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83RD INFY BDE

1ST BN YORK & LANCS REGT ^{asst Regt}
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Disembarked Havre from U.K. 17.1.15.

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15th to 31st JANUARY.

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LANCASTER REGT.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
8am 15 th Jan 1915 WINCHESTER.	<p>The Battalion left WINCHESTER. Marched to SOUTHAMPTON and embarked on the S.S. LAKE MICHIGAN. —</p> <p>The following message was received from His Majesty the King a copy of which was given to every man in the battalion. —</p> <p>"Buckingham Palace."</p> <p>Message from the King to 28th Division. —</p> <p>I have been very glad to have been able to inspect the 28th Division, & I wish to express my sincere satisfaction with the general appearance of the troops. —</p> <p>In spite of the bad weather and of the difficulties attending concentration & training, it is evident to me that no time has been lost in establishing that esprit de corps which counts for so much on the field of battle. —</p> <p>I have been unable to inspect you in the field, but from all I saw to day I have carried away the impression that a resolute spirit prevails all ranks to join their comrades at the front in maintaining maintaining the glorious traditions of my Army. — farewell farewell my soldiers. May God bless you and protect you. — 12th January 1915"</p>	<p>The Battalion formed part of 83rd Brigade of 28th Division. —</p> <p>In strength of Battalion on departure & Roll of officers see appendix No I</p>

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10 am, 17 th Jan 1915 HAVRE.	The Battalion disembarked at HAVRE at 10 am, left there at 11 pm	
9 pm 18 th Jan 1915 HAZEBROUCK	by troop train to HAZEBROUCK. - The Battalion arrived at HAZEBROUCK at 9 pm on 18 th . - The Battalion de-trained, & marched	
6 am 19 th Jan 1915 METEREN.	to METEREN, a distance of about 9 miles arriving there at 6 am on the morning of 19 th . - The Battalion went into Billets at METEREN.	
	On the march from HAZEBROUCK to METEREN, one man* died from ^{heart failure.}	* No 3671 Pte. J. Hill 'A' Company
19 th Jan 1915 to 1 st February 1915 METEREN	The Battalion remained in billets at METEREN from 19 th January 1915 till 1 st February 1915, being daily exercised in short marching, Extreming, & in practicing relieving trenches at night. -	
24 th January 1915.	Captains J. St. Hedgwood & A. P. Palmer were sent to the trenches for the night, the former with the Northumberland Fusiliers the latter with the King's Royal Rifle Corps. -	
26 th January 1915.	Captain P.H.C. Collins was sent to the trenches of the Royal Irish Fusiliers for the night. -	

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28th January 1915
METEREN

Captain A. J. East & Lieut. L. E. H. Jackson, were sent to the trenches for one night. The former with Royal Fusiliers, the latter with the King's Royal Rifle Corps. — the Brigade was inspected by the Commanding-in-Chief of the British Army in the field. —

29th January 1915
near YPRES

Captain P. P. Bamford, sent to see the trenches to be taken over by the Battalion. —

30th January 1915
near YPRES.

Lieuts A. E. Gamblett, H. F. Litchfield, R. B. Lethbridge, J. K. Mather & Sgt H. M. C. Howard with four Company Sergeants sent to see the trenches to be taken over by the Battalion. —

7.45 pm 31st January 1915
METEREN.

The transport of the Battalion with 140 R.C.O's and men under the command of Lieut. L. E. H. Jackson left METEREN for VLAMERTINGHE. —

5 pm 31st January 1915
METEREN.

The Battalion received orders to leave METEREN, by motor Busses for VLAMERTINGHE on 1st February 1915.

APPENDIX. NO I By CAPT. F. S. BAMFORD.

Nominal Roll of Officers of 1st Bn York & Lancaster Rgt
at Basing WINCHESTER. 15th January 1915.

Lieut. Col. A. J. BURT (In Command)
 Major H. K. COLSTON
 Captain G. H. WEDGWOOD (D Company)
 " A. E. PALMER (A Company)
 " A. J. EAST (B Company)
 " P. H. C. COLLINS (C Company)
 " F. S. BAMFORD (Adjutant)
 Lieutenant L. E. H. JUDKINS
 " K. P. WALKER (Transport Officer)
 " H. G. GAUNTLETT
 " B. C. LOUSADA (Machine Guns)
 " J. K. MATHER.
 " H. F. LITCHFIELD.
 " N. B. LETHBRIDGE
 " A. G. LYNCH.
 " A. L. KENT-LEMON
 " C. K. CHAMIER.
 2nd " H. C. M. HOWARD.
 " " F. H. TAYLER.
 " " F. E. BATTLE
 " " D. CONNORS.
 " " H. H. MOORSE.
 " " F. R. FOLKER (3rd BATTN)
 " " C. E. WALES (3rd BATTN)
 " " F. BISCOE (3rd BATTN).
 Lieut & Q.M. W. T. GILLIARD
 Lieut W. YEO. ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Strength 985 other ranks.

W. Bamford
 15th Jan 1915

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2.30 pm 1.2.15 METEREN 7.30 pm 1.2.15 VLAMERTINGHE	The Battalion left METEREN in 38 motor Busses and arrived at VLAMERTINGHE at 7.30 pm. — At 7.45 pm news here received that the KINGS OWN YORKSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY and 1 ST YORK & LANCASTER REGT would relieve the "French" 62 nd Infantry Brigade, from the trenches to right. — The Battalion left VLAMERTINGHE at 9.30 pm and marched to YPRES. —	Lt Col C.K. CHAMBERLAIN & 2 nd Lt F.H. TAYLER have left in hospital at METEREN. —
10.30 pm 1.2.15 YPRES	The Battalion arrived at the PONT DE LILLE, YPRES at 10.30 pm. — Here ammunition tools and trench stores were drawn. — The Battalion marched off by Companies to take over from the French, trenches being provided by the French. — Nothing of importance took place during the Relief which had completed by 2.30 am. —	See APPENDIX No I for position of Companies etc. —
2.30 am 2.2.15 ST EDUI	Description of trenches The position of our trenches was on the Reverse slope of a hill running almost from St Edui village on the right, to Canal on the left. — As to the whole the state of the trenches was bad, those of B, C & D Companies being the best, those occupied by A Company were bad, the parapet being very low & not bullet proof at	SEE Appendix No 2

P.B. Capt

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	<p>top. - In the trench held by 'A' Company there was a good deal of water. -</p> <p>The Germans had made a sap up towards our Right Trench. The trenches here for the most part not connected and consequently communication was very difficult by night, owing to the country not being known, & impossible by day. - Two telephones only were available, with one communication was established with 'A' Company, but none of the others could be found, altho' it was known from the trench that B, C & D Companies had taken over from them. -</p> <p>The remainder of the night & day passed quietly. - It commenced to rain at daylight on 2nd, this made the trenches very uncomfortable, especially those occupied by 'A' Company. During the night, about 40 large & small fascines were brought up to 'A' Company, by the Battalion in Reserve, these were used for the men to stand on. -</p> <p>During the night, communication was established with 'B' Company by telephone & with the remainder by order. -</p>	<p>See APPENDIX 30 I R</p> <p>Casualties from taking over to 8 AM 2nd full were nil. -</p>

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PLB Cap
8 am 3.2.15 St Eloi
10 am to 1 pm 3.2.15 St Eloi

This has not at all satisfactory, because it meant that any message took a long time to reach C or D Companies in the night & during the day communication owing to the enemy's fire was impossible. [The fact that telephones & wire are very vulnerable is amply brought out.] During the night the machine gun was moved from its position in B Company to A Company, in order to meet any movement on the part of the enemy from the Sap line they had made. The casualties of the Batta from 8 am 2nd to 8 am 3rd Feb were Killed 1. Wounded 2. - During the day of 3rd Feb. between 10 am & 1 pm the enemy shelled the right trench of the Batta without doing much damage. a few shells were also directed at Batta Ld Coy, but no damage was done. -

See appendix I K & KD

9.30 pm to 11.30 pm 3.2.15 St. ELOI.

The Battalion was relieved from duty in the trenches, the two right Companies (A & B) by the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry the two left Companies (C & D) by the King's Own (Royal Lancaster) Regt. -

PLB Cap
2 am 4.2.15 YPRES

The Battalion went into billets in the Infantry Barracks YPRES. The casualties of the Battalion from 8 AM 3rd Feb to 8 AM 4th Feb were Killed 2. Wounded 6 men. -

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
2am to 3pm 4.2.15 YPRES	<p>The Battalion rested till 3pm, when orders were received that the Battalion would hold itself in readiness to leave the Safety Barracks at 5pm and take up a position in the Reserve trenches, running from FERME LA CHAPELLE to the CHATEAU LANKHOF. —</p> <p>At 4.15pm orders were received to move the Battalion immediately to Brigade Head Quarters, & on arrival there instructions would be received. — The Battalion did not leave YPRES till 4.50pm, the issue of Rations causing a certain amount of delay. —</p> <p>On arrival at Brigade Head Quarters, orders were received to occupy the Reserve trenches running from LA FERME ST MAURICE to CHATEAU LANKHOF with 3 Companies, & to send one Company to the head of the Post Yorkshire Regt at LA FERME ST MAURICE. D Company under Captain Sedgwood, has sent to the Post Yorkshire Regt. A, B & C Companies, holding the Reserve trenches. —</p> <p>It has ascertained on arrival at the head of Post Yorkshire Regt, that the Germans had captured the portion of a trench and ^{two} machine guns from the Post Yorkshire. —</p>	<p>for position of Reserve trenches see APPENDIX No II</p>
		<p>for disposition of Companies see APPENDIX No II</p>

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4.30 am 5.2.15 LA FERME ST MAURICE	A.B & Companies received orders to move to the CHATEAU ROSENAL, D Company staying with the Post Inspector Coy. —	See APPENDIX No II
5.30 am CHATEAU ROSENAL 5.2.15	The Battalion arrived at the CHATEAU ROSENAL at 5.30 am. & found there was not sufficient room for the men, so the Battalion was distributed in CHATEAU ROSENAL and LANKHOF and some dug out in the YPRES - MESSINES Road. —	See APPENDIX No II A, B & C
8. am 5.2.15	The Casualties during the 24 hours 8 am 4 th Feb to 8 am 5 th Feb were Killed 1 R.C.O. Wounded 1 man. — Strong to men continually moving about, they were seen by a German aeroplane with the result that the CHATEAU ROSENAL was shelled, a bomb which should not require turning again, as the actual damage done was small. —	

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
5 pm CHATEAU ROSENTAL 5.2.15.	The Batta received orders to move to LA FERME ST MAURICE immediately & attack the trenches which have been captured. -	
7 pm 5.2.15 FERME ST MAURICE	The Battalion arrived at LA FERME ST MAURICE at 7 pm & was placed in Reserve, an attacking Column having been formed by the K.O. Yorkshire Light Infantry some of the East Yorkshire Regt. & D Company 1st York & Lancaster Regt. - The trench which it was intended to attack could not be found & the Battalion relieved the East Yorkshire Regt from the trenches. -	
3.30 am 6.2.15 FERME ST MAURICE <i>C.P. Capt</i>	The Casualties of the Battalion during the previous 24 hours were killed by 2 CO's & men wounded Captain G. H. WEDGWOOD (slightly in the head) and 6 men. -	See APPENDIX 20 for position of Companies. -
8 am 5.2.15 to 8 am 6.2.15	The difficulties of this part of the County are partly of note the trenches were very badly made & very wet, those occupied by D Company, had practically no parapit & the water was in most places up to the men's knees, those of the other Companies were not so bad in this respect. - The woods in Rear held many a few snipers who were troublesome, also passage thro' the woods except on roads was very difficult because artillery fire had knocked down many branches of trees, that the whole place	

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has turned into a most effective abatis. - It was very hard to get men to act as Reliable Guides, because the country was difficult, & could not be seen in day light. -

Communication has established with all Companies by wire & with Brigade Headquarters by telephone. - The lack of telephone has again felt. -

The enemy shelled the trenches of A Company very heavily during the day, causing a good deal of damage to the parapet, in some cases men had to be dug out from the trench where the parapet had been knocked down on them. -

When the Infantry fire was brought on him, the O.C. B. Company (Captain East) was compelled to withdraw his men to the left of his trench, but he recaptured the Right again, as soon as it became dark. - The Battalion was relieved from the trenches by the Buffs between 1.30 am and 4.30 am. - The Battalion returned by Companies, to the Infantry Barracks YPRES. -

The casualties of the Battalion during the previous 24 hours were Killed 1 man wounded 15 R.C.O's & men. -

The loss from sick during the previous 7 days was 46 R.C.O's & men sent to hospital. -

See APPENDIX 2074

C.B. Capt.

Retain 4 AM & 6.30 AM.
 7.2.15 YPRES -
 8 AM 6.2.15 to 8 AM 7.2.15

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2.45 to 3.25. 7.2.15 YPRES.

C.B. Capt.

The Battalion left YPRES by Companies at intervals of 10 minutes & went into Billets in the neighbourhood of OUDERDOM.

10.2.15 OUDERDOM

The Battalion remained in OUDERDOM from 7.2.15 till 2.15. Orders were received from 83rd Brigade to form two Platoons of picked men into a "Grenadier Company". - 20 men were selected for this. - Company, under the command of Captain L. F. H. JUDKINS here selected for this. -

C.B. Capt.

4 pm 11.2.15 OUDERDOM
6.15 pm 11.2.15 YPRES.

The Battalion, having been warned for duty in the trenches left OUDERDOM at 4 pm and arrived at YPRES at 6.15 pm. - "B" & "C" Companies, & the Machine Guns, under the command of Major W. K. COLSTON, went to BLAUNIEPOORT FARM, in support of the King's Own YORKSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY. - "A" & "D" Companies, under the commanding officer, went into the Infantry Barracks at YPRES. - Lt Col raised a platoon in the night which made the route difficult for transport. but the day has fine. No' Cold & Raw. -

SEE APPENDIX NO V

12.15 pm 12.2.15 YPRES. -

C.B. Capt.

The following message was received from 83rd Bde by telephone - "Left of 83rd Brigade being heavily attacked, please hold your Battalion in readiness and stand by. I have informed Coy at TULLERIE and BLAUNIEPOORT FARM". - The Battalion stood by till 3.30 pm, when orders were received that the Battalion, need not stand by any longer. - Rifles & Machine Guns were sent up to the two Companies in support at 6.30 pm. - The day was wet and cold. -

6.30 pm 12.2.15 YPRES C.B. Capt.

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6.45 pm 13/2/15 YPRES	<p>The Battalion (1st) B and D Company and the Grenadier Company left the Infantry Barracks at YPRES at 6.45 pm to take over trenches from the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry -</p> <p>The following is the detail of line of trenches which were taken over - P1, P2, Q, R1 and R2, B Coy 3 Companies and the Grenadier Company - the Company to be placed under orders of the officer commanding the King's Own Regiment, and occupied S2 trench -</p>	See APPENDIX NO I
9.45 pm 13/2/15 VERBRANDEN MOLEN	<p>Headquarters and D Company arrived at VERBRANDEN MOLEN at about 9.45 pm and proceeded to take over the trenches - The Grenadier Company, B and C Companies and the Machine Guns arrived from BLAUWERPORT FARM at -</p>	SEE APPENDIX NO II
10.20 pm 13/2/15 VERBRANDEN MOLEN	<p>10.20 pm (The Grenadier Company had been carrying out for the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry) -</p>	
2 am 14/2/15 - VERBRANDEN MOLEN	<p>The Relief has Reported Complete by 2 AM. -</p>	
8 pm 13/2/15 YPRES	<p>A Company left YPRES with the King's Own Regt at 8 pm on 13.2.15</p>	
	<p><u>DESCRIPTION OF LINE TAKEN OVER AND DETAIL</u></p> <p>P1 and P2 "C" Company "Q" B Company and one platoon Grenadier Company - R1 D Company R2 1 platoon Grenadier Company. -</p> <p>Machine Guns were placed in P1, Q and R1. -</p> <p>The trenches are fairly good but require constant attention. part of R2 and Q are very wet. - Practically no obstacles in front at present</p>	

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of a Really permanent nature. Tho' there were Remains of old Barbed wire Entanglements, & lengths of loose Barbed wire had been thrown out in front.

Special points Railway cutting on the left of P2 and Centre of P where the Enemy are very close it is estimated that they are only about 25' away from the trench. - Ravine on the right between P1 and P2, this Ravine had been built up with barbed wire.

P1 is directly in touch with the trenches held by 85th Brigade. - In places along the trenches the parapet is low, the present loopholes are well known by German marksmen, and men of the A.O.V.C.I. being them were wounded.

Communication by telephone is established with P1 and P2 trenches.

During the night it rained at intervals but nothing unusual occurred.

Casualties for the previous 24 hours were five L.C.O.s and men wounded. Capt L.E.H. JUKINS was brought in sick from the trenches and sent to hospital.

The day of 14th passed quietly, at 5 pm an artillery observation officer came and warned us that the Germans were expected to attack to night. Companies were so informed.

All Company Commanders reported that a great heavy sandbag and trench

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8 AM 14/2/15 VERBRANDENHOLEN

5 PM 14/4/15 VERBRANDENHOLEN

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7 pm 14/2/15 VERBRANDENMOLEN	<p>Revolting intentions are reported. — The Brigade informed that Alcasatin deserters reported that a general attack was arranged for 15th or 16th February. — The night passed quiet, except for heavy firing on our right at intervals. —</p>	
9.15 pm " "	<p>Patrol parties of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry arrived with trench staves, and took them up to the trenches. — The night of 14th 15th was very hot. —</p>	
Night of 14 th 15 th 8 am 15/2/15	<p>Passing during the last 24 hours to 8 am were killed one man, wounded twelve. —</p>	See appendix 204
8.30 am "	<p>Orders were received that the Battalion would be relieved from duties in the trenches at 9 pm. — 2 Companies to go to Infantry Barracks YPRES, and 2 Companies to BLAUWER PORT FARM in support. — A, B and the Grenadier Company were ordered to return to YPRES, C, D Companies and the Machine Gun were ordered to go to BLAUWER PORT after Relief. —</p>	
11 am "	<p>During day of 15th it was very hot. — G.O.C. asked "What prohibitions are there for listening posts"</p>	

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6 pm 15/2/15	<p>in front of Jon trenches, especially P1 and P11? — the s.c. P1 and P2 considered that the best place for this, in fact the only place is the Ravine between P1 and P2. the s.c. C Company reported that the Rain had damaged the parapet of trenches P1 and P2 considerably, the other Companies sent in similar ^{Information} reports —</p>	SEE APPENDIX NO 4
9 pm to 9.15 pm 15/2/15	<p>very heavy fire was opened by our artillery for a period of 1/2 hour —</p>	
9.10 pm "	<p>The Machine Guns of K.O.Y. & I. arrived and proceeded to take over their trenches. —</p>	
9.45 pm to 11 pm 15/2/15	<p>Companies of the 4th and 5th Yorkshire Light Infantry arrived to take over & proceeded at once to proceed to take over our trenches. —</p>	
12.45 am 16/2/15	<p>the Relief of the Battalion by the K.O.Y. & I. has completed, B Company and the Grenadier Company marched to YPRES. C and D Companies to BLAUWERPOT FARM. —</p>	
2 am 16/2/15 YPRES	<p>A Company arrived in YPRES at 2 AM from the left</p>	

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9 pm 16/2/15 YPRES

3.15 pm 17.2.15 YPRES

10.9 am 17.2.15 YPRES

11.45 am 17.2.15 TUILERIE

3 pm 17.2.15 TUILERIE

6 pm 17.2.15 YPRES

10 am 17.2.15 BLAUWE POORT FARM

Section. -

The Casualties Reported during the previous 24 hours were... W.I. The information has received that the left of 84th Brigade has been heavily attacked, & that the Battalion was to stand too. The orders to stand too were cancelled. Orders were received to march immediately to the TUILERIE, the Battalion (A+B Cos & Grenadier Co) fell in left YPRES and then arrived at TUILERIE at 11.45 am, here it was found that French had been blown up by the enemy, who had occupied it, & that 2 Companies of the King's own Regt, in support at TUILERIE, had been ordered to re-take it. At 12.45 pm news was received that the King's own Regt had re-taken the French in Greshin. -

B Co's & Grenadier Co's returned to YPRES arriving there at 4 pm. - The Battalion left YPRES BARRACKS at 6 pm and arrived at Brigade lodges at 7 pm and moved up by Companies to VERBRANDENMOLEN, to take over trenches from the King's own Infantry Light Infantry. - Arriving there between 9 and 10 pm by Companies. - Major COLSTON in command of the 1/2 Battalion at BLAUWEPOORT FARM. has ordered to send up 3 Platoons to support the R.O.Y.L.I. - Capt COOKING with 3 platoons C-Company has sent - 2 platoons under Lt GAUNTLETT going to R1 trench, the other platoon to some dugouts in rear of P1. -

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12.10 AM 18.2.15 VERBRANDENMOLEN	Relief of trenches occupied by K.O.Y.L.I. Completed by the Battalion —	
12.30 AM 18.2.15 VERBRANDENMOLEN	<p>The following is a copy of a telegram received from G.O.C. 27th Division Begins to O.C. K.O.Y.L.I. & Y.L. Congratulations on excellent work Result as I always expected from BULFIN Pds. —</p> <p>The following is a copy of a telegram received from Commander 5th Pps to G.O.C. 83rd Brigade. Begins very glad to hear your message SM 262. I am sure you and your brigade have done very well today</p> <p>Ends. —</p> <p>THE A Company K.O.Y.L.I. had been placed in support of ⁱⁿ some dug outs behind P. trench, but owing to heavy rain, it was found that ^{many of them} were so full of water that they could not be occupied & that there was only room for $\frac{1}{2}$ a Company. — The other half of was sent back to YPRES. —</p>	see appendix I
2 am 18.2.15 "	The following Report was sent to 83 rd Brigade, "Nothing to Report all is quiet. —"	
5.30 am 18.2.15 "	The following Report was sent to 83 rd Brigade "Nothing to Report all is quiet. —"	
9 am 18.2.15 "	The all was Reported quiet to Brigade Hdqrs. —	
11.20 am 18.2.15 "	The O.C. "D" Company in R. Reported as follows "About 8 or 9 Common shell burst over R., they appeared to be coming from some rather close in front." — This was Reported to Brigade Hdqrs. —	See appendix V

