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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Hurdcott.	1918. Oct.	1st.	<p>Weather . Fine.            Training as usual as per weekly Syllabus of Training on parade grounds. 12 o/r anks passed Preliminary Tests in Anti-Gas Measures. 2/Lieuts Beck. F., Bills.W.M., &amp; Burgess. R. placed under orders for Overseas early date. 24 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas 30th inst. Medical Inspection, and Dental, also Equipping of Draft from 9 am. 5861 Cpl. Eyan. J. 50th Bn Perm Cadre returned from Hospital. Draft inspection on Battalion Parade ground by Commanding Officer at 4.pm.</p>	
		2nd	<p>Weather. Fine.            Training as usual on parade grounds. Special P.T. Instruction to all Signallers from 9 to 10 am. Gas Lectures and Instruction from 3-30 to 4-30 pm by Bn Gas Officer---Lieut. S.Harris for all Sigs, and "A" Class Employed details. 14 o/ranks passed through the Gas Chamber and qualified in all standard tests. <del>Night Operations carried out from 8 to 9 pm</del>, NIGHT OPERATIONS carried out from 8 to 9 pm :- SYLLABUS:} Route March with continuous wearing of Box Respirators, for 8-14th weeks of Training. Brigade Commandant's Inspection of Draft at H.Qters, at 9-30 am. 34 o/ranks commenced firing their G.M.C. on range. 32 o/ranks of the 10th G.S.R. marched out to Machine Gun Depot, Parkhouse. 2181 Sgt. Kelly. G.A. 45th Bn P.C., evacuated to 1st A.D.H. 2/Lieut. Burges .R. proceeded to M.G. Depot, Parkhouse, MOVE order being cancelled and returned to Headquarters. Medical Inspection and Innoculation of new Reinf's from 9 am by R.M.O. on Command from 14th T.B. 5660 Cpl. Norman. E. 15th, 3129 Sgt, Bauld.T.G., 15th, 3575 Cpl. Mansell. S. 51st, 2413 L/Cpl. Foxford. W. 46th marched out Overseas as the Sept. P.C. Relief.</p>	
		3rd.	<p>Weather. Showery.            Training carried out on parade grounds as per weekly Syllabus, 34 o/ranks firing their G.M.C. on range. 19 o/ranks marched out Overseas to France at 18000 hours., 5129 Cpl. Manz. J.F.49th, conducting the party. 2/Lieut. Whitehorne. J.V. 50th Bn proceeded Overseas.</p>	
		4th.	<p>Weather. Fine.&amp; Dull in morning, and Showery during Afternoon.            Training as per syllabus carried out on parade ground. General Muster Parade from 0830 hours to 0900 on Bn parade ground to ascertain if all o/ranks were in possession of their necessary identification..viz:- Identity Discs. <u>Overseas Leave.</u> Extract from H.Qters. Orders 1-10-18-----Authority:- R.O. 227 of 17-5-17. amended as follows:- Subject always to the exigencies of the Service, an Officer reporting from France for a tour of Duty on fthe P.C. may submit an application for 14 days leave to these Headquarters, A.I.F. Depots in U.K., for consideration after he has performed two months duty provided the Officer concerned is favorably reported on, and the application recommended by his C.O. This Order will similarly to N.C.O's. Officers &amp; NCO jubliant and anxious to submit their Applications before any alterations take place.</p>	

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Hurdcott.	1918. Oct. 4th.		Continued.:- 5335 Cpl. Blanks. F.W.K. 45th Bn, 2444 Sgt. Armour. E. 46th, 1110 Sgt. Williams. C.O. 15th, 3382 Sgt. Platt. T.G. 15th, 3308 Sgt. Garlick. R. 15th, marched in from France as Sept.P.C. Relief. 58 o/ranks proceeded on Disembarkation Leave 3-11-18. 18 O/ranks on Bombing Tests, and qualified in all standard tests. 40 o/ranks on G.C. Leave.	
	5th		Weather. Wet. Composite Battalion mobilised under "L" Scheme with transport. Brigade Commander's Inspection at 9 am., and Route March carried out as per Secret Order attached.	
	6th		Weather. Wet. Church parades held as usual:- R.C. 2 Off. 99 o/rks. Cof E & O.P.D. 18 Offs. 236 o/rks. Isol. 1.Off. 167 o/ranks.	
	7th		Weather. Wet. Training as usual in huts and sheds during rain., and in open when fine. P.T. Instruction for all Sigs from 9 to 10 am. 17 o/rks & 29 Sigs placed under orders for Overseas. Medical & Dental, and Equipping of same from 9 am. Commanding Officer's Inspection on Bn parade ground at 3 pm. 28 o/ranks on L.Gun Course. V.D. Inspection from 9 to 10 am for all o/ranks. Instructions received from H.Q.ers, Tidworth, that Captain. R.W. Harburn. MC, 51st Bn, report Admaust, London, for return to Australia on 6 months furlough in connection with the 1914 Scheme. NIGHT OPERATIONS carried out for all men in Training in 8-14th Weeks :- Syllabus:- Route March with continuous wearing of Box Respirators. 23 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas. 16-10-18.	
	8th		Weather. Wet. Training as per Syllabus carried out on parade grounds and in sheds during rain. 41 o/ranks passed through the Preliminary tests in Anti-Gas Measures. Brigade Commander's Inspection of Draft under orders at 2 pm. 28 o/ranks on L.gun Course. 762 CSM Nowatna .A.H. 46th, marched out to No.1. Command Depot, Sutton Veny for furlough in Australia. A very capable NCO and has been CSM of "B" Coy since his arrival on the P.C. 3 months ago.	
	9th		Weather. Wet. Training in sheds as per syllabus and lectures given to all men in Training in all Subjects. 41 o/ranks passed through their Gas Chamber Tests, and qualified in all standard tests. Final Medical & Dental Inspections of Draft at 0900. 348 Sgt. Steele J. 15th Bn, marches in from 1st A.D.H. Via Parkhouse. 46 o/ranks proceeded overseas at 1800 hours. 40 o/ranks returned from. G.C. Leave.	
	10th		Weather. Dull & Showery. Training on parade grounds. 2/Lieut( Hon Lieut) Colyer. 13th Bn returned from Hosp,	

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Hurdcott.	1918. Oct. 10th  11th.  12th  13th  14th  15th  16th		<p>Continued.:- after short illness. Lieut. J. Leddy 45th Bn, L. Gun Officer evacuated to Hosp. Lieut. J.H. Julin. MC, acting as L.G. Officer during his absence. Captain. G.J. Saxby .AAMC marched in from Fovant, AAMC Depot, as R.M.O. vice Captain. Liggins. to Adinaust ? London, on 26-9-18.</p> <p>Weather. Showery. Training as usual carried out on parade grounds, and in sheds during rain. Special Gas Lectures to all o/ranks in Training from 1530 to 1630 hours. NIGHT OPERATIONS carried out for men in the 5-14th weeks of training from 1900 to 2000 hours :- Syllabus:- Night March discipline with continuous wearing of Box Respirator. 10 o/ranks marched out to R.B.A.A. from the 10th G.S.R.</p> <p>Weather. Showery. Hut-Cleaning from 0800 to 0900 hours. Route Match carried out for all o/ranks in Training from 0930 till 1200 hours. 19 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas.</p> <p>Weather. Fine. Church parades held as usual :- R.C. 2 Offs. 101 o3Ranks. C of E &amp; O.P.D. 14 Offs. 390 o/ranks. 754 Sgt. Crossan. J. 49th Bn, signallers, marched out to No2. Camp parkhouse on 6 months furlough to Australia, in connection with 1914 Scheme.</p> <p>Weather. Showery. Training as per weekly syllabus, carried out on parade grounds. Special P.T. Instruction to all Sigs from 0900 to 1000 hours. Gas Instruction by Bn Gas Officer--Lieut. Henderson. L.A. (Acting) to all Sigs and "A" class employed details from 1530 to 1630 hours. V.D. Parade for Sigs &amp; "C" Coy from 1615 hours. Medical &amp; Dental Inspection and Equipping of draft under orders from 0900 hours. 652 Cpl. Kennedy. N.C.M. 46th, &amp; 608 Cpl. Freeman. W.R. 45th, marched out to Australia via No.1. Command Depot, Sutton Veny, for 6 months furlough in connection with 1914 Scheme.</p> <p>Weather. Showery. Training carried out in sheds during pain, and on parade grounds when fine. Commanding Officer's inspection of draft under orders at 0900 hours on Bn Parade ground. Brigade Commander's inspection at Bde H.Q. ters, at 1430 hours for draft. 8 o/ranks passed through the Preliminary Gas Tests, prior to going through the Gas Chamber. 2332 Sgt Agnew. W.M. 15th Bn, admitted to G.C. Hosp. Fovant. 12 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas 23rd inst. <del>2543 Sgt Agnew. W.M. 15th Bn, admitted to G.C. Hosp. Fovant. 12 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas 23rd inst.</del> <del>2332 Sgt Agnew. W.M. 15th Bn, admitted to G.C. Hosp. Fovant. 12 o/ranks placed under orders for Overseas 23rd inst.</del> 3472 Sgt Blenkinsop. J.S. 51st Bn, was struck off strength of this Bn, having been admitted to hosp for period over one month.</p> <p>Weather. Dull &amp; Showery. Training as usual in sheds and on parade grounds, as per weekly syllabus. 14 o/ranks passed through D. D. &amp; M. Chamber and qualified in all standard tests. Night Firing held on "E" range for all men in the 9-14th weeks of training who had completed their G.M.C. Firing began at 2000 hour</p>	

