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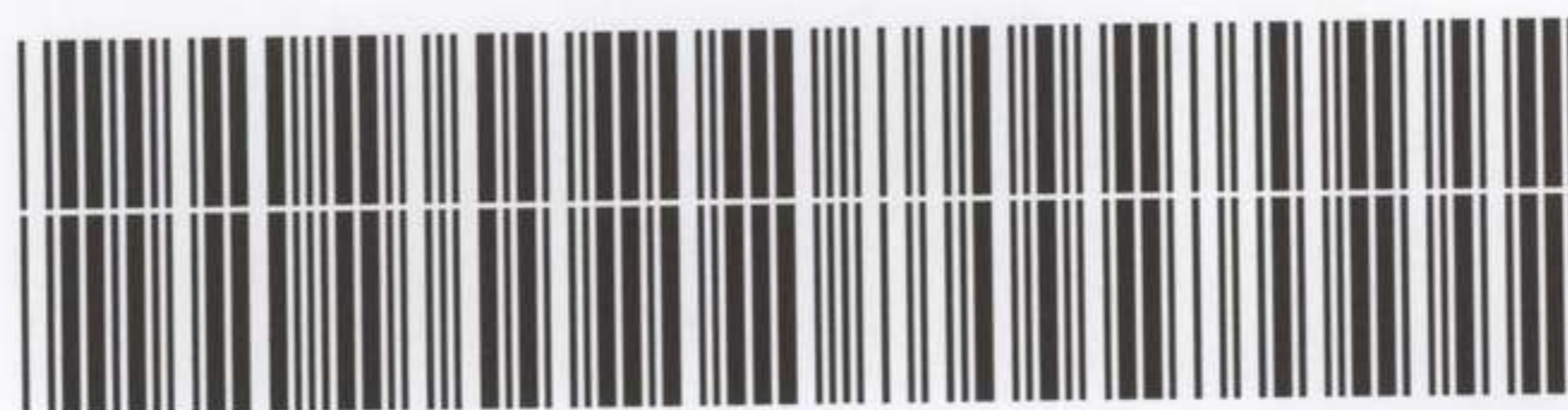
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Belgium	Sept 1 st		KENORA CAMP near POPERINGHE. Training & Resting	SMH
	2 nd		Moved to OTTAWA CAMP in the same Area	SMH
	3 rd		Sunday. Training in the morning. Afternoon washing clothes etc	SMH
	4 th		Training	SMH
	5 th		Training	SMH
	6 th		Two ACOs were Commissioned as Lieuts. W O'BRIEN, and COLBEY. Training was carried out. On this evening a Concert was given by the Local YMCA. FOLLIES.	SMH
	7 th		Col. SPRICE WEIR, V.D. left the Batt ⁿ on his way to England, on transfer to AUSTRALIA. Major G.E. REDBURG Senior Major assumed Command of the Batt ⁿ . Training was carried out.	SMH
	8 th		During training, when instruction was being given to Bombers, one of the bombs exploded, causing 21 casualties, 1 O/P killed, 1 Officer and 19 O/Pankers wounded.	SMH
	19 th		Training. Lieut. (Supt Capt) A S BLACKBURN has been awarded the Victoria Cross for gallantry displayed at POZIERES on 21 st July. Lieut. W PERRY assumed Command of 12 th Coy. via Lieut. A.S. BLACKBURN, V.C. evacuated sick	SMH

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	Sept 10		Church parade. Washing etc in afternoon	SBH
	11		Training	SBH
	12		Training	SBH
	13		Moved forward to Reserve position, for Hill 60 section of the line, CHATEAU BELGE	
			Platoon FORD, reinforcement officer joined the Batt ⁿ . This is well into the enemy shell line	SBH
	14		Sound fatigued for the front line. Training cannot be carried out	SBH
	15		Lectures and Fatigues	SBH
	16		Lectures and Fatigues	SBH
	17		Fatigues	SBH
	18		7 NCOs and men have been awarded the Military Medal, 333 Sgt S.C. COFFEY 890 CORPL. H.J. EDWARDS, 2566 L ^{td} Col BARR 771 L ^{td} Col P. STRANEY 2696 L ^{td} Col R. TURPIN 1474 Pte J. RUSSELL, 2745 B. Pte W. McMILLAN, Fatigues	SBH
	19		The C.O. presented ribbon to NCOs & men awarded the Military Medal, 115 Reinforcements joined the Batt ⁿ a proportion of these were men who had been sick & wounded	
			The B ⁿ moved closer to the line, i.e. RAILWAY DUGOUTS, YPRES.	SBH
	20		Fatigue in front line, and improving the DUGOUTS, and walks	SBH
	21		The enemy shelled our DUGOUTS, one High Explosive striking the Shell's used as	SBH

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Belgium	21 st		our office, most of the records with the Regt were destroyed. 9 typewriters which had only been in use about 3 months was completely broken up.	GLM
	22 nd		Working parties found for front line and supports	GLM
	23 rd		Working parties. 2 warrant officers received Commission of Quin's Doley and Whitford	GLM
	24 th		Sunday. Sent an Aidone party to front line at 5am to take over stone etc. The Bn moved into the trenches in front of the famous H.H. 60 the relief taking place at night.	GLM
	25 th		Work on the system of defence started in earnest. Every available man is employed. The enemy did not prevent work being carried out, his reply to our shelling shell fire was very full as far as the front line was concerned.	GLM
	26 th		Work progressing	GLM
	27 th		Lt Col J. DENTON D.S.O. from 11 th Bn assumed command. Work progressing.	GLM
			8.20pm A mine was blown by the enemy, but no damage was done to our works although the trenches are very close together. The far lip of the crater was within the enemy parapet and extent towards the centre of our line for 25 ft. We annoyed the Boche during the night with rifle grenades	GLM

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Belgium	27 th		No retaliation but did no damage.	LHM
	28 th		Work progressing. Our artillery opened up this afternoon. The B ^{de} Bombers and Light Trench Mortar Battery also worked pretty vigorously with the result that the enemy used his Minenwerfer a great deal in retaliation. One of the B ^{de} Regt Batteries was damaged and we suffered a few casualties.	LHM
	29 th		Work continued.	LHM
	30 th		Work continued. Lt Col. J. Denton WSO relinquished command and Lt Col G E Pickering assumed command. The Batt ⁿ is still in the front line.	LHM
			Total Casualties for month: In action 6 OPR killed 9 OPR wounded Bomb accident 1 OPR " 1 Off. 19 OPRs wounded Self inflicted wound by negligence 1 OPR Total 7 OPR killed 1 Off. (Lieut) Neward and 29 OPR. wounded	LHM

Geo Shedding Lieut Col
Commanding 10th Bde
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SP