed round Batteries.

B.M. 477/1.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Right & Left Artillery Groups.

In continuation of my B.M.477 of the 28th ultimo two forward guns from the Left Group for anti-tank defence will be placed, one on the Southern slopes of MESSINES HILL about U.2.d., and one on ST YVES HILL, U.15.b. or d.

Positions will be selected and these Guns put in at once, a supply of H.E. ammunition, 200 rounds per Gun, to

be kept near the guns.

Detachments of 1 N.C.O. and 3 men will be kept permanently at these Guns, and can be used to improve existing cover for the detachment. They will have a copy of orders to be carried out by them in case of a hostile tank attack.

In addition to the above, all Batteries should have orders relative to their plan of action in case of a hostile tank attack.

The flank guns of Batteries should be detailed to be run out of their pits if necessary for this purpose; the positions to which they will be run should be marked and approaches prepared.

Headquarters, 18-2-1918.

Sgd. - W.A.NICHOLLS Major R.A., B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

T/3/360

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY, 18th February 1918.

To

Battery Commanders.

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Captain.

O THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY Appendix

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Headquarters. 18.2.1918.

W. D. Wieles

Major, R.A., B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Division.

Btyp for information and action

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7th Aust.Field ArtilleryBrigade 29th January, 1918.

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Battery Commanders.

Hestile Tanks - Attack by - Training Laters.

ard sustralian Division, and General Headquarters, is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

for C.O., 7th Aust-Field Artillery Brigade.

Appendix 14

Divisional Headquarters, 27th January, 1918. G.26/627

Headquarters,

3rd Aust. Div. Artillery.

" 1. The fellowing is a copy of G.188/1462 of the 26th instant from Australian Corps, and is forwarded to you, with copy of G.H.Q. O.B/1851. for necessary action :-

" 1. The attached copy of G.H.Q. O.B./183L of 16-1-18 is

forwarded for information and action.

2. (i) In order to be prepared to meet any attack made by hestile tanks, it is essential that arrangements be made to train the layers of all 18-pdr Batteries to lay over open sights on slowly moving targets.

The system for training for Batteries in the rest or support

area should comprise. -

(a) Training layers in laying over open sights at slowly moving targets.

(b) Training range takers in use of range finders.

(c) Judging distances.

Training should be carried out at first under the above separate headings. Then the desired standard of efficiency has been

attained, collective training should begin.

(ii) In the final stage of this training the Brigade Commander should select positions, say for 3 guns, one from each 18-pdr. Battery, from which a good field of view is obtained over the country up to a range of, say, 3000-4000 yards; such a position as would be selected for siting an anti-tank gun. Three wagons should be detailed to represent the tanks and move down the roads in the direction of the Battery, each gun being given its own target to engage. The range found by range finder, or estimated, as the case may be, should be checked from time to time with the aid of a map. Officers should be sent out also to these positions to study the ground with the aid of a map and afterwards take on the moving targets, estimating the range to them from time to time.

(111) As regards the Brigades in the line, training will have to be limited to individual training under the three headings given above, as it will be almost impossible to carry on collective training, but the personnel designated for anti-tank gon positions should be thoroughly conversant with the front, especially asregards the ranges to prominent features over which hostile tanks are likely to make their

advance."

(Sgd) ERIC. W. COMMELLY. Major. for Lieut-Colonel.G. S.

Copy 27/1/18.

0.B./1831.

In view of the possibility of the employment of tanks by the enemy, the best methods of rapidly engaging tanks with artillery fire from covered as well as from positions requires close study.

In order to gain the fullest advantage from guns placed in forward positions for anti-tank defence, it is essential that the detachments manning them should be theroughly trained in engaging slowly moving targets by direct laying over open sights.

This should be frequently practised both at Army Artillory Schools and also by Artillery units at rest; special attention should be given to engaging a succession of such targets up to the closest

ranges.

G.H.Q. 18.1.18. (Sgd) L.E.NIGGELL.
G.G.S.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. 1-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

NIL.

HOSTILE FIRE.

NIL.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

An enemy Machine Gun fires and fantly throughout the night from U.29.d.95.85.

Two others have been fairly active firing from

C.5.e.70.18 and C.5.e.70.48.

During last night two T.Ms. were firing from U.24.e.75.65. and U.24.e.42.82.

Infantry also report others at C.11.e.75.72 and C.11.e.62.63

Werking parties were heard during night in UNKNOWN FARM (U.29.d.45.10) and at C.11.c.50.01 to C.11.a.52.17. The party working in the latter locality are apparently constructing a concrete trench. Movement has been heard here during the daytime also.

Traffic is heard at night on the read about C.6.a.05.56 VISIBILITY VERY BAD.

Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Bde.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

6 am. to 6 pm. 2-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

10.5 a.m. 18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on an active T.M. at U.24.d.05.00 at request of Infantry and obtained what appeared to be two direct hits.

4.5"Hows.

11.30 a.m. 20 rounds on T.M. at U.24.b.25.10 - Unobserved.

12.45 p.m. 44 " " U.24.d.05.00 - Observed from
Front Line: shooting very satisfactory.

4.45 p.m. 10 rounds on a T.M. at C.5.c.9.7. - Unobserved.

4 p.m. 9 rounds, checking Zero Point.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. enemy earried out a fairly heavy area shoot, embracing U.26.c and d. and C.2.d. About 500 rounds are estimated to have fallen in this area, most of them being very close to a section of our 18-pars. at U.26.c.60.40. Although a little damage was caused to billets and a dugout, no material losses were sustained, and there were no casualties. Calibre - 5.9", 4.2", and 8". Direction - Behind FRELINGHIEN. A sound bearing was taken 90 degs. T.B. from SURREY FARM.

AIRCRAFT.

Activity on both sides was above normal. Enemy planes succeeded several times in crossing our lines, there being on one occasion seven enemy machines patrolling our front line system for about 15 minutes.

VISIBILITYA GOOD.

Orderly Officer, 7th Aust. Field Artillery Bde.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix /5.

OUR FIRE.

4.5"Hows. at 11.15 am. fired 23 rds. on Battery in FME. DE LA

VACHERIE (C.18.e.65.68). Battery was
silenced and several direct hits were
obtained on building.
at 2.15 pm. fired 24 rds. on Zero Point.
at 3.50 pm. fired 15 rds. on a Working party at
C.11.e.55.95. Party dispersed and work
abandoned.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration. | Direction | Rounds | Calibre | |
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| 9.30 to 11.30 2 to 3 pm. noon to 12.45. | do. de | THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T | E A | G.l.b.7.4. |

FRELINGHIEN Church, and the information wired to the C.B.S.O. (Compass at O.P. was considered unreliable and sent back FARM or Railway in rear.