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Hurdcott.	1918.			
	Oct.	16th	<p><del>Continued.</del>:- and good results were obtained from the men carrying out this practice. 6349 Cpl. Walker. G.W. 16th Bn, evacuated to hospital, Fovant. Sports Meeting held by 3rd Training Brigade.....3 mile Cross Country Race ..... every man not on duty participated and good run resulted. 12th Training Battalion secured the first 6 places. Proposed holding these runs every week for Physical welfare of troops.</p>	
		17th	<p>Weather. Fine. Training as per Syllabus <del>xxx</del> on parade grounds. The following NCO's marched out to Australia via No.2. Camp, Parkhouse on 6 months furlough in connection with 1914 Scheme:- 1248 CSM. Clinemr W.J. 13th, 61 Sgt. Calderwood. N. 16th, 1003 Sgt. Armstrong. C. 15th, 348 Sgt. Steele. J. 16th, 1250 Sgt. Davies. H.D. 48th. 1128 Sgt. Davey. C.R. 50th, 983 Cpl. Mossop. F.P. 50th, 666 Sgt. Patterson. H. 13th,.. Captain E.C. Francisco 51st Bn returned from No.3. N.Z. Hospital. The following Officers &amp; N. C.O'S marched out on Loan to 1st Trang Bde to complete Establishment of Instructional Staff:- Captain. Cole. C.R.I. MC.14th Bn Drill. Lieut. Barwood. C.F. 15th. Lewis Gun. 3245 Sgt. Broadfoot. A. 15th, Bombing, 1726 Cpl. Carter. A.W. 14th, Musketry. 5151 Cpl. McAlister. C. 15th, Musketry. 2794 Cpl. Dowleans.A.W. 16th, Lewis Gun. 5389 Sgt. Kastberg. E.W. 48th, Bombing. 4266 Cpl. Curran. C.E. 45th. PT &amp; BF. 1877 Cpl. Pitchford. J.E. 48th. Gas. 2149 Cpl. Conroy. A.H. 45th. PT &amp; BF. 5071 Cpl. Cummings R.L. 48th, Musketry. 5129 Cpl. Manz. J.F. 49th, Lewis Gun. 3375 Cpl. Harper. J.A. 49th, Lewis Gun. 1761 Cpl. Grieg. J.T.W. 51st. PT. &amp; BF. Draft of 16 o/ranks proceeded Overseas at 0930 hours. 9 o3Ranks fired their G.M.C. on 30 yds range and qualified as 1st class shots;. 100 o/ranks of 10th G.S.R. <del>marched</del> out to 9th .T.B. Fovant, having been sent here in <u>ERROR</u>. They originally enlisted in Carmichaels Thousand and therefore would go to Fovant area for further training. Not much encouragement for the instructors who have worked hard during the first three weeks of their training, to have these men transferred after they have had all the rough edges knocked off them. The above is becoming a common occurrence of late and in my opinion the person responsible for these mistakes should be more careful, or resign his position in favor of some-one who could carry out the duties more satisfactorily.</p>	
		18th	<p>Weather. Fine. Training as per usual on parade grounds. Night operations carried out for all ranks of the 5-14th weeks of training from 1900 to 2000 hours. Syllabus:- Night March with continuous wearing of Box Respirators. Special Gas Instruction from 1530 to 1630 hours for all Signallers. The following NCO'S marched in from Hospital, Parkhouse:- 2181 Sgt. G.A.Kelly 45th Bn, . 43 o/ranks proceeded on G.C. Leave. V.D. Inspection &amp; Lecture by R.M.O. from 0900 to 1100 hrs.</p>	

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Hurdcott	Oct	18th	(Continued) :-Lecture given in Training Shed in No 8 Camp. Supper supplied to Troops at 2000 hrs. soup being the first delicacy, this will be continued throughout the Winter Months for all O/Ranks 2000 to 2030 daily.	
		19th	Weather fine and dull. Training as usual on parade ground, route march being cancelled owing to Influenza Epidemic. Camp slightly affected therefore all possible precautions have been taken to check the further spreading of this Epidemic. Memo received from Hqtrs in relation to further indents for Strombus Horn and Vermoral sprayers for Gas instructors I.M. resupply of above it is regretted that this cannot be entertained, judging by this remark one would conclude that Gas Instruction formed a very minute part in the training of recruits, instead of being as it were one of the greatest subjects in which the raw recruit or trained soldier ready for Overseas should be thoroughly efficient in.	
		20	Weather showery. Church Parades held for all ranks. R.C. 2 Officers, and 108 O/Ranks. Cof B and O.P.D. 10 officers and 204 Other Ranks, and Isolation 1 Officer and 56 Other Ranks. Isolation Service held in Battalion Parade ground and other services in No 6 & 7 Regimental Institutes	
		21	Weather dull and cold. Training as per weekly syllabus carried out on Battalion Parade Ground, special PT instruction for all Sigs from 9 to 9-30 a.m. C.O.'s inspection of Draft under orders at 1430 hrs. on Battalion Parade ground. The undermentioned NCOs marched out on loan to 1st Training Brigade to complete establishment of training personnel. :- 6958 Cpl Burrell H/EE 13th Bn, 2181 Sgt Kelly G.A. 45th Battalion and 3851 Sgt Irvine E. 49th Bn. Instructions received from Hqtrs. Auth CR AIF 35945(A3) of 20-10-18 that 2/Lieut (Hon Capt) A.C. Wade be allotted to 34th Battalion and 2/Lieut C.H.C. Colyer be allotted to 35th Bn and on return from Candahar they were to be transferred to 2nd Training Brigade for attachment to 9th Training Battalion until they proceed Overseas. Night operation cancelled owing to insufficient men to march. Majority are down with a mild form of Influenza and colds.	
		22	Weather dull and showery. Training carried out on Parade ground as per Syllabus. 21 Other Ranks passed preliminary Gas tests prior to going through Gas Chamber. Special training for Sigs going up for classification on 29th inst. Brigade Commandant's inspection of Draft at Bde Hqtrs at 1400 hrs. Lieut S. Harris 13th Bn perm Cadre, returned from Overseas; leave and marched out to 1st Training Brigade on loan to be attached to training Staff. Chaplain the Rev H.F.T. Heath Meth. evacuated to Forward hosp. 8 O/Ranks, 10th GSR marched out to 9th Training Battalion being sent here in error on 27-8-18. These men returned from Hospital within the last few days	

