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MESSINES,
Month of AUGUST 1917.

7th Field Artillery Brigade,
3rd Australian Division.

Date	Particulars.
1st.	Owing to the unfavourable weather conditions there was very little activity during the period. Practice barrage was put down as per instructions received from D.A.H.Q.
2nd.	Enemy Artillery showed increased activity during the day, and a deliberate destructive bombardment of Batteries in O.31.b. was carried out but no damage was sustained. Destructive fire against enemy personnel was directed against KIWI FARM and the WARNETON LINE in the vicinity of KIWI FARM. Practice Barrage as above was again put down.
3rd.	Despite unfavourable weather enemy intermittently shelled MESSINES Ridge with Guns of 10cm. and 15 cm. A Battery of 21cm. Hows. was also very active during the morning searching and sweeping for Battery positions in O.31.b.
4th.	Enemy Artillery was again very active directing fire principally against Trenches, on whole of Sector. Effective fire was brought to bear on WARNETON LINE. Battery position at O.31.b.70.70 was again subjected to heavy fire.
5th.	Harassing fire was directed against enemy Roads and Approaches, as per Map attached. Enemy Artillery was much quieter during the period. 25th Battery was subjected to heavy fire by 21cm. Hows., but Counter-Battery work by Heavy Artillery proved effective.
6th.	During the day the enemy kept up an intense bombardment on MESSINES Ridge and Valley with Guns of all calibres, firing between 2000 and 3000 Rounds. Harassing fire was again brought to bear on enemy Roads and Approaches.
7th.	From 4.15 p.m. to 5.15 p.m. the enemy heavily shelled Trenches, D Sector (U.5.a) with 77mm, 10cm. and 15cm. from the direction of WARNETON and BAS WARNETON. Group Concentrations and Counter-Battery work by Heavy Artillery had the effect of quietening enemy. See Hostile Fire Report. Harassing fire was again carried out. At 11.20 p.m. S.O.S. Signal was fired from Bn.Hq. All Batteries opened on S.O.S. Lines and later concentrated on D Sector. Batteries ceased fire at 11.47 p.m. when 'all clear' was reported by the Battalion Commander.
8th.	Enemy Artillery was comparatively quiet during the period.
9th.	Enemy Artillery was again inactive during the period. At 1.22 p.m. the 107th Battery was shelled with 15cm Hows. and High Velocity Guns from direction of BAS WARNETON. Counter-Battery work was at once commenced by Heavy Artillery and Hostile Fire ceased at 1.30 p.m. Fire of a harassing nature was again directed against enemy Roads etc.

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Date	Particulars.
10th.	Enemy Artillery showed increased activity during the period. Registrations etc. were effected. From 10 am. Brigade passed from command of 3rd Aust. Divl. Arty. to 37th Divl. Arty.
11th.	From 40 a.m. the Brigade passed from command of 37th Divl. Arty. to 4th Aust. Divl. Arty. and covered 4th Australian Infantry Brigade.
12th.	Enemy Artillery showed a marked decrease in activity during the period. Our fire on enemy roads and approaches ceased on coming under the command of 4th Aust. Divl. Arty. This accounted for the decrease in activity of enemy Artillery. (See also following sheet)
13th.	Enemy Artillery still decreasing in activity. Enemy Artillery showed an appreciative increase during the period, noticeably in Guns of small calibre. Retaliation for Minnenwerfer fire was given with effective results.
14th.	Activity of enemy Artillery continued on the increase. Several registrations were carried out by Batteries of this Brigade.
15th.	Enemy Artillery was not so active during the period, and his fire was scattered over the whole of the Brigade Sector. Our Batteries registered and tested junctions of S.O.S. barrages. An intense bombardment in conjunction with operations on the 5th Army front was carried out at 4.45 a.m. - on 16th instant-. Immediately fire opened, enemy sent up S.O.S. Signal along the whole of the Sector, his Artillery responding very quickly. Hostile fire was very heavy on left of Sector but slackened considerably by 5.30 a.m. Previous to our bombardment, the 107th Battery directed a Gas-Shell shoot against Hostile Batteries, P.Y.27 - P.32.d.60.00 to P.32.d.60.40 - and V.W.39 - V.2.b.80.05 to V.2.b.71.00.
16th.	Enemy Artillery was much quieter during the period. Retaliation to Minnenwerfer fire was given.
17th.	Enemy Artillery still showed less activity, fire being scattered over whole Sector. Minnenwerfer fire necessitated further retaliation, and several registrations were effected.
18th.	Activity of enemy Artillery still decreasing. At 8.15 a.m. enemy put down a barrage on our front and support lines and Communication trenches on Brigade Sector. Batteries opened on S.O.S. Lines at slow rate of fire with satisfactory effect.

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Date

Particulars.

11th (Continued)

The Divisional Artillery was divided into two Groups, Northern and Southern, each Group with a Sub-Group. 7th F.A. Brigade formed Sub-Group of Southern Group and covered 4th Infantry Brigade Sector. Counter-bombardments, Liaison Barrages and Battery Sectors were arranged.

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Date	Particulars.
19th	Decrease in activity of enemy Artillery still noticeable. Retaliatory fire was given during the period, and a Balloon registration carried out.
20th	Enemy Artillery still less active. 107th Battery was shelled and one Howitzer put out of action. Retaliation was given to enemy Mimenwerfer fire.
21st.	During the period enemy Artillery activity was normal. At 10 a.m. a bombardment was opened on our lines in U.5.a. with 10cm and 15cm guns. A counter-bombardment was placed on enemy's trenches and had the desired effect.
22nd.	Enemy Artillery activity during period normal.
23rd.	Enemy Artillery activity during period again normal. From 10 a.m. the 29th and 108th Batteries of 8th F.A. Brigade, were attached to 7th F.A. Brigade for tactical purposes until their withdrawal from the line on 26th/27th August 1917 in accordance with 4th Divl. Arty. Instructions.
24th.	Instructions issued that the 7th F.A. Brigade would be relieved on the nights of 29th/30th and 30th/31st August by the 26th Army Brigade, R.F.A., and that on 31st August the command of the Northern Group left Sector would pass to the C.O. 26th Army Brigade, R.F.A. Enemy batteries were fairly active; no less than four Batteries were located from O.Ps.
25th.	At 12.18 p.m. a very heavy barrage was put down by the enemy opposite "X1" Sector. It was immediately replied to by this Group with satisfactory results.
26th.	Enemy shelling was carried out over a fairly large area of our sector including positions pecul occupied by the 25th, 26th and 27th Batteries. No Material damage was done to any of the guns or personnel. An enemy Battery situated in P.31.d.4.5 was observed and the Group was concentrated on it with good effect.
27th.	Raining, and cloudy weather rendered visibility poor. Enemy Artillery was noticeably inactive. 29th Battery and 108th Battery, both A.F.A., which were attached to this Group withdrew from the line in accordance with O.O.No.4.

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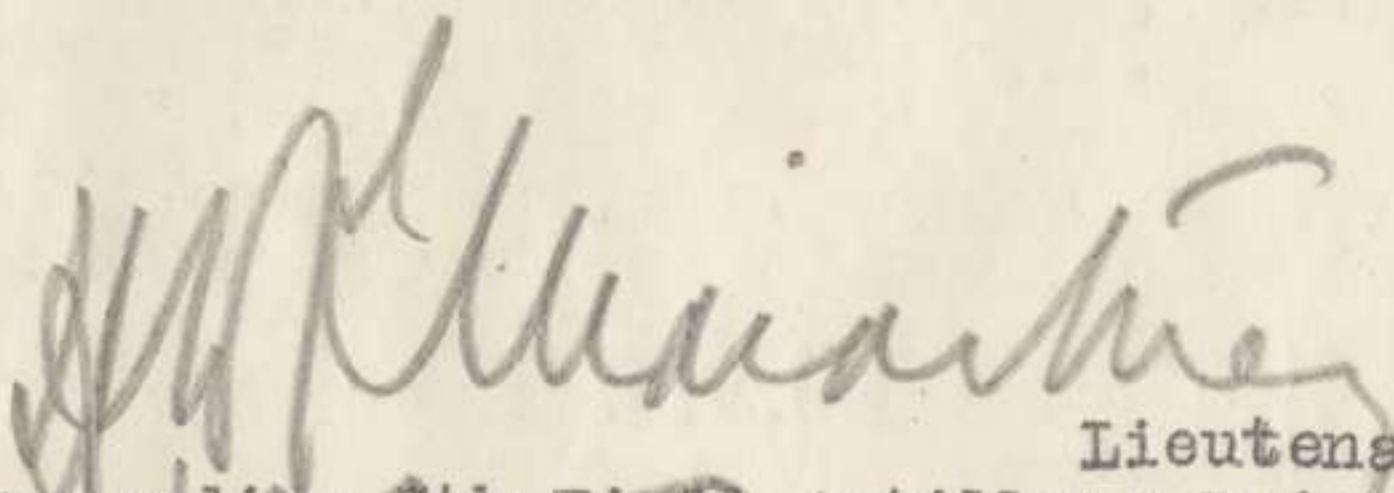
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Date	Particulars.
28th	Hostile fire was very inactive and weather unfavourable. See Intelligence Reports.
29th	Enemy observed to be fairly active in the COMINES and WERVICO area, although his Artillery was quiet.
30th	Enemy Artillery fairly active. Aircraft generally inactive owing to indifferent weather conditions.
31st.	Brigade ordered to march to BLEQUIN Area in accordance with attached March Table. Two Batteries, 25th and 26th, handed over their Guns to the relieving Brigade (26th, R.F.A.), 27th and 107th Batteries retained their Guns. Relief completed night 31st Aug./1st Sept. and Batteries withdrew to their own Wagon Lines.

(Daily INTELLIGENCE REPORTS, OUR FIRE and HOSTILE FIRE Reports attached)


Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTION NO. 9.

Ref. 3rd Aust. Div. Arty. Instruction No. 5 and "Map B"
attached thereto.

1. Practice barrages will be continued until further orders.

2. Zero hour for each day will be notified later.

3. Barrage for 31st instant.

Barrage will open at Zero hour on Line "B" then jump in succession to Line "A", "Y" and "D" remaining one minute on each line.

4. Barrage for 1st August.

Barrage will open at Zero hour on line "F" then jump in succession to lines "D" "E" and "G" remaining one minute on each line.

5. Barrage for 2nd August.

Barrage will open at Zero hour on Line "B" then jump in succession to lines "E" "G" and "I" remaining one minute on each line.

6. Rate of fire.

3 rounds per gun per minute.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Sgd. W.L.Fanning, Capt.

for B.M.R.A. 3rd Aust.Divn.

Headquarters
29.7.1917.

To 2nd Anzac R.F. & H.A. 37th Div.Arty. N.Z.Div.Arty. Div."G"
7th F.A.B., 8th F.A.B., 242nd Army F.A.B. 9th Inf.Bde. 10th
Inf.Bde. 11th Inf.Bde. War Diary, Staff Capt, Bde.Major.
37th Div."G" N.Z.Div."G".

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

OPERATION ORDER NO.4.

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1. TACTICAL ORGANIZATION.

(a) From 1 p.m. 23rd August 1917 the Artillery ^{covering} coming under the 4th Division, A.I.D., will be organised as follows :-

Northern Group.

7th F. A. Brigade
29th Battery A.F.A.) Until night of
108th How. Battery, A.F.A.) 27/28th August.

Southern Group.

311th Brigade R.F.A.

The above Groups will be controlled by 4th D. A. H. C.

(b) S.O.S. Lines and Battery Sectors for 7th F.A. Brigade and 29th Battery will remain as at present.

(c) From 1 p.m. 23rd August 1917, S.O.S. Lines for 108th Howitzer Battery will be :-

2 Hows. ... Military Road O.35.b.65.40-O.36.a.35.20
2 Hows. ... O.36.c.75.13-U.6.a.90.92
2 Hows. ... U.6.b.00.92-U.6.b.60.76

2. MOVES.

(a) On night of 27/28th August the 29th and 108th Batteries will withdraw to their Wagon Lines and the 27th Battery will occupy the position now occupied by the 29th Battery (at O.32.c.95.42 and O.32.c.40.60)..

The 108th Battery will withdraw from the Line at 8.30 p.m.

The 29th Battery will withdraw by sub-sections as relieved by the 27th Battery.

On change of position the 27th Battery will continue to cover its present sector (X.2) and not that now covered by the 29th Battery. Registration of 27th Battery is to be completed as early as possible on morning of 28th inst. and reported by telephone to this Headquarters.

(b) On withdrawal the 29th Battery will hand over all ~~communications~~ ^{ammunition} at the position to the 27th Battery.

3. COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications for 29th and 108th Batteries to 7th F.A. Brigade Headquarters will be established by 10 a.m. 23rd instant.

4. TRANSFER OF GUNS.

Temporary transfer of guns from 8th F.A. Brigade on night 25th/26th instant.

(a) The 31st Battery will deliver to 25th Battery position two guns, and remove two unserviceable guns if on position.

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The 30th Battery will deliver to 26th Battery position one gun and remove one unserviceable gun if on position.

(b) If any of the above unserviceable guns are not at Battery positions on date of transfer the Battery of 8th F.A. Brigade concerned will obtain them from the I.C.M. Workshops if available there, before 8th F.A. Brigade move to the rear.

(c) Advice of any of 7th F.A. Brigade Guns not likely to be on positions at time of transfer is to be forwarded to these Headquarters as early as possible.

(d) At the conclusion of transfer each Battery of the 7th F.A. Brigade must have six serviceable guns in the firing line.

(e) Guns will be transferred with sights and component parts complete and receipts exchanged.

(f) Guns transferred will be registered as early as possible on morning of 26th instant and report telephoned to these Headquarters.

(g) Battery Commanders concerned will mutually arrange Guides and minor details.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

L. J. Hammond

Captain.

Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 10. p.m.

Distribution.	Copy No.1	25th Bty.	No. 2	26th Bty.
	3	27th Bty.	4	107th Bty.
	5 to 9	8th F.A.B.	10	4th D.A.
	11	4th Inf. Bde.	12	File.
	13 / 14	WAR DIARY.	15	pare.

SECRET.

Copy No.
Date 15. 8. 17.

SOUTHERN SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.
(7th F. A. Brigade.)

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OPERATION ORDER NO. 1.

Reference sheet - 28 S.W.4 - S. E. 3.

1. Referring to FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY Instruction No. 4, issued herewith, the following zones are allotted to Batteries of the 7th F.A. Brigade.

(i) 18 pr. Batteries.

26th Bty.	Right Boundary	U.12.s.00.70
	Left	U.12.s.00.95
27th Bty.	Right	U.12.s.00.95
	Left	U.6.s.00.20
25th Bty.	Right	U.6.s.00.20
	Left	U.6.s.00.45

(ii) 4.5 Ho:s.

107th Bty.	(From zero onwards)
	Right Boundary U.12.s.00.70
	Left " U.6.s.00.45

(Note:- The above are North and South lines of zones - the Western limit as shown on attached tracing.)

Report to your Super (via Mr. Peral)
107th Battery will engage Hostile Battery P.Y.27.
Co-ordinate - P.32.d.60.00 to P.32.d.60.40.

2. Zero day and hour will be notified later.
3. Watches will be synchronised at zero minus 5 hours and zero minus 2 hours.
4. Acknowledge by wire.
5. Tracing of Battery zones and showing Western limit of creeping barrage is attached.

Tristram James

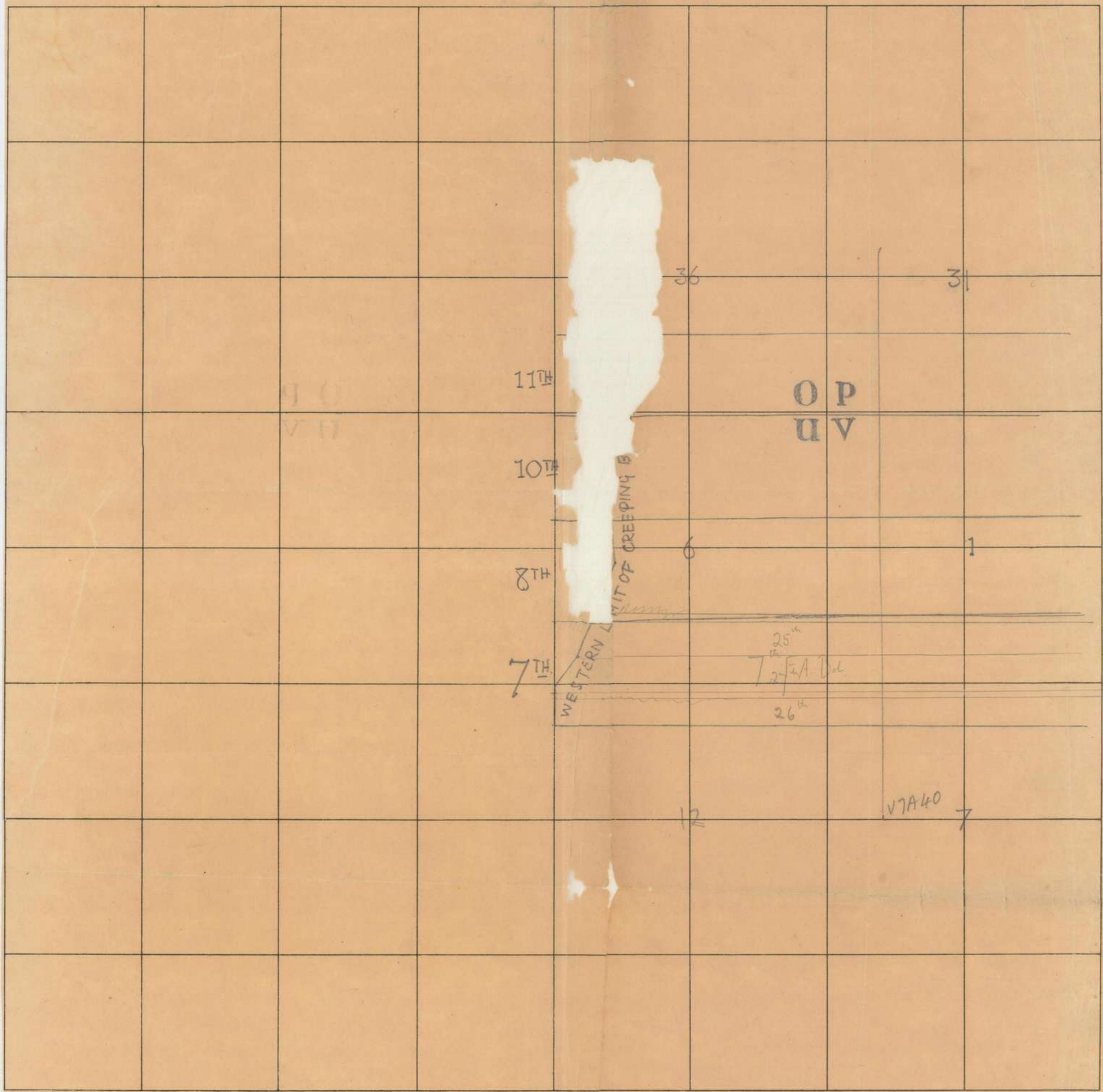
Major.
A/C.O., 7th Field Artillery Bde.

Issued at 11.30 p.m.

Distributions:- Copy No.1 26th Bty. No.2 26th Bty.
3 27th Bty. 4 107th Bty.
5 4th D.A. 6 8th F.A.B.
7 & 8 War Diary 9 File.

*Zero day 16th August, zero hour
4.45 am 16th August 1917.*

Identification Trace for use with Artillery Maps.



NOTE.—(1). These traces are intended to facilitate the communication of information as to the position of targets, which have been located on a squared map.
 (2). The squares on this trace are 500 yards in length on the 1/10,000 scale, 1,000 yards in length on the 1/20,000 scale, and 2,000 yards in length on the 1/40,000 scale.
 (3). The squares on the trace are fitted to the squares of the map showing the targets, which are then drawn on the trace. Sufficient letters and numbers must also be added to enable the recipient to place the trace in the correct position on his own map. A little detail may also be traced, but this is not essential. The name and scale of the map to which the trace refers must be always given. The trace can be used for the 1/10,000, 1/20,000, or 1/40,000 scale.

G.S.G.S. 3023.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade,
24th August, 1917.

To Recipients of O. O. No. 4.

Referring to 7th F. A. Brigade Operation Order No. 4 of
22nd instant, par. 1 (c) is amended to read :-

(c) From 1 p.m. 23rd August, 1917, S.O.S. Lines for 108th
Howitzer Battery will be :-

2 Hows.	... Military Road	0.35.b.65.46 to 0.36.a.35.26
2 Hows.		0.36.c.75.15 to U.6.a.90.92
2 Hows.		U.6.b.00.92 to U.6.b.60.76

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT.

G. Hammond
Captain.

Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

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7th F. A. BRIGADE (SOUTHERN SUB-GROUP)

Copy No. 10
Date 16.8.17.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 2.

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1. The Divisional Front is divided into THREE SECTORS corresponding to the respective Battalion Fronts.

Sectors will be known as "X", "Y" and "Z" respectively and each will be again subdivided into "X1", "X2", and "X3" and "Y1", "Y2", and "Y3", and "Z1" and "Z2".

2. Boundaries of Sectors on S.O.S. Line are as follows:-

"X1" (hitherto "D")	
"X2" (hitherto "E")	as for S.O.S. lines Sectors "D" "E" & "F"
"X3" (hitherto "F")	
"Y1"	0.29.d.31.00 to 0.29.d.43.75
"Y2"	0.29.d.43.75 to 0.29.b.55.45
"Y3"	0.29.b.55.45 to 0.23.d.62.10
"Z1"	0.23.d.62.10 to 0.23.d.60.75
"Z2"	0.23.d.60.75 to 0.23.b.58.40

3. Batteries will at once open fire on any of the above concentrations or sub-concentrations on receipt of order

"CONCENTRATE "X" (or "Y") (or X.1 &c., as the case may be.)

Rates of fire will be as for S.O.S. unless otherwise ordered.

4. Zones allotted to Batteries are :-

"CONCENTRATE "X"

"X1"	26th Battery) These are normal
"X2"	27th Battery	
"X3"	25th Battery	

"CONCENTRATE "Y"

"Y.1"	26th Battery
"Y.2"	27th Battery
"Y.3"	25th Battery

"CONCENTRATE "Z"

"Z1"	27th Battery
"Z2"	25th Battery

G. M. ...
Captain.
Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

Distribution:-

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- 6 4th Inf. Bde.
- 7 4th D.A.
- 8 War Diary
- 9 " "
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7th Field Artillery Brigade,
15th August, 1917.

