

PAT NO 1725

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ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT
FSR MS. 7/15

3TH BATTALION, ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT.

1.

1918.

Appendix.

January

CAMBRIDGE CAMP (28 N N) B 11 c 7.7.

1st

Work A Coy

Worked on new Army line of defence 250 yards wire completed.

Reference
LAURENCE
1/10000
U 20 b 4.7
to

B Coy

Worked on ABRI WOOD camp ref. B1334007 20 S N 4- erecting shelters.

U 28 a 18

C Coy

Defining & inspecting shelters & inspecting

D Coy

Worked on ABRI WOOD camp - erecting shelters.

2nd

Work A Coy.

Defining & inspecting 1 plat. lining up with plots for wiring Nos 7 & 8 N. complements.

B Coy

Remainder of company working on ABRI CAMP - erecting shelters.

C Coy

Worked on light railway under R.E. ref. B1334007 20 S N 4.1/10000 between U 13 c 80-85 to ABRI WOOD U.26.c.

D Coy

Worked on erecting shelters at LAFINS PW. near ABRI WOOD camp.

3rd

Work A Coy

Worked on new Army line of defence 100 yards wiring completed

B Coy

200 yds plots driven into the ground 1 plat. on new Army line of defence 100 yds plots driven in 20 yds wiring done. Remainder of Coy. on ABRI CAMP erecting shelters.

C Coy

Company worked on light railway under R.E.

D Coy

Worked on new camp near ABRI WOOD erecting wire shelters.

4th

Honours and rewards:

The undermentioned awarded the Military Cross (London Gazette) Jan'y 1st/18.

T/CAPI & ADT N.H. HAMPTON

T/CAPI S.T. BUCK

T/PLINT L.A.F. IRELAND

S/518 N.B.H. BLOOMFIELD J.

Work A Coy

Worked on Army line of Defence wiring 250 yds completed

B Coy

Worked on Army line wiring & putting in plots

C Coy

Worked on light railway under R.E.

D Coy

Erecting shelters at new camp near ABRI WOOD

5th

Work A Coy

Worked on Army line of Defence 270 yds of wiring completed.

B Coy

Worked on Army line of Defence Infantry party worked under this company 50 yds wiring done.

Plots driven in for 170 yards

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5th
(contd.)

Work of Coy worked on 11mt railway
under R E
D Coy Special shelters at new
camp near ABRI HOOD.

6th

WORK:- "A" Company worked on ABRI Line
of Defence 200 yds of
wiring completed

"B" Company worked on ABRI Line
of Defence 110 yds wiring
completed, 30 yds
partially done

"C" Company worked on 11mt
Railway from ABRI HOOD
towards SCOTTISH HOUSE
under R.E. Spading
completed for 150 yds.

"D" Company remained in camp
behind & Inspections
Infantry Party (50) worked
with B Coy & completed 150
yds of pickets.

15th Division Order No 151 received

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No 1

7th

15th Division Order No 152 re Bde
relief received

Appendix
No 2

"A" Coy worked on new army
line of defence 140 yds
wiring completed - 170 yds
completed less apron

"B" Coy worked on new Army Line
of Defence 170 yds of
wiring completed -

Infantry party (50) completed
150 yds pickets & carried wire
"C" Coy worked on 11mt railway
from ABRI HOOD towards

SCOTTISH HOUSE under R.E.-
30x of trading completed
90x rails laid & a switch
put in.

"D" Coy One section finishing off
SHALISH shelters at CAPTAINS
FARM.

Remainder wiring new line
of Defence VULCAN FARM
CAPTAINS FARM - FOURCHIE FARM -
COLONELS FARM marking off &
putting in pickets

8th

Strength Increase - Officers Sec.Lt. L.D.
Head joined Battalion 7-1-18
and is posted to A Coy.

WORK:- "A" Company remained in camp -
Inspections &c.

"B" Company worked on new Army of
Defence 240 yds wiring
completed.

"C" Company worked on 11mt
Railway from ABRI HOOD to
SCOTTISH HOUSE - 100 yds
rails laid, switch put in
and 90 yds of line ballasted.

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8th
(contd.)

"D" Company One section
sandbagging & dealing at
LAPINS FARM CAMP.

Remainder of Company
worked on wiring new Army
line of defence.

9th

WORK:- "A" Company worked on wiring

Army line of Defence
280 yds of wiring completed.

"B" Company worked on wiring
Army line of defence

320 yds of wiring completed.

"C" Company Two platoons worked
on 11th railway towards
SCOTTISH HOUSE. 25 yds of
wire laid & 80 yds of line
ballasted.

Ref:-
BISCLIGHT
20 S.F.4.

Two platoons working on
railway from CAMORANT DUMP
(near BOCHE CORNER) towards
FRENCH LINE.

"D" Company worked on wiring Army
line of defence 20 yds
wiring completed.

10th

Casualties:- C/7265 Pte. EOLANEE P. "A"
wounded slightly at duty
10-1-19

WORK:- "A" Company worked on Army line
of Defence. Setting out
second line & driving pickets
for 560 yds. Making knife
rests on first line &

unloading materials at sidings.

"B" Company worked on Army line of
Defence - 220 yds of wiring
completed. Infantry party
driving pickets for 250 yds
& providing carrying parties.

Ref:-
BISCHOTE
20 S.F.4

"C" Company worked on Army line
of Defence - Wiring M.C.
emplacements Nos. 15 & 16 -
near FOURCHE FARM

"D" Company worked on Army line
of Defence 150 yds wiring
partly completed.
One section wiring at LAPINS
FARM erecting snelters.

11th

Strength Increase - Officers:- 2nd Lieut
O.J.C. Pound joined battalion
11-1-1919.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on wiring of
Army line of defence setting
out & driving pickets.
Unloading trucks at VULCAN
sidings.

"B" Company worked on wiring of
Army line of defence 260 yds
of wiring done. Infantry
party completed 350 yds of
pickets.

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11th
(contd.)

"C" Company worked on wiring of army line of defence 45 yds wire completed & 180x partly done round M.G. emplacements Nos 15 & 16.

"D" Company worked on wiring of army line of defence 70 yds wire completed to-day.

12th

Officers:- 2nd Lt. G.F.C. Pound posted to "D" Coy 11/1/1918

WORK:- "A" Company worked on army line of defence. Setting out & driving pickets for 450 yds. providing loading and unloading parties

"B" Company worked on army line of defence - 250 yds of wiring done - 340 yds pickets completed by Infantry party

"C" Company Coy battery. Infantry party wiring from M.G.s 16 & 18 towards M.G.S. 13 40 yds completed.

"D" Company worked on army line of defence 290 yds completed - 275 yds partly completed.

13th

Officers:- During the absence on leave of Lieut. Col. B.J. Walker A/Major H.V. Bacon assumes command of the Battalion.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on army line of defence 460 yds wiring completed, 25 yds picketing done. Loading & unloading trucks.

"B" Company worked on army line of defence 400 yds wiring completed. Infantry party driving pickets 150 yds completed - Infantry party Salvin pickets.

"C" Company worked on army line of defence 140 yds wiring completed round M.G.s Nos 15 & 16 & towards M.G.No. 13. Infantry party salvin pickets.

"D" Company battery & inspections.

14th

Casualties:- 290506 Pte Kemp R.T. "A" Coy. wounded slightly at duty 14/1/1918.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on army line of defence 310 yds of wiring completed, pickets driven in for 100 yds loading & unloading materials

"B" Company Company battery & inspections in camp 30 men employed on new transport lines B.11.d 2.4. - CHASSERIN PH. Infantry party salvin pickets & putting in on army

Ref.

BELGIUM

28 H.H.

1/20,000

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14th

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line for about 50 yds.
1 platoon erecting NISSEN
huts at Div.H.Q.

"G" Company worked on Army Line
of Defence 80x wiring
completed & 150x partially
completed near M.O.Bs 16 &
16. Infantry Parties
picketing round M.C.E.14 &
salvin pickets.

"D" Company sat in a-a-inspections
in-sawp worked on Army Line
of defence - 40 yds completed
Infantry Parties picketing
on Army Line & salvin
pickets.

16th

WORK:-

"A" Company bathing and
inspections. Loading &
unloading trucks - Infantry
party worked on army line of
defence - 100 yds picketing
done.

"E" Company worked on army line
of defence 370 yds wiring
completed Infantry party
completed 120 yds picketing
1 platoon erecting NISSEN
huts at Div.H.Q.

"G" Company worked on army line
of defence 180 yds of wiring
completed - 85 yds partially
completed. Infantry party
completed 320 yds of
picketing.

"D" Company worked on army line
of defence 280 yds wiring
completed 280 yds partially
completed.

16th

16th Div. Order No 153 re reliefs
received.

Appendix
No. 5.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on Army
Line of Defence (E of
STERNBERG) 260 yds wiring
completed. 1 section
unloading trucks.

"G" Company worked on Army Line
of Defence. 300 yds
wiring completed. Infantry
party carrying & wiring
1 platoon erecting NISSEN
huts at Div.H.Q.

Ref:-
EX-1007

"D" Company worked on Army Line
of defence 400 yds of
wiring completed near
FOURHE FARM Infantry
party carrying, picketing
& wiring.

"D" Company worked on Army Line
of defence 160 yds wiring
partly completed, 230 yds
completed.

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17th

Work:-

"A" Company worked on Army line of defence 280 yds wire completed, 150 yds picketing done.

"G" Company worked on Army line of defence 300 yds wire & 350 yds picketing completed.

"C" Company worked on Army line of defence 350 yds of wire completed - Infantry party picketing

"J" Company worked on Army line of defence 140 yds wire picketing completed.

18th

Work:-

The Battalion worked on the Army line of defence.

"A" Company 280 yds wire & 20 yds picketing completed.

"B" Company 320 yds wire & 20 yds picketing completed

"G" Company 150 yds wire completed.

1 platoon erecting WISSEN hut at Church Army hut

BOSSINGHE.

"D" Company 125 yds wire completed & 120 yds nearly completed

19th

Officers - Promotions:- The following is extract from London Gazette dated Jan. 10th - "H. S. S. R. Lt. Col. (acting Capt. addl.) J. E. C. Lanthorn (T.C.) to be temp. Capt. (Sept. 14th 1917)

NOTE:- The Battalion 19th C. Coy worked on Army defence line.

"A" Company with Infantry party completed 210 yds wire & 330 yds picketing. 1 platoon erecting WISSEN huts at 18th Div. H.Q.

"G" Company completed 400 yds wire - Infantry party completed 200 yds picketing

"C" Company battery. One platoon erecting WISSEN hut at transport lines CHASSER VAHE.

"D" Company completed 250 yds wire, partly completed 80 yds.

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20th

Officers - Transfer:- Lieut. J. J. FISHER temporarily transferred to A Coy. for duty as from 20/1/1918

WORK:- The Battalion less D Coy worked on Army line of defence

"A" Company completed 250 yds wiring & 225 yds of picketing

"B" Company completed 300 yds wiring & 200 yds picketing 1 platoon erecting HISSEN hut at Divl. H.Q.

"C" Company completed 160 yds of wiring

"D" Company bathing & inspections - In afternoon employed on erection of HISSEN hut at Transport lines & other work in camp.

21st

WORK:- The Battalion continued work on Army line of defence

"A" Company completed 260 yds wiring - picketed 190 yds & partially picketed 130 yds

"B" Company - Infantry party completed 300 yds wiring & 190 yds picketing 2 platoons erecting HISSEN huts at Divl. H.Q.

Company bathing & working in camp

"C" Company completed 190 yds wiring & 680 yds of picketing

"D" Company completed 165 yds wiring & partially completed 50 yds. Appendix No 4.

18th Div Warning Order No G.189 received.

22nd 18th Division Order No 154 re Bde reliefs received.

WORK:- The Battalion continued work on Army line of defence Appendix No 5

"A" Company completed 250 yds wiring, partially completed

70 yds. 370 yds of picketing done

"B" Company completed 120 yds of wiring & 150 yds upon 260 yds picketing done

1 platoon employed on Transport lines, 1 platoon erecting HISSEN huts at Divl. H.Q.

"C" Company completed 440 yds wiring

"D" Company completed 105 40 yds wiring & partially completed 195 yds

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23rd

NOTE:- The Battalion continued work on

Army line of defence.

"A" Company bathing - Infantry party carrying pickets to WARREN for use on 4th line.

"B" Company completed 300 yds & partially completed 100 yds wiring Infantry party completed 175 yds picketing.

"C" Company completed 300 yds wiring & partially completed 300 yds.

"D" Company completed 205 yds & partially completed 210 yds wiring.

24th

NOTE:- The Battalion worked on the Army

Defence line.

Appendix
No 6.

"A" Company completed 350 yds wiring & partially completed 100 yds.

"B" Company completed 350 yds wiring & 100 yds concertina wiring.

"C" Company completed 250 yds wiring & 150 yds partially completed. 1 platoon worked on transport lines.

"D" Company completed 370 yds & partly completed 150 yds.

25th

NOTE:- The Battalion worked on the Army

Defence line

"A" Company completed 100 yds & partially completed 250 yds wiring.

"B" Company completed 280 yds wiring & 150 yds concertina wiring.

"C" Company completed 400 yds wiring.

"D" Company completed 275 yds wiring & partially completed 50 yds.

26th

NOTE The Battalion continued work on the

Army defensive line.

"A" Company partially completed 200 yds wiring & erected notice boards.

"B" Company completed 300 yds wiring & 200 yds concertina.

"C" Company completed 350 yds of wiring & 550 yds picketing.

"D" Company completed 240 yds & partially completed 150 yds.

27th

NOTE:- The Battalion continued work on

the Army defence line.

"A" Company completed 300 yds of wiring less concertina, 300 yds picketing & constructed knife posts.

"B" Company completed 300 yds of wiring & 180 yds concertina

"C" Company completed 200 yds of wiring & partially completed 300 yds.

"D" Company bathing & inspections in camp.

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28th

WORK:-

The Battalion continued work on the Army defence line.

"A" Company completed 140 yds of wiring. Putting in box & concertina wire & carrying knife rests to positions ready for use.

"B" Company - bathing & inspections in camp. Unloading trucks at BARRICK siding.

"C" Company - completed 310 yds of wiring.

"D" Company - completed 280 yds & partially completed 166 yds wiring.

29th

WORK:-

The Battalion continued work on the Army defence line.

"A" Company bathing & inspections in camp.

"B" Company completed 280 yds of wiring & 200 yds concertinas.

"C" Company completed 200 yds of wiring. Picketling &

constructing knife rests.

"D" Company completed 170 yds & partially completed 190 yds of wiring.

30th

WORK:-

"A" Company completed 300 yds wiring at rear of Post VI.

Putting in loose wire & erecting notice boards.

"B" Company 280 yds of wiring & 250 yds picketing completed.

"C" Company 270 yds of wiring completed. - 27 knife rests completed.

"D" Company completed 215 yds & partly completed 235 yds.

31st

WORK:-

"A" Company completed 280 yds wiring & constructed 12 knife rests.

"B" Company completed 250 yds wiring, 200 yds of picketing, constructing knife rests & putting in loose wire.

"C" Company completed 60 yds wiring, constructing knife rests.

"D" Company completed 315 yds wiring & partially completed 140 yds.

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Copy No. 11

18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 161.

6th January 1948.

Ref. Map
HOUSTONS FORTRESS
A.1. 1/10,000
SCHAAP BAIRIE 1/20,000.

1. On a day which has been notified to all concerned the 55th Infantry Brigade will re-occupy TURNING CROSSING and establish a post on the embankment 50 yards N.W. of it.

The outposts at present existing will push forward on both sides of the embankment to gain touch with the new post at the CROSSING.

2. The attack will be carried out under cover of a hurricane bombardment by STOKES mortars and intense machine gun fire in addition to the action of the Artillery as shown in para. 3.

3.

Artillery Arrangements

(a) There will be no creeping barrage.

(b) At zero a standing barrage will be put down by the 18th and 56th Divisional Artilleries on the line -
V.7.b.6.5. - V.1.d.96.00. - V.1.d.9.6. -
V.1.b.6.0. - V.1.b.60.25. - V.1.a.70.15.

(c) At zero DYCK FARM, GRAVEL FARM, fortified posts on and round the embankment about V.1.b.95.05 and junction of SIX FIELDS areas will be engaged to neutralise hostile machine gun fire.

(d) At zero the 1st Division will prolong the standing barrage mentioned in (b) to the West to prevent the point of attack being immediately localised by the enemy.

4.

Machine Guns.

18th Div. Fire from hostile organised posts in V.1.a. and V.1.b. must be neutralised by the machine guns of the Brigade.

56th Div. 3 Vickers guns are being installed at STRING HOUSES (V.13.d.4.6.) 2 of these will sweep the west front of the row of huts in V.1.d. - the remaining gun the eastern front of the huts, paying especial attention to the northern end where they join the road to SCHAAP BAIRIE.

5.

(a) Artillery will maintain fire from zero to zero plus 20 minutes when fire will cease, with the exception that the road between the N. end of the huts in V.1.d. and the railway siding in V.2.a. will be kept under occasional bursts of fire until zero plus 1½ hours.

(b) Machine guns will fire intense from zero to zero plus 20 minutes, after which short bursts of fire will be kept up on the same targets until zero plus 1½ hours.

6. The C.R.A. 16th Division will prepare an alternative S.O.B. line which will automatically come into force if the operation is a success.

This line should sweep the western face of the huts in V.I.d. and cross the railway about, but not nearer than, V.I.d.5.7.

It is to be made clear to all concerned that from the moment that the Brigadier 56th Infantry Brigade informs his Group Commander that TURKISH CROSSING is definitely in his possession, the new S.O.B. line will come into force.

Artillery preparations to ensure this must be complete before the attack.

7. A contact aeroplane will fly over TURKISH CROSSING at 8 a.m. on the day of the attack to locate the post at the crossing and those immediately North and South of the crossing.

These positions are to be indicated by WATSON. Plans which will be shown when called for by the aeroplane.

8. Instructions in connection with zero hour will be issued later.
9. ACQUISITION.

WALLACE WRIGHT,
Lieut.-Colonel.
General Staff, 16th Division.

Issued at 6 p.m.

Copies to :-

1. A.D.G. for G.O.C.
- 2/3 "g"
- 4/5 "g"
- 6 53rd Brigade.
- 7 54th Brigade.
- 8 55th Brigade.
- 9 C.R.A. 16th Div.
- 10 C.R.H.
- 11 8th R. Suss. Pioneers.
- 12 Signals.
- 13 A.D.H.S.
- 14 A.P.H.
- 15 D.H.G.O.
- 16 XIX Corps "g"
- 17 XIX Corps "g"
- 18 1st Division.
- 19 20th Division.
- 20 War Diary.
- 21 No. 9 Squadron, R.F.C.

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16TH DIVISION ORDER No. 152.

Copy No. 11

Ref. Map Sheets
30. 1/40,000.
BICKHOOZE 1/10,000
HCHAP. BATH. 1/10,000.

January 7th 1918.

1. The 54th Infantry Brigade will relieve the 55th Infantry Brigade in the line on the night January 10/11th. The command of the sector will pass from B.O.C. 55th Infantry Brigade to B.O.C. 54th Infantry Brigade on completion of the relief.

2. All details of the relief will be arranged direct between Brigadiers concerned.
 3. The Vickers machine guns of the 54th Infantry Brigade will relieve those of the 55th Infantry Brigade on the night of January 9/10th.
92nd Field Coy. R.M. will not be relieved on the night 10/11th but at a later date under orders to be issued by the C.R.B.
Inter-Company relief of Vickers machine guns of 53rd Infantry Brigade will not take place on night 10/11th.
 4. 55th Inf. Bde. will hand over to 54th Inf. Bde. all maps, papers and aerial photos connected with the sector.
 6. Reconnaissance of the line by 54th Inf. Bde. will commence forthwith.
 7. Brigade transports will not move.
 8. Movements of personnel will be by train.
 9. 55th Infantry Brigade will be accommodated in the Hoveyze Brigade area on relief.
 10. Train and administrative orders for the relief will be issued by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
 11. Completion of relief will be reported to Divisional Headquarters using the number of this order followed by time relief was completed.
 12. ACKNOWLEDGED.
- Issued at 4 p.m.
- Copies to :-
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|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 A.D.C. for G.O.C. | 14 A.P.M. |
| 2/3 "G" | 15 Div. Train. |
| 4/b "G" | 16 D.S.G. |
| 6 53rd Bde. | 17 D.A.D.O.S. |
| 7 54th Bde. | 18 XIX Corps "G" |
| 8 55th Bde. | 19 XIX Corps "G" |
| 9 C.R.B. | 20 1st Division. |
| 10 C.R.B. | 21 56th Division. |
| 11 Gen H. Guss. Pys. | 22 Area Comd. BOSSINGHAM II Area. |
| 12 Bgmds. | 23 -do- III Area. |
| 13 A.D.M.S. | 24 R.F.O. Foreridge. |
| | 25 War Diary. |
- WALLACE WRIGHT,
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

SECRET.18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 155.

Copy No. 11

Reference Map Sheets,
HEXSCHOUTZ, 1/10,000.
SHEET 28, 1/40,000.
SCHAP BATH 1/10,000.

January 18th 1918.

1. The 56th Infantry Brigade will relieve the 54th Infantry Brigade in the line on the night January 18th/19th. The Command of the Sector will pass from Brigadier General Commanding 54th Infantry Brigade to Officer Commanding 56th Infantry Brigade on completion of the relief.
2. All details of the relief will be arranged direct between Brigadiers concerned.
3. (a) The Vickers Machine Guns of the 56th Infantry Brigade will relieve those of the 54th Infantry Brigade on the night January 17/18th.
(b) Inter-Company relief of the Vickers guns of 53rd Machine Gun Company will not take place on the night Jan'y. 18/19th.
(c) The 52nd Field Company will not be relieved on the night 18/19th but at a later date under orders to be issued by the G.R.S.
4. G.R.S. will put the maintenance party on to duck-board tracks forward of the BREMMENK on the 17th so as to ensure as far as possible that they are passable for the relief.
5. 54th Infantry Brigade will hand over to 56th Infantry Brigade all maps, documents and aerial photos connected with the sector.
6. Reconnaissance of the line by 54th Infantry Brigade will commence forthwith.
7. Brigade Transports will not move.
8. Movements of personnel will be by train.
9. 54th Infantry Brigade will be accommodated in the Reserve Brigade area on relief.
10. Train and Administrative orders for the relief will be issued by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
11. Completion of relief will be reported to Divisional Headquarters by wiring the number of this order followed by the time relief was complete.
12. ADMINISTRATIVE.

Issued at 6 P.M.

P. ASHBURD-BARTLETT, Capt.
for Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Copies to :-

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
2/3. "g"
4/5. "q"
6. 53rd Inf. Bde.
7. 54th Inf. Bde.
8. 55th Inf. Bde.
9. G.R.A.
10. G.R.H.
11. 8th H. Base, Pioneers.
12. Signals.
13. A.D.K.S.

14. Div. Train.
15. A.P.M.
16. D.S.C.
17. D.A.D.O.B.
18. XIX Corps "g"
19. XIX Corps "q".
20. 1st Division.
21. 35th Division.
22. Area Command, BOHRINGHE
II Area.
23. do. III "
24. R.I.O. POPERINGHE.
25. War Diary.

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18th Division Ho.G.160.

WARNING ORDER.

H.B. The following preliminary instructions are liable to alteration, though it is not anticipated that any important alterations will be made.

1. The 1st and 18th Divisions (both less Artillery) will be relieved in the line by the 32nd Division (less Artillery).

2. The relief of the 18th Division will be as under -

(a) Jan. 29th
53rd Bde. Group from BOHRINGHE II to HARTINGHE.
56th Bde. Group (32nd Div.) from CAVAN BANK (II Corps area) to BOHRINGHE II.

(b) Jan. 28/29th.
96th Bde. will relieve 54th Bde. in the line (4th Bde. having relieved 56th Bde. on 24/25th Jan.)

(c) Jan. 30th.
54th Bde. Group from BOHRINGHE II to PROCHUY.
14th Bde. Group (32nd Div.) from HOSPITAL PARK to BOHRINGHE II.
10th Div.H.Q. from BLINDINGHE to ROUSBERGHE.
32nd Div.H.Q. to BLINDINGHE.

(d) Jan. 31st.
55th Bde. from BOHRINGHE XII to HERTHELE.

3. (a) The 96th Bde. Group will come under the orders of the G.O.C. 18th Division from the time of its arrival in BOHRINGHE II area.

(b) The relief of 54th Bde. by the 96th Bde. (vide para.2(b)) will be completed by 6 a.m. on the 29th Jan.

(c) The demand of both divisional sectors will pass from G.O.C. 1st and 18th Divisions to G.O.C. 32nd Division at 10 a.m. on Jan.30th.
G.R.A., 32nd Division, will at the same time take over command of all field artillery now covering the Corps front.

4. The 18th Division, after concentration in Army Reserve in the ROBSHROTH area, will move by train to the HEMMELSCHE area under orders to be issued later.

5. The Os.G. 173 and 253 Tunnelling Companies, respectively, will submit plans to the Division forthwith showing their proposals in connection with the relief of working parties, so as to avoid loss of work.

6. The following troops will not at present be relieved :-

(a) The 8th Royal Sussex Regt.

(b) The men attached to the Corps Works Battalion.

It is understood that the question of the relief of the Divisional Artillery and Field Companies R.E. is under discussion.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

WALLACE WRIGHT,

Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

January 30th 1918.

Copies to :-

A.D.C. for G.O.C.

"G"

83rd Inf. Bde.

84th Inf. Bde.

85th Inf. Bde.

G.R.A.

G.R.H.

8th R. Suss. Pans.

Signal B.

A.D.H.

Div. Train.

No. 5 D.B.G.

A.P.E.

D.A.D.O.S.

D.A.D.V.B.

D.O.O.

Group Commandant.

D.S.G.O.

O.C. Div.

A.A. I.G. Det.

Area Commandant, Right Div.

Area Commandant, ROBSHROTH.

R.T.O., ROBSHROTH.

173rd Tunnelling Company.

253rd Tunnelling Company.

War Diary.

XIXth Corps.

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18TH DIVISION ORDER No. 154.

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Sheet 28. 1/40,000.

REMARK: JAN. 1/10,000.

January 21st 1918.

1.

The 84th Infantry Brigade will relieve the 85th Infantry Brigade in the line on the night Jan. 24/25th.

The Command of the Front Line Sector will pass from the Officer Commanding 88th Infantry Brigade to Brigadier General Commanding 84th Infantry Brigade on completion of relief.

3. All details of the relief will be arranged direct between Brigadier General Commanding 54th Infantry Brigade and Officer Commanding 55th Infantry Brigade.
5. (a) The Vickers Machine Guns of the 54th Infantry Brigade will relieve those of the 55th Infantry Brigade on the night 23rd/24th.
(b) Inter-Company relief of the Vickers Machine Guns of 53rd Infantry Brigade will not take place on the night 24th/25th.
(c) The 92nd Field Company will not be relieved on the night 24th/25th but on a date to be notified later.
4. G.R.B. will put the maintenance party on the worst parts of the duckboard tracks on the 24th so as to ensure as far as possible that they are passable for the relief.
5. 55th Infantry Brigade will hand over to 54th Infantry Brigade all maps, documents and aerial photos connected with the sector.
6. Reconnaissance of the line by 54th Infantry Brigade will commence forthwith.
7. Brigade Transports will not move.
8. Movements of personnel will be by train.
9. 55th Infantry Brigade will be accommodated in the Reserve Brigade Area on relief.
10. Train and administrative orders for the relief will be issued by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
11. Completion of relief will be reported to Divisional H.Q. by wiring the number of this order followed by time relief was complete.
12. ACKNOWLEDGED.

Issued at 7.0. P.M.

P. ARTHUR BARTLEY, Capt.
for Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

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| 7. 54th Inf Bde. | 19. D.H.G.O. |
| 8. 55th Inf Bde. | 20. Camp Commdt. |
| 9. G.R.A. | 21. Div.A.A.I.G. Det. |
| 10. G.R.B. | 22. Area Comdt. BOWLINGHAM 2. |
| 11. Signals | 23. do. |
| 12. A.D.H.B. | 24/25. XIX Corps. |
| 13. 18th Div. Train. | 26. 32nd Div. |
| 14. Ho. 3 D.G.O. | 27. 36th Div. |
| | 28. 1st Div. |
| | 29. Pioneers. |

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189th DIVISION ORDER NO. 155.

Ref. Map Sheet:-

27, 28, 19, 1/40,000.