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Hurdcott.	Oct	23rd	<p>Weather fine and Sunny.</p> <p>Training carried out on Parade ground, as per syllabus, in the morning, Football match held during the afternoon. Paper chase of 3 miles held and keenly contreted by numerous competitors Route March held for all O/Ranks not playing football or running in conjunction with 14th TB from 1375 hrs to 1550 hrs. Route Camp No 7 Fovant, Dinton Station Hurdcott House Compton Chamberlain, home a distance of about 6 miles. 21 Other ranks passed through the Gas Dug-out and qualified in all standard tests. 8 Other Ranks marched out Overseas at 1830 hrs. 2332 Sgt Agnew W M. 15th Bn Marched in from Hospital having been admitted previously with Pneumonia.</p>		
		24th	<p>Weather fine and cold.</p> <p>Trainig as per usual on xparade Ground 6 Other Ranks passed standard tests in firing rifle Grenade. 21 Other Ranks placed under orders for Overseas 30-10-11</p>		
		25th	<p>Weather Fine and cold.</p> <p>Training as usalu as per syllbus on Parde grounds including 5 Other Ranks on Bomb throwing and firing of live bombs. 3472 Sgt Blenkinsop J.S. 51st Bn Marched in from Parkhouse on Perm Cadre having been admitted to 1st ADH Bulford on thr 27th ultimo. Special Gas instruction to all Sigs from 1550 to 1650 hrs. with continuous wearing of B Resprts. Commanding Officer Lieut-Colonel A.P. Inlay DSO assumed temporary Command of 3rd Training Brigade during absence of Lieut -Colonel J.S. Denton DSO. (Auth BRO 297/3021) Medical and Dental Inspections of Draft under Orders and equipping of same from 9 a.m. Lieut F.W. wakelin 50th Bn Perm Cadre marched out fom Muskty School Tidworth after completeing course of 4 weeks to HQtrs London for Australia under 1914 Scheme. Body of unknow soldier found in what is known as Polygon Wood between no 7 &amp; 8 Camps Hurdcott hanging to tree by puttee and identified as 273 Pte Webb 1st Bn attached to No 4 Command Depot. Coroner's inquest, <del>xxxxxth</del></p>		
		26th	<p>Weather fine and dull.</p> <p>Trainignas usual from 10 a.m. as per syllabus. Medical Inspevtion foe all Other Ranks from 0830 hrs 0930 Usual Battalion duties performed by selected working parties. Lieut W.R. Wishart 48th Bn Late 47th Bn took over duties of QM from Capt Fish W.P. who is proceeding on 10 weeks leave in U.K. in connection with 1914 Scheme, the former Officer has been carrying out the duties for Assistant Adjutant for some time past and has proved himself as a very satisfactory and capable Officer in these duties, having had considerable service as QM in France and in the likes he should find the new work extremely easy and will no doubt carry out his duties in as a capable manner as he has his duties that he is now relinquishing.</p>		
		27th	<p>Weather fine and dull. Church parades 0915 <del>in</del> RC 1 off 44 O/R C of E 12 offrs 189 O/R OPD 5 offrs 106 O/rkks. Isolation 1 Off 61 O/R Total 19 off 400 O/R.</p>		
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Hurdcott	28th Oct		<p>18. Weather fine and Dull                      Training as per weekly syllabus on Battalion Parade ground special P.T. instruction to all troops from 0900 to 0930. Gas instruction to all men in Trainign from 1430 to 1530 hrs. Lieut W.C. Fulton 14th Bn marched out on Loan to 1st TBde SuttonVery. Equipping of Signallers under orders for Overseas 30th inst, from 1330hrs by QM. night operations cancelled on account of insufficient number of men available. CO's Inspection of Draft under Orders at BOR 1400 hrs.</p>	
	29th		<p>Weather fine and dull.                      Training as per syllabus on parade grounds. Brigade Commanders inspection of Draft at HQtrs at 0930 hrs. 5 O/rks through and fired live Bombs and qualified in all standard tests. 22 O/Rks passed preliminary gas tests prior to passing through Gas chamber. 3793 Cpl Land H.W. 15th Bn admitted 1st ADH from Sig School Dunstable.</p>	
	30th		<p>Weather Fine and dull                      Training as usual in morning on Parade ground. Football match in the afternoon between 14th and 12th TB's. resulting in a win for the former by 9-11 to 7-12. Cross Country race of 3 miles for members of 3rd Training Brigade several competitors from his TB the following places were secured by this TB of the first 6. First second and fourth. Starting point entrance between Camps Nos 6 &amp; 7 finishing point entrance No 5 Camp near Bde HQtrs. Route march for all Other Ranks who did not take part in any of the above events. from 1330 to 1600 hrs. of 6 miles 26 other ranks passed through the Gas chamber and qualified in all standard tests. the undermentioned NCO's marched out to the 1st TB to complete establishment of Training personnel. 2332 Sgt Agnes WM 15th Bn. 2584 Cpl Badderley P.R. 51st Bn. (Aldershot Cert. PT) 3388 Cpl Kelly M.O.D. 16th Bn 1st Class and distinguished Lewis Gun and 3797 Cpl Johnston W.H. 46th Bn 1st class Muskty. The following Officers and NCO's and O/Ranks proceed on 10 weeks leave in UK in connection with 1914 scheme. Capt W.W.P. Fish PSL QM, Lieut J. Leddy MM 45th Bn, Perm Cadre Lewis Gun. Lieut O.E. Ulcoy 46th Bn Perm Cadre Musk. 391 Sgt Evans H 15th Bn PC Sigs Instructor. 331 Sgt Hatcher F.J. 48th Bn PC Gas, 1185 Cpl Eason C.D. 30th Bn PC Gas. 981 Cpl McKenzie C.J. 45th Bn PC Drill. 412 Pte Moir A.D. 13th Bn BG Sigs, 779 Pte Hutten H. 16th LG Sigs. Draft of 18 o rks and 7 sigs proceeded Overseas at 11-30 hrs. Boxing tournament held in 14th TB Reg Institute Results were as follows. 4 Round contest Pte Webb 14th TB Versus Pte Wood 12th TB Pte Webb declared winner on points. 6 Round contest Cpl Weeks 14th TB Versus Pte Baker 12th TB. Cpl Weeks declared winner. 10 Rounds contests Pte McLeod 14th TB v Pte Stewart 13th T<sup>D</sup> pte Stewart declared winner, very good fight.</p>	
	31st		<p>Weather fine. Training as usual on Parade ground. 15 Other Ranks on Bombg. Instruction. and firing of Rifle grenades. Lieut J.A. Stanton 46th Bn marched in from Adinaust" London for duty with this Battalion after being some months in Convales. Hosp. 6349 Cpl Walker G.W. 16th B<sup>N</sup> returned from Ho P W 17/11/14. 250,000/1/1/14. Sch on Form G. 2118.</p>	



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Hurdcott,	31st October	1918	<p>31st (Continued)</p> <p>20 other Ranks placed Under orders for Overseas on the 6th Proximo. Funeral of Pte Turner 51st Battalion employed as Dentist HS Personnel at 14th TB took place, leaving Fovant Military Hospital 1400 hrs. for place of interment in Compton Chamberlain Cemetery. All members of his Battalion in this TB attended funeral in addition to firing party and pall bearers and band also supplied from this TB. Chaplain the Rev McEvoy RC from 14th TB officiated at the graveside and Lieut C.J.G. Edwards 50th Bn 12th TB was in charge of the whole parade. Capt W.M. Amphlett AADS marched out to Hqtrs London.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>A.R. Blainey</i> .....Capt A/COMMANDING 12th TRAINING BATTALION AIF</p>	

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## APPENDIX

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DAILY			STRENGTH			
Date	Rations Officers.	O/Ranks.	On Parade		Battalion Strength	
			Officers	O/Ranks	Officers	O/Ranks
1918						
October 1	32	947	19	626	n 42	1108
2	29	966	16	642	41	1120
3	30	910	17	571	41	1080
4	33	848	20	554	42	1065
5	34	810	21	559	42	1071
6	34	806	21	803	42	1070
7	33	803	20	519	42	1070
8	27	791	17	496	42	1055
9	29	863	16	563	41	1051
10	30	805	15	511	39	1000
11	28	803	16	512	39	994
12	27	766	16	488	43	1001
13	27	762	16	507	43	1003
14	28	750	17	479	43	998
15	24	766	16	479	43	1005
16	25	808	14	507	43	1009
17	24	802	13	511	42	1008
18	22	667	11	384	43	887
19	23	638	12	372	43	905
20	23	632	12	367	43	904
21	25	640	14	353	43	903
22	27	656	16	383	43	926
23	24	671	13	383	43	919
24	25	662	14	379	43	909
25	26	665	14	385	43	900
26	27	663	15	406	43	923
27	29	677	17	402	42	923
28	28	698	17	417	42	924
29	26	698	15	412	42	929
30	26	718	15	433	42	926
31	22	682	11	408	42	901.