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O.C.,
107th How. Bty.

With reference to 4th Aust. Div. Arty. ~~Ord.~~ ^{In.} No. 4., and
O.O. No. 1.

Par. 6. 4th D.A.In.No.4. The 107th Howitzer Battery
will now engage both hostile Batteries, viz. P.Y.27 and
V.W.39. 3 Howitzers on each. The total amount of gas
ammunition allotted will be expended on these Batteries,
and the amount to complete is being ordered up to-night.

Par. 8 4th D.A.In.No.4. The 107th Howitzer Battery
will not now answer N.F. calls but will carry out the
task allotted in par. 7.

ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

G. J. ... Lieut.
for Adjutant, 7th F.A.B.

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Copy No. 9
Date 24.8.17.

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 5.

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1. RELIEF.

The 26th ARMY BRIGADE R.F.A., will relieve the 7th F.A. BRIGADE on the nights 29/30th and 30/31st August, 1917, one Section per Bty. being relieved on the night 29/30th and remaining Sections on the night 30/31st August.

Completion of Relief will be reported by outgoing Battery Commanders to this Office.

2. COMMAND.

At 8 a.m., 31st August, the command of the Northern Group, Left Sector, II ANZAC Artillery will pass to C.O., 26th Army Brigade R. F. A.

3. MAPS AND SCHEMES.

Battery Commanders will hand over all 1/10,000 Maps and aero-plane photographs of Group Sector, also all Group schemes, orders and 4th Australian Divisional Artillery instructions.

4. AMMUNITION.

All Batteries will withdraw with full echelons, and 18 pounder Batteries will keep a proper proportion of A. and A.X. (75% A. 25% A.X.).

Receipts for all ammunition handed over will be obtained from incoming Battery Commanders and will be forwarded to this Office.

5. WITHDRAWAL.

On completion of relief of sections on the nights of 29/30th August and 30/31st August, sections will withdraw to Battery Wagon Lines.

This Brigade then comes under the command of the C. R. A., 3rd Australian Division.

6. CHANGE OF POSITION.

The 7th F. A. Brigade Operation Order No. 3, re changes of position is cancelled.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

G. Marshall de Lisle
Captain.
Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

Issued at 1 p.m. by Runner.

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 - 6 4th D. A. H. Q.
 - 7 3rd D. A. H. Q.
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SECRET.7th Field Artillery Brigade,
24th August, 1917.To All Recipients of 7th F.A.B., O.O. No.5.

In par., 5 for the words "Battery Wagon Lines" substitute
"Wagon Lines in BAILLEUL Area vacated by 26th ARMY Brigade
R.F.A."

Co-ordinates of these Lines will be forwarded to Units
as soon as received.

W. G. H. Lunt
for
Captain.

Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

SECRET.

Copy No.....IX

Date 29.8.17.

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.OPERATION ORDER NO. 6.

Reference Map.
BELGIUM.
Sheet HAZEBROUCK 5A. 1/100,000.

1. INFORMATION.

The 7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE will march to BLISQUIN Area in accordance with the attached March Table.

2. BILLETING PARTIES.

A Billeting Party, consisting of Lieut. COLQUHOUN and 2 H.C.Os., from Brigade Headquarters and Batteries, will proceed 24 hours in advance for purpose of making Billeting arrangements.

During march of 2nd September one Officer per Battery will proceed in advance to meet Lieut. COLQUHOUN at CROSS ROADS at S. B. 80.64, in order to ascertain routes to Billets.

3. RATIONS.

Rations for 1st and 2nd September will be carried.

4. TRANSPORT.

One Motor Wagon will be available for each Battery. Batteries will be permitted to include one G.S. Wagon each in their Transport, in addition.

5. TENTS & EQUIPMENT.

All Tents and Camp Equipment will be handed over to Batteries and Headquarters of 26th ARMY BRIGADE R.F.A., and receipts obtained for the same. This order cancels all previous instructions on this subject.

6. STATES.

Marching Out States will be handed to an Officer of Brigade Headquarters at the Starting Point on each day.

7. ORDERLIES.

One Orderly per Battery will report to Brigade H.Q., Wagon Lines at 8 a.m. on 1st September, and during the march, to Brigade Headquarters immediately on arrival in Billets.

8. IRON RATIONS.

Battery Commanders will carry out an inspection of Iron rations on 3rd September and report any shortages to Brigade H.Q. on that day.

9. DISCIPLINE. (MARCH).

Not more than 50% of Gunners will be mounted on vehicles. All personnel who are not mounted will march in front of Units.

10. SYNCHRONISATION.

Watches will be synchronised at 8 a.m. at Brigade H.Q. on 1st and 2nd sept.

G. H. Greenhalgh, Lt.
Captain.

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Issued at 7 a.m. 30.8.1917.

DISTRIBUTION.

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MARCH TABLE.

Date	Unit	Time to pass starting Point	Starting Point	From	To	Route
1.9.17	B. Co.	10.00 a.m.	4. I. 83.87	WAGON LINES	WALLON CAPEL AREA	METZRENN, ROUGE CROIX, le BREARDE, LONGUE-CROIX, STAPLE.
	25th Bty.	10.03 a.m.	do.			
	107th Bty.	10.08 a.m. +5	4. I. 90.93			
	26th Bty.	10.18 a.m.	do.			
	27th Bty.	10.28 a.m. +5	do.			
2.9.17	B. Co.	9.00 a.m.	To be notified at conclusion of 1st day's march.	WALLON CAPEL AREA	MERCK ST. LIEVIN	LA GROSSE, FORT ROUGE, ARQUES, WESTOVE, WIZERRES, PINEM, CLETY AVROUET.
	26th Bty.	9.03 a.m.				
	27th Bty.	9.13 a.m.				
	107th Bty.	9.23 a.m.				
	25th Bty.	9.33 a.m.				

W. J. ...
 Captain.
 Adjutant, 7th F. A. Brigade.

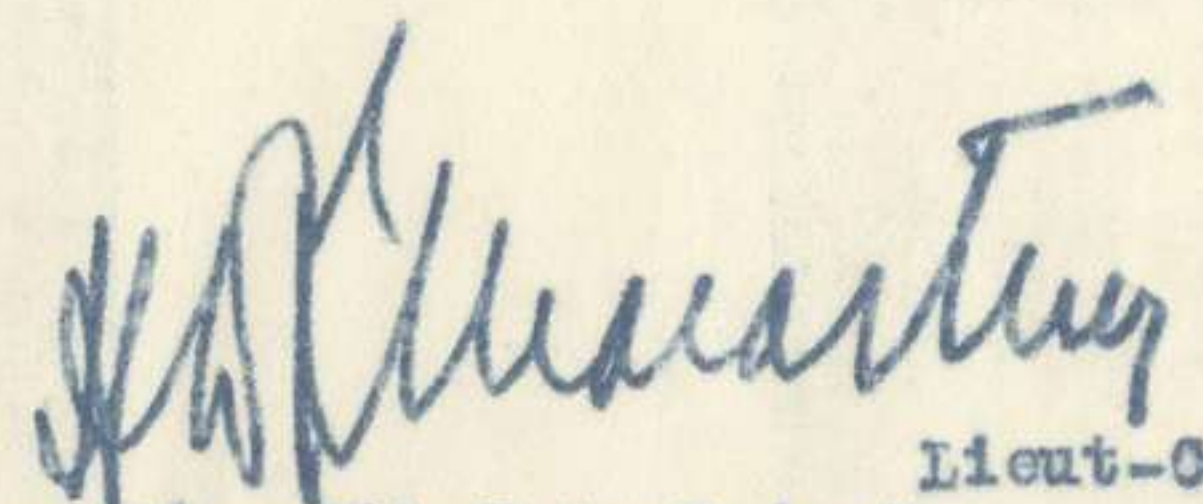
7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

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From 6 am. to 6 pm. 1st August.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Area or Objective Shelled	Direction	Remarks.
7.30 a.m.	10	5.9	L'ENFER WOOD		
9.30 a.m.	18	4.2	V.1.a. and O.31.a	WARNETON	
10 a.m.	30	4.2	O.29.c. and O.28.d.	COMINES	
11 a.m.	65	4.2 & 77mm	O.27.c and O.31.b.	P.27	
Noon	10	4.2	O.34.d.		
1 p.m.	30	5.9	GAPAARD FARM Vicinity	HOUTHEN	
2.5 p.m.	30	4.2 H.V.	MESSINES Ridge and Valley		
2.30 p.m.	25	77mm	O.32.c	WARNETON	
3 p.m.	30	5.9 & 4.2 HV	O.31 and O.32.b. MESSINES Road	BAS WARNETON. WARNETON	
4 p.m.	30	5.9 & 4.2.	O.27.d , L'ENFER WOOD		
5 p.m.	50	5.9 & 4.2	Vicinity O.32.b and SKIPP WOOD	WARNETON.	


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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. 1st August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target Y	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot.
<u>25th Battery</u>				
6 to 11 am.	Roads and Approaches	Group Order	50	
<u>26th Battery.</u>				
6 to 8 am.	Roads and Approaches	" "	20	
4.45 p.m.	KIWI FARM	" "	20	
<u>27th Battery.</u>				
N I L .				
<u>107th Battery.</u>				
5.10 p.m.	KIWI FARM	Group Order	24 BX.	


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 Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am. to 6 pm. 1st August.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Inactive owing to weather conditions.

VISIBILITY BAD.


Lieut. Colonel,
Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.



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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 2nd August 1917. (15)

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes were observed 109 degrees True Bearing from O.32.b.60.65.

Flashes of an 8" Battery were observed 95 degrees True Bearing from O.31.b.7.7.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Inactive owing to weather conditions.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Enemy nature of fire to-day suggests a deliberate destructive bombardment of Batteries in O.31.b.

At 5 p.m. Liaison reported that enemy were seen dribbling in twos and threes from KIWI FARM to WARNETON LINE extending 150 yards North and South.

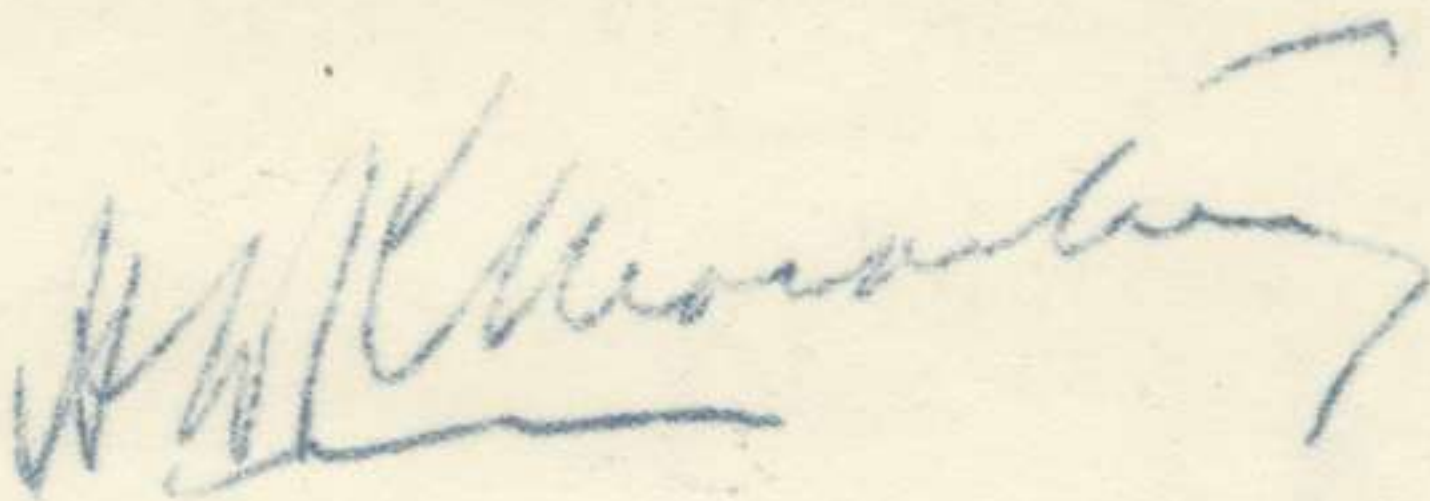
Officer in Roman Post 4 reports at least 8 machine Guns in front of him.

18-pdrs. engaged KIWI FARM and Trench system of WARNETON LINE in vicinity of KIWI FARM.

Howitzers engaged KIWI FARM and Trench System in O.36.a.

242nd Brigade searched back behind WARNETON LINE. 18-pdrs. fired 90 rounds and Hows. 172 rounds.

VISIBILITY BAD.



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Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

7th Field Artillery Brigade 9 - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 2nd August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for Firing	Rounds	Result of Shoot.
<u>25th Battery.</u>				
12 noon	Zero Point	Registration	6	
12.15 p.m.	D Sector	Group Order	40	
<u>26th Battery.</u>				
12.10 p.m.	S.O.S. Lines	" "	50	
5.10 p.m.	WARNETON LINE South of KIWI FARM	" "	30	
<u>27th Battery.</u>				
5.10 p.m.	Vicinity of KIWI FARM & WARNETON LINE	" "	15	
5.20 p.m.	O.36.a.	Enemy Observed	15	
<u>107th Battery.</u>				
12.30 p.m.	KIWI FARM	Retaliation	20	
Do	KING'S CLERE	Do	20	
Do	D Sector	Do	20	
2.25 p.m.	KIWI FARM & KING'S CLERE	Do	50	
5.5 to 5.20 p.m.	Enemy Front Line opposite D Sector	Do	62	

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 C.O. Lieut-Colonel.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 2nd August

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Remarks*
10.am. to 1 p.m.	500	4.2, 5.9 & 8"	MESSINES RIDGE & VALLEY	WARNETON	
10 30 am. to 1.15 pm.	500	Do	O.31.b.	COMINES.	
11 am. to 2.30 p.m.	200	5.9 and 4.2	O.32.c	WARNETON	
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.	200	4.2, 5.9 & 8"	MESSINES RIDGE & VALLEY	WARNETON	
2 to 4 p.m.	400	4.2 and 77mm	F. Sector	COMINES	
3.30 to 5 p.m.	450	4.2, 5.9 & 8"	O.31.b.		Due East from O.31.b.7.7

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 3rd August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of Shoot.
<u>25th Battery.</u> 10.25 a.m.	Vicinity of KIWI FARM	Group Order (Retaliation)	30	<u>REMARKS.</u> Minenwerfers were reported by the Infantry 3 about 300 yards West of KIWI FARM. 25th and 27th Btys. were ordered to search and sweep between WARETON LINE and KIWI FARM. Shoot successful and Minnies silenced.
<u>26th Battery.</u>		N I L .		
<u>27th Battery.</u>		N I L .		
<u>107th Battery.</u> 10.25 a.m.	Vicinity of KIWI FARM	Group Order (Retaliation) 3E BX.		

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From 6 am. to 6 pm. 3rd August.

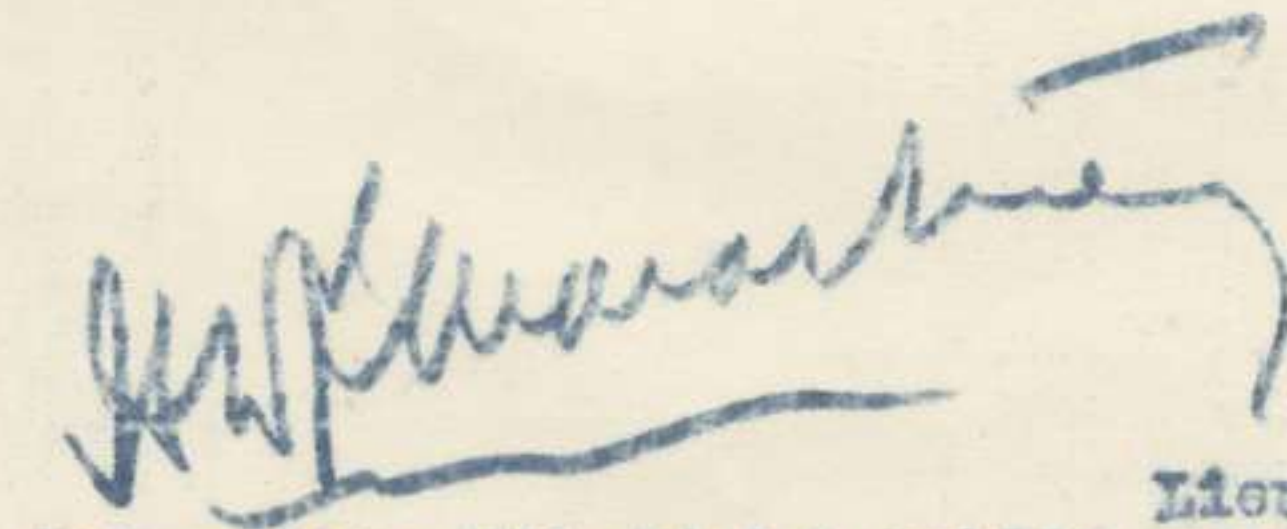
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HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes were observed 134.30 degrees True Bearing from
C.27.d.40.65, shelling vicinity of SEIGNAST FARM.

AIRCRAFT inactive owing to weather conditions.

VISIBILITY BAD.



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Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 3rd August.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Remarks.
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During the day enemy intermittently shelled MESSINES Ridge with 4.2s and 5.9s -- about 300 rounds - Also in the morning a Battery of 8" Hows. fired about 200 rounds, searching and sweeping for the Battery positions in O.31.b vicinity. This Group Headquarters was informed at about 11.30 am. and the heavies were asked to retaliate. Counter Battery work proved effective and enemy fire slackened considerably and later stopped altogether.

10 a.m.	20	4.2	O.27.d	COMINES.	Searching & Sweeping.
11 a.m.	10	4.2 H.Vel.	U.1.a	WARNEON	
11 to 12 noon	50	5.9	L'EMFER WOOD	COMINES	
11 to 1 p.m.	230	4.2	O.32.a, & b. and O.26.d.	WARNEON.	

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From 6 am to 6 pm 4th August .

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Remarks.
<p>At 1.9 p.m. Liaison Officer reported that the front and Support lines of the Centre Company were being heavily shelled with 4.2 and 77mm H.M. and Shrapnel from direction of COMINES. U Group were informed and asked for counter Battery fire. At 1.58 p.m. Liaison reported that enemy fire had slackened and conditions were again normal. Previously, at 12.13 p.m. the front and support lines of this Brigade Sector were heavily shelled with 4.2 and 5.9 H.M. This fire was neutralized by 150 rounds which we fired on the WARNETON LINE opposite Sectors D., E., and F. At 12.45 p.m. Liaison reported all O.K.</p>					
From 10 am to 4.15 p.m.	250	5.9 delay	Battery position at O.31.b.7.7.	Right of COMINES	
10 am to 6 pm.	200	4.2 & 5.9	O.32.a and c.	WARNETON.	
4.30 to 5.30 pm	100	4.2	O.32.a, b and d.		

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From 6 am to 6 pm 4th August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot.
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25th Battery.

12.25 p.m.	F Sector - Retaliation	Group Order	30	
1.15 p.m.	Whizbang A (O.36.a.73.40)	" "	20	
	Do. B (O.36.a.85.00)	" "	20	
1.30 p.m.	F Sector - Retaliation	" "	36	
4.55 p.m.	Vicinity KIWI FARM (a)	" "	30	

(a) REMARKS. At about 4.55 pm snipers became active in vicinity of KIWI FARM. 25th fired 30 rds. and hows. 30 with effective results.

26th Battery.

12.15 to 12.45 pm.	B Sector - Retaliation	" "	60	
1.15 p.m.	Whizbang A	" "	20	
	Do B	" "	17	
1.25 p.m.	B Sector - Retaliation	" "	20	

27th Battery.

H I I .

107th Battery.

12.10 a.m.	D Sector - Retaliation	" "	30	
10.15 a.m.	Qty. Position P.31.a.45.65	" "	30	
11.25 a.m.	B. and F sectors - Retaliation	" "	30	
1.15 p.m.	Whizbang A and Whizbang B	" "	20 each	
1.35 p.m.	B and F Sectors - Retaliation	" "	30	
4.50 p.m.	Vicinity KIWI FARM (a)	" "	30	

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HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

At 11.30 a.m. a whizbang Battery was reported active at P.31.a. 45.75 firing on HUN'SWALK. Our 4.5" Howitzers put over 30 rounds and silenced the Battery.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

At 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. enemy planes flew low over our Trenches. Anti aircraft guns did not fire.

12.30 p.m. Our planes active over trenches.

2 p.m. Enemy plane flying over MESSINES Ridge at altitude of about 500 feet.

3.45 p.m. 3 enemy planes flying at low altitude over MESSINES Ridge, and 1 over our Trenches.

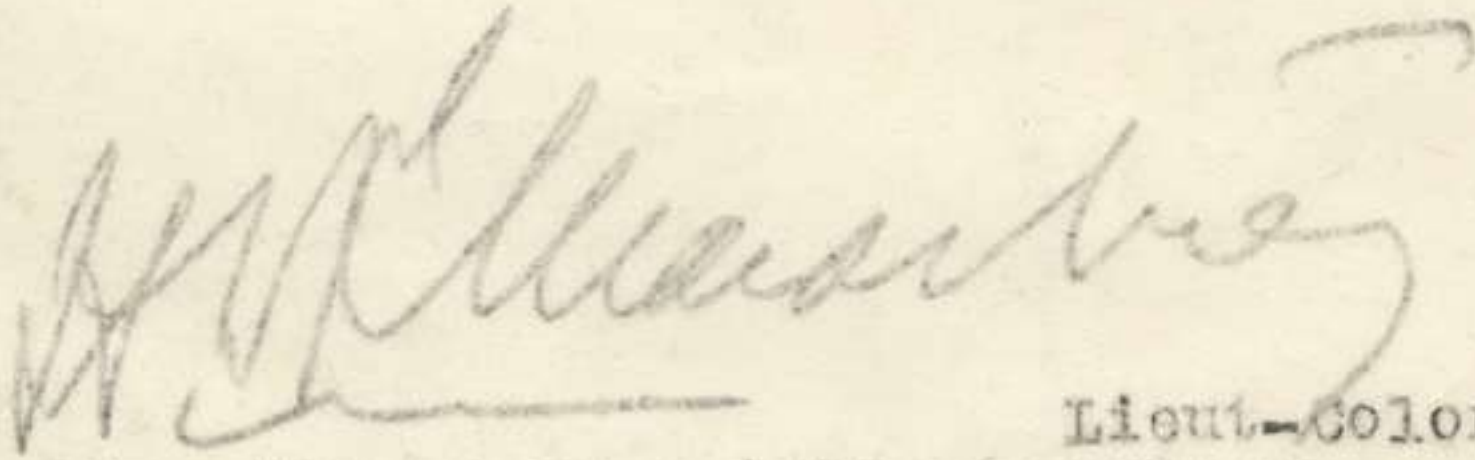
MOVEMENT OF THE ENEMY.