10 am. to 12 noon. About P.7.

1 to 3 pm. DEULEMONT.

4.45 to 5.15 do.

This 8" How. appeared to be shooting at Road and Railway our 18-pdrs. No damage was caused.

AIRCRAFT.

Aeroplanes of both sides were very active all day, enemy of observing results of artillery fire.

Enemy balloons were up during afternoon over FRELINGHIEN and

VISIBILITY FAIR.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix / 6 am. to 6 pm. 4-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pars.

10 rounds on Working Party ath U.24.a.63.68 at Infantry's request. C.11.b.25.10 - Effect observed 20 to be good. Enemy were afterwards seen removing casualties. T.H. at U.24.d.05.00 - fire neutralised. 30 Zero Line - Ranging.

4.5"Hows.

gun (?) 10 rounds on 77mm Battery at 0.11.a.8.3. at request from Infantry who afterwards reported shoot to be quite effective.

on T.M. at U.29.d.90.90. Observed from front line. 29 Seven direct hits were obtained on bualding from which T.M. was firing.

dispersing Working Party at 0.11.c.55.95.

During the afternoon, 18-pars. fired 60 rounds and 4.5"Hows. 20 rounds on Motor Lorrice on road at D.L.c.6.2. - Zone Call -Our observing plane reported most of the latter rounds O.Ks.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Rounds | Hature | Area shelled. |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| 2 p.m. 4 p.m. | FRELINGHIEN About D.1.c. | 10 | 4.2. | C.S.d. Area shoot. GASOMETER CORNER |
| Otherwi | se a very quiet | day. | | |

AIRCRAFT.

Considering the good visibility enemy planes were noticeably inactive. Two E.As. were over our trench system for about 15 minutes from 2 to 2.15 p.m. Our planes were neimally active throughout the day. Enomy balloons were up - at 600 and 840 T.B. from SURREY FARM. nearly all day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy T.Mes are reported to have been firing during the naght from the following positions :- U.24.2.64.44 U.30.2.67.15 U.30.2.70.83. U.30.c.53.80

VISIBILITY GOOD.

Lieut. Orderly Officer, Right Group Arty.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

Appendix /3

6 am. to 6,pm. 5-2-1918.

OUR FIREL

18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on an active T.M. at U.30.a.57.12 with effective results.

4.5"Hows.fired 20 rounds on 2 Machine Gun emplacements at C.5.c.70.48 & C.5.c.78.18. Infantry report 7 direct hits and a small explosion. fired fired 15 rounds on a 77mm Bty. at C.B.b. 5.8. and silenced it.

Also, in connection with the forthcoming Raid, 4.5"Hows. fired 36 rounds and 18-pars. 10 rounds as per Instruction No.1.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| From 9 am.) intermittently) all day.) | | 200 | 5.9 4.2. 77mm | C.7.b. & d. and C.8.c. |
| Harassing fir | re directed at | Howitzer | Sections | in that locality. |
| 9 am. to 4 pm. | The Control of the Association | 400 | 5.9 | GUNNERS' PARM. |
| 10 to 10.30 am. | DEULEMONT | 30 | 811 | Railway Line C.l.d. & C.2.d. |
| 10 to 12.30 | | 150 | 5.9 | Do. Do. |
| 2.15 to 3.30pm. | | 100 | 5.9 | Do. Do. |
| 12 noon to 4pm. | DEULEMONT | 200 | 811 | Do. Do. |
| 3.30 p.m. | | 100 | 4.2 Gas & | Vicinity of |
| | | | H.E. | REGINA CAMP. |
| 3 p.m. | About D. 7. | 40 | 77mm | PLOEGSTEERT. |
| | Transfer The Le | 40 | 77mm | LE BIZET. |
| 4.30 p.m. | | | | |
| 5.30 p.m. | | 60 | 77mm | do. |
| Infantry reporte | ed enemy Guns | active at | D. 2. b. 00. | .30 and D.2.a.90.70 |
| Counter Battery | Staff Officer | was infor | med and t | the positions were |
| engaged by heavi | ies. NIEPPE a | and PONT DE | E RIEPPE V | vere shelled inter- |
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| AIRCRAFT. | | -0 | | |

Enemy balloons were up during the day at 59, 76, 133 and 94.30 degrees T.B. from SURREY FARM.

In spite of the good visibility enemy aircraft activity continued

comparatively slight.

Our planes were active all day, and enemy A-A defence with both Guns and M.Gs. was particularly strong and determined.

VISIBILITY VERY FAIR.

AFPEND: 1/5.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

6 am. to 6 pm. - 6-2-18.

Appendix /5

OUR FIRE.

In accordance with Instruction No.1, 18-pdrs. fired 10 rds. shrapnel and 4.5"Hows. 30 rounds Gas. 18-pdrs. also expended 113 rounds on registration and calibration. and 47 rounds on a house at C.11.b.15.40 testing Incendiary shell.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| | Duration | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shell | led. |
|---|-------------|---|--------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | 3 p.m. | FRELINGHIEN | 30 | 4.2. | C.9.a Area s | shoot |
| | 1 to 3.30 | 95 degrees T.B. from SUR | REY 50 | 4.2 | C.3.c. | moos. |
| | 3.30 pm. to | FARM. | | | | |
| | 4.30 pm. | do. | 120 | 4.2 | C.2.d.20.20 | |
| | | shoot was di ,2.d.2.2. T on fire, but | HE GERROTTIE | O'D DYNAM S | ion of 18-pdrs two guns was | |
| 4 | 4 p.m. | - | | 5.9 | C.9.d. | |

AIRCRAFT.

Activity of enemy aircraft still much below normal. Our planes busy as usual all day.

VISIBILITY GOOD.

Lieut.,

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Appendix 15

| | | 1 | GNALS. | | (In pads of 100.) Message |
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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

6 am. to 6 pm. - 7-2-1918.

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OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on active T.M. at U.24.b.05.00 and silenced it.

fired 20 rounds shrapnel on FME DU GRAND VERQUIN - harassing fire.

18 rounds on an enemy O.P. in a tree at C.12.c.60.49 and obtained several good bursts.