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NUMBERS OF REINFORCEMENTS

Date 1918	Received from Australia		Depot)		Despatched O/Seas	
	Officers	Other Ranks	In Training Offrs	O/Ranks	Officers	O/Ranks
Oct 1			5	790		
2			5	807		20
3			5	776		
4			5	776	1	
5			4	763		
6			4	762		
7			4	762		
8			4	741		
9			4	738		45
10			4	686		
11			4	681		
12			4	689		
13			4	693		
14			4	688		
15			4	697		
16			4	701		
17			4	702		16
18			4	586		
19			4	603		
20			4	603		
21			4	604		
22			4	626		
23			4	621		8
24			4	612		
25			4	606		
26			4	630		
27			4	630		
28			4	631		
29			4	636		
30			4	636		23
31			4	610		
----- Nil. -----					1	112.

*AR Kilmurray Capt*

Hurdcott.  
2-11-1918.

.....Lieut-Col.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion. AIF.

12th TRAINING BATTALION AIF

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SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 1918

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A P P E N D I X "D"

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STATISTICS

Date	HOSPITAL		SICK PARADE		DENTAL PARADE	
	Officers	O/Ranks	Officers	O/Ranks	Officers	O/Ranks
1918						
Oct 1	3	38	X	4		5
2	3	39		8		2
3	4	45		17		2
4	4	39		5		5
5	4	39		2		2
6	4	40		14		2
7	4	43		17		10
8	4	45		13		4
9	4	44		18		5
10	4	48		20		7
11	4	51		22		9
12	4	52		10		3
13	4	50		4		2
14	4	52		10		4
15	4	58		11		5
16	4	61		22		7
17	4	73		13		7
18	4	75		4		4
19	4	79		11		2
20	3	81		6		3
21	3	82		17		4
22	3	82		8		5
23	3	87		13		3
24	3	81		13		10
25	3	81		9		2
26	3	74		3		4
27	3	77		2		6
28	3	73		14		12
29	3	80		18		8
30	3	81		13		3
31	3	74		18		4

*AR Blainey*

Hurdcott.  
2-11-1918.

.....Lieut-Col.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion.AIF.

WAR DIARY FOR OCTOBER 1918.

## APPENDIX.

## TRAINING OFFICER'S SUMMARY.

As per Syllabus Training continued during month and standard maintained.

547 Reinforcements under training at 1st Month ; 112 reinforcements marched out overseas during month and 143 to 9th.T.B. and 102 signallers marched in during month, leaving 350 in training at end of month.

The low strength of men under training during month necessitated considerable extra duty for men in way of picquets Guards; and working parties.

Great improvement in Regimental Quarter Guard; the Guards turned out now are a credit to the Orderly Officer Lt F.P. Pring and R.S.M. Lindsay M.C.

Competition keen amongst various Companies as to the Best Guard for week for which a special prize of tobacco is given.

No loss of training occurred through weather conditions as existing facilities for indoor training are excellent.

Work continues on musketry area and in a few weeks time it is hoped to finish what I consider "the best musketry area" in A.I.F. Depots.

We are aiming at having a "Musketry Area" capable of dealing with 200 recruits per hour; methinks unless something sensational happens in Australia the recruits will not be available.

Considerable dissatisfaction existed amongst troops who were marched out to reinforce 3rd. Australian Division after being in this T.B. over a month and allotted to Battalions in 4th. Division.

Reinforcements who marched in from Australia on being allotted to a battalion immediately take an interest in that battalion and when subsequently transferred to another unit are very much disappointed. This in my opinion tends to lower the standard of efficiency aimed at.

A complete Company staff sent to 1st T.B. "ON LOAN" for training purposes owing to influx of reinforcements from Australia the staff at 1st T.B. not being strong enough to train reinforcements on strength.

The training staff at ~~this~~ this T.B. depleted owing to 1914 leave personnel marching out. Staff at present capable of carrying on with number of reinforcements at our disposal but should any increase occur difficulty will be encountered unless extra staff sent from France.

Discipline good as shewn by low percentage of orderly room cases for month.

There is a growing tendency amongst N.C.Os on cadre to return to their "Units in the Field" (without permission of course) and unless Headquarters assist us in having these N.C.Os returned considerable trouble is going to occur.

The situation is appreciated as it is the natural desire of any soldier to be with his unit in the field i.e. if he thinks of it as he should.

"SPORTS" Football and hockey Matches, cross country runs, carried out every week and very keenly contested; men who do not take part in any form of sport are sent on a route march for necessary exercise; naturally numbers on parade for route march very low. Several boxing contests took place large attendance and some fine bouts witnessed.

Improvements to camp ably carried out under direction of Lt. F.P. Pring (B.O.O.), work hampered owing to scarcity of men; impossible to release men from training for working parties.

In conclusion I wish to place on record my appreciation of excellent services rendered to this T.B. by Training Staff (all branches).

*A.R. Pring*  
Captain.  
A/Commanding 12th. Training Battalion.

HURDCOTT.  
11-11-18.



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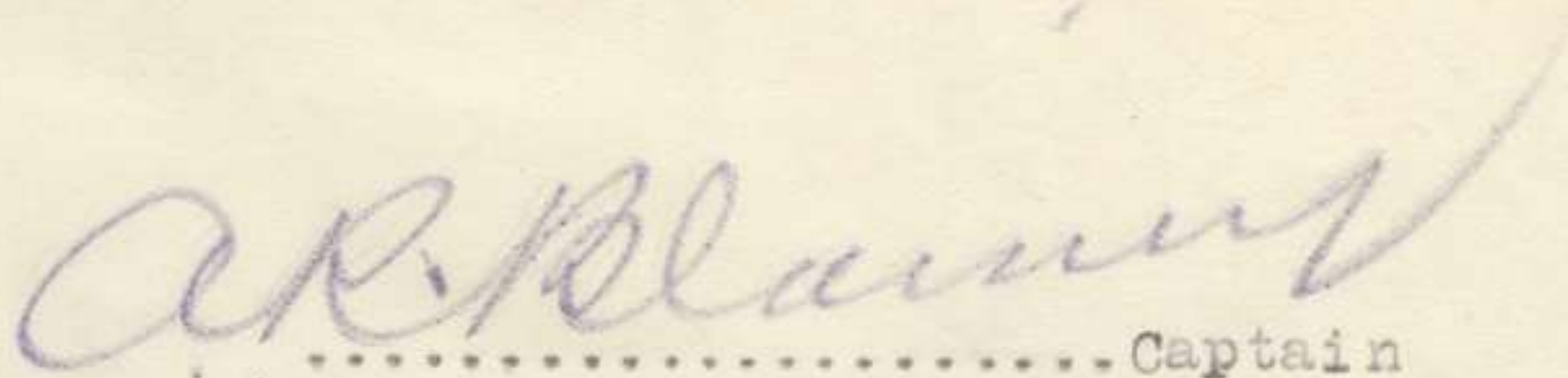
## APPENDIX "F"

