

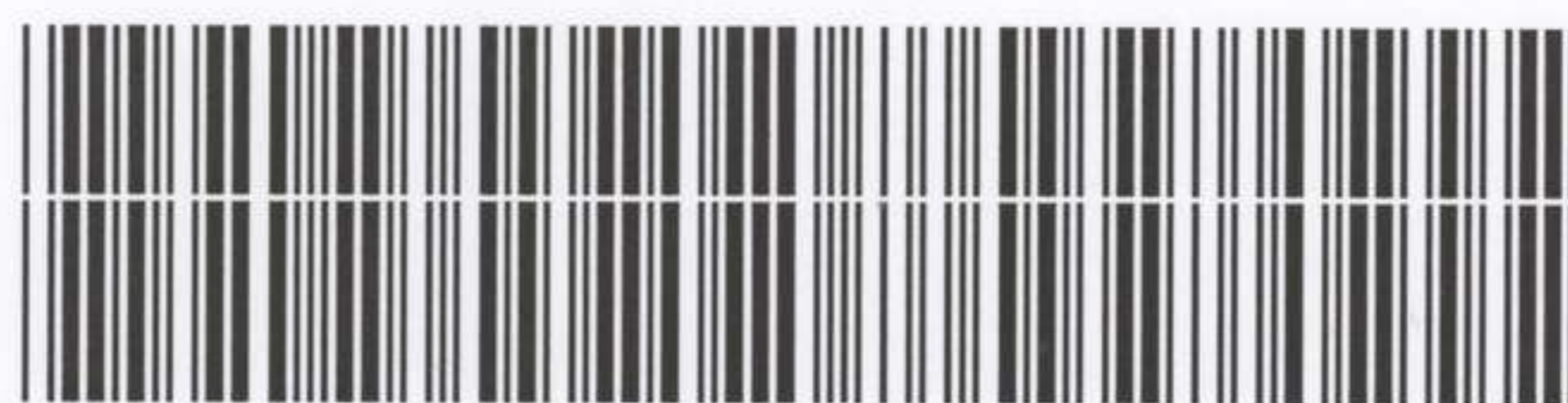
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"	3rd	40	919	Continuation of above.	2 OR. evacuated Sick.																																									
"	4th	40	919	Church Pde. Special Church pde. at DOMINION Camp & presentation of ribbons & following off. men by General Birchwood. G.O.C. A.I.F. (30th supplied special party of 1 off 5 OR. & attend.)																																										
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BILLETTS ROUND ABEELE (MIPPOON HOEK) AREA	5th	40 928	Battalion moved from WINNIPEG CAMP to billets in vicinity of ABEELE. Billets fairly scattered, men all accommodated. Extra tents procured & all men under cover.	9 OR. taken on strength ex 5th A.O.B.D. R.S.M. JAVIES B.O. promoted to 2/Lieut.	Btn order No 96.
"	6th	40 925	P.T. & B.F. Lectures on various subjects by officers. Close order drill & Ceremonial drill. Musketry.	3 OR evac. Sick	
"	7th	40 929	P.T. & B.F. Lectures by Coy. Commanders. Platoon drill, guard mounting sentries.	Lieut. Harrison Decided. 5 OR taken on strength ex 5th A.O.B.D. 1 OR evacuated Sick.	
"	8th	40 929	P.T. & B.F. Musketry Ceremonial. Lectures by officers. Warning order received to move to LOCKE AREA in a few days.		
"	9th	40 927	Continuation of above.		
"	10th	40 926	Ceremonial parades carried out by Companies. Btn. order issued for move tomorrow. Advance party sent forward to new camp.	2 OR evacuated Sick 1 OR Evacuated Sick	