At 4 p.m. approximately 100 of the enemy were seen entering a Trench at 0.30.d.20.50.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At 4.13 p.m. 2 silver rain rockets were sent up from enemy lines opposite E Sector. No apparent action followed.

VISIBILITY BAD - At times FAIR.


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Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 5th August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	-Rounds-	Position of Target,	Reasons for Firing	Rounds	Result of shoot.
<u>25th Battery.</u>					
6 am to 12 noon.		Roads and Approaches	Group Order	72	
<u>26th Battery.</u>					
6 am to 12 noon		Do Do	Do	113	
<u>27th Battery.</u>					
11.35 a.m.			Do	50	
1.28 p.m.			Do	40	
3.20 p.m.		Zero Point	Registration	30	
<u>107th Battery.</u>					
5.30 p.m.		Zero Line	Calibration	60 BX	Shoot still in progress.

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From 6 am to 6 pm 5th August.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Remarks.
At intervals during the day several 77mms and 4.2s fell on our front and support line, and L'ENFER WOOD received about 100 rounds, mostly 4.2s, from the direction of COMINES.					
11 a.m.	10	5.9	0.32.c		
12.15 to 4 pm.	85	4.2	0.27.d	COMINES.	
1 p.m.	50	4.2	F and S Lines, E Sector.		
4.50 p.m.	30	5.9	SWAYNES' FARM	COMINES.	


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Later 6.55 p.m. 25th Battery reported they were being heavily shelled by 8" Hows. Direction of fire, WARNETON. U Group Heavies were informed and counter Battery work proved effective. Fire reported ceased at 7.15 p.m.

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BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT

11 a.m. Enemy plane over MESSINES.

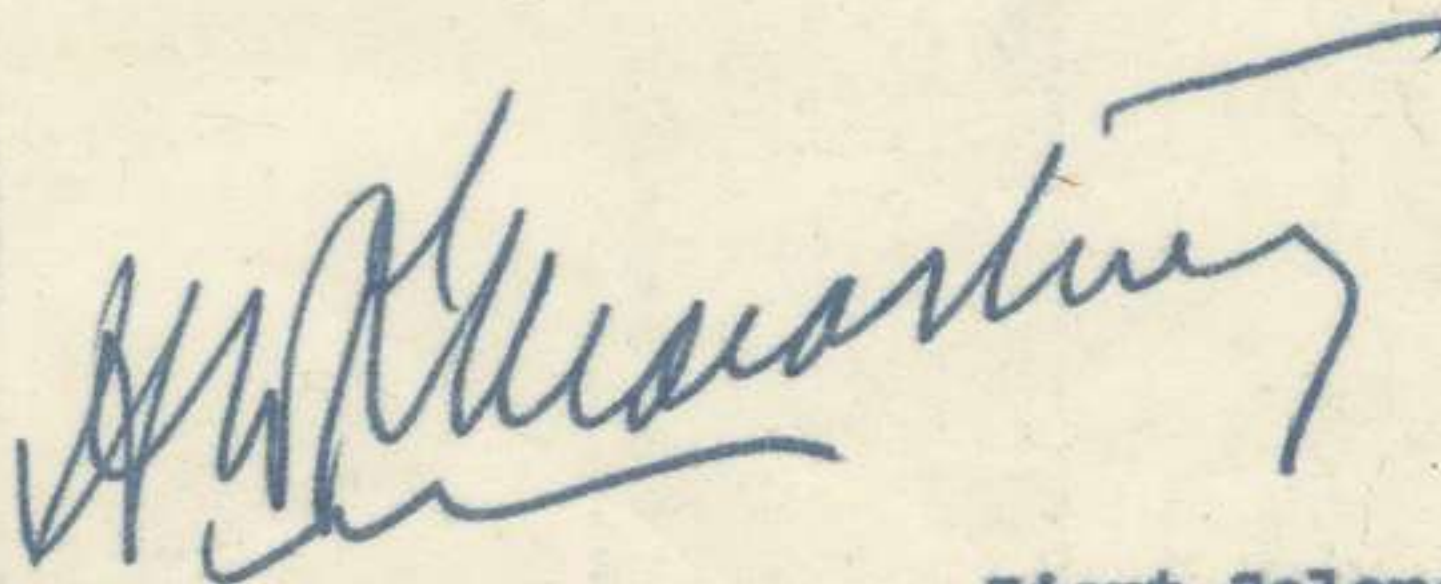
2.30 p.m. Two enemy planes over L'ENFER WOOD.

Our machines fairly active all day.

MOVEMENT OF THE ENEMY.

4.20 p.m. A Battalion of enemy Infantry were reported to have been seen at P.32.a.9.4. This information came too late (6.18 pm) to be of much value, and a most valuable target was missed.

VISIBILITY LOW - Owing to ground mist.



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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 6th August

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HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes were observed from O.32.b.60.65 as follows :-

82.30	degrees	True	Bearing.
88.30	"	"	"
89	"	"	"
90.30	"	"	"

also flashes were observed of a Gun of heavy calibre,
apparently in P.32.d.

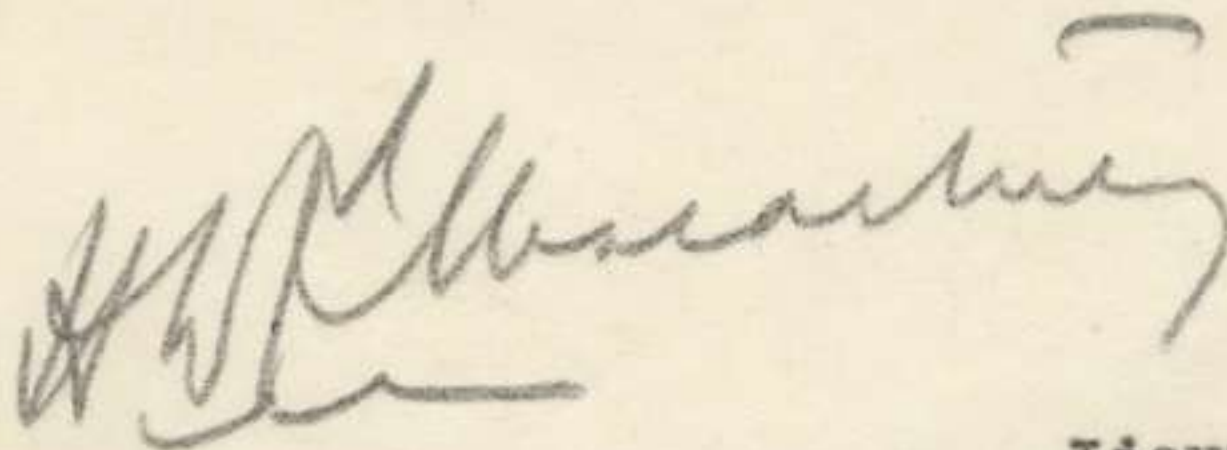
BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Very little activity owing to weather conditions.

ENEMY MOVEMENT.

An enemy O.P. was observed in a tree at 108.45 degrees
True Bearing from O.33.b.55.88.

VISIBILITY POOR.



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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 6th August.

OUR FIRE.



Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot.
6				
<u>25th Battery.</u>				
6 am to 6 pm	Roads and Approaches	Group Order	100	
<u>26th Battery.</u>				
12 noon to 6 pm.	Do. Do.	Do.	60	
<u>27th Battery.</u>				
6 am to 6 pm.	Do. Do.	Do.	128	
<u>107th Battery.</u>				
During afternoon	Do. Do.	Do.	100 BX.	

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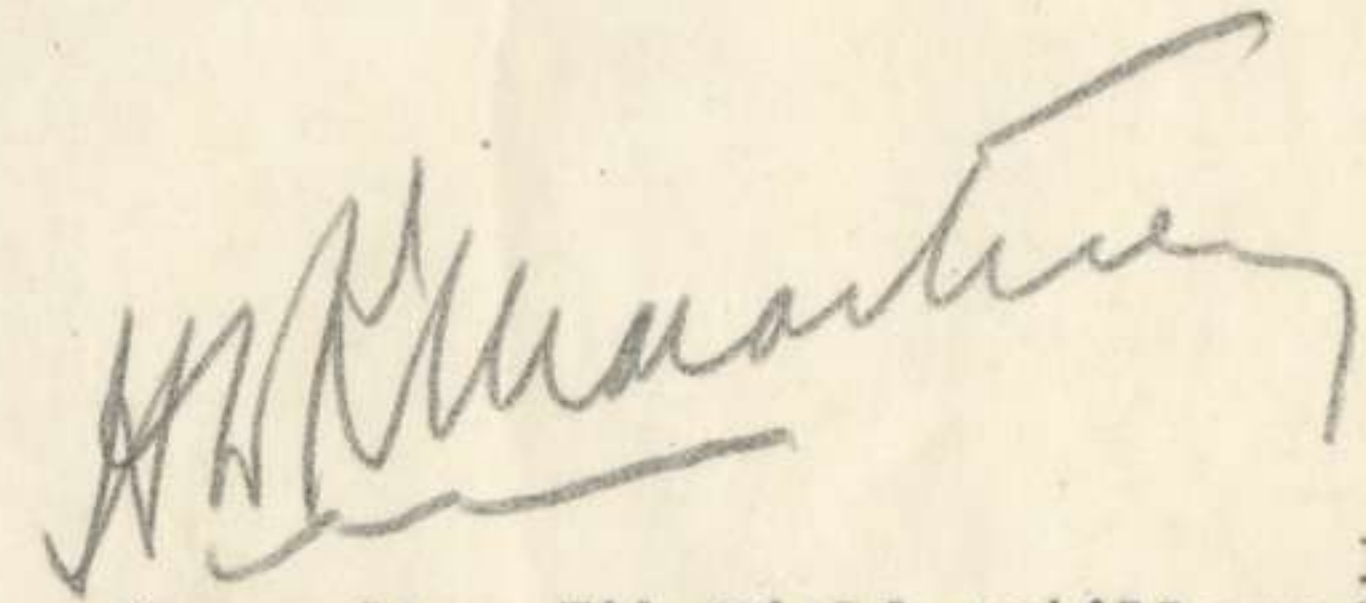
From 6 am to 6 pm 6th August.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Remarks.
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During the day the enemy kept up an intense bombardment of the MESSINES Ridge and Valley, between 2000 and 3000 shells falling between 8 am and 6 pm. Several Batteries of calibre - 4.2, 5.9 and 8" - were at work shooting from the directions of WARNETON and South of COMINES.

9.30 to 10 a.m.		77mm H.E.	Our subsidiary Line		Intermittent shelling for about an hour.
12 noon	30	77mm H.E.	O.28.a.	COMINES.	
3.30 p.m.	20	77mm	O.27.d.40.65 (O.P)	COMINES	Enemy plane directed fire, flying very low.



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From 6 am to 6 pm 7th August.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction	Remarks.
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From 4.15 pm to 5.5.p.m. the enemy heavily shelled with 4.2, 5.9, and a few 77mms, D Sector, from direction of WARNETON and BAS WARNETON.

Counter Battery assistance was at once obtained from "U" Group and our 18-pdrs. were concentrated on front line opposite D and E Sectors, searching back a distance of 300 yards. Howitzers engaged KINGSCLERE, KIWI FARM and enemy 77mm Battery at V.7.b.95.80. The 242nd Brigade R.F.A. also assisted by firing on enemy Front Line opposite D Sector and searching back 300 yards. This concentration had the effect of quietening the enemy.

At 5.15 p.m. the enemy shelled D Sector with 5.9s from the direction of COMINES. "U" Group again gave Counter Battery assistance. The Hows concentrated on KINGSCLERE and KIWI FARM and on dugouts in the vicinity of U.6.c.45.55. 18-pdrs. searched the vicinity of KIWI FARM with shrapnel. Later the Hows fired 20 rounds on cross-roads at O.36.b.20.58. Ammunition expenditure - 478 A., 447 AX., 205 BX.

1.15 to 1.45 pm.	60	4.2 & 5.9	Front line, Brigade Sector.		
1.45 to 4 p.m.	120	Do.	O.32.b.		
2 to 4 pm.	100	5.9	O.32 and U.2.a and b.	South of COMINES.	
2.30 p.m.	100	4.2.	O.24.d	COMINES.	
3 p.m.	30	4.2	O.36.d and U.6.c.		
4 p.m.	100	4.2.	O.32.c	COMINES.	

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 8th August

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Both British and enemy planes were active during the morning.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The S.O.S. Rocket mentioned in this morning's intelligence wire as being sent up at 11.30 p.m. 7-8217 was fired from Battalion Headquarters, and not from the front line trenches. This was accompanied by a request from the Battalion Commander for S.O.S. fire on D Sector until the situation cleared. The situation did not become clear until 11.45 p.m. when the Battalion Commander requested us to stop firing.

VISIBILITY LOW.

Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade.
Lieut-Colonel.

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7th. Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

.From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 8th. August.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT

Both British and enemy planes were active during the morning.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The S.O.S. Rocket mentioned in this morning's Intelligence wire as being sent up at 11.20 p.m. 7-8-1917 was fired from Battalion Headquarters, and not from the front line trenches. This was accompanied by a request from the Battalion Commander for S.O.S. fire on D Sector until the situation cleared. The situation did not become clear until 11.47 p.m. when the Battalion Commander requested us to stop firing.

VISIBILITY LOW,

(Sgd) H. D. K. Macartney.

Lieut -Colonel.
Commanding 7th Field Artillery Brigade

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 7th August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds fired	Result of shoot.
<u>25th Battery.</u>				
6.30 to 11.30 a.m.	Roads and approaches	Group Order	110	Lines found quite satisfactory.
3.30 to 6 p.m.	S.O.S. Lines	Registration & checking	34	
4.40 to 5.50 p.m.	Group concentration	Group Order	270	
<u>26th Battery.</u>				
6 am to 6 pm	Roads and approaches	Group Order	108	
4.30 to 5.50 p.m.	Group Concentration	Group Order	437	
<u>27th Battery.</u>				
11 a.m.	Enemy Front line	Group Order	30	
4.20 to 5.50 pm	Group Concentration	Group Order	200	
<u>107th Battery.</u>				
12 noon	KIWI FARM Vicinity	Group Order	20	
3 p.m.	S.O.S. Lines	Registration	48	
4.15 to 5.50 p.m.	Group Concentration	Group Order	275 BX.	

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From 6 am to 6 pm 8-8-1917.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled.	Direction	Remarks.
9.15 a.m.	50	4.2 H.E.	MIDDLE FARM		
11 a.m.	20	5.9 H.E.	MESSINES Road.		
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.	500	5.9 & 4.2	MESSINES Ridge and Valley.	WARNEFON.	

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From 6 am to 6 pm 8th August.

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot.
<u>25th Battery.</u> 5.20 p.m.	D Sector	Registration	27	Registration completed.
<u>26th Battery.</u>		<u>N I L .</u>		
<u>27th Battery.</u>		<u>N I L .</u>		
<u>107th Battery.</u> 11 a.m. 5 p.m.	Roads & Approaches Do Do	Group Order Do Do	20 20	

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 9th August.

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HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

11.30 a.m. Flashes visible 116.30 deg. from 0.32.b.60.58
 12.30 p.m. Flashes and smoke observed in rear of KIWI FARM
 100 deg. T.B. from 0.32.b.60.58 (a 5.9 Battery
 shelling 0.32.b.)
 12.30 p.m. Flashes of 4.2.Guns 87.30 & 90.30 degrees True
 Bearing from 0.32.b.60.58.
 2 p.m. Flashes observed 125 deg. T.B. From 0.32.b.60.65
 3 p.m. " " 82.30 deg. T.B. Do Do.
 3.20 p.m. Flashes of a 4.2. gun visible 88 deg. T.B. from
 0.32.b.60.65 (probably in P.26.d or P.27.c)
 4 p.m. Flashes of a 5.9 How. visible 90.30 deg. True
 Bearing from 0.32.b.60.65 (Area shelled 0.31.d)
 5.20 p.m. Enemy Battery reported at P.26.a.45.10 and en-
 gaged by successfully by our Heavies who obtained
 several hits and exploded a large dump.
 6.47 p.m. A 5.9. Battery (Hows) observed 115 deg. T.B. from
 0.32.b.60.65 shelling MESSINES Valley. Judged to
 be at V.16.d.6.3. Heavies were informed and
 successfully neutralized its fire.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

8 a.m. & 11 am. Enemy planes flying low over our trenches. Also
 during the afternoon enemy machines were active over
 over our front line system.
 1.30 p.m. Enemy balloon seen to go down in flames.
 1.35 p.m. One of our balloons brought down by a hostile
 aeroplane, in direction of POPERINGHE.
 3 p.m. Enemy balloon seen to break loose and drift away.
 4.50 p.m. British machines flying low over enemy trenches,
 and were engaged by Machines Guns.

MISCELLANEOUS.

During the afternoon a fire was observed to be
 burning in enemy lines about 5.30 deg. Left of
 WERVICQ Church from 0.32.b.60.65.
 3 p.m. Large fire burning in COMINES. Big clouds of
 dense white smoke arising.

VISIBILITY GOOD.



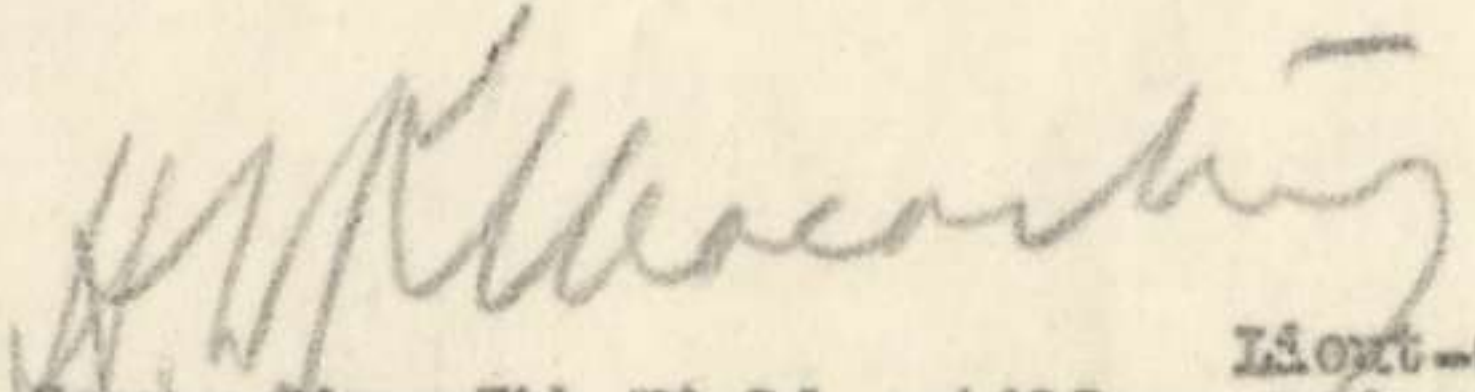
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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 9th August

OUR FIRE.

Time	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot
<u>25th Battery.</u>				
6 am to 6 pm	Roads and approaches	Group Order	70	
<u>26th Battery.</u>				
<u>N I L.</u>				
<u>27th Battery.</u>				
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Roads and approaches	Group Order	40	
<u>107th Battery.</u>				
3 p.m.	Roads and approaches	Group Order	40	


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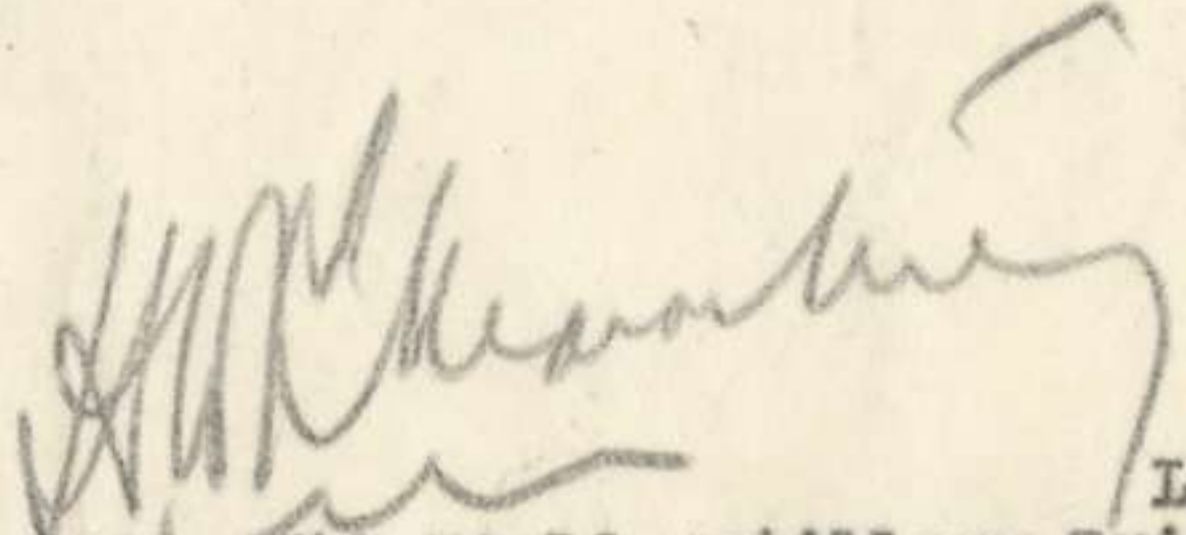
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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am to 6 pm 9th August 1917.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction	Remarks.
At 1.22 p.m.			107th Battery were shelled with 5.9 Hows. and H. Velocity Guns from the direction of BAS WARNETON. U Group Heavies were informed and gave very effective Counter-Battery assistance, the fire eventually ceasing at about 1.30 p.m.		
At 3.30 p.m.			Brigade O.P reported that flashes were visible from a 4.2 Gun, at 88 deg. True Bearing. U Group were informed and immediately opened counter-battery fire. The effect was observed by the Officer at Brigade O.P. who ranged the Heavies until fire became very effective and several direct hits were reported.		
7.25 a.m.	80	4.2	Front line, Brigade Sector		
10. a.m.	20	4.2	0.27.d	COMINES.	
2 to 3 p.m.	30	77mm	0.27.b.	Left of WARNETON	
2.40 p.m.	20	4.2	Tramline U.l.a and 0.31.c.		


