

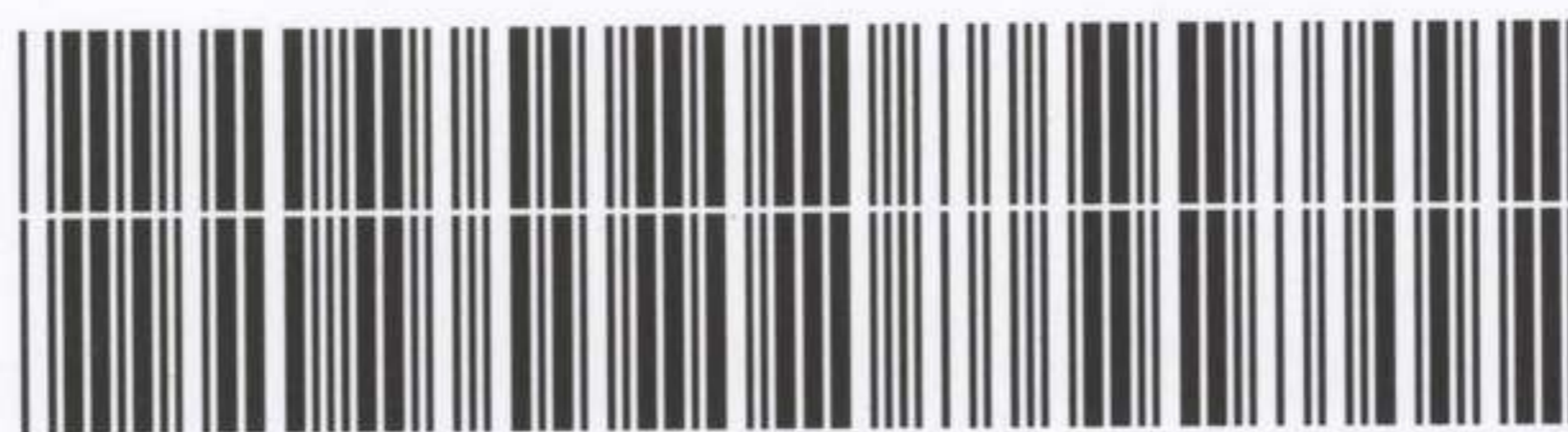
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

53rd Battalion A.I.F.

April 1917

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
THILOU	1917 Apr 7		Reinforcements - 17.0 P.M. marched In.	
"	" 8		" 2 " " " "	
"	" 12		" 2 " " " "	
"	" 15		Battalion being in reserve was ordered to "Stand to" & proceeded as far as BAPAUME owing to a temporary successful counter attack by the enemy. Bn. returned to THILOU the same day.	
"	" 15		Reinforcements - 6.0 P.M. marched In.	
"	" 20		Battalion marched to BAZENTIN CAMP.	
"	" 21		Battalion marched from BAZENTIN to BECOURT CAMP.	
BECOURT CAMP	" 22		Reinforcements - 22.0 P.M. marched In.	
"	" 22		Brigade Church Parade attended by G.O.C. Australian Forces.	
"	" 25		ANZAC DAY. Battalion Sports + Bde. Concert at night.	
"	" 30		Reinforcements - 63.0 P.M. marched In.	

John J. Pollock

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"Travelling Ladders"

As regards the repair of above I negotiated with S.O.M. Sapaume, who advised me he could not do anything else but light repairs. I intended on 3 (three) occasions to send these ladders to his works for inspection, but in each case was unable to, owing to moves & prospective moves. I have in hand crates to complete finished, but it requires S.O.M. workmen to fit same. I have indicated on D.A.B. for new ladders to complete and can reasonably expect same within a week.

Robert C. Larson

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