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LAVIEVILLE	June		Bn Field Firing & recreational training. Lt H. BOARDMAN for WK leave	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Bn Close order drill musketry etc & Rec training	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Bn Church parade Lt BENNETT to LEWIS M G school Paris Plage	
			Military decorations as under Brigade memo of 3 June	
			Military Medals	
			No 623 Lt/Sgt TUDD CC	No 486 CANS CONNELLAN T. No. 1586 Pte MARTIN J.T
			No. 5102 Pte TODDIE J	No 3867 Pte NICHOLSON G.
			No 2979 COULEY J	No 6584 BENHAM G.
			No. 3981 SHUTE N	No 4675 GRANT M.J.
			No 5767 SMITH C.W.	No 2617 Cpl MOORE P.
			No 5649 BUSH T	No. 7335 Pte BYERS J.
	4		Brigade Competitions, close order work artillery formations & specialist training musketry	
	5		do	Lt F.J. BRUTON for Paris (leave)
	6		do	
	7		Bn Route March Batts at BUIERE.	

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LAVIEVILLE June	8		Bn in open order with musketry range practice C O to 5 <sup>th</sup> ARMY SCHOOL. inspection.	
"	9		Bn to demonstration in contact aeroplane work, Bn drill 4 in afternoon Bn sports	
"	10		Bn church parade Lt STORBO A.J. to shipping school Major A.K. MACKENZIE to U.K. leave	
A	11 to 16		Bn training on post programme attached	
"	11		Lt. FLANNERY returned from U.K. leave (Capt. A.K. MACKENZIE to be major vice WOODFORDE died of wounds 19/5/17 The following to be Lieuts. posted to this Bn. Authority A.I.F. list 1/17 No. 65 Cpt. ED. MACKINSON 1 <sup>st</sup> Field Coy Enys No. 567 Cams WARD S 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn No. 1284 Sgt HAMILTON L. "	
12			Divisional sports at VADENCOURT Bn marched 11.45	
13			do do	

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LANEVILLE	June 14		1LT DAVIS from DIV School & 1LT R.G. HUMPHREYS from WING. Corps School reported.	
	15		Capt H. H. MOFFATT M.C. rejoined from leave U.K.	
	16		Bn close order, musketry, range practice & field firing	
	17		Bn church parade -	
			1LT C. LAMBERT. reported from 5 <sup>th</sup> Army School.	
			1LTS S. WARD & L. HAMILTON joined from 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bn.	
			LT V. C. M'KEIL. 1LTS H. A. CLOW & F. H. WILLIAMS. to Divisional Wing Corps School	
	18	6.30	Bn training as per programme attached	
	18		Capt J. C. BOOTHIE to U.K. leave	
			The following to be sent Authority A.I.F. list 190 of 15/6/17	
			1LTS CRUISE A.J. (4/4/17) 1LT F. WELLS, - 1LT W. JOHNSTON - 1LT C. J. WAUGH -	
			1LT L. M. BULL. 1LT B. W. CHAMPION. 1LT F. P. SHANNON. 1LT T. S. RICHARDS	
			data 5/6/17.	
	20		Capt L. N. EDGLEY + Lt F. GRIFFITHS on leave to PARIS.	
	22		1LT A. J. CRUISE from BAZENTIN dump, 1LT BENNETT. from LMG School reported.	

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LAVIEVILLE	June 23 24		<p>LT CW SOMERSET M.C. from 5<sup>th</sup> Army School.</p> <p>CAPT PL HOWELL-PRICE DSO MC to be major vice SASSE trans to 4<sup>th</sup> Bn dated 7/6/17</p> <p>MAJOR C.D. SASSE<sup>DSO</sup> to take on strength transference to 4<sup>th</sup> Bn AIF bid 1922 19.6.17</p> <p>Bn Church parade.</p> <p>Genl SIR W. BIRDWOOD -- afterwards presented the following medals &amp; ribbons.</p> <p>LT COL BV STACY DSO Ribbon</p> <p>No 3768 Cpl COLLINS P.Q. DCM Ribbon</p> <p>7/4 C.C. JUDD M.M. Ribbon</p> <p>No 512<sup>A</sup> Pte WATMAN W.J. do</p> <p>No 5102 TODDIE J do</p> <p>No 2978 COULEY J. do</p> <p>No 3981 SHUTE N do</p> <p>No 5767 Tpl SMITH CW do</p> <p>No 5649 Pte BUSH T do</p> <p>No 436 Cms CONNELLAN T do</p> <p>No 2198 Pte PARISH S.T. M.M. Ribbon</p> <p>No 511 Pte LUDERS EM M. Medal</p> <p>No 1744 Sgt WILESMITH E do</p> <p>Capt WEB KIRKWOOD M.C. Ribbon</p> <p>Lieut F. BRUTON do</p>	

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LAVIEVILLE	JUNE			
	24		<p>1/2 Lts G. BITMEAD &amp; 1/2 Lt F. PRESNELL rejoined from Div' Int. School                      1/2 Lt. A. J. H. STOBO rejoined from Sniping School</p>	
	25		<p>Bn route march + Bn drill                      afternoon lecture on N.D. at BRESIE by Archdeacon WARD.</p>	
	26		<p>CAPT. L. N. EDGLEY &amp; LT. F. GRIFFITHS rejoined from leave to PARIS                      MAJOR A. K. MACKENZIE rejoined from leave U.K.</p>	
	26		<p>CAPT. C. B. WITHY rejoined from supply bus - LT. A. J. CRUISE Evac sick                      Bn training musketry test of fire respirators with tear gas                      afternoon Bn drill + inspection by GENL WALKER</p>	
	27		<p>Bn close order drill route march</p>	
	28		<p>Bn left LAVIEVILLE at 0730 + arrived ENGLEBELMER at 1000                      1/2 Lt MORLEY to U.K. 1<sup>st</sup> TRAINING Bn.                      1/2 Lt ROBERTSON from base details                      1/2 Lt HOLLOWAY " 1<sup>st</sup> PIONEER Bn attached for instruction</p>	
ENGLEBELMER	29		<p>Bn in advanced Guard extended order march</p>	
	30		<p>to MAILLY MAILLET address by MR W. A. HOLMAN. Rft bench to trench activity  <del>Evac sick operation</del> - 1/2 Lt. C. C. JUDD to DIV SCHOOL.</p>	

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