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7th. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

6 a.m. 10.8.17 to 6 a.m. 11.8.17. (34)

TIME.	REMARKS.
<u>HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.</u>	
1.40p.m. & 3.20pm.	15 c.m. Battery shelling the vicinity of L'ENFER WOOD was observed 75° from 0.32.b.60.62
10.50 a.m.	Flashes from a section of 15 cm Hows observed at T.B.76½° from 0.32.b.60.65. Located about P.21.b.40.00
2.5 p.m.	15 c.m. How flash T.B. 115° from 0.32.b.60.65
2.20 p.m.	4.2 How. Bty. flashes observed at T.B.115½° from 0.32.b.60.65 probable location V.15.a.7.5.
3 p.m.	Flash of 15 cm. How. 105 T.B. from 0.32.b.60.65 shelling Huns Farm time of flight 22 secs from flash to fall of shell
3.55 p.m.	Gun flash observed 89°30' from 0.32.b.60.65
10.20 pm.	" " 5.9 How 105 T.B. from "
10.25 pm.	" " observed 28° T.B. from "
3 to 4 am.	" " s " T.Bs. 90°, (77) , 85° T.B.(H.Hw)78°, 82° & 110°
5.15 a.m.	" " " 87° & 83° E.B. from 0.32.b.60.65
5 to 5.30	" " observed T.B.97° shelling 0.31.b. Time of flight 40 seconds.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Visibility good.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

4.15p.m. Two enemy Aeroplanes observed flying very high over WYSCHAETE RIDGE travelling in a southerly direction.
Two enemy Balloons overlooking MESSINES during the afternoon. Our planes active over our own and enemy lines. No Enemy planes were observed over our lines.

Aeroplanes of both sides were very active during the period 7.30 to 8.15 p.m.

~~2 to 3 a.m. Hostile planes dropped 3 bombs on 0.33.c.1.8.~~

ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

5.15 p.m. Flashes from battery 88° T.N. taken from 0.27.d.40.65
Large fire observed behind enemy's line T.B.78 from 0.32.b.60.65

5.50 Large volumes of ~~smoke~~ black smoke resulting from explosion observed t.b. from 0.32.b.60.65 of 91° approx in P.36.b. Several 4 horse wagons and men observed moving North to South along Road in V.21.a. and c towards Donkey Engine working at V.21.c.3.6.

4 p.m. Motor Engine moving backwards and forwards along a line T.B. 108° from DISPAGNE FARM.

MISCELLANEOUS.

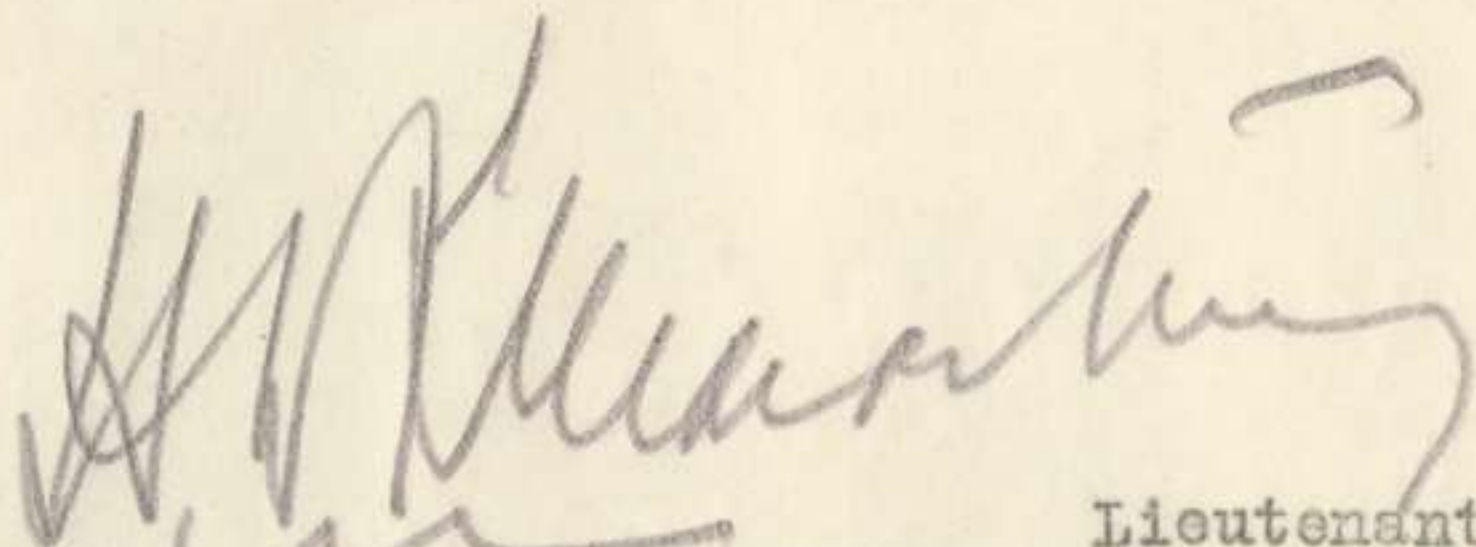
The working parties engaged on the Railway in U.1.a. and vicinity have ~~and~~ evidently been observed by aeroplanes or Balloons observers. Enemy has been persistently shelling this area. Two or three shells at a time. Mostly 4.2 H.E. (High Velocity.)

[Signature]
Lieutenant-Colonel.

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Time	No. of rounds.	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction or Grid bearing	Observed from	REMARKS.
3 to 4 am.	100	77, 4.2, & 5.9	MESSINES RIDGE	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
"	20	5.9 H.V.	Back Areas	"	"	
4 to 5 am.	150	77, 4.2,	MESSINES RIDGE	"	"	
"	50	"	Locality D	"	"	



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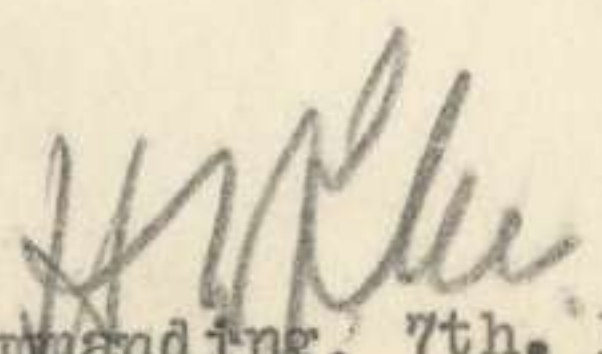
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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 10/8/17 to 6 a.m. 11/8/17.

Time	No. of rounds.	Nature	Objective or Area shelled.	Direction or Grid bearing.	Observed from	REMARKS.
10.40 am.						
6.30 a.m.	30	4.2	Whole Sector	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
8:--	120	5.9	Middle Farm	"	"	
9.30	10	77mm	Fannys Farm	WERVIEQ	"	
9.30	5	5.9	0.33.c.	HOUTHEN	0.27.d.40.65	
9.45	8	13cmH.V.	Messines Ridge	ST MARGUERITES	0.32.b.60.65	
10.40	6	4.2 H.V.	0.31.c.	WARNETON SOUTH	U.1.a.50.75	
11.--	8	4.2	0.35.d.	HOUTHEN	0.27.d.40.65	
11.30	15	4.2	0.23.d.	"	"	
12 noon	10	4.2	0.35.a.	COMINES	"	
12 noon	30	4.2 D.A.	Trenches & dugouts behind Fannys Farm	"	0.32.b.60.65	
12.55 p.m.	40	5.9	Huns Farm	WARNETON	"	
1.30	10	4.2	0.35.d.	COMINES	0.27.d.40.65	
2.40	4	4.2 H.V.	0.31.c. & U.1.a.	WARNETON SOUTH	U.1.a.50.75	
3.30	10	4.2	0.35.d.	BAS WARNETON	0.27.d.60.65	
3.30 to 5.30	100	5.9 Hw.	Bty. Position 0.37.b.70.70 & 25.42 System of dugouts 0.31.b.65.99	BAS WARNETON	0.37.b.	
4.--	4	4.2	0.29.c.	"	0.27.d.60.65	
4.40	2	4.2 H.V.	U.1.a.	WARNETON SOUTH	U.1.a.50.75	
"	2	"	0.31.c.	"	"	
5 p.m.	50	13 cm.H.V. H.V.gun	U.2.a. 0.31.a,c,& d.	DEULEMONT PERENCHIES.	0.32.c.00.03 0.37.b.	During morning & early Afternoon
6p.m.to 7.30 p.m.	50	5.9 & 8"	0.31.b.	DEULEMONT	27th.Bty.position	
7.p.m.	25	77mm	MESSINES ROAD U.1.b.	DEULEMONT	0.32.b.60.65	
8.45	30	77mm	" & vicinity	WARNETON	"	
9 p.m.	80	77mm	0.32.b.	"	"	
10.20pm	50	5.9	0.31.b.	DEULEMONT	"	
1.40 a.m.	5	4.2	0.31.b.	WARNETON	"	
3 to 4am.	150	77mm	C.T. & S.T. F Loc.	COMINES	"	


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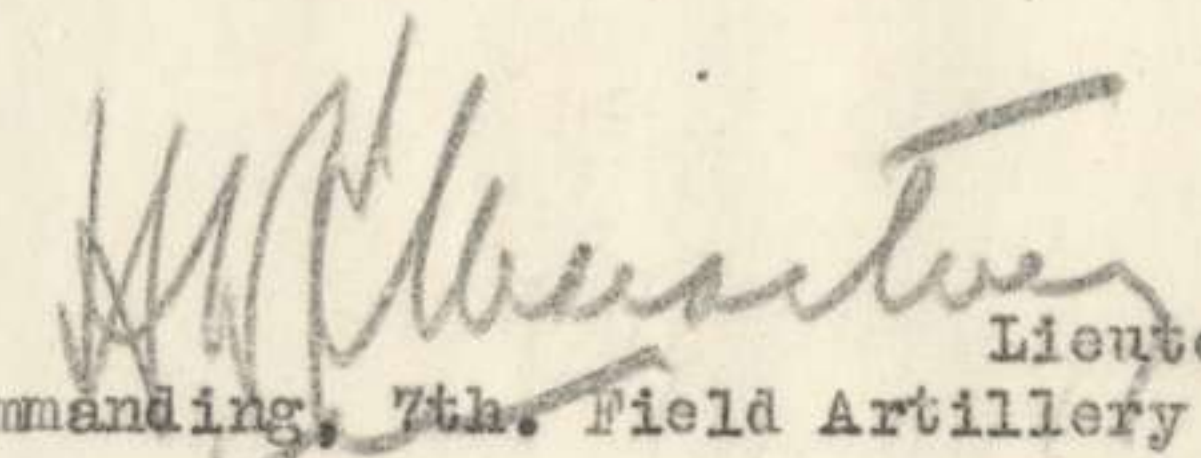
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OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 10/8/17 to 6 a.m. 11/8/17.

TIME	Unit	Position of Target	Reason for firing.	No. of rounds.	Result of shoot.
6 a.m.	25th. Bty.	O.36.c.56.65	Roads and approaches	12	
7 a.m.	"	O.36.b.18.58	-do-	12	
11.30 am.	"	Registration Zero	Registration.		
6 a.m.	26th. Bty.	Roads and approaches	Group Order.	50	
to 6 p.m. midnight				15	
6 a.m.	27th. Bty.	P.31	Straffes on Communications.	42	Not successful owing to bad observation through trees Successful but had to be discontinued owing to enemy shell fire. Hits on road obtained.
to 6 p.m.		P.31.a.80.30	Registration by balloon	9	
2.45 p.m.	"	V.1.b.55.70	-do-	12	
3.10 p.m.	"				
1.15 p.m.	107th. Bty.	O.36.b.20.58	Engaging movement observed.	10	Hits on road obtained.
5.30 p.m.	"	O.36.a.80.60	Registration.	15	


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TIME.	PARTICULARS.
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HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

10.30 a.m.	Flashes observed in Wood 124° T.B. from O.27.d.40.65
1.5 p.m.	Flashes observed 114.50, & 115.50 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65 located about V.23.b. near ST. MARGUERITES.
8.5p.m.	Flashes of A.A.Battery observed 85° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65
8.50 p.m.	Flash of 5.9 observed 105° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

11 a.m.	Two enemy balloons were visible during the day. Very little enemy aerial activity. An enemy machine flew at high altitude towards KAMEL HILL and returned to own line.
11.15 a.m.	Enemy Plane over MESSINES flying south lost to view when fired on by our A.A.Guns. From 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. enemy showed a marked increase in aerial activity.

MISCELLANEOUS.

5.20 p.m.	Small smoke screen put up by enemy at 77° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65
6.15 p.m.	Fire observed in house V.2.B.20.10 from which long columns of white and black smoke were issuing.

VISIBILITY FAIR - SHOWERY MOST OF THE DAY

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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 11/8/17 to 12/8/17.

Time.	No. of rounds.	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction or Grid bearing.	Observed from	Remarks.
6.30 a.m.	25	4.2 Gas & H.E.	0.26.c.10.20 & Vic.	COMINES	0.25.d.	
7.30 a.m.						
8.09 a.m.	80	77mm	0.34.b. & 0.35.a.	"	0.27.d.40.65	
9.30 a.m. to 10 a.m.	20	4.2	0.34.a & 0.34.b			
8.15 a.m.	50	4.2 H.E.	D & E Sectors	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
9.15 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	BLAUWEN MOLEN	WARNETON	"	
11.30 a.m. to 12.30pm.	35	5.9 & 4.2 Gas	0.25.a.30.20	COMINES	0.31.d.	
Noon	10	4.2 H.E.	MESSINES	WERVICQ	"	
1 p.m.	10	4.2	0.27.d.			
"	20	5.9	0.25	WARNETON	0.32.b.60.65	
1.10 to 2 p.m.	40	5.9	WULVERGHEM † WYTCHEETE Rd. in 0.19.c.	COMINES	0.31.d.	
1.15 to 2.15.	30	4.2 & 77mm	0.35.a. & c.	"	0.32.b.60.62	
2 p.m.	200	77mm P Shrap	0.33	"	0.32.b.60.65	
2.30 to 3pm.	15	4.2	0.32.b.	"	0.32.b.60.62	
3 p.m.	60	5.9 on Huns Walk			"	
3 p.m.	20	4.2	on HUNS WALK	WARNETON	"	
3.3 to 4.30	25	4.2	0.35.a. & c.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.62	
5						
6.15 pm.	40	5.9	MESSINES Valley 0.25.c. & 0.31.a.	COMINES	27th.Bty.Position	
7 p.m.	12	4.2	MIDDLE FARM	"	0.32.b.60.65	
9.25 p.m.	50	--	D Sector	"	"	
11p.m.	60	4.2	S.T.in 0.35.a & c	"		
4 a.m.	30	4.2	Road 0.32.d.			

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OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 11/8/17 to 6 a.m. 12/8/17.

Time.	Unit.	Position of Target	Reason for firing	No. of rounds fired	Result of shoot.
7 a.m.	27th. Battery	Roads and Approaches	Group Order.	6	
6.20 9.m.	"	Suspected O.P. in Tree O. 45. d. 20. 48		16	
6.45 pm.	"	House W. 6. d. 20. 30	Registration	7	

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Major.
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Commanding, 7th. Field Artillery Brigade

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6 a.m. 12/8/17 to 6 a.m. 13/8/17.

Time

REMARKS.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

AIRCRAFT AND BALLOONS (CONTD.)

3.10 a.m. There were long intervals between the groups and the general answer was sent frequently. One of our planes flew over the German line returning 10 minutes later.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE

11.45 a.m. Fire observed in the vicinity of HOUTHAM CHURCH, result of our fire, 72° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65. Apparently dump in building P.16.c.35.00

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

5 Enemy Captive balloons were up along the front during the day. There was considerable aerial activity on both sides during the day.

9.10 to 9.30 p.m. Enemy Captive Balloon T.B. 111° 30' from O.32.b.60.65 observed signalling with red flash light. The following letters were picked up: - ENDORT RCTEI INIF NEDEDV VE interval of 1 min. 30. secs, WI (erased) ATAZAB TNI KIII KII 68.ABI B

ENEMY DEFENCES.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY

Considerable movement was observed in the vicinity of O.36.d.20.48 throughout the morning. At 12 noon a sniper was observed to be active in a tree at this point. This target was fired on by the 27th. Battery with effect.

MISCELLANEOUS.

12 noon

Smoke screen was put up by the enemy 90° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65

VISIBILITY GOOD

Trustworthy

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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 12/8/17 to 6 a.m. 13/8/17.

Time.	No. of rounds	Nature.	Objective or Area Shelled.	Direction or Grid bearing	Observed from	REMARKS.
7 a.m.	20	4.2	0.26.c	COMINES	0.21.b.	
8.20 a.m.	20	77mm H.E.	0.36.a.		0.32.b.60.65	
9.15 a.m.	10	5.9 & 4.2 H.E.	U.5.a.		"	
10 a.m.	6	15 c.ms.	Vicinity of Huns Walk	0.35.a.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65
"	4	10 "	Support Lines	0.35.b & c.	"	"
10.30	9	10 & 15 cm.	Trench & supports	0.35.c.	"	"
10.30 a.m.	20	5.9 H.E. & 4.2	U.5.a.		"	
"	15	"	Gspaard		"	
11.30	10	4.2 H.E.	MESSINES	COMINES	"	
1.15 to 1.45pm		Shelling	U.5.a. at slow rate of fire	1 gun from direction of	BAS WARNETON	about 20 rds.
1 to 1.30 p.m.	30	4.2	0.25.b. & 0.26.a.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
2.30 p.m.	20	5.9	U.5.a.		"	
4.10 p.m.	8	77mm	0.32.d.		"	
5 p.m.	3	4.2	MESSINES Road	0.32.d.	COMINES	U.1.a.
7 p.m.	12	4.2	U.5.a.	WARNETON	U.32.b.60.65	
8 p.m.	4	77mm	0.32.d.	COMINES	"	
10.30	8	4.2	0.32.d.	WARNETON	"	
12 to 3 a.m.	100	4.2	Sub. Line & Area back of to		"	
			MESSINES - WYTSCHAETE	COMINES	"	
do.	30	5.9	Middle Farm	COMINES	"	
12.15am.	70	5.9	0.25.d.	BAS WARNETON	0.31.b.	
4 a.m.	100	4.2	0.33	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
4.20 a.m.	50	4.2	0.32 MESSINES - WYTSCHAETE Rd.	COMINES	"	
4.40	30	77mm	Huns Walk	0.32	"	
5.15 a.m.	18	77mm	" " 0.33		"	


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OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 12/8/17 to 6 a.m. 13/8/17.

Time	Battery	Target	Reason for firing	No. of rounds.	Remarks.
12 noon	27th. Battery	Suspected O.P. & sniping post seen to be occupied at tree at O.36.d.20.18.		5	No movement seen in the vicinity till some time later.
2 p.m.	"	-do-		7	
3 p.m.	"	Movement in vicinity of O.36.d.20.48		8	

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6 a.m. 13/8/17 to 6 a.m. 14/8/17.

TIME	REMARKS
10.30 a.m.	<u>HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.</u>
10.30 a.m.	A.A. Bty observed 90° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65
12.10 a.m.	21 cm Battery (VX14) observed 102° 30' T.B. from O.32.b.60.65 This battery was engaged by heavy Artillery and silenced.
1.35 a.m.	A.A. Battery observed 110° T.B. 80° 30' T.B. from O.32.b.60.65
2.5 p.m.	at 1.35 and 2.5 p.m.
1.15 p.m.	2 A.A. Guns observed 87° 30' T.B. from DESPAGNE FARM O.32.b.52.90 Gun flashes observed 103° 30' and 112° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65 at 3. and 3.45 p.m.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE

Visibility. Morning bad. evening fair.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Aircraft on both sides were active during the day.
Several enemy Captive balloons were visible during the day

ENEMY DEFENCES.

No special remarks

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

12.10 p.m. Train observed travelling south along COMINES railway
T.B. 103° from O.32.b.60.65

6.55 p.m. MISCELLANEOUS Large enemy dum exploded near St. Marguerites.
10. p.m. 3 enemy searchlights behind Wervicq and Comines.

W. J. James


Major.
A/C.O. 7th. Field Artillery Brigade.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

6 a.m. 13/8/17 to 6 a.m. 14/8/17.

TIME.	NO. OF Rounds.	NATURE.	Objective or Area Skilled.	Direction of Grid bearing.	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS.
6 a.m.	200	5.9	0.23.d.	V.16	0.31.b.7.7.	
7 a.m.	35	4.2 S & H.E.	Huns Walk 0.32.c.		0.32.b.60.65	
7.30 a.m.	25	4.2 H.E.	Hung Walk and MESSINES		0.32.b.60.65	
8.20	20	77mm H.E.	0.35.a.		"	
8.35 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E. & S	0.32.b.		"	
9 a.m.	25	4.2 H.E.	0.31.b.		"	
9 a.m. to)	200	4.2, 77 & 5.9	F.L.system		0.31.b.7.7.	Scattered.
10.30 a.m.)						
10.30 a.m.	30	77mm H.E. & S	0.35.b.		0.32.b.60.65	
"	30	77mm H.E.	U.5.a.	COMINES	"	
10.35 a.m.	30	4.2 H.E.	Middle Farm		"	
11 a.m.	30	4.2 H.E.	St. BLOUEN MOLAN	BAS WARRETON	"	
11.30 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	U.5.a.	COMINES	"	
12.30	30	5.9	0.27.a.40.30 & Vic.		0.33.b.50.85	
2.30 pm.	20	4.2 H.E.	Huns Walk	WARRETON	0.32.b.60.65	
3 p.m.	100	77mm	S & F.L. Wellington Av. and GAPAARD AV.		0.33.b.50.85	
3.45 p.m.	20	4.2	U.5.a.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
4.15 p.m.	30	77mm H.E.	Hung Walk	WARRETON.	"	
6.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.	32	12.2 H.E.	Railway at 0.31.c Messines-Wytschaete Rd.	COMINES.	0.31.b.60.65.	Intermittant.
6.40 p.m.	10	4.2	Hun's walk		0.32.b.60.65	
9.15 p.m.	50	5.9	Messines Valley and Ridge	Right of Coomines T.B. 100 deg.	"	
10.15 p.m.	Heavy.	All calibres	Rt. Battn front.		"	Heavy for 10 mins.
10.55 p.m.	15	4.2	Rear of S.L. U.5.a.	Warreton	"	
11.15 to 12 M.	30	4.2	S.L. U.5.a. and 0.35	Coomines	"	
12.10 a.m.	20	4.2	Blauwen Molen		"	
12.30 a.m.	30	77 and 4.2	0.35.a.	Wervier	"	


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TIME	NO. OF ROUNDS	NATURE	OBJECTIVE OR AREA SHELLED	DIRECTION OR GRID BEARING	OBSERVED FROM	REMARKS
12.30 a.m. to 1 a.m.	50	77	S.L. 0.35.a.	Wervicq.	0.32.b.60.65	
1 to 2 a.m.	150	4.2 & 5.9	supports and Dead Huns Possie	Coomines	"	
2 to 2.30 a.m.	60	5.9	Swayne's Farm and Dead Huns' Possie	"	"	
2.40 a.m.	40	77	Trenches 0.35.a.	Wervicq	"	
2.40 to 3 a.m.	20	5.9	Swayne's Farm and Head Huns Possie	Coomines	"	
3.15 a.m.	30	77	Trenches 0.35.a.	"	"	
3.30 a.m.	30	77	"	"	"	
3 to 4 a.m.	200	77 and 4.2	Over whole of sector		"	

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OUR FIRE.

