

TERRAIN PHOTOGRAPHS
AMERICAN WORLD WAR BATTLEFIELDS
IN EUROPE

27TH DIVISION
SOMME OFFENSIVE

OCTOBER 3-22, 1918

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PREFACE

THIS album is part of a collection of photographs of the various battlefields in Europe upon which the Armed Forces of the United States were actively engaged during World War I.

These terrain photographs were taken and prepared by the American Battle Monuments Commission, as provided in the act of Congress of March 4, 1923, to complete the historical record of the operations of the American units. The series comprises 69 albums containing 1,396 photographs.

The contents of these albums will be of particular value when studied in conjunction with the Summaries of Operations, prepared by the American Battle Monuments Commission, which relate in detail the combat services of each American division.

On the page preceding the photographs will be found a small-scale key map showing the general operation of which this divisional operation was a part. In the pocket inside the back cover will be found a reprint of a 1:20,000 map, of the type used during the war, showing the operation covered by the photographs in this

album. On this index map have been indicated the position of the camera and the direction in which it was sighted in taking each photograph.

On the page opposite each photograph is a section of the 1:20,000 map of the terrain in the vicinity of that pertaining to the photograph. The white wedge-shaped portion of the map indicates the sector of terrain which actually appears in the picture. The plotted position of the camera and the axis of the picture are shown in blue, the length of the blue line approximately indicating the depth of the view. The circled number corresponds to the number of the photograph, of which the numerals before the dash indicate the division and the numerals after the dash indicate the serial number of the photograph in this division.

Various topographical features visible in the photographs have been indicated by name to facilitate orientation.

Complete sets of these albums have been deposited with the National Archives, the Library of Congress, the Historical Division of the War Department General Staff, and the Command and Staff College.

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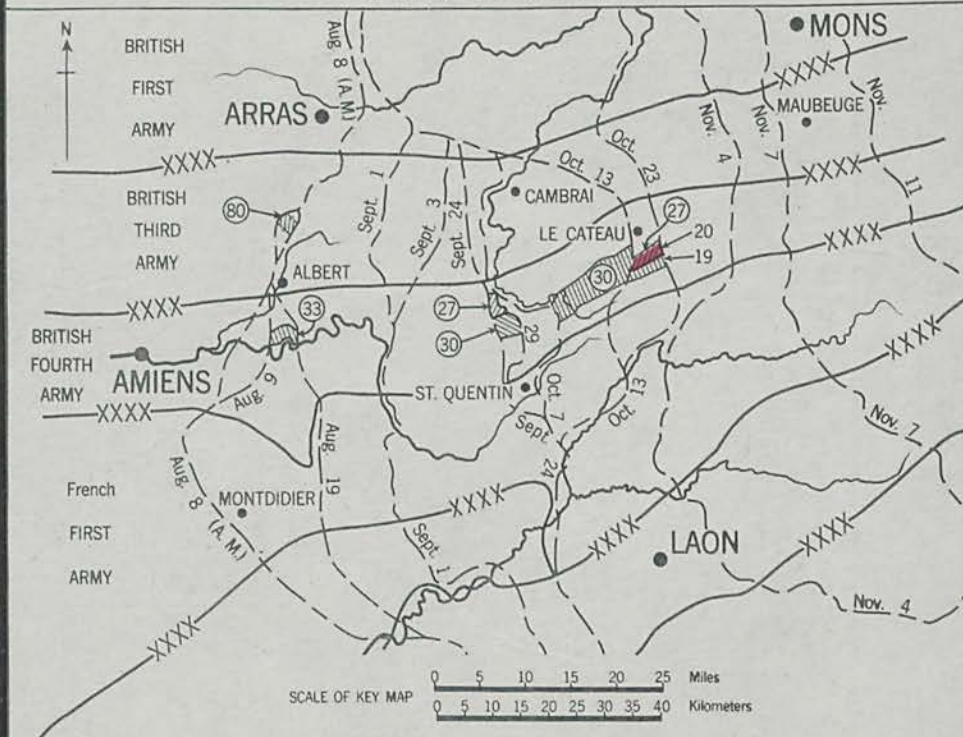
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

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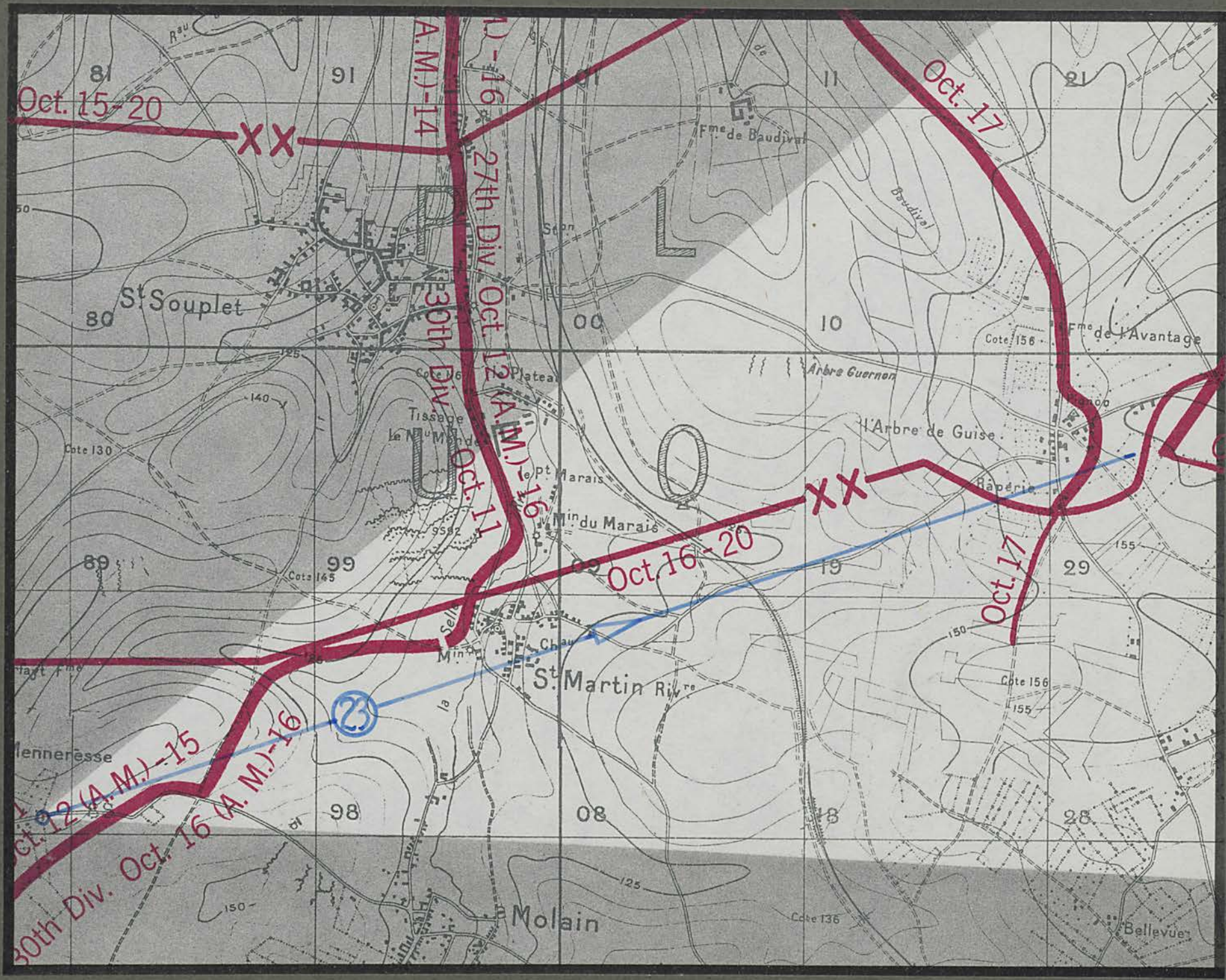
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KEY MAP
SOMME OFFENSIVE
 AUGUST 8 - NOVEMBER 11, 1918



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|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|
|  | Area Covered by Operation Shown on Summary Map |  | Ground Gained by American Divisions |  | Ground Gained by British and French Divisions |
|  | Front Line | Circled numeral indicates American Division | | | |





