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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ruhempre	15 June 1917		Training was carried out this morning on Brigade Training Ground H.I. Wood as per usual. Particular attention being paid to Organisation of Platoon for attack. During the afternoon a display was given by the 5" A.L.T.M.B. operating against enemy strong posts.	
do	20 June		Today was observed as a holiday. A Horse Show & Sports meeting was held on the Brigade Training Ground during the afternoon. Lieut L.H.C. Browning M.C. reported for duty from Hospital & Base. Lt J. Hamilton moved out for a Lewis Gun School at Le Touquet.	
do	21 June		Church Parade 10 AM & Brigade Athletic Sports at Coubay.	
do	4 June		Training on Training Ground. Capt. Balfour Wood reported for duty from 18 Bn A.D.I. to replace Capt. Bayden returned to 19 Bn A.D.I.	
do	5 June		Training on Brigade Training Area. Wood fighting.	
do	6 June		Training on Battalion Ground. Re-organisation & Attack. Half Holiday. Major Scott D.S.O. from 19 Bn A.D.I. for duty via Major Mangham D.S.O. on leave.	
do	7 June		Training on Brigade Area. Preliminary Musketry & Air Control Direction Exercises.	

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RUBENIPRE	8 th June		Training was carried out on Brigade Training Area. "Platoons in Attack."	
do.	9 th June		Training on Brigade Area. Advance & Rear Guards. L.I.C. Lindsay on English Leave. 2/	
do.	10 th June		Church Parades. 2/ Lieut Oliver to 5 th Training Bn. England. Capt J. Shaw & party from Rest Camp Valenciennes-Somme. 11 Details & 18 Reinforcements from Base.	
do.	11 th June		Training on Brigade Area	
	12 th June		do do do	
	13 th June		Capt A.H. Hosking M.C. from leave. Major Battalion Sports	

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RUBEMPRE	14 th June		Marched to Puchevilliers, entrained to Bapaume, then marched to tented camp near BIEFVILLIERS, arriving 4:30 pm. Attached to IV Corps as ... Reserve. LT BAIN leave to England LT PORTMAN to School.	
BIEFVILLIERS	15 th June		Training & resting	
do	16 th June		Training & resting	
do	17 th June		do	2/LT W.A. HOWELLS from Request Duty AMMENS
do	18 th June		do	CAPT H.E. PARKER transferred to England to LG McCOLL and 2/LT T.H. POTTER to 1 st ANZAC CORPS SCHOOL
do	19 th June		do	LT R.H. WILLIS attached from 18 th BATT.
do	20 th June		do	CAPT S.R. KENT from English Leave.
do	21 st June		do	MAJOR J.M. MAUGHAN from leave 2/LT E.P. BLVTHE from School (Comms) MAJOR W.J.R. SCOTT to HOSPITAL (acc. inf.)
do	22 nd June		do	LT J.C. LINDSAY from leave 2/LT F.S. EDGINTON from Reinforcement
do	23 rd June		do	2/LT LEWINS from Hospital.
do	24 th June		do	MAJOR W.J.R. SCOTT from Hospital.
				LT A.B.D. BARLOW from School.

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BIEFVILLERS	25/6/17		Training resting	
do	26/6/17		do Lt W. G. L. Bain from English leave. 2 nd Anniversary of BN fedours Australia.	
do	27/6/17		do Capt H M Donaldson & Lt J. J. Timmins etc from	
do	28/6/17		do Hospital.	
do	29/6/17		do	
do	30/6/17		do	
			<p>A. W. Katschen</p> <p>Lieut. Col.</p> <p>Commanding 20 Bn.</p> <p>Australian Imperial Force.</p>	