6 a.m. 13/8/17 to 6 p.m. 14/8/17.

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TIME.	Battery	Target.	Reason for firing	No. of rounds	Remarks.
8.45 a.m.	25th. Battery	MIVKY O.36.c.20.45	Group Order	20	Completed.
11.10 a.m.	26th. Battery	Zero pt.	Registration.	20	
7 a.m.	107th. Battery	O.36.c.18.44	Group Order.	20	

* Munitions positions reported active by Infantry

Justin James
 Major.
 A/C.O. 7th. Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th. Field Artillery Brigade.

Three Trench Mortars have been located active in Hedge on west side of KIWI FARM. Exact position not yet definitely located. a.m. 14/8/17 to 6 a.m. 15/8/17.

Remarks.

Remarks.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

2.30 p.m. Flashes observed 100° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65
 3.30 p.m. 15 cm Battery active 103° T.B. from O.32.b.65.60 shelling
 7.40 p.m. ~~100° T.B. from O.32.b.60.65~~ 30 min. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.
 8.10 p.m. Gun flash observed 106 deg. 30 min. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15
 Two 77 mm. batteries firing on U4.a and b.

9.30 p.m. Gun flash observed 77 mm. Battery 97 deg. from O.33.a.38.15

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

During the day Hostile Artillery showed a marked decrease

VISIBILITY FAIRBALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Aircraft of both sides were very active during the day. During an attack by enemy aircraft a balloon and an aeroplane were brought down. Several enemy aeroplanes were visible during the day.

ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

Three Trench Mortars have been located active in Hedge on west side of KIWI FARM. Exact position not yet definitely located.

MISCELLANEOUS.

4.45 p.m. Fire and explosion apparently small dump observed 56°30' T.B. from O.33.a.38.15
 4.55 Volumes of smoke observed 81° T.B. from O.33.a.38.15 apparently caused by our Artillery fire

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A/C.O.7th. Field Artillery Brigade.

7th. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

OUR FIRE .

6 a.m. 14/8/17 to 6 a.m. 15/8/17.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Reason for firing</u>	<u>No. of rounds.</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
12 noon	26th. Battery	Zero Point	Registration.	8	Completed.

A/C.O. 7th. Field Artillery ^{Major.} Brigade.

7th. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

HOSTILE FIRE.

6 a.m. 14/8/17 to 6 a.m. 15/8/17.

Time	No. of rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled.	Direction or Grid bearing	Observed from	REMARKS.
8.30 to 9.30 a.m.	12	12 cm	Huns Walk	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
8.50 a.m.	30	77mm H.E.	Dead Hun Possie	"	"	
9.40 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	BLAUEN MOLEN	"	"	
10.5 a.m.	10	4.2 H.E.	Fannys C.T. in front of BLAUEN MOLEN.	BAS" WARNETON	"	
10 a.m.	5	10 c.m.	Road 0.33.central	COMINES	"	
11.25 a.m.	100	77mm H.E.	Along S.L. between FANNYS FARM & BLAUEN MOLEN	"	"	
11.30 a.m.	50	4.2 H.E.	0.25.d. & 0.26.c	"	0.31.b.	
12.10 p.m.	25	77mm H.E.	Huns Walk	WARNETON	0.32.b.60.65	
12.15 p.m.	6	10.c.m.	Huns Walk 0.33.c.	"	"	
12.35 p.m.	40	4.2 H.E.	BLAUEN MOLEN	"	"	
1.15 p.m.	100	77mm & 4.2 H.E.	"	Left of WARNETON	"	
1.15 to 1.45	200	4.2 H.E. & Gas.	Valley 0.33.b & 34.a	COMINES	0.33.b.50.80	
1.50	80	77mm H.E.&S	S.L. & Trenches around FANNYS FARM	"	0.32.b.60.65	
2 p.m.	30	10 & 15 cm. & Gas Shells.	0.33.a. & 0.27.c.	"	"	
2.15 p.m.	50	77mm H.M.	0.32.b.60.65	"	"	
3.15 p.m.	50	5.9 How.	0.25	R of COMINES	"	
3 p.m.	8	10 & 15 cm.	0.27.c.	COMINES.	"	
3.30 p.m.	25	5.9 H.E.	0.32.c. & 0.31.d Vicinity of HELL FARM	WARNETON	U.1.a.50.75	
4.--p.m.	4	4.2 Shrap	U.1.a.	"	"	
4.30 p.m.	200	4.2 H.E.	0.25.d. & 26.c	COMINES	0.31.b.	

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HOSTILE FIRE (CONTINUED.)

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Time	No. of Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction or Grid bearing	Observed from	Remarks.
7.15 to 7.45 p.m.	10	77	S.L. of Sector	-	0.33.a.38.15	
8.30 to 8.45 p.m.	50	77	0.33.a and c	Warneton	"	
9.30 to 11 p.m.	400	77 & 4.2	0.33.a and c	Coomines	"	
11.40 p.m.	25	77	0.33.a.	"	"	
11.40 to 12.30 a.	200	77 & 4.2	0.36.c.	"	"	
11.25 12.35 a.m.	30	77 & 4.2	0.36.b.	"	"	
2.40 to 2.45 p.m.	13	4.2	Blauwen Moulan	"	"	
3.15 to 3.20 a.m.	40	77	Fanny's C.T.	(Coomines	"	
4.30 to 4.45 a.m.	10	4.2	Blauwen Moulan	(T.B. 65 deg.	"	
5 to 5.20 a.m.	10	4.2	Fanny's Farm	Coomines	"	

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

INTELLIGENCE

From 6 a.m. 15.8.17/6 a.m. 16.8.17.

Time HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

10.00 a.m. Flashes observed 89 deg., 87.30 deg., and 90 deg. T.B. from
O.32.d.60.65.

12.10 p.m. Flash observed 77.30 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy's Artillery showed a considerable decrease in activity during the day.

4.45 a.m. Visibility fair. Immediately our fire commenced as per 4th D.A.I. No. 4 the enemy sent up the "SOS" signal along the whole of the front, his artillery opening fire quickly. The fire was heaviest on the left but had considerably slackened at 5.30.

BALLOONS & AIRCRAFT.

2.30 p.m. 6 Enemy aeroplanes patrolled WYTSCHAETE-MESSINES RIDGE and were eventually driven off by A.A. Batteries.

ENEMY DEFENCES. NIL.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE. (CONTD.)

Carried out 4th D.A. Instruction No. 4 and Southern Sub-Group Operation Order No. 1 at 4.45 a.m.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

3.45 p.m. 5 of the Enemy were observed at House O.36.b.40.65 and were dispersed by Artillery fire.

MISCELLANEOUS.

2.15 p.m. Fire observed 78 deg., T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

3.35 p.m. Fire observed 86 deg., T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

4.30 p.m. Fire observed 81.30 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

6.10 p.m. Dump blown up at 84 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

5.30 a.m. Fire observed 75 Deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

W. J. James

Major.

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OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 15.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 16.8.1917.

Time	Battery	Target	Reason for firing	No. of rounds	Remarks
12.45 p.m.	25th	S.O.S. Lines O.35.b.61.28	Testing junction of barrage.	4 A.	Satisfactory
3.15 p.m.	25th	S.O.S. Lines O.35.b.32.90	do.	4 A.	do.
12 noon	26th	Zero Point	Registration	50	
1.00 p.m.	26th	S.O.S. Lines	Testing junction of barrage.	39	do.
1.00 p.m.	27th	S.O.S. & Zero	Registration	30	
3.45 p.m.	27th	5 Huns at House O.36.b.40.65	Observed from O.P.	8206	Dispersed
4.45 a.m.	26th	4th D.A.I. No. 4		492	
4.45 "	25th	do.		656	
4.45 a.m.	27th	do.		50	Discontinued owing to bad visibility.
7.45 p.m.	27th	V.l.b.38.90	Registration by 47th K.B.S.		
4.45 a.m.	107th	4th D.A.I. No. 4		800 Gas. 922 B.X.	

[Signature]
 Lieut-Colonel.
 Commanding, 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 15.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 16.8.1917.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
9.30 a.m.	10	77 H.E.	F.L. 0.35.c.	COMINES	0.33.a.38.15	
9.30 to	30	4.2 (Gas)	MESSINES	COMINES &	DESPAGNE FARM	
10.30 a.m.	30	77 & 4.2 H.E.	0.33.b.	HOUTHEN.	do	
do	30	77 H.E.&Shrap.	0.34.a.&b.	do.	do	
10.00 to	50	5.9 H.E.	Back Areas	ST.MARGUERITE	0.33.a.38.15	
11.30 a.m.						
11.00 a.m.	25	4.2 H.E.	MESSINES	HOUTHEN	do	
11.00 a.m.						
to 3 p.m.	30	4.2	0.31.c.Tramline	COMINES	0.31.c.	
11.00 to						
11.30 a.m.	25	4.2 P.S.	MESSINES RIDGE & VALLEY	WARNETON	U.1.a.75.40	
11.30 to						
12.00 noon	10	5.9	F.L. & support 0.33.e. Brigade Sector.	WERVICQ	0.33.a.38.15	
11.30 to						
12.30 p.m.	20	77	0.33.b.	COMINES	DESPAGNE FARM	
do	50	4.2 & 77	HUNS WALK & 0.33.d.	HOUTHEN	do	
1.30 to						
2.30 p.m.	60	4.2 & 77 Gas, Sh. & H.E.	0.33.b.&d.	COMINES	do	
2.15 p.m.	20	4.2 H.V.	HUNS FARM	COMINES	0.33.a.38.15	
2.30 to						
3.00 p.m.	35	5.9	Back Area - W. of MESSINES	WARNETON	0.33.a.38.15	
2.45 to						
3.30 p.m.	12	4.2 H.E.&Sh.	N.36.a. & c.	WARNETON	U.1.a.75.40	Apparently directed at Rlway.
4.15 to						
4.30 p.m.	6	4.2 Shrapl	T.6.d.	COMINES	U.1.a.75.40) Very high bursts) Evidently searching) Road
4.40 p.m.	4	4.2 H.E.	T.6.c.	COMINES	U.1.a.75.40	
4.45 p.m.	80	5.9 & 4.2 HE	GAPAARD & 0.35.c.	-	0.33.a.38.15	
4.50 to						
6.00 p.m.	200	4.2	ROAD & DUGOUTS 0.34.d.	-	DESPAGNE FARM	
5.00 to						
5.10 p.m.	100	5.9 & 4.2 HE	0.35.c.	-	-	

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HOSTILE FIRE (CONTINUED.)

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Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks.
9.30 to 9.45 p.m.	50	4.2	F. and S. Lines U.S.a.	74 deg.	O.33.a.co.1a	
9.45 to 12 M.E.	100	4.2	do	T.B. Coomines	"	
1 a.m.	5	4.2.	Messines-WWyttschaete Road		"	
1.30 a.m.	15	77	Front Line O.35.a.		"	
2 a.m.	50	77	S.L. of Sector		"	
2.30 a.m.	25	77	S.L. O.35.a and b.		"	
3.15 a.m.	80	77	O.35.a.		"	
3.30 a.m.	70	4.2.	Hun's Walk O.33.d.		"	
3.45 a.m.	14	4.2.	Hun's Walk O.33.d.		"	
	100	4.2	O.35.a.		"	
4 a.m.	24	4.2	Hun's Walk O.33.d		"	
4.45 a.m. to 6 a.m.			Hostile fire over whole of sector in retaliation fo our barrage as per D.A. Instriction No.4.			

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W. K. ...
for O/c. 7th FA Bde

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

6 a.m. 16.8.17 to 6 a.m. 17.8.1917.HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A 4.2 Battery very active all day from direction of WARNETON. Fire evidently directed on Road and Tramline in O.31.c.
- 12.30 p.m. Flash of How. observed at 77 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
- 8.15 p.m. Flash observed 84 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.
- Flask observed 99 deg. 30 min. R.B. from O.33.a.38.15
- 8.30 p.m. Flask of 4.2 Battery observed 83 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

- 6.00 a.m. 3 Enemy planes flying low over our trenches. At 7.50 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. also, enemy planes low over trenches in our Sector.
- Several enemy balloons were up during most of the day.
- 4.30 p.m. Enemy balloon seen to descend in a state of collapse.
- 8.15 p.m. ~~Cause unknown.~~ Enemy Captive Balloon at 94 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15 signalling with white light.
- 9.35 p.m. Enemy aeroplanes flew over our lines and dropped bombs on O.26.c and back areas.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

- 7.00 a.m. Large fire burning fiercely in enemy back area 75 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.

VISIBILITY - FAIR.

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Major.
A/.CO. 7th F. A. Brigade.

OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 16.8.17 to 6 a.m. 17.8.17.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Reason for firing</u>	<u>No. of rounds</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
4.35 a.m.	25th	Minmenwerfer 0.36.c.20.45	Group Order	20	
"	107th	"	" "	12	

W. H. ...
 Major.
 A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 16.8.17 to 6 a.m. 17.8.17.

Time	No. rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks.
8.45 a.m.	10	4.2 H.E.	HUNS WALK	-	0.33.a.38.15	
9.20 a.m.	40	4.2 H.E.	SUPPORTS, 0.35.c.	-	do	
11.00 a.m.	10	4.2 H.E.	BLAUEN MOLEN	WERVICQ	do	
11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.	30	10 c.m. Sh. & H.E.	0.31.a.&.c.	DEULAMONT & WARNETON	0.31.c.	
12.30 to 1.00 p.m.	12	5.9 HV HE	U.1.a.&.c. & 0.32.a.&.c.	WARNETON	U.1.a.50.70	
12.40 p.m.	30	5.9 HV	MESSINES RIDGE	PERENCHIES	0.31.b.7.7.	
1.45 p.m.	45	5.9 HV	0.51.b.&.d.	do	do	
2.50 p.m.	10	5.9 H.E.	0.35.c.	BAS WARNETON	0.32.b.60.65	
3.00 p.m.	10	4.2	0.31.c. & U.1.a.	WARNETON	U.1.a.5.7.	} Directed at tracks along Railway.
4.30 to 5.00 p.m.	10	4.2	0.31.c.	WARNETON	U.1.a.50.70	
8. 5 p.m.	30	77 H.E.	F.L. U.5.A. and 0.35.c.		0.33.38.15	
8.15 p.m.	35	77 H.E.	Front Line U.5.a.		"	
8.30 p.m.	40	77 & 4.2	U.5.a. and 0.35.c.		"	
9.45 p.m.	40	"	U.5.a. and 0.35.a & C.		"	
11.45 p.m.	50	77 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	WERVICQ	"	
to 12 M.N.	30	77 H.E.	S.L. 0.35.a.	"	"	
12 to 1 a.m.	30	77 H.E.	Blauwen Molen		"	
	50	4.2. H.E.	Supports 0.35.a.		"	
1 to 2 a.m.	30	77 Shrap.	Blauwen Molen		"	
2 to 3 a.m.	40	4.2. H.E.	do.		"	
3 to 4 a.m.	30	4.2. H.E.	do.		"	
	25	4.2. H.E.	0.32.a.		"	


 Major.
 A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

7th FIELD ARTY LNEY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 17.8.17 to 6 a.m. 18.8.1917.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

- 11.45 a.m. Flash observed 3.30 deg. E. of COMINES. *from 0330 38 15*
- 12.30 p.m. Flashes of 77 Battery observed 30 min. E. of WERVICQ Church spire. Area shelled 0.33.b. *Observed from*
- 6.35 p.m. Flashes observed 72 deg. 30 min T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15. Probably battery at P.22.a.20.50.
- 12.30 a.m. Flash observed at 74 deg. T.B. also 85 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.
- 1 a.m. Gun flash observed 95 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

During the greater part of the day the enemy had from 6 to 8 Observation Balloons up.

At 8.10 a.m. Enemy Balloon observed to burst into flames at 41 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.

At 8.30 a.m. Enemy aeroplane flying low over our front line.

At 11.15 a.m. 3 Enemy planes flying low over NO MAN'S LAND were driven off by a heavy machine fire from our trenches. Our planes active all day.

- 10.30 p.m. Enemy aeroplanes flew over our lines and dropped bombs on back areas.

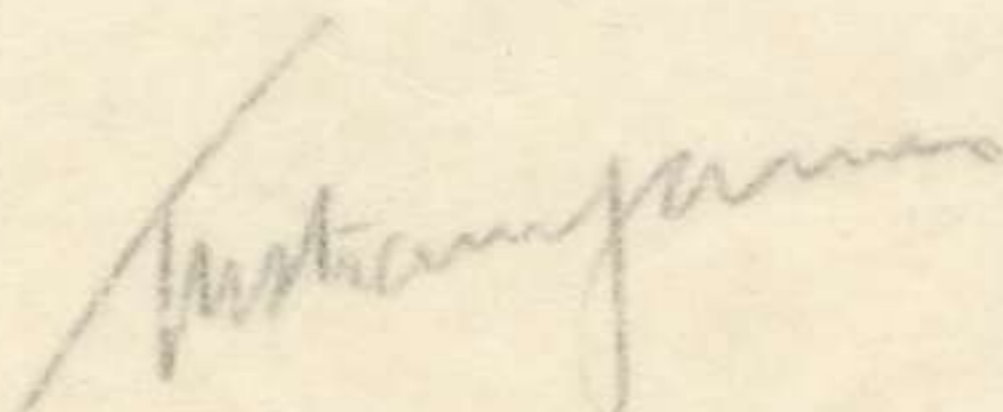
OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

Nil.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- At 11.25 a.m. Enemy Dump exploded by our fire 84.30 deg. T.B. from 0.33.b.60.65.
- 6.15 p.m. Smoke screen observed 69 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.
- 6.39 p.m. Fire observed 72 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.
- 8.55 p.m. Smoke screen observed 73 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.
Dump in house observed burning 72 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15.

VISIBILITY FAIR.



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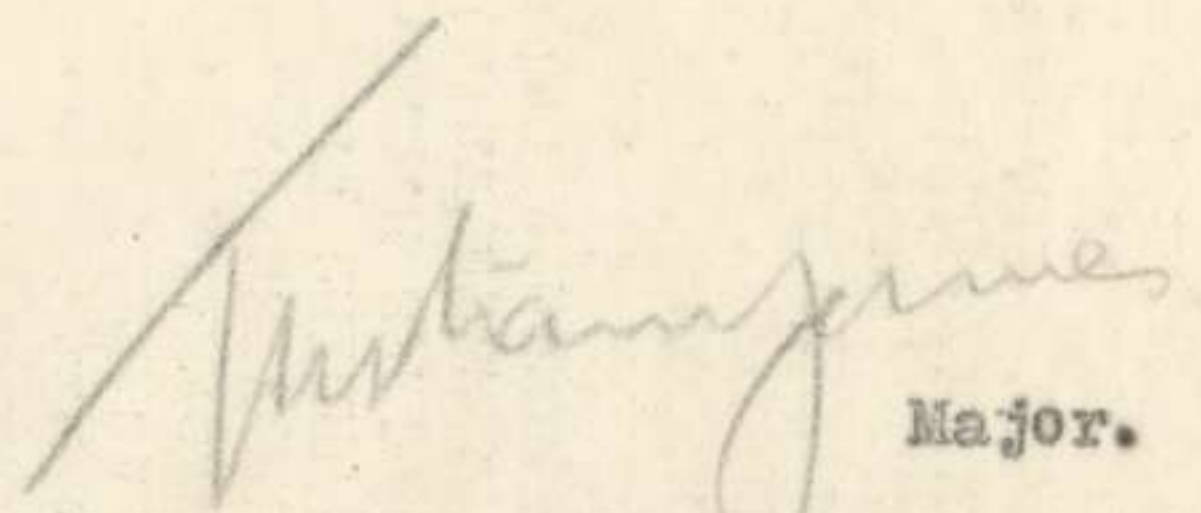
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OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 17.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 18.8.1917.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Position of Target</u>	<u>Reasons for firing</u>	<u>No. of rounds</u>	<u>Result of Shoot</u>
8.45 a.m.	25th Battery	M.W. O.36.c.20.45	Group Order	20	-
3.15 p.m.	do	do	do	20	-
4.20 p.m.	27th Battery	V.l.b.5.7.	Ranging	15	By Balloon Obs.
9.30 a.m.	107th Battery	O.36.c.20.45 M.W.	Group Order	12	
2.50 a.m.	27th Battery	KIWI FARM	Group Order	20	
2.50 a.m.	107th Battery	KIWI FARM	do.	15	
"	"	M.W. O.36.c.20.45	do.	5.	