HASTENRUCK, S.A.

N/40,000.

JANUARY, 23rd 1918.

1. The 1st and 18th Divisions (both less Artillery) will be relieved by the 32nd Division (less Artillery).
 2. The relief of the 18th Division will be as under -
 - (a) Jan. 25th.
53rd Brigade from HOSBINGHE II to HAINWICHE.
98th Brigade Group (32nd Div.) from CANAL BANK (II Corps area to HOSBINGHE II.
 - (b) Jan. 28/29th. 66th Brigade will relieve 64th Brigade in the line - Relief to be complete by 6 a.m. on the 29th.
 - (c) Jan. 30th.
64th Brigade from HOSBINGHE II to CHREBIECK.
14th Brigade Group (32nd Div.) from HOSPITAL FN. to HOSBINGHE II.
19th Division H.Q. from MIVENDINGHE to HOSBINGHE.
32nd Division H.Q. to ELVANDINGHE.
 3. The 96th Brigade Group will come under the orders of G.O.C. 18th Division from the time of its arrival in HOSBINGHE II until 10 a.m. January 30th (hour of completion of Div. relief).
 4. Machine Guns and Guns (Vickers and Lewis) for A.A. Defence will be relieved as follows :-
 - The H.Q.'s of 64th H.Q.C. on the Main Defensive Line and the Guns of Lord Infantry Brigade at PASCAL FARM and VER BEND will be relieved by the 96th H.Q.C. as follows :-
Guns at PASCAL FARM and VER BEND on night Jan. 28/29th.
Guns on Main Defensive Line on night Jan. 29/30th.
The Guns in Corps Defensive Line found by 53rd Brigade will be relieved by Div. H.Q.C. on 32nd Division on January 28th under arrangements to be made between D.H.Q.C. 32nd Division and G.C. 53rd H.Q.C.
- Divisional A.A.L.G. Section will be relieved by 12 noon January 29th rejoining D.H.Q. on relief.
5. G.H.H., 18th Division will arrange direct with G.H.H., 32nd Division all details of Field Companies' reliefs.
 6. 8th R. Bussex Pioneers will not be relieved at present.
 7. 18th Divisional Artillery will be withdrawn from the line after January 30th under orders to be issued later by II Corps.

8. Movements in connection with the relief will take place in accordance with the attached March Table.
9. All details of reliefs will be arranged direct between Brigadiers concerned.
10. Maps, aerial photos and documents connected with the sector will be handed over by units on relief.
11. (a) All working parties, including Infantry attached to Tunneling Companies, excluding Corps Works Battalion, will rejoin their units on January 24th after the days work but not later than 3 p.m.
(b) All area duties found by the Division will be relieved on 24th under orders of the A.A. & Q.M.G.
(c) Infantry Platoons attached to Field Companies will rejoin their units as follows :-
12. A.D.H.B., 18th Division will arrange direct with A.D.H.B., 32nd Division all details of field ambulance reliefs, but their movements will be as laid down in attached March Table.
13. Affiliated Train Companies will move under the orders of their respective Brigades.
14. The Mobile Vet. Section and the H.Q. Div. Train will move under orders of the A.A. & Q.M.G.
15. Train and Administrative orders in connection with the relief will be issued by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
16. Divisional Headquarters will close at MIDNIGHT on 10 a.m. on the 30th and re-open at HOUNSINGH at the same time, at which hour command of the Sector will pass from G.O.C. 18th Division to G.O.C. 32nd Division.
17. Completion of relief of Brigade in the line will be reported by wiring the code word "SILVER".
18. AMNOTEDDOR.

Issued at
General Staff, 18th Division.

P. ASHBREAD BARTLEY, Capt.

for Lieut-Colonel,

General Staff, 18th Division.

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| 7. 54th Inf. Bde. | 23. XIX Corps "g". |
| 8. 55th Inf. Bde. | 24. II Corps. |
| 9. G.R.A. 18th Div. | 25. 1st Division. |
| 10. G.R.B. | 26. 36th Division. |
| 11. 8th H. Cues. Para. | 27. 32nd Division. |
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| 18. D.A.D.V.S. | 34. War Diary. |
| | 35. 96th Infantry Brigade. |
| | 36. 96th Infantry Brigade. |

8th BATTALION, THE ROYAL SUSSEX PIONEERS.

1918.

Appendix.

FEBRUARY.

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18th. Division order No.186 received

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WORK:- The Battalion

continued work on Army Defence

line west of the STEADBECK river

"A" COMPANY completed 350 yds

of wire at Posts VI & VII.

Concertina placed in gaps &

wire generally strengthened

"B" COMPANY completed 70 yds

wire. 300 yds loose wire done

between M.G.-Bs 718 & PINSON -

line picketed out between

SEWTER, PINSON & SIGNAL posts

"C" COMPANY generally improving

wiring, putting concertina in

gaps & picketing between infantry

posts

"D" COMPANY completed 260 yds

wiring, partially completed 50

yds wiring

2nd.

Work

"A" COMPANY completed 80 yds

wiring, making knife rests &

generally improving wire

"B" COMPANY completed 120 yds

wiring & 200 yds loose wire

"C" COMPANY completed 160 yds

wiring round RUISSEAU

"D" COMPANY completed 80 yds

wiring.

Officers

2/Lt. A.W. SIMMONS (wounded)

transferred to England 23/1/1918

Lieut C.A. Cawley retd Bathn to-day

2/2/18

3rd.

Officers Postings The u/m officers

are posted to Bn (u.O. list 1/66)

2/Lieut. GIBSON-ROBINSON R.G.

2/Lieut. PEMBERTON W.T.

2/Lieut. ROBERTSON G.L.

2/Lieut. PERRIN E.

2/Lieut. ORTON J.E.

2/Lieut. LARGRIDGE A.E.

Reinforcement Temp. Lieut (Addl.

A/Capt.) L.A.F. IRELAND M.C.

relinquished his acting rank vice

Captain J. Nathan joined Bathn.

3.12.17.

Lieut. C.A. COWLEY is posted for

duty with "B" Company 3.2.18

WORK "A" & "D" COYS. remaining in

camp for inspections & preparing

for move

"B" COY. worked on army defence

line - improving & thickening 400

yds.

"C" COY. Two platoons completed

140 yds wiring at RUISSEAU PARK.

Two platoons - inspections in

camp & preparing for move.

February.

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FRANCE
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X.25.a.5.1.
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J.E. Orton "A"
W.J. Pemberton "B"
R.C. Gibson-Robinson

A. E. Langridge "D" Coy
Moven - Officers Lieut H.M.
 Willshend proceeded to new
 Divisional Area in charge of
 advance party of 5 O.Rs.

6th.

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7th.

Battalion resting

8th.

Operation Order No 66 issued
Battalion resting. Lt. I.A.F.
moves. Officers proceeded to England for
six months tour of duty.

9th.

The Battalion moved by train to HOYON area.
H.Q., B., C., & D. Coys. & Transport at 19.40 & A Coy at 22.40 Battalion marched to GRANDRU & billeted there 14th. Division warning Order

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Order G.604, 18 Division Orders No 158 & 159 and 18 Division warning Order G.651 received
No Battalion daily orders issued on this date

10th.

18th. Division Order No 160 received. The Battalion detrained at MOYON Station 11.30 a.m. & marched to GRAMBU & billeted there.

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1916.

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February.

11th.

The Battalion resting - parades under Company arrangements.

Officers. Extract from London

Gazette dated 7/2/1916

Transferred to Service Battalion

3/Lt. T. D. READ) 31st October

2/Lt. C. J. C. POIND) 1917

18th Division Order No 161

received

Amendment to ditto received

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12th.

18th. Division No. G 760 received.

18th Division No. G 761

The Battalion resting - parades

under Company arrangements

Men not inoculated for 16 months

reinoculated

Strength Increase

CAPT. E. A. FENCIBLE M.C.

(Tested to "D" Coy) & 39 O.Rs

from 12th. Bn. ROYAL SUSSEX

REGT. joined Battalion

13th.

18th. Division Order No G. 422 746

received

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18th. Division Order No G 772

received

18th. Division Order No G 162

received

The Battalion resting - Parades

under Company arrangements

Honours & Awards:

The undermentioned Belgian awards

made

Croix de Guerre

No 3/575 Ser. Lt. I. Nayer "D" Coy.

(Pioneers)

No G/2430 "Hilling" Goward

"B" Coy (Transport)

Officers. Extract from London

Gazette February 6th. 1916

Service Battalions. Royal Sussex

Regiment

Capt. H. V. BACON (T.F.) to be

acting Major whilst Second-in-

Command of a Battalion (November

17th. 1917)

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GRAVELL AND CHAMBER.

14th.

18th. Division Order No 163

received.

The Battalion moved by train to

Eastbury - then for work on Army

Machine Guns

No 4-A Company accommodated at

CHARTERED

No 4-B Company at FARMHAM

2-Company at SINGLY

The Battalion resting - parades

under Company arrangements

Operation Order No 67 issued.

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FEBRUARY.GRANDRU AND CHAUVY.

18th.

The Battalion moved by road to 88th. Div. area for work on Army Battle zone
Bn. H.Q. & A Company at CHAUVY SUD.
B & C Company at PIERREBAUDE
D Company at SINCERY.

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G.9.e.2.4.

16th.

CHAUVY SUD

Battalion resting - Parades under Company arrangements
Officers! - Extract from London Gazette February 18th 1918
Service Battalions & Royal Sussex Regt.
Temp Lieut. J.A.F. Ireland M.C. to be Acting Captain (adtl)
11th. October 1917

17th.

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"A" Coy (2 platoon) completing camp in H 21 a Rema under of Battalion training under Company arrangements 58 men of D Coy inoculated

18th.

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16th. Division Order No 165 received
Battalion H Q moved to RICHANCOURT (C.20.d.1.9) - Transport to AUTREVILLE 2 platoons A Coy to AUTREVILLE, 2 platoons to camp in H 21.a
WORK B & C Coys working on strong point at ROND DE L'EPINOIS in BASSIS FORET DE COUCY (H.15.a.2.3.)

19th.

RICHANCOURT

Battalion H.Q. moved to AUTREVILLE (C.22.e.2.8.)
Whole of A Coy moved to PIERREBAUDE
Present locations:-
H.Q. & TRANSPORT - AUTREVILLE
A, B & C Coys. - PIERREBAUDE
D Coy. - SINCERY

WORK
Companies working on Corps Defence line at ROND DE L'EPINOIS

AUTREVILLE

20th.

Officers Extract from London

Gazette dated 16/2/1918
Royal Sussex Regiment - Sec.Lt. P.J.A. Gates (T.5.) to be Act. Captain with pay & allowances of Lieut., while employed as Acting Adjutant. (Dec 7th. 1917)
WORK:- 4 Companies working on Corps defensive line. Clearing, wiring & erecting breastworks at ROND DE L'EPINOIS

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WORK:- 4 Companies working on Corps defensive line - Cleaning wiring & erecting breastworks at ROND DE L'ERMOIS

22nd.

Lt. Col E.J. Walker returned from leave & assumed command Battalion. Strength decreased officers.

2/LIEUT J.D. FOHNS proceeded to England for six months tour of duty.

WORK:- 4 Companies continued work on Corps defensive line at ROND DE L'ERMOIS. 18th Div. Warning Order No G.49 received & amendment.

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23rd.

18th Div Order No 166 received WORK:- as yesterday Officers - Reestablishment - Major V.W. Fitzhugh having been appointed to Command 6th. Royal Berks Regt. 5/11/17 is taken off the establishment as from that date.

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24th.

18th. Division amending Order No.G.122 received
Operation Order No 58 issued
WORK:- as yesterday.

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25th.

AUTREVILLE AND CHAUVY.

The Battalion moved to CHAUVY - accommodated in billets

CHAUVY

The Battalion resting. Paraded under Company arrangements. 55th. Inf. Bde. Order No.162 received
Operation Order No 59. Issued

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27th.

CHAUVY AND VIEVILLE WOOD

The Battalion moved to VIEVILLE WOOD CAMP (N.25.b.)

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28th.

Upon receipt of the warning "PREPARE FOR ATTACK" from 55th Inf Bde & 18th. Div. The Battalion stood to in battle order, extra ammunition was drawn, tools issued, transport loaded & moved back & all Companies prepared to occupy their positions in the Battle Zone at 15 minutes notice A Company acting as Divisional reserve, B Coy under orders of 55th. Bde together with H.Q. company as reserve, C & D Coys under orders of 53rd. Inf.Bde. Order "PRACTICE OVER" RESULTS NORMAL CONDITIONS" was afterwards received

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February.28th
(Cont'd.)

O.Coy afterwards received an order from D3rd. Bde to "Man Battle Positions" as a practice by night which was carried out. D Company moved to REMIGNY (B.14.)

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Strength Decrease - Officers:-
Capt. R.O. HALL M.C. proceeded to England for six months tour of duty as from 21.3.1918 (Auth. 18th.Div. No 106/179/4 "A")
18th. Division O.324 received

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8th ROYAL SUSSEX PIONEERS.

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Operation Order No.55

Reference Made
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and
HAZEBROUCK B.1/100,000

1. The Battalion will move to PROSNIY AREA tomorrow 5th instant, and will be accommodated in PRIVATE CAMP (X.25.e.5.1) and FORTSEA CAMP (Transport).

2. The Battalion (less Transport) will move by train leaving BOESINGHE at 11 a.m. Companies will march independently to BOESINGHE Station (via Chaupais) where they will fall in at 10.30 a.m. Detraining Station PROVEN thence by march route to camp. Guide from advanced party will be at PROVEN 11.30 a.m. O.C. Companies will render to O.R. by 6 p.m. today a return of their entraining strength.

3. The Transport (less 4 T.K's) will move by road under orders of the Transport Officer at 9 a.m.

4. 2nd Lieut. Mackenzie with 1 M.C.O. and 3 men from each Company and Headquarters Company will form Advance Party and move on 4th instant.

5. DRESS. Full marching order less packs. Steel helmets will be carried on haversacks.

RATIONS. T.K's. will move off under orders of Transport Officer at 8 a.m.

BLANKETS in rolls of 10's securely tied and labelled together with packs will be stacked at corner of main RIVERDINGHE road in readiness for loading at 8.15 a.m. Arrangements will be made for Transport for same. O.C. Companies and R.Q. Company will each detail 2 men to act as Baggage Guard and loaders. Officers' Kits

Kits and Company Mess Boxes will be stacked by roadside in readiness for loading at 8 a.m. and all wagons will be loaded and ready to move off by 8.30 a.m.

H.Q. Officers' Kits will be stacked at Q.M. Stores by 8 a.m. 2 Cooks per Company will march with the T.K's. at 8 a.m. and 1 Footman per Company with the G.S. Wagons at 9 a.m.

6. Sergt. Churman "C" Coy. and 3 O.R's. due for leave on the 6th instant will remain in Camp and kindly clear up, but O.C. Companies are responsible for the cleanliness of their own lines.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J.P. WOODHAMS
2nd. Lieut. & A/Agt.

Issued at 4.5 p.m.
4.2.18.

Distribution.

Copy No.1 "A" Coy.

2. "B" " " "
3 "C" " "
4 "D" " "
5 H.Q.
6 T.O.
7 Q.M.
8 M.O.
9 R.S.M.
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Appendix No 5

8th. Battalion Royal Sussex Regt. (Pioneers)
Operation Order No. 2.

Copy No.10.

8th Feb'y. 1918.

1. The Battalion will move to the NOYON AREA tomorrow 9th. inst.

2. Entrenchment will be from PROVEN station.

3. (a) "B", "C" & "D" Coys. and Transport
(less "A" Coys. T.K. and teams)
will proceed by train No.20 at 7.40 p.m.

(b) "A" Company with T.K. and teams will proceed by train No.21 at 10.40 p.m.

4. The Q.M. will report to R.T.O. PROVEN at 4.40 p.m. to whom he will hand the marching out state, called for in para.13 below.

5. DRESS. Full marching order with jerkins, steel helmets on packs.

6. ORDER OF MARCH. H.Q., "B", "C" & "D" Companies will move off from PRIMARY CAMP at 5.45 p.m. marching in file at 100 yards' distance between Companies.

7. (a) The cooks of "B", "C" & "D" Companies will proceed to the station with their T.Ks. at 4.10 p.m. and will have teas in readiness for their Companies (including H.Q. and Transport) when they arrive at the station.

(b) O.C. "A" Coy. will arrange with T.O. as to the time for conveyance of his T.K. to station.

8. Personnel will arrive at the station not less than 1 hour and Transport not less than 3 hours before the time of departure of trains.

9. No troops will be permitted to enter station until permission to do so has been obtained from the R.T.O.

10. (a) No. 5 Platoon under 2/Lt. "H. Cater will form the loading party at the station for "B", "C" & "D" Companies, and will report to Q.M. at PROVEN station at 4 p.m. The same party will off-load at detaining station.

(b) O.C. "A" Coy. will detail one Officer and 10 O.Ms. to act as loading and off-loading party at entraining and detaining stations respectively reporting on arrival to R.T.O. at PROVEN station at 7.0 p.m.

11. One blanket per man will be carried in the pack. The remainder will be rolled in bundles of 10 securely tied and labelled and with any other effects not carried on Company waggon, and stacked at Q.M. Stores by 9.30 a.m. on 9th inst. They will be carried on the train and instructions for their conveyance to station will be issued later.

12. O.C. Companies will arrange with Transport Officer as to loading the two G.S. waggon per Coy. which must be loaded ready to move by 3 p.m. 9th inst.

The Q.M. will arrange loading of H.Q. Officers' kits, mess cart and mule cart.

13. O.C. Companies H.Q. and T.O. will render to Battalion H.Q. by 9 a.m. 9th, a complete marching out state for entraining purposes. T.O. will show on his return the number of mules, horses, G.S. numbered G.S. and two wheeled waggon. O.C. H.Q. Coy. will include bicycles and drums in his return.

14. The entrainment must be completed half an hour before the departure of the train.

15. A picket will be detailed at each end of the train to prevent troops leaving without permission during halts.

16. All doors on right of train when on main line must be kept closed.

17. Trains will halt for one hour at TINGUES where horses must be watered and fed, and a buffet canteen will be open for Officers and Men. Hot water will be ready and the Q.M. will have tea etc. ready for making.

18.

(a) Horses will be watered before entrainment.
(b) Head ropes must be provided for tying up horses in trucks.

(c) Horses will be unharnessed, the harness staked in the middle of the truck and two men will travel in each truck.

(d) Buckets for watering horses will be taken in the trucks to water en route.

19.

(a) Men and horses entraining will in all cases carry the unexpended portion of day's rations and rations for the following day.

(b) Rations for the second day will be carried on supply wagons.

(c) Water carts will travel full.

20. Approximate length of journey 14 hours.

21. Acknowledged.

J.P. WOODHAMS
2/Lieut. & A/Adjt.

Issued at 3.45 p.m.
8th February 1918.

Distribution.

Copy No.1. "A" Coy.

2. "B" "
3. "C" "
4. "D" "
5. H.Q. Coy.
6. R.O.
7. Q.M.
8. R.S.M.
9. Office.
10. War Diary.

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8th Battn. Royal Sussex Regt. (Pioneers)

Operation Order No. 57.

Ref. Map.

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Sheet St. Quentin 18

14th February, 1918.

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1. The Battalion will move to the 58th. Divisional Area tomorrow.

2. Companies will be accommodated temporarily as follows:-

Headquarters and "A" Company. CHAUVY SUD.
"B" and "C" Companies. PIERREMANDE.
"D" Company. SINCENY.

3. Advance parties of 1 Officer and 1 H.C.O. (mounted) from each Company will report to the Area Commandants concerned.

4. No movement EAST of CHAUVY - PIERREMANDE road until dusk.

5. (a) Starting Point - GRANDRU (High Street).
(b) Time:- 10 a.m.

6. Order of March.

"B", "C", "H.Q.", "A", "D" Companies.
100 yards' distance between Companies on the MOYON-CHAUVY road.
100 yards between Platoons EAST of DAVPCOURT.

7. DRESS. Full marching order, less packs. Jerkins will be rolled and carried on back of belt.

8. The G.S. wagons and T.Ks. of "B" and "C" Coys. will march in rear of their respective Companies.

The Transport Officer will detail one Water Cart in addition to march with them.

The remainder of the Transport, including T.Ks. will move out under orders of the T.O. at 10.30 a.m.

Two cooks per Coy. will march with T.Ks. and dinners will be cooked on the march, and in the case of "B" and "C" Coys. eaten at a convenient halting place.

9. Blankets in rolls of 10 tied and labelled, together with packs will be stacked by the Q.M.Stores in readiness for loading at 9.30 a.m. Two men per Company will be detailed as loaders, and will proceed to destination by lorry. Transport will be arranged.

Officers' kits will be stacked in readiness for loading at Q.M.Stores at 9.30 a.m. The Q.M. will arrange

the

the loading of Head Quarter Officers' Kits, Mess Cart and Maltese Cart.

10. Acknowledge.

J.F. WOODHAMS
2nd Lt. & A/Adjt.

Issued at 9.10 p.m.

Distributions

Coy No.	1.	"A" Coy.
	2.	"B" "
	3.	"C" "
	4.	"D" "
	5.	"E" " (Capt. Fenechello, M.C.)
	6.	Second in Command.
	7.	"G" "
	8.	T.O.
	9.	H.Q. "
	10.	War Idary.
	11.	Office.

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Appendix No 24

5th Royal Sussex Regiment (Pioneers).

Operation Order No. 58.

Coy No. 10

Ref. Map
700 H.V.

24th February, 1918.

20,000

1. The Battalion will move to CHAUNY tomorrow 25th. instant, and will be accommodated in billets arranged by Area Commandant.

2. The Battalion will move off by Companies as follows:-

H.Q.	} 11 o'clock.
"A" Company	
"B" Company.	11.15 a.m.
"C" Company.	11.30 a.m.
"D" Company.	12. 5 p.m.

Companies will march by platoons at 100 yards' distance.

3. The Company G.S. Wagons and T. Ks. will move with their respective Companies. Company Commanders will make their own arrangements as to loading. H.Q. Officers' Kits and Mess Kit will be stacked at G.H. stores by 10.30 a.m. and will be loaded on Baggage Wagon and Mess Cart will proceed to CHAUNY with H.Q. Company. On arrival at CHAUNY "A" Company will unload both G.S. wagons and the remaining Companies one of their G.S. wagons which will immediately return to their respective

Company

Company H.Q. to collect blankets as detailed in Para. 6 below. One of "A" Companies wagons will report to Q.M. at AUTREVILLE. The remainder of the Transport will move under the orders of T.O.

4. Lieut. Moore and 2 men from each Company and H.Q. Coy. will form the advance party, reporting at Battalion H.Q. at 8.30 a.m. Lieut. Moore will report to Area Commandant CHAUVY on arrival.

5. DRESS. Full marching order, with packs. Steel helmets will be carried on packs.

6. Blankets in rolls of ten, securely tied and labelled will be stacked at Company H.Q. and left in charge of Company guards, who will remain with them when their respective Companies move off. The guards will act as loading parties when the wagons return as detailed in para. 3 above, and will then proceed with wagons to CHAUVY.

7. All billets will be left scrupulously clean and tidy.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H.W. GALE
Captain & A/Adjt.

Issued at 9 p.m.

Distribution

Copy No. 1. "A" Company.

2 "B"
3 "C"
4 "D"
5 Second-in-Command.
6 T.O.
7 Q.M.
8 R.S.M.
9 Office.
10 War Diary.

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Copy No. 21

55th Infantry Brigade Order No. 162.

Ref. Map Sheet:-

60a.S.W. 1/20,000

26th February, 1918.

1. 8th B. Surrey Regt. will be replaced at BOIS VIVILLIN by 8th R. Sussex Regt. (Pioneers) tomorrow February 27th.

The hour of arrival of the leading Platoon of 8th R. Sussex Regt. will be approximately 3 p.m.

2. After arrival of 8th R. Sussex Regt., 8th B. Surrey Regt. will move to HAUTE TOURNELLE Camp (N.35 central).

3. All Camp Stores will be handed over by 8th B. Surrey Regt. to the incoming Battalion. Receipts for Stores handed over will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

4. On completion of this roller 8th W. Surrey Regt. will become Divisional Reserve, and will cease to be under the tactical control of G.O.C. 56th Infantry Brigade.

Amendments to the provisional Defence Orders taken over from 175th Infantry Brigade will be issued as early as possible.

5. Completion of move will be reported to Brigade Headquarters.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

C. RUMOR
Captain,
Brigade Major,
56th Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 8 p.m.

Copies to:-

1. G.O.C.
2. Bde. Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. 7th Queens.
5. 7th Buffs.
6. 8th W. Surrey Regt.
7. 86th I.M. Bty.
8. Signals.
9. 18th Div.
10. 18th Div.
11. Div. M.G. Battalion.
12. A.P.M. 18th Div.
13. 63rd Inf. Bde.
14. 173rd Inf. Bde.
15. 92nd Field Coy. R.P.
16. 56th Field Ambulance.
17. 153rd Coy. A.S.C.
18. Supply Officer.
- 19/20 War Diary
21. 8th R. Sussex Regt.

SECRET.

Appendix No 25

Copy No. 10.

Operation Order No. 59.
8th Bn. Royal Sussex Regt. (Pioneers).

Map Refce.
Sheet 18
ST. QUENTIN
1/100,000.

1. The Battalion will move to VIEVILLE WOOD tomorrow 27th instant, via VILLERUIER - AUMONT FAILOUDEL - BRIERRE FAILOUDEL - NERRESSIS, then turn to left along track at side of ST. QUENTIN canal; then cross Canal to VIEVILLE WOOD.

2. The Battalion will move off by Companies, passing Place Fousier as follows:-

H.Q.	1.30 p.m.
"A" Company	1.35 "
"B" "	1.45 "
"C" "	1.55 "
"D" "	2.5 "

Companies will march by platoons at 200 yards' distance.

Companies will halt at 20 minutes past the clock hour, and resume the march at 30 minutes past the clock hour.

3. Transport will move off at 2.45 p.m. under orders of the Transport Officer.

4. ~~These~~ Marching order, less packs. Steel helmets will be carried on haversacks.

5. Four lorries have been detailed to convey packs, blankets and reserve S.A.A. All blankets, rolled in bundles of ten, securely tied and labelled, and packs (tools attached) to be stacked at Place Bousier by 8.30 a.m.

6. H.Q.: Transport, and each Company will detail one O.R. to act as Guard and leader, and these men will proceed with lorries to destination. Lieut. Moore will be in charge of this party.

7. O.C. Companies will arrange the loading of their respective wagons. H.Q. Officers' kits and mess boxes will be stacked at Place Bousier at 11.30 a.m. The Q.M. will arrange as to loading.

8. All billets to be left scrupulously clean and tidy.

9. Acknowledge.

H.W. GALE
Capt. & A/Adjt.

Issued at 9 p.m.
26.2.1918.

Distribution.

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|----------|--------------------|
| Copy No. | To |
| 1. | "A" Company. |
| 2. | "B" " " |
| 3. | "C" " " |
| 4. | "D" " " |
| 5. | Second-in-Command. |
| 6. | T.O. |
| 7. | Q.M. |
| 8. | H.Q.M. |
| 9. | Office. |
| 10. | War Diary. |

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Appendix.

March.

VIVILLE WOOD.

1st.

C. Company moved to HEMIGNY (N.14)
WORK:- Companies working on
improvements in camp.
A Company constructing shelters in
quarry at VIVILLE WOOD.

2nd.

WORK:- A Company as yesterday.
B Company digging Infantry Posts on
New-Battle Zone (N.27) two posts
partially & one wholly completed.
C & D Companies digging cable trench
from cross roads west of (N.1.s.3.2.)
GIBECOURT towards REMIGNY.
Notes - Officers:- Capt. R.A. FENCHELLE
M.C. proceeded to Labour Commandant
III Corps for temporary duty in
connection with Italian Labour
(18th Div. 106/192 "A"/4/28/2/18.
Strength increase. Officers:-
2/Lt. E. PARKIN joined the Battalion
& posted to B Company.

3rd.

WORK:- "A" Company as yesterday
The Company completed two posts on
Battle Zone.
C & D Companies continued work on
cable trench as yesterday.

4th.