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11.30 am 18.2.15. VERBRANDENMOLEN

Lieutenant N. B. LETH BRIDGE has reported slightly wounded in the Par. —

11.45 am 18.2.15

Lieut BATTLE reported from R.1 trench that as nearly as possible it was possible to tell the position of the enemy's guns shelling R.1 has at angle of 137° at a distance of from 800 to 1500, this was reported to Brigade Head Quarters. —

1 pm 18.2.15

Lieut BATTLE reported that the first three shells fired by our guns seem to be very close to the spot where the enemy's guns were firing from. —

2 pm 18.2.15

All has reported quiet to Brigade HQ. —

2.15 pm 18.2.15

As there were only 3 machine guns with the Batta. the Commanding Officer ordered one to be brought up from the support at BLAUNPORT FARM, at dusk. —

3.35 pm 18.2.15

The O.C. B Company, Commanding Q trench reported that they were being shelled and also that they were having mortars fired against them. —

3.50 pm 18.2.15

That an attack seemed probable (at BLAUNPORT FARM) one company of the K.O.I. L.I. in support has ordered to move to Batta Head Quarters at once, this action was reported to Brigade Head Quarters

4.30 pm 18.2.15

Lieut H. F. LITCH FIELD was wounded by a shell in Q trench in the am. —

4.55 pm 18.2.15

Lieut J. K. MATHER was killed in S.1 trench, the report was received from the O.C. King own Regt. to whom A Company was attached. —

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Return 8.30pm 18.2.15 VERBREM DERGLEY

Company - Sgt says FLUICE told must differ, sent down 4 trench, and got better 20' of a house in which some Germans were signalling from, in an observation, to get a sniper who had been seen firing at him in 4th trench, when he got up to the house, he discovered a man signalling who he shot this caused a considerable burst of fire -

4 pm 18.2.15

about 15' to 20' of a trench was blown down, rapidly destroyed by German parties, as soon as this was done, a party of 30 to 40 of the enemy rushed at of their trench unarm'd (as far as could be ascertained, with the view of blowing down) C Company in Pa trench under Lt Col GENTLETT. at once opened rapid fire on them, from what could be seen, only 2 men escaped. the order to the O.C. supports, to send one Company to Bath Leadquarters was cancelled. -

4.5 pm 18.2.15

The O.C. B Company reported, that everything was alright, but desired to have some Royal Engineers, to help repair the Breaches that had been made. -

4.40 5 pm 18.2.15

All was reported quiet to Brussels Leadquarters. -

5.30 5 pm 18.2.15

Various parties returning to the R.O.Y.I. arrived at Battalion Headquarters from various points, some say, very light gas etc. there were sent up to the Companies. -

8.30 pm 18.2.15

All was reported quiet to Brussels Leadquarters. -

9.30 pm 18.2.15

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11.35 PM 18.2.15 VERRAN DEMOLEN	All was Reported Quiet to Brigade Headquarters. — Company Commanders Reported that during the previous 24 hours the following work had been done, Improving parapets, communication trenches, and drainage.	
12 mid night 18.2.15 19.2.15	All was Reported Quiet to Brigade Headquarters. —	
2 AM 19.2.15	Casualties of the Battalion, including of a company during the previous 24 hours were, Officers, Killed [Lt. G. K. MATHER] Wounded [Lieut. H. F. LITCHFIELD and N. B. LETH BRIDGE] other ranks Killed 1 Wounded 11. Missing none. —	See appendix 2 & 4
10.5 AM 19.2.15	The following message regarding work done was Reported to Brigade HQ. P1 & P2 trenches Parapet all repaired, with sandbags, communication trench channel. — Q trench Repair of parapet and patting out wire entanglement. R1 & R2 Repair to parapet and improvement of drains. —	
9 AM 19.2.15	Nothing to Report to Brigade Headquarters all Quiet. —	
11.30 AM 19.2.15	Nothing to Report to Brigade Headquarters all Quiet. —	
2.30 PM 19.2.15	Orders were Received to the Effect that the Battalion would remain in the trenches for another day. —	
5.30 PM 19.2.15	Nothing to Report to Brigade Headquarters, all Quiet. —	
	Between daybreak and sunset the trenches were shelled at intervals. —	
	During the afternoon the parapet of Q trench was again knocked down	

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by the enemy's mortars, during the night it was repaired, with the assistance of Lieut MILLER R.E. and 12 men. - During the night a trench mortar was sent up to Q trench.

11.15 pm 19.2.15 VERBRANDEN - GLEN

The following message was sent to the O.C. B Coy, (Q trench) "The artillery are going to try to demolish the house where the observation officer says he thinks he has located the enemy's mortar a a a at 8.45 am ^(to narrow down) Clear the right end of Q trench for 50 or 60 yards keeping the men to the left, the artillery will open fire at 9 am" - The same message was sent to the O.C. "C" Company, telling him to clear the men in P2 trench to the right. -

11 pm 19.2.15 "

The following report was received from the O.C. A Company, who was with the left section. - "2nd Lieut FOLKER killed, he crept down an old sap near S1 and was poisoned by foul air. -

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2 am 20.2.15 "

Nothing to report to Brigade Headquarters all quiet.

5.20 am 20.2.15 "

Nothing to report to Brigade Headquarters all quiet. -

8 am 20.2.15 "

Statement of Casualties incurred by the Battalion during the previous 24 hours was: Officer killed [2nd Lieut F. R. FAULKER] other

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At 9.5 AM. 20.2.15 VERBRANDEMOLEN

Reports including A Company, killed 2 ~~5~~ wounded 13, missing none. Report of work done in trenches to Brigade Headquarters was as follows. — P1 and P2 trenches made, & all front line re-sandbagged, communication trench was almost dry. — Improved parapet, repaired breach, communication trenches dug at back of lines. — R1 and R2 trenches made, telephone dug out, made more secure, changes and parapet improved. —

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for positions of trenches and Companies occupying them see Appendix No V

10 am 20.2.15

The following report was received from the O.C. P1 (Capt COLLINS) "Received a report that Germans have broken through beyond our right I am taking 1/2 Company of King's Own Regt in support to try and clear the wood, will report progress. — the following is an extract taken from a report sent by Capt P.H.C. COLLINS on arrival at OUDERDOM. —

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At 9 am it was reported to me by Lieut LOUSADA that the Germans had broken through our line beyond our right, in some trenches held by the Welsh Regt. — I called for a dozen volunteers to come with Lieut LOUSADA and myself to drive them back. — I ordered the 1/2 Company King's Own Regt in support to stand to & advance through the wood. — I met the officer commanding the Welsh Regt in the

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wood, and asked him what was going to be done as the Right has exposed & that until the Germans were driven out, my position was seriously threatened. — At 11 am I received an order from Colonel Burt. to send out an offensive patrol to clear up the situation. I sent 2nd Lieutenant W. C. M. HOWARD, who returned at about 12.30 pm, and reported as follows. — He had been to within 20' of the left of Y trench, where he had seen a German sentry, he was also told by a sergeant of the Welsh Regt who was on the observation post, that he had counted 50 Germans going into Y trench. — He then went across to Z trench reported and returned thro' the wood to me. This report was forwarded to Battalion Headquarters. — At 4 pm 1 1/2 Coy of the King's Own Regt advanced to attack Y trench, they had just cleared the Right Rear of P. trench, when a machine gun in our front opened fire; — Lieutenant LOUSADAS immediately put it out of action, my Company fired in the trenches opposite but there was practically nothing to fire at. —

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5.18 PM 20.2.15 VERBRANDEN MULEN

1247 W 3299 200,000 (E) 8/14 J.B.C. & A.

Notes to Report ~~to~~ to Brigade Headquarters all quiet. —

8.30 PM 20.2.15

The Commanding Officer and Company Commanders of the King's Own Scottish

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8.30 pm 20.2.15 VERBRANDENMOLEN	Barricades arrived to take over the trenches occupied by the Battalion.	
9.30 pm } to } 20.2.15 10.30 pm }	The K.O.S.Bs arrived by Companies and proceeded straight to the trenches to take over.	
10.30 pm } to } 20.2.15 11.30 pm }	Companies of the Battalion arrived at Battalion Headquarters as Relieved. and marched to YPRES town Hall, where a hot meal had been prepared.	
8 am } 3.30 am } 21.2.15	The Battalion left YPRES [6 Companies] between 3 am and 3.30 am, & marched to some huts [which had been put up] lay by between VLAMERTINGHE and OUDERDOM.	
8 pm 22.2.15 Near VLAMERTINGHE	Report received from the D.A.A. and Maj G. 5 th Army Corps that 2 nd Lieutenant P. H. TAYLER had died in hospital from pneumonia. The Casualties of the Battalion for 20 th Feb to 21 st February were killed 6 wounded 4 missing nil.	
21.2.15 to 26.2.15 Huts near VLAMERTINGHE	A draft consisting of 50 A.C.O's and men under the command of Adjutant A.C. BRICKWOOD joined the Battalion. The Battalion remained in the huts between VLAMERTINGHE and OUDERDOM.	
4.55 pm 26.2.15 VLAMERTINGHE	The Battalion left the huts for YPRES and arrived there at 6.30 pm.	

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7.15 pm 26.2.15 YPRES

The Battalion left YPRES [by Companies at 7.15 pm at intervals of 10 minutes] for VERBRANDEMOLEN in the following order C Co, B Co, D Co. —
 A Company going with the King over left to TUILERIE —
 the Relief of trenches from P1 to R2 inclusive from the N.O.S.B. was completed at 10.25 pm. — trenches, instead of being given letters were now numbered from right to left the numbers of trenches P1 to R2 were P1 33, P2 34, Q 35, R1 36, R2 37. —
 the night was clear cold & frost, with a light moon. —

See Appendix No V

11.30 pm 26.2.15 YPRES VERBRANDEMOLEN

All was reported quiet to Coy's head quarters. —
 one Company N.O.S.B. under the command of Lieut LAW (K.O.Y.L.I.) reported having taken the support dugout in rear of 33 and 35 trenches. —

11.55 pm " "

nothing to report in the Battalion from Battle casualties and sickness from the right of trench 33 to the left of trench was very heavily held — the lengths of trench and the number of Rifles holding them was as follows

TRENCH	LENGTH IN YDS	NO OF RIFLES
33	110	61
34	205	50
35	280	135

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	<p>In conjunction with the Royal Artillery the following arrangements for support had been arranged by K.O.S.B.s - The Code word Shot Range would direct the 15th Battery R.F.A. to fire on a German Battery located about 1500 (approx) in front of 36 trench. - The Code word Shell would direct the 15th R.F.A. to fire on a German "Minenwerfer"</p>																						
5.30 am 27.2.15 VERBRANDEN MOLEN	<p>following message sent to Brigade Headquarters "All quiet nothing to report"</p>																						
8 am 2 "	<p>Casualties during previous 24 hours, one man wounded.</p>																						
11.30 am	<p>following message sent to Brigade Headquarters "All quiet nothing to report"</p>																						
8.50 pm	<p>Report on the length of the connecting trench connecting trench between 36 & 37</p>																						

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5.30 am 28.2.15
VERBRANDEN MOLEEN
" 2nd Lt

one more trench, one machine gun, was brought up from Support Company K.O.4LI, and placed on the left of trench number 36. — following message sent to Brigade Head Quarters, all good nothing to report. —
As soon as the message had been sent, a very heavy burst of rapid firing took place on our right (in which several machine guns were firing) this was reported to Brigade Head Quarters. — the following work and improvements were done to the trenches during the previous 24 hours —
33 trench — four feet of barbed wire put out in front, two traverses made crest of parapet front and rear improved. —
34 trench seven knife post entanglements put out also bore wire rear parapet built up, and one traverse made. —
35 trench parapets repaired with sandbags and reticulated with fascines. Bottom of trench repaired with logs and brushwood. —
36 trench parapet reticulated one new machine gun emplacement made helped Royal Engineers to improve connecting trench between 36 and 37 trenches. —
37 trench Draining trenches improving parapet and bottom of trenches, working parties were also supplied to R.E. —

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11.15 am 28. 2. 15 VERBRANDEN MOEN

Orders for Relief issued -

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11.30 am " "

All Reported Inlet to Brigade Head Quarters - Casualties for 24 hours ending 12 noon. Other reports killed and wounded the morning gone -

12 noon " "

5.30 pm " "

All Reported Inlet to Brigade Head Quarters -

8.30 pm to 10.40 pm " "

Companies of K.O.Y.L.S. arrived at intervals

11 pm " "

B and C Companies Reported in dugouts in Rear of 33 and 35 trenches. -

11.5 pm " "

Battalion Head Quarters left for BLAUWERPORT FARM and arrived there at 11.30 pm. -

Orders to Report to Brigade Head Quarters. -

11.30 pm " "

The Chief points brought out during this month are. -

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I In this kind of warfare (ie trench) the great difficulties in taking stores ammunition water food etc up to the trenches owing to the few men available for the duty (a fatigue party of 150 to 200 men has on several occasions had to do at least 3 journeys from Battalion or Brigade head quarters to the trenches. -)

II The Danger of making loopholes straight, the enemy in most cases had rifles trained on to loopholes and many of our casualties were caused by men standing by them. -

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Loopholes should be made if possible diagonally & if straight must be hindered. - If the trenches had been further apart, probably this difficulty would not have been experienced. -

III The necessity for ~~the strictest~~ stringent measures to be taken with regard to sanitation. -

(The state of the trenches during bad weather even at the best is very bad and everything should be done to keep them and the surroundings as clean as possible)

IV Men should be given plenty of work to do the work done them good and to a certain extent keeps them free from being frost-bitten. -

V Some kind of a cap for the Rifle Bolt is absolutely necessary to prevent it becoming caked with mud & dirt. - be used as far as possible the lace top used in India or an old sock hat.

This is not enough the cap should be waterproof ~~and~~ and at the same time pass to take off ^{in case} the Rifle is buried for use

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	<p><u>VI</u> Instruction in the use of the hand grenade, should form part of peace training. —</p> <p><u>VII</u> The importance of communication by telephone & other means. — The Bureau of our telephones both Army pattern and private patterns does not seem to stand the rough work. —</p> <p><u>VIII</u> The great importance of care of the feet. — For 120 men and 1 officer were admitted to hospital with frozen feet. Roughly 15% of the numbers of the Battalion in the trenches. Every effort was made to guard against this by greasing men's feet, getting them clean socks and washing them feet as much as possible, but it is often very difficult to provide accommodation for this, except when lack in huts. —</p> <p><u>IX</u> A waterproof sheet ^{made} care prepared of two waterproof sheets, has been found suitable for Kupa, & Carya, machine guns in when not in use.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">(2)</p>


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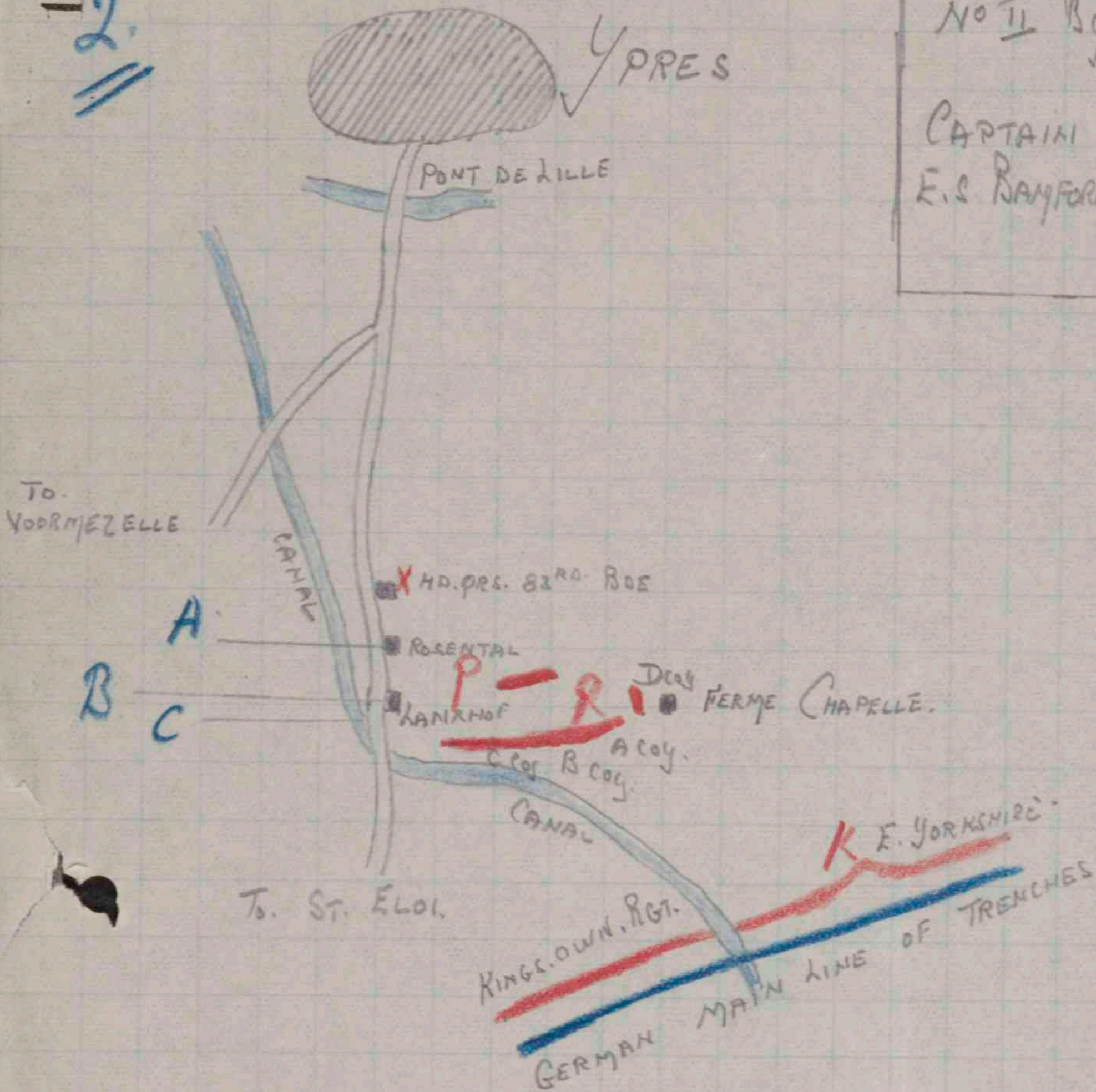
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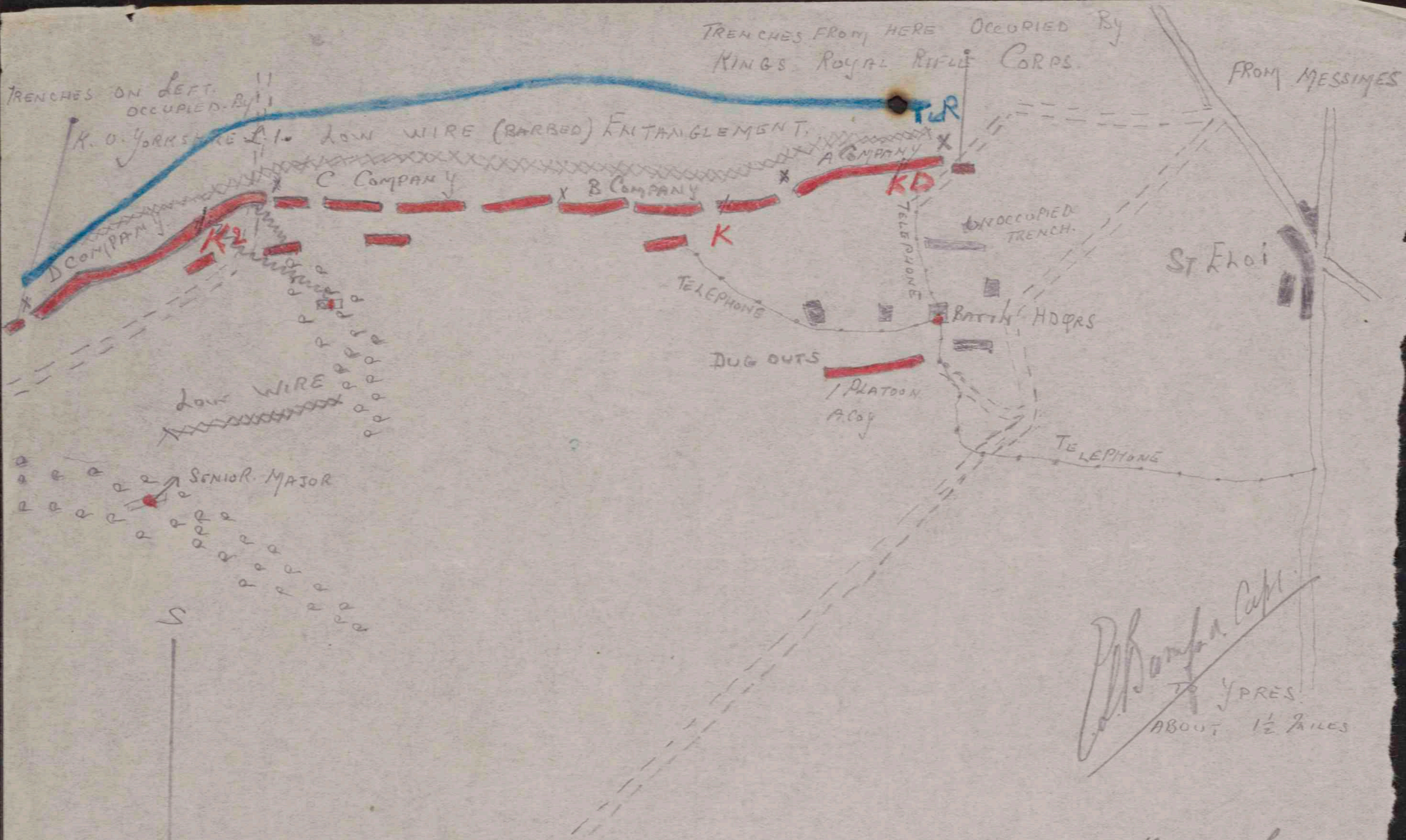
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per *W. S. ...*



