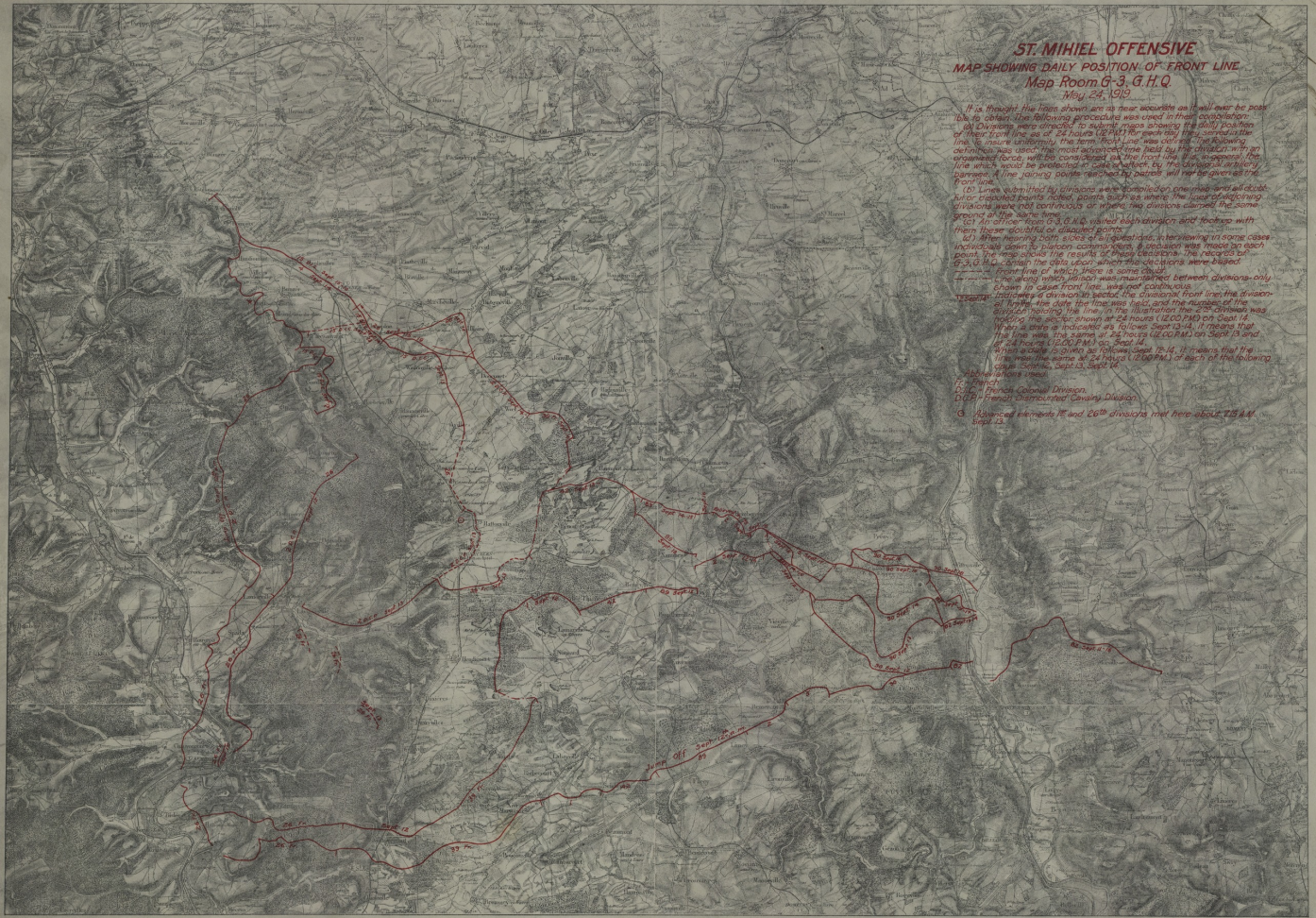


EXTRACT OF METZ-COMMERCY

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ST. MIHIEL OFFENSIVE
MAP SHOWING DAILY POSITION OF FRONT LINE
Map Room G-3, G.H.Q.
May 24, 1919

If it is thought the lines shown are as near accurate as it will ever be possible to obtain them following procedure was used in their construction: (1) Divisions were attached to sub-division showing the daily positions of their front line as of 24 hours (12:01 AM) for each day. (2) Lines on the line to insure uniformity, the term front line was defined. The following definitions were used: (a) The front line is the line which separates the front line which would be projected to each point, by the division which occupies it. (b) The daily position of the front line will be given at the front line.

(3) Lines submitted by divisions were checked on one mile and all doubtful or troubled points noted, points such as where the line of projecting divisions were not continuous or where the divisions shared the same ground at the same time.

(4) An officer from G-3 G.H.Q. visited 15th division and checked with them those doubtful or elapsed points.

(5) When preparing each sheet of the map, data in the following order was checked: (a) Individual units in division commander's division was checked on each point. The map shows the results of these checks. (b) The records of G-3, G.H.Q. contain the data upon which the divisions were based.

(6) From time to time there is some doubt as to the accuracy of the front line of which there is some doubt. In such cases the front line was not continuous.

(7) The accuracy of divisions' reports, the divisions' front line, the divisional front line, the date the line was fixed, and the number of the division holding the line in the divisional front line. (8) Divisions were holding the sector shown at 24 hours (12:00 PM) on Sept. 14. (9) The line is shown as indicated on G-3, G.H.Q. It means that the line was the same at 24 hours (12:00 PM) on Sept. 13 and at 24 hours (12:00 PM) on Sept. 14.

(10) When a date is given as follows, Sept. 13-14, it means that the line was the same at 24 hours (12:00 PM) on each of the following days: Sept. 13, Sept. 14.

Abbreviations used:
F. - French
D. - Division
D.C. - French Commanded Division
D.C.B. - French Commanded Cavalry Division
G. - Advanced elements 17th and 26th divisions met there about 22:45, Sept. 13.

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A French map titled "Extract of Metz-Commercy." The map, glued to a cloth backing, is annotated to show the movement of American and French divisions during the St. Mihiel Offensive. The legend explains the procedure used to determine the daily position of the front line.

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