4.5"Hows. fired 49 rounds on a Battery in action at
D.7.c.20.15 and succeeded in neutralising the fire.
fired 62 rounds on C.ll.c.55.92 where movement
was observed. Shoot was effective and no further
movement was seen.
4 rounds on an enemy O.P. in a tree at

HOSTILE FIRE.

At 10 a.m. about 20 rounds 4.2s fell in C.2.d. in close proximity to a Section of our 18-pdrs. No damage was caused. Direction of fire - behind FRELINGHIEN.

Otherwise a very quiet day.

C.12.c.60.49.

AIRCRAFT.

A strong wind prevailed throughout the day and there was consequently no aerial activity whatever.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

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6 am. to 6 pm. 8-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on T.M. at C.30.a.15.10 at request of Infantry.

4.5"Hows. fired 25 rounds on an active Battery at C.18.a.65.65

fired 17 rounds on enemy O.P. at C.11.a.95.25 and obtained several good bursts.

HOSTILE FIRE.

At 10 a.m. 12 4.2s fell in C.2.d. near Section of our 18-pdrs. from direction of FRELINGHIEN.

At 11.45 a.m. about 25 5.9s landed in C.9.b. Otherwise the Sector remained quiet.

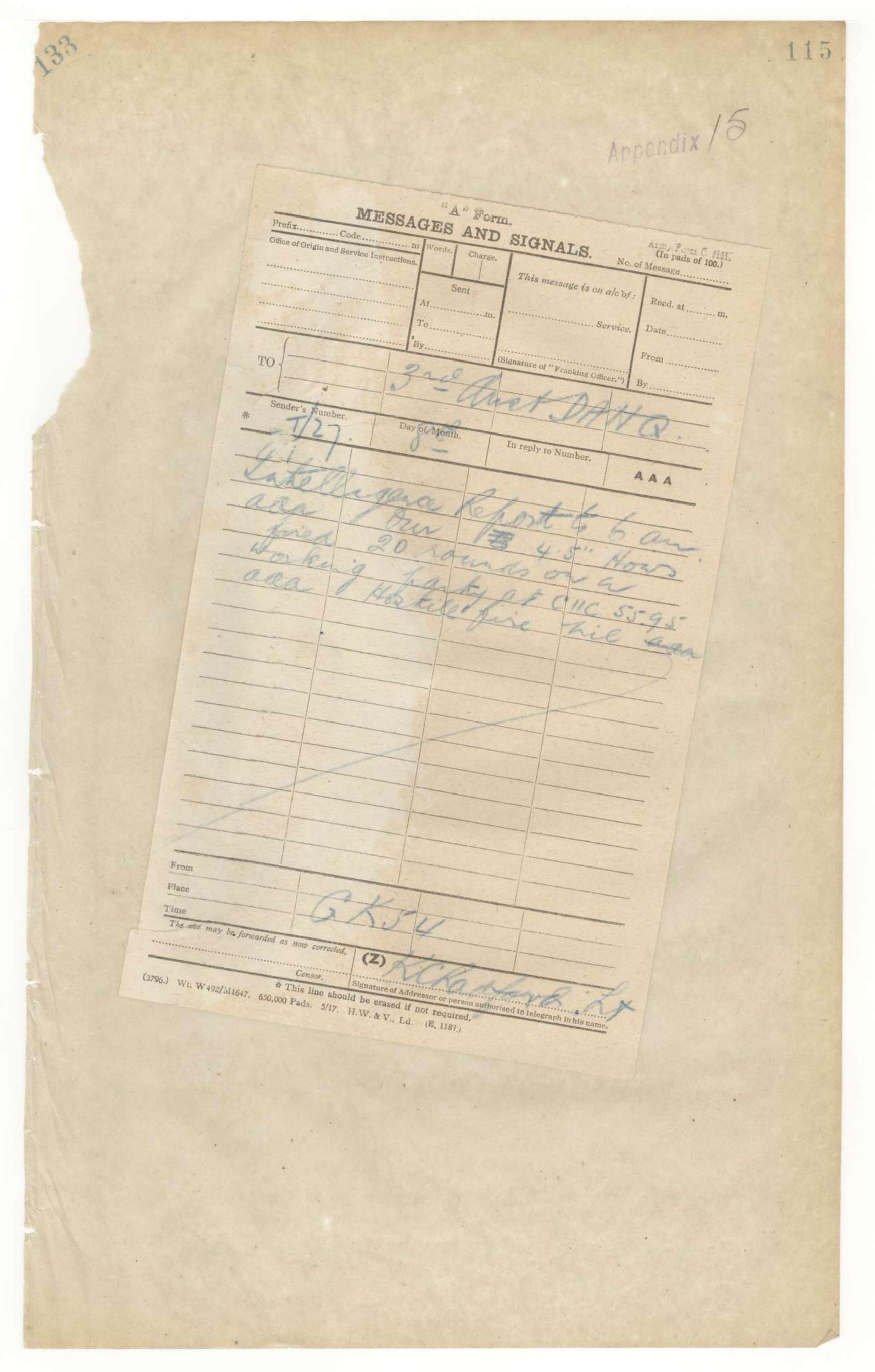
GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 7.15 pm. to-day what appeared to be Signal Lights were shown by the enemy for about 5 minutes at a T.B. of 89 degrees from SURREY FARM.

At the same time a light (resembling an electric torch) was seen flashing, back in our lines at a Magnetic Bearing of 350 degrees.

VISIBILITY Indifferent, and weather unsuitable for flying.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. 6 am. to 6 pm. - 9-2-18.

HOSTILE FIRE.

During the afternoon about 12 Minnies fell in C.10.d. Otherwise Sector remained quiet.

Flashes of a 4.2 Gun (shooting on ARMENTIERES) were observed at D.13.d.50.20 and the information communicated to the Counter-Battery Staff Officer.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

A small explosion - presumably a dump - was observed at bearing of 6 degrees to the Left of FRELINGHIEN Church, from SURREY FARM.

At 4.40 p.m. Signalling by means of a daylight Signalling Lamp was going on at a point - C.12.a.65.38, just in front of TWIN FARM.

VISIBILITY INDIFFERENT - at times GOOD.

Lieutenant

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE.

6 am. to 6 pm. - 10-2-18.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

A T.M. firing from C.6.c.95.05 was engaged by Guns of the Left Group, and Infantry reported that at least one casualty was removed from the spot.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. the enemy fired about 100 rounds, 4.2s, into C.9.d. many of the rounds falling very close to SURREY FARM O.P. Direction, behind FRELINGHIEN.

