

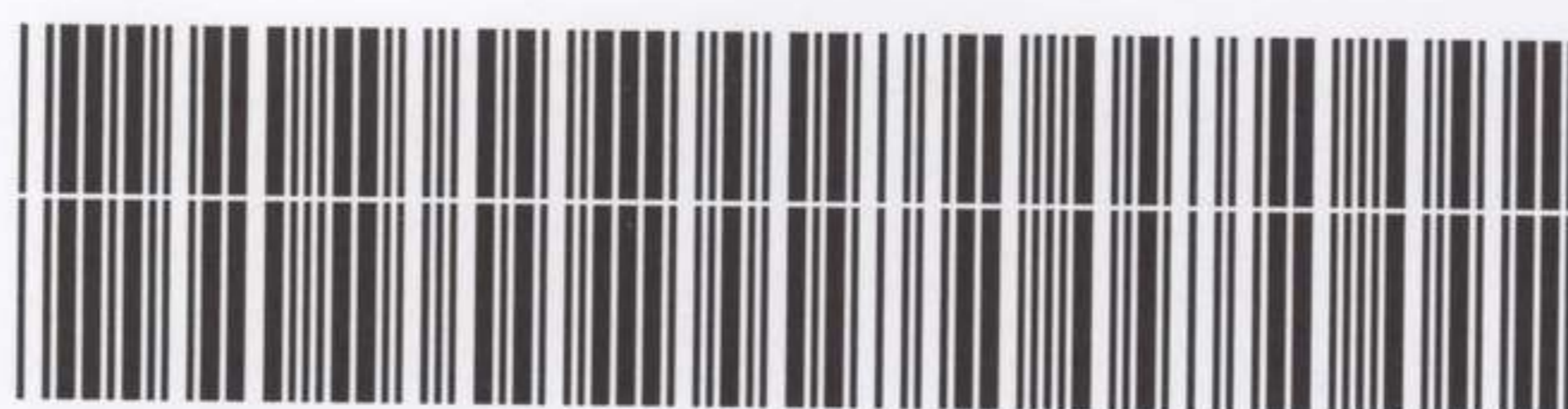
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Place	Date	Hour	Reference Sheet 62 ^B . 1' 40,000	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Saisseval.	1 st			Boy in best Area - Present Coy strength 7 Off. 248 OfRanks. Capl FARR assumed command of Coy during absence of O.C. as C.R.E. 4 th Aust. Div. Lt MOLLOY resumed duties as Transport Officer. Nos 1, 3, + 4 Sections - general training and route march. No 2. Section completed Field Punishment Compound for 4 th Aust. Div at PICQUIGNY.	
do	2 nd			Nos 2 + 4 Sections preparing ground for 13 th A.I. Bde. Sports at old Aerodrome on SAISSEVAL - FERRIERS Road. Nos 1 + 3 Sections. Coy drill in morning. football match played in afternoon. Lt MERROTSEY proceeded to England on duty as Divisional Engineer Educational Officer.	
do	3 rd			23 OfRanks of No 3 Section proceeded to RIVERY to dismantle Adrian Duts. Coy parade for remainder of Coy in morning. Nos 2 + 4 Sections worked on Sports Grounds in afternoon.	
do	4 th			Nos 1 + 2 sections on sanitary work at billets, + work for Town Major. No 3 no change No 4. preparing sports ground.	
do	5 th			Nos 1 + 2 sections on sanitary work, - preparing gymnasium + laynet fighting gallows, painting transport + recreation room. No 3 section re-erecting Adrian Duts at GUIGNEMICOURT, and PISSY. No 4 section as yesterday.	
do	6 th			Lt J.F.C. BEST returned to duty with Coy from R.E. School ROUEN - Church Parade held in morning.	
do	7 th			No 1 section worked on Concert Hall for 4 th Aust. Div. Pierrot Troup at PISSY. No 2 + 4 on Sports ground. - No 3 re-erecting huts as heretofore - No 1 + 3 sections camping on site of work.	

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Saisseval.	8 th			No 1 section worked on Concert Hall at Pissy. - No 2 on Recreation Hut for Coy at Saisseval. - No 3 section on huts as yesterday - No 4 on Sports Ground.	
do	9 th			Works as yesterday in morning - work suspended in afternoon owing to 13 th A.I. Brigade Sports.	
do	10 th			No 1 + 3 sections no change of work. - No 2 sec. dismantling sports ground structures, + erection of Recreation Hut - No 4 sec. squad drill + detail work 2/LI BICKFORD. C.R. + 2/LI DEBENHAM. A.J. joined Coy.	
do	11 th			No 1 + 3 Sections continued on same work as previously reported. No 2 section on camp fatigue, - cleaning transport, constructing recreation hut for Company at SAISSEVAL. - No 4 Sec. on training, squad drill etc.	
do	12 th			No change in disposition of Company.	
do	13 th			Church Parade held in the morning. Company had a holiday for the rest of the day.	
do	14 th			No 1 Section continued work on the erection of an Adrian Hut at Pissy. - No 3 section working on the erection of an Adrian Hut at GUIGNEMICOURT. Both of these jobs have been hung up owing to difficulty in obtaining material. - No 2 Section on camp fatigues. No 4. Section on training.	
do	15			No 1 Sect. erecting Adrian Hut at Pissy. - No 3 section erecting Concert Hall at GUIGNEMICOURT. - No 2 Sec. on camp works. No 4. Sec. training. - Inter-section football match played in the afternoon. O.C. MAJOR. R.B. CHARR. rejoined Coy ex H.Q. 4 th H.D.	

