

80 – Senior commanders who had held senior wartime staff positions

Statements in the book

‘... in early 1917, twenty-one generals who had previously held senior wartime staff positions were commanding divisions or higher-level formations’.

Supporting evidence

No.	Name of officer	Formation commanded in Apr-May 1917	Previous wartime staff posts
1.	Bergmann, Walter von	113th Infantry Division	<i>Oberquartiermeister</i> and chief of staff to various formations, mainly Army-level
2.	Borries, Rudolf von	13th Infantry Division	Chief of staff to XVI Corps and Seventh Army
3.	Etzel, Otto von	206th Infantry Division	Chief of staff to XXII Reserve Corps
4.	Falkenhayn, Erich von	Ninth Army	Chief of the General Staff of the Field Army
5.	Fortmüller, August	241st Infantry Division	Chief of staff to Third Army Lines of Communication and XXVII Reserve Corps
6.	Groddeck, Wilhelm von	208th Infantry Division	Quartermaster-General 2 on Eastern Front and <i>Oberquartiermeister</i> to Fourth and Ninth Armies
7.	Grünert, Paul	119th Infantry Division	<i>Oberquartiermeister</i> and chief of staff to various formations at Army and army group level
8.	Höhn, Maximilian Ritter von	XV Bavarian Reserve Corps	Chief of staff to Third Army
9.	Hülßen, Bernhard von	231st Infantry Division	Chief of staff to Naval Corps
10.	Kraewel, Richard von	IV Corps	Chief of staff to General-Government of Belgium

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11.	Leuthold, Max	53rd Reserve Division	<i>Oberquartiermeister</i> to Third Army
12.	Lüttwitz, Arthur Freiherr von	16th Infantry Division	Chief of staff to General-Government of Belgium and Intendant-General, OHL
13.	Lüttwitz, Walter Freiherr von	III Corps	Chief of staff to Fourth Army, Fifth Army and Army Group Crown Prince
14.	Möhl, Arnold Ritter von	16th Bavarian Infantry Division	Chief of staff to I Bavarian Corps
15.	Mutius, Albert von	7th Cavalry Division and 17th Reserve Division	Chief of staff to XXIV Reserve Corps
16.	Schmidt von Knobelsdorf, Konstantin	X Corps	Chief of staff to Fifth Army and Army Group Crown Prince
17.	Stolzmann, Paulus von	78th Reserve Division	Chief of staff to IX Reserve Corps, Southern Army, Bug Army and Army Group Linsingen
18.	Tappen, Gerhard	5th Ersatz Division	Chief of the Operations Department, OHL
19.	Wild von Hohenborn, Adolf	XVI Corps	Chief of staff to Eighth Army and Quartermaster-General-West, OHL (and Minister of War)
20.	Woyna, Wilhelm von	225th Infantry Division	Chief of staff to I Corps
21.	Zoellner, Eugen Ritter von	2nd Bavarian Infantry Division	Chief of staff to Quartermaster-General, OHL