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"Taylor Dump"				
I.G. 4-7-5	Nov 1 st		Battery employed erecting new dug-outs.	
Shut 28	2 nd		" " repairing roadway	
Ypres sector	3 rd		Quiet day, received 6,000 rds ammunition at night.	
	4 th		Sent out 7,000 rds.	
	5 th		" " 200 " otherwise quiet.	
	6 th		Enemy aeroplanes over dump, no bombs dropped.	
	7 th		Quiet day. At night Enemy aeroplanes dropped several bombs in vicinity of the dump.	
	8 th		Sent out 6,000 rds.	
	9 th		Orders received that the whole of the Battery would be temporarily attached to the 5 th Australian Div's ammunition column from that date.	
	10 th		Orders received to prepare for move. Received 8,000 rds ammunition.	
	11 th		Battery clearing up the dump & checking ammunition.	
	"		1 st Aust Divl Ammunition Column took over the dump at 12-0 mid-day. 3 G.S. Wagons	
	"		arrived at 1.30 PM. to convey personnel & kits to 5 th D.A.C. Head Quarters at H. 16.C. (Shut 28. Belgium & France)	

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H. 16. C Ypres	12 th		Left H. 16. C at 2.0 P.M., arriving at G28.d.3.8 at 4.50 P.M. Wagons were parked on the right of the road & the men allotted to Huts at G28.d.7.5.	
	13 th		Left G28.d.3.8 at 11.35 A.M. joining the main column at Reninghelst G34.d.3.9, arriving at rest billets - 3½ miles N.W. of Armentieres on the main Bailleul-Armentieres Rd at 4.40 P.M.	
Nieppe	14 th		Battery with "B" Echelon 5 th D.A.C. in billets, resting.	
	15 th		do	
	16 th		do	
	17 th		Capt W.H. Hind + 17 other ranks attached to 1 st Section 5 th D.A.C. 16 other ranks attached to 2 nd Section & the remainder of the Bty - Lieut O.J. Taylor & 19 other ranks to remain with "B" Echelon	
Dranoutre S5.d.85.70	18 th		All Battery Technical Stores & Office gear was removed to reinforcement camp at Dranoutre - Sheet 28 Belgium & France S5.d.85.70.	
	19 th		Capt W.H. Hind & 24 other ranks attached to 13 th F.A.B. Lieut O.J. Taylor & 24 other ranks attached to 14 th F.A.B. 2 other ranks were detailed to Guard Bty. Stores at Dranoutre S5.d.85.70.	
	20 th 30 th		Nothing to report	

*Approved Taylor
Lt Col. 65th H.M.B.*

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