In pursuance of the scheme for
reorganisation of the Pioneer Battalions
on a 3 company basis D Company was
dissolved as and from 1st. March.
the personnel being absorbed by
A. B & C Companies and Surplus
Transport & stores returned to
Ordnance (Auth. O.H.4/0.B.2155)
Officers transferred as follows:-
LIEUT. J.F. FISHWICK. } To A. Coy.
2/LT. C.C. GARNER }
2/LT. A.E. LANGRIDGE To B. Coy.
CAPT. A.S. CLARKE }
"/LT. W.G.F. PEARSON. } To C. Coy.
C.T.C. POUND.
CAPT. J. NATHAN transferred from
C Coy. to B Coy.
C.S.H. WALLIS, C.Q.M.S. WILLIAMS,
3 Sergeants, 4 stretcher bearers &
3 other details transferred to H.Q.
Coy. Sections of D Coy. were
transferred in their entirety to the
remaining three Companies.
Notes - Officers - 2/Lt. C. GOLLING
transferred to A Company
for duty as Sub-Area Commandant.
4-6th WORK:- "A" Company constructing
shelters in quarry at VIVILLE WOOD.
The Company working on Army Battle
Zone, digging posts & wiring (N.27.s.) 1/20.000
"C" & "D" Companies working on cable
trench as yesterday.

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1/20.000

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5th.

"A" Company moved to HEMTORY.

WORK:- "B" Coy. working on Army Battle Zone, digging posts & wiring.
C & D Companies working on cable trench as yesterday.

NOTE. Actual transfer of personnel of D Coy to A, B & C Coy's, as mentioned on 4th. inst., took place to-day.

6th.

Transport & Quartermaster Stores moved to VILKQUIER ANMONT.

Assistant Adjutant (2/LT WOODHAMS) Orderly Room Serjt. & one clerk moved to VILKQUIER-ANMONT to establish rear Battalion H.Q. & Echelon B.

WORK:- A & C Companies completed cable trench.

B Company working on Battle Zone digging posts & wiring.

One platoon working on construction of shelters in quarry VIRVILLE WOOD.

7th.

Notes - Officers. 2/LT E.A.S. ROBINSON rejoined Battalion from 18th. Div

A.A. detachment.

8th.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on Army-Battle Zone digging fireways & communication trenches (one platoon by day, 2 platoons by night).

B Company worked on Battle Zone digging posts - 1 platoon continued work on shelters at VIRVILLE WOOD.

C Company worked on Battle Zone constructing strong points.

8th.

Strength Decrease - Officers:-

2/LT. H. LINFIELD. in England awaiting Medical Board - Auth. III Corps A/16/31/18.

WORK:- "A" Company worked on Battle Zone - digging posts.

B Company worked on Battalion H.Q. in quarry - 1 platoon.

Digging posts on Battle Zone - 2 platoons.

Supplied guards & loading parties - 1 platoon.

C Company worked on Battle Zone digging posts.

9th.

WORK:- "A" Company - three platoons worked on Battle Zone digging posts
One platoon worked on billets at HEMTORY clearing cellars & revetting hut.

"B" Company - worked on Battle Zone digging posts - 2 platoons
1 platoon on Battalion H.Q. in quarry VIRVILLE WOOD 3 Sections providing guards & pickets.

C Company - worked on Battle Zone digging posts.

Summer time adopted all clocks being

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advanced 1 hour at 11 p.m. winter time on this date.

10th.

WORK:- "A" "B" & "C" Companies worked on Battle Zone as yesterday.

11th.

WORK:- "A" Company digging cable trench at QUARRY
"C" Company } N.16.d.7.8.
} trench dug 6' 6"
} deep, cable laid,
} trench filled in.

"B" Company digging posts on Battle Zone.

12th.

WORK:- "A" Company 1 Section worked on mined dug-out (Coy. H.9's)
N 10 c 4.2. Remainder of Coy. dug 200X cable trench N.17.c.
"B" Company digging posts in Battle Zone, wiring commenced at 2 posts.
"C" Company worked on cable trench at QUARRY (N.16.d.7.8) 450 yds of trench dug - cable laid, trench filled in.

13th.

WORK.
"A" Company } worked on cable trench at
} QUARRY - trench dug (450
"C" Company } yds) cable laid & work
} completed.

"B" Company digging posts and keep for S.A.A. etc. wiring in front of posts continued.

14th.

Promotions - Officers. Extract London Gazette March 14th 1918.
H. Smeeth R (T.F.) "Sec" Lt H. Mead. Whithead to be Lt. (Dec 15, 1917).
work. A Company. Fatigue parties employed on carrying stores ammunition etc. to Coy. Hdqrs.
"B" Company digging posts & Keys for S.A.A. etc. wiring in front of posts continued.

15th.

Promotions Officers. Extract London Gazette March 9th, 1918 H. Smeeth R. (T.F.) CAPT. A.S. CLARKE to be Major prec. March 13th 1917 (June 5, 1917)
work. A Company worked on Battle Zone digging posts.
"B" Company worked on Battle Zone digging posts.
work. "C" Company. working on posts in Battle Zone.

16th.

WORK A B & C Coys. worked on Battle Zone as yesterday.

17th.

WORK:- A, B & C. Coys. as yesterday. Muntery instruction & firing on 30 yds range.

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WORK:- A, B & C Coys (as) Musketry
yesterday. } instruction
 } & firing on

19th.

WORK:- A, B & C Coys as
yesterday. } 30 yds
 } range.

20th.

WORK:- A, B & C Coys as yesterday.
Bn. received orders to prepare to
man Battle positions at 3 p.m.

21st.

H.Q. Coy. Manned Battle Positions at
5.15 a.m. and remained there all day.
A.Coy. Heavy barrage on REMIGNY at
4.30 a.m. Coy. moved off to Battle
positions at 5.45 a.m. Company
maintained switch and held up the
enemy attack throughout day.
B.Coy. Manned Battle Positions at
5.15 a.m. and remained there all day.
C.Coy. Left REMIGNY at 6 a.m. and
manned Battle positions; work was
carried on when possible. 2 platoons
sent forward to reinforce A Coy about
6 p.m.

VILLEQUIER-AUMONT.22nd.

H.Q. Coy. ~~met~~ moved at 2 a.m. to
PRIERES FAILOUDEL & thence at 10.30
a.m. to VILLEQUIER-AUMONT.
A. & C Coys received orders to cross
ST. QUENTIN CANAL at 12.5 a.m.
Retired via REMIGNY and bridge at
LA MONTAIGNE to wood behind PRIERES
FAILOUDEL. Rejoined rest of Bn.
there and proceeded to VILLEQUIER
AUMONT.

B Coy. received orders to retire
across CANAL at 4 a.m. Went to rejoin
Bn at PRIERES WOOD. thence to
VILLEQUIER AUMONT.

23rd.

H.Q. Coy. moved at 10 a.m. along
VILLEQUIER-AUMONT-FAILOUDEL road and
took up a position in front of BOIS
DE GERLIS on left of road. In action
there and retired through wood in
evening to BETHANCONT.

A Coy. moved at 10 a.m. to cover
retreat of 64 Bde from HAUTE FOUBELIE.
Took up line of posts in front of
PRIERES FAILOUDEL. Fought rearguard
action throughout day and eventually
took up outpost line with 8th.

B. Surreys to cover VILLEQUIER-AUMONT-
UMY road. Retired at 10 p.m. via
UMY road. Rejoined Bn.

B. Coy. moved at 10 a.m. to take up
position in BOIS DE PRIERES from
PRIERES FAILOUDEL to a point 200 yards
within wood. In action here.

Retired in conformity with troops in
flanks to cross roads on VILLEQUIER-
AUMONT-FAILOUDEL road.
In action here - ordered to retire

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behind French at 7 p.m. Proceeded to BETHANCOURT.
C.Coy. Moved at 10 a.m. to take up position in BOIS DE FRIERS on right of B Coy. Withdrew in afternoon further into wood. In action here & also after getting out of wood in front of VILLEQUIER-AUMONT. Retired thence to BETHANCOURT via COMMERCHON. Transport moved to BETHANCOURT.

BETHANCOURT.

H.Q. Coy after this acted with A Coy. A.Coy. left BETHANCOURT at 10 a.m. attached to 54th.Bde to form flank guard for Division with 7th.Bedford's. Held position on left of CAILLOUET and repulsed attack at dusk. Retired through wood towards GRANDRU at midnight.
B.Coy took up a position in front of CAILLOUET and later moved back to another in front of GREPIGNY.
C.Coy took up a position on right of CAILLOUET and at 2 p.m. moved back and dug in behind GREPIGNY - DAMPCOURT road.
Transport moved to GRANDRU. In evening Echelon B went on to FASSIEL.

BABOUFF.

A.Coy. at dawn retired with Bde to spur above GRANDRU, thence to hill above BABOUFF, thence into Bde reserve at 5 p.m. to SAUMECY.
B.Coy. at 3 a.m. moved back and dug in on HERNOUVAL SPUR - MONDESICOURT RD. On being relieved proceeded to BABOUFF, thence across CANAL TO PORTOISE, later 60 men and 2 Lewis guns took up position on canal bank in front and to right of VARHENS. Rest of Coy. to Echelon B at FIMRES. Detached party moved to PORTOISE at midnight.
C.Coy. received orders to withdraw at 4.30 a.m. proceeded to BABOUFF. Thence to hill behind GRANDRU. Dug line of trench and held it until it was taken over by the French. Became attached to 54th.Bde and moved with them to SAUMECY at 5 p.m. Transport. A Echelon to BABOUFF and PORTOISE, B Echelon to FIMRES.

PORTOISE.

A & C Coys moved at 2 a.m. with 54th. Bde. across CANAL via VARHENS to PORTOISE. Proceeded to CAISNES and rejoined Bn at BILLE FONTAINS at 8.30 a.m.

26th.

25th.

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B Coy. rejoined rest of Bn. at
BELLE FORTAIRE.
Bn moved at 6 p.m. and marched to
AUDIGNICOURT arriving at 9.30 p.m.
Transport assembled at
AUDIGNICOURT.

AUDIGNICOURT.

27th.

Bn marched to LA TOUR FAHE.

LA TOUR FAHE.

28th.

Bn. less H Q. moved into caves.
STRENGTH INCREASE - OFFICERS.
2nd LT. E.R. SHARP rejoined Bn.

29th.

Bn. remained in caves. Transport
moved to CHOISY.

30th.

Bn. paraded at 2.45 a.m. and
marched through HANPOREL to Jorries
by which it was taken via COMPLEGNE
and BRSTEDIL to BOVES.
Transport moved to GRAND FRESNOY.

BOVES.

31st.

Bn remained in BOVES. Transport
moved to AVOHY LA MONTAIGNE.
No daily orders were issued on
March 22-27 (both dates inclusive)
29, 31.
Cassimities for period March 21-31
attached.

8th B. Sussex Ftrs.

8th Bn. ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT (Pioneers).CASUALTIES - March 1918.

Lieut. H.M. Whitehead ...	Missing - Believed P.O. W.
	21.3.18.
2nd Lt. G. Roberson	Died of wounds 21.3.18.
E.H. Sharp	Wounded ..
Lieut. F. Rosenfield
L.D. Moore
2nd Lt. C.V. Mackenzie <u>about</u> 23.3.18. 20.3.18

KILLED:

11 O.R.'s.

WOUNDED:

89 O.R.'s.

MISSING:

8 O.R.'s.

WEST SUSSEX RECORD OFFICE
RSPR MS 7-15

8th BATTALION, THE ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT.

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APPENDIX.

APRIL.

Regt. Maj.

1st.

FRANCE

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1:40.000

BOYS.

Work.
"A" Coy moved to bivouacs at 1108.8.
"B" Coy moved to bivouacs at 1109.7.
"C" Coy moved to bivouacs at 1108.9. One platoon worked at night on GENTILLES - CACHY road.
H.Q. Coy and Echelon "B" of other Corps remained in BOYS. TRANSFERT moved to LOUILLY. No daily orders were issued on April 1st.

BOYS AND BOIS DE GENTILLES.

End.

Work.

"A" Coy. Coy worked on GENTILLES - CACHY road.
"B" Coy. at work on Roads between CACHY - VILLERS.
BRETIGNEX and CACHY - HAMEED.
"C" Coy 3 platoons on BOYS - GENTILLES road.
TRANSFERT.
"A" Echelon moved to BOYS.
"B" Echelon moved to 3 end of SAINDX.
CASUALTIES.
6/2023 Pte. Walter B. ("A" Coy) wounded slightly at duty 28.3.18.
2413 Pte. Imd. ("B" Coy) previously reported missing rejoined Battalion.
1.4.18.
Force. Bn. Orders No. 80.B. dated 28.3.18.
24227 I/Cpl. Bloom, W and G.11513 Pte. Bradsworth (both "A" Coy) shown "wounded slightly at duty" now "wounded"

3rd.

Force. Maj
FRANCE

62.D.
1:40.000

Work.
"A" Coy. Coy worked on GENTILLES - CACHY road. - less 1 platoon working on Strong Point.
"B" Coy at work on roads between CACHY - VILLERS BRETIGNEX and CACHY - HAMEED.
"C" Coy 2 platoons worked on BOYS - GENTILLES Road by day.
CASUALTIES
wounded on date shown G.2089 Pte. Saunders, J. ("A" Coy) 2.4.18.
Died of wounds on date shown 24680 I/Cpl. Sparrow, J. 23.3.18.

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3rd (Contd.)

Slightly wounded at Duty
on date shown G.1787
Pte. Price, L.S. ("B" Coy)
21.3.18.
O.1847 Pte Bailey, H.C.
"B" Coy) 24.3.18.
G.8889 L/Cpl. Gardner, P.
"B" Coy) 24.3.18.

Refce. Map
FRANCE
62 D.
1,40,000

4th.

Work.

"A" Coy. Digging & wiring
ENGINEERS - CACHY Switch.
"B" Coy. Two platoons
digging posts to right of
CACHY U 9.092
"C" Coy went out at night
to work on E. Gun positions
but were unable to locate
them and returned.

CASUALTIES.

Wounded slightly on dates shown.
S.2805. Pte. SHORR, W. (C. Coy) 27.3.18.
S.20068. Pte. RIVGEMAY, W. (C. Coy) 27.3.18.
G.1881. Pte. BARNFIELD, C. (C. Coy) 21.3.18.
949 Pte. KEMP, W. (A. Coy) 11.3.18.
G.2587 Pte. MICHELL, A. (B) 24.3.18.

5th.

Work.

"A" Coy wiring and digging
ENGINEERS - CACHY Switch line.
"B" Coy at work on road
between BOVES - ENGINEERS.
"C" Coy 2 platoons worked on
E. Gun positions U 10.0.3.8.
No daily Orders were issued
on April 5th.

6th.

Work.

"A" Coy wiring and digging
ENGINEERS - CACHY Switch line
"B" Coy 2 platoons working
on road between BOVES -
ENGINEERS 2 platoons wiring
posts at approx U.9 c. &
U 10 c.
"C" Coy at BOVES - the Coy
bathed during the day
ENGINEERS - OFFICERS.
Pnd Lt. W. J. FENNERSTON
took over duties of AREA
COMMANDANT CACHY AREA 5.4.1918.
CASUALTIES - OFFICERS
Pnd Lt. C. V. JACKMANS.
Wounded about 16.3.1918.

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Re Joe May
FRANCIS
G.D
1:40,000

Work.

"A" Coy wiring and digging
CHETLISH - CATCHY switch line.
"B" Coy resting at BOVES.
"C" Coy 2 platoons wired strong
points at U 10 & 3.8. & U 9.
9.9.8.

MOVES - OFFICERS.

CAPT. E. A. FENICHELLE, M.C.
returned from III Corps
(Italian Labour Coy 7.4.1918.)
2nd LT. E. H. PERLIN returned from
P.A. 21.3.18.

CONSULTING.

G/1745 Pte. CHANT, H. "B" Coy
killed 6.4.18.
21941 Pte. MASHREY, B.L. "B" Coy
wounded 6.4.18.
G.4484. Pte. CHAMBERLAIN, S.E.
"B" Coy wounded 6.4.18.
G.3289. Pte. HAPPELDER, G.
"B" Coy wounded 6.4.18.
G.2243. L/Cpl. FUEKINGER, A.
"B" Coy wounded 6.4.18.
wounded slightly at duty.
G.8589 L/Cpl. GARDNER, F.
6.4.18.
G.1807. Pte. WILLEY, M. 6.4.18.
G/2641 Pte. WHITLER, L.D.
("C" Coy) (wounded 21.3.18.)
died of wounds 21.3.18.

Work.

"A" Coy at BOVES resting.
"B" Coy Moved from BOVES to forward
camp BOIS DE CHETLISH.
"C" Coy 2 Platoons worked on
CHETLISH - BOVES road.
2 Platoons went to wire at U 11 & 07.
This work was not carried out
owing to want of material.

APPOINTMENTS - OFFICERS.

CAPT. E. A. FENICHELLE, M.C.
posted to "A" Coy and appointed
2nd in Command of that Coy.
SERGEANT DECHASSA.

OFFICERS -

LT. L. J. MOORE (wounded 23.3.18)
to BRILLAND 26.3.18. and taken
off strength from that date
(Authy 18 Div No. 9.315/d/7.4.18)
CASUALTIES.
Maj. M. Ordery No. 80 B/E/ 18.3.18.
(7) psgo 4:-
Garnet G. 1870 Pte. REINHOLD, M.
("C" Coy) and substitutes :- G/2370
Pte. REINHOLD G. 18. ("C" Coy)
wounded 26.3.18.

8th.

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9th.

Work.	Ref. Map
"A" Coy 2 Platoons in Boves -	FRANCE
Gentilles Road, 1 Platoon on	62 D
Strong Point U.16.	1.40.000
"B" Coy 3 Platoons employed	
in front of GENTILES wiring	
SWITCH LINE.	
"C" Coy resting at BOVES.	
Coy bathed during day.	
SPRENGTH DECREASE - OFFICERS.	
Lt. B. HORNBY wounded 11.3.18)	
to England (17.3.18) and is	
taken of strength from that date	
(Authy. 18th Div. No. 8.391/d/5.4.1918)	

10th.

Work.

(3 Platoons (less 2 sections)
A. (wiring Strong Point U 16
Coy. (approx 700 yds.)
(2 Sections on GENTILES - CACHY
Road.
(1 Platoon on GENTILES - SWITCH
Line, wiring.

B. Coy. Posting in BOVES.
C. Coy. Moved from BOVES to forward
Camp at H. 35.0.
CASHMANS - OFFICERS.
MAJOR H.V. BACON wounded 9.4.18.
2nd Lt. J.P. WOODHAMS wounded
9.4.18.

OTHER RANKS.
C/2835 CPL. KENNETH, P.2. ("B" Coy)
Wounded (about) 26.3.18.
C/2236 Pte. CHRENSHAM, G. ("B" Coy)
Wounded (about) 10.4.18.
APPOINTMENTS - OFFICERS.
CAPT. R.A. HILL appointed 2nd in
Command (Vice MAJ. H.V. BACON) 10.4.18.
2nd Lt. E. B. GLENNY appointed
Acting Assistant Adjutant
(Vice 2nd Lt. J.P. WOODHAMS) 10.4.18.
Lt. C.A. COMLEY appointed temporarily
in command "B" Coy. 10.4.18.

11th.

"A" Coy. 2 Platoons wiring CACHY
SWITCH.
"B" Coy. 1 Platoon completed wiring
post U 10 c 3.8.

"C" Coy Connected by trenches
isolated posts in BOIS L'ABBE
from O 27 d 1.9 - O 34 a 60.

CASUALTIES

G.2196 Pte. GOODSELL, H.B.
("A" Coy) Wounded 9.4.18.
G.2197 Pte. HARMAN, D.J.
("A" Coy) Wounded 9.4.18.
G.2184 Pte. ROLLS, W.
("C" Coy) Wounded 9.4.18.
Reference Batin. Orders
No. 80 B/4/28.3.18 -

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G.2166 SEROT, JEFFREY, W.H.
C. Coy shown as admitted to
F.A. should read "injured
accidentally and admitted
to F.A."
G.1786 Pte. MITCHELL, A.
(B.Coy) wounded slightly
at duty 9.4.18.

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12th.

NOTE.

A Coy at BOVES resting.
B Coy 1 Platoon wired
approx 400 yds in front
of 3-11th line at GENTILES.
C Coy digging trenches in
BOIS L'ABBE from 0 27 d 19 -
0 34 a 60.

DIVISIONAL ORDER 180 received.

COLLEGE AND WOOD ADJOINING ON DURY-HEBERTUNE
A Coy at BOVES till 2 p.m. -

RD

then marched to College on
DURY - HEBERTUNE RD.

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B Coy 1 Platoon wired
switch line in front of

GENTILES. Coy marched
to Wood near College leaving
at 2.15 p.m.

C Coy worked on trenches in
BOIS L'ABBE in morning. Coy
marched to Wood near College
in early afternoon.

TRANSPORT

A echelon moved from BOVES to
College Wood near College on
DURY-HEBERTUNE RD. 3 D 2.8
(approx)

Ref. Map
A183. 17
2nd EDN.
1:100,000

B. Echelon moved from E end
of Village of SALEUX and
rejoined A Echelon in Wood
near College.

CASUALTY.

G/2183 Pte SMITH, E. (B.Coy)
Wounded 12.4.18. C.R.E.'s
ORDER received (18th DIV.
No. 42/12.

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14th.

A.B.C. Coys at disposal of
Coy Commanders - troops
resting and cleaning up.
MOVES. MAJOR A.S. CLARKE
rejoined Batin. 14.4.18.
APPOINTMENTS. MAJOR A.S.
CLARKE assumes command of
B Coy as from 14.4.18.

The Batin spent the morning
training (9.30 - 12.30) the
afternoon being reserved for
football & sports.

CASUALTIES. 21948 Pte. HASSEY

E.L. (B.Coy) (Wounded 6.4.18)
Died of wounds 7.4.18.

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15th (Contd.)

Refce. Batn. Orders
No. 80 B/4/23.3.18.
290946 Pte. WOOD, A.
(A Coy) reported as
"missing" now reported
as "wounded" and admitted
to No. 11 Staty. Hospital
25.3.18.

Refce. Map
ATTENS 17
2nd Edn.
1.100.000

16th

The Batn. spent the morning
in TRAINING (9.30 - 12.30)
The afternoon being reserved
for football and sports.
A lorry was sent from
Division to convey 2 Officers
from each Coy and H.Q.s to
ABBEVILLE, for the purpose
of renewing kit lost in
recent fighting, lorry
left College at 9 a.m.
& returned back about 12
midnight.

CASUALTIES.

P. 18635 Pte. Waller, G.
(posted to Bn. not joined)
Wounded & evacuated to
G.C.S. 24.3.18.
G. 18204 Pte. Watson, H.
(posted to Bn. not joined)
presumed wounded between
21st and 26th March 1918.

17th.

The Batn. spent the morning
in training (9.30 - 12.30)
The afternoon being reserved
for football and sports.
B & C Coys moved from
Armstrong huts in Wood into
tents to make room for M.Gun.
Coy's.

MOVES. - OFFICERS.

2nd Lt. W.J. PEMBERTON
returned from CACHY Area
(BOVES) 14.4.1918.

18th.

A & B Coys erected tents
at camp for BRIGADE (3.4.
Central) 230 tents unloaded
& reloaded into G.S. Wagons.
All tents erected but 146
had to be struck owing to
material for camouflage not
arriving in time.

C Coy spent morning in
training (9.30 - 12.30)

MOVES.

2nd Lts. E.R. SHARP and
W.H. CATER to III Corps
Officers Rest House 17.4.18.
Strength increase.
A new draft joined the

1918.

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18th (Contd)

Battn. 92 all told.

Most of the draft were
out for the first time
and young men of 19 yrs
of age. Allotments:-

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2nd Edn
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A Coy 26 - B Coy 29
C Coy 37

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A & B Coys continued
erection of Camp 17
Brigade at (S. Ga. eastwa)
and were away from early
morning until late at
night.

Divisional GAS OFFICER
inspected Gas Helmets of
H.Q. Coy Transport, C.
Coy & details of A & B
Coys from 11 - 1 in the
morning.

The afternoon was spent
in football & sport.

MOVES - OFFICERS.

End. Mrs. E.R. SHARP and

W.H. CARTER returned from
III CORPS OFFICERS REST
HOUSE 19.4.18.

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ESTABLISHMENT

End Lt C.H. PERLES

(To ENGLAND - SYCA -

6-8.17.) relinquishes
his COMMISSION on account
of ill-health and is taken
off the ESTABLISHMENT as
from 11.4.18.

(AUTHY. H.S.E. 144904/e/d. 11.4.18)

RETIROUISHMENT - OFFICERS.

Capt. (A/Major) H.V. BACON

(6th Bn.) relinquished actg
rank of MAJOR on ceasing
to be Actg. Second in Command
(evacuated wounded 9.4.18)

20th.

A.B.C. Coys spent morning
in training - afternoon
spent in football.

21st.

Divsl. GAS OFFICER lectured
Officers & H.Q.'s 10.30 a.m.
Church parade service with
Machine Gun Battn. at 11.30 a.m.
CASUALTY
G/2184 Fte. POOLE W. "C" Coy
Died of wounds 12.4.18.

H.Q.'s TRANSPORT COLLAGE & WOOD
ADJOINING ON BURN-HEBURNHILL ROAD.

22nd.
A.B.C. Coys spent morning in
TRAINING.

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22nd (Contd.)

At mid-day orders received verbally for A.B.C. Coys to proceed to 3.9.a.

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approx - and remain there till camp which was partially erected was complete. A.B.C. Coys marched off at 3.30.3.40., 3.50.9.m. respectively to the new camp.
MOVES - OFFICERS.
End Lt. G.J.C. FOUND to III Corps GAS SCHOOL 21.4.1918.

A.B.C. COYS WOODS NEAR CACHER 3.9.a.

23rd.

A.B.C. Coys spent day in erecting and improving Camp at 3.9.a. & b.

STRENGTH DECREASE.

CAPT. E.A. FENCHELLE, W.C.,

proceeded to G.H.Q.

B.E.P. ITAIX for duty

23.4.18. (Authy. A.G.s

No.A.G.2159/1704(0)

(dated 20.4.18)

A.B.C. Coys spent day in erecting and improving

CAMP at 3.9.a. & b.

H.Q. Coy & TRANSPORT firing

on RIPLE RANGE.

STRENGTH DECREASE OFFICERS.

MAJOR H.V. BACON (8th Bn)

wounded. (9.4.1918) to

KNOTLAND 11.4.18. AUTHY 13th

DIV. No.Q/654/d/22.4.1918)

H.Q. TRANSPORT COLLEGE AND WOOD
ADJOINING ON DURY HEBURNERS ROAD.

STRENGTH INCREASE. OFFICERS

The w/m Officers Jd NF. 23.4.18

& are posted to the Companies shown.

End Lt. G. BANNELL A.Coy

do. J. FRANGOPULO A. Coy

do. H.R. WILBANK

do. E.G.C. WINN, B. Coy

Lieut G.C. WOODBRIDGE, C. Coy

End Lt. H.P.L. CASTLE, C. Coy

do. J.A. GRANT, D. Coy

do. T.W. ALLEN, D. Coy

A.B.C. COYS WOODS NEAR CACHER 3.9.a. & b.

25th.

A.B. & C. Coys spent day in erecting and improving CAMP at 3.9.a. & b.

H.Q. & TRANSPORT. Parties from these fired on Range
Classes for Signalling &
LAWIS GUN continued.

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APPOINTMENTS - OFFICERS

2nd Lt. C.C. GARNER assumed duties of 2nd in Command of A. Coy 25.4.18.

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DREUIL AND OISSY.

26th.

18th DIVISIONAL ORDER

RECEIVED No.181.

Appendix
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The BATTALION moved as per Div. Orders to DREUIL LES NOUVEAUX

Refce Map
AMIENS

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(A.2. 3.8.). There being no accommodation for more than 2 Coys. B and C Coys proceeded to OISSY (A.2. 5.9) where they were

billeted.

No DAILY ORDERS issued this date.

27th.

Coy's were left at disposal of Coy Commanders, and

were engaged in improving billets and clearing up.

Lewis Gunners on detachment rejoined the Battalion.

28th.

The Battalion attended a Church Parade in stubble field at rear of Battalion Headquarters.

29th.

The Coys spent the morning in training - Rifle, Physical Training, Musketry etc. Afternoon free for recreation. 2nd Lt. L.D. READ admitted to Field Ambulance 28.4.18

30th.

The Coys spent the morning in training. Coys also bathed in the village of DREUIL - under Battalion arrangements.

STRENGTH DECREASE: OFFICERS.

