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# WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the line	1-7-17)		Battalion in the line - three companies in front, one in support. All available men were engaged on digging and improving new front and support line - Portion of line held - Ref. sheet	
	to )			
	7-7-17)		28 S.W. 4 from U.17.C.6.9. to U.28.B.05.25.	
In supports	8-7-17)		Battalion was relieved during the night 7/8th. Working parties which absorbed every available man, were out nightly working on the Support line - Disposition of Battalion during period	
	to )		spent in support, "A" Company Maison 1875 to Fouquet Berthe, "B" Company Hunters Avenue, "C"	
	12-7-17)		Company Bunghill Row, "D" Company in terraces between LANCASHIRE SUPPORT and LAWRENCE FARM. Battalion Headquarters was situated at LAWRENCE FARM.	
Canteen	13-7-17)		Battalion at Camp near Canteen Corner, re-equipping and re-organising.	
Corner	to )			
	18-7-17)			
	19-7-17	8am	Battalion moved as part of Brigade to VIEUX BERQUIN area going into billets at BLEUTOUR at about 12 noon.	
Bleu Four	20-7-17)		Battalion engaged in training, Specialists under own instructors, Companies on Outposts work, Company and Platoon Drill, Bayonet Fighting under Brigade Instructor, Lectures on various subjects by O's C. Companies and Platoon Commanders 3 nights per week. Route marches of 10 miles full marching order carried out 3 times weekly. New draft of reinforcements 118 arrived, proved good physique. Gas helmet drill in dark carried out nightly. Men exercised in rapid adjustment of both Box respirator and P.H. Helmet in the dark.	
	to )			
	27-7-17)			
"	"	27-7-17	11am inspection by General Plumer G.O.C. 2nd Army.	
"	"	29-7-17	4pm Lecture to all officers in Y.M.C.A. Tent by Major Tolley 4th Field Coy A.E. on "the policy of work in the line".	
"	"	"	5pm Lecture by Officer Heavy Artillery to Officers in Y.M.C.A. Tent.	
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