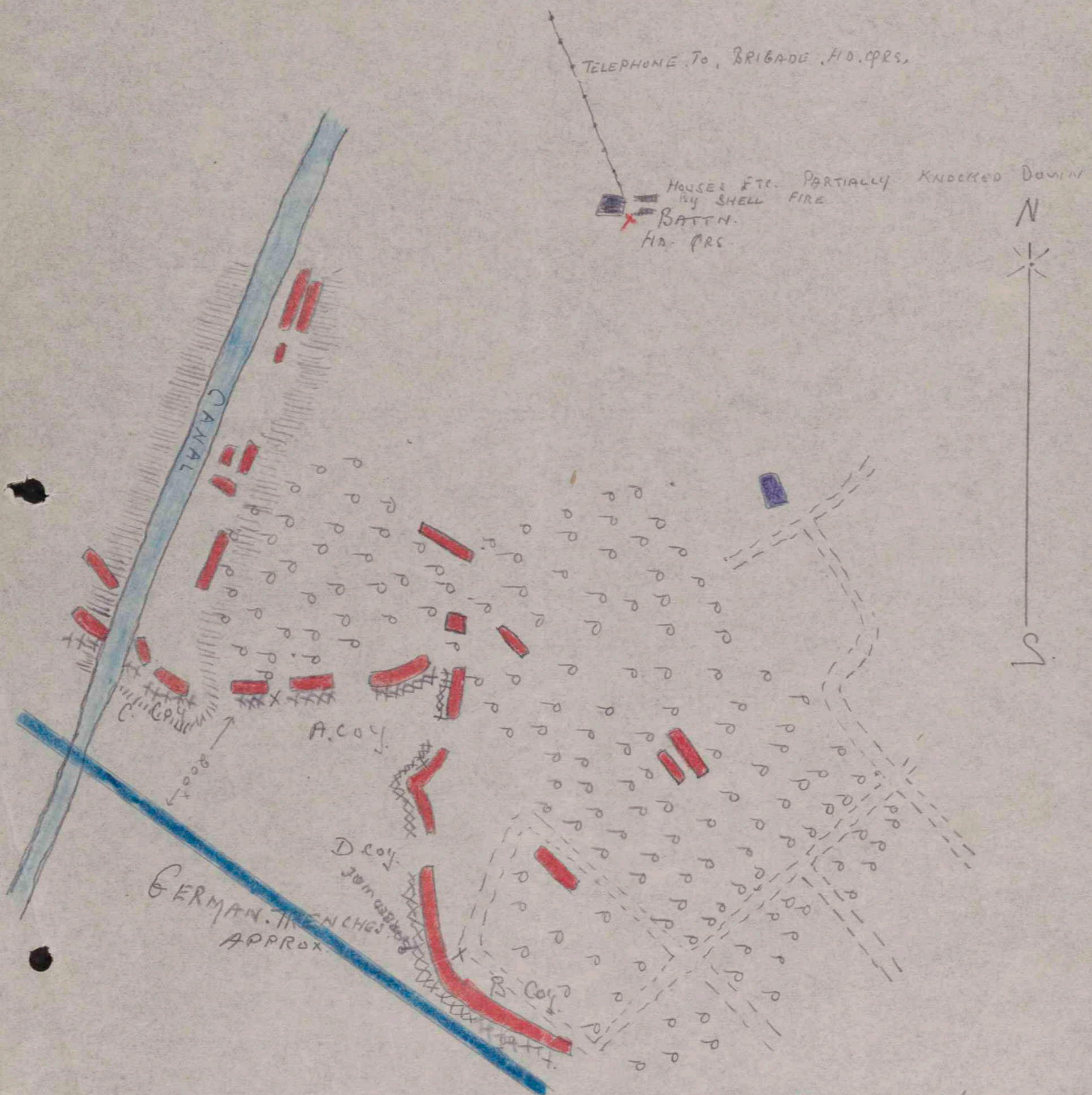
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- YORK & LANCASTERS
- GERMAN S. -
- K pt of 2 machine guns
- K1 pt of 2 machine guns
- K2 pt of 1 machine gun
- in 2nd Coy
- R German Sgt dead

Bamford Capt
 TO YPRES
 ABOUT 1 1/2 MILES

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To ILLUSTRATE 6th & 7th FEBRUARY 1915

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■ 1st YORK & LANCASTERS
■ GERMANS
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 E.S. Bamford Capt
 Agt. Staff Sergeant R.M.

APPENDIX NO 4 134
 - CAPT. E.S. BAMFORD. -

List of Casualties in 1st BATTN YORK & LANCASTER REGT.

8 am 2nd February 1915. Killed No. 12809 Pte M. HOOLE
 to
 8 am 3rd February 1915. Wounded " 9711 " G. STEVENSON.
 " " 10059 " G. PARKIN
 " " 10047 App. G. THREADGOLD

8 am 3.2.15 Killed Nil.
 to
 8 am 4.2.15 Wounded No. 10429 Pte A. HARBIRD
 " 9245 " J. OVEREND
 " SOUTH.
 " 8719 " J. BATSON.
 " 8057 " J. GALLAGER
 " 3240 " E. WATKINS

8 am 4.2.15
 to
 8 am 5.2.15 Killed No. 8803 App. R. BLACKHALL
 Wounded " 9689 Pte. P. CAUSTON.

8 am 5.2.15
 to
 8 am 6.2.15 Killed No. 10500 Pte. S. UTTLEY.
 " 9036 App. W. THOMPSONS
 " 10130 Pte. D. FARMER.
 " 10539 " W. GOULD

Wounded. Captain G. H. BEDGWOOD.
 No. 6606 Sgt E. TOPHAM
 " 4553 Pte. W. KELLY.
 " 8362 " H. BEASLEY.
 " 9828 " G. CROSS
 " 9581 " B. BIRD
 " 4521 " J. HOODHOUSE

8 am 6.2.15 Killed No. 2635 Pte. G. H. ORRELL
 to
 8 am 7.2.15 Wounded No. 3963 App. J. LILLEY
 " 10142 Pte J. SHERWOOD.
 " 9995 " D. WRIGHT

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8 am 6.2.15 bonded to 10010 PTE. E. JOHNSON
 to (continued) " 17642 " J. CARDLE
 8 am 7.2.15 " 9053 " J. HUTCHINSON
 " 6502 " T. SMITH
 " 8865 " W. GOODWIN
 " 10053 " R. FENTON
 " 9795 " A. HARRISON
 " 8961 " C. JOHNSON
 " 8464 Lt Col J. SHAW
 " 2953 PTE W. LEE
 " 3460 " J. PARKIN
 " 9810 " J. KENNY

~~14th February Killed~~

14th February bonded to 3201 Pte G. SMITH.
 " 4404 " R. BALLIS
 " 13346 " F. WILSON
 " 9798 " G. HOLLOWAY.
 " 8829 " W. YATES.
 " 10489 " J. WILMOTT.
 " 8693 " J. PADDEN.
 " 8611 " M. LYON.
 " 8220 " T. LOWE.

15th February Killed " 9669 " W. McCUTCHEN
 " 9474 " J. THURKHILL
 bonded " 10138 " R. DAWSON.
 " " 7253 Sgt F. TURNER.
 " " 8281 Sgt A. AUSTIN

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16th February. banded No 9887 Appl J. TYRELL

17th February banded No 9521 Pt b. PIPER.
" 9439 Appl M. PHILLIPS

18th February Killed Lieutenant J. K. MATHER.

" No 9870 Appl D. WALTON.
" " 2173 Pt A. WILSON.
banded Lieutenant H. F. LITCHFIELD
" " N. B. LETHBRIDGE
" No 9010 Appl F. SPIRES
" " 8985 Appl J. CAVANAGH.
" " 9883 Pt J. ~~WHITE~~ BURGIN
" " 3134 Pt J. WINTERBOTTOM.
" " 9082 " A. ROWARTH.
" " 4372 " A. VICKERS.
" " 2858 " R. BEVAN.
" " 8642 " J. WHITE.

19th February Killed Lieutenant E. R. FOLKER.

" No 7962 Pt F. ALCHIN.
" 2742 " J. CONROY.
banded " 9812 " A. SPERIEY.
" 10126 " L. PEARSON.
" 8150 " J. DIXON
" 8465 " A. BULL
" 7254 " W. ROLFE.
" 10115 " F. FLOWERS.
" 9656 Appl G. WHITELEY.

20th February Killed No 2835 Pt G. PERRY.
" 10129 " b. NEAVE.
" 8621 " T. BELL.
" 8596 " W. DANBY.

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20th February Continued

Killed No	9970	Pt	T. BIRD
"	9931	"	N. AULT
Wounded "	18559	Appl.	A. PARKER
"	9325	Pt	R. BRAND
"	2506	"	R. LEAKES
"	9563	"	C. WALL

Died of wounds.

On 16.2.15	No	9056	Squad.	C. CROOKES
On 20.2.15	"	18260	Pt	H. LODGE

27 February

Killed	98488	Pt	W. STETON
Wounded	9904	"	G. ELLIS

28th February Killed No 8521 Sgt B. FLVIGE

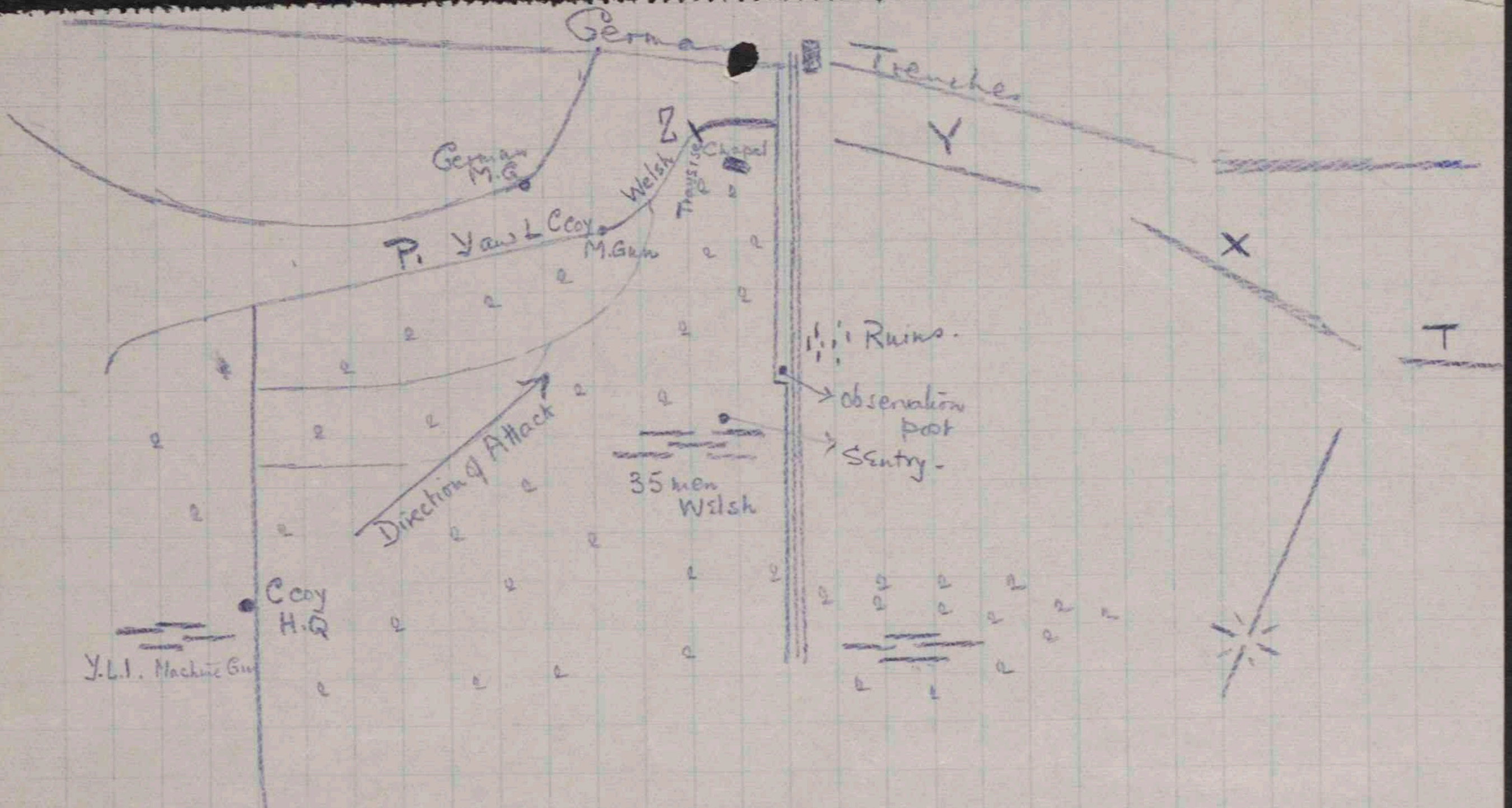
Wounded "	10143	Pt	P	WARR.
"	8954	"	J	CARREY
"	9181	"	J	PYE
"	10161	"	J	ILOTT
"	"	"	"	MORRIS
"	4570	"	"	CLARKE

Appendix No V By Captain L. E. H. Jenkins
to illustrate 11th to 15th March 1916



L. Jenkins Capt
York Lancaster

Scale R.F. 1/10,000
0 250 500 yds



2 platoons R. Lane Rgt.

Rough Sketch (not to Scale) explaining Capt Collins' report.

APPENDIX NO VI
By L. B. C. LOUSADA.

L. B. C. LOUSADA
York Lane Rgt.

APPENDIX NO. VII

BY
CAPT. F. S. BAMFORD.

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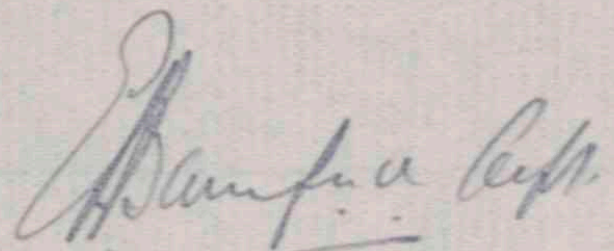
TO O. C. B AND C BOYS AND MACHINE
GUNS.

To K38 28.2.15

Reliefs as follows to Regt. AAA. B Company will be Relieved
by K.O. 4.2.1 and will remain in support in dugouts
in Rear of thirty five trench, two Snipers will be sent with
Relieving Company AAA. C Company will be Relieved by K.O. 4.1.
and will remain in support in dugouts now occupied by
K.O. 4.1 in close support AAA. Machine Guns and
grenadier Platoons will remain with Companies they are
with now. AAA time of Relief will be notified later.

FROM YORK LANCASTERS.

TIME 11.15 am.

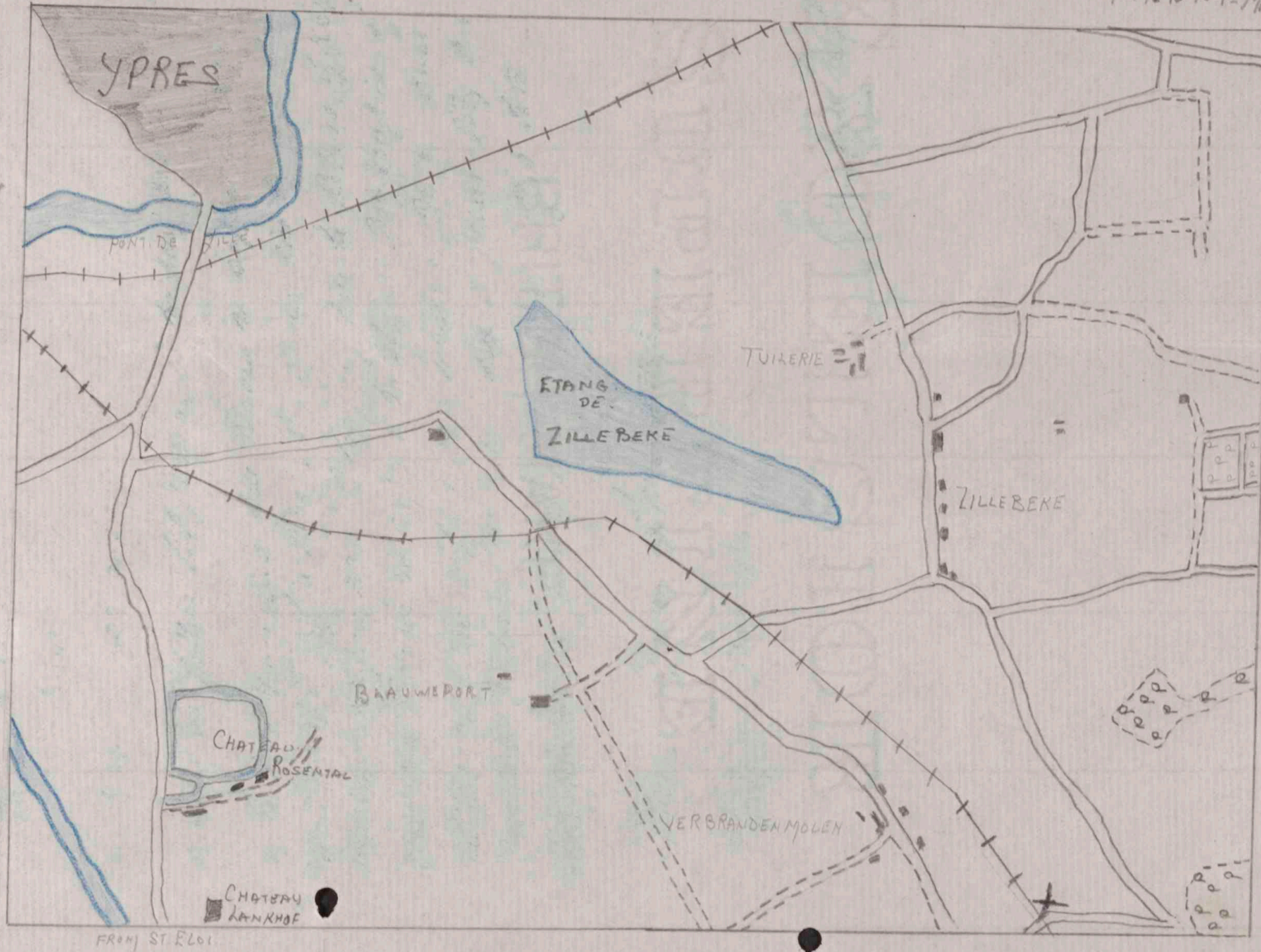


APPENDIX No VIII By CAPT. E.S. RAMFORD.

MAP OF COUNTRY S.E. OF YPRES, to show THEATRE OF OPERATIONS FROM 12th FEB to 15th MARCH

N.B.

Except at point marked X the trenches held by us are South of this map. Distances vary from 100 to 500*



TO MENIN

SCALE ABOUT $\frac{1}{20,000}$



E.S. Ramford Captain
and Major General R.

APPENDIX No 7A

OPERATION ORDER

No 8.

By

Brigadier General R. L. Boyle
 Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade,

10th February 1915

Reference Map - Belgium Sheet 40000.

1. The Brigade, with 1 Section of the 1st North
 Midland Field Coy. R.F. will leave the present
 Billeting Area on the 11th inst. to relieve the
 84th Brigade in the trenches.

2. Support Battalions - 2nd The Kings Own Regt
 and 1st York & Lancasters Regt.

3. Starting Point - H square 14. B 5, 8, at 4.30
 p.m.

Order of march -

2nd Bn The Kings Own Regt.1st Bn The York & Lancasters Regt.1 Section 1st North Midland Field Coy. R.F.

Each Battalion will be followed by S.A.A.
 carts, Machine Gun wagons, water carts, Cooks wagons,
 Blanket & Baggage wagons.

Battalions will proceed to the Infantry Barracks
 YPRES.

4. On arrival at YPRES the Section of 1st North
 Midland Field Coy. R.F. will proceed alone to
 Brigade Headquarters.

5. Headquarters and 2 Companies of the 2nd Bn
 The Kings Own Regt. will be met by guide at the
 Guard Room, Infantry Barracks at 6.45 p.m. and will
 proceed via PORTE DE MENIN to TOILEIRE. From here
 50 men for D.2. and 1 platoon for U will be guide
 to the Headquarters of the Bns in the trenches
 and thence to D.2. and U respectively. P.T.O.

5. The Officer Commanding at D.2. and U will report to the O.C. East Yorkshire Regt. at Battalion Headquarters

The Officer Commanding at TUILERIE will be responsible for the forwarding of rations, stores etc. to Headquarters of Bns. in the trenches. The remainder of 2nd Bn The Kings Own Regt. will remain in the Infantry Barracks, YPRES.

6. The O.C. York & Lancaster Regt. will detail 2 Companies to proceed via PORTE DE LILLE to BLAUWE POORT FARM. Guides will meet these Companies at the Guard Room, Infantry Barracks at 6.45 pm. The Officer Commanding at BLAUWE POORTE will be responsible for the forwarding of stores rations etc. to Battalion Headquarters of Right Section. He will find a guard of 1 N.S.O. and 6 men to report to Brigade Headquarters. This guard will mount at 9 pm. Headquarters and 2 Companies, York & Lancaster Regt. will remain at Infantry Barracks, YPRES.

7. The 2 Companies The Kings Own Regt. and 2 Companies The York & Lancaster Regt. will draw one days rations and two sand bags per man. Each man will carry 1 Bandolier Ammunition. Sufficient S. A. A. carts to carry 2 boxes per platoon will go with the Companies to TUILERIE and Brigade Headquarters respectively from which places the boxes will be carried.

Trench Battalions

8. The Right Section now held by the Cheshire Regt. will be relieved by the 1st Bn K.O.Y.L.I. less 1 Company.

The Left Section now held by the Northumberland Fusiliers will be relieved by the East Yorkshire Regt. with 1 Company, 1st K.O.Y.L.I.

