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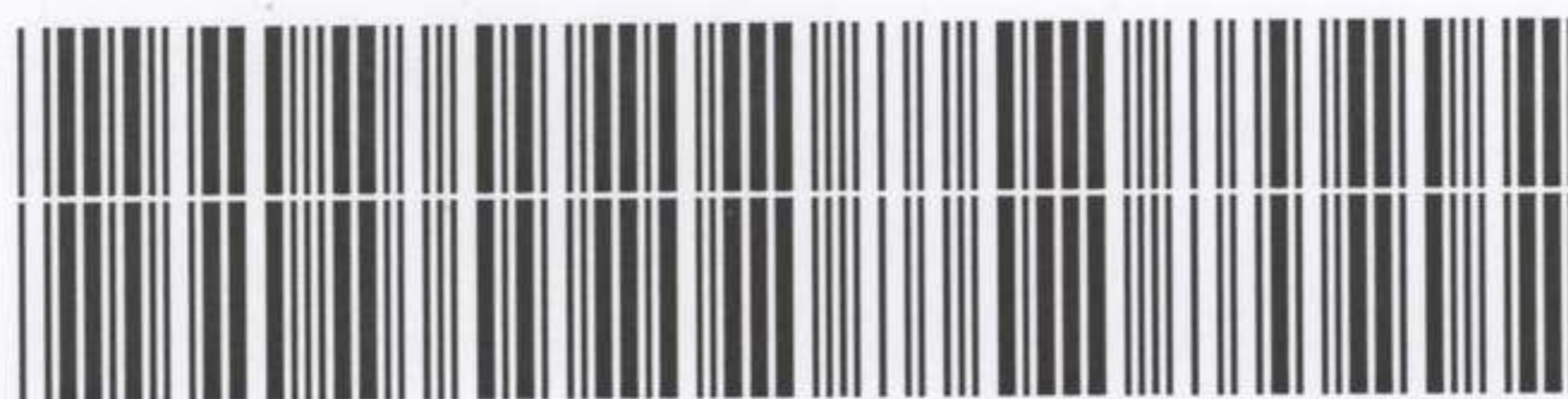
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War**

Infantry

Item number: 23/43/15

Title: 26th Infantry Battalion

October 1916



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WAR DIARY

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Summary of Events and Information

Place Date Hour

STEENVOORDE, 1/5 October 1916. Advanced Training.
 6/10/1916. Moved by road to GODESVARALDE entraining at 4 p. m. for YPRES SIDING at ASYLUM. Marched thence to Dugouts at the ZILLERBEEKE BUND and took over same from 28th. Battalion. at 8 p. m. and became Battalion in Support.
 7/12 Oct. 1916. Carried out numerous fatigue duties in Support and Communication trenches in the YPRES SALIENT.
 13th. October 1916. Took over Front Line Trenches from 28th. Battalion comprising 3 Company fronts in front of MAPLE COPSE with SANCTUARY WOOD as part of the left.
 14/16th. October 1916. Ordinary Garrison Work.
 17th. October 1916. Left Company and Support Company relieved by the 10th. Northumberland Fusiliers.
 18th. October 1916. Centre and Right Company relieved by K. O. Y. L. Infantry. Marched to YPRES SIDING and entrained there for GODESVARALDE arriving at 4 a. m. 19/10/1916. Marched thence to WINIZEELE via STEENVOORDE.
 19/20th. October 1916. Reorganising in billets.
 21st. October 1916. Marched to ARNEEKE arriving at 3 p. m.
 22nd. October 1916. Marched to HOULLE.
 24th. October 1916. Marched from HOULLE TO ARQUES entraining there at 9.45 p. m. Train moved at 10 p. m. the whole Battalion complete and travelled to ST. REQUIER arriving at 8.45 a. m. 25/10/1916. Detrained here and marched to BUSUS-BUSSIUE to billets.
 27th. October 1916. Marched out at 5.10 a. m. and embussed at 1050 Yard west of MOUFFLERS at 9.30 a. m. (busses late in starting) Moved by road to RIBEMONT passing through THECOURT, BELBY LA CHAUSSE, ARGOLUVES, LONGPRE, AMIENS, QUEARAEAU, LA HOUAUYSE. Debussed and marched to DERNANCOURT.
 28/31st. October 1916. Men on road and Railway fatigues.

PARADE STATE at 30th. September 1916.

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			18	765
<u>Plus.</u>				
From Hospital	4	52		
" Reinforcements.	1	42		
" Detached duty.	3	54		
" Transferred.		1	13	149
			<u>31</u>	<u>914</u>
<u>Departures.</u>				
To Hospital.		103		
" Killed		2		
" Wounded		3		
" Detached duty	4	33		
" 7th. Training Batn.	1	4		
" Transferred.		2	5	150
			<u>26</u>	<u>764</u>
<u>PARADE STATE.</u>			<u>31/10/1916.</u>	

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Remarks and references to Appendices

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