Otherwise, Sector quiet.

VISIBILITY Indifferent.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. 6 am. to 6 pm. - 11-2-1918.

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OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. - 19 rounds on a T.M. at U.30.a.15.05.

'9 -2 " on enemy O.P. at U.24.c.59.90 - direct hits.

'9 -2 " on Traffic in FRELINGHIEN.

4.5"Hows. - 30 rounds on a Battery at C.12.a.00.62 - Rounds appeared to fall well on the target, but visibility was poor and observation difficult.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 10.40 to 11.15 a.m. 30 rounds 5.9s fell in C.2.d. Fire was of a scattered nature and appeared to be searching for Battery positions.

Otherwise Sector remained quiet.

AIRCRAFT.

strong wind again rendered flying impracticable, and no activity in the air took place.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

There is a suspected enemy O.P. at U.29.d.75.40 and movement has been seen there.

Movement has been observed at Dugout, V.7.a.30.20.

New Work is being carried out by Night working parties at C.5.b.55.95 and C.5.b.10.10.

A new Machine Gun position is suspected at C.5.c.45.65.

VISIBILITY Poor, at times Fair.

6 a.m. to 6 p.m. - 12-2-1918.

Appendix 6

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. at 8.15 a.m. fired 20 rounds on movement in U.30.a.15.10.

4.5"Hows. "10.30 a.m. fired 52 rounds on Enemy O.P. C.ll.a.95.24, two direct hits were observed, and considerable amount of damage in the vicinity.

"11.-- a.m. fired 25 rounds on Houses C.l2.a.60.49 and C.l2.a.70.38. Three direct hits secured, and considerable amount of damage done to both houses.

HOSTILE FIRE.

At 2.45 p.m. about 10 minnies fell in C.10.a.

AIRCRAFT.

Activity of enemy aircraft below normal.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy O.P. observed 93045' T.B. from SURREY FARM.
Hostile fire during the day below normal.
Visibility bad during the morning, fair in the afternoon.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix /5 6 am. to 6 pm. - 13-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

4.5"Hows. fired 55 rounds on 2 M-Gs. at C.5.c.68.50 Shoot satisfactory. Several direct hits obtained.

HOSTILE FIRE.

At about mid-day 10 rounds 4.2s fell on LE BIZET CONVENT, C.14.a. from behind FRELINGHIEN Church.

Otherwise Sector remained quiet.

ENEMY ACTIVITY.

Much movement has been seen at Dugouts or Catacombs at D.7.a.60.20.

At U.24.c.68.95 there is an O.P. Tower and a Snipers' Post. A Machine Gun is also situated at this spot and at times greatly troubles Infantry of Left Company.

A great deal of activity has been noticeable of late at URAL HOUSE. A wireless mast is visible on top of the House and parties of the enemy are constantly observed there. It is suspected that the place is a Headquarters.

There are suspected O.Ps. at V.25.d.45.10 and also at C.5.b.05.05 where brushwork has been erected to obscure the observers.

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VISIBILITY very Poor. During afternoon enemy Front Line could not be seen from SURREY FARM.

Lieutenant.

RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix /5 6 am. to 6 pm. - 14-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

4.5"Hows. - 30 rounds in silencing a 77mm Gun at C.ll.b.40.40.

18-pdrs. - 86 rounds in silencing enemy T.Ms. which have been abnormally active during the past 24 hours. The following positions were engaged effectively L-

U.30.a.15.10 U.29.d.48.14 U.30.d.60.40

U.30.c.53.80 U.30.c.70.83

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration a.m. | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. |
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| 9.50 to 10.15 | 96° T.B. from SURREY FM (S.B) | 15 | 4.2 | C.3.c. |
| 10.30 a.m. | Behind F'HIEN. | 20 | 77mm | C.10. |
| 10.40 a.m. | C.11.b.4.4. | 40 | 77mm | F.& S.Lines in C.4 and C.10. |
| 12 noon to) 12.30 p.m.) p.m.) | Flash observed 98° T.B. from SURREY FARM. | 25 | 4.2 | c.16.b. This Gun appears to be firing from behind LINART FM (D.13.a.1.5.) |
| 3.30 to 4.30 | Behind F'HIEN Church. | 20 | 5.9 | C.7.b. and C.8.b.& c. |
| 3.45 p.m. | - | 10 | 4.2 | C.7.C. |
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VISIBILITY Poor. Misty weather rendered observation practically impossible.

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Appendix 10

6 am. to 6 pm. - 15-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. - 20 rounds on an active Battery at D.7.c.00.95.
40 rounds in silencing T.Ms. at U.30.a.15.10,
U.24.d.05.00, U.24.a.67.18 and U.24.a.64.40.

4.5"Hows. - 20 rounds on active Battery at D.7.c.20.15, neutralising the fire.

57 rounds on active Gun at C.18.a.65.65. Several direct hits obtained, and a small explosion caused.

90 rounds on M.G. emplacements at C.5.c.67.55 and C.11.b.20.65. Direct hits obtained on both Targets and emplacements considerably damaged.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. | |
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| 7.30 to 10.45 | 112.30° S.B. | 60 | 77mm | C.3.c. | |
| p.m. 2.30 to 3.30 | from C.3.c.8.5. About D.8.c. | 50 | 5.9 & 4.2. | C.10.c.60.85 Vicinity. | 80 |

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Infantry patrols report sounds of moving Trollies at night at SCREENED FARM (C.5.b.). A working party is heard during night at DURIEZ FARM (C.5.d) and a party of the enemy was also heard at 9 p.m. last night at C.5.a.4.5. An enemy listening post has been located at C.5.a.50.55.

AIRCRAFT.

Towards mid-afternoon weather conditions improved and one enemy aeroplane passed over our lines and penetrated as far as Battery positions. It was driven off by our A-A Gunfire. No other aircraft activity to report.

VISIBILITY Poor, improving to Fair.

Lieutenant,

6 am. to 6 pm. - 16-2-18.

Appendix 15

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. - 20 rounds on T.M. at U.29.d.48.18.
8 " on Train at D-13-e- D.1.c.80.23.

4.5"Hows. - 20 rounds on active Battery at D.7.c.20.18 at request of Infantry. Silenced.