9. Starting Point - H Square 14 B.58 at 5.45 pm

Order of march

2/3rd East Yorkshire Regt.

1st Bn K.O.Y.L.I.

P.T.O.

Each Bⁿ will be followed by S.A.A. carts, machine gun wagons, water carts & cooks wagons.

Battalions will proceed to YPRES

1 days rations and two sand bags per man will be issued. Each man to have 1 bandolier of ammunition.

Sufficient S.A.A. carts for 2 boxes per platoon will proceed with Battalions as in para. 7.

The Staff Captain will show the East Yorkshire and 1st K.O.Y.L.I. where to halt at YPRES and arrangements will be made to issue rations and sandbags.

Guides will be available to guide East Yorkshire with 1 Coy. K.O.Y.L.I. and the 1st K.O.Y.L.I. less 1 Coy. to the Headquarters of the Battalions they are relieving where other guides will be ready to conduct them to the trenches.

The Brigade Ammunition Reserve is at the Riding School under Lieut. W.E.F. Davidson, 2nd E. Yorks. Regt.

All S.A.A. carts and machine gun wagons will go there direct on arrival at YPRES, except those required by Battalions which will go there as soon as possible.

All other transport will return as soon as possible to FARM H 14 892.

After tomorrow Regt. Transport Officers will arrange before the transport leaves its Billering Area to have rations for men in the trenches and supports packed in sandbags and oat sacks, eight mens rations per sack.

The position of Water carts will be

3 at TUILERIE { 1 of East Yorkshire Regt.
2 of York & Lancasters Regt.

filled at Estaminet just North of TUILERIE.

1 at Infantry Barracks, King's Own
2 at Bde Headquarters, K.O.Y.L.I.

P.T.O.

Quartermasters of all Battalions will be at the Infantry Barracks but will proceed as far as TUILERIE and Bde. Hdqrs. each night to see that their rations are correctly handed over.

15.

WATER.

Support at BLAUWPOORTE send back to fill their water bottles at Bde. Hd. Qrs.

Right section of trenches get water from VERBRANDENMOLEN and a spring in the trenches.

Left section water is carried up from TUILERIE.

16.

FATIGUE.

A detail of men required for fatigue for the following night will be sent daily to O.B. TUILERIE and BLAUWPOORT.

The Bde. will be assisted by $\frac{1}{2}$ a Coy. of the 12th County of London Regt. in each Section.

Company of East Yorkshire Regt. holding b.1. and b.2. trenches will arrange to draw 20 shovels and 5 picks from Staff Captain at YPRES.

RESERVE RATIONS

O.B. Supports of each Section will take over 500 rations now at each support position.

They will only be issued on an order from H.Q.

(Sd.)

Capt.

for Bde. Major,
83rd Infly. Bde.

NOTES ON TRENCHES.

1. Trenches B1, B2, B3 are very intricate. They were occupied by 200 men.
2. Trenches b.1, b.2, b.3 are bad trenches. There is a space of 40 yards between b.2 and b.3 with no communication.
3. Tools are wanted in b.1 and b.2.
4. Railway wants strengthening. It is believed that there are trenches on embankment.

(Sd.)

Capt.

APPENDIX No X

OPERATION ORDER

No 19

By

Brigadier General R. B. Boyle
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

Bde Head Quarters,
12th February 1915.

Reference Map - Belgium Sheet $\frac{1}{40,000}$
VERBRANDENMOLEN $\frac{1}{10,000}$.

1. The Battalions in the trenches will be relieved as follows. -

1st K.O.Y.L.I. less 1 Coy by The York & Lancasters Regt. less 1 Coy.

East Yorkshire Regt with 1 Coy K.O.Y.L.I. by The Kings Own with 1 Coy York & Lancasters.

The Coy York & Lancasters will be under the orders of Ob Kings Own for operations and supplies.

2. Hd Qrs and 1 Coy York & Lancasters will march at 7 p.m. to BLAUNEPPOORT FARM via PORTE de LILLE.

Two Cos. Kings Own with 1 Coy York & Lancasters will march at 8.15 p.m. to TUILERIE & report to Ob. Kings Own.

3. From TUILERIE and BLAUNEPPOORTE FARM the Kings Own with 1 Coy York & Lancasters and the York and Lancasters less 1 Coy. will be guided to Hd Qrs of Battalions where they will be met by guides to guide them to the trenches.

The garrison of the Kings Own in U will join its company as it passes.

4. The K.O.Y.L.I. will send the following guides: -

(a) Two guides to BLAUNEPPOORTE FARM at 8.30 p.m. to guide York & Lancasters to B^d Hd Qrs.

(b) Two guides from each of their 3 Companies W. of the Railway to be at B^d Hd Qrs. at 8.45 p.m. to conduct 3 Cos. York & Lancasters to the trenches.

The East Yorks will send the following guides: -

(a) Two guides to TUILERIE to guide Kings Own and one Coy. York. to B^d Hd Qrs at 9.15 p.m.

- (b) Two guides from each Coy. and two guides from K.O.Y.L.I. Company E of Railway to be at Bde Hd. Qrs. at 9-30 p.m. to guide Kings Own and 1 Company York Lancasters to Trenches.
- (c) Two guides to D.2. to guide this party to its trenches 9-45 p.m. O.B. Kings Own will inform O.B. East Yorks which trench this party will occupy.

5.

The O.B. K.O.Y.L.I. on being relieved will leave two companies at BLAUWEPORTE FARM.

Hd. Qrs. and 1 Coy. will proceed to Infantry Barracks YPRES.

The O.B. East Yorks will leave 1 Platoon at U and 50 men at D.2. Hd. Qrs. and 2 Cos. less 1 Platoon and 50 men will proceed to TUILERIE.

The two remaining Cos. and 1 Coy. K.O.Y.L.I. will proceed to Infantry Barracks, YPRES by road point 1.22. d. q. y. to point 1.28. a. 2. 8. and thence via Bde Hd. Qrs. and PORTE de LILLE.

6.

O.B. Kings Own will send two guides to report to O.B. Detachment, Kings Own at Infantry Barracks at 7-45 p.m. to guide two Cos. K.O. and 1 Coy. Y.L. to TUILERIE.

The O.B. Y.L. Support Cos. will send two guides to report to O.B. Y.L. at Infantry Barracks at 6-30 p.m. to guide Hd. Qrs. and 1 Coy. Y.L. to BLAUWEPORTE FARM.

7.

O.B. Kings Own will post 2 men at corner 1.22. d. q. y. to point the way to Bde. Hd. Qrs.

8.

Cos. in Infantry Barracks will march with 2 days rations on the man.

Cos. in support will have 2 days rations sent out to them, which will be carried from the positions where the wagons stop by companies from the Barracks.

O.B. Support's left Section will arrange to send up water to U for both relieved and relieving troops. Troops holding D.2. can obtain water 200 yards from the dug-out.



9.

Ammunition

cos. from Infantry Barracks will draw one bandolier per man and will take with them one S.A.A. cart for each section of defence. This ammunition will be carried by them from the positions where the wagons stop.

(Ed) R. B. Boyle, Brig. Gen.
for Capt.
for Bde Major,
83rd Infantry Brigade.

APPENDIX No. XI

OPERATION ORDER

No. 10.

By

Brigadier General R. B. Boyle,
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

15th February 1915.

Reference Map. 28 Belgium and VERBRANDENMOLEN.

1. The K.O.Y.L.I. will relieve the York & Lancaster Regt. and the East Yorkshire Regt. the Kings Own Regt. to night.

Relief to be carried out by Cos. commencing with the right of the York & Lancaster Regt. and finishing with the left of the Kings Own Regt.

Guides - 2 per 3 Cos. of Y+L will meet relieving Cos. at 1.21.d. 10.0. (on the road) commencing at 9. pm.

Two guides per Coy. of the Kings Own and 1 Coy. Y+L. will meet relieving Coys at TUILERIE commencing at 10. pm.

2. Battalions will be disposed as follows after being relieved:—

K. O. 4 French A.2. 2 platoons.
 - " - U 2. - " -
 - " - D.2. 2. - " -

TUILERIE Hd. Qrs. + 2 Cos.

YPRES (Infantry Barracks) 2 platoons

Y+L. 2 Cos - BLAUWE POORT.

Hd. Qrs. + 2 Cos. - YPRES (Infantry Bkts.)

3. French A.2. will now thus be garrisoned by the Supporting Battalion and will not be available for the Bn. which garrison the fire trenches.

K.O.Y.L.I. to occupy trenches P.1 to S.2 inclusive.

E. Yorks to occupy Trenches A.1. to D.1. inclusive

S.1 and 2. will be held by one Coy. K.O.Y.L.I. and this Coy. will come under the orders of the E. Yorks.

4. The same procedure will be carried out as regards the carrying of rations and stores as in the last relief with the following exceptions:—
Wagons for right section will go as far as the Railway.

Rations for U + D2 + A2. will be taken up by pack animals.

P.T.O.

The garrisons of these trenches will be prepared to meet these animals about 200 yards N of U trench at 8 pm and carry trench stores into the trenches.

(Sd.) J.E. Munby, Captain,
Brigade Major,
83rd Infantry Brigade

APPENDIX No 11

OPERATION ORDER

No. 11

By
 Brigadier General R. B. Boyle,
 Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.
 19th February 1915.

1. The Brigade will be disposed as under tonight:-

Right Section Commander. Lt. Col. A. G. Burt.
 1st York of Lancaster Regt.

Five Trenches York of Lancaster Regt and
 3 Machine Guns.

Support -- (P. 3) in rear of P. 1. 1/2 Coy.
 K. Own Regt.

Left Section Commander Lt. Col. G. R. Ingram-Brooke

Five Trenches S. 1 and part } 1 Coy. York and
 of S. 2. } Lancaster Regt.

Part of S. 2. } 2 1/2 Cos. E. Yorks and
 A. 1 & B. 1 } 2 Machine Guns.

B. 2. Kings Own (number of men
 to be detailed by O. C. K. O. Regt.)

B. 3. D. 1. 2 Cos. K. O. Y. L. 1, and 3 M. G.
 (one of which to be on right
 of B. 3.)

Support Trenches.

U + A. 2. 1 Coy. K. O. Y. L. 1.

D. 2. 1/2 " E. Yorks.

BLADNERPOORT FARM. Remainder of Kings Own
 under O. C. Kings Own.

TUILERIE

1 Coy. K. O. Y. L. 1 } Under Maj. H. W. Powell,
 1 " E. Yorks } E. Yorks Regt.

2. The K. O. Regt. in part of S. 2. and A. 1 and B. 1. will
 send 2 guides per Coy to meet the Detachment, E.
 Yorkshire Regt. at U trench and TUILERIE respect-
 wely at 6. pm.

The Kings Own Regt. in B. 3 and the K. O. Y. L. 1
 now in C. 1 - D. 1 will send 2 guides per Coy. to meet
 the 2 relieving Cos. K. O. Y. L. 1 at ZILLETBERKE at 8. pm.

The reliefs concerned must leave the above
places at these hours.

(Sd.) J. E. Munby, Captain,
Brigade Major,
83rd Infantry Bde.

APPENDIX No XIII

OPERATION ORDER

No. 12.

By
 Brigadier General R. G. Boyle,
 Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.
 20th February 1915.

1.
 The Brigade will be relieved tonight by
 the 13th Infantry Brigade and will retire
 forthwith to Billets near VLAMATINGHE
 moving thence to BAILLEUL on the 22nd inst.

2.
 All trench stores, ammunition and tools will
 be handed over to relieving Units with complete
 inventories.

Very pistols, periscopes and looking glasses will
 be retained as regimental property by our troops
 now in the trenches.

3.
 Commanding Officers + Coy. Commanders of
 relieving Units are expected to arrive at the
 Hdqrs. of both sections about 6 p.m.

Commanders of sections will send guides to
 meet these officers at TUILERIE at Belle Hdqrs.

A supply of maps and information is being
 sent to Commanders of sections to be handed over
 to these officers.

4.
 Tables of guides to be furnished is attached.
 Relieving Companies must be conducted past the
 Hdqrs. of the section in order to call for
 their company commanders (see para III.)

5.
 Transport will march with Battalions
 from YPRES.

(Sd.) J. E. Munby Captain,
 Brigade Major,
 83rd Infantry Bde.



By whom found	To conduct	To report to	At time	Place.
2 per Coy. Right Section	3 Cos. of relief. K.O.S.B.	Sgt. Wiltshire	7 p.m.	Bde. Hd. qrs.
2 from S. 1 and 2.	1 Coy. K.O.S.B.	Officers K.O.Y.L.I.	7 p.m.	TUILERIE.
2 from E. Yorks. Regt. in A. 1.	1 Coy West Kent Regt.	— " —	7 p.m.	— " —
2 from K.O.Y.L.I. in B. 2.				
2 from E. Yorks Regt. in B. 1.	1 Coy. West Kent Regt.	— " —	7 p.m.	— " —
2 from Kings Own Regt. in D. 2.				
2 from K.O.Y.L.I. in B. 3.				
2 from K.O.Y.L.I. in C. 1, 2, 3	1 Coy. W. Kent Regt	— " —	7 p.m.	— " —
2 from K.O.Y.L.I. in D. 1.	1 Coy W. Kent Regt.	— " —	7 p.m.	— " —
2 from E. Yorks Regt. in D. 2.				
2 from K.O.Y.L.I. in U	2 platoons W. Kent Regt	— " —	8.45 p.m.	— " —
2 from Kings Own in BLAUWERPOORT.	1 1/2 Cos.	Sgt. Wiltshire	6-30 p.m.	Bde. Hd. qrs.
2 from Kings Own Regt. in dug outs behind P. 1.	2 platoons	— " —	6-45 p.m.	— " —

83rd Bde.
28th Div.

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
9.30pm to 11.30pm 1.3.15 VERBRANDEMOLEN - YPRES	The Battalion was Relieved by the K.O.S.B.'s and marched by Companies to YPRES. - After a short Rest the Battalion marched by Companies to the Luts between Vlamertinghe and Ouderdom. -	see appendix no I " " " II
8.15am 3.3.15 HUTS	The Battalion left the Luts and marched via REINGHEEST & WESTOUTRE CROIX DE POPERINGUE to BAILLEUL where the Battalion was Relieved till 7 th March - The Battalion was ordered for duty on the 6 th March -	
8. pm 6.3.15 BAILLEUL	The Battalion left BAILLEUL at 2.30 pm and marched to NEUVE Eglise the Battalion remained here for two hours and then marched by Companies to NUNVERGHEN to take over trenches in sector D [Battal Headquarters arrived at head quarters sector D and] took over trenches as follows on arrival of Companies as follows - 11. A from Divisional Cyclist Company, 11. A support from the Queen Victoria Rifles. - 11. B. 12 12. Support. 13. 13 Support. And 14 A from the 1 st Suffolk. Regt. - By 11am all Companies Reported having taken over, all being quiet. Communication was obtained almost immediately with the 9 th Queen Victoria's Rifles on our Right and on the left with the 2 nd Suffolk Regt. - The trenches on the whole were good being in most cases more of a breast work than a trench. -	see appendix no III see appendix no III

See Appendix no 5
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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
3 AM. 8.3.15	<p><u>Communication</u></p> <p>Battalion: Lead Quarters has connected with the following by telephone. — with Brigade head quarters both sections on Right and left. Pressing Station R.E. Farm, trenches No 11 A, 11 B, 12. Support + 13</p>	<p>See appendix No 5 + 6</p>
7 AM. 8.3.15	<p>Support. — the Commanding officer visited trenches number 13, 13 support and number 14A. — Returning to Battalion Lead Quarters at 5.10 am. —</p>	
12 hours 8.3.15	<p>All Reported Quiet. — (Other Reports)</p> <p>Casualties for 24 hours ending 12 noon 8/3/15 killed 1 wounded 2 missing nil. —</p> <p><u>Co-operation with Artillery.</u></p> <p>Should the enemy attack 11A 11B or 12 trench the following message would be sent to the fire of 125th Battery R.F.A. on the front in front of these trenches "open fire D Y" if the enemy attacked 13 or 14 A trenches "open fire D Z" Should the enemy attack trenches 11A to 14 A "open fire D. S. O. S."</p>	

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3 pm 8.3.15.

Our Artillery and the Enemy's fired considerably -
Captain Palmer commanding trenches 11A to 12 Reported as follows -
"Our guns shelled Enemy's infantry trenches to my left right front.
Result nil, also shelled Enemy's artillery. ~~Result nil~~ Result.
Enemy's guns ceased fire. - Enemy's guns shelled R. E
FARM had shooting. Trench number 10 shelled (more shots) and
others trench 12 few shells ditto. -

13 to 14 A Captain EAST. Reported as follows.
Enemy's Artillery has been firing all round my trenches
apparently at R. E FARM and WULVERGHAN, but many shrapnel
burst about 50 and 100 yards behind 13 S and 14 A. -
Our Artillery silenced a gun about 250 yards in front of 13 A
and were shelling Enemy's trench in front of 14 A successfully, I also
saw a Building catch fire about 1/2 mile left right from 13
trench presumably in WYTECHACTG. - The trench mortars came
over 14 A but did not explode - there were no shrapnel apparently
fired at us. -

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4.30 pm 8.3.15

Artillery fire died away. -

8.30 pm 8.3.15.

One officer and 9 men (guides) of R.O.Y.L.I. arrived to go round lines they

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11pm 8.3.15

left for R.E. FARM at 8.45 pm. -
Senior Major visited R.E. FARM and then went to see some
dig outs in Rear of 14 trench, which had been improved during
the night. -

23B

3 AM to 4 AM. 9.3.15

C.O. visited 12 trench & R.E. FARM returning at 4 AM. -

work done during the night

11A and 11A Support. Work on parapet and communication trench

11B drainage and improvement of parapet. -

12 and 12 Support improvement of connecting trench & parapet

13 Saps worked on and parapet lightened - connecting trench
with 13 Support worked on

13 Support & 14A parapet lightened connecting trench with 14

Commenced traverses made. -

Dugouts near R.E. FARM worked on. - The O.C. number

12 Support trench reported as follows. - 'I am being shelled
but can not ascertain where from' -

A few minutes later O.C. R.E. FARM reported he has been shelled.

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8.15
3.30 pm.

The 123rd Battery R.F.A were informed, and at 2 pm it was reported that shelling had ceased.

The O.C. 12 Support trench reported that the direction from which the shells were coming was clean degrees S of E, that the time between the bang of the gun and the explosion of the shell was 1 1/2 seconds. - The crater made was just under a yard broad and about 2 feet deep pieces of shell have been kept to show R.A. observation officer. -

Two platoons Marmouth Regt arrived R.E FARM and went to the trenches with "C" Coy (11 to 12) -

Companies in trenches were relieved by Companies at R.E FARM No 5 Support and dressing station. -

During the night of 9th to 10th the following trenches were visited by the C.O. or Regt Staff 11A, 11B, 14A, 13 Support, 20 5 support.

12 and 12 Support -
 P.S. Capt. the numbers in the trenches were as follows. -

11. trench	35	11 B	43
11A "	30	12	74

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G.A.M. 10.3.15

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12 Support 64, 13, 60- 13 Support 26
 14A 44 RE FARM 160 DRESSING STN 90

This does not include activities since Synallers etc but does include 2 platoons of Ironmouth Regt. — the work done in the trenches during the previous 24 hours was as follows. —

- 11 A. Commencing a sap. —
- 11 A & 11 1/2 Support. improving the communication trench. —
- 11 B making up the parapet. —
- 12 making a parados. —
- 13 making a sap, improving parapet and commencing trench between 13 and 12 and 13 and 13 Support. —
- 14 making the parapet higher. —
- Dugouts near R. E. FARM. improved. —

See appendix 20 & 26

7.35 to 8.45 am
 10.3.15
 Capt

A day out at Battalion headquarters has also commenced. A heavy Artillery dual, the fire of our Artillery was reported to be very accurate by O.C. 13 and 14 A trenches. —
 G.O.C. ^{83rd Bde} visited No. 12 trench. —

7 pm

9 pm
 10.3.15.

Orders were received from 83rd Brigade to show considerable

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12.30 am. 11.3.15

J.B. Capt.

Activity during the night. — A patrol from 2012 trench got to within 30 yards of the enemy trenches, and opened rapid fire on it. — They could hear a good deal of talking and swearing but do not know if anyone was hit. —

Bursts of rapid fire were frequently opened after 12.30 am work done during previous 24 hours.

Connecting trenches between 11B, 12, & 13 were further extended, parapets of 14A raised and parapets constructed, all communication trenches drained and parapets built up, — 11B support drainage and much needed general repairs. — Communication trench in rear of 11B started also one from R.E. FARM to 12 S. — Sap from 11A made good progress now extends 35 yards beyond parapet work also done on dykes near R.E. FARM —

The length of the trenches occupied is as follows. —

- 13 trench 70 yards
- 13 Support 75 "
- 14 55 "
- 12 trench 100 yards
- 12 Support 75 yards
- 11 B 35 "
- 11 A 80 yards. —

During the night Major Bolton visited trenches 12 and 12.S

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7 pm 11.3.15

During the day at periods, Artillery fire was very heavy. —
Party at R.E FARM, and then from dressing station (1E A & B Coy)
Continued work on dykes near R.E. FARM.