Major.
A/C.O., 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 17.8.17 to 6 a.m. 18.8.17.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
7.00 a.m.	20	4.2 & 77 H.E.	SWAYNES FARM	COMINES	0.35.a.59.15	
8.10 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	do	do	do	
9.00 a.m.	40	77 H.E.	F.L. & supports 0.35.c.	-	0.35.a.38.15	
10.15 a.m.	50	4.2 & 5.9 H.E.	0.34.a.	WARNETON	0.33.b.5.9	
9.00 to 12.00 noon	200	4.2	DESPAGNE FARM	do	do	
10.00 a.m.	60	5.9	0.25.c.	COMINES	0.31.b.7.7.	
10.30 a.m.	12	4.2 H.E.	GAPAARD	WARNETON	0.33.a.38.15	
11.30 a.m.	50	4.2 H.E.	ROAD in 0.34.a.	COMINES	do	
11.40 a.m.	20	4.2	0.35.a.	do	0.32.b.60.65	
11.45 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	F.L. & supports 0.35.a.	do	0.33.a.38.15	
2.30 p.m.	10	5.9 H.E.	U.I.c.	do	U.I.a.5.7.	
2.30 p.m.	10	4.2 H.E.	MESSINES	do	U.I.a.5.7.	
9.15 to 9.50 p.m.	100	77 & 4.2. Gas and H.E.	BIDWEN McLen.	Warneton	0.35.36.15	
10.15 to 10.40 p.m.	60	77 H.E.	do.	do.	do.	
12.50 a.m.	5	4.2	Fenny's C.T.	Comines	do.	
1.35 a.m.	5	4.2.	do.	do.	do.	
	6	4.2	Swayne's Farm	do.	do.	
1.35 a.m. to	20	4.2 H.E.	Back Areas	do.	do.	
2.15 a.m.	10	4.2 H.E.	Fenny's Farm	do.	do.	
3 a.m.	15	77 H.E.	Fenny's C.T.	Warneton	do.	
3.45 a.m.	20	77 H.E.	Sub. Line 0.35.c.	-	do.	
4.15 a.m.	20	77 H.E.	F.L. U.S.a.	-	do.	
5 a.m.	12	4.2. H.E.	0.33.a.	-	do.	
5.30 a.m.	30	4.2 Gas & H.E.	0.33.a.	-	do.	

W. J. ...
 Major.
 A/.CO. 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.From 6 am 17th to 6 am 18th August.HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE?

- 11.3 a.m. Flash observed at 93 degrees T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.
Area shelled Front Line U.5.a and O.25.c.
- 8.25 p.m. Flash observed 114 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15
Flash of 4 gun battery observed 87 deg. T.B. from
O.33.a.38.15. Area shelled Messines.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 8.15 a.m. Enemy opened up with Barrage ~~at~~ on Front and
Support Lines and Communication Trenches on
Brigade Sector. Batteries opened on S.O.S. lines *and*
in retaliation. *Enemy pursued at 7 am*

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

- 6 a.m. Enemy Planes observed flying over our trenches.
9.10 p.m. Enemy aircraft were again active over our lines.

ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.MISCELLANEOUS.

12.50 to 1.40 p.m. Large fires visible behind enemy lines 89 deg.
and 77.30 degrees T.B. from DESPACHE FARM.

- 2.35 p.m. Fire observed in COMINES 91 degrees 30 T.B.
from O.33.a.38.15.

W. H. H. H.
Major,
Acting C.O. 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am ¹⁸ 17th to 6 am ¹⁹ 18th August 1917.

OUR ACTIVITY.

Time	Unit	Position of Target	Reasons for Firing	Rounds fired	Result of Shoot.
8.45 a.m.	25th Battery	KIWI O.36.c.5.5.	Group Order	12	
8.50 a.m.	Do.	S.O.S. Lines	Retaliation	33	
3.15 p.m.	Do.	Zero Point	Registration	8	
9.20 a.m.	26th Battery.	S.O.S. Lines	Retaliation	80	
8.40 a.m.	27th Battery	S.O.S. Lines	Retaliation	75.	
8.30 a.m.	107th Battery	S.O.S. Lines	Retaliation	83	
5.10 a.m.	⁸ 25th Battery	M.W. ^{Do} O.36.c.20.48	do. do.	10 ⁵⁰	

W. S. ...
Major,
Acting C.O. 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th Field Artillery Brigade - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 am 18th to 6 am 19th August 1917.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Object or Area shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
8.15 to 9 a.m.	Barrage on F. and B Lines and Communication Trenches on whole of brigade sector.					
8.45 a.m.	30	77mm	O.55.c	COOMINES	O.52.b.60.55	
9.15 a.m.	15	77mm	O.33.b	Do.	Do.	
10.55 a.m.	70	4.2.	U.5.a. - Supports.	BAS WARMETON	Do.	
12.30 p.m.	20	4.2.H.E.	GAPAARD.		O.33.a.38.15	
3.30 p.m.	35	4.2 H.E.	Vicinity	O.32.b.6.6.South of WARMETON.	Do.	
3.50 p.m.	20	4.2.		O.31.c.	WARMETON	Tramline and Road.
4 p.m.	15	4.2		O.31.a.	WARMETON	U.1.a.50.70
4 to 4.30 p.m.	50	5.9 H.E.	Back Areas	O.31.c.	WARMETON	O.33.a.38.15
10.15 to 10.30 p.m.	50	5.9 H.E.	Back Areas	O.31.c.	WARMETON	O.33.a.38.15
11 p.m.	10	4.2	Swayne's Farm	do.	do.	
11.45 p.m.	15	77 H.E.	Support L. & Fanny's C.T.	COOMINES	do.	
12.20 a.m.	50	77 H.E.	Fanny's C.T.	do.	do.	
1.50 a.m.	35	5.9 H.E.	Swayne's Farm	Wervicq	do.	
4.30 a.m.	30	77 H.E.	O.35.a and c	COOMINES	do.	

W. J. ...

Major,
Acting C.O., 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.
INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 19.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 20.8. 1917.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

9.00 am Flashes from 4.2 Howitzers observed at 84.50 deg. T.B.
from O.33.b.5.9.
9.30 am
to Flashes observed at 84 deg., 87 deg., 88 deg., and 71 deg.,
10.30 am T.B. from O.32.b.50.65.

BALLOONS & AIRCRAFT.

Several Enemy Balloons up during the day.

7.30 am An Enemy plane over our Trenches.
1.45 pm 7 Enemy aeroplanes flew over our Lines, and one was brought
down by our A.A. guns. Seen to crash near WYCHAMPE.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

12.45 pm Small smoke screen was put up by Enemy, 75 deg. T.B.,
from O.32.b.60.65.

W. J. ...
Major.
A/C.O., 7th F.A.B.

7th F.A. BRIGADE.

OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 19.8.17 to 6 a.m. 20.8.17.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>Position of Target</u>	<u>Reasons for Firing</u>	<u>Number of rounds</u>	<u>Result of Shoot</u>
4.15 p.m.	25th	O.36.a.80.62	Registration	7	
4.15 p.m.	27th	Datum Point	do	10	
1.00 p.m.	107th	P.31.d.38.15	Balloon Shoot (Registration)	21	Satisfactory O.R.s. reported.

W. C. O'Connell
Major.
A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

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HOSTILE FIRE.From 6 a.m. 19.8.17 to 6 a.m. 20.8.1917.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
8.00 am	50	4.2 & 77	0.33.b.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
8.30 am	30	4.2 H.E.	DESPAGNE FARM & vicinity	do	DESPAGNE FARM	
8.45 am to	150	4.2 HE & Sh.	0.32.c.	WARNETON	0.32.c.	
9.30 am						
9.00 am	30	77	0.35.b.	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
9.00 am to						Intermittent shelling by 5.9 and 77s on 0.32.b., MESSINES, & HUNS WALK. Fire coming from direction
12.00 noon						of COMINES AND HOUTHEN. Observed from 0.32.b.60.65.
9.30 am	40	4.2 H.E.&Sh.	0.32.c.	COMINES	U.1.a.50.70	
11.00 am	12	5.9 H.E.	DELPORTE FARM	-	0.33.a.38.15	
11.15 am	35	4.2 & 77 HE	MESSINES	-	0.33.a.38.15	
11.45 am	20	4.2 Shrap.	HUNS WALK, 0.33.c.	-	0.33.a.38.15	
2.00 pm	15	H.V.	Back Areas	DEULEMONT	0.33.a.38.15	
3.00 pm	10	Shrap.	Balloon	S.WARNETON	U.1.a.50.70	
Intermittent shelling over whole of sector during the night.						

W. Langford

Major.

A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 20.8.17 to 6 a.m. 21.8.17.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

A M.W. Position is suspected at O.36.a.80.65. 25th Battery have registered this position by Balloon observation.

8.45 p.m. Gun flash observed 96 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.
 9.30 p.m. Gun flash observed 116 deg. 30 min. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15
 11.30 p.m. Gun flash observed 81 deg. 30 min. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15
 1 a.m. Gun flash observed 75 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15

3 a.m. Enemy Artillery activity during the day about Mortal.
 Gun flash observed 97 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Several Enemy Balloons overlooking MESSINES-WIMESCHAETE Ridge during the afternoon.

At 10 a.m. an Enemy Plane flew over our Lines and dropped 4 Very Lights.

At 10.35 a.m. Enemy Planes active flying high over MESSINES RIDGE.

At 3.45 p.m. Enemy Planes over our Lines and over MESSINES RIDGE. Owing to accuracy of our A.A. Batteries did not succeed in penetrating far or flying low.

6.45 p.m. Our Planes very active all day. flames in enemy lines.
 Enemy aeroplanes came down in flames in enemy lines.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

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OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.MISCELLANEOUS.

At 9.55 a.m. our Heavies succeeded in exploding a small Dump near COMINES, 93.30 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.

At 7.15 p.m. a large fire was observed 80 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15

At 8.25 p.m. an explosion occurred in enemy's lines at 80 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.38.15.

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 Major.
 A/C.O., 7th F.A. Brigade.

OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 20.8.17 to 6 a.m. 21.8.17.

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Time	Battery	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Number rounds	Result of shoot.
7.00 a.m.	25th	M.W.O.36.c.20.45	Retaliation	10	Completed.
3.45 p.m.	"	M.W.O.36.a.80.65	Registration by Balloon	22	
4.30 p.m.	27th	S.O.S. Lines	Registration	15	
8.30 a.m.	107th	M.W. O.36.c.20.45	Retaliation	15	
9.30 p.m.	"	do.	do.	20	
"	25th	do.	do.	20	

John Conyngnam
A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade. Major.

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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 20.8.17 to 6 a.m. 21.8.17.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
9.00 a.m.) to)	200	4.2 HE	U.2.a. & U.1.b.	COMINES	0.32.c.	
11.00 a.m.)						
10.00 a.m.	90	4.2 HE	0.33.a. & c.	do	0.32.b.60.65	
10.30 a.m.	10	4.2 Sh.	U.2.d.	do	U.1.a.75.40	
10.40 a.m.	40	4.2 & 77 HE	Vicinity FANNY'S FARM	-	0.33.a.38.15	
10.45 a.m.	20	4.2 HE	F.L. U.5.a.	COMINES	do	
10.45 a.m.	40	4.2 HE	Vicinity DEAD HUNS POSSE	BAS WARNETON	do	
10.50 a.m.	45	4.2 HE	do	do	do	
10.55 a.m.	30	4.2 HE	Supports U.5.a.	-	do	
11.15 a.m.	12	4.2 HE	DESPAGNE FARM	COMINES	DESPAGNE FARM	
11.30 p.m.	12	4.2	C.Ts. FANNY'S FARM	WARNETON	do	
1.45 p.m.	20	4.2 HE	BLAUEN MOLEN	COMINES	do	
1.45 p.m.	12	4.2	0.33.a.	do	do	
2.00 p.m.	12	4.2 GAS	Road, 0.36.a.	do	0.31.b.	
2.00 p.m.	12	4.2 Shrap.	0.32.c.	do	U.1.a.75.40	Directed at Mule Team-Ridge
2.15 p.m.	20	4.2 HE	Vicinity GAPAARD	-	0.33.a.38.15	
2.15 p.m.	30	4.2	DEAD HUNS POSSE	-	do	
3.00 p.m.	80	4.2 HE	BLAUEN MOLEN	-	do	
3.20 p.m.	10	4.2 HE	GAPAARD	-	do	
3.45 p.m.	10	4.2 HE	0.36.c.	BAS WARNETON	0.32.b.60.65	
8.50 to 9.10	100	4.2 H.E.	Fanny's C.T. and S.L. W.5.a.	do.	0.33.a.38.15	
9.30 p.m.	30	4.2 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	Flash 116 deg. 30 mins. T.B.	do.	
10.20 p.m.	50	5.9 H.E.	L'Enfer Wood	Coomines	do.	
11.30 to 12.25	80	4.2 Gas	Hun'w Walk	Flash 81 d.30 m.T.B.	do.	
1 to 2 a.m.	120	4.2 H.V.	Back Areas	Coomines	do.	
do.	30	5.9 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	Flash 75 deg. T.B.	do.	
2 to 3 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	Fanny's Farm	Coomines	A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade. do.	Major.

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HOSTILE FIRE (CONTINUED.)

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Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or area shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks.
2 to 3 a.m.	10	5.9 HE.	Blauwen Molen	Coomines	0.33.a.38.15	
3 to 4 a.m.	30	5.9 H.E.	do.	Flash 97 deg. T.B.	do.	
4 to 5 a.m.	20	4.2 H.E.	Messines	Coomines	do.	
do.	20	4.2 Gas	do.	do.	do.	
5.45 a.m.	30	77 H.E.	Fanny's C.T. & Supports	do.	do.	

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE - INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 21.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 22.8.1917.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Enemy Artillery Activity about normal. About 10 a.m. this morning severe bombardment by the Enemy on our P.L. in front of and in U.S.A., lasting about 20 minutes. Direction of fire COMMON. Retaliation by Group.

12.50 pm Flashes observed at 76.30 deg. T.B. from 0.33.a.38.15
 3.50 pm Flashes from A.A. Battery observed at 162. T.B. from
 0.32.b.60.65.
 3.45 pm Flashes observed at D.35.a.73.60 and D.36.a.25.00
 active.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

During the day Enemy had about 7 or 8 Observation Balloons up.

7.55 am Enemy planes active over our lines.
 9.45 am 1 Enemy plane over our sector.
 10.00 am Plane brought down behind our lines. Nationality unknown but thought to be German.
 Our planes active all day.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

No. Special Remarks.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

There was considerable machine gun activity during the night.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

6.40 p.m. Fire observed at 74 deg. 30 mins. T.B. from 0.33.a.30.65
 7.25 p.m. The fire was still burning at this time. A considerable quantity of very lights and rockets were exploded. Fire continued until 11 p.m.

Visibility - GOOD.

Major.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 21.8.17/6 a.m. 22.8.17.

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Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Obs. from	Remarks.
9.30 to						
10.00 am	10	4.2	MESSINES	COMINES	0.32.b.60.65	
10.00 am	200	4.2 & 5.9	U.5.a.	do	0.33.a.38.15	
10.30 am to						
11.00 am	15	4.2 HE	U.2.a.8.c.	do	U.1.a.50.70	
11.20 am	20	4.2 & 77	U.5.a.	do	0.32.b.60.65	
11.30 am	5	5.9 HE	Right of E sector (0.35.c.)	-	0.32.a.38.15	
11.40 am	50	5.9 HE	Right of D sector (U.5.a.)	-	do	
3.00 to						
3.30 pm	5	4.2	0.32.b.	PRELINGHEM	U.1.a.50.70	
7 p.m.	60	77 mm.	Fanny's C.T. and Blauwen Molen		0.33.a.30.65	
8.25 p.m.	30	77 mm.	"X2" sector	Kiwi	0.33.a.38.65	
12.15 to 1 a.m. 50		4.2 H.E.	Road 0.32.d.	Coomines	do.	
1.25 a.m.	25	77 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	do.	do.	
2.35 a.m.	26	77 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	L. of Coomines	do.	
3.5 a.m.	8	4.2 H.E.	do.	Coomines	do.	
4. to 4.10 a.m.		4.2 H.E.	Fanny's Farm and Supports	do.	do.	

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Major.
A/C.O., 7th P. A. Brigade.

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OUR ACTIVITY.

From 6 a.m. 21.8.17 to 6 a.m. 22.8.1917.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>Position of Target</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Reasons for firing</u>	<u>No. rounds</u>	<u>Result of Shoot</u>
6.00 am	107th	M.W. 'MICKY'		Retaliation	5	
6.15 am	25th	M.W. 'MICKY'		Retaliation	20	
9.45 am	26th	F.L. Bde. Sector. ("X.2)		Group Order	100	
9.45 am	27th	do		do	100	
9.45 am	107th	KIWI FARM		do	50	
12.00 pm.	107th	M.G. B. E. 80.65		do	20	
7.45 p.m.	25th	M.W. O.36.c.20.45		do.	20.	
8.25 p.m.	25th	77 mm. Battery O.36.a.73.40		do.	20	
	26th	do.		do.	20	
	25th	77 mm. Battery O.36.2.85.00		do.	20	Hostile fire silenced in each case.
	26th	do.		do.	20.	


 Major.
 A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

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7th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE -- INTELLIGENCE.6 a.m. 22.8.17 to 6 a.m. 23.8.1917.
-----HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

11.30 am Flashes observed 79 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
 8 p.m. Flash at 65 deg. 30 min. observed from O.33.a.30.65
 6.12 p.m. Flashes observed 83 deg. 30 min and 67 deg. T.B. from
 O.33.a.30.65

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Activity on both sides about normal.
 Enemy aeroplanes were active during the latter part of
 the afternoon.
 9.30 p.m. A number of planes passed over our lines and dropped
 bombs south of Messines and on back areas.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy's artillery was much quieter than usual during the
 day but showed greater activity during the night.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

Dugouts at V.l.b.7.4. appear to be occupied.
 Several of the Enemy were observed during the day at
 O.36.d.2.6.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1.55 p.m. Enemy Dump exploded 57 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
 2.30 p.m. Six Enemy smoke screens at intervals of 1 to 2 mins.
 in U.6.b.

John James
 Major.
 A/C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 22nd/5 a.m. 23.8.17.

Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
7.00 am to						
7.50 am	40	4.2	F.L., 0.55.6.5.0.	COMINES	0.33. c. 30.70	
8.30 am	30	4.2	F.L., 0.55.6.5.0.	do	do	
9.10 am	8	77 HE	GARAH	-	0.38. a. 33.15	
10.50 am	16	4.2 HE	0.26.4.9.9.	-	do	
11.55 am	20	4.2 HE	Vicinity 0.26.4.9.9.	-	do	
do	10	77 HE	Battalion Headquarters 0.54.4.	-	do	
2.30 pm	40	77	MESSINES	WARRINGTON	0.58. b. 60.65	
5.20 pm	30	77 HE & 4.2 HE	BLAUNEN MOLEN	COMINES	0.58. c. 30.75	
6.15 pm	8	77	Dead Hun's Posse	"	0.5. b. 30.85	
8.30 p.m.	4	77 H.E.	Fenny's Farm	"	do.	
8.45 p.m.	4	77 H.E.	Blawen Molen	"	do.	
9.15 to 9.25	20	4.2 H.E.	Swyne's Farm	"	do.	
9.41 to 10.10	20	H.V. Gun	Front Line U.S.a.	"	do.	
10.20 p.m.	20	77 H.E.	Dead Hun's Posse	"	do.	
10.30 to 10.45	12	4.2 H.E.	Blawen Molen	"	do.	
10.30 to 11	30	H.V. Gun	Fenny C.S.	"	do.	
11.10 to 11.25	30	4.2 H.E. and Gas	Hun's Walk	"	do.	
11.10 to 11.25	15	H.V. Gun	Support over whole of sector	"	do.	
1 a.m.	100	77 and 4.2	Hun's Walk	"	do.	
2.30 a.m.	50	77 H.E.	Fenny's C.S. and Dead Hun's Posse	"	do.	
4 a.m.	35	77 and 4.2	Fenny's C.S.	Warvieg	do.	
5 a.m.	100	77 and 4.2	Trenches U.S.a.	-	do.	
	50	4.2	Hun's Walk	-	do.	

W. H. ...
Major.
A / C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

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OUR FIRE.

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From 6 a.m. 22.8.17/6 a.m. 23.8.17.

Time	Battery	Position of Target	Reasons for firing	Rounds	Result of shoot
4.00 p.m.	25th	Zero Point	Calibration	14	<i>Satisfactory</i>
12.30 p.m.	107th	V.l.b.7.4.	Registration	38	
4.45 4.45 a.m.	25th	M.W.O. 36.c.20.45	Group Order	20	
4.35 a.m.	26th	77 mm. Battery 0.36.8.73.40	Group Order	20	
"	"	" " 0.36.c.85.00	do.	20.	
"	107th	77 mm Battery 0.36.c.73.40	do.	20	
"	"	" " 0.36.c.85.00	do;	20.	
"	"	M.W. 0.36.c.20.45	do.	40.	

W. H. ...
 Major.
 A/ C.O., 7th F. A. Brigade.

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 NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY -- I N T E L L I G E N C E.

From 6 a.m. 23.8.1917 to 6 a.m. 24.8.1917.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

10.30 a.m. Flashes observed of 3 10 cm. Hows., at O.36.d.55.90.
 12.45 p.m. Flash observed 1055.40 deg. from O.32.b.60.65.
 12.55 p.m. Flashes of 2 guns observed 110 deg. from O.32.b.60.65.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Enemy's Artillery showed a marked decrease in activity during the day.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

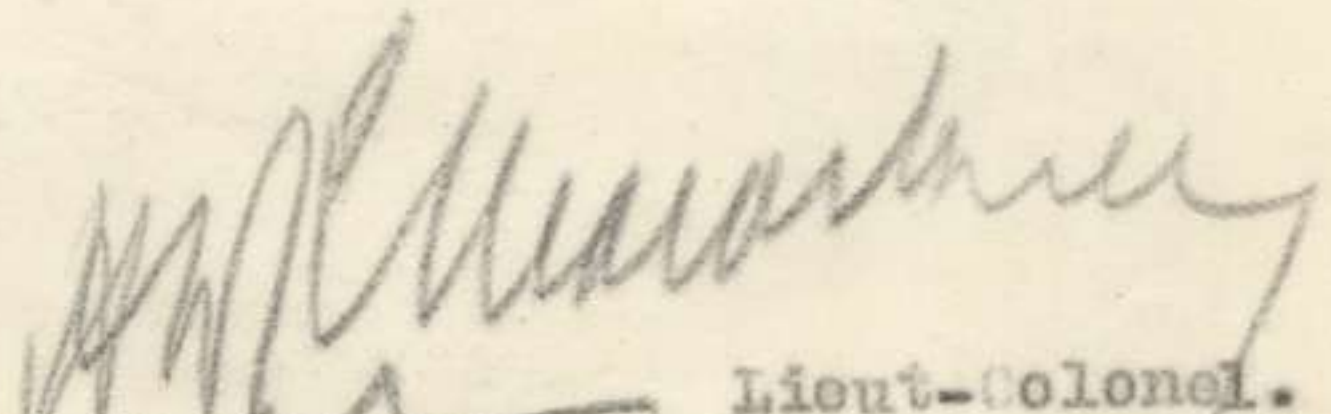
Enemy aeroplanes were active during the morning.
 Enemy captive balloons were inactive during the afternoon.

