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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BOIS GRENIER	1		'C' Coy commenced construction of chord line at base of salient in BOIS GRENIER Post; a brick wall to be loopholed & protected dugouts made behind as portion of the chord line	
	7		N ^o 23A in TRAMLINE AVENUE, the first of our new pattern 'all concrete' machine-gun pits finished. Made a successful trial of barbed-wire cutting with 2" Bangalore - torpedoes' charged with Ammonal.	
	9		with CRE & G.S.O. 2. Go inspected Subsidiary line. 'B' Coy making good progress with B class dugouts. 'D' Coy doing good wiring. 9 concrete M-G pits finished & several in progress. Concrete shelters for machine gunners finished in left Bue area.	
	10		Bn team scored second place out of 9 teams competing in Divisional Competition at LA BOUDRELLE BOMB SCHOOL	
	13		'B' Coy finished 4 good wells in Subsidiary line. ordered construction of Bomb store close to WELLINGTON AVENUE.	
	17		Had all Coy officers to witness a demonstration of 'rapid wiring' by squads of A Coy.	

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NEUVE EGLISE	21		Moved Bn to ALDERSHOT CAMP and relieved 12 th SHERWOOD FORESTERS (Pioneer Bn)	
	22		CE 1 st ANZAC called & gave instructions to proceed with construction of concrete O.P.s in HEATH TRENCH on HILL 63.	
	23		Saw C/O 106 th Aust. Bde re siting O.P.s. He sent Lt Major COWAN with C/O to site show his Bde want.	
	24		A Coy commenced work on Heath Trench, draining it & preparing it for traffic, preliminary to work on O.P.s. Also on approaches to trench.	
	25		B + C Comps commenced work on improvements to subsidiary line and Gas trench	
	28		D Coy at work mining gravel for concrete & making approaches over hill 63 to Heath Trench.	
	30		Night work interrupted by 24 th Div. stopped progress of O.P.s do do do do	
			<p>T. W. <u>Shumman</u> Lt. Col C/O 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn</p>	