Abre Guerton

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St. Martin Riviere

la Haie Menneresse-Molain road

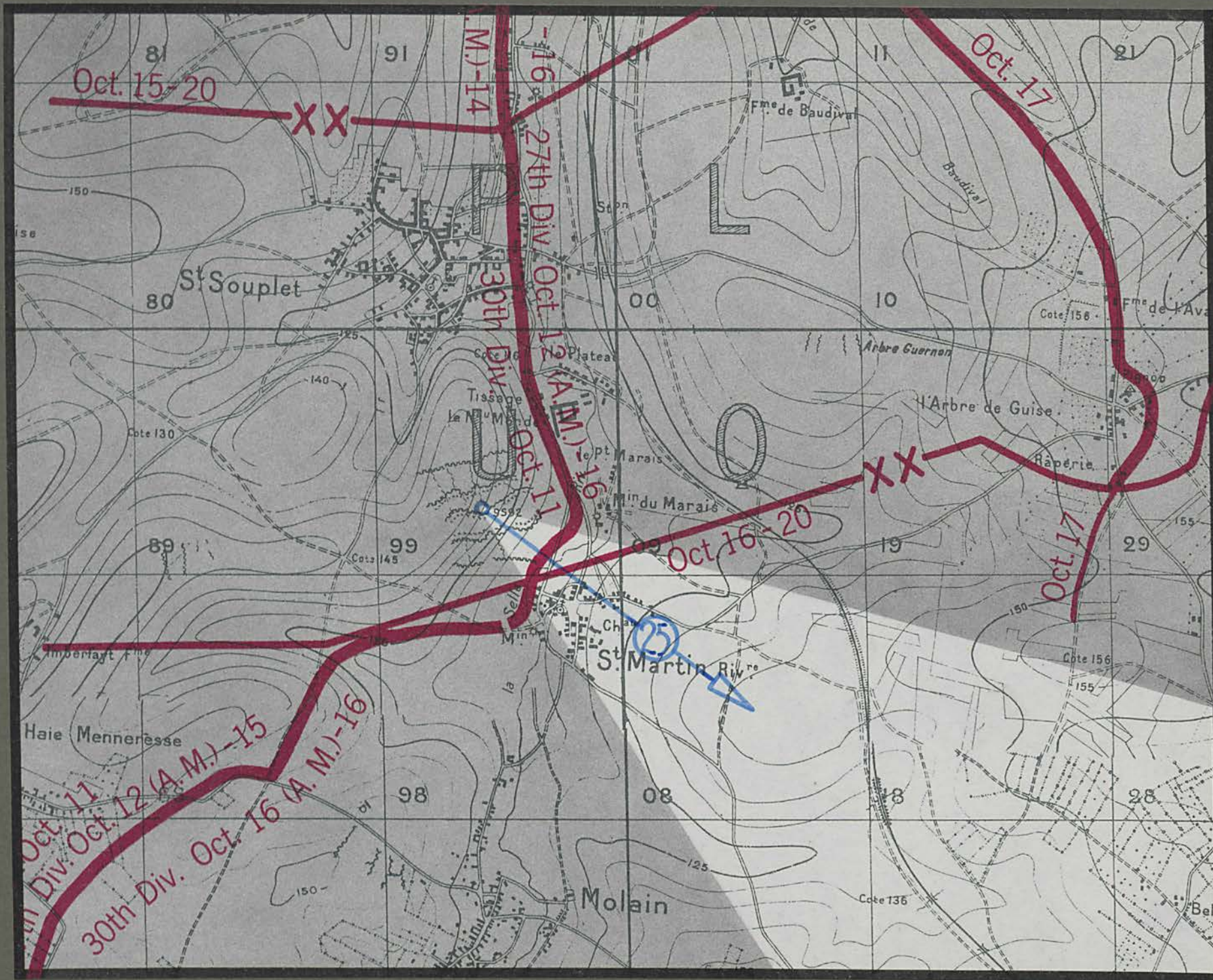
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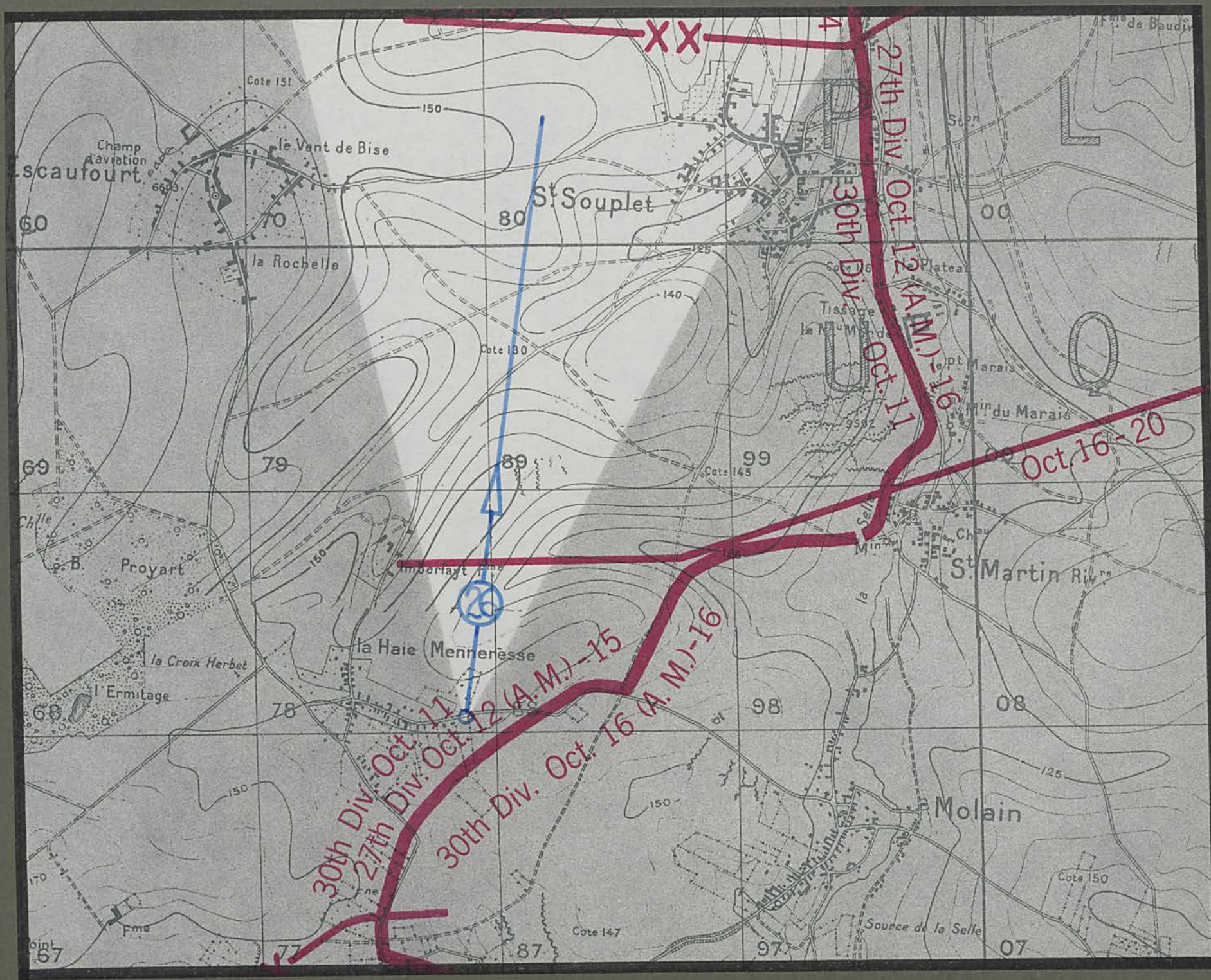
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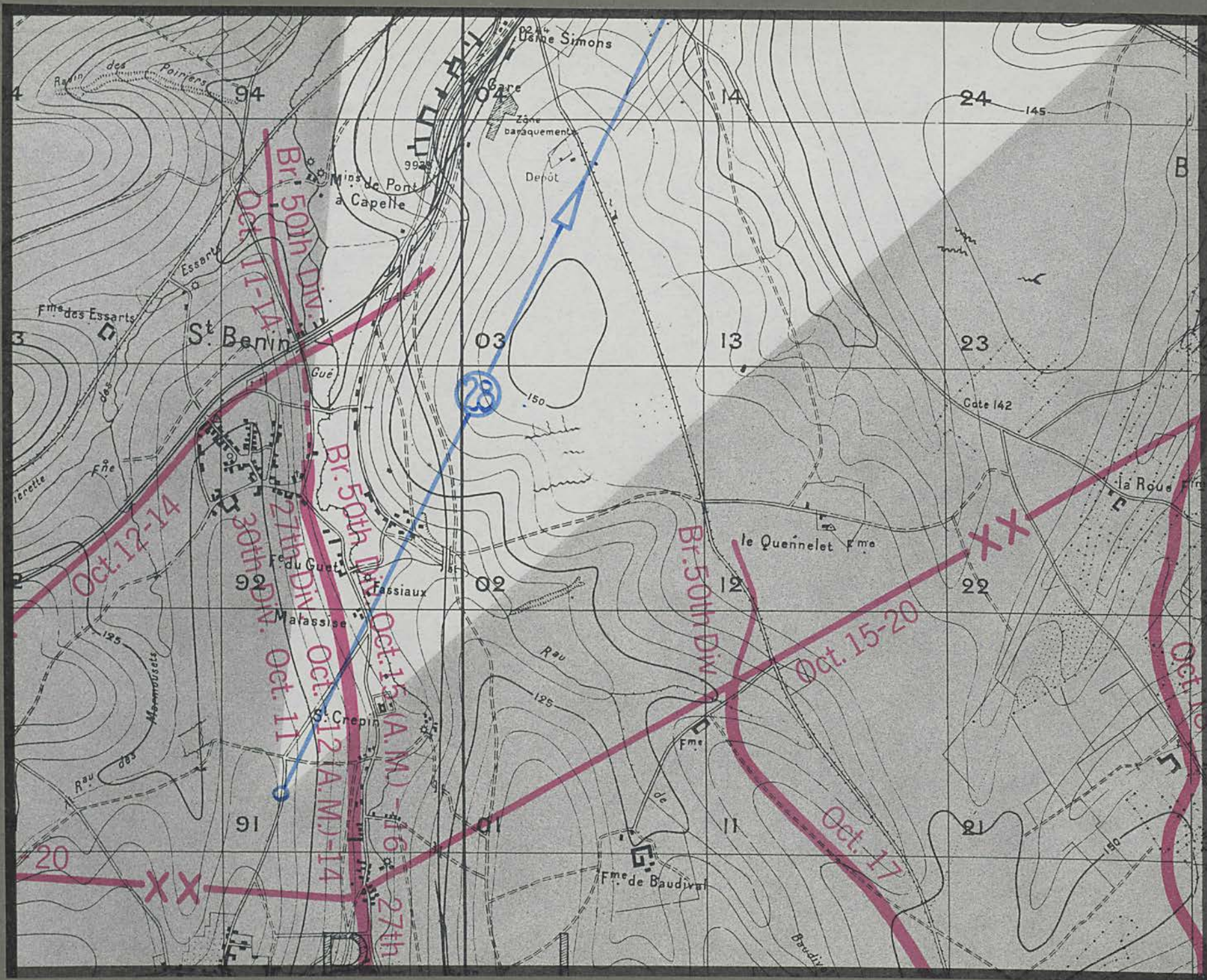
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Selle River