## REPORT ON DISCIPLINE

- 1 The outstanding feature of months under review may be classed thus:-
  - (a) Influenza Epidemic
  - (b) Uncertainty of allocation of personnel
  - (c) Complications owing to shortage of men and extra duties and sickness.
- 2 The world-wide Influenza epidemic naturally appears in the Camp despite all precautions and during the month 140 cases were admitted to Hospital being 45% of strength, only two deaths occurred. The adequate arrangements made for its combat were efficacious inasmuch as the sick rate for the month increased by only 43% over the previous month. It is now on the wane.
- 3 Considerable heartburning has been caused by drafts marching in, staying a few days and marching out again to other depots probably on account of errors of administration higher up. If however these were errors they have happened and recriminations are useless.
- 4 The above two items coupled with the inordinate number of duties we are supplying and the good War news causing a rush of applications to return to Australia of C Class men, the loan of a whole company Cadre to 1st Training Brigade and the dispatch to Australia of 1914 men has led to a multiplication of duties amongst personnel to such an extent that training of A Class men has been impaired and necessitates all losing 1 week training. If weird pickets and guards are needed they must be supplied but men cannot be expected to run around half the night on picket and train all day, every day. It won't go, and as a result training suffers in consequence.
- 5 Strength of Battalion has fallen from (Ration strength) 979 on 1-10-18 to 706 on 1-11-18, consequent on 112 men proceeding overseas on draft and none arriving from Australia. Signal school has maintained its strength and is producing good results.
- 6 Discipline generally has been well maintained only 51 crimes being recorded during the month and no serious offences. We are not helped in this respect by immunity afforded to some members of the Permanent Cadre who have gone back to France without authority. It is the natural desire of any man to get to France rather than stay in a Training Battalion in England, but similarly it is a soldier's duty to obey orders to remain and if he escapes punishment for infringements of Regulations then discipline is impaired.
- 7 Health generally has been maintained the Influenza figures of course being taken as exceptional. There were 60 cases of Scabies and three of Diphtheria and three of Mumps. VD decreased considerably on last month, E.T. being well patronised.
- 8 Recreational training received consideration in matter of Concerts Boxing, football, running all under the able control of Captain Blainey.
- 9 Camp is improving as far as dilatoriness of D.Q.R.E. allows. Many applications having generally to be made for anything to be done. Although taken over on 13th September 1918 we have not yet got entire possession of the Camp, nor are all parts in working order, the drains and roofs needing considerable attention. Captain Fish proceeded on long leave and his place being taken by Lieut Wishart. Equipment generally up to standard. One portion of camp has been temporarily loaned to 14th Training Bn. on account of Hospital requiring portion of their camp.
- 10 Food generally is good, but inadequate when it is considered that an adjacent unit receives 50% more rations, this paving the way to general discontent. The addition of supper meal by order has not met with much support so far, the quality possibly being to an extent the prime factor as only thin soup can be provided out of ration. Generally speaking no complaints have been made, the whole working admirably under Lieut I.A. Macindoe.
- 11 Training is the subject of special report by Adjutant, but lack of faculties for training, and training grounds etc are still very apparent in comparison with more fortunately situated Units, but the best is made of it by the training staff under Capt Bremner DSO.
- 12 Morale is good, if the comparative immunity from private letters by

men to G.O.C. is considered as a criterion.  
13 Special Medical and QM's reports attached.

Hurdcott,  
6th November 1918



..... Captain  
A/COMMANDING 12th TRAINING BATTALION AIF



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GS/ CPM.

12th Training Battalion. AIF.

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MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER. 1918.

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Sanitary conditions in Camps Nos. 7 & 8 were very satisfactory, and all drains etc were well cleaned out.

General conditions of lines throughout were very good.

Very few cases of infectious diseases during the month.

The Influenza Epidemic slightly affected these camps, but the precautions taken against this were extremely successful, and all men are again on parade.

Hurdcott.

SIGNED. G. SAXBY. CAPTAIN.  
R.M.O. 12th Training Battalion. AIF.

## WAR DIARY

Summary of Schools of Instruction, attended by Officers and NCO's during  
the month of October 1918

## APPENDIX

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No &	Rank	Name	Unit	School attended	Classification
Lieut		WAKELIN F.W.	50th Bn	Mask. Tidworth	1st Class
1360	Sgt	MERRILES A.	13th Bn	" "	" "
3806	"	COLLINS J.	51st Bn	" "	" "
2870	"	PHILLIPS T.V.	49th Bn	" "	" "
2269	"	PETERS E.A.	51st Bn	" "	" "
2784	"	BURGESS D.W.	49th Bn	" "	" "
1918	"	JEFFRIES J.C.	49th Bn	" "	" "
144	"	WATSON J.E.	14th Bn	" "	" "
716	Cpl	CUNNINGHAM H.H.	14th Bn	" "	" "
53717	A/Cpl	ELLIS V.B.	13th Bn	" "	" "
54403	"	COSTELLO E.A.	45th Bn	" "	" "
51898	"	MILLER E.G.	50th Bn	" "	" "
7017	"	FORCE A.	50th Bn	" "	" "
54547	"	DENNISON H.W.	45th Bn	" "	" "
54437	"	HUGG B.	45th Bn	" "	" "
53697	"	ROACH W.H.	13th Bn	" "	At School
53784	"	HUMPHRIES E.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53779	"	NESBITT L.J.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53727	"	FLYNN J.M.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53766	"	McCANN W.A.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53722	"	FARR V.G.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53703	"	CHAMBERS C.R.	13th Bn	" "	" "
53780	"	NICHOLLS L.J.	13th Bn	" "	" "
5389	Sgt	KASTBERG E.W.	48th Bn	Bombing Lyndhurst	2nd Class
Lieut		W.C. FULTON	14th Bn	" "	1st do
3542	Sgt	SEDGEWICK L.S.	50th Bn	" "	1st do
23	"	CARSON H.	51st Bn	" "	1st do
5335	Cpl	BLANKS F.W.R.	45th Bn	" "	1st do
Lieut		M.J. LOGAN	15th Bn	" "	At School
3424	Sgt	MUIR P.F.	14th Bn	" "	" "
791	"	HALLIDAY E.A.	48th Bn	" "	" "
2444	"	ARMOUR E.	46th Bn	GAs. Chiseldon.	" "
1761	Cpl	GRIEG J. T. W.	51st Bn	PT. & BF. Devonport.	Rec. Alder.
4166	"	CURRAN C.E.	45th Bn	" "	" "
3328	"	SMITH V.P.	15th Bn	" "	" "
		Lieut. McDOWALL M.B.T.			
		MC. MM.	48th Bn	" "	At School.
5861	Cpl	RYAN J.	50th Bn	" "	" "
3584	"	BADDELEY T.R.	51st Bn	" Aldershot.	Good.
3344	Pte	MAYNARD C.J.	46th Bn	Cookery. Gosport.	Qualified.
3865	"	CLEAVER A.E.	13th Bn	" "	At School.
3577	Sgt	BAACKWOOD H.W.	15th Bn	Drill. Chelsea.	Good.
4766	"	DUFF L.R.	45th Bn	" "	" "
3888	"	PRICE W.A.	45th Bn	" "	" "
		Lieut. MURIEL A.J.C.	46th Bn	" "	At School.
3312	Sgt	PLATT T.G.	15th Bn	" "	" "
3308	"	GARLICK R.	15th Bn	" "	" "
		Lieut. BARWOOD C.F.	15th Bn	Lewis Gun. Tidworth.	1st Class.
4892	Sgt	RAPER R.B.	15th Bn	" "	" " Dis.
791	"	HALLIDAY E.A.	48th Bn	" "	" Class.
1129	"	DAVEY C.R.	50th Bn	" "	" "
		Lieut. KIELAR R.C.	51st Bn	Signals Dunstable.	" "
3113	Sgt	HAMBURGER W.	48th Bn	" "	" "
		Lieut. ROBERTSON G.R.	45th Bn	" "	At School.
3793	Cpl	LAND H.W.	15th Bn	" "	" "
2919	Sgt	RAWNSLEY H.	50th Bn	" "	" "
3238	Cpl	BULLEN H.	49th Bn	" "	" "
2919	Sgt	RAWNSLEY H.	50th Bn	Fullerphone. Boyton.	92% V. Good.
2570	Cpl	CALLOW R.M.	14th Bn	" "	94% do
696	"	WOODWARD H.M.	13th Bn	" "	90% do
2892	Pte	ABEL J.S.	46th Bn	" "	V. Good.
3239	"	LOVEDAY T.L.	49th Bn	" "	" "
2515	"	PEARSON J.G.	46th Bn	" "	" "

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Summary of Schools of Instruction Attended by Officers & N.C.O'S during the month of October.1918. Continued.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Unit.	School Attended	Result.
2868	L/Cpl.	THOMAS. H.	13th Bn.	Fullerphone. Boyton.	At School.
2882	"	CLUTTERBUCK.W.T.	51st Bn	Bicycle Repairs. Woolwich.	V.Good.
1880	"	BOAST. J.	49th Bn	" "	At School.

