

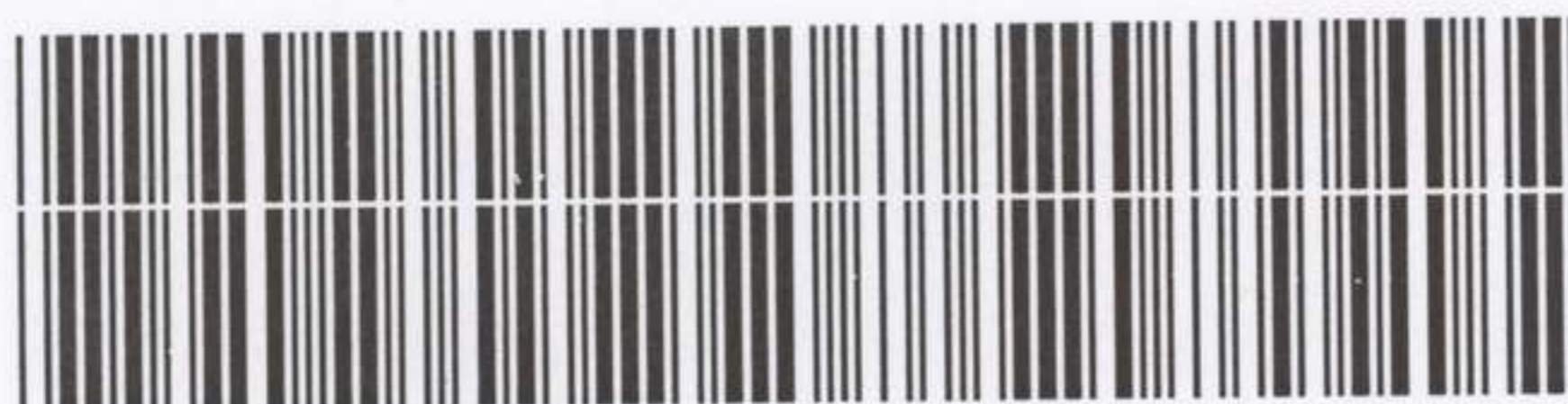
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1917 July 1			
MARTINSART	2		32 O'Ranks transferred to 2 nd Div Trench Mortar Bty. 6 O'Ranks " 4 th AFA Bde. 4 O'Ranks " 5 th AFA Bde 6 O'Ranks evacuated sick 1 O'Ranks taken on strength from Hospital 1 O'Ranks " " " Base.	
	3		1 O'Ranks evacuated to the sick 39 O'Ranks taken on strength from Base.	
	4		11 O'Ranks transferred to 5 th A.F.A. Bde. 10 O'Ranks " " 4 th A.F.A. Bde.	
	5		Lieut R.J.R. HURST and 21 O'Ranks returned from 1 st Angas Trench Mortar School. 1 O'Ranks taken on strength from 2 nd Div Trench Mortars 6 O'Ranks transferred to 2 nd Div Trench Mortars 4 O'Ranks " " 5 th A.F.A. Bde. 7 O'Ranks " " 4 th AFA Bde.	

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AB [unclear] Lieut
2nd [unclear] D.A.C.

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	July 1917			
	6		4 O'Ranks evacuated sick.	
	7		Capt CAMPBELL D.C.; Lieut NUNN E.H.; + Lieut MASOR C.L. taken of strength - dated 8.6.17.	
	8		Lieut MICHELL C.E. taken on strength from seconded list + attached to 4 th A.F.A. Bde. dated 7/7/17 Lieut SHERRINGTON A.C. 4 th A.F.A. Bde temporarily attached 2 nd Aust DAC for duty dated 7/7/17. 1 O'Rank taken on strength from 18 th Bty 6 th A.F.A. (Army) Bde. 5 G.S. wagons with teams + drivers attached Ammunition issued 7801 Pds. to 4 th A.F.A. Bde. for duty. 5 G.S. wagons with teams + drivers attached to 5 th A.F.A. Bde for duty.	
	9		2 nd Aust DAC left MARTINSART and marched to ORVILLE. 32 O'Ranks taken on strength from Base.	
	10		2 nd Aust DAC moved from ORVILLE to ROZIERE.	

MARTINSART.

AB Hodgson Lieut
2nd Aust DAC

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	1917 July 11		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from ROZIERE to FOUFFLIN. RICAMETZ	
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	13		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from FOUFFLIN RICAMETZ to NEDON	
	14		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from NEDON to PECQUER. 1 O Rank transferred to 5 th AFA Bde.	
	15		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from PECQUER to OXELAERE	
	16		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from OXELAERE to CODEWAERSVELD	
	17		2 ^d Aust DAC moved from CODEWAERSVELD to DICKEBUSCH. 11 O Ranks taken on strength from Base.	
	18		10 Sd. wagons on fatigue.	
	19		22 O Ranks transferred to 11 th Bty 4 th AFA Bde. 1 O Rank evacuated sick wounded. Lieut SNOW transferred to 4 th AFA Bde & Lieut MILBOURNE to 5 th AFA Bde. 2/P. HJ. DRISCOLL taken on strength from Base. 10 Sd. wagons on fatigue. 6 O Ranks taken on strength from Base. 1 O Rank taken on strength from Hospital. 22 O Ranks taken on strength from 11 th Bty 4 th AFA Bde. 2 NCOs & 25 men attached to 24 th Coy for duty at NI Central on fatigue duty.	

DICKEBUSCH.

AB body was
Lieut
Mj
2^d DAC.