ENEMY DEFENCES.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

8.00 a.m. Fire observed in Enemy's Lines in the vicinity of TEN BAULEN. 73 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.

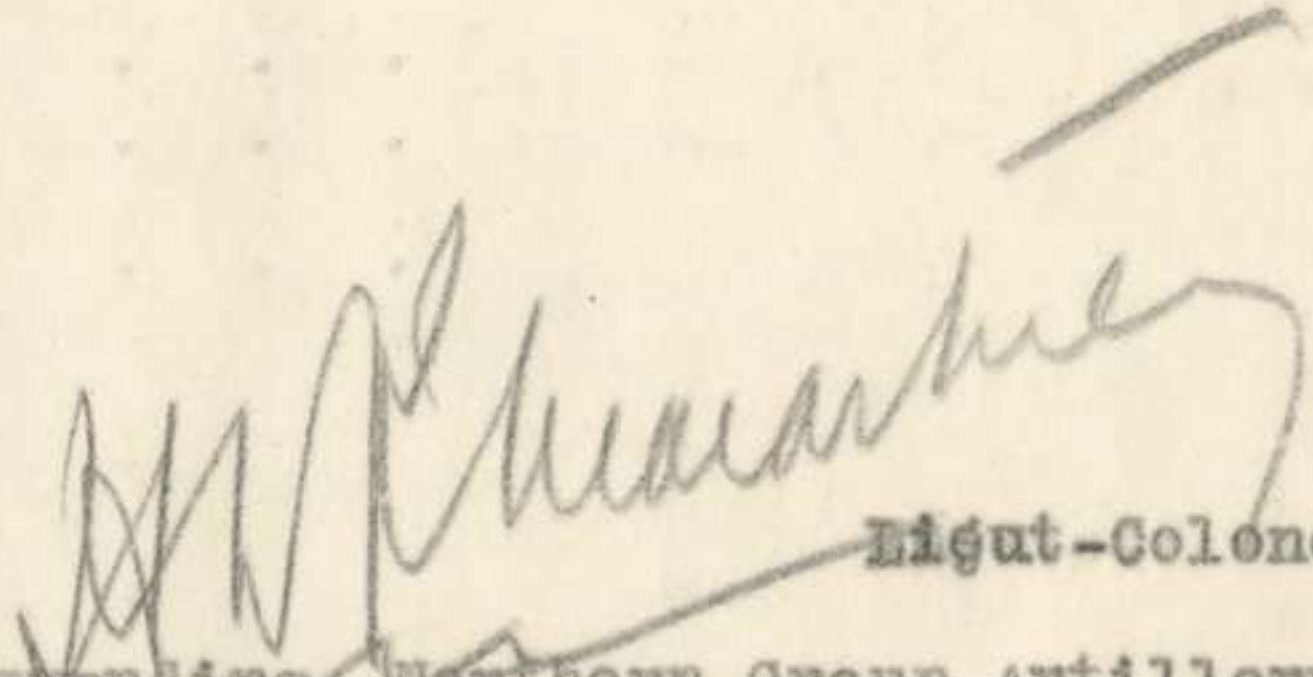

 Lieut-Colonel.
 Commanding Northern Group Arty.

NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.

OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 23.8.17 to 6 a.m. 24.8.1917.

Time	Battery	Position of Target	Reasons for Firing	Number of Rounds	Result of Shoot.
11.30 a.m.	25th	Zero Point 0.36.a.30.20	Registration	24	Registration completed.
12.15 p.m.	29th	Zero Point 0.36.c.50.50	do	9	do do
11.30 a.m.	30th	0.36.b. X Roads & Tracks	Sprinkling	22	
2.00 p.m.	108th	KIWI FARM 0.36.c.50.50.	Calibration	43	
8.15 p.m.	25th	M.W. 0.36.a.80.65	Retaliation	20	
8.30 p.m.	"	do.	do.	20	
"	107th	do.	do.	20	
8.35 p.m.	25th	do.	do.	10	
11.0 p.m.	27th	Working Parties 0.35.b.70.40 to 0.35.b.70.60	Group Order	30	
11.40 p.m.	"	do.	do.	20	
2.10 a.m.	"	do.	do.	10	
3.0 a.m.	"	do.	do.	20	


 Brigadier-General.
 Commanding, Northern Group Artillery.

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NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.

HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 23.8.17 to 6 a.m. 24.8.17.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Objective or Area shelled</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Observed from</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
9.00 to						
9.45 a.m.	35	4.2	0.14.c.s.d.	WARWICK	0.20.c.25.90	
9.15 a.m.	50	77	Supports whole of sector	-	0.33.a.30.65	
9.45 a.m.	50	77	F.L., U.5.a.	-	do	
9.45 a.m.	30	77	FANNY'S C.T.	-	do	
10.00 to						
11.00 a.m.	300	4.2	WULVERGHEM & MESSINES ROAD in U.1.b.s.U.2.a.	COMINES.	0.31.a.60.30	
10.05 to						
10.30 a.m.	60	4.2	MESSINES DUGOUTS 0.32.d.&U.2.b.88 deg.T.B.		0.32.d.00.40	
10.30 a.m.	200	77 & 4.2	0.33.a. & c.	-	0.33.a.30.65	
10.30 a.m.	50	77	F.L. 0.35.c. & U.5.a.	-	do	
10.30 to						
11.00 a.m.	50	5.9 & 4.2.	0.32.d. & U.2.b.	96 & 88 deg.	0.32.d.00.40	
10.55 to						
11.00 a.m.	8	4.2	0.14.c.s.d.	WARWICK	0.20.c.25.90	
11.00 to						
12.00 noon	200	4.2 & 77	FANNY'S C.T.	-	0.33.a.30.65	
12.00 to						
12.15 p.m.	40	77	0.33.a.	106 deg. T.B.	0.33.d.05.55	
1.00 p.m.	10	5.9	U.1.b.	96 deg. T.D.	0.32.d.00.40	
1.00 to						
9.00 p.m.	40	4.77 H.E.	0.33.c.	-	0.32.d.00.40	
9.00 p.m.	450	4.77 H.E.	Supports 0.35.c.s.U.5.a.	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	
10.00 p.m.	40	4.77 H.E.	Messines	"	do.	
11.00 p.m.	20	77 H.E.	Supports U.5.a.	"	do.	
2.00 a.m.	15	4.2 H.E.	Blauwen Molen	"	do.	
3.00 a.m.	40	4.2 H.E.	Vicinity Dead Huns' Posse	"	"	
4.15 to	120	4.2 and 77	Back areas and Fanny's C.T.	"	"	
to 5 a.m.						

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From 6 a.m. 24.8.17 to 6 a.m. 25.8.1917.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

10.00 am Battery located at 94 deg. T.B. from O.32.d.60.65
in P.31.d. Battery engaged with good effect.
11.50 am Battery located at 95 deg. 30 min. T.B. from
O.32.d.60.65.
8.30 pm Several flashes from 89.30 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.
9.15 pm Flash at 82 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65

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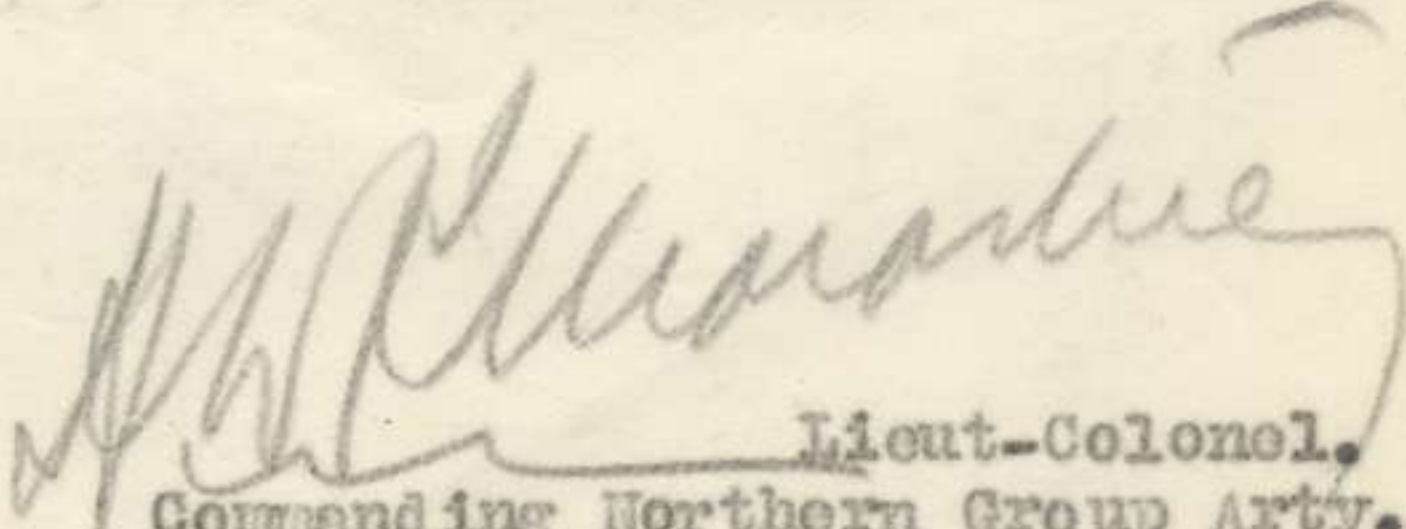
No Balloons observed opposite this sector.
Aircraft generally inactive.
8.30 pm 2 Enemy planes flew over F.L. system vicinity GAPAARD.

ENEMY DEFENCES.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

10.00 am Engine and Trucks shunting in W.15 and 21.
& 12 noon Several of the Enemy observed during the day moving
about on tracks in P.31.b.
2.30 pm At P.33.c.5.8. (28 SE 1/20,000) a camouflage
position was observed, also considerable movement
along road.
1.45 pm Movement observed at Farm P.25.d.6.9.
1.45 am Large working Party neighbourhood O.35.b.28.57. 70
rounds fired on this target with good effect.
MISCELLANEOUS.
1.30 pm An Enemy Dump exploded at 48.30 deg. T.B. from
O.19.d.9.6.
2.15 pm Enemy Dump exploded at 42 deg. T.B. from
O.33.a.30.65.
8.08 pm Signal Lamp seen at 66 deg. T.B. appeared to be long
way behind enemy line, answering another Lamp as T.B. and
V. were the only letters read.

VISIBILITY - FAIR.


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NORTHERN ARTILLERY GROUP.

HOSTILE FIRE OBSERVED.

From 6 a.m. 24.8.17 to 6 a.m. 25.8.17.

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Time	Number of Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area Shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
6 to 8 am	20	4.2 HE	BLAUVEN MOLEN	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	
9.00 a.m.	10	77	MESSINES	-	U.1.a.70.50	
9.00 a.m.	12	4.2	Road from COMINES in 0.33.c.	-	0.33.a.30.65	
9.30 a.m.	20	4.2 HE	Vicinity of BLAUVEN MOLEN	COMINES	-BLAUVEN MOLEN	
9.30 a.m.	15	4.2	0.33.d.	-	0.33.a.30.65	slow fire.
10.00 a.m.	6	4.2 Shrap	C.32.c. & U.2.a.	-	U.1.a.70.50	
10.30 to)						
11.45 a.m. }	30	4.2	0.31.d. & 0.32.c.&d.	-	0.33.d.2.5.	
11.45 a.m.	4	77	0.20.d.	WERVICQ	0.20.d.25.90	
1.00 p.m.	8	4.2	0.31.d.	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	
2.00 p.m.	100	4.2	0.31.d.	do	0.33.a.30.65	
2.00 p.m.	40	4.2	0.32.c. & U.2.a.	-	U.1.a.70.50	
2.00 to)						
2.20 p.m. }	30	77	0.33.	101 deg.T.B.	0.33.d.2.5.	
2.10 to)						
2.25 p.m. }	40	4.2	C.T. in U.4.a. & b.	84 deg.T.B.	0.33.d.2.5.	
2.30 p.m.	10	4.2	0.32.c. & U.2.a.	-	U.1.a.70.50	
2.30 p.m.	20	4.2	BLAUVEN MOLEN	COMINES	BLAUVEN MOLEN	
2.30 to)						
3.00 p.m. }	20	4.2	0.32.d. & U.2.b.	84 T.B.	0.33.d.2.5.	
3.00 p.m.	12	4.2	MESSINES	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	
3.10 p.m.	10	4.2	0.33.c.	84 T.B.	0.33.d.2.5.	
2.30 to)						
3.00 p.m. }	150	4.2	0.31.a. & b.	112 T.B.	0.32.d.0.4.	
3.15 p.m.	50	4.2	0.31.d.	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	
3.25 p.m.	100	4.2	0.31.a. & b.	112 T.B.	0.32.d.0.4.	
4.10 p.m.	40	4.2	0.32.c. & U.2.a.	-	U.1.a.70.50	
4.45 p.m.	10	4.2	DEAD HUNS POSSE	COMINES	0.33.a.30.65	

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Time	Rounds	Nature	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Obs. from	Remarks
5.10 pm	8	77 HE	Road O.33.a.	-	O.33.a.30.65	
6.30 pm	30	4.2 HE	FANNYS C.T.	COMINGS	do	
7.50 pm	20	4.2 HE	MIDDLE FARM	WARRICK	do	
8.10 pm	10	HE	O.35.c.	-	do	
2.45 am	10	4.2 HE	FANNYS FARM & SUPPORTS	COMINGS	do	
4.15 am	5	4.2 HE	FANNYS C.T.	WARRICK	do	
4.30 am	30	4.2 HE	FANNYS FARM AND FANNYS C.T.	COMINGS	do	
8.05 pm	20	4.2	Treeline O.33.d.	-	O.33.d.O.4.	

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OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 24.8.17 to 6 a.m. 25.8.17.

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Time	Unit	Position of Target	Reasons for Firing	Rounds	Result of Shoot
8.30 a.m.	25th	M.W. O.36.a.80.60	Group Order	20	
11.15 a.m.	26th	Zero Point	Registration	11	
11.00 to					
4.00 p.m.	26th	P.31.d.	Counter Battery	124	
8.30 a.m.	107th	M.W. O.36.a.80.60	Group Order	20	
4.00 p.m.	107th	P.31.d.	Counter Battery	75	
2.00 p.m.	108th	Farm House P.25.d.6.9.	Movement Observed	24	Direct hit obtained.
8.05 pm	107th	O.36.a.80.60 (M.W.)	Group Order	20	
7.15 pm	25th	O.33.a.80.50 (M.W.)	do	20	
2.00 am	25th	O.35.b. (W.P.)	do	50	
2.15 am	25th	O.35.b. (W.P.)	do	20	
5.50 am	25th	O.33.a.80.65 (M.W.)	do	40	

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I N T E L L I G E N C E.

From 6 a.m. 25.8.17 to
6 a.m. 26.8.1917.HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

2 p.m. Flash was observed at 97 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.62.
4.50 pm Flash was observed at 74.30 de. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

At 12.15 p.m. Enemy opened a heavy bombardment on Trenches in X.1 Sector, with 77s, 4.2s and a few 5.9s. Northern Group opened fire at 12.18 p.m. and by 12.25 p.m. hostile fire had practically ceased.

At 2 p.m. Enemy again opened heavy bombardment similar to one at 12.15. Northern Group retaliated and shelling ceased after about 15 minutes.

During the night the enemy shelled "Hun's Walk Despagg Farm and our front line in O 35 c. ¹¹⁶

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

3.30 p.m. A Patrol of Enemy Planes (7) flew over our F.L. system in the direction of WARNETON and returned in direction of COMINES.

9-45 Hostile planes bobbed back areas and Messines

~~ENEMY DEFENCES.~~ OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.) Much pedestrian traffic observed on road in P.33.c.

10.15 am Train was seen moving along a light railway in W.8.d.

~~3.30 p.m.~~

4.15 pm Eleven enemy observed carrying two stretchers covered with blankets behind F.L. in U.6.a. & c. They were conducted by one holding a white flag with red cross on it.

MISCELLANEOUS.

10.00 a.m. Fire observed burning T.B. 91 deg. from O.19.d.9.6.

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OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 25.8.17 to 6 a.m. 26.8.17.

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Time	Unit	Position of Target	Reasons for Firing	No. of rounds	Result of Shoot
6.15 a.m.	25th	M.W. 0.36.a.80.62	Group Order	20	
7.05 a.m.	"	M. W. 0.36.a.80.62	Group Order	20	
7.25 a.m.	"	M.W. 0.36.a.80.62	Group Order	50	
11.25 a.m.	"	KIWI FARM	Group Order	122	
11.45 a.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	16	
2.20 p.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	51	
2.25 p.m.	"	0.36.c.50.55	Group Order	13	
2.27 p.m.	"	"HELP HIRONDELLE"	Group Order	16	
12.30 p.m.	26th	"X.1"	Group Order	24	
12.40 p.m.	"	S.O.S.Lines	Group Order	193	
1.20 p.m.	"	S.O.S.Lines	Group Order	187	
1.40 p.m.	"	KIWI FARM	Group Order	24	
12.00 noon		Zero	Registration	69	
12.20 p.m.	27th	KIWI FARM	Group Order	140	
2.15 p.m.	"	"X.2" Sector	Group Order	75	
2.30 p.m.	"	KIWI FARM & U.6.b.	Group Order	140	
7.00 a.m.	107th	0.36.a.8.6.	Group Order	21	
7.30 a.m.	"	0.36.a.8.6.	Group Order	60	
12.30 p.m.	"	KIWI FARM	Group Order	123	
2.30 p.m.	"	U.6.b.	Group Order	79	
11.15 a.m.	29th	KIWI FARM	Registration	8	
12.26 p.m.	"	"X.3"	Group Order	120	
12.36 p.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	72	
12.45 p.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	24	
2.15 p.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	180	
2.30 p.m.	"	KIWI FARM	Group Order	24	
2.31 p.m.	"	U.6.b.	Group Order	24	
12.25 p.m.	108th	"X.1"	Group Order	120	
12.45 p.m.	"	U.6.b.	Group Order	24	
1.00 p.m.	"	FARM P.31.d.2.8.	Group Order Movement	39	
2.15 p.m.	"	"X.1"	Group Order	167	
2.29 p.m.	"	KIWI FARM	Group Order	24	
2.30 p.m.	"	U.6.b.	Group Order	24	

6.45 pm
8.30 pm

0.36.b.d. and U.6.b.
" " "

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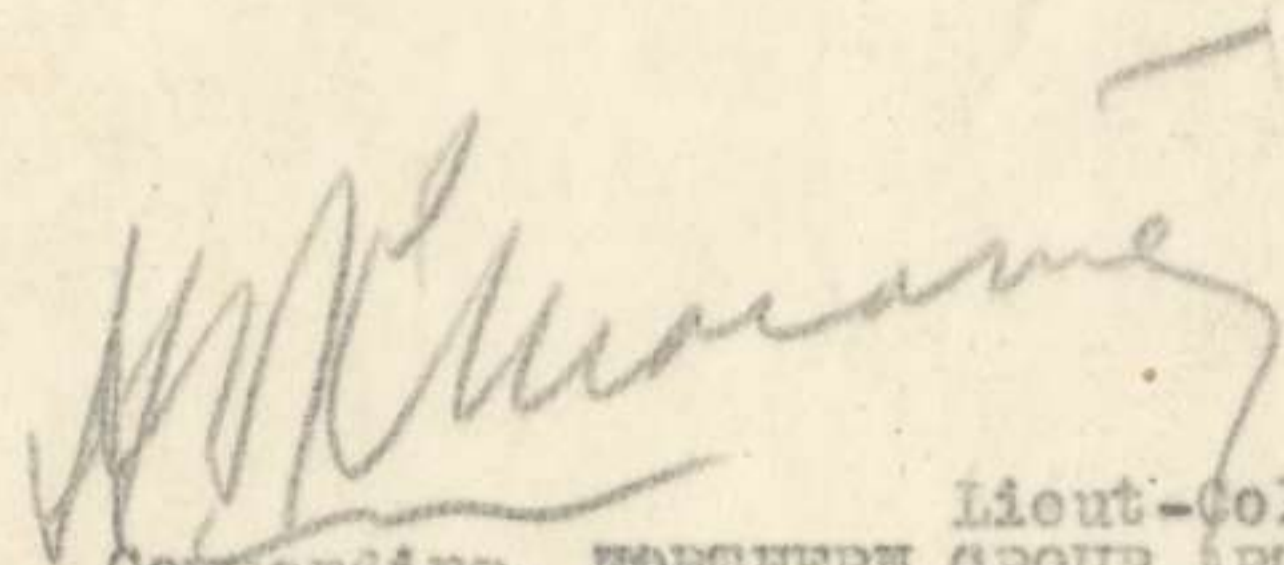
HOSTILE FIRE.

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From 6 a.m. 25.8.17 to 6 a.m. 26.8.17.

Time	Nature	No. rounds	Objective or Area shelled	Direction	Observed from	Remarks
12.15 to 12.25 pm & 22 p.m. to 2.20 p.m.)	77s 4.2s 5.9	Heavy bombardment	Trenches X.1 sector Between STIEGNAST FARM AND GAPAARD	WARHISTON		
1.20 p.m.	5.9	10	U.2.a. (Apparent registration on MESSINES CHURCH.)	-	0.33.d.2.5.	



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I N T E L L I G E N C E.

From 6 a.m. 26.8.17 / 6 a.m. 27.8.17.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

A 4.2 Battery at P.31.d.4.5. intermittently during the day shelled Battery positions at O.31.b.(27th), O.31.a. (26th) and U.1.a. (25th) and the Tramline in O.31.