56 rounds on New work at UNKNOWN FARM, U.29.d.44.10.

Considerable damage caused.

HOSTILE FIRE.

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| 8.20 q.m. 10.45 a.m. 12.30 p.m. | About D.3.c. | 25 5 20 | 4.2 4.2 5.9 | C.3.d.10.80 C.1.d. LE BIZET CONVENT in |
| 1.45 p.m. 2.45 p.m. 2.20 p.m.to 3.15 p.m. | About D.3.c. S.B. of 950 from SURREY FM. | 10 15 20 | 4.2 5.9 5.9 | C.13.d. C.2.d. C.8.c. C.13.b. |
| 3 p.m. | About D.7.c. | 5 | 4.2 | Road at C.13.b.2.6. |

AIRCRAFT.

Activity one both sides above normal, both British and enemy planes being extremely busy all day.

Balloons were up on both sides during the day, one enemy balloon being observed to ascent from a T.B. of 85 degrees from SURREY FARM.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 3 p.m. a Train was observed at C.6.d.86.72 moving in a Southerly direction.

It is reported that much new work is being done at SCREENED FARM and vicinity, and it is suspected that the top portion of the building is used as an O.P.

VISIBILITY Fair.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix

6 am. to 6 pm. - 17-2-1918.

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OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. - 70 rounds on enemy T.Ms. at C.5.b.4.3.,
U.29.d.48.14.
U.30.a.15.10 &
U.24.a.67.18.

16 rounds on movement at U.29.d.70.55 and C.6.c.92.05. (CEYLON FARM).

4.5"Hows. - 20 rounds on active Battery at D.7.c.20.15 at request of Infantry. - Silenced.

20 rounds on same target, half-an-hour later.

Co-ordinate given on this occasion as D.7.c.1.2.

Fire was again silenced.

51 rounds on enemy Battery at D.7.b.50.88 - 68.97.
This was in answer to Zone Call received. Mostly

Y3's were reported.

15 rounds on movement at CEYLON FARM (C.6.c.)
Infantry report movement of enemy here at 4 p.m.
daily.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Considering the good visibility, enemy Artillery was relatively inactive on the greater part of the Sector. About 600 rounds however, fell during the day in C.l.c. - 5.9s from South of FRELINGHIEN, and 30 4.2s. landed in C.2.a at about 3.15 p.m. Otherwise Sector remained quiet.

AIRCRAFT.

Our aeroplanes showed great activity throughout the day and continually passed over the enemy lines. Enemy aircraft were only normally active.

Balloons were up on both sides of the line during the greater part of the day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Infantry Petrols report that a great deal of work is still being done nightly in DURIEZ FARM (C.5.d.) and SCREENED FARM (C.5.b.).

VISIBILITY Good.

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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY - INTELLIGENCE. Appendix 15 6 am. to 6 pm. - 18-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on a T.M. at U.24.d.05.00.

25 rounds on Zero line - Registration. 40 rounds on working parties at U.29.d.70.55. U.30.a.10.20 and U.29.d.50.10, all of

which were effectively dispersed.

4.5"Hows. " 57 rounds on new work at C.ll.a.65.30. Many direct hits obtained on buildings and an

explosion caused.

20 rounds at request of Infantry ona Gun at C.18.2.65.65. Fire was immediately

silenced.

51 rounds on movement at C.6.c.20.15.

21 rounds on new work at C.5.b.50.35. Several hits obtained on trench and on SCREENED FARM.

explosion caused.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Round | s Nature | Area shelled. |
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| 8.40 a.m. | 82° T.B. from SURREY FM. (SB) | 50 | 77mm | PLOEGSTEERT WOOD. |
| 12.30 pm. 1.25 p.m. | Behind F'HIEN. 80° T.B. from SURREY FM. (SB) | 50 20 | 77mm 77mm | Railway Line in C.l.b. C.ll.a.5.5. |
| 1.45 to) 3.30 pm.) | S. of F'HIEN. | 50 | 811 | C.19.b. |
| 2.30 p.m. | | 10 | 8"(?) H.V. | LE BIZET Church, C.14.a. Direct hits, and fire or |

At 2.55 pm. a gun flash was observed at 74° T.B. from SURREY FARM. Area shelled unknown. Information passed to C.B.S.O.

AIRCRAFT.

Group.

Our planes showed considerably greater activity than those of the enemy, although the situation on both sides remained about normal.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Working parties and transport were heard during the night at SCREENED FARM (C.5.b.) and UNKNOWN FARM (U.29.d). Work was also heard going on at DOLLS' HOUSE (U.24.c)

A T.M. has been definitely located at U.29.d.70.75

VISIBILITY Fair.

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Appendix /3

6 am. to 6 pm. - 19-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. - fired 126 rounds ranging and testing new 106 Fuzes;

Report forwarded to D.A.H.Q.

24 rounds - registration.

4.5"Hows. " 81 rounds - Calibration.

HOSTILE FIRE.

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GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Working parties and noise has been heard at SCREENED FARM (C.5.b) SOAP HOUSE (C.5.c.).

A new M.W. position, which is moderately active, has been located at U.29.d.70.55.

VISIBILITY Indifferent.

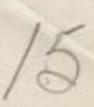
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RIGHT GROUP ARTILLERY

INTELLIGENCE.

Appendix



6 am. to 6 pm. 20-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 10 rounds dispersing Working Party at U.29.d.70.55 on T.Ms. at U.29.d.48.14 & U.24.d.05.00.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. |
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| 9.55 a.m. 11.45 a.m. 11.50 a.m. 11.55 a.m. 1.15 p.m. 1.20 to 1.35 2 p.m. 1.40 to 2 pm. 2.5 p.m. | 89° T.B.(a) 100° T.B.(b) 118° T.B.(a) Behind F'HIEN. 105° T.B.(b) 98° T.B.(c) 25° T.B.(c) 85° T.B.(c) | 31 27 58 10 55 10 25 25 | 77mm 4.2s. 4.2s. 77mm 77mm 4.2s. 4.2s. 4.2s. | C.5.a. C.3.c. C.2.b.55.50 U.26.b.40.60 C.15. C.10.b.40.30. U.25.d. C.16.a.70.60. U.26.b.40.60. |
| 3.15 to 3.55 | 105° T.B.(b) | 60 | 77mm | C.15. |

(a) Sound Bearings from C.3.b.60.03 (b) " C.9.d.90.66 (c) " SURREY FARM.