*Approved*

Hurdcott.  
4-11-1918.

.....Lieut-Col.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion.AIF.

W A R.

D I A R Y.

Table of Offences and Convictions for October. 1918.

Date.	A.W.L.	A.A. Sec. 40.	Sec.11.	9(2)	Remanded for D.C.M.	Dismissed.	Convictions.
Oct. 1918.							
1st.	1	1	1	-	-	-	2
2nd.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3rd.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
4th.	1	X	-	-	-	-	1
5th.	1	2	1	-	-	-	4
7th.	3	2	1	-	-	2	4
8th.	1	1	-	-	(1) DCM.	-	2
9th.	1	1	-	-	-	-	1
10th.	1	1	-	1	(1) DCM.	1	2
11th.	X	-	1	-	-	-	1
15th.	2	1	-	-	-	1	2
17th.	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
18th.	-	-	4	-	-	-	4
22nd.	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
23rd.	1	-	2	-	-	-	3
25th.	-	1	2	-	-	1	2
26th.	3	-	-	-	-	1	2
29th.	2	-	2	-	-	2 1	3
30th.	1	-	2	-	-	1	2
31st.	2	1	-	-	(2) DCM.	-	3
Totals.	22	12	16	1	4	8	43

51 Cases before C.O.  
 8 Dismissed.  
 43 Convictions.

Number of Illegal Absentees at 30-9-18.-- 46  
 Number Declared during month. 3  
 Deleted from Register. 2  
 Number at present date..... 47

*W.R. Blainey*  
 .....Lieut-Col  
 Commanding 12th Training Battalion.AIF.

WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING, ---5TH OCTOBER 1918. 19

MORNING.

AFTERNOON.

No. 2. GROUP, 3rd Week of Training.  
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CAPTAIN. P.J.HAYES.  
Lieut. H.R.Hillman.  
Lieut. W.C.Fulton.  
Cadet. W.M. Bills.

Hour.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"A"	"B"	"C"
1st.	P. T.	Sq. Drl.	Musk.	Bombg.	B. F.	Muskty.	C.O.Drl.
2nd.	Muskty.	P. T.	Bombg.	Sq.Drl.	C.O.Drl.	B. F.	Musk.
3rd.	Sq.Drl.	Bombg.	P. T.	Muskty.	Muskty.	C.O.Drl.	B.F.
4th.	Bombg.	Muskty.	Sq.Drl.	P. T.			

No. 3. GROUP, 8th Week of Training.

CAPT.(Hon Mjr) WILKINSON.E.A.  
Lieut.H.J.Logan.  
Lieut. C.G.Edwards.  
2/Lieut.R.Whiteborne.  
Cadet. F.Beck.

Hour.	"E"	"F"	"G"	"H"	"D"	"E"	"F"
1st.	P. T.	C.O.Drl.	G.M.C.	Bombg.	B.F.	Gas.Drl.	E.O.Drl.
2nd.	Bombg.	P. T.	C.O.Drl.	G.M.C.	E.O.Drl	B. F.	Gas Drl.
3rd.	G.M.C.	Bombg.	P. T.	C.O.Drl	Gas Drl	E.O.Drl	B. F.
4th.	C.O.Drl	G.M.C.	Bombg.	P. T.			

No. 4 GROUP, 12th & 14th Weeks of Training. 4,

CAPT.R.W.HARDY.M.C.  
Lieut.H.E.McDermott.  
Lieut.L.A.Henderson.  
Cadet. R.Burges.

Hour.	"I"	"J"	"K"	"L"	"G"	"H"	"I"
1st.	P. T.	Pln Attk. Op.Warf.	Musk & Fire Ords. Rpd Ldg, Discipl.	Bomb. Tacts.	Bayonet Assault Course	Rdp Wir. Intrchg	Gas Drl
2nd.	Bombg. Tactics	P. T.	Pln Attk Op.Warf.	Musk & Fire Rpd Ldg. Discipl.	Gas Drl.	Bayonet Assault Course	Rpd Wir. Intrchg
3rd.	Musk & Fire Ords. Rpd Ldg.Discipl.	Bombg Tacts.	P. T.	Pln Attk Op.Warf.	Rpd.Wir. Intrchg.	Gas Drl.	Bayonet Assault Course.
4th.	Pln Attk. Op.Warf.	Orders. Discipl.	Bombg Tacts.	P. T.			

SPECIALIST OFFICERS.

DRILL, Captain. P.J.Hayes.  
MUSKERY, Lieut. O.E.Uleq.& Lieut.Hillman.(Asst)  
BOMBING, Lieut. C. Thompson. DCM.  
LEWIS GUN, Lieut. J. Leddy. IM.  
GAS, Lieut. S.Harris.  
P.T.&.B.F. Lieut. T.J.Carr.

ANTI-GAS. Route March will be carried out with continuous wearing of Box Respirators for the 8th to 14th weeks of Training on Monday & Friday from 8 to 9pm  
These men will be dismissed from their respective parades at 4.p.m. and will fall in on Battalion Parade Ground at 7-45 pm.

12th-14th weeks of Training---Bombing (LiveBombs) & Lewis Gun,  
8th-14th weeks of Training who have not yet fired G.M.C. will parade on Range this week. Further particulars later.

P.T.O.

No. 1. GROUP. 1st Week of Training.

LIEUT. E. J. T. McDOUGALL.  
2/Lieut. A. C. MacC. (Hon Capt.)  
2/Lieut (Hon Lieut) Colyer. C. C.

Hour.	"M"	"N"	"O"	"P"	"J"	"K"	"L"
1st.	P. T.	Sq. Drl.	Muskty.	Bombg.	B. F.	Muskty.	C. O. Drl.
2nd.	Muskty.	P. T.	Bombg.	Sq. Drl.	C. O. Drl.	B. F.	Muskty.
3rd.	Sq. Drl.	Bombg.	P. T.	Muskty.	Muskty.	C. O. Drl.	B. F.
4th.	Bombg.	Muskty.	Sq. Drl.	P. T.			

All men in the 8th and above weeks of Training who have not yet passed through the Gas Tests, will fall in on the Battalion Parade Ground on a separate marker at 1-45pm on Tuesday the 1st October 1918, for preliminary tests. They will also parade on the same marker on Wednesday at 7-45 am ready to pass through the Gas Chamber.

Box Respirators will be drawn from the A.M. before Tuesday. Further particulars will be rendered to Companies 1 etc.

*W. BRENNER Capt*  
Lieut- Colonel.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion A.I.F.

Sub. Co. 28-9-1918.

NOTE. :-

The above Syllabus of Training will be used for Monday 30-9-18 and commencing on Tuesday 1st October, the 4th Hour "D", "E", "L", & "P" squads will be cut out, therefore leaving one squad per hour in the morning's programme of work.

The afternoon's programme of work will ~~not be~~ not be altered.

WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING... 12TH OCTOBER 1918

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MORNING.

AFTERNOON.

No. 1. GROUP, 2nd Week of Training.

LIEUT. M.B.E. McDOWALL.  
2/Lieut. A.V. Wade. (Hon Capt)  
2/Lieut. (Hon Lieut) Colyer. C.

Hour.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"A"	"B"	"C"
1st.	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	Muskty.	B. F.	Bombing.	C.O. Drill
2nd.	Musketry	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	C.O. Drill.	B. F.	Bombing
3rd.	Sq. Drill.	Musketry	P. T.	Bombing.	C.O. Drill.	B.

No. 2. GROUP, 4th Week of Training.

LIEUT. M.J. LOGAN.  
Lieut. H.R. Hillman.  
Lieut. W.C. Fulton.  
Cadet. W.M. Bills.

Hour.	"D"	"E"	"F"	"D"	"E"	"F"
1st.	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	Muskty.	B. F.	Bombing	C.O. Drill.
2nd.	Musketry	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	C.O. Drill.	B. F.	Bombg.
3rd.	Sq. Drill.	Musketry.	P. T.	Bombg.	C.O. Drill.	B. F.

No. 3 GROUP, 9th Week of Training.

CAPTAIN. (Hon Maj) WILKINSON. H. MC  
Lieut. Muriel. A.J.C. MC.  
Cadet. F. Beck.