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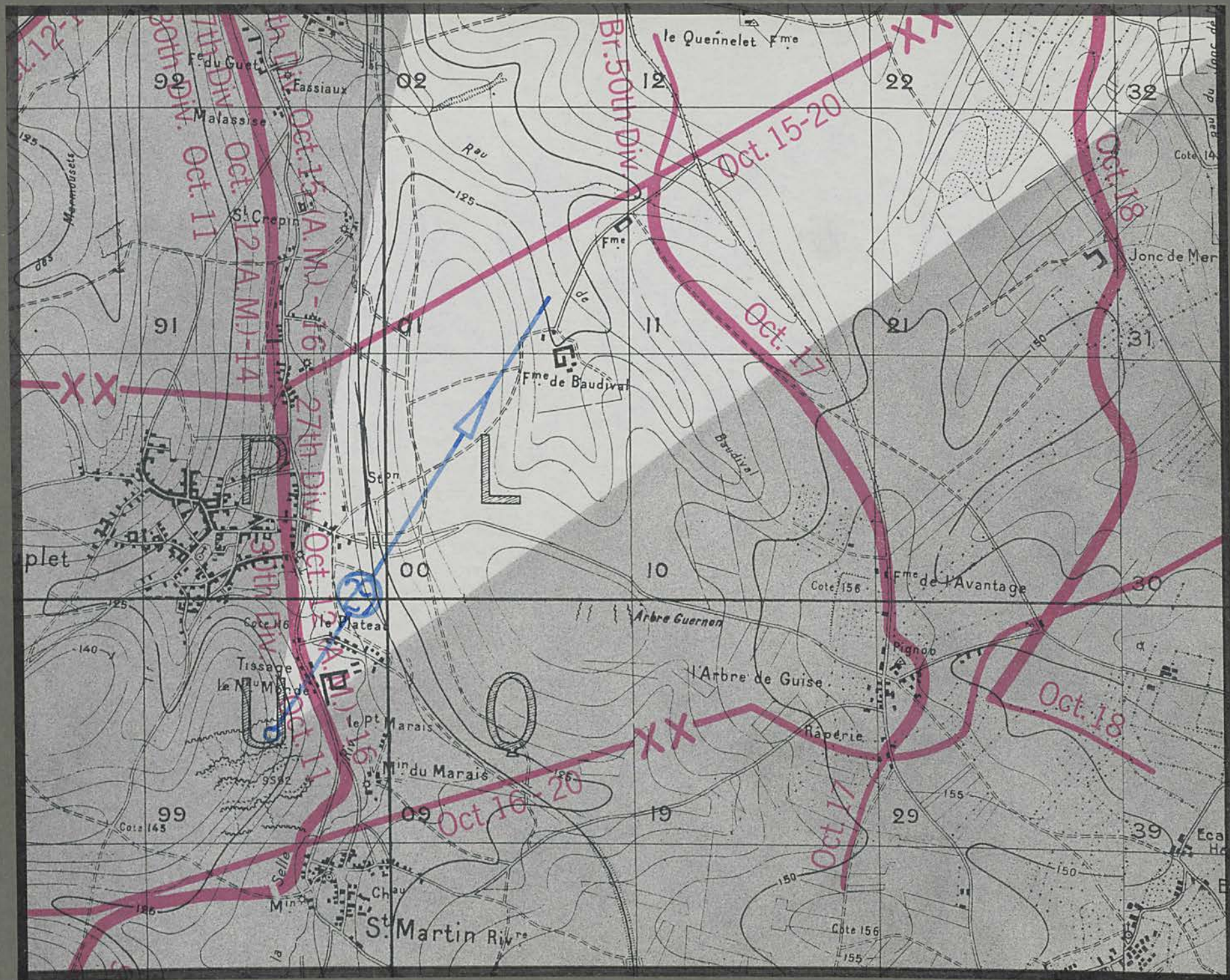
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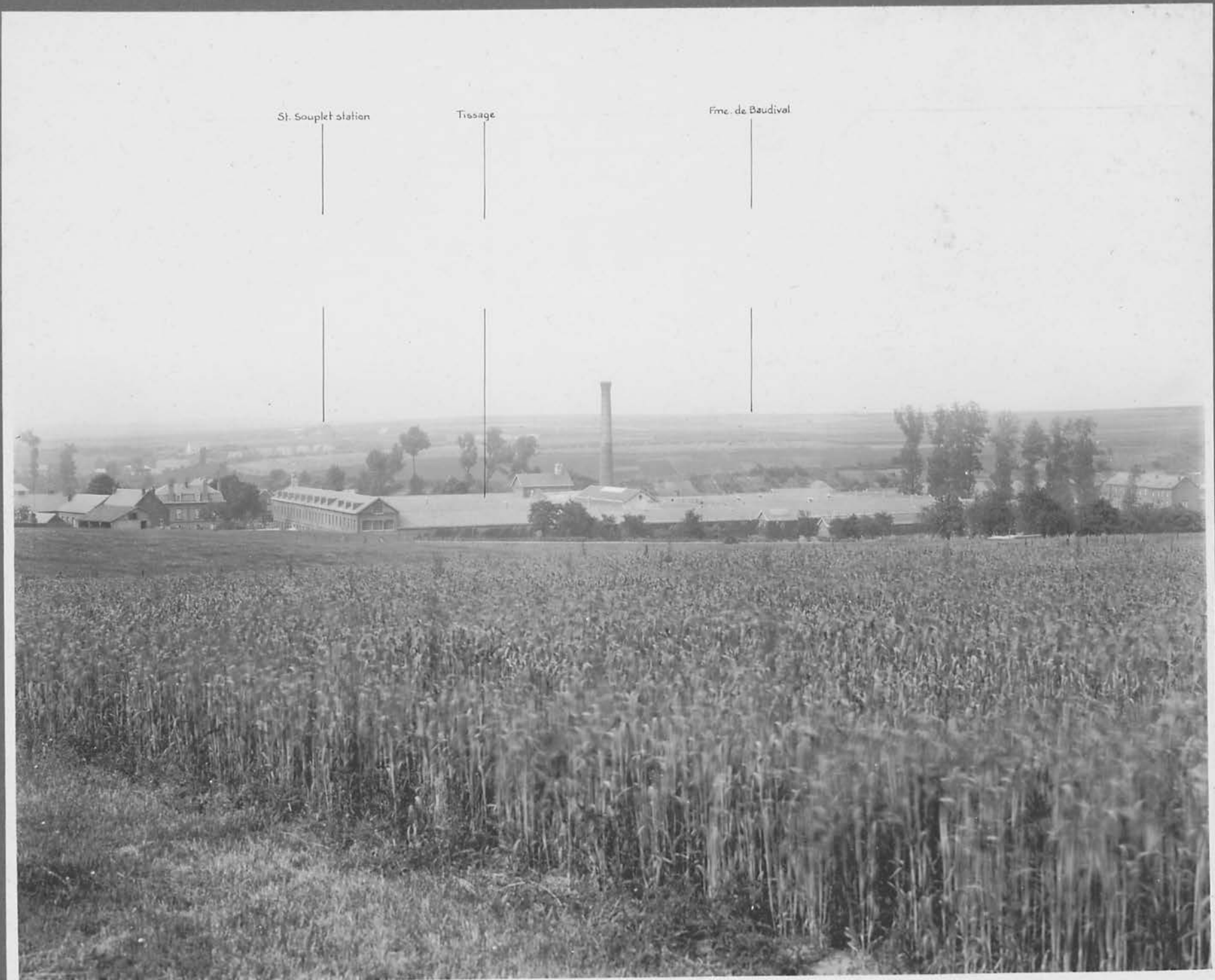
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Selle River Valley



