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WAR DIARY

27<sup>th</sup> B<sup>n</sup> = A.I.F.

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June	1		Quiet day. in Trenches Left B <sup>n</sup> : Chapelle d'Armentieres.	
	3	1 am	No 24 sq Mts 2 Sappers killed at listening post (bullet wound)	
	6	9 pm	Heavy shelling by our artillery and attempts made by 26 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> B <sup>n</sup> .	
			Some retaliation by enemy, + some damage to our front trenches	
		11.50 pm	2187 Lt Col Lewis, CB Killed - shell shock.	
	7/8		During night were relieved by 25 <sup>th</sup> B <sup>n</sup> + became D B <sup>n</sup> Reserve	
	11/12		Relieved by 24 <sup>th</sup> B <sup>n</sup> and became D B <sup>n</sup> Reserve Brigade at La Poldaine	
	15 <sup>th</sup>		Major K's Lane proceeded to London on leave. Maj Cunningham took over duties of 2 <sup>nd</sup> in command.	
			Lieut SM Pearce rejoined	
	17.		2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt Sommerville JR rejoined	
			B <sup>n</sup> Moved during evening to Camp at Kortebryg. Belgium	
	19/20.		Raiding parties of 25 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> B <sup>n</sup> attempted raid at Chapelle d'Armentieres but were unsuccessful.	
	20		Col Herroketon Presbyterian Chaplain Arrived + was attached	
	21		Capt Bruce Paterson evacuated Sick	

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	27		Enemy bombarded front line trenches. Casualties 2 killed 9 wounded.	
	28		Enemy's artillery shelled trenches during day and at night. Casualties 2 killed. Lt John & one OR wounded.	
	29/30		During night our raiding party entered enemy trenches at Ontario farm under Artillery barrage & did some damage. Killing 17 enemy and taking 4 prisoners. Retaliation by Boche Artillery severe. Our casualties - Wounded Lt Sommerville PR + Godden SR. Other ranks killed 4. Wounded 26.	
	30 <sup>th</sup>		Some shelling during early morning and at intervals throughout the day. At 6 pm enemy heavily bombarded 141. 142. doing much damage. Casualties killed 2. OR. Wounded 15 OR.	

J. S. Shaw

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