

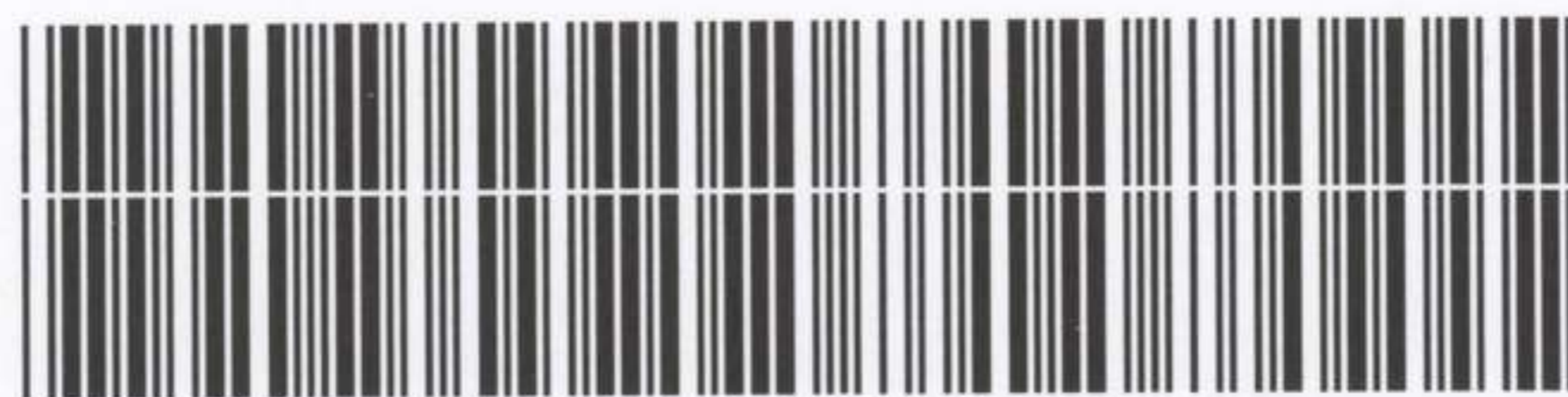
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

46th BATTALION. A.I.F.

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Place	Date 1917	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Novr.	1 / 15		In billets at COYECQUES. (HAZEBROUCK MAP)	
	1		Captain (Hon Major) E.S. Davis taken on strength from Reinforcements.	
	2		61 Other Ranks from 4th A.D.B.D.	
	3		Presentation of Medals and Ribbons by the Lieut ^g Gen. Comdg. the A.I.F.	
			MILITARY MEDAL.	
			Lieut. H.W. Davis Lieut. S.R. Goldsmith. No.4783 Pte Davidson A.	
			MILITARY MEDAL RIBBONS.	
			765 Sgt Ordwood G. 1904 L/C Driscoll T.W. 1857 Cpl Whitby C.L.	
			1703 Dvr Dillon P.G. 1610 Dvr Smith A. 2622 Dvr Mealing V.	
			2840 Pte McKenzie J. 3743 " Green A.J.H.	
	11		HONORS AND REWARDS.	
			The Army xxxx Commander and Army Corps Commander awarded Military Medal to the following:-	
			2837 Sgt Lukins E.A. 3961 Sgt Wade W.G. 3133 Cpl Cumming H.G.	
			1768 L/C Pleass E.L. 1843 L/C Bergmier A.S. 3128 Pte Robertson R.M.	
			(Authority - Divisional Routine Orders No.416,417.)	
			SECONDED LIST. (A.I.F. List 254 of 6.11.17.-	
			Captain W.A. Syme M.C. 13.10.17 Lieut. T.J. Hill 10.10.17	
			Lieut. J.P. Cowey 29.9.17 2/Lieut A.S. Dickinson 12.10.17	
			2/Lieut A.T. Bacon 25.9.17	
	13		TAKEN ON STRE GTH - 2/Lieut S.A. Latimer from Seconded List.	
			" " N.W. Faulkner from Reinforcements	
			" " A.B.R.E. Willison from Reinforcements.	
			39 Other Ranks from 4th A.D.B.D.	
	15		Battalion commenced 8 days trek to the ABBEVILLE area. (Ref. Maps HAZEBROUCK)	
			Battalion marched from COYECQUES to CREQUY - 12 miles. ABBEVILLE)	
	16		Battalion marched from CREQUY to BEAURAINVILLE - 8½ miles	
			PROMOTIONS.	
			To be 2/Lieutenants dated 20.10.17 (Authority - A.I.F. List 259 of 16.11.17)	
			3783 Sgt W.L. Hanna 3160 Sgt R. Palmer 1809 Sgt A.E. Treeby	
			The promotion of 2/Lieut M.M. Cuddihy to rank of Lieutenant published in A.I.F. List No.230 is	
			cancelled (Authority - A.I.F. List 259 of 16.11.17)	
	17		Battalion marched to DOURIEZ - 7 miles.	
	18		Battalion marched to ESTREES-LES-CRECY - 7½ miles.	
	19		Battalion at ESTREES-LES-CRECY in billets resting.	