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PICKREBUSCH.	1917 July 20		5 S.S. wagons on loan to 4 th AFA Bde returned. 5 S.S. wagons on loan to 5 th A.F.A. Bde returned. 2 N.C.O.s + 30 men attached to 24 th Div for dump at the HALLEBAST CORNER for fatigue duty. 8 S.S. wagons on fatigue	
PICKREBUSCH.	21		8 O'Ranks evacuated sick. 1 O'Rank taken on strength Military Prison 10 S.S. wagons on fatigue.	
PICKREBUSCH.	22		1 O'Rank evacuated sick 1 O'Rank taken on strength from Hospital 22 O'Ranks transferred to 5 th AFA Bde. 8 S.S. wagons on fatigue	
PICKREBUSCH.	23		1 O'Rank taken on strength from 2 nd Div French Mortars. 8 S.S. wagons on fatigue.	
PICKREBUSCH.	24		2 O'Ranks evacuated sick. 4 O'Ranks taken on strength from Base 12 S.S. wagons on fatigue.	J. G. ... 2: D. A. C.

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DICKEBUSCH.	1917 July 25		1 O'Rank evacuated sick. 4 NCO's + 20 O'Ranks on fatigue building forward gun pits for 105 th How Bty 5 th A.F.A. Bde. 14 S.L. wagons on fatigue.	
	26		1 O'Rank taken on strength from Base. 2 O'Ranks evacuated sick 4 NCO's + 20 O'Ranks on fatigue building gun pits for 105 th How Bty. 30 S.L. wagons on fatigue.	
	27		Lieut SHERRINGTON taken on strength from 4 th A.F.A Bde. 6 O'Ranks taken on strength from Base. Chaplain - Captain W. ASHLEY - BROWN attached to 2 nd Aust D.A.C. 2/Lt. MOXON. T.B. taken on strength from Base. Lieut ROBINSON. H.R. + Lieut HOLDSWORTH. T.M. transferred to 6 A.F.A. (Army) Bde. 1 O'Rank transferred to 6 th A.F.A (Army) Bde. 4 N.C.O. + 20 men on fatigue building forward gun pits for 105 th How Bty. 24 S.L. wagons on fatigue.	
	28		1 O'Rank killed in action 2 O'Ranks evacuated wounded 2 O'Ranks " sick. 1 O'Rank taken on strength from 3 rd Div. Am. Sub Park. 2 Officers and 51 O'Ranks detached on fatigue duty making roads in forward area. 6 S.L. wagons on fatigue.	

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DICKEBUSCH.	1917 July 29		8 B.S. weapons on fatigue	Am Received 968 Rounds. Am Issued 968 "
	30		3 O'Ranks taken in strength from Base 1 O'Rank evacuated wounded. 1 O'Rank wounded remaining on duty. 8 B.S. weapons on fatigue.	Am Received nil Am Issued nil.
	31		2 officers - 50 O'Ranks returned from fatigue duties of on forward Roads. Report of Officer in charge attached. 10 B.S. weapons on fatigue.	Am Received 1520 Rounds. Am Issued 1520

W. J. Dawson
 Lt. Colonel
 C.O. D.A.C. 2nd. Div. A.I.F.
 A. B. Hodgson
 2nd Lt. D.A.C.

31. 7. 17.

The adjutant,
2nd D. A. B.

(Copy)

Report of working parties drawn from 2nd and 3rd D. A. B. and 2nd D. A. B's.

acting under the orders I received from the Staff Captain at your office on the 28th inst, I reported at once to Col. Spiller at LANKHOF FARM and received particulars of the Camps suitable for billeting the parties in that District. I subsequently reported at 5 pm. to the C.R.E. at the Camp of the Wotts and Dorby Pioneers near HALLEBAST CORNER. The C.R.E. instructed me that Capt. Xaine of 'A' Company would be responsible for the taping of the Route and the technical supervision of the work done. With Capt Xaine I proceeded to LANKHOF FARM and having established the three parties in their respective

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Camps, we at once pushed ~~onwards~~ forward to inspect the position on KNOLL ROAD. The first party were at work by 3 am. The next morning and all parties worked so well that half the total work was finished before night. Before sunrise Capt. Thine had the remaining half of the work taped out. By the night of the 30th the track had been carried over 100 yards down the forward slope and must have reached the approximate position of the "CORNER HOUSE" at 1.29 195.00 although no trace of this building was visible. The track passed through exceptionally rough country involving very heavy work filling in and levelling, including five or six trenches and I have pleasure in advising that all parties worked with zeal, and wish to specially mention Lieut. Moscor of the 2nd Aust B Co. and Lieut. Ewert of the 24th B Co. who both showed exceptionally good control of their parties. Lieut. Moscor reports that he was very greatly assisted by the three senior N. C. O.'s of his party:-

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No 47	Lt: Pratt. A.H.G.	"B" Echelon.
8893	Lt: Heritage. J.H.	2 nd Section.
1047	Cpl: Stone V.H.	1 st Section.

Casualties:2nd Aust. I.A.B.

2 Wounded.

23rd I.A.B.

Nil.

24th I.A.B.

I understand that two (2)

men were killed and one wounded, but have not received a definite report.

The work of cutting the track across the ridge and down the forward slope was assisted by exceptional low visibility or the casualties would undoubtedly have been heavier.

acting under instructions received through the Adjutant 107th I.A.B. from the Staff Captain about 4 pm today, I instructed the Officers in Charge of the

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respective parties to report back to their units
advising Capt. Fine accordingly.

(Sgd) A. S. Sherington Hunt:
2nd Div ARTY.