8.25 pm 11.3.15

Headquarters K.O.Y. L.I. arrived at ELBOW. FARM. — Relief
here completed at 11 pm. —

4 AM. 12.3.15

A draft of 135 R.C.O.S and men took Captain C.K. CHAMBER & 2nd Lt N.C. PARRY & S. WEBSTER from the R.E.
A & B Coys on work at dykes formed up at R.E FARM at 4 AM
and marched to Bath Dillits. —

13.3.15 BUS FARM

The Battalion was billeted at BUS FARM and neighbouring farms. —
The Battalion remained in Reserve whilst an attack was made on
Hill 75. — FARM

12.15 pm 14.3.15 BUS FARM

The Battalion left Bus Farm by Compuers at intervals commencing with
C Company at 12.15 pm, and marched to BAILLEUL. —
Captains [Palmer, Post, Colton, Bonford] with [Lousada & Kent-Lemon]
went to see the trenches to be taken over by the Battalion near
PROBSTREIT. —

1.30 pm 14.3.15

PROBSTREIT

Very heavy firing, lead in the direction of GPRES. —
The Battalion was ordered to be ready to move at a moment's notice. —

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5.30 pm 15.3.15 BAILLEUX	The Battalion was ordered to move at once to BUS FARM. —	} see appendix no 5.																
9.25 pm 15.3.15 BUS FARM	The Battalion arrived at BUS FARM at 9.25 pm.																	
17.3.15 ELBOW FARM	The Battalion having been warned for duty in the trenches, Leuc Jackson arrived at ELBOW FARM at 1.45 pm and took over from the	} See appendices nos 5-49 and 10																
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9.45 pm 17.3.15 R.E FARM	Battalion Headquarters moved to R.E FARM. —																	
7. am 18.2.15 R.E FARM	The following Report on work done during the night was forwarded to Brigade Staff. — <u>10 B and Support</u> Improvement of trench parapet and traverses. — <u>11 A</u> work being continued on Sap, improvement to 11 A Support being																	
	Continued. — <u>12 and 13</u> Improving parapet. —																	

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12 Support and B Support - Re-Constructing fire trench, between these trenches. -

Wire was put out during the night by 12, 11A & 10B trenches. -

Listening patrols & patrols had nothing to report. -

During both night & day the enemy here exceptionally quiet. -

All trenches were visited by P.O. or P.M. staff during the night. -

The number of rifles in trenches was as follows. -

10B 85	10B Support 20	11A 95
11A Support 20	11B 95	12 56
12 Support 38	13 75	13 Support 31
105 Support 60	R.E. FARM 160	DRESSING STN 210

Machine Guns were distributed as follows. -

1 in 105 Support, 1 in 11A, 1 in 12, 1 in R.E. FARM
 2nd Lieut H. H. MOORSE was killed in trench number 13.

During the night reliefs were carried out as follows

A Coy in trenches 10B, 10B Support, 11A, 11 Support & 1B.

were relieved by "P" Coy. -

B. Company in trenches nos 12, 12 Support, 13 & 13 Support were relieved by D Coy. -

Reliefs were completed by 12 midnight. -

During the day the Machine Gun was hit on the barrel casing by a bullet & rendered useless. -

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12 noon. 18.13.15. R.E. FARM

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7 am 20.3.15 R.E. FARM.	Work done during last 24 hours and Report to Brigade.	
12 noon 20.3.15 R.E. FARM.	<p>"Patrols Report all quiet, no action or movement of the Enemy observed AAA. Work done Improvement of Sap in front of 11 A. AAA. 10 B and 10 B Support. Trenches on Right. Constructed AAA trenches and trenches. Parades Raised AAA Communication trenches 10 B & 11 A Observed & improved, 11 B further do * Completed 12 & 13 Support further 25 * Completed AAA 13 & 13 Support, parapet raised on both sides AAA 30 x of trench for dugouts near Shell. FARM Completed day. —</p> <p>Casualties during last 24 hours: Killed one wounded one. —</p> <p>following Report sent to 83rd Brigade</p> <p>"No movement of the Enemy has been observed. No patrols have been sent up during the day AAA our artillery fire fell short of the Enemy's trenches very near our own several shells bursting near 12 Support AAA Effect of Enemy's artillery fire could not be ascertained AAA a farm about 500 x S of R.E. FARM has been set on fire. —</p> <p>following ^(to an extent of a) message received from 83rd Brigade. —</p> <p>"from to morning night onwards the line will be held as follows AAA YORK & Lancaster 14 B & 14 B Support inclusive to 12 & 12 Support inclusive AAA. West Yorkshire 11 inclusive to 10 B & 10 B Support inclusive"</p>	
6 pm 20.3.15 R.E. FARM		
7 pm 20.3.15 R.E. FARM		
7 am 21.3.15 R.E. FARM.	The following Report has sent to 83 rd Brigade at 7 am. —	

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12 noon 21.3.15 R.E. FARM.

10 pm to 11.50 pm 21.3.15 R.E. FARM

*"Situation Generally Quiet, no action or movement of the enemy observed
AAA patrols sent out 11 B & 11 A did not get any information AAA
our artillery fire appeared ineffective some shells falling short of our
own trenches AAA enemy's artillery apparently directed on sector on our
right AAA work done fire trenches repaired parapets lightened
extension of trenches 12 & 13 about 10 yards trenches improved on
right 10 B & 11 A AAA communication trenches 11 A to 11 A
Support to 12 Support about 20 yards completed 13
Support to 12 Support about 10 yards completed 13 to 13 Support
parapets strengthened flooring improved AAA dugouts near shell
farm about 50 yards of trench and four shelters completed. —
Casualties during last 24 hours other than killed 1 wounded*

*6. —
During the night Reliefs were carried out [as follows. —]
A Company took over trenches 14 A, 14 B & 14 B Support from the
East Yorkshire Regt. 13 S from D Company & 20.5 Support from B. Coy.
Remainder of men (55) in R.E. FARM. —
B Company took over trenches numbers 12, 12 Support and 13
from D Company. —
C Company were relieved from trenches numbers 10 B, 10 B Support, 11 A
& 11 A Support & 11 B by the East Yorkshire Regiment. —*

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12 noon 22.3.15. R.E. FARM.	<p>No action or movement of the enemy has been observed AAA. Patrols Report all quiet AAA. Enemy fired a few shells at 20 11 A trench this evening but did no damage AAA. General Situation quiet AAA. Summary of work done all trenches repairs carried out. Parades raised parapet 11 A machine gun emplacement made 20 12. Re constructed & made platform communication trenches 11 B finished 12 S to R.E. FARM. Dearly dug to FARM extension of trench 12 - 15 feet 12 S 20 yards AAA. Shelters near 11 B SHELL FARM via dugouts now completed about 70 yards of trench dug but not completed. -</p>	
4 pm 22.3.15. R.E. FARM.	<p>Casualties during last 24 hours - other ranks 4 wounded. - O.C. 80th Battery R.F.A. arrived at R.E. FARM. the following arrangement was made with him should the enemy attack. - If the enemy attack 12 or 13 trenches the following message to be sent. - open fire D.Z.</p>	

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6 pm 22.3.15. R.E. FARM.	<p>If the Enemy attack 14 A or 14 B. "Open fire D Y" If the Enemy attack the whole line.— "open fire D. S. O. S.— At about 1 pm the Enemy in trench opposite No 13 were shooting to us, but could not be seen AAA. At 4 pm about 4 of Enemy were seen going down communication trench on N side of German trench opposite to No 13 they had light grey uniform with Round Grey caps they were fired on Result unknown AAA our Artillery put some shells on the Enemy's parapet in front of 13 trench having breach in parapet AAA At 2.50 pm two of our shells fell in rear of 13 about 10 and 20 yards away respectively AAA No other action or movement of the Enemy observed.—</p>	
8 pm 22.3.15. PACK HORSE FARM	<p>A draft of 100 R.C.O's & men [for the Bath] arrived [at PACK HORSE FARM]. U. Blatt.</p>	
7 am 23 3.15 R.E FARM.	<p>"General situation very quiet patrols have nothing to report no action or movement of the Enemy observed AAA work done during day Lower 12 trench parapet strengthened firing platform boarded & improved 12 Support trench at South end made stronger & higher firing platform improved, communication trench drainage improved AAA 13 Bunkers new dugouts in rear of parapet firing platform raised & boarded 13 Support firing platform improved 14 A firing platform reconstructed</p>	

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1st BATTN YORK & LANCASTER REGT.

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
3.45 pm 23.3.15 R.E.F.ARM.	<p>148 ponies made better proof trench chained communication trench Chained AAA Shelter near R.E.F.ARM. based on. — The enemy shelled trenches numbers 9 & 10 A their fire appeared to be accurate. —</p>	
6 pm 23.3.15 R.E.F.ARM.	<p>Report to 83rd BRIGADE. "No movements or actions of the enemy have been observed. No patrols have been sent out during the day and enemy have been shelling trenches on our right as far as trenches numbers 9 & 10 trenches his fire appeared to be accurate and our artillery burst two shells in front of 13 doing little damage others could not be observed. —</p>	
8 pm to 10 pm 23.3.15 R.E.F.ARM.	<p>The Battalion was relieved by 1st K.O.Y.L.I. and returned [by Company] to the trenches at NEUVE EGLISE. —</p>	See appendix to 13.
14.3.15. BAILLEUL.	<p>Staff of 1st B. O.S. and 2nd B. O.S. from England joined the Battalion Lt. Col. J. D. Boyd with a draft of 60 2.1.04 and new joiners the Battalion. —</p>	
25.3.15 NEUVE EGLISE.	<p>Major T. T. GRESSON, D.S.O. joined the Battalion from England. —</p>	
28.3.15 NEUVE EGLISE.	<p>Lieut R. B. COWLEY and 1 man joined the Battalion from 3rd Batta. —</p>	

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Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices

7 pm to 1.30 pm 29.3.15 NEUVE EGLISE

The Bathn left NEUVE EGLISE to take over trenches 13B, 12, 12S, 13, 14 & 14S - (Left Section of Defence). -
By 10.25 pm all trenches reported having taken over. -

See appendices nos. 15 & 16. also nos. (map)

1 am 30.3.15 R.E. FARM. -

Report to Brigade Leader
Situation generally quiet AAA Patrols Report no movement or action of the Enemy except movement of transport in rear of German lines, at 10.30 pm last night & at 12 midnight AAA took over since taking over 11B. Improving communication trench & extending trench ^{trench} 11A & new Bay 10x long completed & new Bay on right and left. Commenced AAA 12 sandbagged trench between 12 & 13 for 30x continued digging for 8x 12 support improved & lighted for all AAA 13 trenches made right. Dred AAA communication trench 12 support R.E. FARM improved. -

6 pm 30.3.15 R.E. FARM.

Report to BRIGADE HQ
Situation generally quiet no movement or action of the Enemy has been observed. At 9 am enemy fired 6 shells which burst behind 13S 14 & 14S shells were common shells & shrapnel direction of fire as near as can be ascertained due east from 14 trench AAA enemy's heavy Artillery fired about 6 shells into DULVERGHEM extent of damage unknown AAA enemy fired at one of our Aeroplanes with anti-aircraft guns - they did not appear to do any damage AAA our Artillery fire unobserved. -
Number in trenches as follows -

12.5 AM 31.3.15 R.E. FARM

11 B. 51 men, 12. 106 men 12S 56 men
13 61 " 14 46 " 14S 25"
R.E. FARM 168 men, T.E.A. FARM 49
PACKHORSE FARM 219 men

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Jan 31.3.15. R.E. FARM.

Report to 88th BRIGADE
 "Situation generally quiet, no movement or action of the enemy has been observed AAA Patrols have nothing to report 12S trench officer patrol searched all old trenches 13S a patrol sent along an old communication trench leading to German lines could not get thro' wire AAA work done 11B parapet lighted communication trench about 40 yards long requires draining total length about 70x 12S communication trench completed to R.E. FARM lighted parapet 12 trench extended now within 40x of 13. - 13 traverse made Right End of parapet built behind extension 13S communication trench to R.E. FARM about 40x dug - communication trench 13S - 13 parapet dug. 14 traverse constructed on right, parapet improved communication trench parapet on NORTH side made & is built proof 14S fire trench completed AAA on air ship passed over 13 & 14 trenches at 3.50am at intervals it showed 3 green lights & a white one it disappeared to the NORTH at 4.30am". -

12 noon. 31.3.15. R.E. FARM.

Casualties during last 24 hours. Killed other rounds 1

6 pm. 31.3.15. R.E. FARM.

6 pm Report to Brigade. Bombed " " 2.

"Situation generally quiet. No movement or action of the enemy has been observed no patrols have been sent out during the day. AAA enemy fire locates with rifles at own aircraft 11 am AAA the Artillery fire has occurred on German trenches in front of 11B AAA enemy's artillery fire could not be observed AAA

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
7.30 pm. 31. 8. 15. R.E. FARM.	<p>Enemy saw a Captive Balloon or Kite about 3/4 mile N of MESSINES D Coy & C Coy were relieved in fire & support trenches by B and A Coys</p>	<p>see appendix 20</p>
	<p><u>21st. Capt.</u> The following points have been brought out during the night. —</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The more men are given to do work in the trenches the better they keep. — 2. The difficulty of bringing up stores etc to the trenches. — (This means that we are not enough men to Garrison fire trenches & carry up the quantities of stuff that is necessary) P.C. James says, Boards for trench bottoms, planks for kneeling, ammunition, Potions water etc. — 3. The necessity when in trenches for constant Rifle inspection. — We have never had any trouble with our Rifles & have at least 4 or 5 inspections a day. — (Some Territorials were attached to us for two nights the first day their bolts got stuck with mud etc. The O.C. 'C' Coy to whom they were attached insisted on inspecting their Rifles several times on the 2nd day he had no trouble at all. — 4. Snaphooks should never be made straight, but at an angle & should be blinded this is most necessary when trenches are very close. — 5. The importance of taking cover from aeroplanes. — 	

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	<p>during the time the Battalion held the DRANOUTRE SECTION we always had at least 100 men sometimes 175 in P.E. FARM. There orders were issued to the effect that there would be no fire lifted in the day time & no one was allowed out. — We were never <u>actually</u> fired at by artillery, tho some shells fell close. —</p> <p>6. Many drafts have come out. Fire discipline is not the same as it was, but if great attention is paid to this by Company & Platoon Commanders this difficulty can be got over. —</p> <p>7. The difficulty in training Artillery or Telephone operators especially longmen is very great. — Artillery were taken from us for maintenance Companies before we left India, several went sick in England. Since we have been out, they have had several casualties, & our numbers are now 14, some of these often have to be taken by the Brigade if there is a loss. — More men might easily be trained in peace, tho we had 36 after 2 months we are short handed. —</p>	

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W. Manser Esq.

Adm 1 Lt Col Lancaster R.A.

GUIDES	FROM TRENCH	TO BE AT	TIME	TO CONDUCT
2 per log	fire trenches AREA C.	Rde H.Q.	7.45 pm	3 logs 2/K.O.Y.L.
2 men	Dugouts in Rear of 33	" "	"	1/2 log K.O.S.B.
2 men	Dugouts in Rear of 35	" "	"	1/2 log K.O.S.B.
2 men	ZURABEKE 38-39	ZILLEBECKE trench	8 pm	1 log 2/K.O.Y.L.
" "	40			1/2 " Duke of Wellington
" "	43, 44, 45, 46			1 " "
" "	47 48			1/2 " "
" "	49			1 " "
" "	50		8.45 pm	1/2 " "
" "	41 #			1/2 " West Kent Regt
" "	42			1/2 " " "
" "	51			1/2 " " "

N.B. where more than one trench is mentioned above on the same line 2 men only are required (to report all these trenches) not two from each

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Operation order No 16 By
Brig General R.C. BOYLE CB
Commanding 83 Infantry Brigade

Copy No 5

1st March 1915

I The Brigade will be Relieved to Right as under -

APPENDIX
NO I

Area C. fire trenches of 2/K.O.Y.L.I
supports " K.O.S.B.

Area D. fire trenches 38, 39 of 2/K.O.Y.L.I Remains of Duke
of Wellington's Regt. & West Kent Regt.

In each case the Relieving Company will arrive at fire trenches
at 10 minutes intervals commencing on the Right of each area at
9pm - Support trenches will be similarly Relieved immediately
after the Reliefs have Reached all the fire trenches -

II Incoming area Commanders will probably Reach HQ of areas
at 8pm the attached form will be completed & handed ^{over} to them -

III Guides will be furnished in accordance with the
attached table -

IV Companies will march to the GRANDE PLACE YPRES
as soon as Reliefs there will be provided at that
place after which Battalions will march thence (by
Companies if desired by C.O.S) to the Luts South of
VLAEMERTINGHE, each Battalion to march independently -

V One Ambulance Wagon will be at Sole St & Tailors
for Ammunition of men unable to walk -

VI Any periscopes which were taken into the trenches
by troops of 83rd Bde or sent there during this hour will
be brought out & Relieved by units using them -

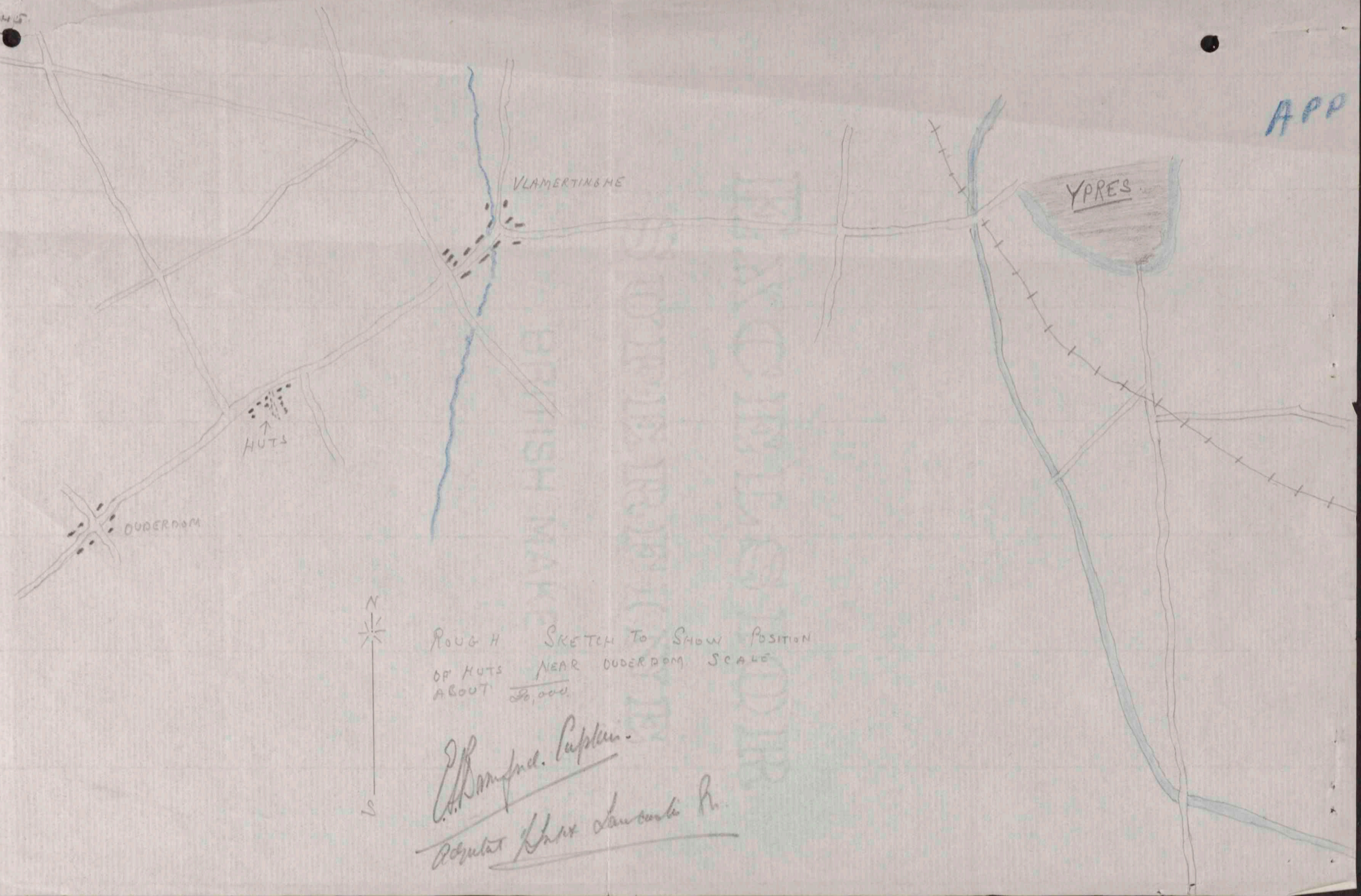
(Signed) J.S. Murray Capt.
Adjutant Major 83rd Infantry Bde.

Issued By order
Copy No 2 King's Own Regt
" " 3 East Yorkshire Bde
" " 4 K.O.Y.L.I.
" " 5 1st & 2nd Lancashire Bde

Two copies
W. Murray
Adjutant Major 83rd Infantry Bde

To PUPPE RINGHUS

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ROUGH SKETCH TO SHOW POSITION
 OF HUTS NEAR OUDERDOM. SCALE
 ABOUT 20,000.

A. J. Sangford, Captain.
Adjutant General's Department.

ENDIA No 2



operation order No. 17

Cops No 5.

By
Brigadier General R.C. BOYLE C.B.
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

Reference Map. FRANCE 25 $\frac{1}{40000}$.

2nd March 1915.

APPENDIX
No 3

I The Brigade will march to BAILLEUL to proceed to RENIN GHELST, WESTOUTRE, Croix DE POPERINGUE, starting point OUDERDOM. —

K.O.Y.L.I. 8 am

Past Yorkshire Regt 8.20 am

Kings Own Regt 8.40 am

York & Lancaster 9 am

Bde Signals will join Rear of Column at RENINGHELST. —
Halt will be made without orders for ten minutes duration at 10 minutes before each hour. —

II Transport to accompany units except supply baggage. —

III Lt Col & Lancaster Regt to detail a platoon under an officer accompanied by the Regimental Medical officer to act as Rear Guard. — To M.M.P. will report to Lt Col. Rear Guard at the starting point. —

IV Bicycle parties, who must be mounted on new or bicycles and must include one officer per Battalion, will meet the Staff Captain at the starting point at 8.45 am. —
The Brigade Headquarters vehicles have been ordered to accompany the Staff Captain. —

(Signed) J.P. Mansby Capt.

Brigade Major 83rd Infantry Brigade

Cops No 2 Kings Own Regt.

" " 3 Past Yorkshire Regt

" " 4 K.O.Y.L.I.

" " 5 York & Lancaster Regt.

True Copy. Mansby, Captain

Adjutant York & Lancaster Regt.

