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	1917.			
	JUNE.			
RIBEMONT.	1		Strength 27 officers 644 9R.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	2/4		Battalion competitions (military events) won by 'B' Coy. Capt. J.A. Foster returned to Batten. on 2 nd inst.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	5		Battalion inoculated.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	6/11		Brigade competitions. Very keen rivalry results very close. Best Battalion in Bde:- 1. 9 th Bn. 2. 10 th Bn. 3. 12 th Bn. 4. 11 th Bn. Best Company in Bde:- 1. 10 th Co. 2. 12 th Co. 3. 9 th Co. 4. 11 th Co.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	12/13		Divisional Sports held at Henencourt Wood.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	15		Lt R. D. Newitt & 139 reinforcements arrived.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	16		Strength 30 officers 804 9R.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	17		2 nd Lieut Greensill & Miller reported for duty from 5 th Bn. Lt B.W. Mitchell & 15 9R arrived.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	23		Strength 33 officers 808 9R. Completion of platoon & company training which has been continuing since the beginning of the month.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
BEAUSSART	24		Left Ribemont at 0730 & proceeded to MAILLY-MAILLET training area, the Batten being billeted very comfortably at Beausart. Brigade training commences.	<u>C.M.M.</u>
	25		Battalion outpost scheme at night. Very wet.	<u>C.M.M.</u>

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BEAUSCART	1917. JUNE			
	26		12 th Battalion, from MAILLY-MAILLET attacked 11 th Bn at AUCHONVILLERS.	<u>AMM</u>
	27/28		night attack. moved from 1930 to place of assembly. Deployed at 2330 into 2 waves ready to attack 2 objectives.	<u>AMM</u>
	29.		Assembled in AVELUY WOOD at 0730 & moved off as a main Guard at 0800 from MESNIL. Enemy attacked on left flank & Bgde. deployed & developed into an attack on enemy between MAILLY and AUCHONVILLERS.	
	30.		2 nd Lieut. W. Lambert transferred from 4 th Bn to 12 th Bn. Strength 36 officers 829 GR. The following decorations have been awarded during the month:- VICTORIA CROSS :- Capt. J. B. Newland 2902 Sgt. J. W. Whittle. CROIX DE GUERRE :- 2 nd Lieut. J. Webster. Bar to M. M. 1934 Sgt. A. O'Loughlin 043 Sgt. J. O. Gherkin 4341 Sgt. J. B. McCulloch 4323 4323 Sgt. J. Hamilton. MILITARY MEDAL :- 2119 Sgt. J. Henry 2580 " P. A. O'Neill 1872 " G. W. Taylor * 928a - R. W. Morris 3386 Cpl. J. W. Fordham 2213 Sgt. J. Barwick 2732 L. Cpl. G. W. Turner 2910 L. Cpl. J. C. Whitelaw 042 Sgt. H. E. George 0632 Sgt. A. L. S. Davey 551 Sgt. L. J. Simpson 3015 Sgt. A. S. Harris 1652 L. Cpl. F. H. Williams MILITARY CROSS 2 nd Lt. W. K. Hill Lieut. ♀ F. P. H. Reed. 1577 Wt. W10791/1773 500,000 1/15 D. D. & L. A.D.S.S./Forms/C. 2118. * Should be "Bar to M. M."	<u>AMM</u> <u>AMM</u>
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