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ARMY FORM C.2118

WAR DIARY

or

Unit 190th. FIELD REGIMENT. R.A.

~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Month and Year AUG 1944.

Commanding Officer Lt.Col.R.J. STREATFIELD.R.A.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	1		Regiment in action at LA TIENTURIE and OPs on Pt 309. Lt. R. Sellars RA and 6 ORs slightly wounded at the OP.	
	2		Battle for BOIS du HOMME continues. OP's with 46 Bde and 6 Gds Armd Bde active throughout the day.	
	3.		Regt moved to new area SOUTH of ST MARTIN (679475). Regiment fired Propaganda Shoot into area of BENY BOCAGE. 15th Divisional Commander wounded.	
	4.		Regt fired Fire Plan in support of 44 Bde's attack on woods WEST of BENY BOCAGE.	
	5.		CO went on recce with 46 Bde Commander to area Pt 279 (765420).	
	6.		Regt moved by Btys to area of 721439 (LE COUR)	
	7.		Regt supports attacks by 46 Bde on to BOIS de MONTS and LASSY. Stiff opposition towards LASSY.	
	8.		46 Bde withdrew to defensive position in LA CAVERIE area. Regt fired several Immediate Retaliation tasks against mortars throughout the day in response to calls from 46 Bde. OPs with 46 Bde & 6 Gds Armd Bde were active throughout the day.	R Streatfield See Appendix 1.
	9.		Regt continued to engage Immediate Retaliation tasks in addition to normal shooting.	
	10.		Regt again engaged Immediate Retaliation Tasks. Moved to new area of MONTCHAMPS to support 3rd DIV's attack. 531 Bty detailed to provide 1 gun to go forward to-morrow to fire Red Smoke Indicator Targets for air attack.	
	11.		Red Smoke Indicator Tgts fired. Reported to be very successful. Div Comdr and CRA visited all Gun detachments of the Regt and congratulated them on their work.	
	12.		CO with 46 Bde at LA MASURE. Regt engaged many Immediate Retaliation tasks throughout the day with good effect. Red Smoke Indicator Tgts engaged by 1 Gun of 530 Bty.	
	13.		Regt fired a few Immediate Retaliation Tasks but on the whole everything was quiet. Regt of 11 Armd Div took over from this Regt	R Streatfield

		which moved, via VILLERS BOCAGE and VERNON to a harbour area with 46 Bde Group at FEUGUEROLLES SUR ORNE.	
	14.	CO2 & Regtl Recce Parties reced a position South of the FORET de CINGLAIS.	
	15.	CO2 and RSO went to meet the CRA at 53 Div HQ 1 mile South of BOIS HALBOUT.	
	16.	Regt moved to new harbour area in FORET de CINGLAIS. Regtl Recce parties reced a position 5 miles North of FALAIS.	
	17.	CO and Capt Dyas RA went to a Mortar discussion with the CRA to teach the 1st MIDDLESEX Artillery procedure to be used with their 4.2 inch mortars. Instructors sent to 1st MIDDLESEX to implement policy laid down at the discussion.	
	18.	100 Officers and OR's were taken by the CO on a Battlefield tour of ETTERVILLE and Pt 112. CO attended Div Comdrs conference at DIV.	R Streatfield
	19.	46 Bde Group take over from 158 Bde (53 Div). Regt moved into action at NORTON L'ABBAYE but did not fire.	
	20.	Falaise pocket beaten clear. Regt unable to shoot owing to involved position in the pocket. Lt. M. Rogers RA joined the Regt.	
	21.	Warning order from HQRA of move to concentration area. Capt Rostol (Div IO) lectured to all ranks on war situation with particular reference to the German 7th & 15th Armies.	
	22.	BM of 46 Bde recceing area for Regt to move to as present location is becoming Army/Road Head.	
	23.	Regt moved to concentration area at ST PIERRE DU BUS. 46 Bde Gp ordered to commence march towards the SEINE.	
	24.	Commenced Operation "GALLOP" and advanced along MOON route. Regt halted and "curled up" at 299277 (WEST of TRUN)	Appendix 2. Regtl Ops Order No2.
	25.	46 Bde Gp continued along SUN Route to harbour area 894745 in the FORET DE BEAUMONT.	R Streatfield
	26.	46 Bde Gp took up defensive position in the area around EMANVILLE. Regt in area of 985727.	
	27.	Regt went into action between LOUVIERS and the SEINE (261867) to support 15 Div's crossing of the SEINE.	
	28.	Regt supported 15 Div's crossing of the SEINE at HERQUEVILLE and MUIDS. Lt P. HENEAGE RA (wounded at Pt 112 see War Diary July 15th) returned to Regt.	
	29.	Regt crossed the SEINE at 0010 hrs and went into action in area of MUIDS with OP's forward overlooking LES ANDELYS and CUVERVILLE. Inf advanced against little opposition & Regt moved to new area of FRETTEVILLE.	

	30.		15 Div remain in reserve while 53 DIV passed through and continued the advance.	
	31.		Regt remained in same location. Between 2nd and 31st of this month the Regt sustained no casualties.	R Streatfield