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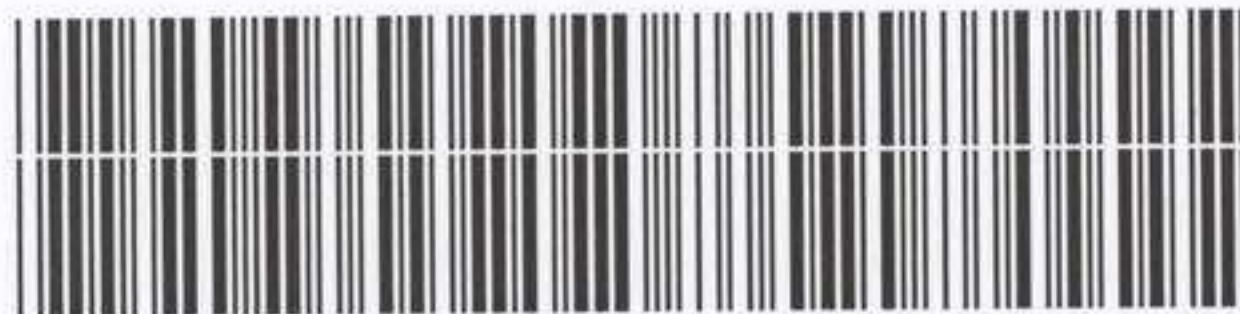
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28th BATTN. A.I.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FRANCE	1/3/17		In the line in front of WARLENCOURT. Lieut. AHNALL and party attached S.P. in MALT TRENCH. Lt AHNALL being killed. Lt PUGH commanding C. Co. Two Capt McIntyre killed.	
	2/3/17	3 AM	B. Co and RAIDERS at 3 AM. attacked MALT TRENCH. - The attack was stopped by the wire - Attackers were withdrawn and a party under Lt LEAVER worked into MALT TRENCH on left of 26 th Batta and bombed down objective until Lt LEAVER was wounded - Lt KING and Lt ALLEN organized another party which went under Lt ALLEN and 2.30 pm. gained objective taking prisoners 14 men of 67 th Regiment and capturing 1 trench mortar and 1 electric signalling apparatus.	
	25/3/17		In the line.	
	5/3/17		Relieved in the line by the 26 th Batta. and marched to ACID DROP Camp.	
	8/3/17		In ACID DROP Camp.	
	8/3/17		To 26 th AVENUE as RESERVE BATTN. and took over from the 26 th BN.	

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FRANCE	9/3/17		Relieved by 25 th Batten in the LINE. Relief complete by 10.20 p.m.	
	12/3/17	11.50 p.m.	Relieved by the 17 th Batten A.I.F. Patrol of H.Co returned reporting that the enemy lines had been evacuated.	
	13/3/17		In ACID DROP Camp.	
	14-15		Training in ACID DROP Camp.	
	16/3/17		General Inspection of Battalion by Bg. Genl. E.A. WISDOM, D.S.O.	
	16-19	3	Training in Acid Drop Camp.	
	20.2.17		Marched to BADAUME.	
	21.2.17		Marched to BEUGNATRE.	
	22/3/17		at BEUGNATRE.	
	25/3/17		MARCHED to CRUCIFIX in SUNKEN Rd. near VAULX.	
	25/3/17		SUPPORTED the 26 BATT A.I.F. in attack on LACNICOURT	
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FRANCE	26/3/17	1. AM	A and C. Companies received 26 th Batt in line.	
		3. AM	ZERO.	
		4. AM	B Company moved up to LAGNICOURT	
		6. AM	D Company moved up to LAGNICOURT.	
		2 p.m.	Lt Col READ to BATTALION H.Q.'s 26 th Batta near LAGNICOURT.	
			<p>The fighting in the village was severe and the enemy later launched two counter attacks - The first nearly succeeding owing to there being no troops of the Division on the night up - This attack was finally repelled partly by the efforts of a party under 2 Lieut JERRY who after destroying the enemy returned with only one man left out of the whole of his party. (He was later wounded by a shell and died that evening.</p> <p>The gain was the whole of the village of LAGNICOURT and some ground beyond 2 Trench Howitzers and 2 machine guns - The losses of the 26th and 26th Battalions were heavy but the enemy suffered more.</p>	



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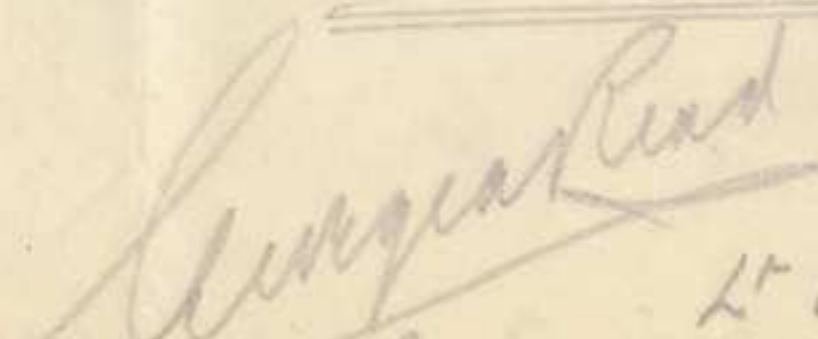
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