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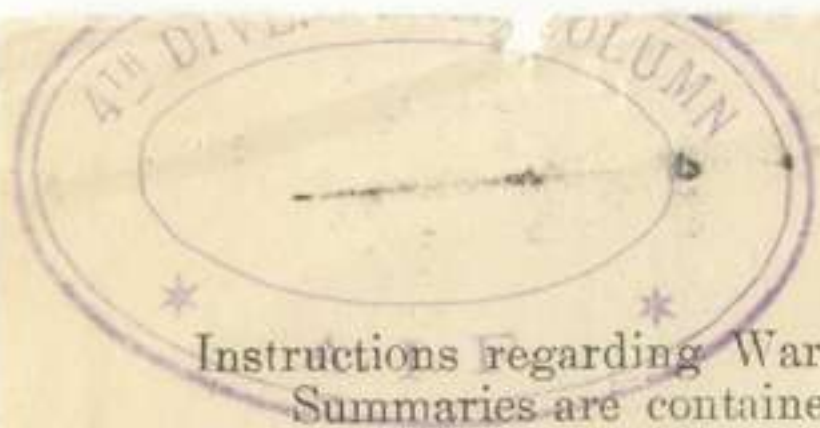
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
NIEPPE	July 1 st		<p>More Hdqtrs here this morning from Westhof Farm: Nos 1 & 2 Sections to camps about Le Veau: No 3 Section to camp opposite L'EPINETTE FARM. (Sections come from main road between Westhof Farm & LA CRECHE</p> <p>L^t SAUL E & L^t BOTT H.N. arrive from Base. L^t Saul is attached to 10th AFA Bde.</p> <p>Dumps in charge:- Gun ammⁿ ROMARIN: L'EPINETTE: LES TILLEULS. Saa & Bombs DOUDOU: CANPAC (in Ploegsteert wood.)</p>	
		2 nd	Supplying ammunition to Inf Bdes: Art ^y Bty taking their establishment from surrounding stacks.	
		3 rd	do do do do do	
		4 th	Beginning salving of ammunition in field - very dangerous in Ploegsteert Bois	
			A round LE BIZET. Cleared all of CANPAC back to Doudou Bomb Store.	
		5 th	Issuing & salving.	
		6 th	" "	
		7 th	" "	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
NIEPPE	July 8 th		Ammunition salvaged in field by this & other units being brought in to ROMARIN which is working all night. LES TILLEULS dump of GAS SHELLS being cleared back by Y Corps Park.	
"	9 th		Handed over at NOON to NZ DAC. Moved Hqs into huts near by. More orders issued to nos 1 & 2 Sections who will follow 10 th & 11 th AFA Bde respectively as B.A.Cs. when they move North.	
"	10 th		2/Lt PRIMROSE PRIMROSE reports from 6 th AFA (Army) Bde. Presentation of Military Medal ribbons by Corps Comd to 3 O/R gained during or just before the Messines - Wysschaete Ridge - movement.	
"	11 th		Working of importance, except salving by B Echelon in vicinity PLOEGSTEERT. nos 1 & 2 Sections move out with 10 th & 11 th Bdes.	
"	12 th		Inspected nos 1 & 2 Sections (A Echelon) in bivouac South of Dichebusch ETANG. They are under 47 th DAC for work in field, supply men for Dumps, & wagons at night.	
"	13 th		L. M ^c ADAM F.J.M. reports from 3 rd Aus DAC.	

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NIEPPE	July 14		2 nd Lt PRIMROSE C.B. is transferred to & leaves for The 6 th AFA (Army) Bde.	
"	15		A Echelon at work daily under 47 th DAC near Dickebusch: B Echelon completed the salvage work allotted. Nothing else of importance. <hr/> SCHEDULE of AMMUNITION SALVED from 5 th to 14 th of July 1917. 18 pr live rounds 5935 : 4.5" howitzer rounds & charges 360 : TMB: 2" = 1037 : 9.45" = 70 : Comp Parts = 176 : Tails 980. Empty fired cartridge cases = 2440 (approx): A quantity of boxes, clips, fittings etc.	
"	16 th		Nothing of importance.	
"	17		" " "	
"	18		" " "	
"	19		Officers return from 2 nd Army Artillery School:— Lt Reid, Lt Willott, 2/Lt GORDON L.H.P. 2/Lt Mein, 2/Lt Watt, 2/Lt Rowan.	
"	20		Nothing of importance	
"	21 st		" " "	
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NIEPPE	23 rd		Result of dipping horses & mules in anti-mange dips appears to have cleared nearly all signs of mange from the animals. It had not been at all bad & had only just broken out a fortnight or 3 weeks but it had affected some 75% of the 892 animals in establishment.													
	24 th		L ^t A.W. CROCKER returned from Base after wounded, posted.													
	25 th		2 nd Lt T.A. Hester arrives from Cadet School (commission 6.7.17)													
	26 th		2/Lt MEIN & 2/Lt WATT transferred to 12 th Aus FA (Army) Base													
	27		C.O. is granted leave to visit Paris for 5 days. I hand over to senior officer - L ^t L. BRUNTON, OC of B Echelon.													
	28 th		L ^t L BRUNTON is transferred to 38 th Bty 10 th AFSA Bde. L ^t JFM McADAM is appointed OC. B Echelon, & being senior officer takes command of DAC during absence of C.O.													
	29 30 31 st		} Nothing of importance.													
			<p style="text-align: right;">H.V. Vernon</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>7 months (Jan 1st to July 31st incl) RETURN OF:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Wounded & evacuated</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">12</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">" returned to duty</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Evacuated SICK</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">165</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">" with V.D.</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">2</td> </tr> </table> </div>	Wounded & evacuated		12	" returned to duty		3	Evacuated SICK		165	" with V.D.		2	
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