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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	April 1919.			
Bouffioulx	1st.		1st Bde. Bn. paraded to Div. Baths Chatelet. 09.00. Returned to Educational Hall for lecture at 11.00. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	2nd.		4th Bn. Coy parade at 09.00 Route march till 11.00. Gymnasium parade from 13.30 till 15.00. Officer fo 1st Bde. Bn. held a dance in Bouffioulx Hall. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	3rd.		4th Bn. Coy 09.00 Parade 09.00. 1st Bde. Bn. marched out with colours at 09.30 to line the Couillet Road and bid farewell to No. 27 Quota which was commanded by Lieut-Col Henderson. 4th Bn. Quota 87 all ranks under Lieut. G.H.B. Blackburn. Other Officers were Lieut. D. Leitch, Lieut. W.J. Court MM, Lieut. A.R.B. Cox, and Lieut. W.E. Symington DCM. Weather Fine & Warm.	
	4th.		4th Bn. Coy. Parade 09.00 Educational Classes 09.30 remainder of Coy. to Bde. Bn. Parade at 1000 ten to lecture at 11.00 on "Labour & Sharing of Profits." 4th Bn. Coy parade at Gymnasium at 14.00. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	5th.		4th Bn. Coy. Muster Parade 09.00. Lecture, Debate on "Bolshevism". Weather Fine and Warm.	
	6th.		Bn. Church parade Cinema Hall 10.15 Weather Fine and Warm.	
	7th.		4th Bn. Coy Parade 09.00 Educational Classes 09.30 Parade 10.00 and lecture at 11.00 Recreational training in the afternoon. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	8th.		Bde. Bn. Muster parade at 09.30 Battle order. Practice for Div. Drill Competition. Afternoon Recreational training. Weather Fine and Warm.	

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Bouffioulx	9th.		Bde. Bn. Muster Parade at 09.45 Battle Order then to hall, Chatelet. Address by Sir Charles Wade. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	10th.		4th Bn. Coy. paraded to Baths, Chatelet, 09.00 and received clean change of Clothes. Recreational training in the afternoon. Weather Warm but cloudy, Slight rain in the evening.	
	11th.		1st. Bde Bn. Moves by Route march to billets in COUILLET. Parade at 09.45 Full Marching Order Less blankets, steel hats, & Box Respirators. Remainder of day cleaning & arranging Billets. Weather Warm but cloudy.	
Couillet.	12th.		4th Bn. Coy Muster Parade 09.00 Fatigues etc. Weather warm and slight rain.	
	13th.		Bn. Church Parade 10.15 R.C. 09.30. Weather Showery.	
	14th.		4th Bn. Coy. Parade 09.30 Education Classes 09.30. An hour's route march then lecture on "Ancient forms of Society" by Lieut. Chadgey, 1st Bn. Weather Cold and Showery.	
	15th.		Educational Classes 09.30 and lecture by Lieut. Hough "Life on a Troopship" No. R.T. owing to inclement weather.	
	16th.		Bde. Bn. Sports postponed owing to weather. Lecture on "Aeronautics" by Lieut. Jeffree in the morning. Afternoon devoted to preparation for drill competition.	
	17th.		Inclement weather postpones parades. Day devoted to cleaning of Equipment.	

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Couillet.	18th.		Bn. Church parade at 08.45. then to Baths, Chatelet, clean change provided. Weather fine but cool.	
	19th.		Bde. Bn. Muster Parade at 09.45 Practice for competition. Weather Fine and Warm.	
	20th.		Bn. Church parade 09.45. Weather Cold and Dull.	
	21st.		Bde. Drill Competition parade at 09.30. Inspected by Lieut.-Gen. Sir. J.J.Talbot Hobbs K.C.B. V D. Weather fine and Windy Competition won by 3rd Bde Bn., 1st Bde Bn being second.	
	22nd.		Bde. Bn. Sports held at Loverval. Free Beer and light lunch being provided. Fine with cool wind.	
	23rd.		Coy. Route March in morning. Weather Fine and warm.	
	24th.		4th Bn.Coy parade at 10.30 at Baths Chatelet, clean change provided. Recreational training in afternoon.	
	25th.		Bde. Bn. Muster parade 09.30 and march to 9th Bn Sports Ground for Div. Sports. Free Lunches and Beer being provided. Fine and Warm.	
	26th.		Route March: one hour for company in morning. The N.C.O.'s of Bde. Bn. Held a Dance in Couillet Hall.	
	27th.		Church Parade at 10.30 and Presentation of prizes by Lieut-Col D.T.MOORE CMG DSO, for Bde Sports held on 22nd April. Weather Fine and Warm.	

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