2nd Lt. J.F. WOODHAMS (wounded 9.4.18) TO ENGLAND 16.4.18 and is taken of the strength from that date (AUTHY. 18th Div. No.Q.999 d/27.4.1918)

THOMAS GATES,

Captain & Adjutant,
for O/C. 8th Royal Sussex
Pioneers.

APPENDIX No.27.

Copy No.11.

18th DIVISION ORDER No.180

Ref: Map. 1/40,000
Sheet 82.d.

April 12th 1918

1. Brigade Commander, 8th Australian Inf. Bde., will arrange to relieve on night 13th/14th April.
- (a) 1 Battalion 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. (counter-attack battalion) in U.21. central.
- (b) 10th Essex Regt. in the Wood in U.28.a. to approx. U.29.a.4.3. where junction with the French will be maintained.
- (c) The parties of 18th Division in the defended localities in U.9. and U.10.
2. (a) On relief, the counter-attack battalion of 9th Australian Inf. Bde. mentioned in para.1 will move to BOVES (N.E. end.)
- (b) 10th Essex Regt. and Garrison of defended localities will on relief move to ST. FUSCIEN.
3. All work being carried out in the Divisional area will be handed over tomorrow, 13th inst., under arrangements between C.R.E., 18th Div. and C.R.E. 88th Div. direct.
4. The withdrawal of the machine guns of 18th Div. in the line will be arranged by O.C., 18th Bn. M.G. Corps, in conjunction with O.C., 88th Bn. M.G. Corps tomorrow 13th instant.
5. All Units of 18th Div. in BOVES, GENETELLES and GENETELLES WOOD will move tomorrow in accordance with Table attached.
6. G.O.C., 88th Division will take over command of the right sector of the III Corps front from G.O.C. 18th Div. at 3.0 p.m. tomorrow, 13th instant.
7. H.Q., 18th Div. will close at BOVES and re-open at ST. FUSCIEN at 3.0 p.m. tomorrow.
8. Administrative arrangements in connection with the relief will be made by A.A. & Q.M.G. 18th Div.
9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 9.45 p.m.

A.H. HOPWOOD, Major,
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued to 1. A.D.C. for G.O.C

- 2/3. "G"
4/5. "Q"
6. 53rd Inf. Bde.
7. 54th Inf. Bde.
8. 56th Inf. Bde.
9. C.R.A. 68th Div.
10. C.R.S.
11. Pioneers.
12. Signals.
13. Div. Train.
14. Div. H.Q. Bn.
15. A.D.H.S.
16. A.P.M.
17. C.C.
18. D.A.D.O.S.
19. D.A.D.V.S.
20. 6th Aust. Inf. Bde.
21. 9th Aust. Inf. Bde.
22. 175th Inf. Bde.
23. 6th Aust. Div.
24. 58th Division.
25. 29th French Div.
26. III Corps.
27. III Corps H.A.
28. War Diary.

"G"-C-E-R-S-Pioneers-Div-Fran-III-Corps.

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

G.895

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Ref mapoh Table issued with Order No.180 AAA
8" R. SUBSEX PINS FOR ECOLE NORMALE ANIENS road
COLLEGE AND CAMP ON DURY HERBUTERNE ROAD AAA PINS
to ask.

FROM:- 18th DIV.
TIME:- 11/10 p.m.

Major.

SECRET.

APPENDIX No.29.

C.R.E. 18th Div.
No.42/12.

O.C.
8th R. Sussex Regt. (Pioneers)

Reference 18th Division Order No.180 of 12/4/18.

Your Battalion will move today to College and Camp
on the DURY HERBUTERNE Road.

Move to be made at any hour convenient to yourself.
My Headquarters will be at ST.FUSCHEN after 3 p.m.
today, to which place please report your arrival in
billetts.

Captain, R.E.
for C.R.Z. 18th Division.

13th April 1918.

APPENDIX No.29.

Reference Map. 18th Division Order No.181
AMENS. 1/109,000

Copy No.12.

April 26th 1918.

1. The following moves will be carried out to-day,
26th April :-

- (a) 8th Royal Sussex Pioneers from Camps S.9. and S.10.
and X.20.b. to WRETH.
- (b) 18th M.O. Battalion (Less gump in the line) from
camps S.9. and S.10 and X.20.b. to CRUX (Chateau
excluded).
- (c) 8th Royal Sussex Pioneers and 18th M.O. Battalion will
clear camp S.9 and S.10 by 10.30 a.m., moving by the BOVES
ST. FUSCHEN - DRY Road.
- (d) 56th Infantry Brigade (Less 7th Queens Regt.) from ST.
FUSCHEN to Camp S.9 and S.10. Route:- ST.FUSCHEN - CAGNY
Road. To be clear of ST. FUSCHEN by 10.30 a.m.
- (e) H.Q. 18th Division from ST.FUSCHEN to CAVILLON. Time
of move will be notified later.

2. Further orders regarding move of remainder of 18th
Division (less Artillery and 56th Inf. Bde.) will
follow.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 6 a.m.

A.H. HOPWOOD, Major,
for Lieut Colonel.
General Staff, 18th Division

/copies to:-

Copies to:-

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
- 2/3. "G"
- 4/5. "G"
6. Esqd Inf. Bde.
7. 84th Inf. Bde.
8. 85th Inf. Bde.
9. C.R.A.
10. C.R.E.
11. 16th Bn. H.G.C.
12. 8th R. Sussex Pprs.
13. 3rd Pz.
14. Div. Train.
15. 18th M.T. Coy.
16. A.D.N.S.
17. A.P.H.
18. C.G.
19. III Corps.
20. 8th Division.
21. 18th Division.
22. Moroccan Division.
23. War Diary.

SECRET18th Division H.Q.238

C.R.A. 18th Division.
 Esqd Infantry Brigade
 84th Infantry Brigade
 85th Infantry Brigade.
 C.R.E. 18th Division.
 8th R. Sussex Pioneers.
 Div. H.Q. Bn.
 A.D.N.S.
 O.C. Train.
 A.P.H.
 A.Q.

Herewith rough draft of an Order which will be issued if orders are received for 16th Division to move into Army Reserve in the event of the enemy attacking any part of the Army Front other than our own.

8th March 1918.

Lieut-Colonel.
 General Staff,
 18th Division.

/Draft

DRAFT ORDER

1. The 18th Division will be relieved in the line on "2" "2" plus 1' and "2" plus 2 days.
"A" Brigade 14th Division will relieve 53rd Infantry Brigade and "A" Brigade 56th Division will relieve 56th Infantry Brigade.
2. The Division will be withdrawn to the SALEMONT, GUISCARD and CAILLOREL areas in accordance with the attached March Table. All further details of reliefs will be made between Brigades concerned.
3. 56th Infantry Brigade will be in Corps Reserve on night $\frac{1}{2}$ plus 1.
53rd Infantry Brigade will be in Corps Reserve on night plus $\frac{1}{2}$ plus 2.
4. 18th Divisional Artillery will be withdrawn to area VILSQUOTIER AUBERT and DETROIT under orders to be issued by G.O.C., R.A., III Corps.
5. Divisional Headquarters will not move from ROUEZ at present.
6. Special precautions will be taken in the event of hostile aerial activity.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

SECRET.8th R. SUSSEX PIONEERS.18th Division No. G. 825.

Please destroy March Table issued with 18th Division No. G. 658 of 8.3.18 and substitute attached.

JOHN D. CROSTWAITT, Captain,
for Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

March 18th 1918.

Copies to all recipients of G. 658

SECRET.8th F. SUSSEX PIONEERS.18th Division No.G.863

Reference 18th Division No.G.658, dated 8th Inst.
 Serial Nov. 32 and 37 - for "MENESSIS" read

JOHN D. CROSTHWAITE, Captain
 for Lieut-Colonel.
 General Staff, 18th Division.

March 12th 1918.

To all recipients of 18th Division No.G.658

SECRET.18th Division No.G.9808th Royal Sussex Pioneers.

Reference DRAFT ORDER issued under 18th
 Division No.G.658 of 8.3.18.

Cancel para.3 and substitute -
 "The following will be in Corps Reserve on
 night 2/2 plus 1:-

2 battalions 65th Brigade.
 1 battalion 53rd Brigade.

on night 2 plus 1/2 plus 2:-

53rd Brigade".

Cancel para.5 and substitute the following:-

"18th Div. H.Q. will remain at ROUTE2 and will
 hand over command of sub-sector to 14th and 58th
 Divisions at 9 a.m. on 2 plus 2 day.

JOHN D. CROSTHWAITE

for Lieut-Colonel
 General Staff, 18th Division.
March 14th 1918.

SECRET.8th Royal Sussex Pioneers.18th Division No.G.40.

Reference DRAFT ORDER issued under 18th Division No.G.658 of 8.3.18.

In March Table Serial No.1 -

For "2" Day" read "2" plus 1 day"

In para 3, the 3 battalions in Corps Reserve on night 2/2 plus 1 will be under the command of 64th Infantry Brigade.

JOHN D. CROSTHWAITE, Captain,
for Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff, 18th Division.

March 16th 1918.

To all recipients of 18th Div. No.G.658

SECRET.Copy No.11.18th DIVISION ORDER No.136.

Reference
LION 22 Sheet.) French
SOLISONE 33
70. E. N.E.
70. D. N.W
70. E. S.E.

27th March, 1918.

1. The role of the 18th Division is to hold itself in readiness to act as a reserve to the 68th Division (British).

It is accommodated in an area as follows:-

Northern Boundary - VASSENS - LE MESNIL -
AUDIGNICOURT.
Eastern Boundary - VASSENS - HORS
Southern Boundary - HORS - BERTY RIVIERE
Western Boundary - BERTY RIVIERE to AUDIGNICOURT.
(all inclusive to the 18th Division).

With a detachment forward at ST. AUBIN.

2. The detachment mentioned in para 1 consists of -

The 64th Infantry Brigade.
80th Field Coy, R.E.

/8th Royal

8th Royal Sussex Pioneers.

1 Bearer Subsection (54th Field Ambulance, the whole, and the area accommodating them being under the orders of Brigadier General SADDLER JACKSON, C.B.E., D.S.O.)

3. The dispositions of the 6th Division are as issued in G.400

4. The ST. AUBIN detachment, being in immediate reserve to the 66th Division is placed under the orders of the G.O.C. 66th Division for tactical purposes.

The Brigade Commander will report to-night to 68th Division Hd.Qr., which will open at BIERMANCOURT to-day.

5. The strictest discipline, especially at ST. AUBIN, is to be insisted upon in connection with the shelling of lights after dark.

6. Owing to the congested state of the roads, infantry will, whenever possible, be marched off the main roads.

WALLACE WRIGHT,
Lieut.-Colonel.
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 5 p.m.

Copies to:-

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
- 2/3. " " "
- 4/5. " " "
6. 53rd Brigade.
7. 64th Brigade.
8. 66th Brigade.
9. C.R.A.
10. C.R.E.
11. 8th R. Sussex Pioneers.
12. Div. Machine Gun Battalion.
13. A.D.M.S.
14. Signals
15. Div. Train.
16. No. 3. D.S.C.
17. A.P.M.
18. D.O.O.
19. 1st French Cavalry Corps.
20. 68th Division.
21. III Corps.
22. 18th Entrenching Bn.
23. 188 Tunnelling Coy.
24. War Diary.

SECRET.18th DIVISION ORDER No.170.March 28th 1918.

1. Orders have been received for the Division to proceed to an area for re-organisation.
2. 53rd Brigade, 56th Brigade and 18th M.G. Battalion (less guns with 54th Brigade and Battalion H.Q. and 53rd Coy, H.Q.C.) will proceed tonight by lorry.
3. The remainder of dismounted personnel will proceed tomorrow, 28th by lorry, under orders to be issued later.
4. Orders for move of transport and all mounted personnel will also be issued later.
5. Advanced Div. H.Q. will move tomorrow morning, 5.28th inst. - the remainder of Div. H.Q. as for para 5.
6. A.A. & Q.M.G. will remain at AUDIGNICOURT until the division is cleared and will be in telephonic communication with them.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

WALLACE BRIGHT,
Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 11.30 p.m.

Copies to:-

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
- 2/3. "G"
- 4/5. "G"
6. 53rd Inf. Bde.
7. 54th Inf. Bde.
8. 56th Inf. Bde.
9. C.R.A.
10. C.R.S.
11. 8th R. Sussex Pnrs.
12. 18th M.G. Bn.
13. A.D.M.S.
14. Div. Train.
15. 18th M.T. Coy.
16. D.A.D.O.S.
17. D.A.D.V.S.
18. Signals
19. A.P.M.
20. D.G.O.
21. 1st French Cav. Corps
22. 56th Division
23. III Corps
24. 12th Sautrenching Battalion.
25. 132nd Tunneling Coy.
26. O.C., A.A. Det.
27. Camp Commandant.
28. War Diary.

8TH BATTALION THE ROYAL NUBIA REGIMENT.

1918

MAY

Appendix

1st

The Coys spent the morning in training. In the afternoon H.Q. Transport & A Coy. held sports, followed by a concert in the evening. The Divisional Band played during the afternoon.

ARTISTS
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2nd

A Battalion parade was held at 10 a.m. C Coy held sports during the afternoon - the Divisional Band being in attendance. 2nd Lt. W.J. PEMBERTON ret'd. from GAGNY CAMP 1/5/1918.

3rd

The Battalion paraded at 6.50 a.m. and marched to Parade Ground near TAILLY to attend Presentation of Medals by Corps Commander at 11 a.m.

APPENDIX
NO.30.

4th

18th Div.Order G.Mex 543, 543 received. Transport moved off at 2 p.m. to ARGOUEVES. 18th Div. Order G.431. 18th Div.Order No.161 and Bus Table received and acted upon. No DAILY ORDERS ISSUED this day.

FROM DREUIL AND OISRY TO BAIZIEUX.

Ref.Map
63.D.
N.W.
1/30,000

5th

NO DAILY ORDERS issued this date. Divisional Orders G.Mex 601, 602 received and acted upon. The Battalion embussed on CAVILLON-MOULIENS road and proceeded to MONTFORT where they debussed, and proceeded by route march to BAIZIEUX. No billets were available - but a field - until Town Major agreed to let Battalion go into billets allotted to 175 Brigade for the night - as they were not arriving till following day. Divisional Order No.163 received.

APPENDIX
NO.31.

6th

BAIZIEUX
The Battalion moved from BAIZIEUX at 2.30 to Australian Camp at G.S. Central, and were bivouached in banks etc. CAPT. R.W. BRISTOW Jd.BATTN.5/5/18 and is posted to A Coy as OFFICER COMMAND.
LEAVE - CAPT.W.H.BADDELEY M.C. granted 30 days leave May 4/ June 2 1918. (Anty. Fourth Army 4/3/188 dated 36/4/18.
B & C Coys worked during night of 6/7 digging communication trench between support and front line. Owing to a raid - the work

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1/30,000

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was only partially completed.
 O Trench runs approx. S.19.a.0.8. -
 S.13.c.8.2.

7th

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No.32.

18th Divisional Order No.184
 received. A & B Coys moved to
 forward quarters during the
 afternoon A Coy to LAVETILLE
 (D.10.a.) where they billeted in
 cellars. B Coy in valley near
 BREHET (D.14.a.& b.)
 B Coy - 1 platoon & 2 sections
 of C Coy continued work on
 communication trench which was
 nearly completed. Men had to
 wear gas masks for a short time -
 owing to gas shelling.

8th

A Coy worked on trenches ~~between~~
 on HILL BROW support, 1 platoon
 dug Assembly sills.
 B Coy completed O Trench from
 DIXON SUPPORT TO FRONT LINE
 C Coy 21/2 platoons wired in
 front of LAVETILLE.

9th

62 D.
H.F.
1/20,000

A Coy. Continued work of digging
 trenches between at HILL BROW
 SUPPORT. B Coy. Worked on
 improving CAMP. C Coy.
 1 platoon at work on BERNHART -
 BAIZIEUX road in BAIZIEUX -
 holes filled in - mud cleared -
 road partially drained.
 C Coy - moved forward to LAVETILLE
 trench from rear camp.
 B Coy. moved from forward camp to
 LAVETILLE trench. Advance En.
 H.Q. established in LAVETILLE
 village.

10th

Casualties. Twenty one
 casualties occurred on 9/5/18
 3 killed 17 wounded, 1 B Coy.
 slightly wounded - all B Coy.
 Names & unit numbers on list
 attached.
 A Coy. Digging trenches ~~from~~
 at D.5.d.1.3. 150 yds completed.
 B Coy. Digging fire trench
 D.17.b.9.7. to D.12.c.8.6.
 C Coy. Wiring in front of
 LAVETILLE line & improvement
 of Trench 250x completed.
 D.11.a.4.3.

11th

CAPT. J. BATHAM ret'd. from
 Pioneer General BOUND. 11/5/18.
 CASUALTIES: 23710 Pte. OSBORN W.
 "A" Coy killed 10/5/18.
 G/2605 Pte. SHORT W. "C" Coy.
 Wounded slightly at duty 10/5/18.

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11th
(Ctd.)

A Coy. Digging trenches at D.5.d.13. 47 yards completed, also at D.6.0.1.3. (170 yds completed). B Coy. Digging posts, 6 completed, 6 nearly completed, 300 yds trench splitbacked. C Coy. Wiring LAMBERT LINE 210 yards completed.

12th

A Coy. Converting rough trenches 150 yds completed - communication trench 50 y. completed Nap refuge. D.5. B Coy. Working on posts - 3 completed - 80 yards trench joining up Posts dug. 2 rows pickets in front of position. D.17.b.9.7. to D.12.0.5.6. C Coy. Communication trench completed, 140 yards wiring completed D.10. D.63. to D.5. C.5.4.

13th

Appendix
No. 33.

16th DIVISION ORDER 185 received. CASHMERE: on 12/8/18.

G/3447 Pte. RICE. F.W. A Coy. Wounded. G/33736 " PIVOTICK H.G. B Coy. " G/2352 " HOSLEY W. C Coy. " 24386 Pte. ROWE H. C Coy. Wounded slightly at duty.

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H.E.
1/20,000

A Coy. Training and digging Communication Trenches, 200 yds (D.6.b.9.4. - D.13.b.5.8.) completed.

B Coy Digging wire trenches & wiring, 2 posts completed, and communication trench between 2 posts finished. 350 yards single apron fence completed.

(D.17.0.9.7. to D.13.0.5.6.)

C Coy. Digging Communication Trench and wiring, 240 yards wiring completed, 270 yards of C. Trench finished. (Wiring D.11.e.3.4. to D.5.0.2.3.)

(Trench D.12.b.5.8. to D.13.b.6.3.)

14th

A Coy. Digging Communication Trench 200 yards completed D.6.0.9.4. to D.13.b.5.8. also completed. Converting rough Trenches D.5.d.1.3. to D.5.d.5.8. B Coy 10 posts completed and 5 posts connected up complete D.17.b. - D.12.e.

C Coy Improving Communication Trench 6 firebays made and trench generally (D.12.13.58 to D.13.b.63.) improved.

Digging G.F. 165 yards completed D.12.b.63. to D.13.b.3.0.

B Coy returned to Rear Camp at BALSIBUX after work.

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(Ctd.)

A Coy. Digging trenches at D.5.d.13. 47 yards completed, also at D.6.c.1.2. (170 yds completed). B Coy. Digging posts, 6 completed, 6 nearly completed, 300 yds trench splitlocked. C Coy. Wiring LAMWILK LINE 310 yards completed.

13th

A Coy. Converting rough trenches 150 yds completed - communication trench 50 y. completed Nap refoe. D.5. B Coy. Working on posts - 3 completed - 80 yards trench joining up Posts dug. 2 rows pickets in front of position. D.17.b.9.7. to D.13.c.5.6.
C Coy. Communication Trench completed, 140 yards wiring completed D.10. D.63. to D.5. C.3.4.

13th

18th DIVISION ORDER 186 received. CASUALTIES: on 12/5/18.

G/2447 Pte. RICE J.W. A Coy. Wounded.

G/23736 " PIRVICK H.G. B Coy. "

G/2352 " ROSELY W. C Coy. "

24386 Pte. ROWE H. C Coy. Wounded slightly at duty.

A Coy. Trimming and digging Communication Trenches, 200 yds (D.6.c.9.4. - D.13.b.5.8.) completed.

62 D.
H.2.
1/20,000

B Coy. Digging wire trenches & wiring, 3 posts completed, and communication trench between 3 posts finished. 350 yards single Apron fence completed.

(D.17.c.9.7. to D.13.c.5.6.)

C Coy. Digging Communication Trench and wiring, 240 yards wiring completed, 270 yards of C. Trench finished. (wiring

D.11.a.3.4. to D.5.c.3.3.)
(Trench D.12.b.5.8. to D.13.b.6.3.)

14th

A Coy. Digging Communication Trench 200 yards completed D.6.c.9.4. to D.13.b.5.8. also completed. Converting rough Trenches D.5.d.1.3. to D.5.d.3.8. B Coy. 10 posts completed and 5 posts connected up complete D.17.b. - D.13.c.

C Coy. Improving Communication Trench 6 firebays made and trench generally (D.13.13.58 to D.13.b.63.) improved.
Digging C. T. 160 yards completed D.12.b.63. to D.13.b.2.0.
B Coy returned to Rear Camp at BALDREK after work.

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May

14th
(Ord.)

CASUALTIES: OFFICERS - 2ND LT. J.A. GRAFF killed 14/5/18.
 1ST LIEUT. G.18.3.4. 307. SPRINGER B. C. COY. Killed 14/5/18.
 23753 Pte. ARLEY J.T. C Coy. Killed 14/5/18.
 23749 Pte. ALBROSE L.C. C Coy wounded 14/5/18.
 10519 Pte. PARKER B. C Coy. wounded 14/5/18.
 23356 Pte. YORK A. B Coy. wounded 13/5/18.
 290198 Pte. COOKES A. B Coy. wounded 13/5/18.
 C.2170 Cpl. TYLER F. B Coy.) wounded
 SD/1890 Pte. FARRANT P. B Coy.) and died
 of wounds
 9/5/18.

APOPLETHMENTS: OFFICERS:

CAPT. E.A. HILL to be actg. Major whilst employed as Second-in Command, 24th April 1918.
 (18th DIV. NO. 4.363 (4/13/5/1918) *
 CAPT. (A/MAJOR) H.V. BACON (6th Btl.) relinquishes pay of acting rank on ceasing to be employed as Second-in-Command (18th DIV. NO. 4.362/4/13/5/1918) *.

15th

A Coy. Digging trenches 210 yards completed D.12.5.5.5.
 B Coy. Resting in Camp.
 C Coy. Wiring and trench digging. 6 firebays made trench generally improved. 34 yds completed (D.13.5.6.3. - D.12.5.2.) (60 yds wiring at D.17.5.6.5. 53 yards ~~wiring~~ trenches D.13.5.4.5.)
 HONOURS & AWARDS. OFFICERS.
 BAR TO MILITARY CROSS
 P/CAPT. W.H. BAUDENAY M.C.
 MILITARY CROSS
 T/2LT. W.H. CATER (111 A.C.R.O. 305)
 DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.
 290873 C.S.M. (A.R.B.M.) THOMAS C.E.
 G. 2048 807. PEPPER W.O.
 (111 ACRO 305.)

CASUALTIES:

360067 Actg. Cpl. WELLS A. B Coy. wounded 14/5/18.
 G. 2447 Pte. RICE J.W. A Coy. wounded and died of wounds 11/5/18.
 Slightly wounded at duty.
 (H.V.D. GAS) 14/5/18.
 G.1997 L/Cpl. BUNKER J.B Coy. APF. NO. 33.a.1.
 G. 2382 Pte. STUNGEN H. B Coy.
 260066 Pte. GREENFIELD A.D. B Coy.

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(Ctd.)

G/23707 Pte. MELISH R.F. A Coy.
Accidentally injured and admitted
to F.A. 14/5/18.
L/93 L/57 & amendments issued
to Coy(s).

16th

WORK A Coy. Dug 180 yards
trenches. At D.12.b.55.
B Coy. Rested and bathed at
rear camp.
C Coy. Dug shell sills to accommodate
2 platoons. D.10.D. & D.11.a. 60
yards G.T. completed D.17.b.6.8.
to D.12.c.4.3.

17th

A Coy. Digging trenches & wiring.
400 yards wiring D.12.b.6.3.
northwards. 27 shell sills.
D.10.d.5.2. to D.11.a.3.3.
40 yards trench D.12.b.5.4.
B Coy. Wire Trench, 40 yds
completed, 20 yards partly dug.
3 platoons working on Villa
Reserve. D.17.b.9.7. to D.12.c.5.6.
Cops trench & L.G. positions
also Brigade H.Q.'s.
C Coy. Bathed and rested rear camp.
G/241113. Pte. BRECHING Y.
A Coy. accidentally injured
18/5/19.

18th

WORK A Coy wiring 740 yards
completed D.12.b.5.3. D.6.C.3.8.
B Coy. Digging posts improving
trenches etc. D.17.b. D.12.C. &
D.5.c and d. C Coy. Rested at
rear camp, proceeded to forward
quarters in evening.

AWARDS MILITARY CROSS

2nd Lt. L.D. MOORE (III A.C.R.O.318).

BAISIEUX

19th

WORK

A Coy. Resting & bathing rear camp.
B Coy. Improvement of Fire Trenches
D.5. & D.11 to D.5.
C Coy. Wiring. 115 yards completed
D.6. 380 yards partially done
D.6 to D.12.

HONOURS & REWARDSMILITARY MEDALS

A Coy. G/2433 Pte. HIRSTEAD E.
G/2165 Cpl. STANDING L.G.
C/20882 L/Cpl. PHILLIPS J.
B Coy.
G/2498 Pte. EVANS E.E.
G/2248 L/Cpl. PURRINGHER A.

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24th

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WORK.

C Coy. Supplied 180 men in 3 shifts of 60 men each to work under R.B. Tunneling Coy. on Dugouts at O.14.C.60. D.19.a.3.5. D.19.d.2.9. D.19.d.1.8.
A & B Coys. remained in Camp - improving same.

25th

WORK.

B Coy. supplied 130 men for Tunneling Work as previously
A Coy. supplied 50 men for Tunneling work as previously.
C Coy. usual training during morning.

26th

WORK.

A Coy. Digging trenches 90 yards D.8.a.1.1. to D.8.a.1.3.
Digging trenches 90 yards D.7.b.8.6. to D.7.b.8.8.
Digging trenches 90 yards D.2.c.1.1. to D.2.c.6.7.
B Coy. trained during morning.
C Coy. supplied men for dugouts as previously at C.14 & D.19. (4 dugouts in all).

SERIALS
MAP.

27th

WORK.

A Coy. Working on Trenches 160 yards completed in all. Map refers D.7.b.6.1. to D.8.a.1.1. D.7.b.9.2. to D.8.a.1.2. D.7.b.6.6. to D.7.b.8.7. D.2.c.6.8.
B Coy. Supplied men for working on dugouts 3 shifts of 8 hrs each as previously at C.14. D.19. (4 dugouts).
C Coy. training during morning.

28th

HONOURS AND REWARDS.

The following is an extract from LONDON GAZETTE Supplement dated 24/6/18. Submitting names deserving of special mention in April 7 1918.

OFFICERS.

T/LT. COL. B.J. WALKER.
T/CAPT. E.A. HILL.
SEC. LT. (T/LT.) H.M. WHITEHEAD.
T/SGT. LT. C.O. GARDNER.

OTHER RANKS.

O/2032 C.Q.M.S. SMITH H.P.
(A.Coy.)
20338 Sgt. ROLT A.T.
(C.Coy.)

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(Ctd.)

C Coy.
G. 1348 Pte. BACKSHALL E.
G. 2323 Pte. STAINES W.
G. 1440 SGT. SMITH I. J.
G. 1741 CPL. WINDMILL J.
G. 7008 L/Cpl. YOUNG A. (A.C.R.O. 333).
PARCLEMENTS.

A Coy.
G. 2065 L/Cpl. HEWHAM C. W.
G. 2525 Pte. JARVIS A.
G. 4536 Pte. CAVEY E.
214 Pte. HEWITT A.

B Coy.
G. 1746 SGT. KETHERINGTON E. E.
G. 1379 SGT. BURSSELL F. R.
G. 1306 SGT. CASTLE E. J.
G. 2355 A/Cpl. MAYES A. J.
G. 4734 PTE. KIDMAN W.
G. 1861 PTE. DAVIS H.

C Coy.
G. 1248 L/Cpl. LAWRENCE M.
(18th Div. No. Q. 239/A/12/5/18.)