UNIT	88 th Bde. Disposition in areas to be occupied	DRANOUTRE SECTION. at present held by	Guides meet. Return unit at
9 th (Q.V.) RIFLES	Sector "C" less 10 th Support & less half of 10 th .	10 th Support Div Gohri Cos.	
1/2 YORK & LANCASTER	SECTOR D	1 st Suffolk Regt. 9 (Q.V.) Rifles (10 th A Support) Div Gohri (11A)	Road Junction 100 ⁺ S. E. of BURNT FARM.
2/E YORKSHIRE	SECTOR E.	1 st Welch Regt.	TEA FARM.
1/4 K. O. Y. L. I.	BUS. FARM AND LINDENHOEK Grand farm	2 nd Cheshire R.	
2/ Kings Own P.	DRANOUTRE Village	2 nd 5 th Fusiliers	
1/1 Monmouth R. } less 1 Coy. 1 Coy 9 th (Q.V.) Rifles } 1/3 Monmouth R.	Present billets of 1 Monmouth R. Present billets (RAVETSBURG)		

OPERATION OR DER NO 18

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By
Brigadier General R.C. BOYLE
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade.

APPENDIX No 4
BAILLEUL
6th March 1915

Ref Map Belgium 25
and Sketch DANOUTRE SECTION

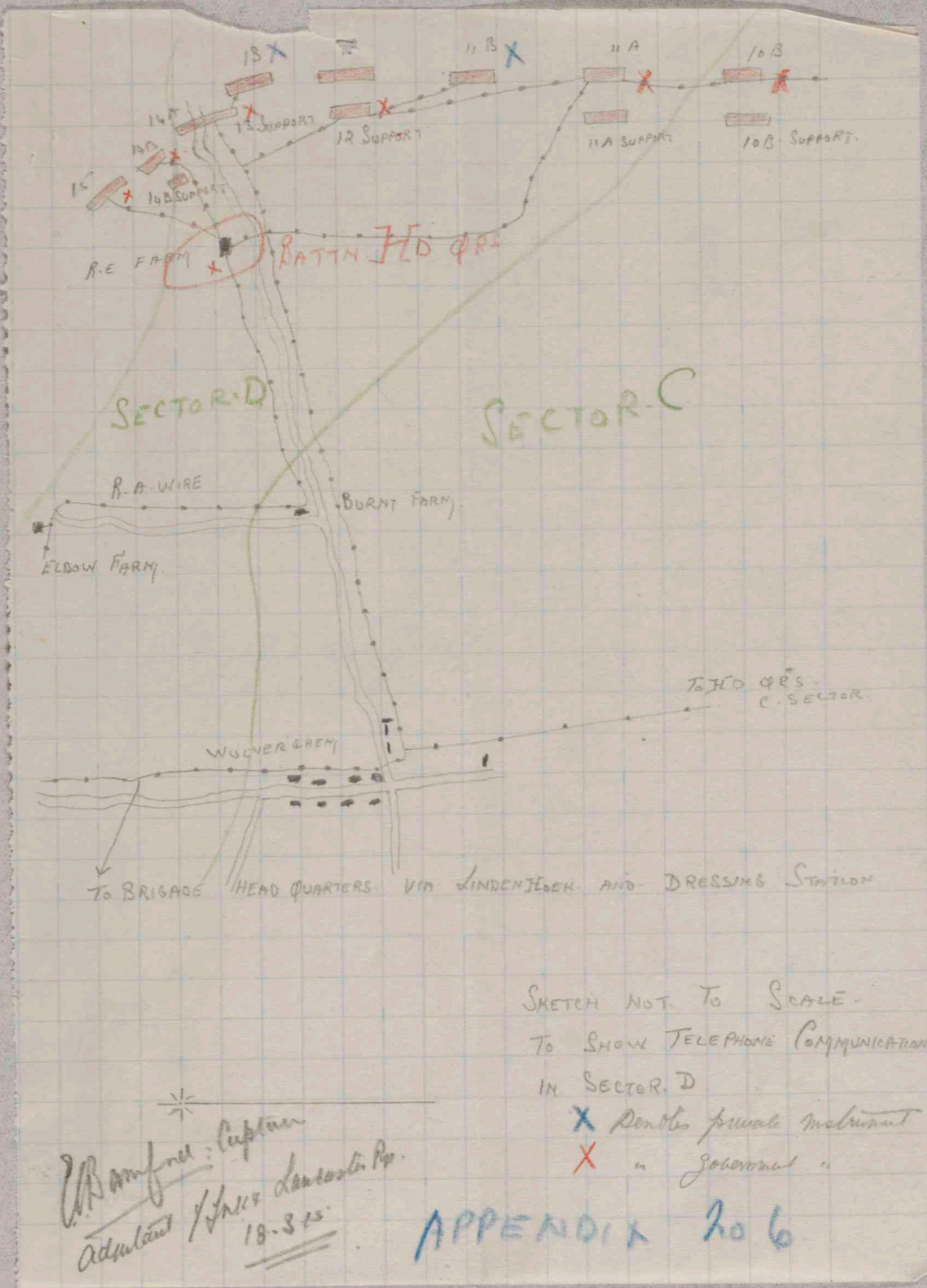
- I The Brigade less the 5th King's Own Regt, will relieve the 84th Brigade to march
- II Dispositions as per attached table. —
- III The 9th (Q.V.) Rifles and the 1/1st Monmouthshire Regt will be attached to the 83rd Brigade. —
- IV The 5th King's Own Regiment will be accommodated in Ballels from 10.30 am on the BAILLEUL-S' JEAN CAPPELLE Road and will move there so as to be clear of BAILLEUL by 1 pm. —
- V (A) The 2/ East Yorkshire Regt and the 1/ York & Lancaster Regt less S.A.A. Bats and Transport Bagnons will march in that order by the LILLE Road to a point near NEUVE EGLISE which will be indicated, where transport will be secured, starting point at St. Eloi at 2.30 pm. —
- (B) The 1/ K.O.Y.L.I. less S.A.A. Bats and Transport Bagnons will march by the LILLE Road ~~to a point near~~ NEUVE EGLISE so as to reach BUS FARM by 7.45 pm
- (C) The 2/ King's Own Regt & Remainder of 1st line transport of 1/ K.O.Y.L.I. 2/ East Yorkshire 1/ York & Lancaster Regt will march in that order, starting point the junction of the ZWADENMOLEN — BAILLEUL & LOCRE — BAILLEUL Roads at 2.30 pm. — The whole under the orders of O.C. 2/ King's Own Regt. —
- Route HAEGEDOORNE to DANOUTRE. —
- The Transport Bagnons may join the Rear of this Column at the farm N of the 2nd E in HAEGEDOORNE if Required, by arrangement between C.O.S. and O.C. 2nd Coy A.S.C. —
- VI O.C.'s 2/ East Yorkshire Regt, 1/ York & Lancaster Regt & 1/ K.O.Y.L.I. will reach their prospective head quarters one hour before their Battalions. —
- VII The 15th Field Ambulance take over bonded at Battalion Dressing Stations. —
- VIII Troops in fire & support trenches will stand to arms between 5.15 am & 6.15 am during the passing tour of trench duty. —
- IX J.O.C. 83rd Brigade assumes command at DANOUTRE at 5 pm to march.

H.Q. at DANOUTRE —

Copy 20	2	2/ King's Own Regt	9.	Dunt. H.Q.
"	3	2. East Yorkshire	10	Brigade
"	4	1/ K.O.Y.L.I.	11	84 th Bde.
"	5	1/ York & Lancaster	12	5/ King's Own Regt.
"	6	1/3 Monmouth		
"	7	1/1		
"	8	9 Q.V. Rifles		

(Signed) L.P. Hurndley, Captain
Brigade Major 83rd Brigade.

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A. Hurndley Capt.



SKETCH NOT TO SCALE
 TO SHOW TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION
 IN SECTOR D

X Denotes private instrument
 X " Government "

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 W. Bamford: Captain
 Adjutant / 1st Lt Lancaster P.
 18.3.25.

APPENDIX 206

83 rd Bde Dispositions Night 1/12		Sound with operations notes (p. 2)			
Unit to be Released	Section & Commander	Positions to be at	Place	Time	
1/1 Somerset Regt	9 th Q.V. Rifles	Section C O.C. 1/1 MON RSI	10A & B and Supports in SP 4	Relief already taken place	
1 M.G. 2 nd King's Own	1 M.G. Q.V.R.				
1 Coy. 4/1 Coy 5/1 King's Own	1/2 Coy 4 Lancashire & 1/2 Coy 1/3 2nd Regt	Section D O.C. Koyli	All trenches ELBOW FARM	R.I.E. FARM. 7.30pm DRESSING STN 7.15pm	
1 M.G. Detachment 2/E Yorks	Already in position		14 A		
1 M.G. Detachment 2 nd E Yorks	Nil		RE FARM	To be arranged with O.C. York & adjacent	
2 nd King's Own less 1 machine gun.	2/1st Yorks	Section E O.C. 2/ King's Own	14 B 14 B SEPT. for rest of Bn	WOLVERHAMPTON 8pm TEA FARM. 6.30pm	

True Copy [Signature]

Signed J. E. Mundy Capt
B.M. 8.1.12 Bde.

APPENDIX No 7.

OPERATION ORDER No 19. By

Copy No 13

Brig. Gen. R.C. Bogue C.B. Comd.
83rd Inf. Bde.

Ref. Sketched map of
DANOUTRE SECTION
and map Belgium & France Sheet 28.

DANOUTRE
10.3.12.

- i Relief will be carried out to orders as per attached Table.
- ii After Relief the 2nd East Yorkshire Regt will occupy the Billets vacated by the 2nd King's Own Regt and the 1st York & Lancaster Regt those of the M.O.G.L. The 2nd King's Own and the 1st York & L. will provide guides (one per company) to be at TEA FARM and DRESSING STN respectively to conduct Companies to their Billets & will leave Representatives to hand these Billets over. —
- iii The 9th P.V. Regt will march towards 11th Post at 2pm via BAILLEUL to occupy the billets vacated by the 5th King's Own Regt & on arrival there will come under orders of 84th Bde. —
- iv The 5th King's Own Regt, less 2 Coy, will march at 2.30pm to DANOUTRE via Road through second U in MEULE HOUER & just E of HAEBEDORNE. —

Signed J. P. Mundy Capt.
Br. 83rd Bde.

True Copy J. Mundy Capt.

Copy of Lt Col Lancaster Regt.

APPENDIX No 8

OPERATION ORDER No 20.

By Brigadier General R.C. BOYLECB

Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

DRANOUTRE.

1.8.15.

Reference is made to map of
DRANOUTRE Section.

1. The third Division have orders to carry by assault the trenches opposite their right flank, that Division will be supported by 2 Battalions 84th Brigade, whose orders are to assault the enemy's trenches opposite 2015. —

2. Consequently the following alterations will be made to the Table of dispositions issued with operation order No 19. —

14 B Support Trench
Position in Rear of 15
R.E. FARM } are to be left vacant for use of
84th Brigade. —

BURNT FARM to be evacuated as per by the 1/1st Warwickshire Regt & to be available for use of I.C. D. Section. —

3. Two Battalions 84th Brigade are expected to pass through DRANOUTRE at midnight & will be posted in the new dugouts near SHELL FARM & in all dugouts in Rear of 14 B & 15 trenches & in 14 B Support trench. —

4. A party of 200 men of the 1/3rd Lancashire Regt. as already detailed will continue work (already in hand) on the new dugouts near SHELL FARM to the arrival of 84th Brigade & will reach BUS FARM by daylight. —

5. The Company 1/3rd Warwickshire Regt. as already detailed will reach WOLVERGHEN by 8 pm to night marching and returning by NEUVE EGLISE this by will be some miles north of O.C. 59 Coy. R.E. — It must return to its billets on completion of its work & be clear of NEUVE EGLISE by daylight. —



6. N.C. E Sector will at once commence the following work:-

A. Deepening Commencement Trench in Rear of 15 Trench to depth of 5 feet.

B. Deepening to 5 ft. the Commencement Trench between 15 Trench & the Right hand fire trench of 5th Division (Known as trench 16) to cutting New trench if Required.

C. Commence sap from Northern End of 15 Trench towards Enemy's trenches

7. The Company of M.O.Y.L.I. in BURN T. FARM will be under the orders of the O.C. 59 Coy R.E. from 8 pm to day, & under his orders will provide the necessary parties to assist the 84th Brigade after the assault O.C. 59 Coy R.E. will arrange for this Company to relieve the troops in para 6 if they can be spared for that work. —

Signed J. J. Munnery Captain
 Brigade Major 83rd Brigade.

True Copy.

J. J. Munnery Captain

Adjutant John Lawrence R.

APPENDIX No 9.

OPERATION ORDER No 21 By

Copy No 5

Brigadier General R.C. BOYLE C.B. Commanding
83rd Infantry Brigade.

Reference. M.O. 28.

DRANOUTRE.
16. 3. 15

4 Miter DRANOUTRE Section

1) Reliefs will be carried out tomorrow as per attached table. — No troops will move East of LINDENHOEK - NEUVE Eglise Road before 6.30pm — Trucks to be furnished as 2 per trench & 2 per machine gun. —

2) The 2/ Kings Own Regiment will maintain a Machine Gun and detachment in J.P.4 & the 1st M.O.Y.L.I. will maintain a Machine Gun and detachment in R.E. FARM.

3) The drafts of the 2nd Post Infantry & 1st Inf & Lancashire Regiment will accompany their Battalions. —

4) The 2nd Post Infantry Regt will march by HAEGENDORNE to DRANOUTRE so as to clear the Road Junction in S 9 A by 3 pm —

The 5th King's Own Regt (less 2 Coy) will march by MEULENHOEK to the Subunits & will not reach the Road Junction in S 9 A before 3 pm. — Both these Battalions will sleep for the night in their old billets. —

5) The Coy 2nd King's Own Regt attached to 1st M.O.Y.L.I. will remain in position in section "C" as soon as relieved and will rendezvous at BURN T FARM. —

The Coy 5th King's Own Regt attached to 2nd King's Own will be billeted in DRANOUTRE. —

6) After being relieved the 2nd King's Own and 1st M.O.Y.L.I. will be accommodated in their old billets in DRANOUTRE & BUS FARM respectively. — The 3rd Northampton Regiment will be billeted in the huts on the DRANOUTRE - HAEGENDORNE Road. —

7) The farm about 150x S.E. of PACK HORSE FARM on the LINDENHOEK GUARD - WULVERGHEM Road will be known in future as COB FARM. — This farm is in the area occupied by the BUS FARM Battalion. —

8) The telephone operators at present in COB will remain their Battalion & be relieved by the incoming unit. — O.C. 3rd Northampton will have operators to work the Remains of the Section. —

9) The 3rd Northampton Regiment will detail a fatigue party of 50 men to Report to O.C. 2nd (M.C.) Coy by R.E. at 7.30 pm tomorrow at WULVERGHEM Church. —

True Copy
Order of the Day
Capt. J.P. Humber
83rd Infantry Brigade

(Signed) J.P. Humber
83rd Infantry Brigade

Plans with operation notes to 21 Copy No 5

UNIT TAKING OVER.	UNIT TO BE RELIEVED	TRENCHES OR FARMS TO BE OCCUPIED	Leading Company and Snobs to arrive at	
			PLACE	TIME
Headquarters & 3 Coy 5/Corp 1st Coy with 2 M. Gans (4/10/22)	3/Princess of Wales Coy.	- 10A-10B. SP. 4 - Dorset's Burt farm SOUVENIR FARM	WOLVERHAMPTON CHURCH	9 pm
1/1st Lancashire Coy with 4 M. Gans.	3 Princess of Wales Coy H.O. 4. 2. 1 & 1 Coy. 5/Corp 1st Coy 1 M. Gans of 1st Battalion of 1st Coy 1st Coy.	10B & 10B.S. { 11A to 13 S. P.E FARM ELBOW FARM DRESSING STATION PACK-HOUSE FARM.	WOLVERHAMPTON CHURCH DRESSING STATION.	8 pm 7.45 pm
2/1st Battalion Coy with 3 M. Gans.	1/1st Coy of 1st Coy. 2/1st Coy of 1st Coy.	14 A. } 14 B. 14 B.S }	RE-FARM	7.45 pm
1st Coy of 1st Coy.	1/1st Coy of 1st Coy.	15, 15 S. } COOKER FARM. TEA FARM }	TEA FARM.	7 pm
1st Coy of 1st Coy.	1/1st Coy of 1st Coy.		1st Coy of 1st Coy.	

1st Coy. 1st Battalion Coy
Adv. 1st Coy of 1st Coy.

1st Coy of 1st Coy.
1st Coy of 1st Coy.

OPERATION ORDER No 3 By.
 Lieut-Colonel A. G. BURT, Commanding
 1st Linc. & Leicestershire Regt.

BUS FARM.
 17.3.15

Appendix No 10

1. The Battalion is divided for duty in the trenches and will take over trenches to night as follows. —

A COMPANY.

10B & 10B Support from 3rd Ironmouth Regt.

This party will arrive at WULVERBHEM CHURCH at 8 pm. —

11A 11A Support, 11B from K.O. Y. L.I.

This party will arrive at the DRESSING STATION at 7.45 pm. —

B COMPANY.

12. 12 Support 13, 13 Support from K.O. Y. L.I. or 5th King's Own Regt. —

This party will arrive at DRESSING STATION at 7.45 pm.

C. COMPANY DRESSING STATION

to arrive at DRESSING STATION at 8pm. —

D COMPANY

1 officer 55 men in number & Support point
Remainder of Company at R.E. FARM.

MACHINE GUNS

Machine guns will be distributed
as follows. — one in 1/A
" " 1/B
" " 1/B
1 at 2 & 5 Support. —
they will arrive at the DRESSING STATION at
7.45 pm. —

2. Immediately trenches have been taken over
trench Commander will Report by telephone
or orally to the Adjutant that they have
taken over. —

3. Reports & Returns

12 hours daily

Return of casualties incurred during previous
24 hours. —

3 am

Return of work done during previous 24 hours 12 Midnight to 12 Midnight. - This return must also show -

- a. Numbers in Each trench.
- B. Any place where Sapping has been carried out.
- C. Improvements of fire support and Communication structures. -
- D. If any hand or Rifle grenades have been used if so with what results. -
- E. All information as to the Enemy's Action Movement Artillery fire Sniping etc during previous 24 hours. -
- F. Patrols sent out etc. -
- G. If line along the front is Satisfactory. -
- H. List of trench stores etc Required to be sent up during following night. -

5 pm

By telephone Short Summary of work done during the day also any ~~improvements~~ movements etc on the part of the Enemy effects of our own or Enemy's Artillery fire that may have been observed during the day. -

J. J. B. Captain

Adjutant. Major Lancaster, Bn.

By ORDERLY
at 11 am.

The Statistics of trenches etc are as follows.

<u>TRENCH</u>	<u>NUMBERS</u>
10 B	90
10 B Support.	35
11 A	35
11 A Support	25
11 B	35
12	60
12 Support.	75
13	50
13 Support.	30
R.E FARM	100 two support 55 men
DRESSING STN	1 company.
205 Support point.	55

P. Humphreys. Capt.
 Dept / Staff Sergeant Rm
 Issue with operation order No 3.

APPENDIX No 11

To the Officer Commanding
Company
1st Lancashire Regt.

19.3.15

Reliefs to night will be as follows. —

I C Company will relieve A Company in
trenches No 10B, 10B Support, 11A, 11 support
and 11B. —

Relief to commence at 11.30 pm or later if
trench stores etc have not been carried up from
the DRESSING STATION by C Coy. —

After Relief A Company will move to DRESSING
STATION. —

II D Coy will relieve B Coy in trenches No
12, 12 Support, 13 & 13 Support, Relief to
commence at 11 pm. —

After Relief ~~the~~ B Coy will occupy

No 5 Support point 55 men.

R.E. FARM Remains of Company. —

P. Bamford, Captain
Adj. 1st Lancashire Regt.

APPENDIX No 12

OPERATION ORDER No 22 By *Copy to 5*

Brigadier General R.C. BOYLS C.B.
Commanding 83rd Infantry Brigade

20th March 1915.

Refer to Map 28
and Sketch DRANOUTRE Station

- 1 From 5 onwards the Brigade will hold the line from 8 to 14 B, both trenches inclusive. —
Troops in trenches will be disposed of as per attached table. —
- 2 Garrison for the several trenches will reach the same enclosures at 10 minutes interval. — There is no delay at this enclosures. —
Care will be taken that there is no delay at this enclosures. —
Guides details to be at P.E. FARM. Will wait at the gate of that farm for the parties when they are to proceed. —
- 3 The Billiting area for the Brigade will be NEUVE EGLISE
Brigade Headquarters at WESTHOF FARM. (T. 19.A) after 3pm.
- 4 To know right. Poles & other will be moved by transport
As usual to TEA FARM for the Post Yorkshire Regt, and
to DRESSING STN for the York & Lancaster Regt & they
be expected there by 1pm. —
- 5 The Company 5th King's Own Regt. will be billeted in
NEUVE EGLISE to know right. — No other houses in this
area till the next Relief. —
The 3rd Dragoon Regiment will march not later than
2pm to their old billets in RAVETS BURG. —

(Signed) J.P. Murray, Captain
Brigade Major 83rd Brigade

- Copy No 2 2/ King's Own
- " " 3 2/ Post Yorkshire
- " " 4 1/ K.O.Y.L.
- " " 5 1/ York & Lancaster
- " " 6 5/ King's Own
- " " 7 3/ Dragoon Regt.
- " " 8 5/ Division

True copy
[Signature]
Capt. [Signature]

APPENDIX 13

OPERATION ORDER. NO 23 By
Brigadier General R.C. BOYLE CB
Commander 82nd Infantry Brigade

COPY NO 5

DRANOUTRE.
22nd March 1915.

