

WAR DIARY

OR

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
G 29 Bys.	27/3/16		Co training carried out as usual. Nothing of importance to note. Three orders rec'd for Thursday.	Cloudy & fog
	27/3/16		1 st Bn moves at 5 ³⁰ am from billets at G 29 Bys to Camp 'A' at about 25 ⁰⁰⁰ ft. arrives in good order and well closed up at 12 ³⁰ . 1 st Bn of Buffs moves out of our quarters night before.	Clear & cool
	28/3/16		Bathing principally, at Poperinghe. Comfortable but - weather bad.	Only rain in evening
	25/3/16		N. C.O. class started. Many men asked for jobs. Divisional duties, also arranged on Camp.	Clear & cool
	26/3/16		Church Parade of 3 rd Preacher. Capt. The Rev. R. Gordon (Ralph Brown) Preaching as usual in the afternoon. C.O. and 2 Co Comm went up to front line trenches 1 st Bn will take over.	Clearing up
	27/3/16		Training as usual, musketry, rapid loading, control of fire. 1 st Bn is about to take over from R.C.K. On way out enemy apparently sniping with small arms. Dropped 3 shells in field within 15 yards of party. Also shelling consistent.	Raining
	28/3/16		Morning getting ready to move at 8 ³⁰ pm. 1 st Bn fell in & entered at 8 ³⁰ for Camp. 4 th Coy which was loaded with transport and out of little gaps. Arriving to traffic and another 1 st Bn being on the scene road at the same time, it was necessary to move in single file. Fortunately shelling not heavy. 1 st Coy at Transport House moved by road to position in trenches. Relief completed at 3 ³⁰ am. No casualties.	Clear & cool
	29/3/16		Party of Scouts, Sgt. M.S. & official and 4 th Coy from each Coy went up during day to take over. Enemy very active with M.G.s and sniping during night. Put out wire party but they were opposed on by M.G. & came in. One man killed of 4 th Coy and 3 wounded. Party under 1 st Bn Training Officer, H. Gordon.	Strong wind
	30/3/16		6 th Scouts out. Arrived by one own route & killed. 4 th Coy of 1 st Bn on way up. Northumberland in morning. Enemy very active, sniping, M.G.s and a considerable amount of shelling with H.E. & shrapnel. Enemy aeroplanes very active. Anti aircraft guns brought up in no. 1. Those in support of our line.	Clear & cool
	31/3/16		Dis. & use of 4 th Coy & official to assist. H. Hamilton killed by 16 th Coy. 1 st Bn on way up. Have constructed 8. Post & sniper post and have adopted an aggressive policy against enemy and are determined to get the upper hand of him, giving him too far over in every way. Enemy shelled our front line & support, especially British dugouts. Capt. Atthburgh killed at 2 ³⁰ pm. by shrapnel. Buried in Maple Copse. Location shell 24 Bely & France I 24 C 58	Clear & cool
			About 10 H.E. shells dropped in Maple Copse during day at 2 ³⁰ & 5 ³⁰ pm. No damage.	

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