20th

WORK.

A Coy. Resting in Camp.
B Coy. Deepening & improving
trenches LAVENTILLE LINE. 100
yards wiring in front of MILLS
FRENCH.

C Coy. Deepening & improving
trenches right sector LAVENTILLE
LINE. 240 yards wiring completed.
CASUALTIES. 10819 Pte. PARKER B.
700 Coy (wounded 14/5/18.)
died of wounds 15/5/18.

21st

WORK.

A Coy. Improvement of LAVENTILLE LINE.
B Coy. Resting at rear headquarters
(G.S. central).

C Coy. Deepening and General
Improvement of French right
sector LAVENTILLE LINE.
55 Brigade Order No. 184 received. APP.
NO. 334.

22nd

WORK.

A Coy. Improving & wiring trenches
D.G. - D. 11 & 13.
B Coy. Resting & bathing.
C Coy. Deepening & General
Improvement of trench right sector
LAVENTILLE LINE.
18th Divisional Order No. 189
received.

APP.
No. 34.

23rd

WORK.

A. Improving LAVENTILLE LINE -
6 men when relieved at night
returned to rear camp at BOIS
ROBERT. G. 11. do.
B. do. do. do.
C. Resting rear Camp.
BRIGADE ORDERS NO. 171, 172, 185
received. 18th Div. order
No. Q. 104 received.

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May28th
(Ctd.)

WORK.
A Coy. Working on Communication and fire trenches, Bomb Staps etc. at following points. D.7.b.0.2. to D.8.a.1.3. D.7.b.0.6. to D.7.b.0.7. D.3.0.6.5. to D.2.C.0.6.7.
B Coy. Two shifts working on Tunneling dugouts with R.21s - map locations as previously given.
C Coy. Two shifts on Tunneling as above.

29th

WORK.
A Coy. Digging Trenches V.25.d.0.8. to V.25.b.1.5. 210 yards completed. Digging Trenches D.1.b.1.3. to V.25.b.1.8. 500 yards completed.
B Coy. Two shifts of 35 O.Ranks on R.H. fatigue work at D.19.a.3.3. D.7.d.0.1. 0.17.e.0.8. Two shifts of 32 O.Ranks on R.3. fatigues at D.3.d.1.2. D.7.d.4.4.
C Coy. Tunneling & Fatigue parties under R.5. at D.7.d.4.4. D.3.d.1.2.
HONORS & REWARDS.

The Corps Commander has awarded MILITARY MEDALS to the undermentioned for gallantry in the field.

11 (A.C.R.0.350) 30282 Sgt. HERBERT A.S. R. SUSSEX REGT. A Coy.
0/2416 Sgt. WHITE W.E. R. SUSSEX REGT. C Coy.

30th

WORK. A Coy. Digging Trenches V.25.d.0.6. to V.25.b.1.5 (210 yds) & D.1.b.1.2. - V.25.b.1.5. (500 yds)
B Coy. Two units working on Dug Outs as previously. C Coy. Two shifts working on Dugouts as previously.
55th BRIGADE ORDER No.186 received.

31st

WORK.
A Coy. Continued work on Trenches (as on 30th).
B Coy. Resting in Camp.
C Coy. do.
18th Divisional Orders 0.041 0.042 received.
The Battalion moved forward from O.S. central to HENEMOUNT and took over from Suffolk. Rear H.Q. & Echelons of Corps moved to Transport Lines at C.9.b. Casualties on 9/5/18. (List attached Batin. Operation Order No.60 issued.

EDWARD B. GLENNY, 21st.
Actg. Adjt.
for O/O 8th Royal Sussex Regt.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.PRIORITY.

TO: 53rd Bde. 54th Bde. Para. G.R.H. A.D.M.G.
A/Q Div. Train 18th M.G. Bn. A.P.M.

Sender's Number Day of Month.
G.542. 3.

The transport of the following units will move May 4th at an hour and to a destination to be notified later AAA 53rd Bde. Group 54th Bde. Group 8th R. Sussex Pioneers 18th Br. M.G. Corps AAA Personnel of above will move by bus on May 5th AAA Ack.

From: 18th Division.

P. ASHERAD BARTLETT.

Major G.S.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.PRIORITY.

TO: Para.

Major.

Sender's Number Day of Month.
G.543. 4.

18th Div. less Arty. 55th Bde. and 2 M.G. Coys will be transferred from 111 Corps to 500th Corps as follows 4th May transport by road to 500th Corps less AMBES and BOUTILLERIE AAA Route BRIGUNTSWORTH. FERRIERES except for M.G. Bn. Tpr. AAA H.G. Bn. Tpr. will stage night 4/5 at 500th MORTALE and will move independently via PICQUIGNY AAA Remaining units transport will send representatives to report Town Major BOUTILLERIE 4 p.m. where representatives 18th Div. will inform location of billets AAA Times of move AAA 53rd Bde Group Tpr. 12 noon AAA 54th Bde. Group Tpr. 12.10 p.m. AAA Para. Tpr. 3.0 p.m. AAA D.H.Q. Tpr. 1.45 p.m. AAA Times given are those at which units transport will clear billets AAA Usual distances to be maintained AAA Details of move of personnel on 5th will be issued later AAA Ack. Addressed all concerned repled. C.R.A. 55th Bde. and 111 Corps.

Place: 18th Division.

Major G.S.

MESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

Priority or Special D.R.

To: 8th R.S.P.

Sender's Number Day of Month.
Q.451. 4.

Ref: G.542 of 3/5 1st line transport will proceed today to 2nd of ARGONIVES and bivouac there instead of proceeding to BOUILLERIE 2nd. Representative to report to CAP. NICHOLSON at ARGONIVES Church at 3 p.m. 2nd Ack.

From 18th Div.

(3d.) J.A. Churchill, Major,
D.A.A.O.MESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

To: PERS.

Sender's Number Day of Month
G.587 4.

Ref: Order 181 Bus Table Column 3 AAA For H.20.b.7.8.
road H.20.c.7.8.

From 18th Div.

Major.

SECRETMESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

Ref: MAPS. AMTMS & 62 E.1/40,000

To: G/C A.B.C. H.Q.
Q.H.Sender's Number Day of Month.
O.O.100 4/5

1. The Battalion (less Transport) will proceed to a new area tomorrow 5th embussing at CAVILLON-MOLLINS ROAD facing SOUTH TAIL of column 500 yds S. of DREVILL CHURCH.
2. Order of march:- H.Q.s. A.B.C Coy's.
3. Battalion to be ready to embus at 8.45 a.m.

4. Dress: full marching order & blanket to be rolled & strapped on top of pack Steel Helmet to be worn.

5. Bliaets to be left scrupulously clean.

6. Acknowledged.

From 8 R.Sussex Rgt.

R.W. GATES,

Time. 10.45.

Capt.A.A.

SECRET

18TH DIVISION ORDER HQ.181.

Copy No.11.

May 4th 1918.

1. A hostile attack is anticipated in the near future on the left of the Fourth Army front and orders have been issued for the III Corps to take over from the Australian Corps the left portion of the Australian Corps front (Vide attached map *)

3. This front is held at present by the 47th Division, H.Q. at BEAUCOURT, with the 56th Inf.Bde. on their right.

3. The Corps Commander intends to hold the Corps front with two divisions, the 47th and 18th Divisions, with the 56th Division in reserve.

4. The boundary between the 18th and 47th Divisions will be issued later.

5. The 18th Division front will be held by 2 brigades the 54th Inf.Bde. and the 56th Inf.Bde. The former will go into the line on the night of 6/7th May. The 53rd Brigade will be in reserve.

6. The present intention is for the 53rd Inf.Bde. to relieve the 56th Inf.Bde. in the line on night of 8/9th.

7. The proposed Headquarters for formations are as under:- (but are subject to revision).

RIGHT (18th) DIV. H.Q. at EBART PAUL or (O.L.C.3.3.)

Right Bde.H.Q. in D.19.a. (under construction)
with Report Centre at D.32.g.1.5.

Left Bde.H.Q. at D.7.central with Report Centre
at D.4.c.8.3.

Reserve Bde.H.Q. in C.10.e. (under construction).

Left (47th) DIV. H.Q. at BEAUCOURT.

Right Bde.H.Q. at HENRIKOURT (to be moved eventually
to V.30.d.8.5).

Left Bde. H.Q. at V.30.d.8.5.

Reserve Bde.H.Q. at VARIOY.

Reserve (58th) Divn.H.Q. at MOLLINGS-au-BOIS.

One Brigade forming permanent Garrison in the
BAIZIRUX Defences.

Two Brigades in the WOODS in B.B., B.9.a & c and 15.b.
South-east of MOLLINGS-au-BOIS.

8. Brigade and other Unit Commanders are warned that
accommodation is very limited.

9. The hours for the embussing of troops are as shown
in the attached schedule.

10. Areas to which units will proceed on debussing will
be notified later.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

WALLACE WRIGHT, Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 7.30 p.m.

Copies to:-

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
- 2/3. "G"
- * 4/5. "G"
- * 6. 53rd Brigade.
- * 7. 84th Brigade.
- * 8. 55th Brigade.
- * 9. G.R.A. 18th Div.
- * 10. G.R.E. 18th Division.
- * 11. 8th R. Suss. Pioneers.
12. 18th Bn. M.G. Corps.
13. A.D.M.S.
14. Signals.
15. A.P.M.
18. 18th Div. Train.
19. 18th H.T. Coy.
20. Camp Commandant.
21. D.G.O.
22. D.A.D.O.B.
23. III Corps "G"
24. III Corps "G"
25. War Diary.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Priority.

To: Planners.

Sender's Number
G.601.Day of Month.
5.

Continuation D.O.181 AAA Debusing points AAA
54th Inf.Bde. head of column at B.11.d.7.2. AAA Location
Bde. Head of column at B.11.d.7.2. AAA Location
Billots AAA 54th Inf.Bde. VANDY AAA 53rd Inf.Bde.
BAYLEINCOURT - MONTIGNY - BEAUCOURT - HEILINCOURT -
AONICOURT area AAA Details billeting from 9 47th
Div. on arrival AAA Transport arrives via
on May 5th AAA Div.H.Q. closes CAVILLON 11 a.m.
5th and re-opens Ad.H.Q. EBART PARK with H.Q. rear
BAYLEINCOURT on arrival.

From 18th Div.

Major.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

To: 5th R.Sussex Pzrs.

Sender's Number
G.602.Day of Month.
5.

Transport will resume march May 5th to 47th Div.area
route PETIT CAILON - POIT NOYELLES - BAYLEINCOURT -
EARLOY AAA Column must be clear of section of road
between COITAY and BEAUCOURT by 1 p.m. AAA Order
of March 54th Bde.Group 53rd Bde. Group No.3 Sect
D.A.C. Sussex Pzrs. D.H.Q. AAA Train dogs will move
with their affiliated Bde. Groups AAA Advance parties
from each group will report at cross roads at first
R.in FRECHINCOURT at 10.30 a.m. where they will receive
instructions from a representative of 47th Div. AAA
Acknowledges AAA Advd.Bde.T.Os. 53rd & 54th Bdes. T.O.
Sussex Pzrs. No.3 Sect. D.A.C. A/Q A.P.M. 18th Div.
Train, Transport D.H.Q. reptd. 53rd & 54th Bde. Sussex
Pzrs. C/O.

From 18th Div.

P. ASHHEAD BARTLETT,
Capt.

COPY NO.11.

18TH DIVISION ORDER NO.185.5th May 1918.

1. In continuation of 18th Division Orders No.181 and 182. When the 18th Division has taken over the Sector as laid down, the 140th Infantry Brigade will be on the left of the 18th Division and the 10th Australian Brigade on the right.
Headquarters of 140th Brigade will be at HENECOURT CHATEAU. Right Battalion Headquarters MILNECOURT (Temporarily) Left Battalion Headquarters MILNECOURT (Temporarily) Support Battalion Headquarters HENECOURT (Temporarily) H.Q. 10th Australian Brigade HEILLY.

2. Machine Gun dispositions on completion of relief will be as follows :-
(a) One M.G. Company in each Brigade Sector to be disposed under Divisional arrangements, but will in the first place take over the positions occupied at present by the 47th Division
(b) O.C., M.G. Battalion will place at the disposal of each Brigade Commander in the line 4 Guns and at the disposal of the Reserve Brigade Commander 8 Guns.
(c) Remaining Guns will be held in Divisional Reserve.

The Guns mentioned in para.(b) will be sent to report to Brigade Commanders tomorrow. Advanced report centre M.G. Battalion will be in the neighbourhood of D.V. central.

3. Tomorrow, 6th May, one battalion and one company 33rd Infantry Brigade will relieve the battalion (less one company) 141st Inf. Bde. at ST LAURENT VARM and the two companies of the 141st Infantry Brigade in the BAIZIUX Defences South of the Inter-Divisional boundary. Relief to be arranged direct between Brigades concerned. 141st Infantry Brigade Headquarters - WARLOY.

4. The rest of the Brigade less the units mentioned in preceding para. will be disposed East of the HALTUS VALLEY by 3.0 p.m. tomorrow.

5. Pending further instructions Field Companies will remain affiliated to their Brigades.

6. 18th Division Artillery will relieve the Second Australian Divisional Artillery on the night 6/7th May under orders to be issued by the C.R.A. 2nd Australian Division.
On completion of this relief the 18th Divisional front will be covered by :-

82nd Brigade R.E.A.
83rd Brigade R.E.A.
2-18 pdr. Batteries of 96th Army
Field Artillery Brigade.

C.R.A. 18th Division will take over command of the artillery covering the front of the 18th Division at 9 a.m. 7th May.

7. Medical Units of the 18th Division will come into line under orders to be issued by A.D.H.S. 18th Division.

8. Command of the 18th Division front will pass from G.O.C. 47th Division to G.O.C. 18th Division at 6 a.m. Day 7th at which hour 55th Infantry Brigade will revert to the command of the 18th Division.

9. AGHNOTLANDS.

A.R. HOPWOOD, Major,
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 11.55 pm.

Copies to:- No.1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.

2/3. "G"

4/5. "G"

6. 53rd Brigade.

7. 54th Brigade.

8. 55th Brigade.

9. C.R.A. 18th Division.

10. C.R.M.

11. 8th H. Susssex Pioneers.

12. 18th Inf. M.G.O.

13. A.D.H.S.

14. Signals.

15. A.P.M.

16. 18th Div. Train.

17. 18th M.T. Company.

18. B.O.C.

19. D.A.D.C.F.

20. III Corps "G"

21. III Corps "G"

22. 2nd Australian Division.

23. 47th Division.

24. War Diary.

SUBJECT.18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 184.

COPY NO 11

Ref. map sheet
63D. 1/40,000.

May 7th 1948.

1. The tactical situation permitting, the 53rd Infantry Brigade will relieve the 56th Infantry Brigade in the Right Brigade sector on the night May 8th/9th. The command of the sector will pass from B.G.C. 55th Inf Bde. to B.G.C. 53rd Inf Bde. on completion of the relief.
 2. All details of the relief will be arranged direct between Brigadiers concerned.
 3. (a) The 92nd Field Company R.E. will not be relieved tomorrow night but at a later date, under orders to be issued by the C.R.E.
(b) The Company of the Sussex Pioneers attached to 55th Inf Bde. will continue on work in the line under orders of 53rd Inf Bde.
 4. 56th Inf Bde. will hand over to 53rd Inf Bde. on relief all maps, documents and aerial photos connected with the sector.
 5. Reconnaissance of the line by 53rd Inf Bde. will commence forthwith.
 6. 56th Inf Bde. will, on completion of relief, become the Brigade in Divisional Reserve and will take over the present dispositions of 53rd Inf Bde.
 7. Administrative arrangements in connection with the relief will be notified by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
 8. Completion of relief will be reported to Divisional Headquarters by wiring the number of this order followed by the time relief was complete.
 9. ACTION/ADDM.
- Copies to :-
- Issued at 6.45 p.m.
1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
2/3. "G"
4/5. "Q"
6. 53rd Inf Bde.
7. 54th Inf Bde.
8. 55th Inf Bde.
9. C.R.A.
10. C.R.B.
11. 8th R. Huss. Pzrs.
12. Signals.
13. A.D.H.S.
14. Div. Train.
15. A.P.M.
16. 18th M.T. Coy.
17. D.A.D. O.S.
18. 18th Br. B.G.C.
19. III Corps "Q"
20. III Corps "Q"
21. 3rd Australian Div.
22. 47th Division.
23. 50th Division.
24. O.C. Troop, 1/1 Northd. Huss.
25. War Diary.
- P. ANDREAS BARTLEY
Capt.
for Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff 18th Division.

To: O.C. A.D.C. Capt. HILL M.O. Q.M. OFFICE.

Sender's Number L.32.

Day of Month. 14th

1. "C" Coy. will Garrison the LAVIEWILLE LINE from D.11.0.4. 2. to D.10.4.6.2. being in touch with the 7th INFANTRY REGTS and the 7TH BRIDGES from midnight tonight.

2. "C" Coy. will be responsible for the manning of the 8 Lewis Guns in their present positions.

3. In case of a heavy bombardment of the LAVIEWILLE LINE COY. COMMANDERS will make arrangements for the Garrison to take up position 50 to 75 yards in rear of trench.

4. All on this line are to be dug whenever possible. Lewis Gun Sections when left in during the night should be detailed for that work. Immediately on cessation of bombardment Garrison will resume its original position.

In the event of manning Battle positions -

1. "C" Coy. will Garrison the trench D.11.0.4.2. to D.11.0.2.7. (their present position).
2. "A" Coy (in support) will Garrison the trench from D.11.0.2.7. to D.10.4.6.2. (being B Coys present position).
3. "H" Coy will take up position D.4.0.8.2.
4. "B" H.Q. D.10.4.2.8.
5. "B" COMMAND POST D.11.0.4.3.
6. "R.A.P." D.10.4.3.8.

SHEET 62D. N.E.

From BH. H.Q.
Time 10.30 P.M.

(Sd.) T.I. GATES,
Capt. Adj't.

MESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

To: O.C. A.B.C. II L/Comd. H.Q. Q.H.OFFICE.

Sender's Number Day of Month.
L.57. 15.

L.53 of 14th cancelled the following in substitution.

1. "G" Coy. will garrison the LAVIEWILLE LINE from D.11.a.4.2. to D.10.d.6.2. being in touch with the 7th EAST KENTS and the 7th BEDFORDS from midnight 14th.

2. "G" Coy. will be responsible for the manning of the Lewis Guns in their present positions.

3. In case of a heavy bombardment of the LAVIEWILLE LINE Coy. Comdrs. will make arrangements for the Garrison to take up position 50 to 75 yards in rear of trench.

4. Units on this line are to be dug whenever possible e.g. Lewis Gun sections when left in during the night should be detailed for that work. Immediately on cessation of bombardment Garrison will resume its original position.

In the event of manning Battle positions.

1. 'C' Coy. will garrison the trench D.11.a.4.2. to D.11.c.3.7. (their present position).

2. 'A' Coy. (in support) will garrison the trench D.11.c.3.7. to D.10.d.6.2. being 'B' Coy's present position before going to Rear H.Q.

3. 'B' Coy. will take up position D.4.c.8.2.

4. BN. H.Q. D.10.d.2.8.

5. BN.COMMAND POST D.11.a.4.3.

6. R.A.F. D.10.d.2.8. SHEET 63.D.H.E.

THOMAS GATES, Capt. & Adj.

From: BN. H.Q.
Time 11.30 a.m.

MESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

To: O.C. A.B.C. 2nd IN COMMAND H.Q. L.G.O. Q.H.OFFICE.

Sender's Number Day of Month.
A.D. 15.

L.57 of 15TH cancelled, the following on substitution:-

Disposition of the Battalion as follows:-

1. One Company holding the line from D.10.d.6.2. to D.4.d.8.8. at present the 7th East Kents hold the line from D.11 a.3.3. to D.4.d.8.8.

2. One Company in support D.4.c.8.2.
3. One Company in reserve at Rear Batt. H.Q. central.

Manning Battle Positions.

1. On the order to man Battle Position the Company in the line will take up position from D.10.d.6.2. to D.11.a.3.3.
2. The Company in support will take up position from D.11.a.3.3. to D.4.d.8.6. being in touch with the 58th Divn. on their left.
3. The Company in reserve (counter attack Coy.) will take up position at D.4.c.8.2.
4. At present 8 Lewis Guns are now in position from D.10.d.6.2. to D.11.a.3.3. but when taking up Battle Positions the Coy. in support will take over 4 of these Guns and place them in positions previously selected by Coy. Comdr. & L.C. Officer.
5. The 4 Lewis Guns with the Coy. in support will be left at D.4.c.8.3. and be taken over by the counter attack coy.
6. In case of heavy bombardment of the LAMINGTON LINE the Coys in the line will take up positions in the sills in rear of line now being prepared.
7. Immediately on cessation of bombardment Coys will resume their Battle positions.
8. Coy. Comdrs. must take steps that all their Officers and N.C.O.s know exactly their respective positions under the above conditions.

Battn. H.Q. D.10.d.2.8.
Battn. Command Post D.4.d.7.4.
H.A.P. D.10.d.2.8.

SHEET 62 D. H.B.

THOMAS DATES,
Capt.

SECRET.

Copy No. 11.

18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 185.Ref. Map sheet
62.D. 140.000.May 18th, 1918.

1. The tactical situation permitting, the 54th Inf. Bde. will relieve the 54th Inf. Bde. in the left sector 18th Division front on the night May 18th/19th. The command of the sector will pass from 8.0.0. 54th Inf. Bde. to 8.0.0. 55th Inf. Bde. on completion of the relief.
2. All details of relief will be arranged direct between Brigadiers concerned.
3. Arrangements regarding Field Coy. R.E. working in the left sector of 18th Division front will be communicated by C.R.M.
4. 54th Inf. Bde. will hand over to 55th Inf. Bde. on relief all maps, documents and aerial photos connected with the Sector.
5. (a) 54th Inf. Bde. will, on relief, take over the present dispositions of 55th Inf. Bde.
(b) 54th Inf. Bde. (less 1 Bn. in Lt Bde Sector LAVERGNE system) will, on completion of relief, become the Brigade in Divisional Reserve.
6. Administered arrangements in connection with the relief will be notified by the A.A. & Q.M.G.
7. Completion of relief will be reported to D.H.Q. by wiring the number of this order followed by the time of relief is complete.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

A.H. BOWOOD

Major

Issued at 12 noon.
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

- Copies to 1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
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| 2/3. "G". | 16. 18th W.T. Coy. |
| 4/5. "G". | 17. D.A.D.O.G. |
| 6. 53rd Inf. Bde. | 18. 18th Bn. M.G.C. |
| 7. 54th Inf. Bde. | 19. III Corps "G". |
| 8. 55th Inf. Bde. | 20. II Corps "G". |
| 9. G.R.A. | 21. 2nd Aust. Div. |
| 10. G.R.B. | 22. 47th Division. |
| 11. 8th R. Sues. Pans. | 23. 50th Division. |
| | 24. O.C. Troop. 1/1st North'd Hussars. |
| 12. Signals. | 25. 5th Bde. Tanks. |
| 13. A.D.M.S. | 26. 1st Bn. Tanks. |
| 14. Div. Train. | 27. 2nd Bn. Tanks. |
| 15. A.P.M. | 28. 3rd Cav. Division. |
| | 29. War Diary. |

SECRET.Copy No. 14.56TH INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 184.Ref. Map
62D. 1/40,000.20th May, 1918.

1. The tactical situation permitting, the 56th Infantry Brigade will be relieved by the 53rd Infantry Brigade in the Left Brigade Sector of the 18th Divisional front on the night 21st/22nd May. Command of Sector will pass to G.O.C. 53rd Infantry Brigade on completion of relief, and 56th Infantry Brigade, less 7th Bnfs, will pass into Divisional Reserve.

2. Relief will be as under:-

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Relieved by</u>	<u>Guides Rendezvous</u>	<u>Time.</u>
8th B. Surrey Regt. (Right front)	10th Essex Regt. Regt. (Right front)	(a) For Right front 10 p.m. attack Coy. - Cross roads D.17.b.5.8. (b) For Left front 10 p.m. and Reserve Companies - Battalion H.Q. D.12.d.5.6.	
7th Queens, (Left front)	7th R.W. Kent Regt.	LAVESVILLE GASTERY D.2.d.7.2.	10 p.m.
7th Bnfs (In Support)	8th B. Berks. Regt.	Cookers on main road D.16.e.3.4.	10.15 p.m.

Scale of guides and
all remaining details
of relief will be
arranged between C.O.s.
concerned.

56th T.M.Bty. 53rd T.W.Bty.
All details of relief
will be arranged between
C.O.s. concerned.

3. On relief Units will hand over all maps, documents
and aeroplane photographs connected with their
Respective Sectors to Incoming Units.

4. On relief Units of Brigade will move to the
following locations:-

Brigade H.Q. BAILEYMOX C.B.d.7.C.
7th Queens.
8th B. Surrey Regt. } Camp in C.15.d. and D.19.e.
56th T.M.Bty.

Advance parties of above Units will report to Staff
Captain at Rear Brigade H.Q. at 10 a.m. 21st May.

7th Bufts will take over the duties of garrison of the Right Sector of the LAVINVILLE line and will pass under the orders of G.O.C. 84th Infantry Brigade on completion of move. As the 10th Base Regt. will move from this position before 7th Bufts are available to relieve them, G.O.C. 7th Bufts will send advance party during the morning of 21st on the scale of one Officer per Company and one B.C.O. per Platoon to reconnoitre positions held by the 10th Base Regt. These Officers and B.C.Os. will then be responsible for ensuring that their respective Companies and Platoons take up correct positions in the LAVINVILLE line on their relief from Support positions.

5. Units will arrange to leave shifts on tunnelled dugouts up to 8 a.m. 22nd as already stated in my B.M. 889 of 16th May. and will ensure that full details of those working parties are handed over to relieving Units.

6. Lists of all Trench Stores and ammunition handed over to relieving Units will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 22nd May. Units will hand over all G.O.S. Signals, and advance parties of Units will take over G.O.S. Signals from Units of the 53rd Brigade their respective Units are relieving.

7. Completion of relief will be notified to Brigade Headquarters by wiring the word "LARK" and the time.

8. Brigade Headquarters will close at D.4.c.3.3. at 10 a.m. 23rd May and re-open at G.5.d.7.0. at the same hour.

9. ACHNOUINDEZ.

Issued at 2.0 p.m.

R.A. CHILLI
Captain,
Brigade Major,
55th Inf. Bde.

Copies to :-

1. G.O.C.
2. Brigade Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. Signal Officer.
5. 7th Queens.
6. 7th Bufts.
7. 8th K. Surrey Regt.
8. 55th T.N. Bty.
9. "C" Coy. M.G. Bn.
10. 92nd Field Coy.
11. 183 Coy. A.S.C.
12. 95th Field Ambulance.
13. Supply Officer.
14. 8th R. Sussex Puzs.
15. 18th Division "G".
16. 18th Division "C".
17. 53rd Inf. Bde.
18. 54th Inf. Bde.
19. 14th Inf. Bde.
20. 18th Divl. Art.
21. "J" Coy. 2nd Bn. Tank Corps.
22. G.R.R.
23. A.D.R.B.
- 24/25. War Diary
- 26/27. Spare.

SECRET.Copy No. 11.18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 189.Ref. Maps 1/40,000
Sheets 57D & 58D.May 21st 1918.

1. 18th Division (less artillery) will be relieved by 47th Division (less Artillery) in the Night Sector of III Corps front on the nights 23/24th and 24/25th May 1918.
2. Brigade reliefs and relief of 8th R. Sussex Pioneers will take place in accordance with Table attached, which also shows areas to be occupied by Brigades and Pioneer Bn. of 18th Division after relief; details of reliefs of Bdes. to be arranged direct between Bde. Commanders concerned.
3. Machine Guns in the line in each Brigade Sector will be relieved 24 hours after the Brigade to which they are attached under orders to be issued by O.C., 18th Bn. M.G. Corps. On completion of relief, 18th Bn. M.G. Corps will be disposed as follows :-

R.O. & 2 Coys.	- HOLMES-AU-BOIS.
1 Coy.	- O.20.D.3.6.
1 Coy.	- O.8.A.6.2.
4. (a) Field Coy. R.E. will be relieved under orders to be issued by C.R.E. in accordance with the attached Table.
(b) Field Coy. R.E. will cease to be attached to Inf. Bdes. after relief.
5. 55th Inf. Bde., on relief, will assume responsibility for the defence, maintenance and improvement of the BAINBRIDGE System and VALHOY Sector, and will also assume command of 24th M.G. Battalion.
6. Reliefs of Medical units will be arranged direct between A.D.M.S. 18th Division and A.D.M.S. 47th Division.
7. Defence Boches, Maps, Aeroplane Photos and documents relating to Brigade Sectors, also G.O.S., Grenades and A.P. Ammunition in the line, will be handed over on relief.
8. Command of Brigade sub-sectors will pass to O.C.C. relieving Brigade on completion of relief.
9. Completion of reliefs will be wired to Divl.H.Q. using serial number of relief.
10. Reserve Battions and water in Strong Points, Back Lines and H.Q. Placements will be handed over to relieving units.
11. 18th Division will take over work on burying cable from 47th Division by arrangement between O.C.'s Signals 18th Divn., and O.C., Signals 47th Division.