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WAKEFIELD HUTS (LOCRE)	11th	40 926	Battn. moved from billets at ABEEFE and marched to hutment Camp at LOCRE. Men accommodated in huts & very comfortable. Co. Ady. went forward to 100 + 2d H.Q. Reconnoitre route.		Rtd rda 97
NEUVE Eglise.	12th	40 927	Battn. moved from WAKEFIELD HUTS to NEUVE Eglise. Men quartered in billets in the town. Unit Commanders went forward to reconnoitre way to various sectors of Support line.	2 OR. evacuated Sick	Rtd rda 98
SUPPORT LINE (NEAR BRISTOL CASTLE) U6 & (Sheet 28) 140000	13th	40 921	Moved up & relieved 1st Queens Regiment in the Support line in vicinity of BRISTOL CASTLE. 3 Companies around here, 1 Coy. at BETHLEHEM FARM.	3 OR. evacuated Sick.	Rtd rda 99
FRONT LINE (Right)	14th	41 973	Moved from SUPPORT LINE & took over FRONT LINE system. Relieved 2nd WORCESTER Regiment. 12 Coy in front line, 1/2 Coy POLLARD Support, 1/2 Coy vicinity B.H.Q., 1/2 Coy BETHLEHEM FARM, 1 Coy BRISTOL CASTLE (Reserve)	1 OR. wounded 53 OR taken on strength & 5th A.D.C.O. Capt. Hartwood taken on strength & recorded list.	Rtd rda 100 P. Charter Main p. Lieut. Colonel. Commanding 30th Battalion A.I.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Length of OR	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks	Remarks and references to Appendices
FRONT LINE (Right.)	15th	41	973	Inspection of Coy. fronts by O. in early morning. Trenches have been in good condition, but have been allowed to fall in & become full of mud. Large working parties supplied carrying up materials for front line.		
"	16th	41	971	Men working hard on re-erecting trenches, laying duckboards, putting in sandbags & A frames. Hot food cooked near BETHLEHEM farm and carried to front line after dusk. Work commenced on new support line.	1 OR. wounded 1. . . . evacuated sick.	
"	17th	41	984	INTER. Coy. Relief carried out. C Coy relieved in left sector of front line by D Coy. A Coy in right sector by B Coy. Enemy activity very pronounced. Right Coy. HQ. blown in & Coy. Commander killed.	13 OR. Taken on stretcher Strength ex 5th A.I.F.	
"	18th	40	979	Continuation of work on front line trenches. Posts now getting fitted with dugouts for everyone in them.	Capt. Stephens R.I.A. 3 OR. R. I. A. Capt. Morrison wounded 2 OR. wounded.	

P. Whalley Major General
Commanding 30th Battalion A.I.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Strength No. OR.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FRONT LINE (Right.)	19th	40	978	Continuation of previous day work. Trenches are now filling in a decent condition & portions of them are continuous.	1 OR Evacuated Wounded
	20th	41	971	New work in enemy's line opp. our sector appeared late jumping off trench for a raid. Our people prepared & waiting for an attempt to raid us. None eventuated. Usual carrying parties working parties supplied	2 OR. Howlow taken on strength of O.T.C. 4 OR. K.I.A. 3 OR. Wounded
PIONEER CAMP NEAR WULVERGHEM O34 d (Sheet 28)	21st	41	970	Relieved by 3rd Batta. Moved to PIONEER Camp. 1 Casualty caused during relief. Relief complete by 9 pm. Men accommodated in dugouts & shelters in vicinity. Food accommodation.	1 OR Evacuated Sick
"	22nd	41	1056	Men employed in cleaning up gear & equipment. 2 Coy bathed at WULVERGHEM bath.	86 OR taken on strength of 5th A.D.B.D.

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PIONEER CAMP.	23 rd	41 1051	Remaining 2 Corps - put through baths. Inspection of kits, and general cleaning up continued.	5 O.K. evacuated Sick.	
"	24 th	41 1046	3 Corps. Carried out musketry firing on range in vicinity. Remaining Coy. Gas drill, P.T. B.F. Musketry (elementary).	6 O.K. evacuated Sick.	
"	25 th	41 1043	Church Parade. Remaining Coy which didn't shoot previous day fired on range.	1 O.K. taken on strength by detention in C.K. 3 O.K. were Sick	
"	26 th	41 1042	P.T. B.F. Musketry (elementary), Gas drill, platoon drill, organised games. Battalion order for relief on night 28/29 issued.	1 O.K. evacuated Sick	
"	27 th	41 1036	P.T. B.F. Musketry. Gas drill, platoon drill, organised games. Conference of Coy. Commanders re relief on 28/29.	6 O.K. evacuated Sick.	

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FRONT LINE (RIGHT)	28th	42	1023 Bn moved up and relieved 31st Bn on right sectn of Bde front line systems.	L. Eniffer taken on strength ex recorded list. 1 OR. wounded 12 OR. evacuated.	Bn order 103.
"	29th	44	1074 Bn employed in carrying forward materials for improving front line as well as holding this sectn.	3 OR wounded. 2 officers Capt Thompson, Lt Wells ex recorded list 5 OR. evacuated sick 60 OR taken on strength ex 5th A.D.B.D. 1 OR K.I.A.	
"	30th	44	1069 Continuation of above.	5 OR. wounded.	

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