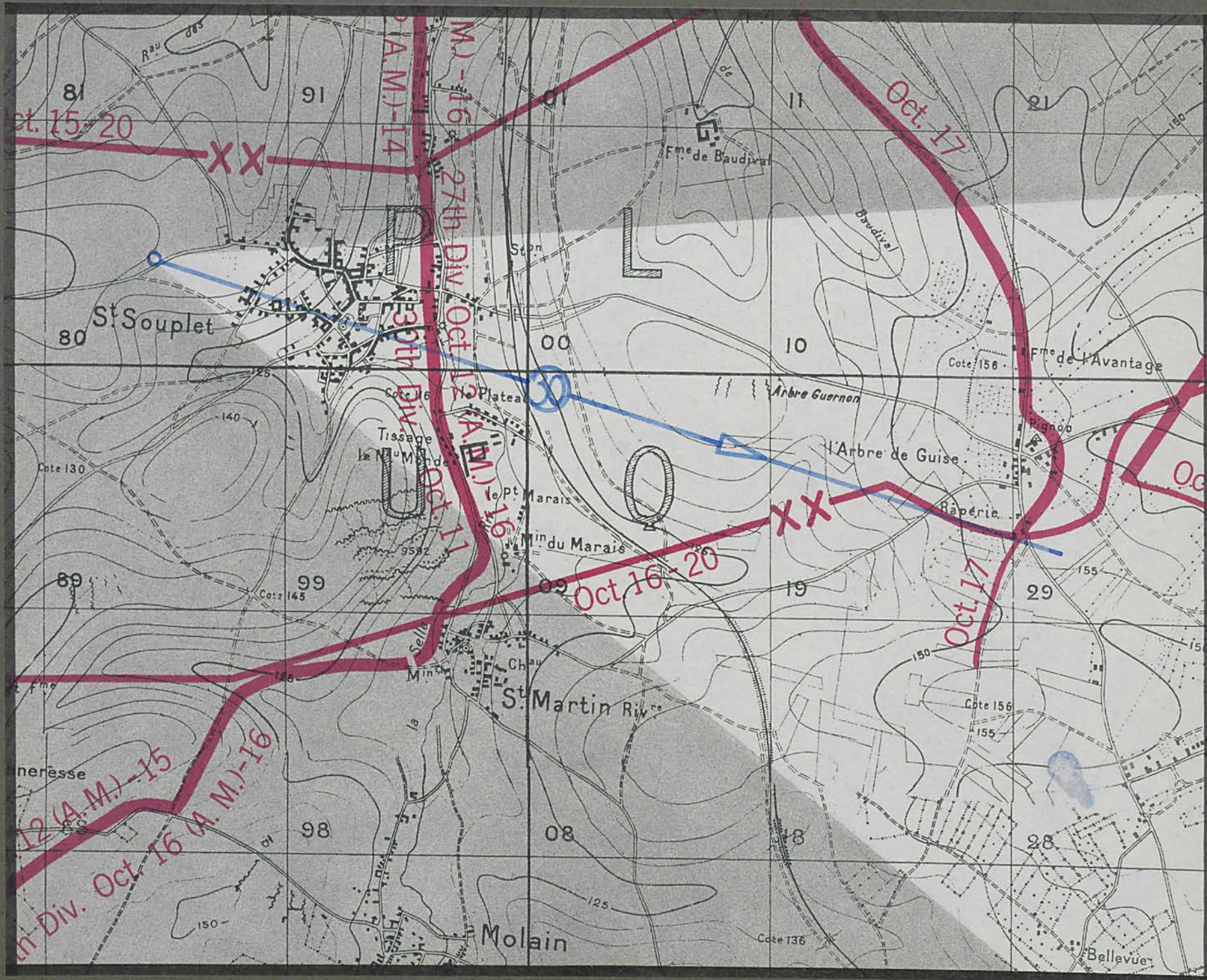




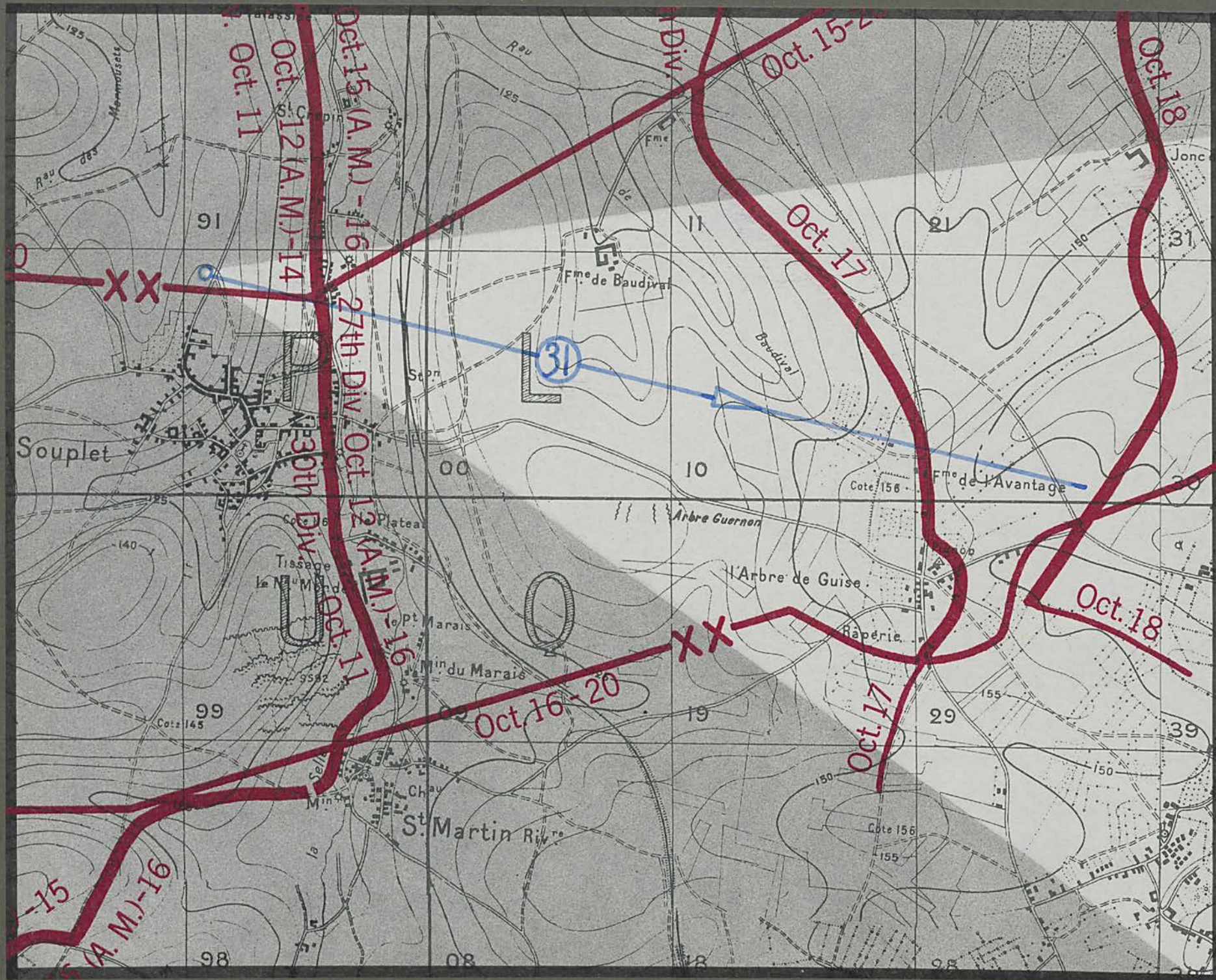
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Fme. de Baudival