12. 18th Division will be in Corps Reserve on completion of relief and will be disposed as follows :
- 55th Inf. Bde. in the MALZIEUX Defences and WAILLOY Sector.
- 64th Inf. Bde. Area C.20., C.21.
53rd Inf. Bde. Area U.23., U.23.
13. Command of the Night Sector. III Corps front, will pass from G.O.C., 18th Division to G.O.C., 47th Division, at 10 a.m. 26th May at which hour 18th Divisional H.Q. will close at BAVILLINCOURT and re-open at MOLLINGS-AB-BOLIG.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE.

A H HOPKINS

Major
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at

Copy No.

1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.

2/3. "G".

4/5. "G".

6. 53rd Inf. Bde.

7. 54th Inf. Bde.

8. 55th Inf. Bde.

9. C.R.A.

10. C.R.E.

11. 8th R. Sussex Pioneers.

12. Signals.

13. A.D.N.G.

14. Div. Train.

15. A.P.M.

16. 18th H.F. Coy.

17. D.A.D. B.

19. 18th Bn. S.O. Corps.

20. D.A.D. V.B.

21. D.G.O.

22. O.C.

23. III Corps "G".

24. III Corps "G".

25. 2nd Aust. Divn.

26. 47th Division.

27. 58th Division.

28. O.C. Troop, 1st Northd Hussars.

29. 5th Tank Brigade.

30. 1st Tank Bn.

31. 2nd Tank Bn.

32. Canadian Cav. Bde.

33. War Diary.

34. "G" Coy. Whippets.

35. III Corps H.A.

SECRET.18th Division No. 0,424.

8th R. Sussex Para.

APPENDIX TO 18TH DIV. ORDER NO. 189.

1. Ref. Relief Table, Col. 5.
53rd Inf. Bde. will move to WANDUY (Bde. H.Q. WANDUY) on night 23/24th after relief. 53rd Inf. Bde. will move to camp U.28, U.29 (Bde. H.Q. U.27 a.s. 85.95) on 24th. 53rd Inf. Bde. will arrange with 140th Inf. Bde. regarding time of move. 140th Inf. Bde. H.Q. COMSTAY.

2. Ref. Relief Table, Col. 5.
54th Inf. Bde. H.Q. will be located at CHATEAU, BAYLEHICOURT, and NOT at MORTIGNY.

A.H. HOPWOOD,
Major
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

May 22nd 1918.

To all recipients of 18th Division Order No. 189.WEST SUSSEX RECORD OFFICE
RSPR MS 7-15

MESSAGERS AND SIGNALS.

To Sussex Regt. T.M.Bty Sussex Pioneers.

Senders Number Day of Month
BM.406 22 May

Ref Brigade Order No.171. For para 5 substitute :-

"One relief 53rd Inf.Bde. will move to WARLOY (Brigade H.Q. WARLOY) and will move on 24th May to camp at U 28 and U 29, Brigade H.Q. to U.27 a.s.s.95"

Details of accommodation and time of move on 24th May will be notified later.

Acknowledge.

From 23rd Inf.Bde.
Time 10.35 pm.

Captain
Bde Major.

SECRET.

Ref. para 57D & 62D.
1/40.000.

COPY NO.14.
22nd May, 1918.

53RD INF.BDE. ORDER NO.171.

1. 18th Division (less Artillery) will be relieved by 47th Div. (less Artillery) in the Right Sector of 111 Corps front on the nights 23/24th and 24th/25th May, 1918.

2. The 63rd Inf.Brigade will be relieved in the Left Sub sector by the 1st Inf.Bde. on the night 23rd/24th May, 1918.

Command of the Sector will pass to G.O.C. 11st Inf.Bde on completion of relief.

3. Reliefs and Guides will be as follows :-

Reliefs:- 10th Sussex R. Right Sub-sector relieved by 20th London R.
7th R.WKent R. Left Sub-sector relieved by 19th London R.
8th R.Berks R. Counter-attack relieved by 18th London R. Battalion

Guides:- Right Bde. Cross Rds. D.17.b.5.8. .. 10.0 p.m.
Left Bde. Cemetery. D.4.d.2.3. .. 10.0 p.m.
C.A.Bde. Albert Rd. D.15.d.7.1. .. 10.15 p.m.
Movement on the ALBERT ROAD will be by Platoons at 100 yds. interval.

All other details to be arranged direct between C.O.s. concerned.

Trench Mortars will be relieved under arrangements to be made direct between Battery Commanders.

4. Defence Schemes, Maps, Aeroplane Photographs, Documents, 8.0.8. Grenades, A.P. ammunition, Trench Stores and Reserve Bunkers and Water, in the line, will be handed over on relief. Receipts will be obtained and forwarded to Bde.H.Q. by 12 noon the 24th inst.

5. On relief the Brigade will move to Shelters and Tents in U.28. and 29 (COMMEX). Brigade Headquarters at U.27.a.85.95.

Accommodation will be allotted by the Staff Captain.

6. Completion of relief will be reported by the Code word "TIP", giving time of completion.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Brigade Major, 53rd Infantry Brigade. Captain.

Issued at 1.0 P.M.

Copy No. :-

1. 10th Essex R.
2. 8th R. Berke R.
3. 7th R. W. Kent R.
4. 53rd P. V. Battery.
5. 80th P. Coy. R.E.
6. 55th Field Amb.
7. 16th Coy. A.S.C.
8. 1st Inf. Bde.
9. 54th Inf. Bde.
10. 55th Inf. Bde.
11. 174th Inf. Bde.
12. "A" Coy. 188th Inf. Corps.
13. "B" Coy. 3rd Tank Bde.
14. 8th R. Gunner Platoon.
15. 138th Division "G".
16. 138th Division "Q".
17. A.P. H. 138th Division.
18. 53rd Bde. Head H.Q.
19. Bde. Signal Officer.
20. Bde. Transport Officer.
21. War Diary.
22. War Diary.
23. P.M.

REMARKS.

Ref. Jans 872.d. 832.

2/40.000.

Copy No. 1.

May 22nd 1918.

53rd Inf. Bde. Order No. 172.

1. The 8th Bn. Royal Gunner Platooners will be relieved on the night 23rd/24th May, 1918, by the Pioneer Battalion of 47th Division, who will take over the LANTWILLIE LINE (Left) as permanent Garrison.

2. Details of relief will be arranged direct between Commanding Officers concerned.

3. Incoming Battalion not to be past of the HERNIMOUNT - HERNIS Road before 10.15 p.m.

4. Defence Sections, Maps, Aeroplane Photographs, Documents, S.O.B. Ordnance, A.P. ammunition, Trench Stores (including petrol, pins, food Containers, but not water tanks), and Reserve Batches and water in the line, will be handed over on relief. Receipts will be obtained and forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 12 noon the 24th inst.

5. On relief the 8th Bn. Royal Sussex Pioneers will move to Shelters and Tents C.B., and BOIS ROBERT C.11. with Headquarters at O.B. central.

6. Completion of relief will be reported to this Office by the code word "TIP", giving time of completion.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Brigade Major, 53rd Infantry Brigade. Captain,

Issued at 8.40 p.m.

CODE 19. :-

1. 8th Bn. Royal Sussex Pioneers.
2. 141st Inf. Brigade.
3. 64th Infantry Brigade.
4. 174th Infantry Brigade.
5. 98th Company, 2nd Para Battalion.
6. 18th Division HQ.
7. 18th Division HQ.
8. A.P.H. 18th Division.
9. War Diary.
10. File.

B. R. O. R. E. T.Copy No. 15.58th INDEPENDENT BRIGADE.ORDER NO. 105.22nd May, 1918.Ref. Hqs. 422 and 572
1740, 000.

1. The tactical situation permitting, the 18th Division, less Artillery, will be relieved by the 47th Division, less Artillery, in the Right Sector of the III Corps front on night 23rd/24th and 24th/25th May.

2. The 58th Infantry Brigade, less 7th Buffs, will be relieved by the 140th Infantry Brigade, and will itself, including the 7th Buffs, relieve the 14nd Infantry Brigade as permanent garrison of the DARIENOX system in the VARIOU Sector.

Details of relief by 140th Infantry Brigade will be notified later.
Relief of the 142nd Brigade will take place during the 24th May, and will be as under :-

Unit.	Relieving	Guides	Time	Remarks.
		rendezvous		at.
8th B. Surrey Regt.	22nd Bn. London Regt. (H. Bn.)	22nd Bn. London R. Regt. H.Q. C.15.d.0.3.	5 p.m.	
7th Buffs	23rd Bn. London Regt. (Centre Bn.)	23rd Bn. London R. Regt. D.7.d.5.0.	To be notified later.	Near H.Q. of 23rd London R. at G.5.d.7.5. Advanced H.Q. at D.1.0.4.7.
7th Queens.	24th Bn. London Regt. (Left Bn.)	24th Bn. London R. Regt. D.1.a.6.0.	5 p.m.	Near H.Q. of 24th London R. at V.24.b.8.1. Advanced H.Q. at Y.19.c.7.7.

Sole of guides to be arranged direct between G.O.s concerned.

Details as to 58th T.H.Hty. will be issued later.

Movement by platoons at 100 yards distance. Repositions of Battalions and Companies as shown on attached map.

3. Separate Administrative Instructions will be issued later.

4. Accommodation matters. Battalion Commanders will send parties on the sole of one Officer per Battalion H.Q. and one per company to H.Q. of opposite numbers to see positions to be taken over

5. Instructions as to work and further details as to role in case of attack will be issued later.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT.

Issued at 10 p.m.

R.A. GIBB, Captain
Brigade Major,
55th Inf. Bde.

Copies to :-

1. G.O.S.
2. Brigade Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. Signal Officer.
- * 5. 7th Queens.
- * 6. 7th Buffs.
- * 7. 8th E. Surrey Regt.
- * 8. 55th T.M. Bty.
9. 92nd Field Coy.
10. 153 Coy. A.S.C.
11. 84th Field Ambulance.
12. Supply Officer.
13. 8th A. Gunner Pioneer.
- * 14. 18th Division "G".
15. 18th Division "C".
16. 53rd Inf. Bde.
17. 54th Inf. Bde.
18. 140th Inf. Bde.
19. 142nd Inf. Bde.
20. 34th P.G. Bn.
21. 19th M.V.L. A Coy.
22. 4th Coy. 2nd Bn. Tank Corps.
23. C.R.S.
24. A.D.H.S.
- 25/26. War Diary
- 27/28. Spare.

* Map referred to in para. 2. to be sent with copies attached.

S.M.C.R.E.

COPY No. 14.

58TH INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 198.29th May, 1918.Ref. Japs.
57D & 63D
1/40,000.

1. The 18th Division will relieve the 58th Division in the left Divisional Sector of the III Corps front on the night 2nd/3rd June, 1918, as follows :-

58th Inf. Bde. will relieve 175th Inf. Bde. H.Q. HENRICOURT CHATEAU.	
53rd Inf. Bde. " " 173rd Inf. Bde. (Left Bde. front).	V. 20. d. 0.5.
54th Inf. Bde. " " 174th Inf. Bde. (Reserve front).	V. 24. d. 4.5.

2. Relief of 175th Infantry Brigade by 58th Infantry Brigade will be as under :-

Unit.	Relieving.	Guides Rendezvous.	Time.
7th Queens	10th London Regt. (Right front.)	HENRICOURT CHATEAU.	10 p.m.
7th Infts.	18th London Regt. (Left front)	-do-	9.30 p.m.
8th East Surrey Regt.	9th London Regt. (Support.)	-do-	10.30 p.m.
58th T.M.B. Bty.	175th T.M. Bty.	All details of relief to be arranged between Infantry Commanders.	

H.Q. HENRICOURT CHATEAU.

Scale of Guides and all remaining details of relief will be arranged direct between Commanding Officers concerned.

3. RECOMMAISANCE.

Arrangements have been made for parties of three Officers from each Battalion H.Q. to visit Battalion H.Q. of opposite numbers to-morrow, to arrive at respective H.Q. as under :-

Left Battalion	...	10 a.m.
Right Battalion	...	3 p.m.
Support Battalion	...	2.30 p.m.

Arrangements will be made by Units during these visits for visit of Company Commanders etc. on subsequent days. The 10th London Regt. at present in support, will relieve 9th London Regt. (Right front) on night May 31st/1st June. As dispositions will not be altered by this inter-battalion relief, reconnaissances will not be affected.

The Brigade Commander wishes Commanding Officers to pay special attention to the work in hand, so that the relief may occasion the minimum delay.

A map of the present dispositions of 175th Infantry Brigade is attached.

4. All documents, maps, aeroplane photos, etc., connected with the respective sectors will be taken over on relief.

5. Separate Administrative Instructions will be issued.

6. Instructions regarding relief of 56th Infantry Brigade from its present position will be issued as an Addendum to this Order.

7. Lists of all French stores and ammunition handed over by Units relieved will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 3rd June.

8. Completion of relief of Units of 175th Infantry Brigade will be notified to this office by wiring the code name "MINER" and the time.

9. Moves of Brigade H.Q. will be notified in an Addendum to this Order.

10. ~~ADMINISTRATIVE.~~

Issued at 8 p.m.

H A GOLD Lieut
for Captain,
Brigade Major,
56th Infantry Brigade.

Copies to :-

1. G.O.C.
2. Brigade Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. Signal Officer.
- * 5. 7th Queens.
- * 6. 7th Inf.
- * 7. 8th B. Surrey Regt.
- * 8. 55th T.M.Bty.
9. 34th Bn. H.Q.C.
10. 163 Coy. A.S.C.
11. 163 Coy. A.S.C.
12. Supply Officer.
13. 88th Field Amboc.
14. 88th R. Gunner Para.
- * 15. 10th Division "Q".
16. 10th Division "Q".
17. 53rd Inf. Bde.
18. 84th Inf. Bde.
19. 175th Inf. Bde.
20. 141st Inf. Bde.
21. 19th Div. Art'y.
22. 73rd Coy. 2nd Bn. Tank Corps.
23. C.R.H.
24. A.D.H.S.
- 25/26. War Diary.
- 27/28. Spare

* Maps to numbers asterisked only.

S E C R E T.18th Division No. 0.941.APPENDIX NO. 1 TO 18TH DIVISION ORDER NO. 190.

Para. 11 (c) is cancelled and the following substituted :-

" 11 (c) G.O.C., 18th Division, will assume command of the left sector, III Corps front, on completion of relief on the night 1st/2nd June.

H.Q., 18th Division will close at HOLTHAMS AV BRIS at 9.30 p.m. 1st June 1918.

Advanced H.Q. will re-open at U.21.b.2.2. (near GORNAV) at the same hour, with G.R.A.'s. office at U.20.4.0.0.6.

Near H.Q. will re-open at BAYLIMORGH at the same hour.

May 31st 1918.

A H HOPKROD, Major
for Ident. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Copies to all recipients of 18th Division Order No. 190.

S E C R E T.

18th Division G.842.

G.R.A. 18th Div.	53rd Brigade (for Inf.)
C.R.S. 18th Div.	54th Brigade
G.O.C. Signals.	55th Brigade
A/Q.	H.Q. Bn.
A.D.H.S.	8th R. Divs. Trs.
A.P.W.	Div. Train.
G.O.	18th H.Q. Coy.
D.G.O.	"

1. Reference APPENDIX No. 1 to 18th DIVISION ORDER No. 190, accommodation is being arranged as follows from 9/30 p.m. 1st June 1918 :-

(a) At U.21.b.2.2. :-

For

G.O.C.
G.S.O. 1.
G.S.O. 2.
G.S.O. 3.
D.I.O.
D.A.A.G.
O.G. Signals.
A.2.0.1.

(b) At U.20.4.0.0. :-

For G.R.A. and staff.
D.G.O.

(c) At BAYLIMORGH :-

SECRET

Copy No.9.

Operation Orders No.60.

8TH BN. ROYAL SUSSEX REGT. (PIONEERS).

Map Refce. SHELLS.
Edn.1. 1/30,000.

1. The Battalion (less Transport) will move from present Camps today at times to be arranged with Company Commanders.

2. "A" Company will be accommodated at approximately V.27.b.1.7. and will also take over 4th Suffolk H.Q.

"B" Company will be accommodated in Trench at approximately D.4.a.8.1. to V.28.c.10.4.

"C" Company will be accommodated in Trench at D.4.b.7.8. to V.28.d.1.5.

3. Battle Positions when manned will be occupied in accordance with reconnaissance made by Company Commanders today.

4. Travelling Kitchens will not go forward.

5. Valises, Mess Boxes and packs will be stacked outside Company Offices by 8 p.m.

6. Echelon "B" Officers and O.Ns. will proceed to Transport Lines by 9 p.m.

7. Men on Echelon "B" may retain their packs.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

THOM. GATES, Capt. A/Adj. Lt.
For O.C. 8th Bn. Royal Sussex Regt.
(Pioneers).

Issued at 4 p.m.

31/5/1918.

Distributions:

Copy No.1.	Office.
2.	II-In-Command.
3.	"A" Coy.
4.	"B" "
5.	"C" "
6.	T.O.
7.	Q.M.
8.	R.Q.M.
9.	War Diary.

8th BN. ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT (PIONEERS).

CASUALTIES - March 1918.

Lieut. H. M. Whitehead. Missing - Believed P. of W. 21/3/18.
 2nd Lt. G. Robertson. Died of Wounds 21/3/18.
 " E. H. Sharp. Wounded
 Lieut. E. Rosenfeld. " " 23/3/18.
 " L. D. Moore. " " 26/3/18.
 2nd Lt. C. V. Mackenzie. " about

KILLED.

20396 Sgt. Turner J. Killed. }
 2243 Pte. Baker H. J. " }
 832 " Knight A. B. " } 21/3/18.
 G/18274 Pte. Miles G. W. " }
 G/2748 Pte. Whittington F. " }
 G/2641 " Wheeler L. D. Died of Wounds 21/3/18.
 G/2380 " Martin W. " Killed 23/3/18.
 G/2763 L/Cpl. Cousins J. T. " " 23/3/18.
 G/2619 Sgt. Manvell E. J. " " 23/3/18.
 24880 L/Cpl. Sparrow J. Wounded 23/3/18. Died of Wounds 23/3/18.
 2269 Pte. Punnett E. J. " " 23/3/18. Died of Wounds 24/3/18.

WOUNDED.

G/3713 L/Cpl. Audlin J. Wounded.
 G/2342 " Raddock R. G. " "
 G/2053 Sgt. Bingley A. " "
 6810 Pte. Castle J. C. " "
 290325 " Gander G. " "
 16926 " Murton S. A. " "
 17200 " Pavey T. J. " "
 13416 " Strange S. E. " "
 G/2086 L/Cpl. Taylor E. " "
 1450 Cpl. Walton J. R. " "
 G/2455 L/Sgt. Hutton J. T. " "
 L/10302 L/Cpl. Goldsmith W. J. " "
 G/2394 Pte. Eden J. " "
 G/1872 " Packham E. J. " "
 G/2315 " Gausden W. " "
 G/1664 " Vilmschuet T. " "
 G/2805 " Wells W. " "
 G/3903 " Smith A. T. " "
 G/1175 " Burton R. " "
 G/1741 Cpl. Windmill J. " "
 G/1889 Pte. Chatfield A. " "

21/3/18.

22/3/18.

G/4492 " Ifould R. "
 G/4451 " Harland P. W. "
 17056 " Rowe A. "
 24449 " White G. "
 G/2733 " Merchant J. "
 290184 " Lower H. J. "
 G/2190 " Hayward H. "
 30332 L/Cpl. Back H. "
 7008 " Young A. "
 S/3 Sgt. Shonfield H. "
 G/2103 Pte. Dillaway L. C. "
 G/18304 " Grantham H. "

WOUNDED (CONT'D.)

G/1980 Pte. Campton E.	Wounded	
G/2415 " Cleveitt A.H.	"	
G/2614 " Fairbrass H.V.	"	23/3/18.
G/2071 " Hiscock E.F.	"	
G/7271 " Queen J.	"	
G/2091 " Stamp W.H.	"	
G/2099 " Taylor F.S.	"	
G/1935 " Tattnell P.O.	"	
G/2418 L/Cpl. Saunders A.W.	"	
G/2829 Sgt. Day A.S.	"	
G/1655 Pte. James R.	"	
290269 " Eccleston A.R.	"	
G/1839 " Halliday R.	"	
G/2329 L/Cpl. Turner T.H.G.	"	
G/1499 " Wilkens H.G.	"	
G/2679 Pte. Batesup S.	"	
G/2327 " Branch W.	"	
G/1759 " Bridger J.	"	
G/4079 " Hummissett A.F.	"	
G/2416 " Harris W.F.	"	
G/1826 " Perkins W.	"	
G/2448 L/Cpl. Peters A.H.	"	
G/24184 Pte. Stringer W.	"	
20312 Sgt. McGford E.	"	
G/2383 Pte. Casner B.	"	
G/2116 " Lusted G.E.	"	
G/2845 A/Cpl. Walker J.	"	
5454 Pte. Carswell E.	"	
3/18 " Chadwell W.	"	
G/1977 " Dyke H.E.	"	
G/2070 " Hills J.P.	"	
G/24303 " Shaw A.	"	
G/1770 " Wheeler X.J.	"	
G/1732 " White J.J.	"	24/3/18.
G/2818 L/Cpl. Bourne C.	"	
G/281 Cpl. Helyer W.	"	
G/1833 Pte. Heiber A.J.	"	
291237 " Middleton J.	"	
G/7264 " Scott R.	"	
G/2672 " Wilson R.E.	"	
G/2307 " Pellett A.G.	"	25/3/18.
G/2370 " Penfold G.E.	"	26/3/18.
G/2835 Cpl. Bennett P.E.	"	
G/1915 Pte. Ball E.O.	" (about)	29/3/18.
G/24237 L/Cpl. Bloom W.	"	
G/13919 Pte. Bradsworth H.	"	
G/2396 L/Cpl. Bayers P.	"	
MISSING		
L/6873 Cpl. Harvey S.	Missing; believed	
G/2801 L/Cpl. Bridle P.	F.O.F. W.	
G/2079 Pte. Sellens H.R.	"	21/3/18
G/2429 " Scott S.	"	
G/2034 " Gane E.G.	"	
290346 " Wood A.	Missing (further	
	enquiries being	
	made)	23/3/18.
290197 " Cousins A.	"	
G/4286 " Marshall P.S.	"	

WOUNDED:

G/2553 Pte. Goodsell C.	H.Y.D. - (Gas)	} 21/3/18.
G/2839 " Jones G.L.	" "	
200088 " Blisset H.J.	H.Y.D. - H.	
G/2705 Cpl. Carpenter W.	" "	
2130 Pte. Walter G.B.	Acc. Wounded	"
G/2166 Sgt. Jeffrey W.H.	" "	22/3/18.
G/936 L/Cpl. Selby, J.R.	" "	"
20146 " Jefferson H.D.	" "	23/3/18.
G/1904 Pte. Cornell S.G.	H.Y.D. - H.	24/3/18.

WOUNDED SLIGHTLY AT DUTY.

G/1831 Pte. Hanfield G.	} 21/3/18.
949 " Kemp W.	
G/1787 " Price L.S.	
G/8720 " Freeman W.H.	

G/2605 " Short W.	} 22/3/18.
30068 " Ridgway W.	

G/1847 " Bailey H.G.	} 24/3/18.
G/2559 L/Cpl. Gardner F.	
231233 Pte. Leon A.	
G/2336 " Greenman G.	
G/2587 " Triggwell A.	} 23/3/18.
G/2023 " Winter B.A.	

8th BATTALION, THE ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT.

1918.

Appendix.

June.

HEMENHOUT.

1st.

Refce MAP
SKILLS

ESTABLISHMENT - OFFICERS: The following officers are taken off the establishment as from dates shown:-

MAJOR K. de JONH, M.C. 27/2/18

2nd LT L.W. LAKE 16/2/18.

2nd LT J.H. DUBREUIL 16/2/18.

(AUTHY) M.B. 4K. dated 22/5/18).

WORK

A.Coy. Spent day improving trenches and bivouacs.

B.Coy. Spent day improving trenches and bivouacs.

B.Coy. Spent day improving trenches and bivouacs.

Corrigenda and Addendum No 1 to 58th Brigade Order No 186 received

18th Divisional Order No G 745 received

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2nd.

MOVES - OFFICERS.

2nd. LT C GOLDRING proceeded to VARIOUS to take over duties of

TOIN MAJOR 2/6/1918.

STRENGTH INCREASE - CASUALTIES.

G./4700 Pte LEPARD, A "A" Coy.

Wounded 1/6/18.

G/16019 Pte ELLERY, H. "C" "

Killed 2/6/18.

G/12118 Pte VINCENT, J. " " "

Wounded 2/6/18

CASUALTIES: G2431, Pte WINE J

"C" Coy. Wounded slightly at duty,

WORK

SKILLS

A.Coy. Digging Lewis Gun Positions, deepening widening and improving trenches on a 700 yards front.

V 28 d O 4 - V 28. b. O. 7

B.Coy. Deepening trench -

reconstructing where broken down

Bivouacs made for garrison.

C.Coy. Deepening trenches & making

fire bags - 2 men in each bag

D 4 b 6.9. to V 28 D O 4 in COPPER

SUPPORT.

18th Divisional Orders Nos G 883

G 887 received

44-45.

3rd.

WORK

A.Coy. Digging Lewis Gun Positions

& generally improving trench.

(V 28 d O 4 to V 28 b. O. 7.

B.Coy. Improvement of trenches &

bivouacs D 5 d. O. 6 - V 30 c. 3. 6.

D 4 d. 8. 8. to D 4 b 6.9.

V 28 c 95. 40 - D 4 a 7. 2.

C.Coy. Deepening trenches from 3

to 8 feet and making firebags

V 30 b 30 48 - V 30 e 40 80.

(280 yards completed.

18th Infantry Brigade Order No 187

received

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18th Divisional Order No 191
received
CASUALTIES.
STRENGTH DECREASE - 291227
Pte HOSKAY J. "C" Coy. wounded
4/6/18.

Refce MAP
SERIALS.

4th.

WORK.
A. Coy. Digging and making shelters
& dugouts V 28 d. 0.4. - V 28 b. 0.7.
B. Coy. G. TRENCH deepening to 5 feet
(200 yards completed) V 29 b 45-65 -
V 30 a 4.5. Returned after work
to billets in WARLOY.
C. Coy. Deepening Trenches, Australia
Street from V.30 b.2.4, to MURRAY
TRENCH V 30 a 3.5. (102 yards
completed)

5th.

WORK
A. Coy. Deepening Trenches & firebays
V 30 a 3.7. to V 30 a. 0.6.
B. Coy. Rested in billets WARLOY.
C. Coy. Deepening Trenches 146 yards
completed V 30 b 3.4 - V 30 a 3.5.
18th Divisional Order No G 21
received

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HINERICOURT - WARLOY.

6th.

1 Coy at WARLOY resting
HONOURS AND REWARDS:-
The following is an extract from
LONDON GAZETTE Supplement dated
June 3rd 1918, in connection with
H.M. the KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.
AWARDED the D.S.O.
1/LIUT. COL. B.J. WALKER.
AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.
1/CAPT G.L. KEMP.

Refce MAP
SERIALS

WORK.
A. Coy. Deepening Trenches
V 29 b 3.5. V 30 a 3.5. then came
back to billets in WARLOY.
B. Coy. Resting & bathing at WARLOY
then proceeded forward in the
evening to HINERICOURT.
G. Coy. Tunneling at HAN REDOUTT
V 23 b. 0.5. Deepening trench and
making firebays D b c 0.8. -
D 4 d 8.7. At EDWARD TRENCH
V 28 d 5.2 Snipers post dug G.T.
widened (250 yds trench completed)

7th.