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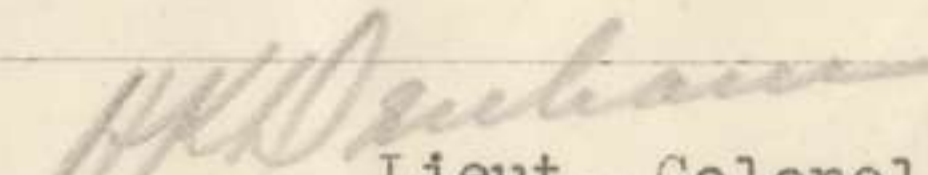
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46th BATTALION A.I.F.

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Novr	19		HONOURS AND REWARDS. Bar to MILITARY MEDAL. - 2837 Sgt E.A. Lukins (Authority - Div. Routine Order No.421.)	
	20		Battalion marched from ESTREES LES CRECY to NUILLY L'Hopital - 8 miles. PROMOTION. Captain (Temp. Major) F.M. Couchman to be Major dated 24.10.17 (Authority - A.I.F. List 258 of 13.11.17.)	
	21		Battalion marched to CHEPY - 16 miles.	
	22		Battalion moved into billets at BOURSEVILLE and WOIGNARUE - 8 miles. Kixasi Disposition - Headquarters, and "A" and "B" Coys at BOURSEVILLE. "C" and "D" Coys at WOIGNARUE.	
	23/30		Throughout the 8 days the march discipline of Battalion was good. All points noticed by Brigade H.Q. during the first few days were carefully attended to, during last few days no points for adverse comment were found by Brigade H.Q. In billets at BOURSEVILLE and WOIGNARUE. Training proceeding as per Syllabus.	
	26		TAKEN ON STRENGTH. - 2/Lieut A.F.S. Dobson from 4th A.D.B.D. " " A.B. Mortimer " " "	
	27		31 Other Ranks from 4th A.D.B.D.	
	28		20 Other Ranks from 4th A.D.B.D.	
	29		DETACHED FOR TRAINING WITH A.F.C., ENGLAND. Lieut. V.R. Bishop. TAKEN ON STRENGTH. From Seconded List - Lieut. C.E. Palstra. From Supernumerary List - 2/Lieut. M.M. Cuddihy. 9 Other Ranks from 4th A.D.B.D.	


 Lieut. Colonel
 C.O. 46th Battalion.

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46th BATTALION.

2nd November 1917.

November 1917.	7 a.m. to 7-30.	9 a.m. to 10 a.m.	10 a.m. to 10-30	10-30 to 11 a.m.	11 a.m. - 12-30.
Monday 5th	Deep Breathing and Marching Exercise.	Route	March - Fighting Order.	Specialist Training.	
Tuesday 6th	Organised Games	Section Drill	Rifle Exercises	Platoon Drill	Do
Wednesday 7th	Breathing and Running Exercises	Platoon Drill	Musketry - Aiming, and Firing. Rapid loading.	Company Drill	Do
Thursday 8th	Neck and Trunk Exercises.	Company Drill	Bayonet Fighting	Musketry - Aiming and Firing. Rapid Loading.	Do
Friday 9th	Organised Games	Route	March - Full Marching Order less blankets.	Do	
Saturday 10th	Running Exercises	Ceremonial and Company Drill.	Bayonet Fighting	Rapid Firing.	Do.

A. M. Baughman Major
 of C.O. 46th BATTALION.
 Lieut. Colonel

APPENDIX

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

46th BATTALION.

33rd November 1917.