Flashes of Guns firing off our Sector were observed at 132 and 134 degrees T.B. from C.5.d.20.55.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Trench Tramways were heard running last night, from 11 p.m. till 12 midnight, between DURIEZ FARM and SCREENED FARM.

AIRCRAFT.

No activity whatever on either side of the line.

VISIBILITY Bad.

Later. 18-pdrs. also fired to officer Right Group Artillery.

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6 am. to 6 pm. - 21-2-1918.

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OUR FIRE.

18-pars. fired 30 rounds on T.Ms. at U.30.a.15.10 and U.24.c.42.82.

" 74 " testing 106 Fuzes.

4.5"Hows. " 13 " on T.M. at C.ll.c.70.75.

" 20 " on Gun at C.l8.a.65.65 at request of Infantry. - Silenced.

very accurate shoot and the Gun was again silenced.

24 rounds on PONT ROUGE Bridge with Balloon observation. 4 direct hits.

with balloon observation.

" 20 rounds on a 77mm Gun at C.ll.b.40.40.

18 rounds - calibration.

HOSTILE FIRE.

At 9 a.m. 10 4.2s fell in U.25.d. amd at about 10.45 a.m. 6 of same calibre were directed at C.13.b.10.95. Direction - BRICKFIELDS. Otherwise Sector remained unusually quiet.

AIRCRAFT.

During morning planes of both sides were very busy, our own machines predominating. During afternoon enemy showed little activity and rarely succeeded in crossing our lines. One E.A. was seen to crash about midday in the direction of CHAPELLE d'ARMENTIERES.

Balloons were up on both sides of the line during the greater part of the day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

There is a suspected Dugout and T.M. position at U.29.d.91.71.

A train was observed in motion about D.8.a or D.8.b. at 10.10 am., 1.30 pm., 3.30 pm., and 4 p.m. At 11 a.m. a Train was observed at COMINES Railway Station and engaged by our Heavies.

VISIBILITY Good.

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6 am. to 6 pm. - 22-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 26 rounds dispersing working parties at C.6.a.60.25 and C.11.b.25.58.

" 24 rounds on an active T.M. at C.ll.c.80.90 - and silenced it.

4.5"Hows. " 66 rounds on M-G position at C.ll.a.60.40.

Seven direct hits were obtained on the spot where machine Gun is known to exist.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Except for about 10 rounds from a T.M. at C.ll.c.80.90 on to C.l6.b. this morning, the Sector remained absolutely quiet throughout the day. This T.M. was silenced by our 18-pdrs.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Working parties were heard during the night at U.24.a.4.5. and U.29.b.80.00. Sounds of moving transport were distinctly heard in DEULEMONT between 8 pm. and 11 pm.

AIRCRAFT.

Weather conditions rendered flying impracticable and no activity in the air was visible.

VISIBILITY Indifferent.

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6 am. to 6 pm. - 23-2-18.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 20 rounds on active Machine Gun firing from URAL HOUSE.

32 rounds on movement observed at C.5.d.30.05 and UNKNOWN FARM (U.29.d.) Fire was in both cases effective.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Except for 20 77mms. on C.2.d. and 10 4.2s. on C.1.c. from behind FRELINGHIEN, the Sector remained very quiet all day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 8.45 pm. last night Rockets bursting into two GREEN lights were sent up from DURIEZ FARM direction.

At 12.55 a.m. this morning a train was heard East of DEULEMONT.

AIRCRAFT.

Enemy aeroplanes were inactive throughout the day, although our machines showed their usual activity.

Several of our bombing machines were heard crossing the enemy line during the early part of last night. No bombing by the enemy has been reported on this Sector.

VISIBILITY Poor, at times Fair.

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Appendix 13

6 aml to 6 pm. - 24-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 46 rounds on three active T.Ms. at U.29.d.48.14, U.30.a.15.10 and U.30.a.67.16 and silenced them.

onemy at C.6.c.7.4, C.12.a.40.85 and C.12.a.60.80.

4.5"Hows. fired 91 rounds against active T.Ms. at C.5.d.28.93
and C.5.c.70.55. Direct hits were obtained
on both emplacements which were damaged
considerably. Shoots were observed from Front
line. An explosion of yellow colored Gas
was caused at the latter position.

35 rounds on Bridge B. at U.29.b.74.36. Registration

effected with Balloon observation.

15 and 10 rounds on Dugouts at D.1.d.99.30 and V.25.a.35.65 respectively.

HOSTILE FIRE.

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| 11 to 11.45 am. | | 10 | L.M.W. | F.L., C.10.b.&d. |
| 11.45 a.m. | 80° T.B. from SURREY FARM. | 10 | 77mm | C.4.d.8.2. |
| 1 pomo | Behind of F'HIEN. | 8 | 4.2 | C.7.b.5.1. |
| 3 p.m. | do. | 20 | 5.9 Time | B.6.d. |

AIRCRAFT.

Our planes were very active all day, although E.As. were generally inactive. Balloons were up on both sides of the Line during the greater part of the day. An enemy balloon was seen to ascend at T.B. 85 degrees from SURREY FARM.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

An active Pineaphle has been definitely located at C.17.a.6.7.

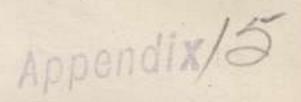
It fired frequently during yesterday was and was easily observed.

Train seen at V.28.d. at 3 pm. to-day moving in N.E. direction.

BISIBILITY Fair.

O.O.Right Group Artillery.

6 am. to 6 pm. - 25-2-1918.



OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 40 rounds on movement seen at C.12.a.47.40 and C.12.b.00.90.

4.5"Hows. fired 25 rounds on targets obtained from Aeroplane photographs - at D.1.d.99.30 & V.25.a.35.65.

30 rounds on a Cookhouse at C.18.b.12.23. Five hits observed and house badly damaged.

33 rounds on T.M. emplacements located by Infantry at C.ll.c.80.70. Only a piece of camouflage could be seen. Two direct hits obtained.

44 rounds on pineapple gun at C.17.a.55.65.

Shoot observed from O.P. in conjunction with Inf. Intelligence Officer. Trench junction where Gun was reported active, damaged and sheets of iron thrown in the air.

HOSTILE FIRE.

The Sector remained quiet all day, the only hostile fire reported being 12 rounds of Time H.E. 5.9s. over C.15.Central.

AIRCRAFT.