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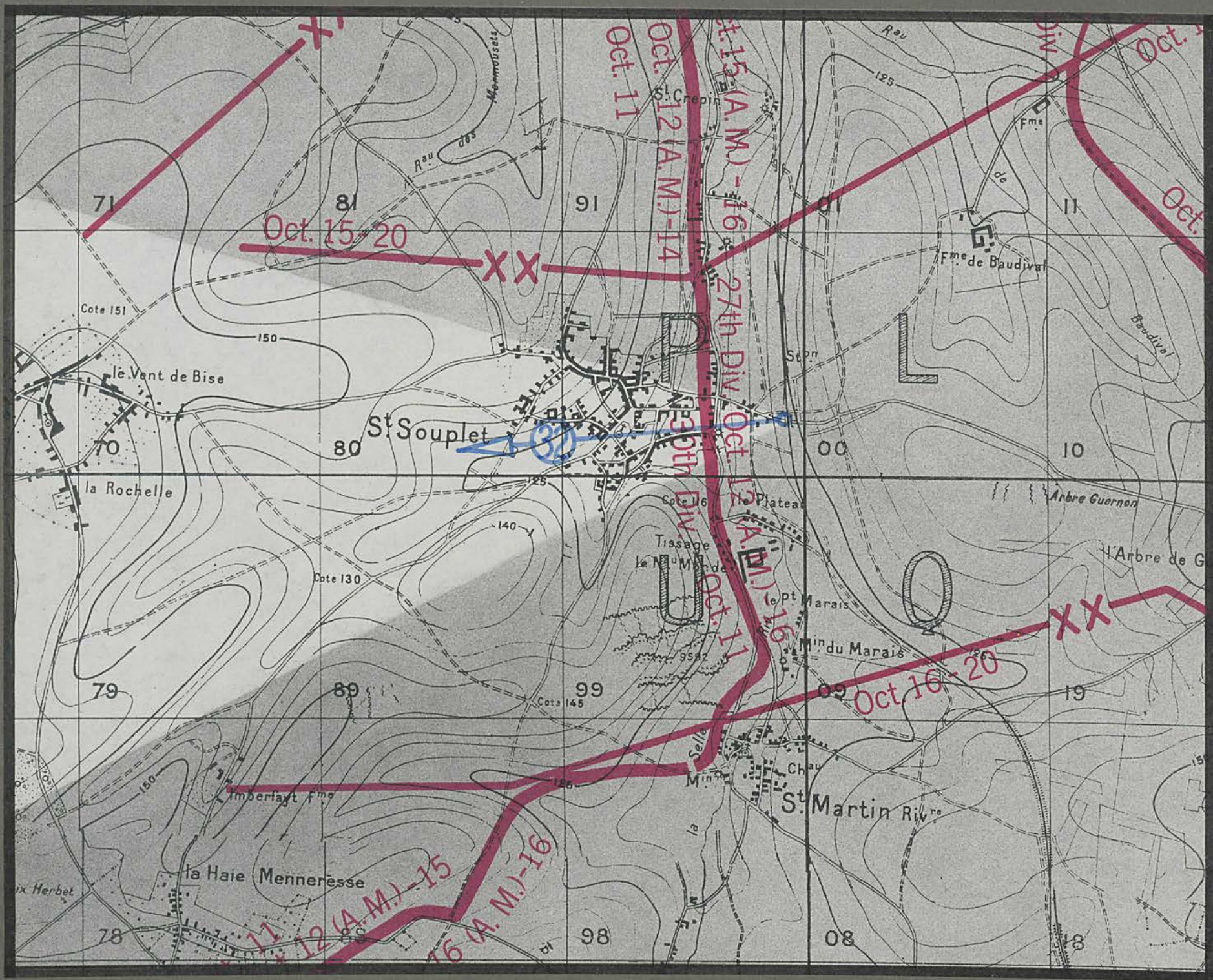
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Arbre de Guise