Reference Sheet 28 & 29
Map DRANOUTRE Sectn

- I Reliefs will be carried out tomorrow as per attached table. An interval of 10 minutes must be allowed between Companies moving E of the LINDENHOEK Ridge & NEUVE EGLISE.
- II The 2nd Kings Own Rgt will not move E of the LINDENHOEK Ridge before 6.30 pm. —
The 1st N.O.Y.L.I. will march by ROIX DE POPERINGUE & DRANOUTRE so as not to reach the BAILLEUL-LOCRE Road before 4.30 pm & DRANOUTRE before 5.30 pm. — They will halt for tea if desired at BUL FARM but must leave the LINDENHOEK-NEUVE EGLISE Road clear for traffic between 7.15 pm & 7.45 pm. —
Int. to be East of TEA FARM before 8 pm
- III The 3rd Dragoon Rgt will march by NEUVE EGLISE halting for tea (if desired) immediately South of that place on the TROIS ROIS Road. Leading Company not to move East of NEUVE EGLISE before 8.30 pm. —
- IV The transport of the 2nd Kings Own Rgt & 1st N.O.Y.L.I. will be relieved from tomorrow night in NEUVE EGLISE. That portion not required to accompany the troops towards the trenches will leave DRANOUTRE at 6 pm & will keep clear of the Roads until that time. —
- V After Relief the —
82nd Pst Infantry Rgt will occupy No 2 HUTMENTS at NEUVE EGLISE
1st Inf & Lancash Rgt " " No 1 " " " " "
5th Kings Own will be relieved in RAVETSBURG area & the Company (less one platoon) of 5th Kings Own Rgt now in NEUVE EGLISE will move thither so as to be clear of NEUVE EGLISE by 3.30 pm. —
- VI The platoon 5th Kings Own Regiment on Guard on Road Jauchin Tica will be relieved by 3rd Dragoon Rgt at 9.30 pm. —
- VII Trench 7 is held by the Royal Warwickshire Regiment with headquarters at LA BLUS DOUCE farm. —
Trench 15 is held by the 5th Fusiliers with headquarters at LINDENHOEK CHALET.
- VIII Batteries are permanently in support of sections as under. —
Right Section 119th Centre Section 52nd
Left " 80th
- IX The R.A.M.C. will take over boundaries from the Centre & left Sections at DRESSING ~~STATION~~ FARM, which will be the dressing station for both these sections

True Copy
Capt. Mansfield
2nd Lt. Mansfield
2nd Lt. Mansfield

(Signed) J.P. Mundy, Captain
Brigade Major 82nd Infantry Brigade

Issue with Operation Order 83 Copy No 5

UNIT TAKING OVER.	UNIT TO BE RELIEVED	TRENCHES OR FARM TO BE OCCUPIED	GUIDES (Two PER TRENCH OR MACHINE GUN) TO BE AT.	
			PLACE	TIME
RIGHT SECTION 3/Invermouth Coy.	5/Kings Own Coy.	8, 9 & 8 & 9 Support. 1/2 10 A 10 A Support. S.P. 4 X Dugout (near S.P. 4) SOUVENIR FARM ST QUENTIN CABARET. WATERMILL FARM	10 A. nil " " " "	9.30 pm
CENTRE SECTION 2/Kings Own Coy.	2/East Yorkshire Coy. 1/Ink & Lancaster Coy. 2/East Yorkshire	1/2 10 A to 11 A with machine guns S.P. 5. BURNT FARM DRESSING FARM ELBOW FARM BUS FARM & farm hedges known as hot farm.	WULVERGHEM CHURCH " " nil WULVERGHEM CHURCH	7 pm. " " nil 7 pm
" " 14. Jun	2/East Yorkshire	" A	nil	nil
" " 14. Jun	1/Ink & Lancaster	S.P. 5	nil	nil

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UNIT TAKING OVER LEFT SECTION	UNIT TO BE RELIEVED	TRENCHES OR FARMS TO BE OCCUPIED	GUIDEL (2 per trench & position plan) to be at	
			PLACE	TIME
1/ K.O. 4. L. 1	2/ Post. Intoshie Ry.	11 B	Nil	Nil
	1/ Ink & Lancast. Co.	12 to 14 B. with Intoshie R. E. FARM.	"	"
	" " "	"	"	"
	" " "	TEA FARM	Bus Farm	7.45 pm
	" " "	PACK. HORSE FARM.	Nil	Nil
	2/ Krip. San Ry.	COB FARM	"	"
	" " "	LINDEN HIEK GUARD & Achomir, Lomen.	"	"
" " 1 M. Jan	1/ Ink & Lancast. Co.	14 A	"	"
" " 1 M. Jan	2/ Post. Intoshie	11 B	"	"
" " 1 M. Jan	1/ Ink & Lancast.	A. E. FARM.	"	"

1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.

APPENDIX 14



Roll of officers present on 31st March 1915

Rank + Name	Appointment	Remarks
Lieut Col. Burt	A.G.	In command.
Major Gresson, N.S.O.	H.H.	Senior Major.
Major Bolston	H.K.	
Capt. Wedgwood	G.H.	
Palmer	A.E.	
East	H.J.	
Collins	P.H.G.	
Bamford	E.S.	Adjutant.
Walker	K.P.	Transport officer.
Lieut. Gauntlett	H.G.	
—	Rousada	B.B. M. Gun officer.
—	Rethbridge	N.B.
—	Kent. Lemon	A.L.
—	Shames	C.K.
—	Bowley	R.B.
Hon. Lt. Gilliard	W.F.	Quartermaster.
of Lieut. Howard	H.B.M.	
Brickwood	A.B.	
Battle	E.E.	
Bonnors	N.	
Gibbs	H.W.	
Briscoe	H.J.	Special Reserve.
Bedford	H.S.	- do -
Webster	S.	- do -
Parry	N.B.	- do -
Boyd	J.W.B.	- do -
<u>Attached</u>		
Lieut. Geo	H.J.	R.A.M.B.

Bamford Captain
Adjutant, 1st Bn York & Lancaster Regt.

APPENDIX No 15-

OPERATION ORDER No 24 By Pops 205
 BRIGADIER-GENERAL R.C. BOYLE C.B.
 Commanding 85th Brigade

Reference Sheet 25
 and diagram of trenches

WESTHOF FARM.
 28th March 1915

1. The following Reliefs will take place tomorrow
 2nd East Yorkshire Regt. will take ^{Centre Section} ~~the~~ from the
 2nd King's Own Regt. —
 1st York & Lancaster Regiment will take over left
 section ~~from~~ (11 B from 2nd King's Own Regt.)
 Remainder from 1st A.O.Y.L.I.)
 2. Intervals of a Quarter of an hour to be allowed
 between Companies marching on the same Road
 E or N of NEUVE EGLISE. —
 3. 1st York & Lancaster Regiment will march so that
 the leading troops pass NEUVE EGLISE at 7pm.
 Troops for TEA FARM or West thereof and
 wheel transport march by BUS FARM remainder
 direct to WULVERGHEM. —
4. The 2nd East Yorkshire Regiment will march,
 wheel transport by BUS FARM, troops by any
 route desired, leading Company not to pass
 NEUVE EGLISE before 7.45pm. —

by The 1st N. D. Y. L. I. will occupy ALDERSHOT
Camp and the 2nd King's Own Regiment
BULFORD Camp after being relieved. -

(Signed) J. P. Mansby Captain
Brigade Major 83rd Infantry Brigade.

By order at 4.45 pm

Wm Pope, ~~Brigade Major~~ Captain
Adjutant of Infantry Regt.

APPENDIX 20 16

operation order now by ^{copy 20}
Lt Colonel R.J. Best Commanding
1st Bn York & Lancaster Rgt.

ATTACHMENTS
NEUVE Eglise.
27.3.15

1. The Battalion is ordered for duty in the
trenches & will take over the left section of
the defence to right. —

2. Companies will take over trenches as
follows. —

11 B } D. Company
12 }
12 Support }

13 } C. Company
13 Support }
14 A }
14 B }
14 B Support }

R.E. FARM } A. Company
RUEVILLE HILL }
SHELL FARM }

TEA FARM
LINDENHURST GUARD } B Company.

3. The Battalion will march by Companies as follows

"C" Company to pass "NEUVE EGLISE"
Church at 7 pm & will march by the NEUVE
EGLISE - WULVERGHEM Road. -

"D" Company to pass NEUVE EGLISE
Church at 7.15 pm & will march by the NEUVE
EGLISE - WULVERGHEM Road. -

"B" Company will pass NEUVE
EGLISE at 7.10 pm & will march by the
BUS FARM Road. -
All blue transport will march by the BUS
FARM Road. -

A Company to pass NEUVE EGLISE
Church at 7.30 pm & will march by
the NEUVE EGLISE - WULVERGHEM Road. -

The Machine Gun Limber will move by the
BUS FARM ROAD to BURNT FARM.
Men of the Detachment will march with "A" Coy. -

4. Reports & Returns will be sent in as
follows. -

12 noon daily (By telephone)
Statement of Casualties
incurred during previous 24 hours. —

5 pm daily (By telephone)

All information regarding movements or
action of the enemy, effect of our own or
enemy's artillery fire, if all quiet or
otherwise. —

3 AM. By order.

A written report showing the following. —

- (A) Work done during previous 24 hours
- (B) Numbers in each trench or farm
- (C) Any improvement to fire support or
Communication trenches. —
- (D) If Land or Rifle grenades have been
used if so with what result. —
- (E) All information as to enemy's actions
movements, artillery fire, sniping etc during
previous 24 hours. —
- (F) List of trench stores remaining etc
Required. —
(If ammunition is required it can be sent
up any time during the night).
- (G) If any patrols have been sent out
& with what result. —

N.B. The above report must be at

Battalion Headquarters by 3 am at the latest &
 should be sent in as soon after 12 midnight
 as possible. —

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Battalion Headquarters will be at R.E. FARM.
 Where Reports should be sent —

P. W. D. Humphreys, Captain

Adjutant General & Laurence P.

The numbers given below are the minimum
 Garrison numbers that must be maintained. —

<u>TRENCH</u>	<u>NUMBERS</u>
11 B	40
12	60
12 Support	50
13	60
13 Support	60
14 A	
14 B	25
14 B Support	25

A. E. FARM well take 200
 T. E. FARM " " 120

P. B. Crawford Captain

Adj. of Staff & Liaison Co.

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20th Infantry Brigade

No 20/10M/362

Subject:

Re 6th Gordon Highlanders

Action taken
20th Division

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7am 3/4.15 R.E.FARM.	<p>Situation Generally Quiet, no movement or action of the enemy observed. Patrols sent out have nothing to report. The Right Troop renders patrol work very difficult. AAA work done. 11 B New Communication trench practically completed. Extension of parapet to 11 A work continued. New Bay started last night. Traverses on Right Parapet. 12 Extension of parapet. Connect with 13 Communication trench. 13 to R.E. FARM. Parapet about 50' now dug of Communication trench. 13 to R.E. FARM. 135 New Communication Shelter dug - 14 Improvement of parapet. Right end very much strengthened. Dugout constructed in parapet. Communication trench 14 to 14 Support parapet strengthened. AAA a lot of Repair Band.</p>	<p>Report to 83rd Brigade 7 am. - for sketch see appendix No. 1.</p>
12.20am 1. 4. 15 R.E. FARM.	<p>Casualties during previous twenty four hours Nil. -</p>	
6pm 1. 4. 15 R.E. FARM.	<p>No movement or action of the enemy observed during the day. AAA 20 patrols have been sent out during the day. AAA the Artillery and Enemy have at times been fairly active. AAA Enemy shelled 11 A & B at 4pm. All shells were close the killing parapet of 11 A direction from which shells were coming. 15 degrees N of E taken from left of 11 B. 80th Battery R.F.A. informed. Shells were common shell. AAA Enemy also shelled 14 Support but not over AAA the Artillery fire fairly accurate. AAA Enemy's trench opposite 11 A. Some shells were also seen fall in MESSINES AAA at 3pm an air ship of some size was seen in the distance from N bearing from right of 14 trench 100°</p>	<p>Report to 83rd Brigade at 6 pm. -</p>

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Guides left to bring up 5th N STAFFORDS. -

See appendix no. 2. and 3

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8.50pm to 9.50pm 14.15. RE. FARM <u>P.B. Capt.</u>	Relief by 5th North Staffords and 1st Jatsch took place Battalion handed by Companies to BAILLEUL via NEUVES EGLISE.—	See appendices 2 & 3.
2am 2.4.15. BAILLEUL. <u>P.B. Capt.</u>	Rept sent to 83rd Brigade that Betta is billeted in BAILLEUL.	
3pm 3.4.15. BAILLEUL.	Battalion [left BAILLEUL and marched] to WESTOUTRE [via Croix de Poperinghe]	See appendix No 4
6.30pm 3.4.15. WESTOUTRE <u>P.B. Capt.</u>	83rd Brigade informed Battalion is billeted in farms N of WESTOUTRE.	" " " 5.
1.30 am 4.4.15. WESTOUTRE	The Battalion marched to WESTOUTRE for church parade, after the Battalion received a Complimentary letter from Sir Charles Service the Brigade. Read a Complimentary letter from Sir Charles Service Commander, Coydetable, the Brigade on the food work done since it had been with the 1st Division.—	
6.4.15. YPRES.	Captains Woodwood, Palmer, Part, Pollard, Sampson & Sir Lonsdale sent to the trenches occupied by the 146th (Surrey) (French) Regiment & spent 24 hours with them.—	
11. am 7.4.15. WESTOUTRE <u>P.B. Capt.</u>	The 83rd Brigade was inspected by Sir Isaac Smith-Dorrien Commanding	
6.15 pm 8.4.15. WESTOUTRE & YPRES <u>P.B. Capt.</u>	The Battalion left WESTOUTRE for YPRES arriving there at 8 pm. to take over trenches from the 3rd Battalion 146th Regiment (French).—	See appendix No. 6

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9 pm 8.4.15 YPRES.	<p>The Battalion left YPRES via the PONT DE MENIN and marched via STAS POTIJZE to FRIEZEN BERG. Where trenches were dug belonging to 3rd Bata 146th Regiment (French). - Companies were dug to trenches as follows A, B, D, C. -</p> <p>Trenches were occupied as follows:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>A Company</td> <td>Right</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B "</td> <td>Centre (1 Machine Gun)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C "</td> <td>Left. (1 Machine Gun)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D "</td> <td>Support.</td> </tr> </table> <p>2 Machine Guns in Support.</p> <p>The trenches can not be called good in few places in the parapet rather poor, the communication trenches being especially bad. - The distance from the enemy was from 10* to 100* - the left trench ^{is} especially bad being enfiladed from both sides also the rear. - The trenches are very poor in fact very little repairs had been done for a considerable time. -</p>	A Company	Right	B "	Centre (1 Machine Gun)	C "	Left. (1 Machine Gun)	D "	Support.	See Appendix No 8/48.
A Company	Right									
B "	Centre (1 Machine Gun)									
C "	Left. (1 Machine Gun)									
D "	Support.									
3 AM. 9.4.15 ^{near} ZONNEBEKE.	<p>Relief completed, 10 c. 3rd Bata 146th Regt. left. Bata. left. The Relief passed off quietly 2 men were slightly wounded going in to the trenches. -</p>									
7 AM. 9.4.15. Near ZONNEBEKE	<p>Report to Brigade. Situation quiet nothing to report. - The Germans threw a message attached to a stone into our left trench. See Appendix No 10</p>									

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices								
12 noon 9.4.15. Trenches near ZONNE BEKE.	Casualties during last 24 hours were killed 3 wounded 3 (other ranks). —									
6. Sept. 9.3.15. Trenches near ZONNE BEKE.	Report to 83 rd Brigade Situation generally quiet. No movement of enemy observed. AAA Enemy Artillery shelled left trench between 4.45 pm and 5.10 pm, also used trench mortar on left trench at 11 am. Our artillery were informed AAA our artillery fired on enemy trenches in front of my left trench very accurately & put a stop to the mortar's fire. — The number of trenches are as follows. —	(The trench supplied by french artillery). —								
30m 10.4.15. Trenches near ZONNE BEKE.	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Left 210</td> <td>Centre 213</td> <td>Right 210</td> </tr> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Support 202</td> <td>Machine guns 40.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	{	Left 210	Centre 213	Right 210	{	Support 202	Machine guns 40.		
{	Left 210	Centre 213	Right 210							
{	Support 202	Machine guns 40.								
5.30 am 10.4.15. Trenches near ZONNE BEKE.	During the night D. Coy retained C. Coy. Situation quiet nothing to report, at 11 pm the enemy shelled our left trench, with a trench mortar but did no damage, artillery were informed & they shelled the enemy's trenches in front of left trench with great accuracy, making 2 trenches in the enemy's parapet of about 25 x 20 ft. — After this the enemy did not continue to use their mortar. —	see appendix No 11								
12 noon 10.3.15 Trenches near ZONNE BEKE.	The casualties during the last 24 hours were other ranks killed 4, wounded 7.	(french artillery)								

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130pm 10.4.15. trenches Near ZONNEBEKE.	Report to 88 th Brigade Situation quiet AAA. Our artillery shelled enemy's trenches in front of my left trench with accuracy. Reported friend artillery officer Reported Result of each shot direct to Battery AAA. A sentry in left trench Reported that several of the enemy ran to support trench when artillery began firing AAA. Enemy's artillery fire subsided.	
6.30pm 10.4.15. trenches Near ZONNEBEKE.	Report to Brigade Situation quiet. No movement of the enemy observed AAA. Our artillery fired on enemy's trench in front of left trench with accuracy. Artillery officer Reported Result of each shot to Battery AAA. Enemy threw a few bombs into my right trench AAA. At 4.45 pm a few shells fell near Battalion HQ & quarters.	
5.30pm 11.4.15 trenches Near ZONNEBEKE.	Report to Brigade Situation quiet. No movement of the enemy observed AAA. At 11 pm enemy fired on my left trench with a mortar. Artillery were informed AAA. Artillery fired very accurately & knocked down above. 200 yds of enemy parapet AAA at 11.15 11.15 pm enemy fired in my left trench with trench mortar within 3 minutes the artillery opened fire & enemy immediately closed.	
12.00pm 11.4.15 trenches Near ZONNEBEKE.	Situation quiet. No movement of the enemy observed. [Enemy's artillery set a loose on fire about 2000 yds S.W. of my Batta. HQ] At 11.30 am enemy continued to fire bombs at my left trench causing several casualties. At 12.00 am closed firing when shells from artillery. Casualties during last 24 hours were, other ranks. Killed 6 wounded 12.	

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
4 pm 11.4.15. Report to Bn Trenches near 11 pm 11.4.15. ZONNEBEKE.	<u>Report to 83rd Brigade</u> Situation quiet nothing to report. <u>Report to 83rd Brigade</u> All quiet nothing to report. Enemy air craft have been very active. —	
5 am 12.4.15. Trenches near ZONNEBEKE.	5 am. Report to Brigade. All quiet nothing to report. — at 6 am the O.C. Right trench (Captain Palmer) reported that a soldier posted in his trench had been considerably wounded by Rifle fire in order to stop this he threw three hand grenades into the enemy's trench, this was returned by about six from the enemy. — he then threw about 11 hand grenades, after that all was quiet. —	
12 noon 12.4.15. Trenches near ZONNEBEKE.	Nothing to report to Brigade. — Casualties during last 24 hours. other ranks killed 1 wounded 1 Lieut. N. B. LETHBRIDGE was wounded in the head in the left trench two D.C.O's belonging to the Royal Engineers were also wounded in the left trench. —	
2 pm		
4 pm	Nothing to report to Brigade 19. Nothing to report to Brigade 19. Standard Bde. the line to 22 nd Bde. the Major com (Royal Lancaster) Regt and went into Belle's in YPRES. — the last platoon arrived in at	for references see Appendices Nos. 9 & 10. —
11 pm 3 am 13.4.15	C.O. — Captain Pardey - belated Report, arrived from Royal Eng's Regt. —	

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11 p.m. 13-4-15 ZONNEBEKE. Bochelt	2/Lt S. WEBSTER 3rd York and Lancs Regt attached to the B Co was wounded whilst coming back with a fatigue party from the trenches.	
7 p.m. 15-4-15 YPRES Bochelt	Orders were received that the B Co was to be ready to move at a moment's notice to POTIJZE (Reliable information has been received by the 28th Div that the enemy intended to attack in front of YPRES tonight, and in case this attack took place or YPRES was badly shelled. These orders were issued.) Siv H. Plumer visited our billets and expressed his satisfaction with our work. B Co left YPRES to relieve 2/Lt King's Own Regt in the trenches. Relief completed 3.30 a.m. Report to Bde "Have taken over left section from King's Own Regt. - all quiet"	See Appendix 13
11 a.m. 16-4-15 YPRES		
6-30 p.m. 16-4-15 YPRES		See Appendix 14
3 a.m. 17-4-15 ZONNEBEKE	Broken herkilles and four wounded during the relief.	
9-30 a.m. to 10-40 a.m. "	Enemy shelled extreme left of H trench with a howitzer which seemed to enfilade the trench, causing 13 casualties.	
11 a.m. "	Report to Bde "Situation quiet. AAA. Between 9-30 a.m. and 10-30 a.m. Enemy's guns shelled my left trench causing 13 casualties. Position of guns cannot be ascertained but enfilade my left trench. AAA. Enemy is using H.E. shells from howitzer."	
12 noon. "	Casualties during previous 24 hrs. Killed 10. Other ranks 5 wounded 2/Lt H.C.M. Howard. Other tanks thirteen.	
4 p.m. "	Report to Bde "All quiet."	
7-30 to 7-45 p.m.	In accordance with instructions received from Bde rapid fire was opened on the enemy and a demonstration made to make them think attack is imminent.	