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Saisseval.	16 th		No change.	MB.
do	17 th		Sections on same work as previously reported. In the afternoon a combined team from this Company played the 49 th Battalion a football match (rugby).	MB
do	18 th		No. 1 Section completed work on the erection of Concert Hall at PISSY. - No. 3 Section completed work on Concert Hall at GUIGNEMICOURT. - Both of these Halls are now ready for the Concert Party. - No. 1 + 3 sections rejoined Company at SAISSEVAL. No. 2 section on camp works. - No. 4 section on training. In the afternoon an inter-Company Paper Chase was held open to the members of the 12 th Field Coy. A.C. + this Company.	MB
do	19 th		No. 1 + 3 Sections at work washing + cleaning transport and overhauling tool-carts. - No. 2 Section on camp works. - No. 4 Section on general training.	MB
do	20 th		Chivich Parade held in the morning. - Sections had rest of the day off.	MB
do	21 st		In the morning a Coy. Parade was held in full marching order. O.C. inspected Company. - A Coy. Parade including transport was held in the afternoon when the C.R.E. 4 th Aust. Div. inspected Company.	MB
do	22 nd		Company cleaning up generally for G.O.C.'s Parade.	MB
do	23 rd		Company inspected by MAJOR-GENERAL E.G. SINCLAIR-MACLAGAN, C.B. D.S.O. Commanding 4 th Aust. Division.	MB

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Saisseval.	24 [*]			No 1+3 Sections doing alterations on Concert Halls at PISSY and GUIGHEMICOURT respectively. - No 4 Section building Boxing Stadium at the old Aerodrome on SAISSÉVAL - FERRIERS Road. - No 2 Section training	
do	25 [*]			As reported yesterday.	
do	26 [*]			Sections as previously reported. N.C.O.'s School started under Cap ^t T.F. FARR. Cap ^t FARR assumed command of Company during absence of O.C. who is on leave.	* Appendix A
do	27 [*]			Church Parade held in the morning. - Sections had rest of day off.	
do	28 [*]			Company on general training as per attached programme. N.C.O.'s School under Cap ^t FARR.	* Appendix B.
do	29 [*]			No change; same as yesterday.	
do	30 [*]			No 1, 2+3 Sections general training. - No 4 Section on camp duty; - N.C.O.'s school as previously reported.	
do	31 [*]			No 3 Section doing camp duty. Rest of Company as yesterday no change.	

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
<i>A.</i>	<i>N.C.O.'s School. programme of Training</i>
<i>B.</i>	<i>Training programme for Companies.</i>

Training Programme for Week for Coy.

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Time	Monday				Tuesday				Wednesday			
	1 Sect.	2 Sect.	3 Sect.	4 Sect.	1 Sect.	2 Sect.	3 Sect.	4 Sect.	1 Sect.	2 Sect.	3 Sect.	4 Sect.
9.15 to 10 AM.	Drill with Arms.				Musketry + Bayonet Fighting.				Squad Drill with Arms.			
10 to 11.	Semaphore Signalling.				Demonstration by N.C.O's on Drill.				Demonstration by N.C.O's on Musketry + Assault practice			
11 to 11.15.	Smoke-O.				Smoke-O.				Smoke-O.			
11.15 to 12.30.	Musketry (Rapid loading aiming.)				Semaphore Signalling	Lewis Gun.	Weldon Trestle.	Rifle Drill Section Drill	Assault practice	Semaphore Signalling	Lewis Gun (Range)	Weldon Trestle.
	Thursday				Friday				Saturday			
9.15 to 10.	Rifle exercises.	Assault practice	Rapid Loading + aiming	Extended Order.	Lewis Gun (Range).	Extended order Drill.		Section Tactical schemes.				
10 to 11.	Lewis Gun.	Rapid loading + aiming	Assault practice	Semaphore signalling	Extended Order.	Musketry rapid loading	Gymnasium	Musketry quickening exercises.				
11 to 11.35.	Demonstration on Weldon Trestle.				Rest.							
11.35 to 12.30.	Weldon Trestle.	Rifle exercises	Semaphore Signalling	Assault practice	Demonstration by N.C.O's Section in attack.				Under Section arrangement			

Appendix B

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