Arbre Guernon

St Souplet+Stn



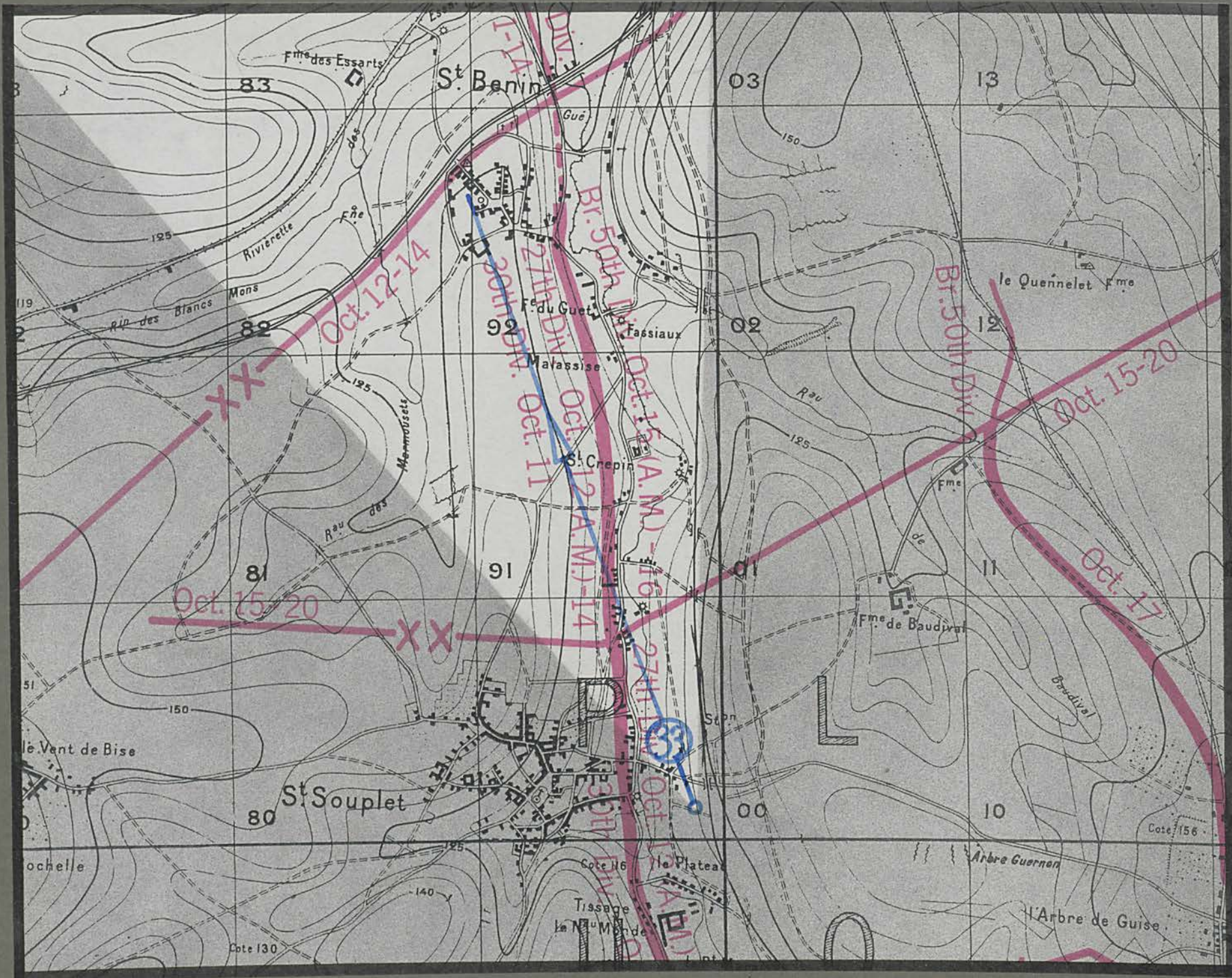


St. Souplet

Arbre de Guise - St Souplet road

Selle River





St Souplet

St Souplet - St Benin lower road

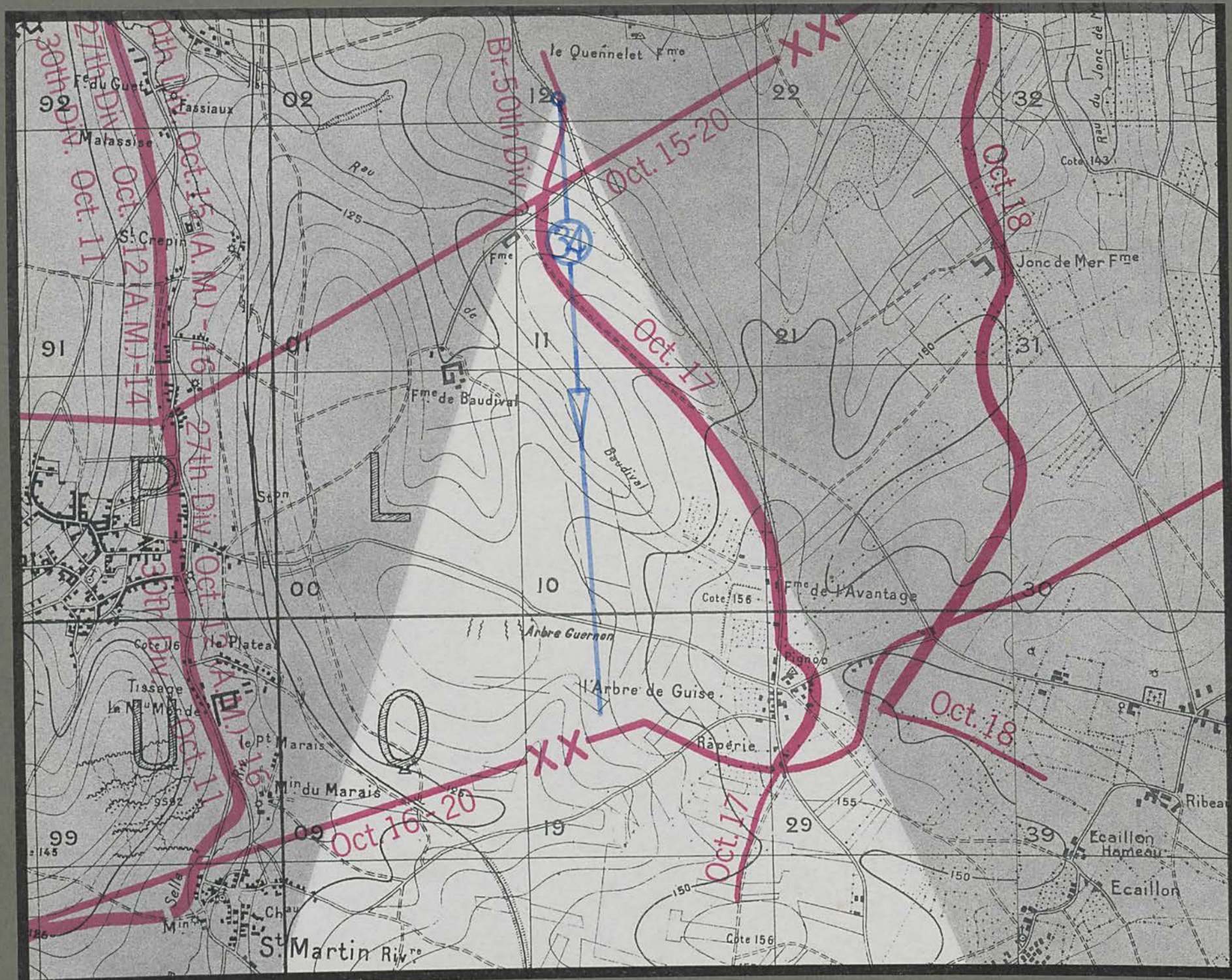
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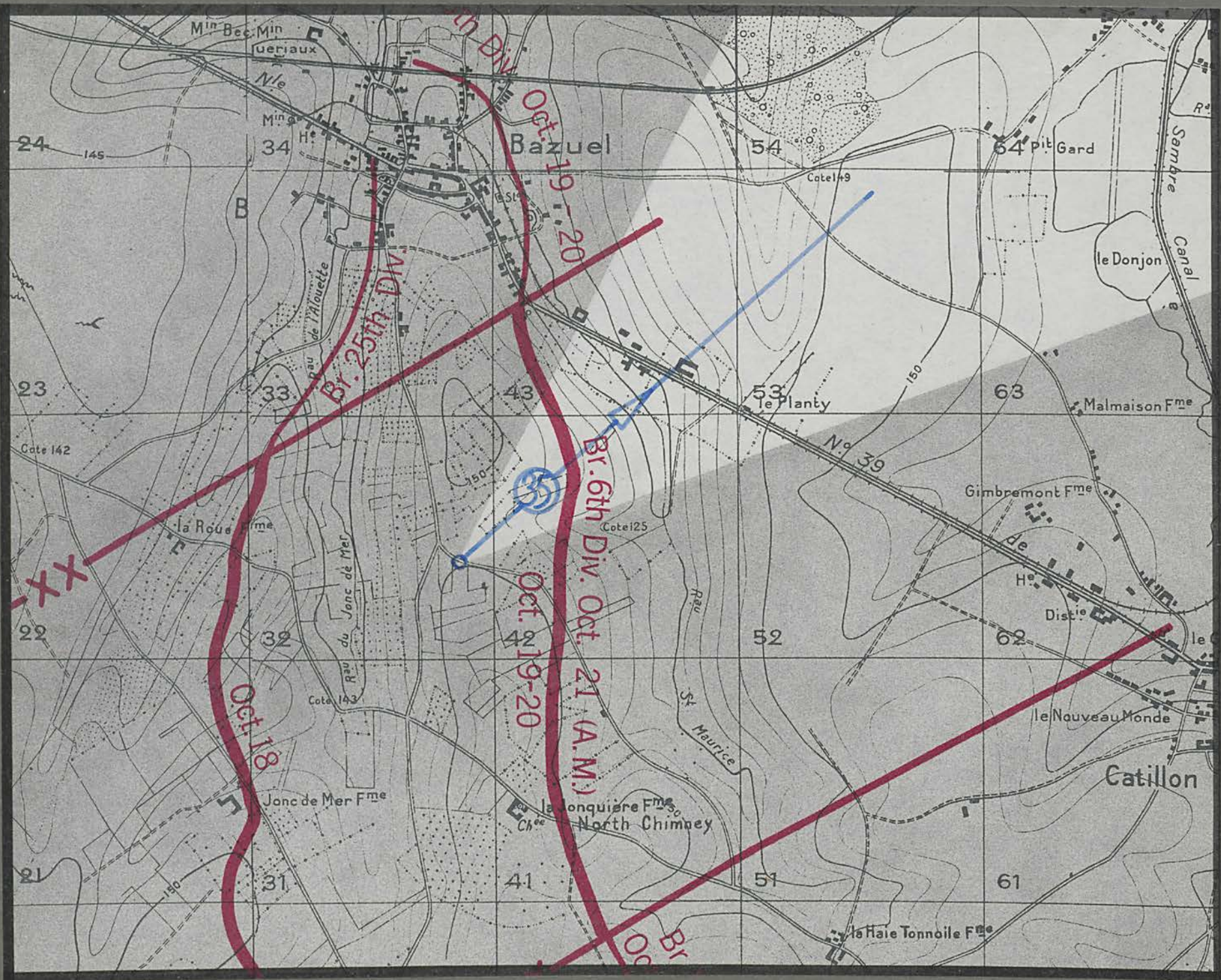