NOVEMBER 1917.	7-15 to 7-45 a.m.	9 a.m. to 9-45 a.m.	9-45 to 10-30 a.m.	10-30 to 12-30 p.m.	2 to 4 p.m.	
MONDAY 26th		Platoon Drill.	Musketry Tests of elementary Training.	Specialist Training for Signals, Lewis Gunnery, Bombers, Rifle Bombers and Scouts.	Recreational Training. Running of heats etc. preliminary to Cotton Sports.	
TUESDAY 27th	drillings and marchings exercises	----- Route -----	March.			
WEDNESDAY 28th		Company Drill.	Fire Discipliné, 1st Stage.	Specialist Training for Signals, Lewis Gunnery, Bombers, Rifle Bombers and Scouts.	Do.	
THURSDAY 29th		Company Drill.	Bayonet Fighting.	Do.	Do.	
FRIDAY 30th		Bayonet Fighting.	Musketry Tests of elementary Training.	Do.	Do.	
<u>DECEMBER</u>						
SATURDAY 1st.		Guardia and Sentries.	Bayonet Fighting.	Do.	Do.	

G. Hauske CAPT.
ADJT. 46th BN. A.I.
Lieut Colonel.
C.O. 46th BATTALION.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR N.C.O's.

LECTURES.

November 1917.	2 p.m. to 2-30 p.m.	2-30 p.m. to 3 p.m.	By Whom	5 to 5-30 pm.	By Whom
				Subject	
Monday 5th	Words of Command and voice drill	Section Drill	Lt. Cameron.	Platoon and Coy. Organisation. (All Officers and Sergeants.)	Capt. True Major Couchman
Tuesday 6th	Words of Command and voice drill.	Platoon Drill	Lt. Cameron	Platoon and Coy. Administration. (All Officers and Sergeants.)	Major Couchman
Wednesday 7th	Rifle Exercise	Guards and Sentries.	Lt. Marshall	First Aid. (All Officers and Sergeants.)	Captain True
Thursday 8th	Extended Order Drill	Platoon Drill	Lt. Marshall	Arrest and Military custody and framing of charges. (All Officers and Sergts.)	Capt. Vanstan
Friday 9th	Company Drill	Bayonet Fighting.	Lt. Jennings	Pigeon and communication by.	Capt. Vanstan
Saturday 10th	Guards and Sentries	Bayonet Fighting	Lt. Jennings	Prismatic Compass.	Lieut. Bull.

2/11/17.

J. M. Couchman
Major
of C.O. 46th BATTALION.
~~Lieut. Colonel~~

NOVEMBER 1917.	9 to 9-30 a.m.	9-30 to 10 a.m.	10 to 10-45 a.m.	11 to 11-30 a.m.	11-30 to 12-30	2 to 2-30 pm
TUESDAY 27th	Ceremonial Parade March Past.	Lecture: Objects of Class, Roll of N.C.Os & force of example.	Fitting of equipment	Rifle Exercises.	Squad Drill. Communication Drill.	Recreational Training.
WEDNESDAY 28th	Do	Lecture: Duties of C.S.M. & C.Q.M.S.	Bayonet Fighting	Rifle Exercises.	Squad Drill & Section Drill.	Do
THURSDAY 29th	Do	Lecture: Prismatic Compass.	Practical use of Prismatic Compass.	Bullet and Bayonet Training	Communication Drill. Bullet & Bayonet Fighting	Do
FRIDAY 30th	Do	Lecture: Duties of Platoon and Section Sergeant.	Platoon Drill.	Rifle Exercises	Topography	Do
DECEMBER 1917. SATURDAY 1st	Do	Lecture: Duties of N.C.O. in charge of Guard, Picquet, Patrol.	Musketry - Aiming 1st Stage.	Guard Mounting.	Rapid Wiring	Do
MONDAY 3rd	Do	Lecture: Lewis Gun Tactics.	Musketry - Aiming 2nd and 3rd stage.	Bullet and Bayonet Training.	Communication Drill. Platoon Drill.	Do
TUESDAY 4th	Do	Lecture: Outposts.	----- Tactical scheme	Outposts -----		Do
WEDNESDAY 5th	Do	Lecture: English and Foreign Grenades.	Platoon in attack.	Musketry: Firing & Trigger Pressing	Rifle Exercises Company Drill	Do
THURSDAY 6th	Do	Lecture: March Discipline	Musketry: Fire Control & Fire Direction.	Bullet and Bayonet Fighting.	Route March.	Do
FRIDAY 7th	Do	Lecture and Demon- stration of the way to carry out a kit inspection.	Musketry: Fire Control & Fire direction.	Rapid Wiring.	Firing practices	Do
SATURDAY 8th	Do	Lecture: Wood Fighting.	----- Tactical Exercise.	-----		Do
MONDAY 9th	Do	Lecture: Concluding address.	Bayonet Fighting Assault Course.	Map Reading.	Lewis Gun practice on Range.	Do

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SYLLABUS FOR N.C.O.'s AND LECTURES.

46th BATTALION.

10th November 1917.

