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MONTAUBAN	Jan 1 st		Bn. in Gluts, ADELAIDE CAMP, MONTAUBAN, forming part of Divisional Reserve. C & D boys detached at ANZAC WORKSHOPS, MEAULTE. Bn supplies working parties a) 1 officer 50 OR. for "Control of Traffic on Decauville Line (Partly accommodated near works at QUARRY) b) 2 officers 100 OR. for Corps Light Railways.	
"	2 nd		As Jan. 1 st .	
"	3 rd			
"	4 th			
"	5 th			
"	7 th		C & D boys return to Bn at MONTAUBAN. Working parties relieved.	
BERNAFRAY	9 th		Bn moves to E camp, BERNAFRAY.	
DELVILLE WOOD	10 th		Bn moves to Bde. Reserve, relieving 19 th Bn. A.I.F. in DELVILLE WOOD Bn supplies 6 parties (of 10 officers 25 OR each) for improvement of Duckwalk tracks to front line.	
		4 PM to 7.30 PM	} Enemy shelled DELVILLE WOOD (5 casualties, wounded)	
"	11 th		as above Bn in Bde. Reserve	

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SWITCH TRENCH and NEEDLE TRENCH	12 th Dec.		Bn. moves forward to "supportline" NEEDLE TRENCH, C&D boys to SWITCH TRENCH. Relieved 27 th Bn. A.I.F. Supplied parties for digging and carrying in front line.	
do.	13 th Dec.		Bn in support, as Dec 12 th .	
ROSE TRENCH and front line	14 th		Bn. Sdgs plus C Coy move to ROSE TRENCH, relieving similar detail of 28 th Bn. A.I.F. A, B, and D boys. relieve 3 boys of 28 th Bn. A.I.F. in front line, from right to left "D", "B", "A".	
do	15 th		Holding front system will maintain by 57th Bn	
do	16 th		Holding front system until relief by 57 th Bn. A.I.F. when Bn moved back to "B" and "C" Comps. { Total casualties 1 killed 2 wounded 1 missing }	
"B" and "C" Comps. (MERICOURT)	17 th		Bn in B & C Comps till 2.30 PM. when Bn embarked in Tactical train at QUARRY SIDING and proceeded to MERICOURT	

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MERICOURT BUIRE	17 th	9 P.M.	Bn. debarricades at MERICOURT and proceeds to billets in BUIRE by march route. Transport moved from QUARRY to BUIRE by road.	
BUIRE	18 th Jan		Bn. resting in billets	
do.	19 th "		Bn. in billets, training and refilling	
do.	20 th "		as Jan. 19 th	
do.	21 st "		do.	
do.	22 nd "		do.	
do.	23 rd "		do.	
do.	24 th "		Lt. Col. B. 2nd Aust. Div. inspects Bn and meets Officers.	
do.	25 th "		as Jan. 19 th	
do.	26 th "		Bn. takes part in attack practice, together with 24 th Bn.	
do.	27 th "		as Jan. 19 th	
do.	28 th "		do.	
do.	29 th "		do.	
BUIRE FRICOURT	30 th "		Bn moves by march route to "C" Bn. FRICOURT.	
FRICOURT	31 st "		Bn in C Bn. FRICOURT	