Arbre de Guise

Arbre de Guise - Le Cateau highway

Arbre Guernon



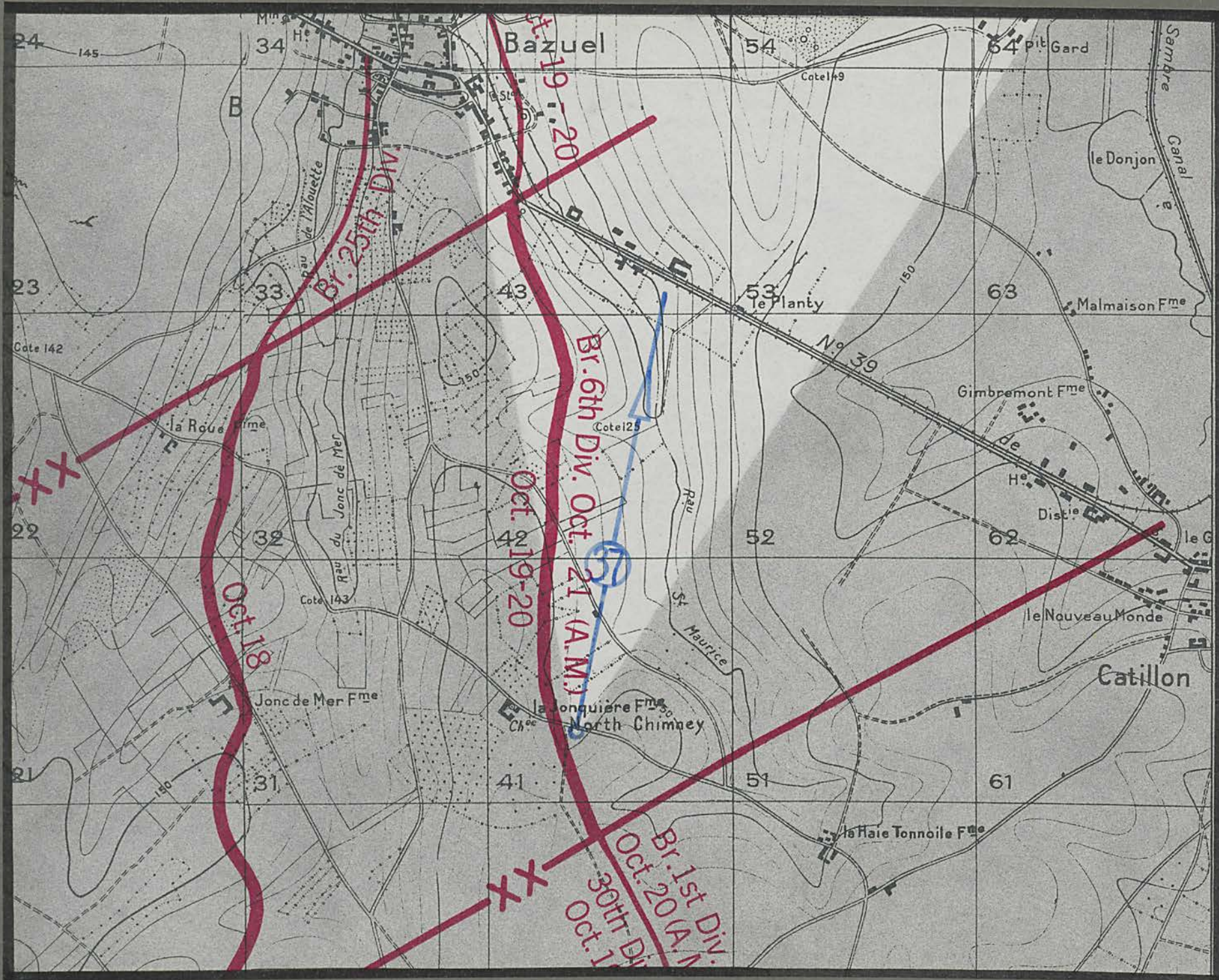




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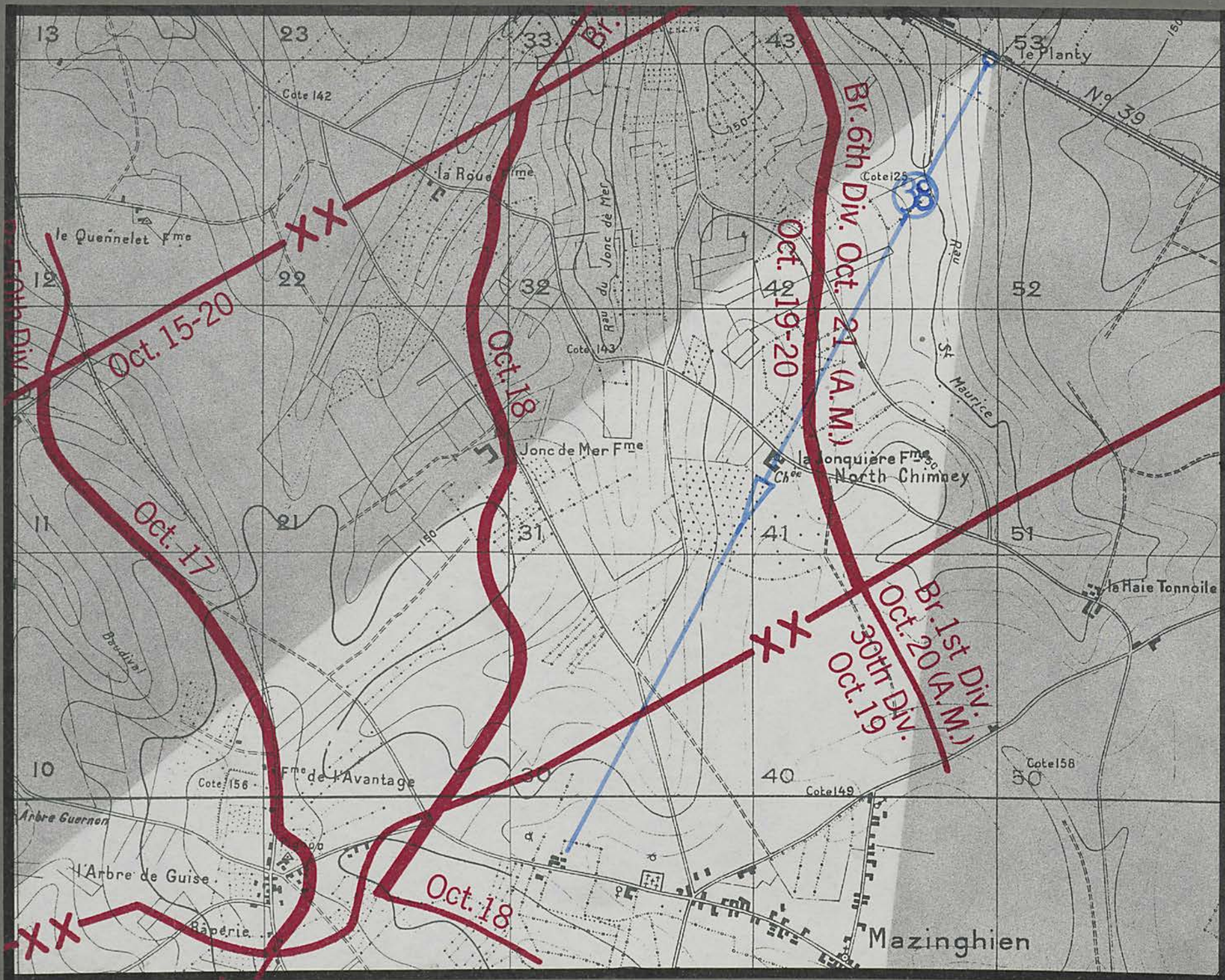




