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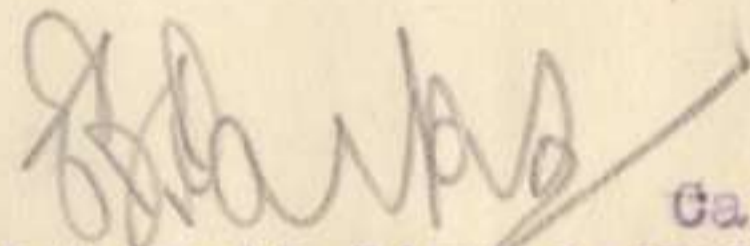
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Albury Camp Bazentin	28th Feb. to 16th Mar.		Engaged on Corps Roads duties in BAZENTIN area, Albury Camp. Training of Specialists was carried on with.	
	16th Mar.		Advance party left Camp for RIBEMONT.	
	17th Mar.	9a.m.	Battalion moved to RIBEMONT via MEAULTE, DERNANCOURT, and BUIRE arriving at 3-30p.m.	
Ribemont.	18th Mar. to 21st Mar.		The reorganization of the Battalion for open warfare was proceeded with. The time spent at RIBEMONT was devoted to the practice of open warfare formations, both with and without men.	
"	22nd Mar.	9a.m.	Battalion moved to Crucifix Camp, FRICOURT, via BUIRE, DERNANCOURT and MEAULTE.	
Crucifix Camp.	22nd Mar. to 24th Mar.		The Battalion was engaged in completion of reorganization. Short range musketry was done.	
"	25th Mar.	10a.m.	Battalion moved to BAZENTIN-le-PETIT arriving at 12-30p.m. The dump of surplus gear was established here.	
Bazentin- le-Petit.	27th Mar.	8a.m.	The Battalion moved to BIEFVILLERS via MARTINPUCH, and LE SARS along the main ALBERT-BAPAUME Road arriving at 2p.m.	

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Biefvillers	27th) Mar.) to) 31st) Mar.)		<p>The Battalion was engaged on fatigues-digging out people buried in the explosion at the Town Hall BAPAUME, for two days. After this for two days the Battalion supplied 600 men for road repairs on the BAPAUME-BIEFVILLERS Road under C.R.E. 4th Australian Division. On the 31st preparations were made with a view of the early move of the Battalion to the main Defensive line near BEAUGNATRE.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">  Capt. Adjutant 16th Battalion A.I.F. </p>	