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# WAR DIARY

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10<sup>th</sup> Aust Inf. 3<sup>rd</sup> Div 1306 1st Aust Div

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BERNAFAY Wood	1 <sup>st</sup>		Batt employed Road making in forward Area	S.M.
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Road making	S.M.
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Road making	S.M.
	4 <sup>th</sup>		Road making	S.M.
	5 <sup>th</sup>		Road making	S.M.
	Guedécourt	6 <sup>th</sup>		Moved forward to front line, attached to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Div 1306, the relief was carried out successfully.
"	7 <sup>th</sup>		Held the line. First Colly wounded. 3 O.Pankes wounded 5 O.Pankes evacuated sick, exposure	S.M.
"	8 <sup>th</sup>		In the line. Enemy activity active, 4 O.Pankes killed 16 wounded 11 O.P. evacuated exposure	S.M.
"	9 <sup>th</sup>		In the line. The trenches in very bad state after the rain, in a few places. High deep in mud & water. 5 O.Pankes wounded 35 O.Pankes evacuated sick, exposure	S.M.
"	10 <sup>th</sup>		In the line. Relief had been carried out night but it had been found impossible to relieve more men in consequence 70 men who had been in the line for 46 hours have been evacuated suffering from exposure, 2 O.Pankes wounded	S.M.
"	11 <sup>th</sup>		Relieved from the line by the 16 <sup>th</sup> Div. The relief 1st Lt. Dodson and 2 O.Pankes were wounded. 29 O.Pankes had to be evacuated with gas feet. These men after getting to support trenches took their boots off and could not get them on again. Total casualties for period in the line. 4 Other Pankes killed 2 officers and 25 Other Pankes wounded 150 Other Pankes from gas evacuated from exposure & gas troubles	S.M.
Bernafay Wood.	12 <sup>th</sup>		Moved from Support trenches to Bernafay Wood	S.M.
Fricourt	13 <sup>th</sup>		Moved back to a Bivouac in Fricourt	S.M.
Dernancourt	14 <sup>th</sup>		Moved to Bellis in Dernancourt	S.M.
"	15 <sup>th</sup>		Commenced to clean clothing and equipment	S.M.
"	16 <sup>th</sup>		Baths were arranged for the men not out of fatigue. balance of day cleaning equipment	S.M.
Buire	17 <sup>th</sup>		Moved further back to Staging Area Buire by march	S.M.
	18 <sup>th</sup>		B <sup>3</sup> static.	S.M.

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Cardonette	19 <sup>th</sup>		Moved to Rest Area by Motor Bus, and billeted in Cardonette	
	20 <sup>th</sup>		Commenced 10 days training	
	21 <sup>st</sup>		Continued training	
	22 <sup>nd</sup>		Continued training	
	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Continued training	
	24 <sup>th</sup>		Continued training	
	25 <sup>th</sup>		Continued training	
	26 <sup>th</sup>		Continued training in the morning. Cleaning equipment etc in the afternoon	
	27 <sup>th</sup>		Carried out an attack practice which was very successful considering the <del>small</del> articles at the disposal of the B <sup>de</sup> for making artillery barrages, in the afternoon a demonstration was given by an Air Squadron in aerial contact work which was very instructive	
	"	28 <sup>th</sup>		The whole B <sup>de</sup> was practised on the a miniature rifle range
"	29 <sup>th</sup>		Continued training	
Fransvillers	30 <sup>th</sup>		B <sup>de</sup> moved by march to Fransvillers. Instructions were received to evacuate all men who were unable to march 30 miles, 74 men N.C. & men were evacuated 50 of the Other Ranks evacuated during the time the B <sup>de</sup> was in the line have returned to duty.	

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