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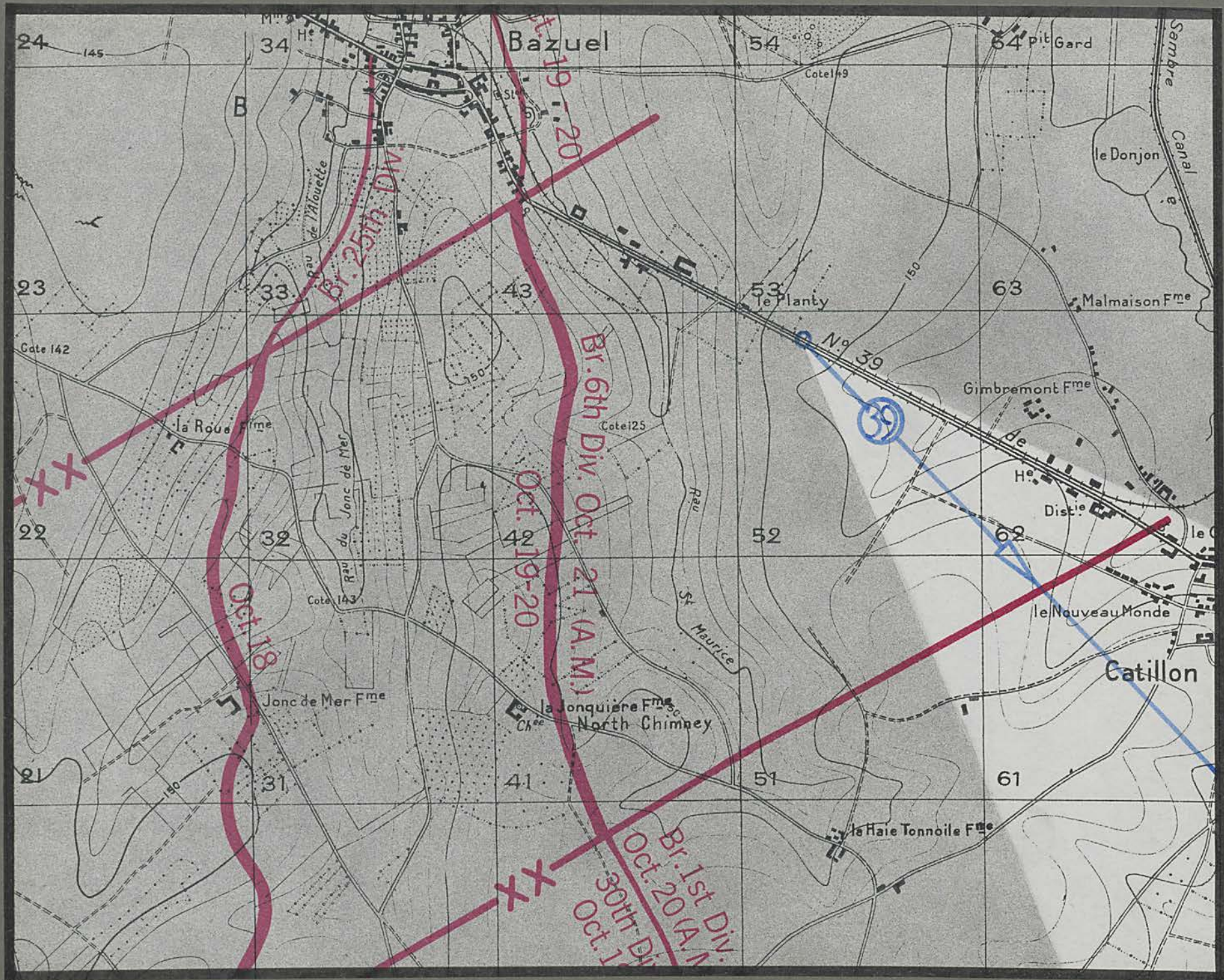




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Catillon-Bazuel highway



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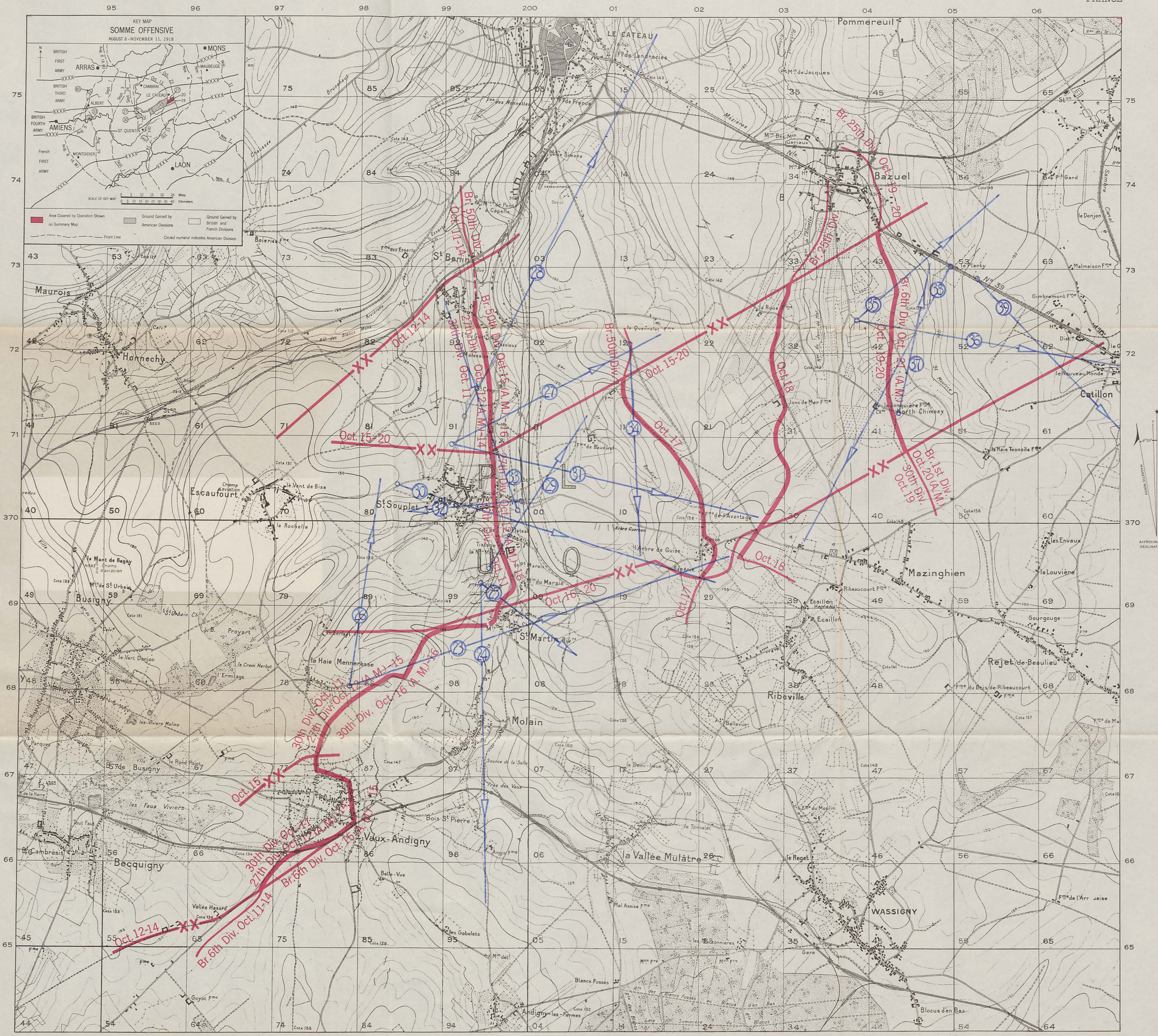
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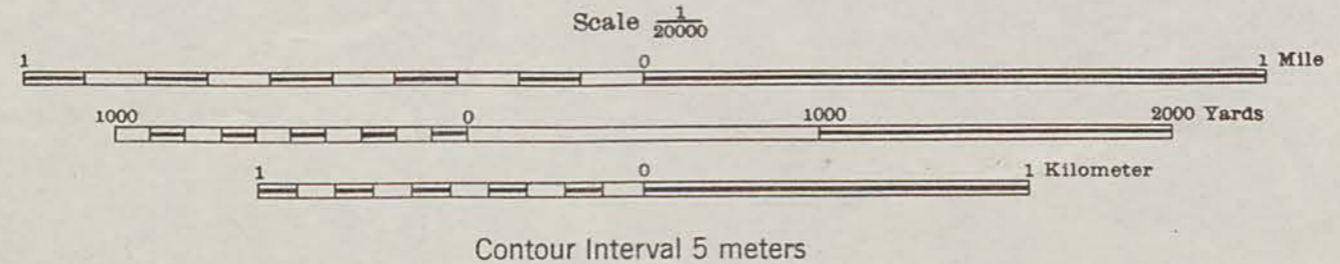


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1938

All front lines are as of midnight for dates given unless otherwise noted; for example, "October 17" on a line indicates the line held at 12:00 midnight, the night of October 17/18, whereas "October 19-20" on a line indicates that the line was located at the same place at midnight on the nights of October 19th and 20th. Dates on boundaries indicate dates when boundaries were actually in force. See accompanying Summary of Operations for dates when boundaries were ordered. Lines include results of research of the American Battle Monuments Commission to 1938.

Front Lines held by 27th Division
 Front Lines held by Flank Divisions
 Division Boundary
 Gap in Front Lines



LEGEND

National Highway (Route Nationale)

Road (First Class)

Road (Second Class)

Road (Third Class)

Road (Poor)

Trail

Quarry

Ferme (Fme) = Farm

Moulin (Min) = Mill

Bois (B.) = Woods

Côte = Hill

Château