NOVEMBER 1917.	2 to 2-30 p.m.	2-30 to 3 p.m.	By Whom	5 to 5-30 p.m.	By Whom.
MONDAY 12th	Guards and Sentries.	Company Drill	Lt. Carr	Co-operation of Infantry Weapons.	Lt. Cameron
TUESDAY 13th					
WEDNESDAY 14th	Platoon in Attack and function of each arm.			Prismatic Compass.	Lt. Bull
THURSDAY 15th					
FRIDAY 16th	As for Wednesday 14th			Writing of Messages and reports.	Capt. Vanstan
SATURDAY 17th					

W. Vanstan Capt
 for
 Major
 N.C.O. 46th BATTALION.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

46th BATTALION.

10th November 1917.

COMPANY.	10th November 1917.			
MEMBER 1917.	7 to 7-30 a.m.	9 to 10 a.m.	10 to 11 a.m.	11 to 12-30 p.m.
DAY 12th	Breathing and Marching Exercise.	Bullet and Bayonet Training. Rapid Wiring.		Specialist Training for Lewis Gunners and reserves, Bombers, Rifle Bombers, Scouts and Runners under supervision of Company, Platoon and Specialist Officers.
DAY 13th	Organised Games.	Bullet and Bayonet Training. Rapid Wiring.		
WEDNESDAY 14th	Breathing and Marching Exercise.	Platoon Drill and Rifle Exercise.	Platoon Exercise in attack formation.	
THURSDAY 15th	Organised Games.	Company Drill	Musketry Tests of elementary training.	
DAY 16th		Battalion Route March with Transport.		
FRIDAY 17th	Organised Games.	Platoon	Tactical	Exercises.

COMPANY.	10th November 1917.			
MEMBER 1917	7 to 7-30 a.m.	9 to 10 a.m.	10 to 11 a.m.	11 to 12-30 p.m.
DAY 12th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Platoon Drill Rifle Exercise.	Platoon Exercise in attack formation.	Specialist Training for Lewis Gunners and reserves, Bombers, Rifle Bombers, Scouts and Runners under supervision of Company, Platoon and Specialist Officers.
WEDNESDAY 13th	Organised Games.	Platoon Tactical Exercise. (9 a.m. to 12-30 pm.)		
THURSDAY 14th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Bullet and Bayonet Training. Rapid Wiring.		
FRIDAY 15th	Organised Games.	Bullet and Bayonet Training. Rapid Wiring.		
DAY 16th		Battalion Route March with Transport.		
WEDNESDAY 17th	Organised Games.	Range Practices.		

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MONDAY 12th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Company Drill	Musketry Tests of elementary training.	Specialist Training for Lewis Gunners and reserves, Bombers, Rifle Bombers, Scouts Runners under supervision of Company, Platoon and specialist Officers.
TUESDAY 13th	Organised Games.	<i>Range</i> Practice Practices. (9 a.m. to 12-30 p.m.)		
WEDNESDAY 14th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Platoon Drill. Rifle Exercises	Platoon Exercises in attack formation.	
THURSDAY 15th	Organised Games.	Platoon	Tactical Exercises.	
FRIDAY 16th		Battalion Route March with Transport.		
SATURDAY 17th	Organised Games.	Bullet and Bayonet Training. Rapid Wiring.	As for Monday 12th.	

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MEMBER 1917.	7 to 7-30 a.m.	9 to 10 a.m.	10 to 11 a.m.	11 to 12-30 p.m.
MONDAY 12th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Section Drill	Bayonet Fighting.	Specialist Training for Lewis Gunners and reserves, Bombers, Rifle Bombers, Scouts and Runners under supervision of Company, Platoon and specialist Officers.
TUESDAY 13th	Organised Games.	Platoon Drill. Rifle Exercises	Platoon Exercise in attack formation.	
WEDNESDAY 14th	Breathing and Marching Exercises.	Platoon	Tactical Exercise.	
THURSDAY 15th	Organised Games.	Company Drill	Musketry Tests of elementary training.	As for 12th and 13th inst.
FRIDAY 16th		Battalion Route March with Transport.		
SATURDAY 17th	Organised Games.	Company Drill	Musketry Tests of elementary training.	As for 12th and 13th inst.

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WEEKLY STRENGTH.

46th BATTALION.

Week Ending	Officers	Other Ranks.	Total
November 1st 1917.	45	772	817
" 8th "	46	826	872
" 15th "	44	849	893
" 22nd "	44	841	885
" 29th "	46	879	925
" 30th "	48	883	931

30.11.17

G. Dawson
 Captain
 Adjutant 46th Battalion