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Engineers

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B. H. G. G. E.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1-9-17		boy. moved out from (T. 15. b. 35) at 10am enroute to (O. 26. b. 85) CAESTRE arriving at 4.30 pm.	
	2-9-17		GAS DRILL and preparing to move.	
	3-9-17		transport moved out from (O. 26. b. 85) at 7am. Remainder of boy. moved out at at 8.30 am and entered at 10am en route to RECLINGHEM arriving at 1 pm. Transport arriving at 6.30 pm.	
	4-9-17		boy. parade at 9am. No 4 section on camp duties.	
	5-9-17		No 10 section repairing RIFLE RANGE. Remainder of boy. training	
	6-9-17		No 1 " " " " " "	
	7-9-17		No 1 " " " " " "	
	8-9-17		boy. parade in marching order and at route marching	
	9-9-17		1 officer and 10 other ranks from No 2 section moved out from RECLINGHEM by HORSE TRANSPORT at 7.30 am at to BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE boy. parade at 9am. Voluntary church parade at 10am.	
	10-9-17		boy. training	
	11-9-17		1 officer and 10 other ranks from No 1 section moved out from RECLINGHEM by HORSE TRANSPORT at 7.30 am at to BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE. Remainder of boy. training and preparing for inspection by C. R. E. Lt Aust. Div.	
	12-9-17		1 officer and 10 other ranks from returned to boy. from BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE. boy. in in marching order inspected by C. R. E. Lt Aust. Div. at 2 pm.	

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12th Div Co AE

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	13-9-17		10 other ranks from No 4 section moved out from RECLINGHEM by HORSE TRANSPORT at 7.30 am to to BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE. Remainder of day training 1 officer and 10 other ranks of No 1 section returned to Coy. from BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE	
	14-9-17		Day training	
	15-9-17		1 officer and 10 other ranks from No 3 section moved out from RECLINGHEM by HORSE TRANSPORT at 7.30 am to for BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE. 15 other ranks moved out from RECLINGHEM to to BUSSEBOOM for duty with 1st ANZAC R.E. WORKSHOPS. Remainder of day training. returned to Coy. from BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE 10 other ranks of No 4 section	
	16-9-17		Church parade at 10 am	
	17-9-17		Day training. 1 officer and 10 other ranks of No 3 section returned to Coy. from BRIDGING SCHOOL AIRE.	
	18-9-17		1 officer and 26 other ranks moved out from RECLINGHEM at 3 am as advance party and proceeded to (O. 20. B. 33). Remainder of day preparing to move.	
	19-9-17		Transport moved out from RECLINGHEM at 7.30 am to to (O. 20. B. 33) Remainder of day enlisted and moved out from RECLINGHEM at 10 am to to (O. 20. B. 33) arriving at 12.15 mid-day. Transport arriving at 3.30 pm.	
	20-9-17		Day route marching and preparing to move.	

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15th to 20th

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	21-9-17		Co. moved off with BRIGADE. at 10 am enroute (STEENVORDE.) arriving at 2 pm 42 other Ranks moved out from (STEENVORDE.) to to BUSSEBOOM for duty with 1st Anzac R.E. WORKSHOPS	
	22-9-17		2 other Ranks moved out from (STEENVORDE.) to to HAZEBROUCH for duty with 2nd ARMY WORKSHOPS. Remained of Co. on GAS DRILL	
	23-9-17		Co. (sappers only) moved out from (STEENVORDE.) at 8.30 am and entered at 10 am with BRIGADE and proceeded to (G.23.d.77) arriving at 2.30 pm. Transport moved out from (STEENVORDE.) at 9 am to to (G.23.d.77) arriving at 4 pm.	
	24-9-17		Inspection of RIFLES, TOOLS etc. in morning. Co. moved out from (G.23.d.77) at 2 pm to to (H.23. b. 75) arriving at 4 pm. 1 Officer and 25 other Ranks on dump work at 1st Anzac Corp. Dump (H.18. d. 41) KRUISSRAAT	
	25-9-17		1 Officer and 20 other Ranks working with 4th FIELD COY. R.E. on MULE TRACK. (J. 7. b. 22.) No 2235 Sgt. R. BLACK wounded by H.E. while on job. 42 other Ranks returned to Co. from 1st ANZAC R.E. WORKSHOPS BUSSEBOOM	

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13/10/17 CAE

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	26-9-17		Coy (sappers only) moved out from (H.23. b. 85) and established a forward camp at (I. 14. d. 87). No 3112 Sqn. D. SUTHERLAND and No 13958 Sgt. H. FISHER wounded by H.E. while carting material to forward DUMPS	
	27-9-17		Nos 1, 2, and 4 sections laying TRAM TRACK at (J.7. b. 55) 200 yds formation and 60 yds. repairs completed (2 pffn and 70. O. R.). No 15313 Sapper S.A. GOLDING wounded by H.E. while on job. No 3 section <u>constructing</u> DRESSING STATION at (J.3.C.29)	
	28-9-17		Nos 1, 2 and 4 sections laying TRAM TRACK at (J.7. b. 55) 200 yds. formation and 60 yds repairs completed (2 officers and 70. O. R.) 16 pffn Sappers from No 3 section and 15 Inf. constructing DRESSING STATION at (I. 12. C. 48). Splinter proof shelter for 8 stretchers completed 2 splinter proof shelter partly completed. 72 cub. yds excavated. 2 pffn Sappers from No 3 section and 5 Inf. constructing DRESSING STATION at (J.3.C.29). Platform excavated for stretcher shelter. 20 cub. yds. excavated. (One Engineer Officer in charge of both jobs J.3.C.29 and I.12.C.48)	

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15th Co AE

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	29-9-17		<p>No 1 and 4 section laying TRAM TRACK at (J.7. b. 55) 30 yds. formation completed. (2 Pffr and 140 O.R.).</p> <p>16 Pffr Ranky from No 3 section and 10 Inf. constructing DRESSING STATION at (I.12.C. 48) 100 sandbags laid, 10 yds. excavated.</p> <p>2 splinter proof dugouts for 20 stretchers finished except for roof.</p> <p>2 Pffr Ranky from No 3 section and 10 Inf. constructing DRESSING STATION at (J.3.C. 29). 2 splinter proof shelter completed for 8 stretchers.</p> <p>Elephant iron and sandbags carried 2000 yds to job. No 14680</p> <p>Off. W. WOOD slightly wounded while on job (remained at duty).</p> <p>No 1232 Sgt. H.E. ANDERSON, No 15135 Sgt. W.E. NORRIS and No 5054 Driver G.A. BISHOP wounded by AIR BOMB in CAMP.</p> <p>No 2 section on night work laying TRAM TRACK at (J.7. b. 55) 60 yds formation completed. (2 Pffr. and 20 O.R.).</p> <p>No 7068 Sgt. A.G. JORDAN killed by H.E. while carting material to forward dumps.</p>	
	30-9-17		<p>No 1 and 4 section laying TRAM TRACK at (J.7. b. 55) 40 yds formation completed and 2 culverts</p> <p>No 3 section and 20 Inf. constructing DRESSING STATIONS at (I.12.C. 48) and (I.12.E.) Main DRESSING STATIONS at (I.12.C. 48) completed.</p> <p>(splinter proof), 1 splinter proof dugout 9'x18'</p> <p>proof dugout 8'x8' completed. and 1 splinter proof dugout 8'x15'</p> <p>and duckboarded at (I.12.C.) 30 yds of trench excavated</p>	

