

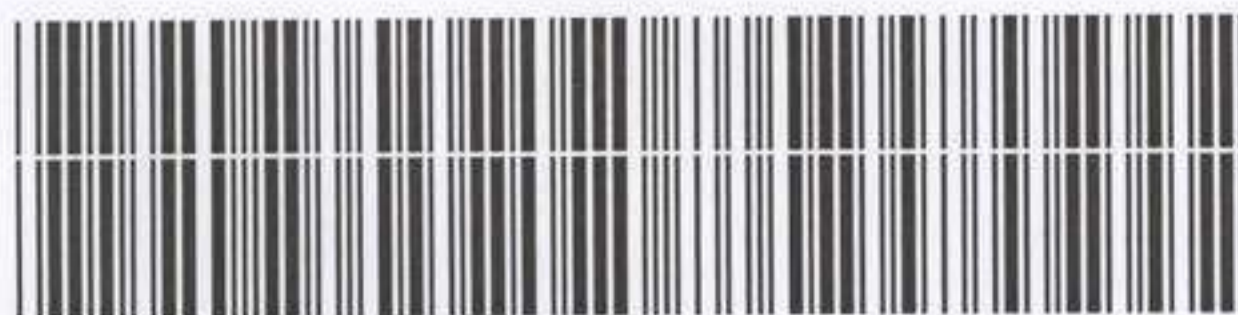
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Month ending July 31st 1916

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Rue Marle	1 st		Battalion in B Position trenches 63-68; Cas. 5 O.R. killed. 9 wounded 1 missing	
	2		Re in B Position Cas 1 O.R. killed. 3 wounded	
	3		Re in B Position. Gas 2 O.R. wounded	
	4	10 pm.	Re relieved by N. 2 Rifles. Marched to billets between La Crèche + Baillieux via Steenwerk. arriving 6 a.m.	
La Crèche	5		Re in billets at La Crèche	
	6		Re resumed training	
	7		Working party of 600 men between Neuve Eglise - Tranoutre. front line area. Reimbursements 45 O.R.	
	8	2 pm.	March via Merris - Strozeele to billets at Pradelle.	
Pradelle	9	11 a.m.	March via Hazebrouck to billets Ebblinghem arrived 3:30 pm.	
Ebblinghem	10	10:30 am.	March to billets at Wardresques	
Wardresques	11	9 am.	March to Arques	
Arques		11:45 am	Detained at Arques	
Longead		7 pm	Detained at Longead. March via Amiens to billets 5 ^e Sauroit	
5 ^e Sauroit	12	1:30 pm	arrived at billets - Training	
"	13		Training. New attack formation practiced	
"	14		Training in assault.	



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St Sauveur	July 15		Batt ⁿ training in new attack formations.	
	16	10.30 am	March via Coisy to billets Rainneville arrived 3 pm	
Rainneville	17		Company parades.	
	18	10.30 am	March via Rubempre - Herissart to billets Toutencourt - &	
Toutencourt.	19		Company training	
	20		Bu at Toutencourt.	
	21		Batt ⁿ marched to Varennes. C.O. 2 nd in Command Group Commanders & M ^{rs} Gun officers attended lecture on Machine Guns. at Rubempre.	
Varennes	22		Batt ⁿ practised route marching. Attention paid to march discipline.	
	23		Church parades. C.O. attended demonstration with live shell of Trench Mortar Battery.	
	24		Batt ⁿ route marching + company training.	
	25		Route march and company training. C.O. attended the demonstration with live shell by T.M. Battery.	
	26	5 am	Left for Albert. Arrived at bivouac 8 am. C.O. reconnoitred positions towards + in Poziers Area to relieve 1 st Aust Inf Bde in reserve area. return to relieve 2 nd Aust Inf Bde in Poziers Sector of front line. The Bu took over left Sector of front line by 5.30 am. A Coy Cemetery Trench. B Coy right Kays Trench. actual train line. D Coy left Kays Trench. C Coy Chalk Pit. Warwickshire Regt on left. 22 nd B ⁿ on right. Lt E.A. Robinson reports for duty from 24080.	Ref Map France 5705E Ed 2.B. X.A.H.
Poziers	27		Bu. has 1 Coy in Poziers Trenches. Shelling by Germans very heavy. 10ft Lt. Alan Kete killed	



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Poziers	28		Batt in Poziers. A Coy Cemetery Trench. B, D Coys Kays Trench. 23 Bn. to attack at 12.15 am near N.W. of Poziers. 22 Bn in reserve. Objectives gained by has to be evacuated.	
"	29	9.30 pm 9 am	A Camp relieved by 23 B. Capt HC Brinsmead wounded. B 23 B. 1 off wounded.	
	30	4 am.	D Camp relieved by 23 Bn.	
	31		Batt resting in Sausage Valley. (B Coys in Bastiff Wood trenches) from 27 until 4.30 P.M. Killed 156 wounded Bn in Sausage Valley. 1 off killed while on fatigue in Poziers. Lt A.G. Gordonson killed 2, 0 P.M. Killed 6, 0 P.M. wounded	

G. Nicholas
Capt
C.O., 24 Bn