A high wind rendered flying impracticable, although several of our own machines were up at intervals during the day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

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Enemy observers have again been seen at C.5.b.10.10; and also at U.29.d.50.60.

Infantry patrols report that there is great activity at DURIEZ FARM; and that Floats can be seen at C.11.a.50.60.

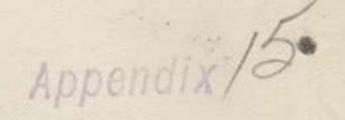
VISIBILITY GOOD.

Lieutenant,

Orderly Officer, Right Group Artillery.

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6 am. to 6 pm. - 26-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 56 rounds (during 4 shoots) on enemy movement at U.29.d.70.55, and 20 rounds on target of a similar nature at U.30.a.22.10. Each strafe had the desired effect.

4.5"Hows. fired 20 rounds on each of three T.Ms. at U.24.c.42.82, U.24.a.67.18 & U.24.a.64.40.

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20 rounds dispersing enemy seen at C.ll.b.23.58.
2 rounds, with balloon observation, on bridge at U.24.c.52.42. Observation became bad and shhot was abandoned.

HOSTILE FIRE.

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AIRCRAFT.

Aircraft of both sides normally active during the greater part of the day. Our balloons up during morning.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Movement has been seen at C.5.b.55.95 where there is a suspected O.P. An M.W. was active at 7.30 pm. last night from C.5.c.85.70. Sounds of horse transport were heard during the night in the vicinity of DURIEZ and SCREENED FARMS. Also in DEULEMONT and to the North and South of the village. At 2.45 and at 3.15 pm. to-day a train was observed 73° T.B. from SURREY FARM moving N.E.

VISIBILITY Good.

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Appendix/5

6 am. to 6 pm. - 27-2-1918.

OUR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 80 rounds on active T.Ms. at U.30.c.60.40, U.30.c.53.80, U.30.a.15.10, U.30.a.92.88 and U.24.c.75.65.

behind DECREPIT FARM in D.7.d.

40 bounds on movement at U.29.d.70.55.
10 rounds on enemy O.P. at C.5.b.10.10.

4.5"Hows. fired 24 rounds with balloon observation, registering Bridge at U.24.c.36.54. Two direct hits.

U.30.a.67.16 and C.5.c.70.20. The latter was a very successful shoot, sawn timber being thrown in the air on several occasions.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration | Direction | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. |
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| 9 a.m. | | 20 | 77mms. | F.L. in C.4.d. harassing fire. |
| 10 a.m. | • | 12 | 4.28 | in C.10.b registration |
| 1.15 p.m. | | 15 | 4.28. | BUTCHERS' SHOP in |
| 5.40 p.m. | | 20 | M.W. | -destructive C.10.d. |

AIRCRAFT.

Activity normal on both sides. Enemy and our own balloons up during the greater part of the day.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 12 noon a train was seen to move from T.B.73° to T.B.76° apparently in V.28.b and d. This was reported direct to R.G.A. observer at G.M.13.

At intervals during the night a party of 5 men was visible at C.5.a.80.17.

At 5 a.m. sounds of motor tractors could be heard East of FRELINGHIEN.

VISIBILITY Fair.

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Appendix 15

6 am. to 6 pm. - 28-2-1918.

OTR FIRE.

18-pdrs. fired 16 rounds on enemy working parties at C.ll.c.78.73 and U.29.d.70.55 effectively dispersing them.

10 rounds on T.M. in LAUNDRY in C.5.c. silenced.

* 80 rounds covering fire to Corps Heavy T.M. shoot. 4.5"Hows. fired 15 rounds on Train observed by Infantry at U.24.d.30.30.

2 rounds with balloon observation at Bridge (U.30.b.22.42) Registration effected.

50 rounds (106 Fuzes) on enemy balloon position at D.7.b.44.20.

" 40 rounds covering fire to Corps Heavy T.M. shoot.

HOSTILE FIRE.

| Duration D | irection | Rounds | Nature | Area shelled. |
|----------------|-----------|--------|--------|---|
| 11 a.m. Behin | d F'HIEN. | 20 | 4.2 | CONVENT in C.14.a. harassing fire. |
| 12.30 to 1 pm. | Do. | 60 | 5.98 | GUNNER'S FARM and Roads in vicinity, C.2.c. (destructive shoot). |

Otherwise Sector remained quiet.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

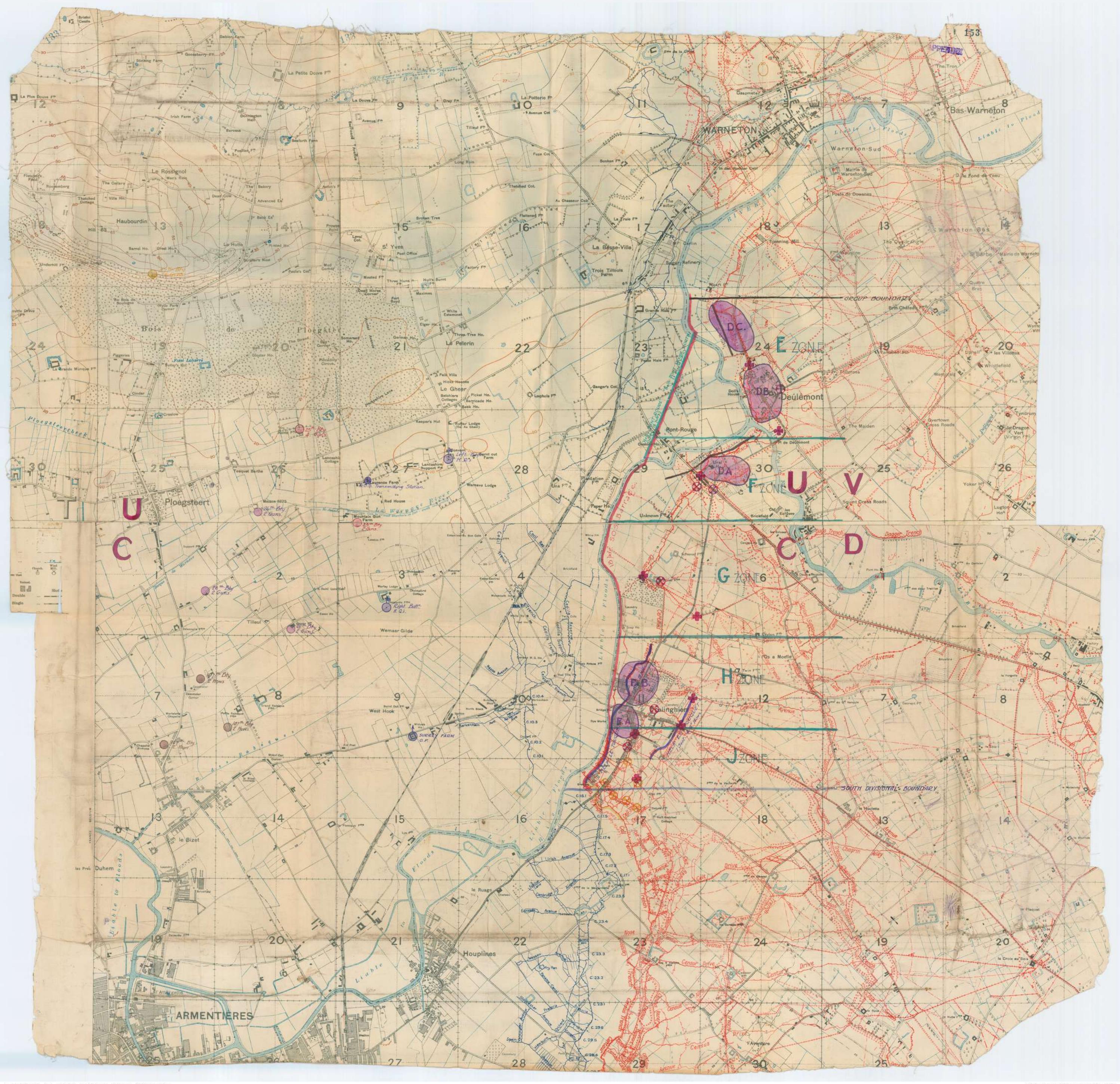
Two trains were observed at 11.10 a.m. and one at 4 p.m. at T.B. 73 degrees from SURREY FARM. Probably in 0. V.28.d.

