

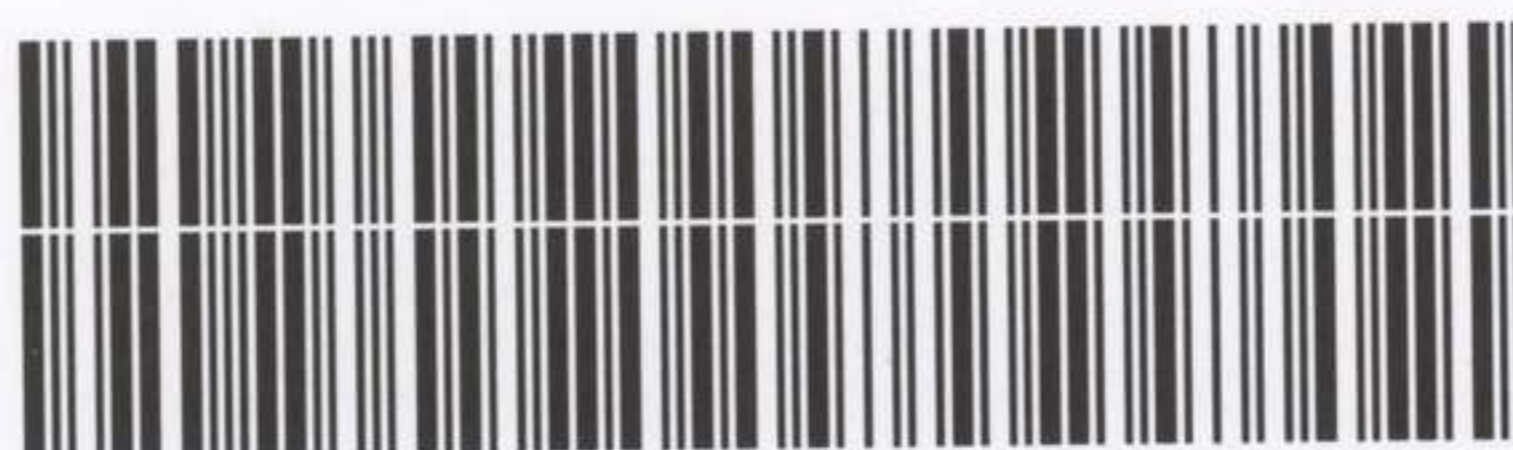
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	JUNE, 1917.		VOLUME 16	
BAIZIEUX.	1st		At the Chateaux, Baizieux, keeping up communication to all Divisional Units. Classes for Battalion Signallers proceeded with.	
	2nd			
	3rd			
	4th			
	5th		A Course in Pigeon Flying held at Laveville. Two men were detailed from each Battalion, including the Pioneer Battalion, and instructed in the use of the Pigeon for Communication purposes. The class lasted for four days.	
	6th			
	7th			
	8th			
	9th		Keeping communications in good order and condition. Training and resting. Sports of all kinds indulged in during the afternoons, the Football Team of the Company achieving many successes.	
	10th			
	11th			
	12th		The Divisional Sports held on the 12th and 13th. The Company had the following entries for the Transport Events. "Best turned out Water Cart". "Best turned out G.S. Limber". "Best turned out G.S. Wagon. 4 Horses". Although no prizes were won, the entries were very creditable.	
	13th			
	14th		A further Course in Pigeon work was held between the 14th and 17th. 2 Men from each Battalion, including the Pioneer Battalion, attended and were instructed in the work of the Pigeon Service.	
	15th			
	16th		The Classes for Battalion Signallers ceased on the 16th. Excellent work was accomplished, especially with the "Learners" Class. Instruction was given in Flag Drill and Station work. Lucas Daylight Signalling Lamp work; Message Forms and Office procedure; D.3 Phones and Linesman's duties. Power Buzzer work; Buzzer practice and all forms of visual Signalling.	
	17th			
	18th			
	19th		Keeping up communication to all Divisional Units.	
	20th			
	21st		A Tactical Exercise was carried out by the 2nd Aust. Infantry Brigade. The scheme was an advance in open warfare against a slowly retreating enemy. The Brigade Signal Section during the advance of their Brigade kept up communication both by telephone and visual signalling. Some of the Company's personnel was used with the enemy party, representing with their Signal Lamps enemy artillery, etc. They too kept up communication for the enemy party.	

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	JUNE, 1917.			
BAIZIEUX	22nd	}	Keeping up communication, etc. Nothing of interest to report.	
	23rd			
	24th	The 1st Australian Divisional Artillery went into the Line in relief of the 48th Divisional Artillery (Imperial). Signal Sub-Sections accompanied their Artillery Brigades, as well as a Cable Detachment with Divisional Artillery Headquarters. Communications were taken over and kept in good order and repair.		
	25th			
	26th			
	27th			
	28th	A Section were taken on the strength of the Company from the 1st Anzac Wireless Section. This was carried out under the revised Establishment of the Company.		
29th	A similar Scheme to that of the 2nd Inf. Brigade was carried out by the 3rd Inf. Brigade at Mailly. In keeping up communication with the attacking Brigade visual signalling was relied on and found very successful.			
30th	Keeping up communication at Baizieux.			

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