1 Coy at WARLOY resting

WORK
A. Coy. Rested & bathed at WARLOY
B. Coy. Making L.G. positions, one
dugout completed etc etc at
V 28 d 0.5 to V 28 b. 0.8. Trench
levelled (200 yds to 5 ft)
V 29 b 4.7 to V 30 b 2.4.
G. Coy. Deepening Trench. General
improvement - V 28 d 2.5 to and
D b c 0.6.
56th Infy. Brigade Order No 117
received 18th Divisional Order
No 193

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Refce MAP
SERIALS

1918.

Appendix.

June.

8th.

WORK A Coy. Resting at WARLOT
 G Coy. Deepening trenches
 making alternative positions
 V 28 d 3 4 - D 4 b 6 5. Edward
 & Cope trench.
 B Coy. Wiring & improving
 trenches, 150 yards wiring
 completed V 29 b 4 7 - V 30 b 2 4 -
 I.G. positions dug General
 improvement V 28 d 0 5 - V 28 b 0 8.

9th.

WORK
 A Coy. Working on Edward St.
 COPE TRENCH, digging trenches
 General improvement

MAP REMOVE
 BENLIS

B Coy. Cable trench 100 yds dug
 6' 6" deep V 30 b 4 5, 1 platoon
 working for R E's Batt H Q
 V 28 a 4 5)
 C Coy. Resting in WARLOT & bathed
 there.

10th.

WORK
 A Coy. Improving trenches COPE
 Trench. 27 men Mining Ham. Redoubt.
 1 Platoon D. H Q.

B Coy. 150 yds Cable Trench completed
 C Coy. Resting WARLOT
 PRODUCTIONS - OFFICERS. The following
 is extract from London Gazette
 Supplement dated 8th June 1918.
 T/2nd LT R. E. OLNEY to be T/LT.
 22nd MAY 1918.

HONOURS & REWARDS: The following
 is extract from LONDON GAZETTE'S
 Supplement dated 6th June 1918.
 The u/n are awarded distinguished
 Conduct Medal. 1/7688 Actg. R. E.M.
 HERRIDGE. W A Coy.

S/1958 C.S.M. TOTT J.W. B Coy.

11th.

MOVES - OFFICERS.

LIEUT J.F. FISHERICK attached to
 C.R.E 18th Division as from
 11/6/18.

MAP Refice
 BENLIS.
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56th Infantry Brigade Order No 188
 received

WORK

A Coy. Improvement of Trenches.
 V 26 d 1.5 to D 4 b.6.5. - Men
 working under R E's V 23 b c & U21
 central.

B Coy. Digging Cable Trench 100 yds
 completed V 20 b 4 5.
 C Coy. Resting WARLOT. 136 yards
 Cable Trench completed V 21 c
 18th Divl order 195 received

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12th.

WORK.
 A Coy. General Improvement of
 Trenches V 26 d 1.5. - D 4 b.6.5
 working under R.E's HAM REDT

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B. Coy 154 yards Cable Trench completed V 20 b. 4. b.
C. Coy 186 136 180 yards Cable Trench completed V 21 d 6 6 -
V 21 d 9. 6. Work on En. Command Post. U 28 a 40-45.
18th Divisional Orders Nos 196 197 received

53 & 54.

13th.

WORK
410 yards Cable Laying V 22. c.
Spn'l Party V 28 a. for
Tunnelling Coy
ATTACHMENT. OFFICERS
CAPT. W. E. HILL M.C. (19th/2nd P.W.P.) MDLX RQI attached to Bn. as from 13/6/18. 18th DIV No. 4709/d/10/6/18.)

14th.

WORK
410 yards Cable Trench V 22 d 9 4. MAP
Ham Redoubt Tunnelling Coy. SENILIS
M. Command Post. tunnelling. 1/20000.
V 28 d 4. 5.

B. Coy returned at night to HEMPCOURT, relieving A Coy who went into billets at WARLOY.

16th.

WORK
A. Coy. Resting WARLOY
B. Coy. 120 yds cable trench V 22 c 8 8 dug out (Ham Redoubt)
V 23 a 6. 8. A/R.E. fatigue.
C. Coy. 120 yds cable trench V 23 c 9 9 - V 23 a 9. 3 approx.

16th.

WORK
A. Coy rested & bathed WARLOY
B. Coy. (120 yards apron wiring completed D 4 b 6 8.
125 yards fire trench deepened & widened. D 4 b 6 9.
1 platoon working on HAM REDT. V 23 a 6 8.
C. Coy. Tunnelling W 19 d 3 8, working on Command posts V 28 a 40 45 and V 28 c. 8. 8. & V 28 a 8 4.

17th.

WORK.
A. Coy
A. Resting WARLOY.
B. 370 yds wiring D 4 b 6 8.
70 yds trench deepened & widened D 4 b 6 9. (Cutting cups for field of fire)
C. 1/2 Coy working under R E's V 28 b 4. 1 & W 19 b 3 8.
2 Coy H qrs commenced 6 shelters started. V 28 b 0 8.
PROLOGUE The following is extract from London Gazette Supplement dated Jan 14. 18.

MAP
SENILIS
1/20000.

1918.Appendix.June.17th
(Cont'd.)2nd LT WAB. ROBINSON (6th BATTN)
to be LIEUT MAY 23

18th.

WORK.A. Coy. 30 men under 253 (T) Coy.
R.E. 24 men H.G. emplacement
W 19 d 3 8.Improvement of trenches. Coy
Command posts, cutting crops for
field of fire - new Division
COMM Trench.B. Coy. 280 yds wiring D 4 b 6 8.
80 yds wiring AUSTRALIA TRENCH.
80 yds widened and deepened
COPSE trench.

D. Coy WARLOY resting.

19th.

WORK.A. Coy Cutting crops (1/2 acre)
25 yds deepening and draining
trench deepening dugouts, and
general repairs. V 25 d 0.4.
V 28 b 0.7.B. Coy. 230 yds wiring AUSTRALIA
ST. 100 yds widening front COPSE
trench crop cutting 4 fire bays.
C. Coy. Resting WARLOY.HONOURS & REWARDS.The following is extract from
London Gazette Supplement dated
15/6/18.MAP
SENTIS
1/20000The Vm granted MERITORIOUS
SERVICE MEDALG 2379 Sgt. CABBAN G. M.E. (C. Coy)
L 5391 Sgt COATES C. M.E. (A. Coy)

20th.

WORK.

A. Coy Snapping under R.E's.

V 28 a 40.45. W 19 d 3.8.

Cutting crops (1/2 acre) making
shelters 15 yds deepened and
drained V 25 d 0.4 - V 28 b 0.7.
B. Coy widening & deepening 385 yds.
Cope trench. Copse Support &
Edward Trench.

C. Coy. Resting WARLOY.

Strength Decrease.CASUALTY. 1984 Pte Phillips G.
"A" Coy. wounded 20/6/18.HONOURS & REWARDS.The following is extract from
London Gazette Supplement dated
/6/18.The Vm granted Meritorious Service
Medal.

S/391 Sgt TAYLOR R.A. C Coy.

CASUALTIES.Pte BRADBORTH, "A" Coy slightly
wounded at duty 21/6/18.

21st.

1918.

Appendix.

June.

21st
(Cont'd.)WORK.A. Coy. Improving trenches.
V 26 d. o. 4. V 28 b. o. 7. † CoyMAP
SERIALS
1/20,000.

working under R. E's.

V 28 a 40.45 W 19 d. 3.8.

B. Coy. 40-46--Improving trenches--

Resting. Resting WARLOY

C. Coy. Improving trenches

22nd.

A. Coy. Cutting Crops 1/4 acre.

V 28 d. o. 4 - V 28 b. o. 7

Working under R. E's W 19 d 3 8

B. Coy. Resting WARLOY

C. Coy. 140 yards wiring.

V 30 b. o. 3 - V 30 b. 3.3. 100 yds

trench widened COPSE TRENCH.

23rd.

MOVES - OFFICERS.CAPT. W. R. BAUDENY M.C. attached
to 5th (S) BN. EAST SURREY REGT.

as ACTING SECOND-IN-COMMAND.

22/6/18. (AUTHY. 18 DIV No 27/40

A. 4/21/6/18.

WORK.A. Coy. Improving trenches - cutting
crops etc V 28 d. o. 4 V 28 b. o. 7

Working under R. E's W 19 d 3.8.

B. Coy. WARLOY resting.

C. Coy. Completed & shelters -

widening trenches D 4 b 7 9 -

D 5 c 3.4.

24th.

WORK COY.

A. Resting WARLOY

B. Entering M.C. emplacements -

140 yds completed COPSE TRENCH.

R. E. fatigues; demolishing Camp;

4 dug outs built. 20 yds trench

dug. COURT TRENCH.

C. 260 yds trench widened, &

shelters nearly completed D 4 b 7 9.

D 4 d 8.7. A Battalion Honogram

Competition held - judged by

G O C 18th Division.

RESULT G/3932 Pte BENNETT. T.S.)

A. Coy. G/23739 Pte HURDEN, H. A. Coy. FIRST

The Batt. monogram will be a

combination of the 2 designs.

25th.

WORK.

A. Coy. Resting WARLOY - dug later

1st day 148 yards W 21

B. Coy. Dug trench 140 yards

W 21 b 4.5.

C. Coy. 88' trench dug 4' deep.

97 yds spillooked. W 21 b 40.95

W 21 b 4.7.

26th.

STRENGTH DECREASE CASUALTIES.

The u.m. casualties occurred 24/6/18:-

G/23708 Pte. MELLISH, R.J. A. Coy.

Died of wounds

G/23722 Pte. JUTON A. W. B. Coy.

Wounded.

1938.

Appendix.

June.26th
(Cont'd.)18194 Pte BOLDS. R B Coy.
Wounded (25/6/18)SERIALS
1/20 000.

WORK.
A.Coy. 210 yards deepened and widened W 19 d 7.9. - W 20 c 7.4.
B.Coy. 204 yards deepened and widened W 20 d 6.7. dug-out (v 28 central) 44-48 ft-etc-
C.Coy. 200 yards deepened and widened W 19 c 7.9. - W 20 c 5.3.

27th.

WORK.
A.Coy. 228 yards partially completed - deepening & widening C.T. W 19 b 8.4 to W 20 d 3.6.
Assembly Trench W 21 b.2.9. 66 yards completed.
B.Coy. C.Trench 92 yds deepened, W 20 d 6.7.
Trench 140 yds deepened etc W 21 b.4.5. Completing dug out R B H Qs
C.Coy. 160 yards C.T. completed W 19 c 7.9 - W.20 c 5.4.

28th.

WORK.
A.Coy. 240 yards Assembly Trench dug improved 670 yards dug. W 21 b.2.9.
B.Coy. 120 yards C.T. widened & deepened. 1 platoon working with A.Coy. W 20 d 2.5.
C.Coy. Resting WARLOY

29th.

SERIALS
1/20000.

WORK.
A.Coy. 9 shelters completed D 4 b.7.7. C.T. joining up COPES TRENCH and COPES SUPPORT completed D 4 b.7.2. C.T. to and enlargement of Coy. H Qs. Half an acre of crops cut D 4 b.7.1.
B.Coy. 188 yards C.T. deepened and widened W 20 d.2.6.
C.Coy. Resting WARLOY.

30th.

STRENGTH DECREASE - CASUALTIES.
20293 C.B.M. WHITEHEAD A.O.
40th Coy. Wounded 30/6/18.

WORK.
A.Coy. 162 yards trench widened and deepened D 4 b 6.4. to D 4 b 6.2. C.T. to Coy H.Q's and cutting crops (1 acre)
Deepening and widening fireways 75 yards. D 5 c 5 b 5 approx towards MILKIS trench
B.Coy. Resting WARLOY.
C.Coy. Improving trenches 15 fireways completed, building shelter for Coy H Q's V 28 b 0.8. V 28 d 0.4.

EDWARD B. GILBERT

LT.
Act. Adj't.
for Lt Col
Cdg 8th Royal Sussex (Pioneers)

SECRET.

Copy No.14.

CORRIGENDA AND ADDENDUM No.1to
55th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 186.Ref. Maps.
57D and 62D.
1/40,000

30th May, 1918.

1. In para.1 of Order, for "night 2nd/3rd June" nights 31st/1st June and 1st/2nd June"; 55th Infantry Brigade relieving 178th Infantry Brigade on night May 31st/1st June.

2. 55th Infantry Brigade will be relieved in its present position by the 174th Infantry Brigade who will first be relieved by the 54th Infantry Brigade before they can come to take up their positions in the BAILEUX SYSTEM and WARLOY SECTOR.

Relief of the 174th Infantry Brigade by the 54th Infantry Brigade will be completed by 6 p.m. 31st May, and Units of the former will arrive to relieve Units of the 55th Infantry Brigade from their present positions between 6.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. 31st May.

3. Relief will be as under:-

UnitsRelieved by.

8th E. Surrey. Regt.	8th London Regiment.
7th Buffs.	7th London Regiment.
7th Queens.	6th London Regiment.
55th T.M. Bty.	174th T.M. Bty.

Scale of guides, rendezvous for same, and all remaining details of relief will be arranged direct between Commanding Officers concerned.

4. 54th, 55th, 174th and 175th Trench Mortar Batteries will each hand over their Trench Mortars in their present positions to Batteries relieving them; that is to say, the 55th T.M. Bty. will take over 8 Trench Mortars in situ from the 175th T.M. Bty. and will itself hand over 8 Trench Mortars to 174th T.M. Bty., the 175th T.M. Bty. obtaining 8 Trench Mortars from the 54th T.M. Bty. at HAVELINCOURT.

5. Completion of relief from the BAILEUX SYSTEM and WARLOY SECTOR will be notified to this office by wiring the word "SYSTEM" and the time.

6. Brigade Headquarters will close at WARLOY U.23.d.8.7. at 9.30 p.m. and re-open at HENENCOURT CHATEAU at 10.30 p.m. 31st May.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

R.A. CHELL

Issued at 8 p.m. Captain.
Brigade Major.
55th Inf. Bde.

Copies to recipients of Brigade Order No.186.

SECRET.

18th Division No. 0.745.

WARNING ORDER.

1. The 18th Division (less Artillery) will relieve the 86th Division (less Artillery) in the left sector of the III. Corps front on the nights 31st May/1st June and 1st/2nd June 1918.

2. (a) 56th Inf. Bde. will relieve Brigade in Reserve, 86th Div. on 31st May, the greater part by daylight.

(b) Reserve Brigade, 86th Div., will relieve 56th Inf. Bde. in BAIZIEUX system and WARLOY sector on 31st May.

(c) 58th Inf. Bde. will relieve Brigade in Right Sub-sector, 86th Div. front, on night 31st May/1st June.

(d) 8th Royal Sussex Pioneers will relieve Pioneers, 86th Div. on 31st May/1st June.

(e) 53rd Inf. Bde. will relieve Brigade in Left Sub-sector, 86th Div. front, on night 1st/2nd June.

(f) R.N. Companies and Field Ambulances will be relieved under arrangements to be made direct between C.R.E. and A.D.H.S., 18th Div., and C.R.E. and A.D.H.S., 86th Div.

(g) Machine Guns will be relieved on the day following the infantry relief in each sub-sector under arrangements to be made between O.C. M.G. Bn., 18th and 86th Divisions.

3. Full details later.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

S.R. HUBBERT
for Maj
Lieut.-Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

MAY 30th 1918

Copies to:- C.R.A.

C.R.E.

53rd Inf. Bde.

54th Inf. Bde.

55th Inf. Bde.

18th Bn. M.G.C.

8th R. Sussex Pzrs.

Signal Co.

A.Q.

IV. Train.

18th M.T. Coy.

A.D.H.S.

A.P.M.

G.C.

D.O.O.

SECRET.18th Division No. G. 883.

C.R.A.
C.R.E.
53rd Brigade.
64th Brigade.
65th Brigade.
18th M.G. Bn.
34th M.G. Bn.
58th M.G. Coy.
8th R. Huss. Pdrs.
Signals.

A/Q 18th Div.
III. Corps.
47th Division.
35th Division.
A.D.M.S.
"D" Special Coy. R.E.
5th Tank Bde.
1st Bn. Tanks.
2nd Bn. Tanks.
"D" Coy. Whippets, 3rd Tank Bn.

1. An operation is being carried out by "D" Special Company R.E.; 280 Projectors are installed at about W.20.d.7.4. 200 are sited on QUARRY at W.27.b.8.8. and 50 long-range drums will be fired on railway in W.28.b. and e.

2. Gas drums are now installed and will be fired the first night that weather conditions are favourable.

3. Wind limits are S.S.W. through W. to N.

4. An officer of "D" Special Company R.E. will be at Battalion Headquarters at W.19.b.8.3. from two hours before zero, where he will be in touch with officer i/c firing and also with 53rd Infantry Brigade Headquarters.

5. All troops in the area W.26.b.4.2. to W.20.d.7.4. to W.21.b.0.0. will remain under cover as far as possible, and wear their respirators, from zero minus 5 minutes until they receive orders from an officer to remove them.

6. The following Code words will be used in connection with this operation:-

LONDON Operation will take place tonight.
HULL Operation will NOT take place tonight.
LNEEDS Operation completed.

7. *Zero hour will be Z 2.30 a.m.

8. ACKNO/LONDON.

A.W. HOWWOOD
Major
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

June 2nd, 1918.

(*Amended DSFI 07 5/6/18)

SECRET.

16th Division No.6.887.

G.R.A.
 C.R.E.
 53rd. Inf.Bde.
 64th. Inf.Bde.
 66th. Inf.Bde.
 6th R. Suss. Para.
 A.D.M.S.
 Signals.
 A/G.

The following forecast of reliefs is notified
 for information:-

64th Infantry Brigade will relieve 53rd Infantry
 Brigade in Left Sub-sector on night 4th/5th June.
 53rd Infantry Brigade will relieve 55th Infantry
 Brigade in Right Sub-sector on night 6th/9th June.
 55th Infantry Brigade will relieve 64th Infantry
 Brigade in Left Sub-sector on night 16th/17th-
 13th/14th June.
 16th Division will be relieved on nights 16th/17th
 and 17th/18th June.

A.W. HOPWOOD
 Major
 for Lieut.-Colonel,
 General Staff, 16th Division.

June 2nd. 1918.

SECRET.

Copy No.36.

64th Infantry Brigade Order No.157.Ref. Map.
SENZIS.

3rd June, 1918.

1. The 64th Infantry Brigade will relieve the
 53rd Infantry Brigade in the left sub-sector of the
 16th Divisional front on the night 4/5th June.
2. Details of relief will be in accordance with
 attached table. Other details as to guides etc. will be
 arranged direct between G.O's. concerned.
3. On completion of relief units will be disposed
 as follows:-

- (a) 11th Bn. Royal Fusiliers,
 front line. H.Qrs. at V.19.d.5.O.
 One Coy. from R. Brigade boundary - W.21 central.
 Two Coys. from W.21 central - Left Brigade
 boundary.

- (b) One Coy. Torrens Trench } W.21.s.central
 Torrens support (counter attack)
 2nd Bedfordshire Regt.
 Counter attack bn. H.Q.s. W.19.b.7.3.
 Three Coys. W.19.b.7.0 - W.19.b.8.10
 (WELBOURN TRENCH).
 One Coy. MAZ.

- (c) 6th Northamptonshire Regt.
 H.Q.s. MAZ.
 One Coy. W.20.d.5.7 - W.20.d.10.10 (CAREY TRENCH)
 One Coy. W.20.c.5.0 - W.20.c.5.4. do.
 One Coy. W.19.d.5.0 - W.19.d.5.4. (WELBOURN
 TRENCH)
 One Coy. V.30.b.5.8 - V.24.d.8.4. (MURRAY
 TRENCH).

4. (a) Strong Points to hold one platoon each,
 have been sited and marked out at
 W.20.b.5.6; W.21.s.0.3; W.19.d.5.0;
 W.19.d.8.3; W.19.d.6.3 (approximate).

O.C. 6th Northamptonshire Regt. will detail
 working parties on the scale of 50 men per
 strong point; officers on the scale of 1
 per 25 O.Ms.
 Directly Coy. Commanders of the Battalion
 have taken over their areas, these men
 will be marched off at once to their work.
 Tools, on the scale of 1 shovel to 2 men
 and 1 pick to 3 men, will be carried.
 Dress: box respirators, tools, shirt
 sleeves.
 A guard per platoon will be left to guard
 kit and equipment of working parties.
 Work will cease at 2.45 a.m.
 Tasks will be allotted, and Commanding
 Officers will impress upon their officers
 that the men must work hard.

- (b) Care is to be taken in digging the trenches
 that a 2 foot berm is left. Trench will
 be 3 ft. 6 in. at the top, 2 ft. at the
 bottom, batter one in four; and these
 dimensions are to be adhered to.
 Berth is to be scattered, and the work
 carefully camouflaged, before it is left.

- (c) These strong points will be occupied by
 complete garrisons on the second night in
 the line, consequently the accommodation is
 dependent upon the work put in the first
 night.

5. Lists of trench stores will be forwarded to
 reach Brigade Headquarters by noon, 5th June. All
 aeroplane photos, maps and documents relating to their
 sector will be taken over.

6. Officers Commanding Battalions, W.G. Coy., and
 the Brigade L.T.M. Officer will forward disposition maps
 to reach Brigade Headquarters by noon, 5th June.

7. Completion of relief will be reported by code word "LAP", followed by the hour at which the relief was completed.

8. Command of the Sector will pass to G.O.C., 54th Infantry Brigade at 9.30 a.m., 5th June, when Brigade Headquarters will open at V.20.d.4.4. - Battle Post at V.23.g.9.8.

9. Acknowledge.

Issued at 9.30 p.m.

Captain,
Brigade Major,
54th Inf. Bde.

Copies to:-

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. G.O.C. | 12. A.P.M., 18th Division. |
| 2. Office. | 13. A.D.H.S., 18th Divn. |
| 3. Staff Captain. | 14. 79th Field Coy. R.E. |
| 4. Brigade Signal Officer. | 15. 80th Field Coy. R.E. |
| 5. War Diary. | 16. 64th Field Amb. |
| 6. 11th Royal Pz. | 17. 56th Field Amb. |
| 7. 2nd Bedfords. | 18. 51st Inf. Bde. |
| 8. 6th North'n. | 19. 56th Inf. Bde. |
| 9. 54th T.H. Battery. | 20. 140th Bde. |
| 10. 18th Division "g". | 21. 141st Bde. |
| 11. 18th Division "q". | 22. 142nd Bde. |

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| 23. 173rd Bde. |
| 24. 174th Bde. |
| 25. 175th Bde. |
| 26. 34th W.O. Bn. |
| 27. 2A" Coy. 2nd Tank Bn. |
| 28. "0" Coy. Whippers. |
| 29. 82nd Bde. R.F.A. |
| 30. O.C. "B" Coy. 18th Bn. M.O.C. |
| 31. Bde. I/O. |
| 32. Bde. Transport Officer. |
| 33. Bde. Supply Officer. |
| 34. O.P.A. 18th Div. |
| 35. 18th Bn. M.O. Corps. |
| 36. 5th R. Sussex Pzrs. |

RELIEF TABLE - Reference 54th Brigade Order 107.

Order	Relieving	Location	Remarks.
54th Bde. H.Q.	53rd Bde. H.Q.	V.20.d.4.4.	Staff Captain and Sig. Officer will issue orders to details and signallers.
11th Bactn. Royal Fus. Kents.	7th R.W. Royal Fus.	Front Line.	Royal Fus. to begin moving forward at 10.15 p.m.
6th North. Regt.	8th R. Berks.	Garrison Bn. Leading Platoon. 6th North'n. to pass V.21. central at 9.30 p.m.	
7th Bde. Iords. Regt.	10th Essex. Attack Bn.	Counter- Attack Bn. Leading Platoon to pass V.21. central at 10.30 p.m.	

Note:- Platoons will move at 100 yards' interval.

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Copy No.14.

56th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No.107.

Ref. Maps.
57D and 62D
1/40,000

7th June, 1918.

1. The tactical situation permitting, 56th Infantry Brigade will be relieved by the 53rd Infantry Brigade in the Right Brigade Sector of the 18th Divisional front on the night 8/9th June.

On relief, 56th Infantry Brigade (less 2 Battalions) will pass into Divisional Reserve, will furnish permanent garrisons for JAKES TRENCH SYSTEM and the WARLOY SECTOR, and the B.-E.C. will assume command of the 8th R. Bussex Pioneers in the COURT TRENCH SYSTEM and the Companies of the 34th Machine Gun Battalion in the COURT-JAKES SYSTEM and the WARLOY SECTOR.

2. Relief will take place in accordance with table overleaf.

3. All maps, aeroplane photographs and instructions connected with the sector will be handed over and taken over by Units on relief.

4. Lists of trench stores handed over and taken over will be rendered to Brigade H.Q. by 6 p.m. 9th inst.

5. Units will arrange to supply parties for work on tunnelled dugouts until 8 a.m. 9th. at which hour these parties will be relieved by parties from Units of the 53rd Infantry Brigade.

6. Completion of relief in the front sector will be notified to Brigade H.Q. by wiring the code word "OSTRICH" and the time. Units will also notify Brigade H.Q. of completion of arrival in new positions by wiring the code word "PLOVER" and the time.

7. Brigade H.Q. will close at HENENCOURT CHATEAU at 9 a.m. 9th and reopen at U.29.a.b.3. at the same hour.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 5.30 p.m.

R.A. CHELL,
Captain,
Brigade Major,
55th Inf. Bde.

Copies to:-

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. G.O.C. | 15. 18th Division "G". |
| 2. Brigade Major. | 16. 18th Division "G". |
| 3. Staff Captain. | 17. 53rd Inf. Bde. |
| 4. Signal Officer. | 18. 56th Inf. Bde. |
| 5. 7th Queens. | 19. 1st Inf. Bde. |
| 6. 7th Buffs. | 20. 34th M.G. Bn. |
| 7. 8th E. Surrey Regt. | 21. 18th Div. Arty. |
| 8. 55th T.M. Bty. | 22. Rt. Group Arty. |
| 9. "C" Coy. M.G. Bn. | 23. "A" Coy. Tank 2nd Div. |
| 10. 92nd Field Coy. | 24. C.R.E. |
| 11. 183 Coy. A.B.C. | 25. A.D.M.S. |
| 12. Supply Officer. | 26/ War Diary. |
| 13. 55th Field Ambce. | 27/ |
| 14. 56th R. Sussex Pdrs. | 28/ Spare. |
| | 29. |

SECRET.

Copy No.12.

55th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO.188.

Ref. Map
SERIALS Sheet
1/20.000.

11th June, 1918.

1. The tactical situation permitting, 55th Infantry Brigade will relieve 54th Infantry Brigade in the left Brigade sector on the 18th Divisional Front on the night 12th/13th 13/14 June.

2. Relief will take place in accordance with table overleaf.

3. Details as to guides and rendezvous will be arranged mutually between Commanding Officers concerned.

4. All units will take over dispositions of corresponding units of 54th Infantry Brigade.

5. All maps, aeroplane photographs and instructions connected with the sector will be taken over by units on relief.

6. Units will arrange to relieve from 8 a.m. 13th all working parties now found in the Sector by 54th Infantry Brigade. Details of these parties will be ascertained from relieved units.

7. Units will arrange for the handing over of Defence Scheme etc. connected with action of the Reserve Brigade.

8. Administrative Instructions have been already issued under this office S.C.656 of today.

9. Completion of relief will be notified by wiring the code word "PIKE" and giving time of completion.

10. Brigade H.Q. will close at U.29.5.5.3. at 10 a.m. 13th inst. and reopen at V.20.d.4.4. at the same hour when command of the Sector will pass to G.O.C. 55th Infantry Brigade.

11. Acknowledge.

Issued at 8 p.m.

Captain,
A/Brigade Major,
55th Inf. Bde.

Copies to:-

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| 1. G.O.C. | 15. Supply Officer. |
| 2. Brigade Major. | 16. 55th Field Ambce. |
| 3. Staff Captain. | 17. 18th Division "G". |
| 4. 7th Queens. | 18. 18th Division "Q". |
| 5. 7th Bnfs. | 19. 53rd Inf. Bde. |
| 6. 8th B. Surrey Regt. | 20. 54th Inf. Bde. |
| 7. 55th T.M. Bty. | 21. 47th Division. |
| 8. Signal Officer. | 22. 16th Div. Arty. |
| 9. "A" Coy. 18th M.G. Bn. | 23. 2nd Tank Bn. |
| 10. "B" Coy. | 24. C.R.M. |
| 11. 34th Bn. M.G.C. | 25. A.D.H.S. |
| 12. 8th R. Sussex Pnrs. | 26/ War Diary. |
| 13. 92nd Field Coy. | 27/ |
| 14. 153 Coy. A.S.C. | 28/ Spare. |
| | 29. |

B.M. 611.