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17-4-15 10 ^{pm} ZONNEBERG.	Information rec ^d that attack of 5 th Div. was successful.	
11 ^{pm} "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet."	
11-50 ^{pm} "	C.O. visited F trench.	
18-4-15 2 ^{am} "	Senior Major and Adj ^t . visited G and H trenches.	
5 ^{am} "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet - nothing to report."	
8:20 ^{am} "	Vn heavy shadder fire heard to our left both rifle machine guns and artillery. Afterwards found out the enemy had attacked part of the 84 th Bde.	
11 ^{am} "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet nothing to report"	
12 ^{noon} "	Casualties during previous 24 hrs. Other ranks killed 1 wounded 3.	
4 ^{pm} "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet nothing to report."	
9:30 ^{pm} "	C.O.C. 83 rd Bde arrived at B.H.Q.	
11 ^{pm} "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet nothing to report."	
19-4-15 5 ^{am} "	<p><u>Report to Bde</u> "All quiet nothing to report."</p> <p>During the night 600 lbs of gunpowder was brought up to blow up the house in front of F trench where the enemy are so very close. The mine had apparently been prepared sometime before by the trench. It was found however that the mine did not go far enough and that it would have to be deepened before anything could be done.</p>	

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19-4-15 11 am ZONNEBEKE.	<u>Report to Bde</u> "Situation quiet. nothing to report."	
4 p.m. "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "Situation quiet. nothing to report."	
5.20 p.m. to 6 p.m. "	Very heavy firing heard in the direction of VERBRANDENMOLEN as near as could be judged. The first part of the night was very quiet there being practically no firing. After midnight however there was a good deal of rifle fire on the part of the enemy. The first part of the night was so quiet that we thought the enemy may have been conducting his relief.	
11 p.m. "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "Situation quiet. nothing to report." 2 ^d Lt Command visited F trench. G and H were visited by Adj. Lt.	
20-4-15. 5 am "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "Situation quiet. nothing to report." The left of No 8 trench was shelled and the parapet damaged by a tree being knocked down.	
11 am "	All quiet.	
12 noon "	Casualties during previous 24 hrs. Other ranks 2 wounded.	
4 p.m. "	<u>Report to Bde</u> "Situation quiet. AAA. Enemy shelled left detached part of 8 trench but not effectively. AAA. Enemy have been slightly more active in firing in front of 11 and 12 trenches.	
5.30 to 6.30 p.m. "	Very heavy fire heard about 3.04 hrs to our right.	
8- to 9.15 p.m.	Ditto.	

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	<p>The Machine Gun Section under Lieut Louzada moves from the farm behind C Coy. and took up a position behind hedge A. From there it opened fire at 1200 Yards on the ridge where the German pos: was supposed to be - covering the advance of the Companies attacking.</p> <p>A very heavy and accurate shell and rifle fire met the companies after hedge B and, although very scanty temporary cover could be obtained behind dungheaps. losses were excessively heavy.</p> <p>During the rush from hedge B to the stream C (about 300^x) the men were in full view of the enemy and a devastating machine gun and shell fire met them here. Some efforts were made at reorganization at this stream but many officers and N.C.O.'s were disabled and the fire so deadly and accurate that a further advance was ordered to hedge D.</p> <p>This last advance necessitated a rush across absolutely open ground and uphill for some 350^x and the losses were again very great.</p> <p>It was apparent here that with such a small number of men and exhausted as they were it would be impossible to reach the final pos: so it was decided not to push home the assault.</p> <p>It was at this hedge that both the Colonel and Adjutant were hit, the former being killed and the latter mortally wounded. [Both their bodies were safely carried to the rear.]</p>	

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21.4.15. 1 am. ZONNEBEKE	B ^t was relieved by 2 ^d Kings Own. Relief was completed at 2 am and B ^t arrived in huts outside YPRES at 4 am.	See Appendix 15.
22.4.15. 6 pm. HUTS nr YPRES 7 pm.	Very heavy firing heard to the north. French troops came down all roads in great disorder saying the Germans had advanced overwhelming them with asphyxiating gases. The B ^t "stood to."	
23.4.15. 1-15 am "	Orders were received from 28 th Div: to move B ^t to ST JEAN and there to come under command of COL CEDDES, the Buffs. B ^t left camp by Coys. in the following order. B. D. A. C. with intervals of 300 ^x between. On arrival at ST JEAN we heard 2 kilometres of French trenches had been rushed. B ^t occupied some trenches to N of ST JEAN. while the Buffs. 5/Kings Own. 3 ^d Pionniers tried to join up the gap made in the line.	
23.4.15. 5.30 am ST JEAN.	B ^t ordered to move forward and take up a post N.W. of WIELTJE. During this movement which was executed by small detached parties. the B ^t experienced a severe shelling by shrapnel and high explosives. Causing a few casualties. The B ^t dug itself in in some dispersed trenches and was heavily shelled most of the morning -	See Appendix 16

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23.4.15 4 p.m. Near ST JEAN.	Orders were received for B th to participate in an attack on the German post.	See Appendix 17.
4.5 p.m. "	Orders were issued by C.O. to Company commanders.	See Appendix 18.
4.10 p.m. "	Companies marched independently to the farm and the attack dismounted from behind it under very heavy rifle and machine gun fire. A Coy. moved off first followed by C Coy. On arrival at hedge B Lieut Chamier was sent forward with Nos 1 and 2 and Capt. Palmer with 2/Lt Connors followed with nos 3 and 4 platoons. Close behind. No 5 platoon under Capt. Cowley moved off with A Coy, having become detached from B Coy. before the attack started. At about the same time C Coy. moved out to the right of A; Nos 11 and 12 platoons leading under Capt. Sandy Wilmut and Lieut. Briscoe followed by Nos 9 and 10 platoons under Lt Gamblett. A and C coys were followed by D and B coys also moving in small parties as far as hedge A. Here D Coy. followed the line of A at about 250 ^x distance in the following formation :- Nos 13 and 14 platoons under Capt Collins and Lieut Kent Lemon followed by Nos 16 and 15 under Lieut Boyd and 2/Lt Batters. B Coy followed the line of C Coy; No 7 platoon leading under 2/Lt Gibbs followed by Nos 6 and 8 under Capt. East and Lieut. Parry.	See Appendix 19.

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
8 p.m.	<p>During the advance of the infantry and after the last two corps. had passed hedge A, the machine gun section took up a second position along the hedge B where 2 Canadian Machine Guns were already in action. From this post the guns opened fire on the same ridge at 1000^m. The remainder of the country in front was so open that the guns were not advanced further until the fighting had considerably diminished, ^{and darkness had fallen} when they were sent to the forward line in anticipation of a possible counter-attack by the Germans.</p> <p>Under cover of darkness Capt. Wedgwood who had assumed command of the B^{ty} decided that the regt. had been so weakened that he could not hold such an advanced post.</p> <p>After consultation with officers of other regts. up there he decided to fall back and the B^{ty} dug themselves in along a position corresponding to the hedge A and continued to the left. Three machine guns were placed in position along this line and one in the farm behind.</p> <p>This has to be with drawn on the following day owing to very heavy shell fire.</p>	

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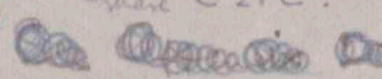
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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
24.4.15. N ^o ST JEAN.	The B ^t remained in their pos ⁿ exposed to heavy shell fire.	
25.4.15 " "	Ditto.	
26.4.15 3 a.m. " "	B ^t was withdrawn and marched to POTIJZE WOOD. where it came under the orders of the 27th Division. - forming part of a composite Brigade under COL TENSON, D.C.L.I. The B ^t dug themselves in in this wood.	
27.4.15. POTIJZE. 4.30 p.m.	B ^t remained dug in the woods. Brigade was ordered to move out in support of the Siskins Bde who had suffered a temporary check to the right of the YPRES-ALCKEM ROAD. B ^t moved out along hedge rows in single file following the D.C.L.I. and advanced under heavy shell and rifle fire to the ridge X. Companies took up pos ⁿ in the following order: A Coy on the left with its left resting on the road, under Lt. Gamblett; D Coy. Lt. Briscoe. B Coy. Capt East. C Coy. Capt Collins.	
28.4.15 2 a.m. N ^o WIELTJE 3 a.m. " "	Here the B ^t dug themselves in. D and C coys were relieved by the Siskins Bde and took up a second position parallel to the road ST JEAN - WIELTJE and 300' from it. A and B coys. were relieved by B Coy. prolonging this line and A Coy. returning to POTIJZE.	<p>X Ridge is shown in Map Belgium 28 joining 2 farms outside the road in Square C 21 C.</p>  <p>Road leads due N. from LA BRIQUE</p>

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
28.4.15. N ^o ST JEAN.	B ^o : remained dug in throughout the day. Lt. Wylie joined from 3 rd B ^o .	Note there is no appendix 20.
28.4.15. 10 p.m. "	Orders were received to rejoin our B ^o and return to huts near YPRES	See appendix 21.
29.4.15. 8 a.m. N ^o YPRES	B ^o : marched by companies and were all in by midnight. Draft of 209 men awaited us in camp. Br. Lt. Col. Isherwood arrived to assume command. Special order received from H.M. the King. " " " " C-in-C.	See appendix 22 " " 23
	Following were <u>Casualties</u> in the week's fighting :- <u>Officers</u>	
	Killed. Lt. Col. A.G. Bant.	
	Missing Major H.K. Colston Lt C.K. Chamier	Died of wounds Capt. Adj. E.S. Bantford Wounded but at duty Lewis B.C. Louisiana.
	Wounded. Capt. Eardley Wilson Capt. A.E. Palmer. Capt. R.B. Cowley. Lt. A.L. Kent/Lemow. Lt. J.W.D. Boyd. Lt K.S. Bedford. Lt N.C. Parry. 2/Lt D. Connors. 2/Lt H.W. Gibbs 2/Lt E.E. Battle	<u>Other Ranks</u> Killed 2 + 58 Wounded 10 + 283 Missing 2 + 82

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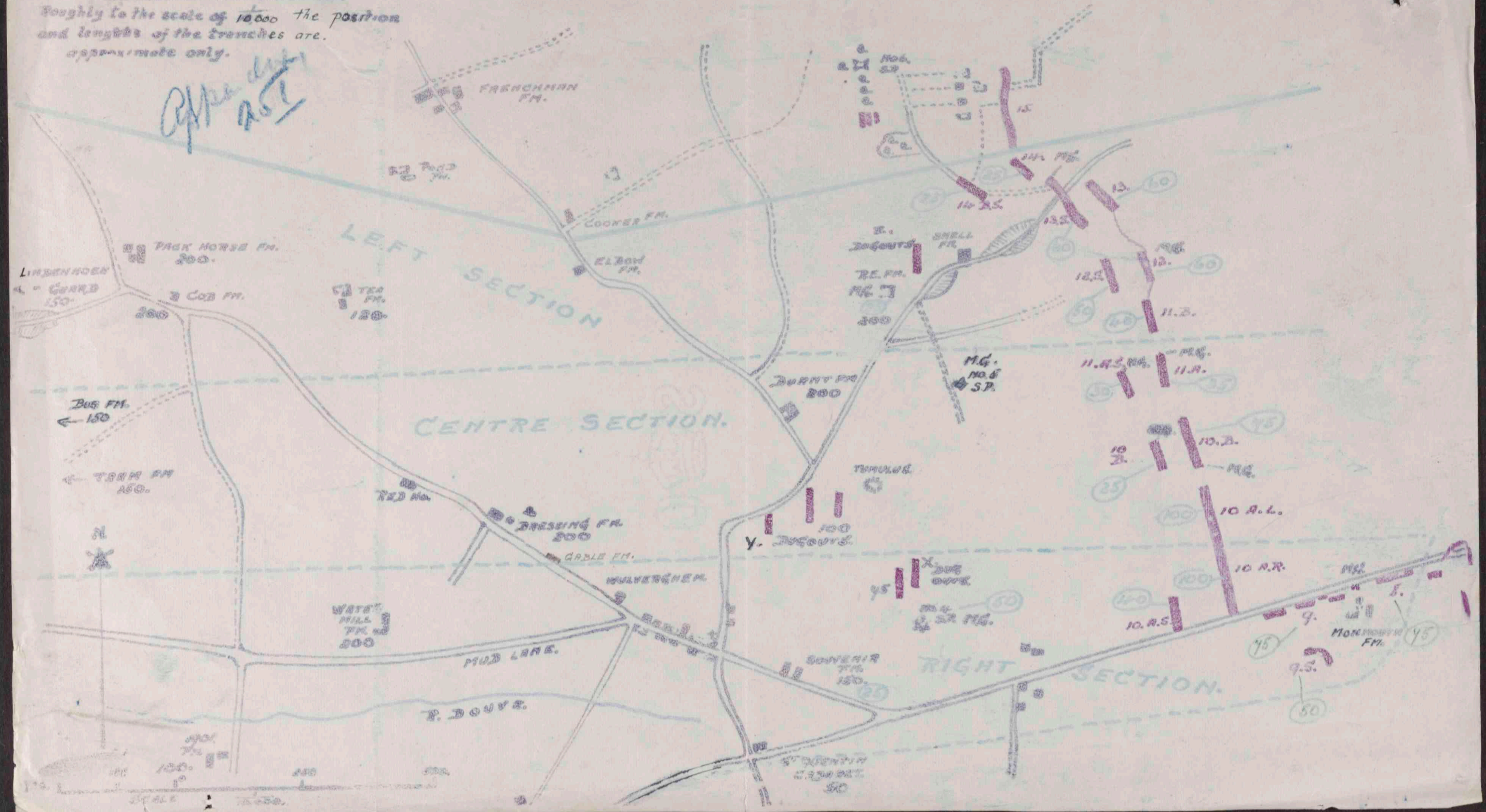
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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<p>30-4-15. YPRES</p> <p>11 p.m.</p>	<p>2/L TAYLOR and 2/L DODWELL arrived from Training College. Baitment and were posted to D and A Coys. respectively.</p> <p>C.O. inspected the draft and the camp.</p> <p>Shrapnel shells and high explosives burst near and over the camp for about an hour without doing any damage.</p>	

83RD BRIGADE DIAGRAM OF TRENCHES.

Roughly to the scale of 10,000 the position and lengths of the trenches are approximate only.

The figures shown in green are the minimum garrisons which must be maintained, figures in black show total accommodation.



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Sketch of Trenches held by 1st York Lancers

Appendix No. 2.

Scale $\frac{1}{5000}$

— British Trenches
--- Comms.
x Machine Gun

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German Trenches

Left Section

Centre Section

Right Section

Support Point

Dugout

Support Point

x
Dugout

Bunker
Dugout

Rough sketches of
junctures occupied by
1st York Lancers
near Louisa
April 1915

Appendix No 2 Copy No. 5.

Operation Order No 25 by
Brigadier General R. C. BOYLE C.B. Commanding
83rd Infantry Brigade

WESTHOFF PARK.
1st April 1914

Reference Map HEZEBROUCK 5A

1. The Brigade will move in accordance with the attached table. -
2. The following Battalions will march to BOESCHEPE to Snow - Starting point the Square BAILLEUL

2 nd King's Own Regiment	3.45 pm
5 th King's Own Regiment	4 pm
1 st K.O. Y.L.I.	4.15 pm

 Baggage wagons to accompany units
 On arrival they will be billeted as follows
 2nd King's Own Regiment in farms between BOESCHEPE and ABEELE. -
 5th King's Own Regt. in farms between BOESCHEPE and WESTOUTRE. -
 1st K.O. Y.L.I. in BOESCHEPE. -
 Billeting parties will meet the Staff Captain at the Southern Entrance to BOESCHEPE to Snow. -
4. The 2nd East Yorkshire Regiment will hand over the Centre Section to 11a to 5th $\frac{11}{11}$

Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment, Guides
for Pack trench machine gun or farm to
be at WULVERGHEM Church at 4.50 pm
and will hand over 14 & 14 Support to
the 84th Brigade at 9 pm. - (No fuel
Required). -

After Relief the 2nd East Yorkshire Regt
will march to BAILLEUL via DRANOUTRE.

B The 3rd Northampton Regiment will hand
over the Right section to the 5th South
Staffordshire Regt. Guides as in A. to
be at WULVERGHEM Church at 8.30 pm. -
After Relief the 3rd Northampton Regiment will
march to BAILLEUL by NEUVE EGLISE. -

C. The 5th South Staffordshire Regiment
will maintain machine gun in S.P. 4 & in
to B. -

5.

The Brigade commences the line now
held by the Brigade until completion of
the Relief to-morrow. -
After that time Brigade Headquarters will
be at BOESCHEPE. -

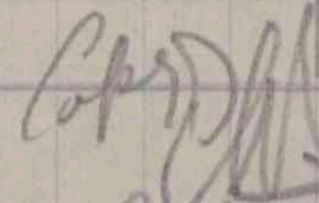
(Signed) J. J. Mundy Captain

Brigade Major 85th Bde.

True Copy J. Bamford Captain
Acting Major 85th Bde.

83rd Infantry Brigade Table of halting places Issued with operation order 7025

DATE	BAILLEUL	BOESCHERE AREA	WESTOUTRE AREA
night of 1 st April	2 nd Kings Own Regiment 1 st York & Lancaster Regiment		
" " 2 nd April	2 nd East Yorkshire Regiment 1 st York & Lancaster Regiment 3 rd Monmouth Regt.	2 nd Kings Own Regt. 1 st K.O. Y.L.I. 5 th Kings Own Regt.	
" " 3 rd April	3 rd Monmouth Regt. (Remains there for present)		2 nd East Yorkshire Regiment 1 st York & Lancaster Regiment

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Signed J.P. Mansfield Captain
Brigade Major 83rd Brigade

Appendix No 3

Copy 20.

Operation Order No 5 Bg.

Lt Colonel A G. Burt Commanding
1st Batta York & Lancaster R.

R.E FARM,

1.4.15

1. The Battalion will be Relieved to night by the 5th N. Stafford Reg and 2/ East Yorkshire Reg. in accordance with the attached table. —
2. Shovels pick axes hand axes felling axes hammers periscopes & felling tools in accordance with attached memo to be brought out. —
3. After Relief the Battalion will march by Bagnon or Puyale platform to BAILLEUL NEUVE EGLISE. —
4. French Commanders will Report as soon as they have handed over their trench if possible by telephone. —
When passing R.E FARM, the written Report of work done etc will be handed to the Adjutant. —

Adjutant J. H. Lambie Captain
1st York & Lancaster R.

TABLE OF RELIEFS 1ST APRIL 1915... Deal with *German*
Order No 4

TRENCH.	HELD BY.	UNIT RELIEVED BY.	GUIDES TWO PER TRENCH OR MACHINE GUN TO MEET RELIEVING UNIT AT.	TIME
11 B. 12. 12 S }	B Company	5 th North Stafford Regiment	WULVERGHAM CHURCH.	7.30 pm
13 13 S }	A Company	5 th North Stafford Regiment	WULVERGHAM CHURCH	7.30 pm
14 14 S }	A Company	2 nd East Lancashire Regt	vic le Refuge de la	

W. Bamford Captain
Adjutant 2nd East Lancashire Regt

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Operation order No 5 By
Lt. Col. A. G. Bur. Commanding
1/4th Lancashire Regt.

S. 4. 15
BAILLEUL.

1. The Battalion will move to WESTOUTRE today.
2. The Battalion will form up at the LUNATIC ASYLUM at 2.50 pm in the following order
A. B. C. D. Coys. Machine Guns. ~~Transport~~. —
Transport including supply wagons will follow the unit. —
3. A Billeting party consisting of 1 sergeant per Company of 2 CO for 2. CO Section will leave Bala House under Lieut. Longden at 12.45 pm today. —
4. All Baggage & Blankets must be ready for loading by 1.15 pm.
5. Billeter must be left thoroughly clean
is Edmund Captain
Adjutant 1/4th Lancashire Regt.

Operation Order No 6 by

Copy No.

Lt Colonel A. J. Bur. Commandant
 1st Battalion 146th Regiment (Tanks)

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1. The Battalion will move from billets at present occupied to day & is trained for duty in the trenches. —

2. The Battalion less transport machines, tools, boots, carts & 2 platoons D Coy & premises will move in accordance with the attached tables to YPRES. —

3. At FRIESENBERG one lance per company from the 3rd Battalion 146th Regiment (Tanks) to lead companies to Battalion lead quarters. —

At Battalion lead quarters one lance per platoon will lead platoons to trenches. —
 Companies will leave FRIESENBERG at interval of 1/4 hour.

The Battalion is due to arrive at FRIESENBERG at 11 pm. —

4. The following stores will be issued at FRIESENBERG & carried to the trenches.

Sandbags 2 per man

R.A.A. 24 Boxes per Coy

Shovels 28

Picks 20

Blank Ammunition } 20 Boxes per Coy

Retinators }
 Salt & Charcoal }

Appendix 2.5

operation order 2026 by
 Brigade General J.C. Doyle CB.
 Commander, 23rd Infantry Brigade

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Reference Map HAZEBROUCK.
 4 Sheet 28

WESTOUTRE.
 7th April 1915.

1. The Brigade will relieve the 146th Regiment in the trenches to know—
2. Troops for the trenches, less 1st K.O.Y.L.I. & 5th King's Own Regiment & less Machine Gun detachments will move in accordance with the attached table to know.—
 Buses are to hold 25 each, any men for whom accommodation is not available will march with the transport.—
3. Ladders at the rate of 1 per Company & one per pair of Machine Guns. Fuel troops at FRENZENBERG.—
 additional ladders at the rate of 1 per platoon held at the troops at Battalion's Headquarters.—
4. The O.C. 2nd King's Own Regiment will detail one Company to report at FRENZENBERG to each of the Battalion's going into the trenches, as soon as those Battalion's arrive there.— These Companies will be employed on carrying work under the order of the O.C. Battalion to which they are attached & will return to FRENZENBERG when dismissed by him.—
5. After passing FRENZENBERG an interval of $\frac{1}{2}$ hour must be allowed between Companies.—
6. All available S.A.F. in charge of ~~the~~ the Brigade will be taken into the fire trenches, so that ~~the~~ service in the trenches in those trenches. Statement of ammunition is given below.— Battalion's for the trenches to take their own Regimental tools.—
7. Until 12th Instant the Brigade will be supported by artillery of the 36th French Division.— Each Battalion in the trenches is in communication with one Battery of howitzers from Battalion's Headquarters, & also from the fire trenches.— The French will continue to fire operations for those lines, till the above date.—
8. Brigade Headquarters will be at the present Headquarters of the 146th Regiment.— Square D 26. C. 5. 1.— The officer Commander that Regiment's Commander the line until the relief is complete.—