Hour.	"G"	"H"	"I"	"G"	"H"	"I"
1st.	P. T.	Muskty. Fire Ords	Pln Drngl. Attack.	B. F.	Gas Drill.	Bombg.
2nd.	Pln Trng Attack.	P. T.	Muskty Fire Ords	Bombg.	B. F.	Gas Drill
3rd.	Muskty & Fire Ords.	Pln Trng Attack.	P. T.	Gas Drill.	Bombg	B. F.

No. 4 GROUP, 13th & 14th Weeks of Training.

CAPTAIN. W.R. HARBURN. MC  
Lieut. L.A. Henderson  
Lieut. J.H. Julin. MC

Hour.	"J"	"K"	"L"	"J"	"K"	"L"
1st.	P. T.	Pln Attk Op. Warf.	Musk & Fire Orders. Rpd Loadg. Disp.	Bayonet Assault Course	Bombg Tactics.	Gas Drill
2nd.	Musk & Fire Orders. Rpd. Loadg. Disp.	P. T.	Pln Attk Op. Warf.	Gas Drill	Bayonet Assault Course	Bombg Tactics. Bayo
3rd.	Pln Attk. Op. Warf.	Musk & Fire Orders. Rpd Loadg. Disp.	P. T.	Bombg Tactics.	Gas Drill	Ass Cou

SPECIALIST OFFICERS.

DRILL, CAPTAIN (HON MAJ) H.A.F. WILKINSON. MC.  
MUSK, LIEUT. O.E. ULCOQ. (Lieut. Hillman. Assist.)  
BOMBING LIEUT. C. THOMPSON. DCM.  
L.GUN, LIEUT. J. LEDDY. MC.  
GAS, LIEUT. S. HARRIS.  
PT. & BF, LIEUT. G.C. EDWARDS.

P.T.O.

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WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING.....12TH OCTOBER 1918.

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ANTI-GAS

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9-14 weeks of Training — BOMBING. (Live Bombs) & Lewis Gun.

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ALL men in the 9th and above weeks of Training who have not yet passed through their Gas Tests, will fall in on the Battalion parade ground on a separate marker at 1.30 pm on Tuesday, 8th inst, for Preliminary Tests. They will also parade on the same marker on Wednesday at 8.30 am ready to pass through the Gas Chamber. Box Respirators will be drawn from the Q.M. before Tuesday. Further particulars will be rendered to Companies later.

Burdett.  
5th October 1918.

*W. J. Burdett*  
Lieut.-Col.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion.



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WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 19th. OCTOBER 1918

MORNING. AFTERNOON

No. 1. GROUP 3rd. Week of Training. Lieut. A. J. C. Hurriel MC;  
2/Lieut. A. O. Wade. (Hon. Capt)  
2/Lieut. C. Colyer (Hon. Lt.)

Hour.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"A"	"B"	"C"
1st.	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	Musketry.	B. F.	Bombing.	C.O. Drill.
2nd.	Musketry.	P. T.	Sq. Drill.	C.O. Drill.	B. F.	Bombing.
3rd.	Sq. Drill	Musketry.	P. T.	Bombing.	C.O. Drl.	B. F.

No. 2. GROUP 5th. Week of Training. Lieut. M. J. Logan.  
Lieut. O. E. Ulcoq.

Hour.	"D"	"E"	"F"	"D"	"E"	"F"
1st.	P. T.	C.O. Drl.	Musketry.	B. F.	Rifle. Bmb.	E.O. Drl.
2nd.	Musketry.	P. T.	C.O. Drl.	E.O. Drl.	B. F.	Rifle. Bb
3rd.	C.O. Drl.	Musketry.	P. T.	Rifle Bomb.	E.O. Drill.	B. F.

No. 3. GROUP 10th. & 14th. Weeks of Training. Capt. (HON. Mjr) Wilkinson H.  
Lieut. L. A. Henderson.  
Lieut. J. H. Julian MC.

Hour.	"G"	"H"	"I"	"G"	"H"	"I"
1st.	P. T.	Pln. Attk. Op. Warf.	Musk & Fire Ord. Rpd. Ldg. Disap.	Bayonet Assault Course.	Bombg. Tactics.	Gas Drill
2nd.	Musk & Fire Ord. Rpd. Ldg. Discip	P. T.	Pln. Attk. Op. Warf.	Gas Drill.	Bayonet Assault Course.	Bombg. Tactics.
3rd.	Pln. Attk. Op. Warf.	Musk & F. Ord. Rpd. Ldg. Dise.	P. T.	Bombg. Tactics.	Gas Drill.	Bayonet Assault Course.

SPECIALIST OFFICERS.	DRILL.	CAPTAIN (HON. MJR.) H. A. F. WILKINSON
	MUSK.	LIEUT. H. R. HILMAN.
	BOMBING.	LIEUT. C. THOMPSON DCM.
	L. GUN.	LIEUT. J. LEDDY MM.
	GAS.	LIEUT. S. HARRIS.
	PT & BF.	LIEUT. G. C. EDWARDS.

ANTI-GAS. Route march will be carried out with the continuous wearing of Box Respirators for the 5th. to 14th. weeks of training on Monday and Friday from 7 to 8 p.m.

These men will be dismissed from their respective parades at 3-30 p.m., and will fall in on the Battalion parade ground at 4-45 p.m.

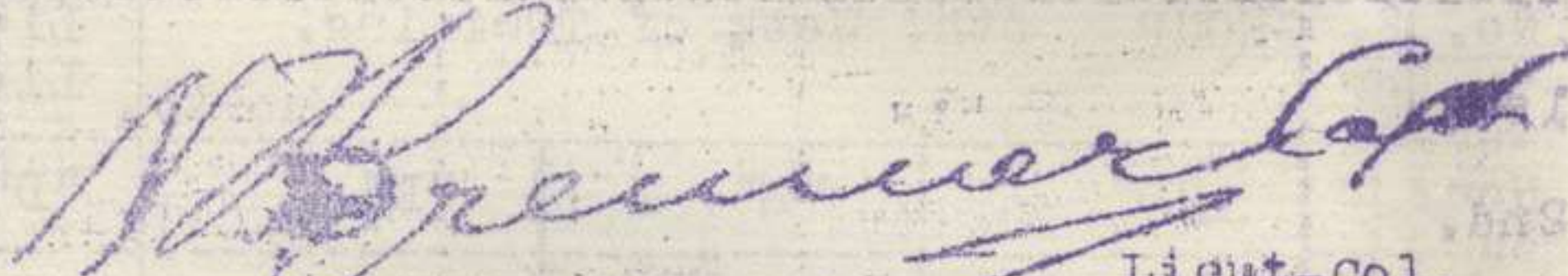
10-14th. weeks of training. . . . . BOMBING. (Live Bombs) & Lewis Gun

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ALL men in the 10-14th weeks of Training who have not yet passed through their Gas Tests, will fall in on the Battalion parade ground on a separate marker at 1-30pm on Tuesday 15th inst for Preliminary Tests. They will also parade on the same marker on Wednesday at 8-30am ready to pass through the Gas Chamber. Box Respirators will be drawn from the Q.M. before Tuesday. Further particulars will be rendered to Companies later.

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11-10-18.

  
Lieut-Col.  
Commanding 1th Training Battalion. A.I.F.

WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 26th OCTOBER, 1918.

MORNING.

AFTERNOON.