AMENDMENT TO 52TH INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 188.

Reference para. 1. For "12th/13th" read
"13th/14th". Amend all dates accordingly.

G.H. CUYLER

Captain,
8/Brigade Major,
52th Inf. Bde.

11th June, 1918.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

To: Horn.

From: Detl.

Time: 5/40 p.m.

Ref DETI Order 197 Raids given in para 2 (c) and (d)
will NOT take place after remaining raid and
demonstration will be carried out see para 4 also
holds 52nd Inf. Bde. added all recipients of
order 197

8TH BATTALION ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT.

1918.

Appendix.

July.

HENINCOURT & 1 COY AT WARLOX.

1st

SELTIS
1/20,000.

Work. A Coy. 170 yards trench deepened and widened (D 4 b 64. towards LAVEVILLE MILANCOURT RD. (C.E. to Coy.H.Q.'s completed D 4 b 7.1.)

B Coy. Resting WARLOX.

C Coy. Widening and deepening trench and firebays, 50 yds trench 4 firebays made (D 4 d 8 7 - D 4 b 6 9). 4 shelters made for accommodation V 28 b 0 8 to V 28 central. Repairing trench destroyed by shell fire (400 yds) W 20 d 6 6 W 21 a 9 0.

2nd

Work. A Coy. 144 yards trench

widened and deepened, 14 firebays made D 4 b 6 4 towards LAVEVILLE - MILANCOURT RD. Coy.H.Q.'s being constructed D 4 b 7 1.

B Coy. Resting WARLOX.

C Coy. 108 yds trench widened, 16 firebays made D 4 b 6 9 - D 4 d 8 7. 46 yds trench widened 6 shelters made V 28 b 0 8 - V 28 central

3rd

STRENCH DECREASE. CASUALTIES.

The U/A casualties occurred 2/7/18.

Wounded (MID GAS.) 20356 Cpl.

Poweraker F.W. A Coy.

G 7271 Pte. Queen J. A Coy.

G 18284 Pte Bates J.F. "

280548 Pte Munday J. "

G 1844 Pte Hookford W.B.V. "

G 7739 " Lade H.J. "

G 8144 " Lidbetter H. "

11264 Marshall A. "

15909 Gasson P.G. "

Work. A Coy. Resting WARLOX.

B Coy. Widened and deepened 260 yards trench W 25 b 1 8.

C Coy. Widened and deepened 212 yards trench W 19 d 6 9 5 - W 25 b 3 7.

4th

Work. A Coy. Widening and deepening trench 160 yards W 19 b 7 2 towards AUSE. Street (billed WARLOX).

B Coy. Completing work started yesterday, and widening and deepening further 860 yards from W 35 b 1 8. C Coy. 112 yards of trench widened and deepened W 19 d 6 9 5 - W 25 b 3 7.

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5th

Work. A Coy. (Battered WARLOY.)
B Coy. 125 yds trench deepened -
500 yards improved. W 25 a 9 7.
Made steps Coy Command post.
C Coy. 280 yds Berm completed, 75
yards widened and deepened V 19 d 65 95
to 7.2.
CASUALTY 23771 Pte BROWN A.Y. C Coy.
Died of Stomach 24/6/18.

6th

Work. A Coy. Widening & deepening
trenches - total 145 yds at D 4 d
V 28 d W 25 b.
B Coy. Widening & deepening trenches
total 180 yds at W 27 a.
C Coy. Resting WARLOY.

7th

Work. A Coy. Widening & deepening
trenches 200 yds completed D 4 d 6 3.
B Coy. dug C.I. 90 yds W 21 a 6 4 -
W 21 a 7 7. Widening & deepening
C.I. 80 yds. D 4 b.
C Coy. WARLOY resting.

8th

Work. A Coy. Deepening C.I. 130 yds
W 21 a 6 5 W 21 a 7 7.
B Coy. Deepening C.I. 150 yds &
80 yds at D 4 b 2 3.
C Coy. Resting WARLOY.
SURRENDER DECREASE - OFFICERS.
CAPT. H. RADLEY M.C. goes posted
to 8th Bn. E. SURRENDER 22/6/18
and is taken of strength of this
Bn as from that date. (July 18th
DIV No. 19/368 "A" d 7/7/18. 18 DIV.
G 241 received.

9th

18th DIVISIONAL Defence Scheme re
"LIGHT GUNS" & Snipers posts issued -
in so far as it affected the
Battalion Sector.
A Coy. Widening & deepening
trenches 170 yards completed.
W 21 a 7 8 Eastwards.
B Coy. Resting WARLOY.
C Coy. Widening deepening trenches
filling trench, COYS Support, COYS
trench 240 yds completed.

SHILLS
1/20,000
MILES
1/100,000.

10th

Battalion Operation Order No. 1 D
issued.
A Coy. Widening deepening trenches
where stationed.
B Coy. Resting WARLOY.
C Coy. Widening deepening trenches
where stationed.
18 DIV. O.O. 201 received. Also
Administrative Instructions.

57

11th

A Coy. Handing over Work to relieving
Coy.

56

1919.Appendix.July.11th
(Contd.)

B Coy Posting WARLOX.
C Coy Handling over work to
relieving Coy.
No Batt Orders issued this date.

12th

The Bntn having been relieved,
embused at 4 am on WARLOX -
CERLAY road, debused at
PLOQUIGNY - marched from there
to CROUX 2 Coys (A & B) ~~hitherto~~
and H.Q. & transport billeted in
the village - C Coy in Le QUENHOX
farm about 1 mile~~ter~~ away on
road towards PLOQUIGNY.

CROUX.

The Coys spent day in re-organising
& improving billets etc.
Moved Officers. 2nd Lt. C. Goldring
retd from WARLOX (born 18 Jan)
1918.

Appointments Officers: Lt. E. A. S.
Robinson appointed Acting Assistant
Adjutant vice Lt. E. B. Olmley to
Company duty.
B Coy rejoined Battalion 15/7/19.

14th

Church Parade arranged but
cancelled owing to inclement
weather. Battalion improved
billets etc. Capt. F. F. Bristow
(Labour Corps) transferred to
8 R. Sussex Regt (Ptn) with
seniority July 16 1918.

15th

Battalion and Companies were
re-organised in the morning.
Afternoon devoted to sport.
Leave. Officers. 2nd Lt. F. P.
Hilton Granted leave 15/29th July
1918.

16th

Companies under Company Commander
for Platoon & Section Drill.
Afternoon training etc.
Lt. F. O. Damsant appointed acting
Second in Command "C" Coy.

17th

Companies under Company Commander
for Company Drill.
Afternoon devoted to Football.

18th

Companies worked as units till
last hour of parade when there
was a Battalion Parade.
Battalion Parade from this date
onwards was last hour.
Afternoon devoted to Football.

AMENS
1/100,000

1919.Appendix.July.18th
(Contd.)

Moves. Officers. 2 Lt. W. Pemberton
granted leave to TROUVILLE.

19th

Companies carried on under Company
arrangements.
Specialists classes. Musketry,
Lewis Guns, Bombing, Map Reading.
Afternoon devoted to Sport.

20th

Battalion Route March, CROUX -
HANGEST - BOURDON - BELLOT -
LACHAUSSEE - PLOQUIGNY - St. PIERRE-
CROUX.

Afternoon devoted to Sport.

Moves. Officers. 2 Lt. E. G. WINN
returned from III Corps Lewis
Gun School.

21st

Battalion Church Parade. Inspection
by C.O. of billets, etc.

22nd

2 Companies under Company
Commanders for Drill etc. 1

Company on Range.

Lecture by Dr. Irvine "On America"
to Battalion. Afternoon devoted
to Sports under Battalion
Arrangements.

23rd

Same as 22/7/19. for Drill &
Musketry.
Afternoon. Completion of Battalion
Sports.
Moves. Officers. Major A. S. CLARKE.
Leave to U.K. 23-7 to 6-8.

24th

Same as 22/23rd. Also Lecture by
Dr. Irvine. Education.
Afternoon. Football.
Results of Bacon Sports "A" Coy
42 pts. "C" Coy 26 pts. Hdqrs.
17 pts. "B" Coy. 8 pts.
Moves. Officers. 2 Lt. C. GELFING
to 18 Div. as Educational Officer.

25th

Same as 22/23rd. Practice for
A.R.A. Competition.
Afternoon devoted to Sports.

26th

Same as 25th inst.
Grenadiers. Officers. 2 Lt. W. H.
GAEER O.R. 1765 Pte Woolven H.
accidentally wounded by bomb at
Practice.
Move. Officers. 2 Lt. W. Pearson
to 4th Army Post Camp.

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27th

Same as 26th inst.
Afternoon Sports. Cross Country
Race evening. Winner Pte. Sawyer
"A" Coy.

28th

Battn Church Parade. Inspection
of billets by O.O.

29th

Drill etc. under Company
Commanders.
A.R.A. Competition. 8 R. Sussex F.
2nd Place with 272 pts. (bronze
medal).
Afternoon. Sport.

30th

1 hr Drill & marninging up.
Remainder of time spent in packing
up.
Moved. Officers. Capt. F. F. Bristow
to 4 Army Infantry School. Lt. Col.
P. J. Walker D.S.O. leave to Paris
to 9-8-18. Capt. J. Nathan leave
to U.K. to 15-8-18. 2 Lt. W.
Temperon returned from PROVVISILE
leave.

GROUP & BATTAL AREA.

31st

Battn moved to new Area
Personnel by buses. Transport 1/100,000
by march police. 62 D.
See O.O. No. 60.
No Battalion Orders issued this
day. 57 M
18 Div. O.O. 203 & Administrative
Instructions. 58 M

EDWIN A. HILL
Major
for Lt. Col.
8 F. Sussex F. (Pns.)

1/8/18.

* Returned for reference will be
forwarded next month.

Copy No.

1. The Battalion Jobs Transport #11 move to CROUX (between PLOUENEY and HANGSW-STR-SOMES) embussing on the 12th inst at 4 a.m. at WARLOY.

2. (a) "A" & "C" Coys on being relieved will march to Advanced Hd. Qtrs. pick up packs and proceed to embussing point under orders from the Adjutant.
(b) H. Qs "B" Coy will be at embussing point at 5.30 A.M.

4. Transport will move by march route to CROU in the evening of 11th inst under orders of the Transport Officer.

5. Dress. Full marching order.

6. 0.0. Coy's must notify Transport Officer not later than 7 P.M. Each evening the Transport required to bring down their Mob-Stor coils, mess boxes, kits etc. Companies must be attached by "A" & "C" Coy's at Etc. Dump Cross Roads near HENNINGTON CHEVAU by 9 A.M. tomorrow morning. "B" Coy's to be stacked at Coy H.Q. CARLOW by 9 A.M.

7. "A" and "B" Coys will arrange that after tea meal on the 11th inst., cooks and remaining camp kettles are taken to advanced Hd Qtrs. to prepare tea for their respective companies before marching to emulsing point. "A" and "C" Coys will furnish 1 guide per platoon to be at Advance H.Q. by tomorrow evening at 8.30 p.m. for following unit.

"B" Coy. will provide similar guides at 6 P.M. No Regimental transport will be available after 11 am tomorrow afternoon.

SUMMARY.

Copy No. 11.

Ref. Map SMTLS Special
Sheet 1/20,000.

9th July, 1918.

1. The tactical situation permitting, the 7th Buffs will relieve the 8th B. Surrey Regt. in the left Battalion

Sector of the 56th Infantry Brigade front on the night 10/11th July, 1919.

8th B. Surrey Regt. on relief will pass into Counter-Attack positions vacated by 7th Buffs.

2. All details of relief, which will be completed by 2 a.m. 11th, will be made between Commanding Officers concerned.

3. All maps, documents, aeroplane photos, etc. connected with the Sector will be taken or handed over.

Battalions will render a return of French stores taken over to Brigade Headquarters by 6 p.m. 11th instant.

4. Relieving Units will arrange to take or hand over working parties for 253 tunnelling Coy. at 8 p.m. 10th.

5. Completion of relief will be notified to Advanced Brigade Headquarters by wiring the code word "JOHN" and the time.

6. Brigade Headquarters, Advanced and Rear, will remain in their present positions.

7. ~~ACKNOWLEDGE.~~

Issued at 8 p.m.

R.A. CHELL,
Captain,
Brigade Major,
56th Inf. Bde.

Copies to :-

1. G.O.C.
2. Brigade Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. Signal Officer.
5. 7th Queens.
6. 7th Buffs.
7. 8th B. Surrey Regt.
8. 56th I.H. Bty.
9. "B" Coy. 18th M.G. Bn.
10. "C" Coy. 18th M.G. Bn.
11. 8th R. Sussex Tns.
12. 52nd Field Coy. R.E.
13. 79th Field Coy. R.E.
14. 56th Field Ambos.
15. 18th Division "G"
16. 18th Division "Q"
17. 53rd Inf. Bde.
18. 54th Inf. Bde.
19. 36th Inf. Bde.
20. 18th Div. Army.
21. Left Group Army.
22. 2nd Tank Bn.
23. C.R.E.
24. A.D.M.S.
25. 56th Bde. Battle Surplus
- 26/27 War Diary
- 28/29. Spare.

SECRET.

COPY No. 11.

55th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 196.Ref. Map
SHRIS Special
Sheet 1/20,000.

10th July, 1918.

1. (a) The 18th Division is being relieved by the 47th Division in the Left Divisional Sector of III Corps front. On relief, Brigades of the 18th Division will pass into G.H.Q. Reserve and will be located in the CAVILLON Area.
- (b) The 55th Infantry Brigade will be relieved by the 142nd Infantry Brigade in the Left Brigade Sector of 18th Divisional front on the night 12th/13th.
2. Relief will be as under :-

Unit	Relieved by	Guides Rendezvous at	Time	Remarks
7th Queens (Right front)	23rd Bn. London Regt.	Cross Roads V. 22.0.8.8.	10.30 P.m.	All remaining details of relief
7th Buffs (Left front)	23rd Bn. London Regt.	-do-	10 P.m.	will be arranged direct
8th East Surrey F.	24th Bn. London Regt.	Junction of "C" Track and Road V. 22.0.4.8.	9.45 P.m.	between Commanding Officers concerned.
(Counter Attack)		Cross Roads V. 22.0.8.8.	9.45 P.m.	
55th T.M.B.	142nd T.M.B.			

On relief units of the 55th Infantry Brigade will rendezvous in the valley in U. 28. a. and B. under arrangements to be made by the Staff Captain.

3. The 55th Infantry Brigade will move to the new area by bus at 4 a.m. 13th inst. Detailed orders as to embusking and all administrative instructions concerning the relief and move will be issued separately by the Staff Captain.

4. Defence Schemes, Maps, Documents and Aeroplane photos concerning the Sector, S.O.S. Grenades and Message Carrying Rockets will be handed over to relieving units. Details as to numbers of last two of the above handed over will be included in the list of French Stores called for in the Administrative instructions.

5. Battalion Commanders will maintain at least 20 full drums with each Lewis Gun in the line until the completion of the relief.

6. Completion of relief will be notified to Brigade H.Q. by wiring the number of this Order and the time.

7. Brigade H.Q. will close at V.23,d.1.0., and Rear Brigade H.Q. at V.20,d.4.4., on completion of relief (when command of Sector will pass to G.O.C. 142nd Infantry Brigade) and will re-open at the head of the Bus column on the WARLOT-VALENCOURE Road on arrival there.

8. ACKNOWLEDGES.

R.A. CHELL
Captain,
Brigade Major,
56th Inf. Bde.

Issued at 8 p.m.

Copies to :-

1. G.O.C.
2. Brigade Major.
3. Staff Captain.
4. Signal Officer.
5. 7th Queens.
6. 7th Batts.
7. 8th Surrey Regt.
8. 55th T.M.Bty.
9. "B" Coy, 18th M.G.Bn.
10. "C" Coy, 18th M.G.Bn.
11. 8th F. Sussex Pns.
12. 82nd Field Coy. R.E.
13. 79th Field Coy. R.E.
14. 86th Field Ambce.
15. 153 Coy. A.S.C.
16. Supply Officer "G"
17. 18th Division "G"
18. 18th Division "C"
19. 83rd Inf. Bde.
20. 84th Inf. Bde.
21. 82nd Inf. Bde.
22. 18th Div. Arty.
23. Left Group Arty.
24. 2nd Tank Bn.
25. C.R.E.
26. A.D.N.S.
27. 253rd tunnelling Coy.
28. 56th Bde. Battle Surplus.
- 29/30. War Diary.
- 31/32. Spare.

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COPY No.11.

18th DIVISION ORDER NO.201.Ref. Maps 1/40,000
57.D. 62D, E 62 B.

10th July 1918.

1. (a) The 18th Division will be relieved by the 47th Division in the left sector of the III Corps front.
(b) On relief, 18th Division will move to CAVILLON area and ST.SAUVEUR R.A. Sub-area and will be held in G.H.Q. Reserve.
2. (a) Orders for the moves and relief of 18th Divisional Artillery will be issued separately.
The 18th Divisional Artillery will be concentrated in the ST.SAUVEUR R.A. Sub-area by 12 noon 16th instant.
(b) The relief of formations and units (less artillery) will be carried out in accordance with Table "A" attached, details of Brigade reliefs being arranged direct between Brigade Commanders concerned, of M.G. Battalion reliefs between M.G. Commanders concerned, of Field Coys. between C.R.E.'s concerned, of Field Ambulances between A.Ds.M.S. concerned, and of Pioneers between Battalion Commanders concerned.
(Attached platoons of Infantry will return to their units one day previous to the unit moving).
3. 18th Division (less artillery) will move personnel by bus, transport by road, in accordance with attached Table "A".
Ambussing and Debussing arrangements and detailed orders for move of transport will be notified by A.A. & Q.M.G. 18th Division.
4. On completion of relief, command of No.2 (2nd Life Guards) Bn. Guards M.G. Regt. (less one Coy. under 88th Division) will pass from G.O.C. 18th Division to G.O.C. 47th Division.
5. Completion of each stage of the relief will be reported to 18th Division by wiring serial number of relief and time.
6. Infantry, Machine Gun, and Pioneer Working Parties working with the 250rd tunnelling Coy. R.E. will be relieved by similar parties of the 47th Division.
7. Defence Schemes, Maps and documents relating to the sector, S.O.S. Grenades, S.A.A., A.P., and Message Carrying Rockets will be handed over on relief.
8. Reserve Batches and Water in Strong Points, Back Lines and M.G. emplacements will be handed over to relieving units.

9. The closing of the Divisional Training Camp at HOLLIERNS AU BOIS and its handing over to the 47th Division and orders regarding the despatch of the personnel to rejoin their units will be notified later.

10. Administrative Arrangements in connection with the relief will be notified by A.A. & Q.M.G., 18th Division.

11. (a) Command of Brigade sub-sectors will pass to G.O.C. relieving Brigade on completion of relief.

(b) Command of the left sector, III Corps front, will pass from G.O.C., 18th Division to G.O.C., 47th Division at 10 a.m. 14th July, at which hour 18th Divisional Headquarters will close at COMBAT and re-open at CAVILLON.

(c) Each Brigade Group, 18th Division, after relief will come into G.H.Q. Reserve and be under the orders of the G.O.C. 47th Division until the command of the Sector passes as laid down in para. 11 (b). Each Brigade Group of 47th Division ceases to be in G.H.Q. Reserve as soon as it has relieved a Bde. Group of 18th Division in the sector.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE.

A.H. HOPWOOD
Maj Gen
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 6 a.m.

Copy No. 1. A.D.C. for G.O.C.
2/3. "G"
4/5. "G"
6. 53rd Inf. Bde.
7. 54th Inf. Bde.
8. 55th Inf. Bde.
9. C.F.A.
10. C.R.S.
11. 8th R. Sussex Pioneers.
12. Signals.
13. A.D.H.S.
14. Divisional Train.
15. A.P.M.
16. 18th M.F. Coy.
17. D.A.D.O.S.
18. 18th Bn. M.G. Corps.
19. D.A.D.V.S.
20. D.G.O.
21. Camp Commandant.
22. III Corps "G"
23. III Corps "Q"
24. 47th Division.
25. 68th Division.
26. 17th Division.
27. 2nd Tank Battalion.
28. "D" Special Coy. R.E.

- 29. No.1 Special Coy. F.E.
- 30. 15th Auxiliary Bus Coy.
- 31. 853rd Tunneling Coy. F.E.
- 32. 53rd Bde. Battle Surplus.
- 33. 54th Bde. Battle Surplus.
- 34. 55th Bde. Battle Surplus.
- 35. No.2 (2nd Life Guards) Bn. Guards M.G. Regt.
- 36. War Diary.
- 37. File.
- 38. File.

SECRET.

18th Division 0.368.

8th F.S. Pioneers.

AMENDMENT TO 18TH DIVISION ORDER NO.201
DATED 10th JULY, 1918.

1. Para. 11 (b) for "14th July" read "13th July".
 2. Ref. Table "A" attached to 18th Division Order No. 201.
 - (a) Date given for Serial No.8 is altered to 12th July and 12/13th July.
 - (b) Date Given for Serial Nos. 9 and 10 is altered to 13th July.
 3. Destination of the 3 Field Coys, F.E. is LA CHAUSSEE.

A.H. HOPWOOD
 Major
 for Majent. Colonel,
 General Staff, 18th Division.
- Copy to all recipients of 18th Division Order No.201.
- July 11th, 1918.

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Copy No.11.

18th DIVISION ORDER NO.202.

Ref. Made 1/40.000.
 27 D. 32 D. 3 03 H.

10th July, 1918.

1. The 18th Divisional Artillery will be relieved in the line of the nights 13th/14th, 14th/15th and

18th/16th July by the 47th Divisional Artillery in accordance with orders issued to all concerned under III Corps F.A. No. 1803/1 of 9th July.

2. The 18th Divisional Artillery will be concentrated in the ST. SAUVENR - ARDEUVES R.A. sub-area by 12 noon 16th July.

3. C.F.A. to acknowledge.

A.H. HOPWOOD
Major
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff, 18th Division.

Issued at 12.15 p.m.

Cory No. 1. A.D.C. for C.O.C.
2/3. "g"
4/5. "q"
6. 53rd Inf. Bde.
7. 54th Inf. Bde.
8. 55th Inf. Bde.
9. C.R.A.
10. C.R.B.
11. 3rd R. Sussex Pioneers.
12. Signals.
13. A.D.M.S.
14. Divisional Train.
15. A.P.H.
16. 18th M.P. Coy.
17. D.A.D.O.S.
18. 18th Bn. M.G. Corps.
19. D.A.D.V.S.
20. D.G.O.
21. Camp Commandant.
22. III Corps "g"
23. III Corps "q"
24. 47th Division.
25. 53th Division.
26. 17th Division.
27. 2nd Tank Battalion.
28. "D" Special Coy. F.E.
29. No. 1 Special Coy. F.E.
30. 15th Auxiliary Bn. Coy. F.E.
31. 283rd Ammunition Coy. F.E.
32. 53rd Bde. Battle Str. Plns.
33. 54th Bde. Battle Str. Plns.
34. 55th Bde. Battle Str. Plns.
35. No. 2 (2nd Life Guards) Bn. Guards R.O. Regt.
36. War Diary.
37.)
38. File.

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18th Division No.6.316.

8th R.Sussex Pwre.

Reference 18th Division Order No.201, Table "A",
Serial No.7.

Column 3, line 5, for "2 Coys. 18th Bn. M.G.C." read "18th Bn. M.G.C. (less 2 Coys.)"

Column 5, line 4, for "2 M.G. Coys. BREITLY" read "18th Bn. M.G.C. (less 2 Coys) FOURTHROY".

Cap't.
for Lieut.Colonel.
General Staff 18th Division.

July 10th 1918.

Copy to all recipients of
18th Division Order No.201.

SECRET.

18th Div/No/394/124 "A"

AMENDMENT No.2 to 18th Div.No.394/124 "A"
of 9/7/18.

(1) The following amendments to moves of 1st Line Transport will take place, owing to the change in date of relief of Reserve Brigade.

(a) 1st Line Transport of 54th Brigade will move to HOLLINS-AU-BOIS on early morning of 18th instant, so as to arrive at E. end of HOLLINS-AU-BOIS at 7 a.m. They will be joined here by 152 Company, Divisional Train and will proceed thence to new area under orders of O.C., 152 Company, Div. Train.

(b) 1st Line Transport of 79th Field Company, R.E. and 56th Field Ambulance will move independently on 18th to LA CHAUSSEE and BREITLY under orders of C.R.E. and A.D.W.S. respectively.

(c) 34th Field Ambulance will proceed on 12th instant direct to SAISSEMORE (and FURY) instead of staging at BRILLAY.

(2) The party for 54th Brigade Group billeting party has now been arranged to report at WARLOY at 5 p.m. to-day.

J.A. CHURCHILL
Major
for Lieutenant-Colonel,
A.A. & Q.R.G. 16th Division.

11th July, 1918.

SECRET.

Copy No. 23.

54th BRIGADE ORDER NO. 169.

Reference Map
Sheet 67 D.
ANIMS Spot 17.

11th July 1918.

1. The 16th Division will be relieved by the 47th Division, and will pass into G.H.Q. Reserve.

2. The 54th Infantry Brigade will be relieved by the 140th Infantry Brigade on July 12th; the exact time will be notified later.

3. The hour and debussing point of 140th Brigade is not yet known, but guides on a scale of 1 per platoon and 2 for Battalion H.Q.s. will be at this point to meet opposite numbers of 140th Brigade (vide below). It is very probable that the time will be 11 a.m. and the debussing point COMRAY Church. Troops will move by platoons at 100 yds. interval, and every precaution will be taken to keep out of view.

Unit.	Location	To	Relieved by.
11th Royal Fusiliers	V.26.a.5.8.	QUIGNENCOURT	17th London Regt.
2nd Bedfordshire	WARLOY	FERRIERES	15th London
6th Northamptonshire Regt.	JANES	FRENCH SAISSEVAL	21st London
Brigade Headquarters	V.29.a.7.5.	BOYALLIES	140th Brigade

4. Advanced parties, 54th Brigade, will leave WARLOY Church for new area by lorry this afternoon, July 11th, but the 140th Brigade will leave a rear party, whom the Staff Captain will be responsible for sending back to their Brigade by one of the 54th Brigade lorries.

5. Details at MOLLIERE-AU-BOIS will embark on MOLLIERE-AU-BOIS - VILLERS-BOGAGE Road heading N. tail of column at Pond, MOLLIERE-AU-BOIS, at approximately 6 p.m. July 15th. Debussing point will be BRIGUESMONT, whence details will march to their Battalions Biting Areas.

6. Time and Place for embussing of the Brigade will be notified later.

7. Working parties in accordance with following table will be taken over by the 140th Brigade. The 54th Brigade will find no shifts after 12 noon, 12th July.

List & Item No.	Map Reference	Supplied by.	Recessive	Shift Time	No. Work.
21	V.22.d.3.8.	6th North-ampson-shire F.	Cross Road	8 pm	6 H.O.
a & b.			V.22.e.8.9	4 am	12 Dugouts
68	V.22.d.4.0.	do	do	12 noon	12 & guns.
19	V.13.d.1.5.	do	Res. Bn. H.O.	12 noon	6 H.O.
			V.22.b.4.7	8 pm	12 Dugouts
79	V.32.c.3.9.	do	Cross Road	8 pm	6 Batin.
			V.28.a.2.9	4 am	6 H.O.
76	V.23.b.7.6.	do	V.23.b.7.6	8 pm	12 H.O.
			do	4 am	6 Dugouts
			do	12 noon	6 & guns.

8. The Brigade Trench Mortar Officer will hand over to the Trench Mortar Officer 140th Brigade, the positions in the Reserve Line. He will not hand over guns.

9. Defence Schemas, Maps and documents relating to the Sector, S.O.S. Grenades, S.A.A. etc., and all other Trench Stores will be handed over on relief and supplies obtained. These will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters within 48 hours of relief except where otherwise stated in S.O.982.

10. Orders as to move of Transport will follow.

11. Completion of relief will be wired by code word "EVIL".

12. Brigade Headquarters will close at present location at a time to be notified later.

13. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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