8.50 a.m. Flashes of Battery 102 deg. & 103.30 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
 11.55 a.m. Flashet observed 96 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
 11.15 a.m. Flashes observed 75 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65.
 1.20 p.m. Gun Flash O.36.d.7.9.) Two guns in action. Appeared to
 3.15 p.m. " " do.) be in hutments marked on map in
) rear of house O.36.d.58.90.
 9.45 a.m. 5.9 How. Bty. 83 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

8.00 a.m. Enemy planes appeared to be observing fire of 5.9 Battery on back areas.
 Smoke screens being used very extensively opposite our front.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

10.00 a.m. Enemy balloon broke adrift into the clouds.
 10 Enemy balloons up during morning, descended at mid-day and did not reappear.
 9.00 a.m. 4 Enemy planes flew over F.L. at low altitude.

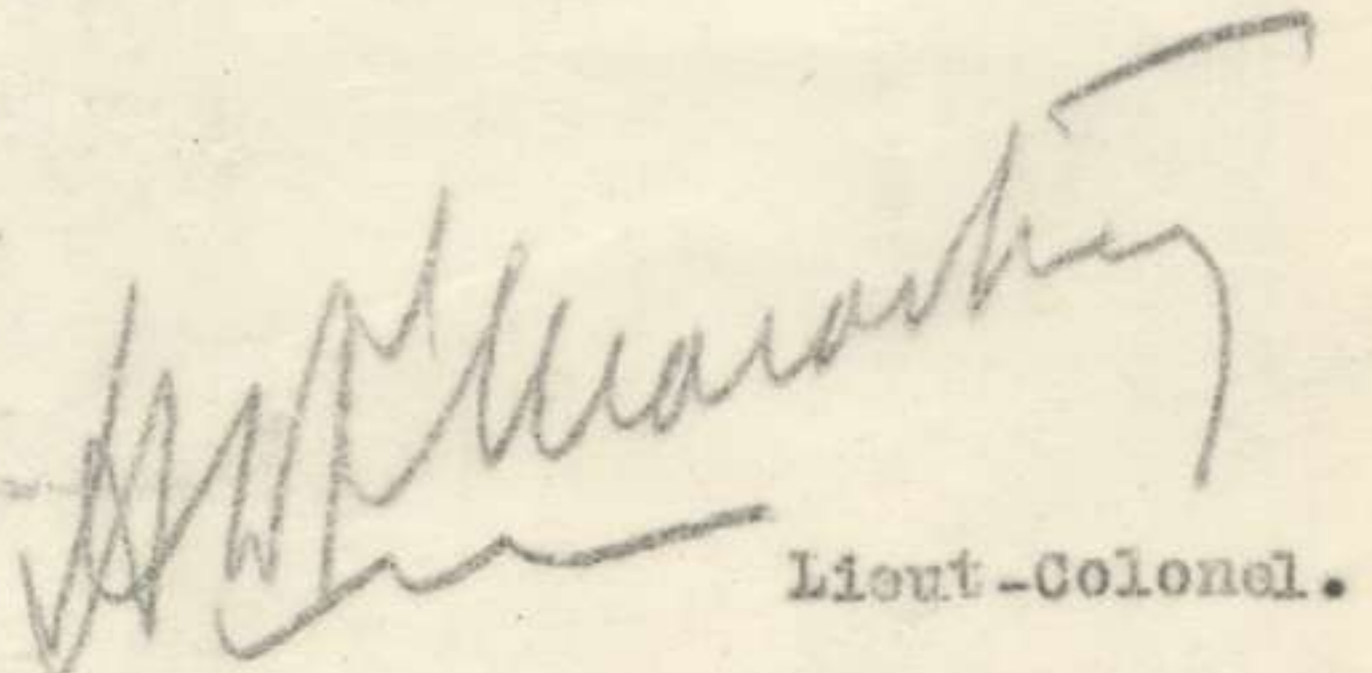
ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

12.50 p.m. Three Enemy seen walking along Track PONT MALLOT in P.31.b.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1.20 p.m. Two large fires set going in Buildings P.15.d.5.4.
 5.45 p.m. Large fire, probably ammunition dump, set going by our Heavies at B.29.c.90.90

8.10 p.m. fire caused by our fire at T.B. 97°



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HOSTILE FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 28.8.17 to 6 a.m. 29.8.17.

From 7.20 a.m. to 8 a.m.	about 60 rounds	4.2	on	O.32.a. & c.	observed to come from 106 deg. T.B. from O.32.d.O.4.
" 9.15 a.m. to 9.50 a.m.	" 40	" 4.2	"	U.2.b.	" " " " 96 " T.B. " "
" 12.10 p.m. to 12.40 p.m.	" 40	" 4.2	"	O.33.c.	" " " " 96 " T.B. " "
" 1.50 p.m. to 2.10 p.m.	" 160	" 4.2	"	O.31.a. & d.	" " " " 96 " T.B. " "

At intervals during the day a 4.2 Battery in P.31.d. shelled Battery positions of this Group in O.31.b., O.31.a. and U.1.a. also Tramline in O.31.

At 6.15 a.m. F.L. X.1 and X.2 shelled with 77 H.E. Fire coming from 90 T.B. from O.33.a.30.65

At intervals during the morning FANNY C.T., F.L. X.2, X.1 (F.L. & Supports) shelled with 4.2 & 77 H.E.

BLAURN MOLEN was shelled at 12.25 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. with 77 H.E. About 50 rounds. Fire from COMINES.

At 5 p.m. 4.2 Battery from DEULAMONT firing on back areas. T.B. 137 deg. from O.33.a.30.65.

Between 7.30 and 10.30 a.m. about 150 rounds on L'EEFER WOOD from a 4.2 Battery at O.36.d.7.9. Appeared to be registering by means of Ballcons.

7.40 pm. A 4.2 How firing at 90° 30' TD from O.32 d. O.4.

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Battery	Time	Position or Target	Reasons for firing	No. rounds	Result
25th	3.45 p.m.	Zero point	Registration	33	Neutralised Bty.
26th	1.00 p.m.	P. 31.d. 4.5.	Counter Battery	52	
10th	1.35 p.m.	P. 31.d. 4.5.	Group Order	30	
All Batteries.	8.05 p.m.	P. 31.d. 4.5.	Group Order	288	do.
do.	8.10 p.m.	P. 31.d. 4.5.	do	144	
do.	8.20 p.m.	M.W. 0.36.s. 60.70	do	144	Silenced.

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INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 27.8.17 to 6 a.m. 28.8.17.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Artillery quiet. No Battery positions observed.

9.30 p.m. Flashes observed T.P. 74° 30' 4. 150° from 033A 35.2

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

BALLOONS & AIRCRAFT.

Owing to unfavourable weather conditions no aerial activity during the day.

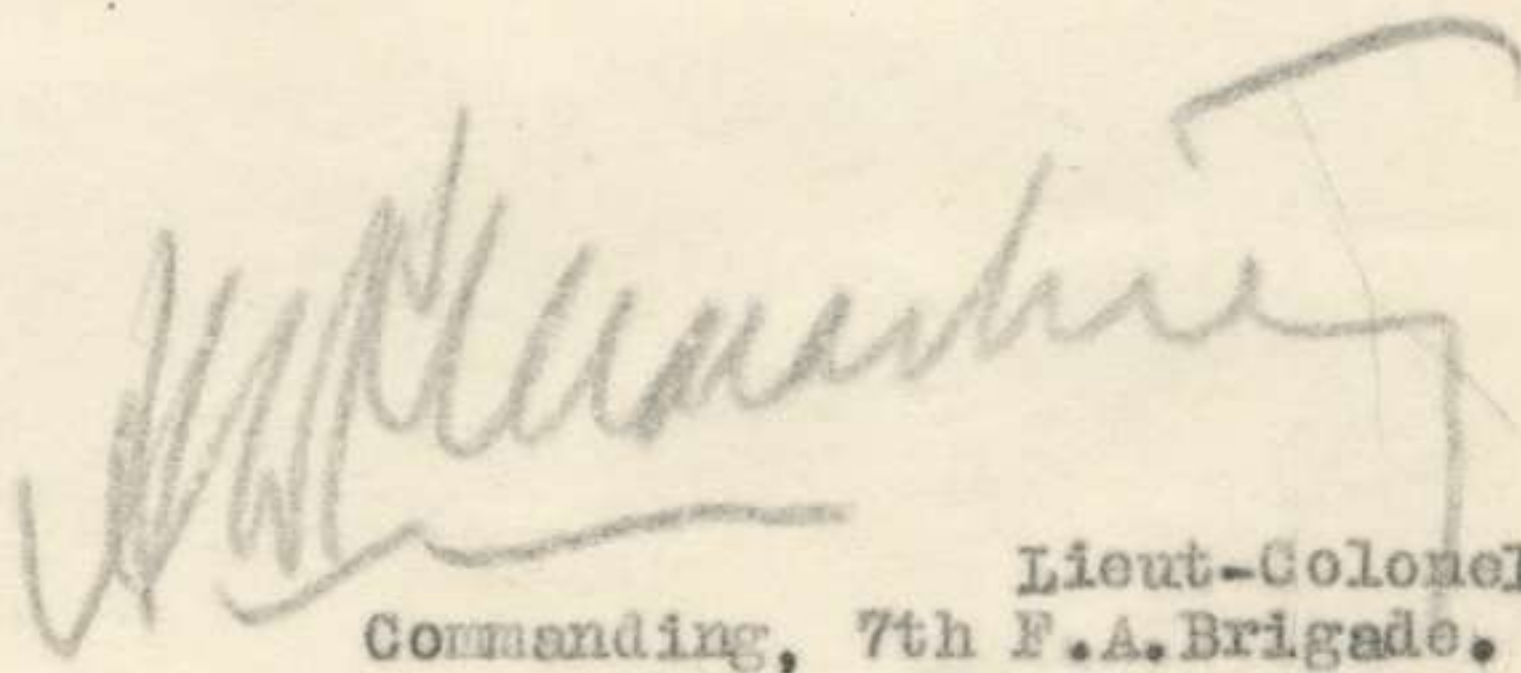
ENEMY DEFENCES.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

Trains very very active : light trains were observed running between WERVICQ and MENIN.
Trains were also observed in read of COMINES.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Visibility - POOR.

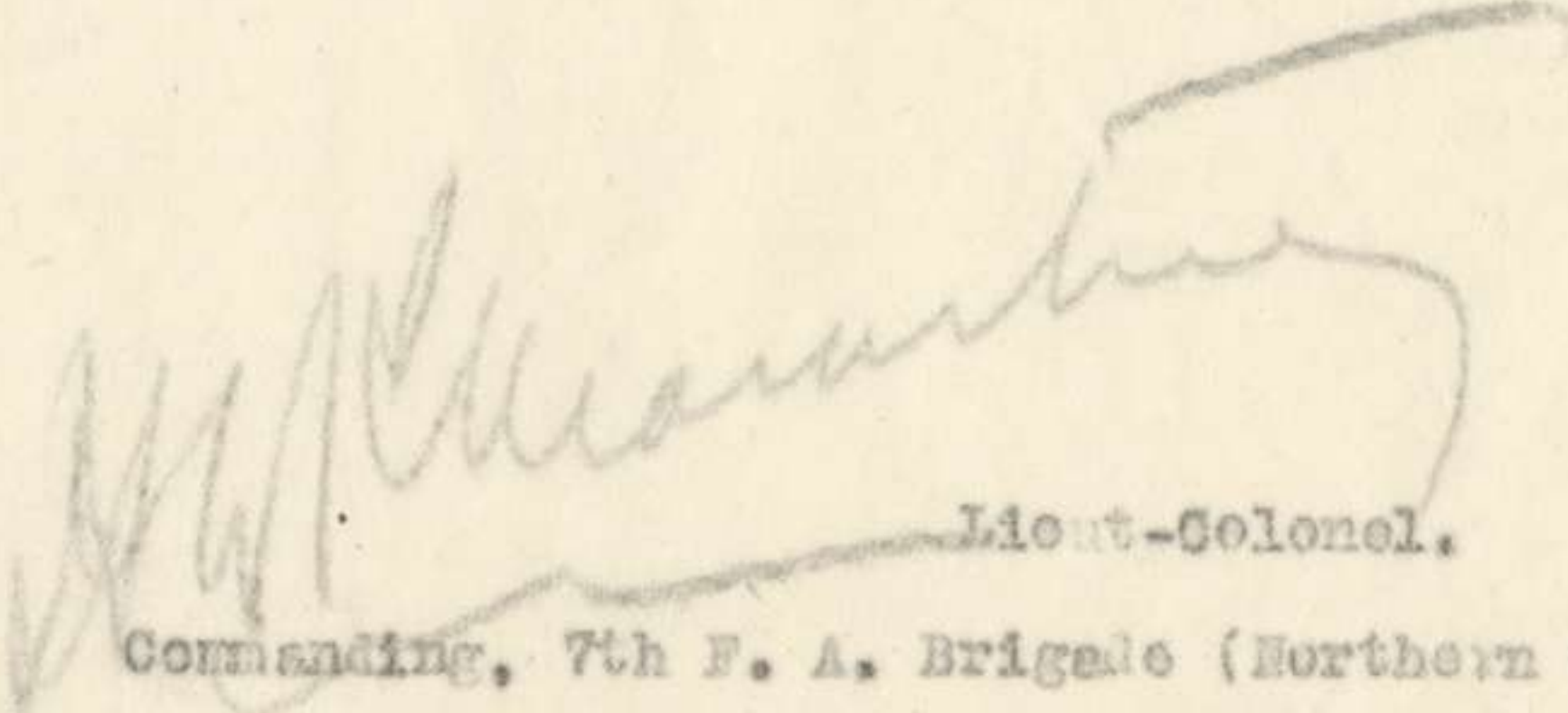

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NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.

OUR FIRE.

From 6 a.m. 27.8.17 to 6 a.m. 28.8.17.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>Position of Target</u>	<u>Reason for firing</u>	<u>No. rounds</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
7.45 a.m.	26th	P.31.d.	Retaliation	6	


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INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

From 6 a.m. 28.8.17 to 6 a.m. 29.8.17.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Hostile Artillery during the day was very quiet.

*Gun flash seen at 90° TB from 0 334.3065*GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

No Aircraft activity - weather conditions very unfavourable.

ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

Enemy observed moving about singly and in pairs on roads and tracks in vicinity of POHE MALHEE at odd times during the day.

MISCELLANEOUS.

VISIBILITY LOW.

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6 a.m. 28.8.17 to 6 a.m. 29.8.17.

OUR FIRE.

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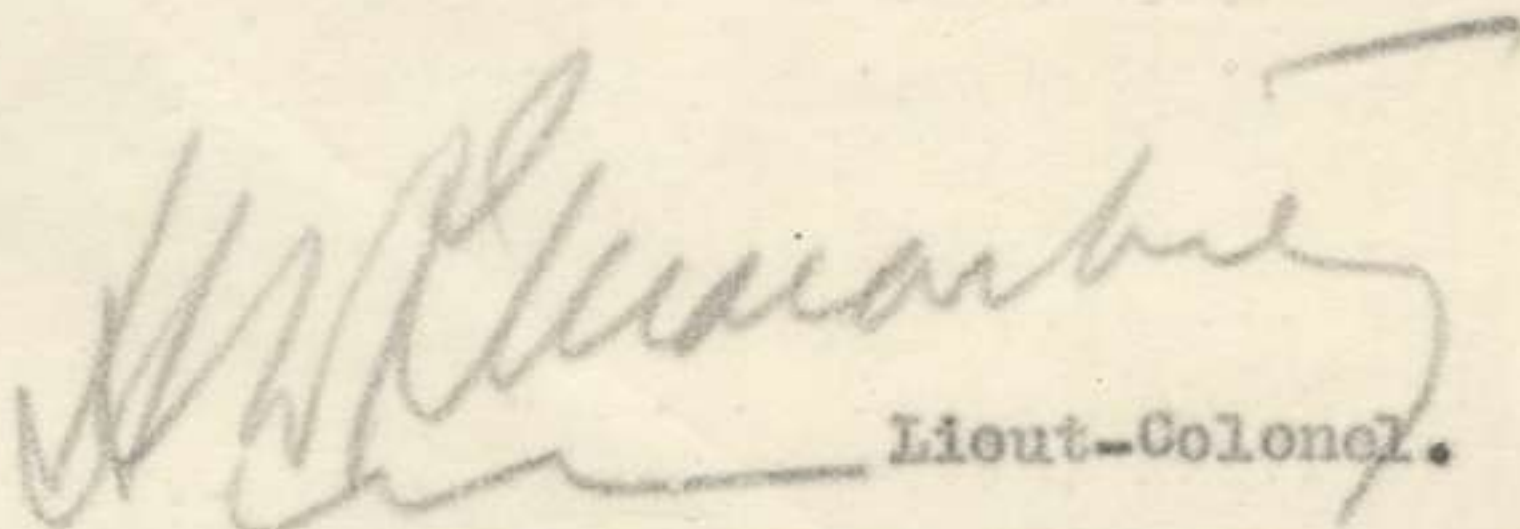
At 11 a.m. 27th Battery fired 15 rounds at P.25.d.40.35 where Enemy were observed in Building.

HOSTILE FIRE.

O.33.a. c. & d. were shelled at intervals during the day, the fire coming from the direction of COMINES.

At 3.35 p.m. 10 rounds 4.2 H.E. directed at Back Areas. Fire coming from T.B. 90 deg. from O.33.a.30.65.

Artillery very quiet during the day.



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INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 29.8.17 to 6 a.m. 30.8.17.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

- 6.32 am A 5.9 Battery observed T.B. 86.30 deg. from O.33.a.30.65 firing on SWAYNES FARM. Time of flight 33 seconds.
 - 10.11 am A 77 mm Gun firing on X.2 observed T.B. 84 deg., from O.33.a.30.65.
 - 11.12 pm A 4.2 Battery firing on DESPAGNE FARM observed T.B. 86.30 deg. from O.33.a.30.65.
 - 12.10 pm M.W. firing along X.1 and Right of X.2 observed T.B. 103 deg. from O.33.a.30.65.
- 11 pm Hostile firing from 78° + 98° T.B. observed from O.33.a.30.65

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

No aerial activity owing to unfavourable weather conditions.

ENEMY DEFENCES.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

- 9.45 am Enemy Working Party of about eight men digging at P.31.c.40.90.
- 4.05 pm Train on Railway V.10 and V.17, moving in direction of COMINES.
- 7.15 am Steam from Heavy Railway Engine 88 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65, beyond WERVUCC, moving South and back to North and then at fast speed S.E.

VISIBILITY - POOR.

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NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.

From 6 a.m. 29.8.17 to 6 a.m. 30.8.17.

O U R F I R E.

At 12.55 p.m. and 1.15 p.m. the Group concentrated on KIWI FARM in retaliation at order from Group Headquarters, firing in all 104 rounds.

H O S T I L E F I R E.

Front Line, FANNY'S C.T. and Supports were lightly shelled during the day with 77s and 4.2s.

SWAYNES FARM was shelled at 6.37 a.m. by a 5.9 Battery, 15 rounds in all.

At 11.12 a.m. DESPAGNE FARM was shelled by a 4.2 Battery. Slow rate of Fire.

Enemy Artillery quiet on the whole.

W.A. Cunningham

Lieut-Colonel.
Commanding Northern Group Arty.

NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.I N T E L L I G E N C E .From 6 a.m. 30.8.17 to 6 a.m. 31.8.17.HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

- 4.15 p.m. Flashes observed 84 deg. 86 deg. & 87 deg. T.B. from
O.32.b.60.65.
- 2.30 p.m. Battery in P.28.b.
- 10.50 a.m. Flash of 5.9 Howitzer Battery observed 85 deg. T.B.
from O.33.a.30.65, firing on O.22.
- 2.00 p.m. 77 Battery at V.1.d.75.50 firing on O.3.a.2.c.
- 4.30 p.m. Battery at T.B. 85 deg. from O.33.a.30.65 firing at
a rapid rate - shielded by a smoke screen put up by the
Enemy.
- 10.33 p.m. Gun flash 48 deg. 45 min. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

A smoke screen was put up by the Enemy at 10.15 a.m.
57 deg. T.B. from O.32.b.60.65, and again this afternoon
85 deg. T.B. from O.33.a.30.65.

BALLOONS AND AIRCRAFT.

Aircraft generally inactive.
At 9.30 a.m. Enemy Plane flew over our Sector at a
low altitude. The only other aeroplane observed flew high
over the Sector at 1 p.m.

ENEMY DEFENCES.OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

- 11.40 a.m. Party of 20 men moving in single file going in a
Westerly direction in W.10.b.
- 3.10 p.m. Train observed T.B. from O.33.a.30.65 105 deg.,
moving North.
- 11.00 a.m. Train in W.15 going in a Northerly direction, also
at 2.30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- 12.45 p.m. Fire observed in P.28.d.
- 1.15 p.m. TEMBRIELEN CHURCH on fire.
- 10.00 a.m. Fire observed T.B. 86 deg. from O.32.b.60.65, probably
caused by our Heavy Artillery. Fire still burning at noon.

C. W. Newsham
for

Lieut-Colonel.

COMMANDING NORTHERN GROUP ARTY.

NORTHERN GROUP ARTILLERY.From 6 a.m. 30.8.17 to 6 a.m. 31.8.1917.O U R F I R E.

25th Battery fired 26 rounds on Zero Point in verification of Registrations.

27th Battery registered on V.l.a.70.30, ^{Movement} firing 20 rounds, the result being satisfactory.

At 2.30 p.m., 107th Howitzer Battery engaged 77 Battery active at V.l.d.75.50, firing in all 100 rounds. The result was entirely satisfactory and the Hostile Battery silenced.

At 6.20 p.m. all Batteries of the Group were concentrated on "THE CROWN PRINCE" (4.2 Battery in P.31.d.) firing in all 96 rounds, and succeeded in silencing the Battery.

H O S T I L E F I R E.

F.L. and Supports, FANNYS FARM C.T., were shelled at intervals during the day with 77 and 4.2 H.E., most of the fire coming from the direction of COMINES. Also during night.

BLAUVEN MOLEN was shelled at 10.35 a.m. with 5.9 H.E., and again at 12.45 to 1.40 p.m. when 200 rounds 4.2 & 77 H.E. were directed at this target.

MESSINES, DESPAGNE FARM, HUNS WALK, O.31.c. O.26.d. O.27.a. O.33.b. were shelled at intervals during the day with 4.2, and 77 H.E.

Enemy Artillery showed slight increase on last few days.
4 to 4.30 a.m. 25 rounds on GABAARD.

G. G. G. G. G.
for Lieut-Colonel.
Commanding 7th F. A. Brigade.