No. 1. GROUP. 4th Week of Training.				Lieut. A.J.C. Wariel. MC. Lieut. J.H. Julin. MC.		
Hour.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"A"	"B"	"C"
1st.	P. T.	C.O. Drill	Muskty.	B. F.	Bombing.	E.O. Drl.
2nd.	Muskty.	P. T.	C.O. Drl.	E.O. Drl.	B. F.	Bombg.
3rd.	C.O. Drl.	Muskty.	P. T.	Bombg.	E.O. Drl.	B. F.
No. 2. GROUP. 6th Week of Training.				Lieut. O.E. Uleog.		
Hour.	"D"	"E"	"F"	"D"	"E"	"F"
1st.	P. T.	E.O. Drl.	Muskty.	B.F.	Rifle Bomb	Pltn Drl.
2nd.	Muskty.	P. T.	E.O. Drl.	Pltn Drl.	B. F.	Rif. Bomb.
3rd.	E.O. Drl.	Muskty.	P. T.	R. Bomb.	Pltn Drl.	B.F.
No. 3. GROUP. 11-14th Weeks of Training.				Captain (Hon Mjr) Wilkinson.		
Hour.	"G"	"H"	"I"	"G"	"H"	"I"
1st.	P. T.	Pln Attk	Musk & Fire	Bayonet	Bombg	Gas.
	Musk & Fire	Op. Warf.	Ord. Rpd.	Assault	Tacts.	Drl.
2nd.	Ord. Rpd. Ldg		Ldg. Discp.	CCurse.	Bay. Asslt	Bomb
	Discipline.	P. T.	Pltn ttk	Gas	Course.	Tacts
3rd.	Pltn Attack	Musk & F	Op. Warfare	Drl.	Gas	Bayonet
	Op. Warfare.	Ord. Rpd.	P.T.	Bombg	Drill.	Assl. CO
		Ldg. Discp		Tacts.		

Specialist Officers. DRILL. CAPTAIN. ( HON. MJR) WILKINSON. H.A.F.MC.  
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ANTI-GAS.

ROUTE MARCH will be carried out with the continuous wearing of Box Respirators for the 4-14th weeks of training on Monday & Friday from 7 to 8 p.m.  
These men will be dismissed from their respective parades at 3-30 pm and will fall in on the Bn Parade Ground at 6-45 pm.

11-14th Weeks of Training.....BOMBING.(Live Bombs) & Lewis Gun.

GAS TESTS?

ALL men in the 11-14 weeks of training who have not yet passed through their Gas Tests, will fall in on the Battalion parade ground on separate marker at 1-30 pm on Tuesday 22nd inst for Preliminary Tests. They will also parade on the same marker on Wednesday at 8-45 am ready to pass through the Gas Chamber. Box Respirators will be drawn from the Gas NCO. No.2. Hut, No 7 Camp, on Tuesday afternoon.  
Further particulars will be rendered to companies later.

*W.R. Brewer* Capt

Lieut-Col.  
Commanding 12th Training Battalion. A.I.F.

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18-10-18.

WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 2nd NOVEMBER 1918.

MORNING				AFTERNOON.		
No.1. GROUP. 5th Week of Training.				LIEUT. J.H. JULIN. MC.		
Hour.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"A"	"B"	"C"
1st.	P. T.	C.O. Drill.	Musketry.	B. F.	Rifle Bomb.	C.O. Drill
2nd.	Musketry.	P. T.	C.O. Drill	C.O. Drill	B. F.	Rif. Bombs.
3rd.	C. O. Dril.	Musketry	P. T.	Rif. Bombs	E.O. Dril.	B. F.
No.2. GROUP. 7th Week of Training.				LIEUT. O.L. ULCOO.		
Hour.	"D"	"E"	"F"	"D"	"E"	"F"
1st.	P. T.	E.O. Drill.	Musketry.	B. F.	Rif. Bombs.	Pltn Dril.
2nd.	Musketry.	P. T.	E.O. Drill	Pltn Dril	B. F.	Rif. Bombs.
3rd.	E.O. Drill	Musketry	P. T.	<del>Musketry</del> Pltn Dril		B. F.
No.3. GROUP. 12-14th Weeks of Training.				CAPTAIN. (HON MJR) WILKINSON. MC.		
Hour.	"G"	"H"	"I"	"G"	"H"	"I"
1st.	P. T.	Pln Attack Open Warf.	Musk & Fire Ords. Rpd Ldg. Discipline.	Bayonet Assault Course.	Bombg Tactics.	Gas Drill
2nd.	Musk & Fire Ords. Rpd Ldg. Discepl.	P. T.	Pln Attk Open Warf.	Gas Drill.	Bay. Asslt Course	Bombg Tactics.
3rd.	Pln Attk Open Warf.	Musk & Fire Orders. Rpd Ldg. Discepl.	P. T.	Bombg Tactics.	Gas Drill.	Bay. Asslt Course.

Specialist Officers. DRILL. Captain. (Hon Mjr) Wilkinson. H.A. MC.  
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12-14th Weeks of Training.....BOMBING (LIVE BOMBS) & LEWIS GUN.

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*W. H. Brewer*  
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 Commanding 12th Training Battalion. A.I.F.

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HOME DEFENCE FORCES

3rd Composite Battalion. 5th. Salisbury Brigade.

XX BATTALION OPERATION ORDER NO. 3. Headquarters 2-10-18

X. Reference Sheet - Foyant 1; 20,000  
Salisbury 1; 65,560

1 The 3rd. Composite Battalion, less Transport, and plus Brass Bands of 12th and 14th. Training Battalions, A.I.F. will parade on the 14th Training Battalion Ground, Approximately C26a4.8 at 0815 on 5-10-18, and after inspection, will proceed by March Route to Barford St. Martin - Horsehoe Lane - Crompton Chamberlayne to starting point.

2 ORDER OF MARCH Pioneers - Signallers - Headquarters - 14th Training Battalion Band - "W" Coy & "X" Coy - 12th Training Battalion Band - "Y" Coy - "Z" Coys Police - Rear Party.

3 Personnel from 12th and 14th Training Battalions, A.I.F. as detailed in Secret Memo Z/10 of 2-10-18 will parade to complete Battalion to W.L. Pt. XIV; previous Orders re S.A.A. and Lewis Guns will be imperative.

4 DRESS:-  
Full marching Order, less blankets, full water bottles, Felt hats, turned up, Ground sheets neatly folded and under flap of haversack; steel helmets not carried.  
Officers wear web equipment, but O.S.C. and mounted Officers will not carry packs

5 A Rear Party of Captain H.M. YOUNG and one Platoon of "Y" Coy. , accompanied by R.M.O. ( Capt. J.A. SMITH) will march 250 Yds in rear, and collect any stragglers.

6. Marching out states will be handed to Adjutant on Ground, and Nominal Rolls in duplicate will be handed to the Adjutant by 1800 on 4-10-18. Each Officer must be in possession of a Nominal Roll of his Unit.  
O.S. C. Coys. will inspect their Commands prior to marching out

7 One marker per Coy. will report to R.S.M. on Ground at 0800

8. Strict March Discipline will be observed, and no man will be allowed to fall out.

9 Acknowledge.

Captain. Adjut.  
3rd Composite Battalion. H.D.F.

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12th. TRAINING BATTALION. A.I.F.

PROGRAMME OF SPORTS AND AMUSEMENTS FROM 9th to 16th OCTOBER, 1918

DATE	TIME OF STARTING	PLACE	EVENT
10-10-18	7.30 p.m.	Institute No. 7 Camp.	BOXING CONTESTS. (4) 14th T.B. & No. 4 C.D. competing.
11-10-18	7.30 p.m.	do do	CONCERT "KOOKABURRAS"
12-10-18	2 p.m.	9th T.B. GROUND fovant	RUGBY MATCH 12th. T.B. v 9th. T.B.
	2 p.m.	14th T.B. Training Ground	FOOTBALL MATCH. Australian Rules. 12th. T.B. v A.A.M.C.
	2 P.M.	Fovant Sports Ground	12th T.B. v LABOUR Corps. Association Rules.
15-10-18	7.30 p.m.	Institute No. 7 Camp	CONCERT "KANGAROOS"
18-10-18	7.30 p.m.	do do	CONCERT. "JESTERS"
18th	4.30 p.m.	Revolver Range	Officers' Revolver Competition.

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HURDCOTT.  
9-10-18.

P.R.I. 12th. T.B.

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11-10-18

Special pamphlets have been issued for distribution to all ranks in connection with A.I.F. Educational Scheme for

(a) War Period.

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explaining the principles underlying the scheme, and what must result, is properly applied, to

(a) The Individual A.I.F. Member

(b) Australia as a nation

and all ranks are enjoined to study the principles, and co-operate by volunteer movement toward obtaining the maximum results.

Company Commanders will explain to their Commands on a special Parade, whilst waiting for the V.D. Parade would be a suitable time to get all ranks together.

In the meantime the scheme is in embryo, and any member requiring more information can write direct to

The Director of Education,  
A.I.F. Headquarters,  
Horseferry Road,  
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W. D. Gray.