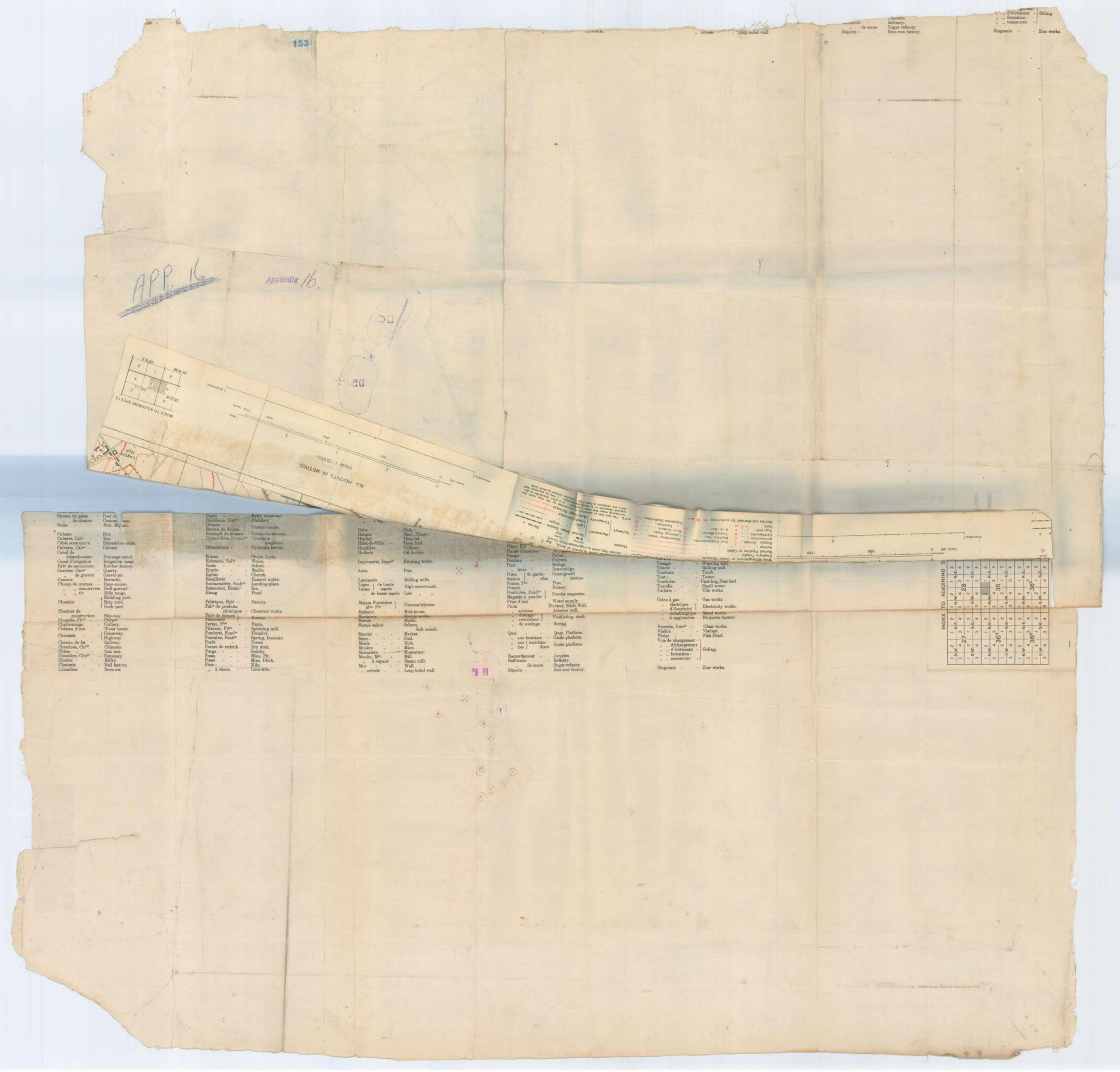
AIRCRAFT.

Activity on both sides normal.

VISIBILITY Good.

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7th Aust. Field Artillery Brigade.

STRENGTH OF BRIMADE ON 31-1-18.

offs. N.C.Os. Men

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STRENGTH OF BRIGADE ON 28-2-18.

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APP. 17

No. of Officers and O.Rs. killed in action during the month of February:-

1 0.R.

No of Officers and O.Rs. wounded in action during the month of February :-

2 0.Rs.

No of Officers and O.Rs. wounded but remaining on duty during the month of Bebruary

2 0.Rs.