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WELLINGTON & CROMWELL HUTS	17-11-16 FRI		<p>C.O. went to Brigade in morning & explained operations to all officers & Serg^{ts} of Platoons in the afternoon In evening boys moved up to the front line via GRAVEL PIT. The Battⁿ was disposed in trenches in the following order from right Between OG 1 & LUCKY WAY { 'B' Coy 106 strong { 'A' " 114 "</p> <p>On LUCKY WAY Battⁿ Headquarters with runners, signallers, ammunition supply party, etc. From LUCKY WAY to W bank of BATTERY VALLEY { 'C' Coy 124 strong { 'D' " 111 "</p> <p>Each Coy had 2 groups of 1 N.C.O. & 6 men on outpost duty about 150 yds to their front during the night</p>	

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FRONT LINE TRENCHES	18-11-16 SAT		<p>ZERO day, ZERO hour 6-10 am. Outposts were withdrawn after Battⁿ moved into its assembly formation between 5-15 AM & 5-30 am. Assembly formation was artillery formation of 4 waves - each wave consisting of 4 Platoons, one of each Coy. Each Coy was distributed in depth & each Platoon divided into $\frac{1}{2}$ platoon groups at about 50 yards interval. Each group took cover in shell holes. Two waves were in front & 2 behind trenches occupied during night. 6-10 am barrage opened & groups moved forward. By time leading wave had advanced 50 yards in BATTERY VALLEY it became invisible to Battⁿ Hdqts owing to the darkness which was intensified by falling snow. Shortly after 6-30 am C.O. met O.C. A Coy (Major Fitzgerald) coming back along LUCKY WAY with a few men & the latter informed him that everybody had lost direction, & that he had been unable to get through the wire (R1408.6). Owing to the confusion & to heavy casualties he had considered it necessary to order the troops near him to withdraw Westwards. About 6-45 am there was a good deal of shelling & M.G. fire along LUCKY WAY & 2nd Lieut Gott (Col Regt) was killed.</p>	

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FRONT LINE TRENCHES	18-11-16 SAT		<p>about 7 am, C.O. reported to Brigade that the attack on our front had been unsuccessful & that it was not clear what was happening on the flanks. About 7-20 am one or two wounded men of C & D Coys reported that these Coys had borne to the left at the bend in BATTERY VALLEY, gone on with the 8/ Gloucesters & about 22 men of A & B Coys appear to have pushed through with the Gloucesters & endeavoured to consolidate beyond O.G. 2 in neighbourhood of R 8 & 81, but were ultimately compelled to withdraw & hold on to O.G. 1. A bombing post under Sgt Kimberley being established where the road joins the trench about R 14 & 48, this N.C.O. did excellent work & held on to his post stubbornly till the 8/ Gloucesters were ordered to withdraw on the night of 19/20th. He captured enemy ration parties coming out of the village on two successive nights. Just as it was getting dark an attempt was made by 9th Cheshire R to assault DESIRE TRENCH to the W of STUMP ROAD. The Res Battⁿ bombers & about 30 men were sent under the Bombing Officer to work in cooperation along LUCKYWAY</p>	
CASUALTIES			<p>Killed 2nd Lt A. E. Cott 2nd " E. R. Nutting Missing 2nd Lt Smart 65 O.R. 17 O.R.</p>	<p>Wounded Lt Barnes 2nd " Lander 2nd " Stammers 2nd " Worthington 2nd " Mann 2nd " Amor 2nd " Harcourt No missing believed killed 2nd Lt Needham 2nd " Burley</p>

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FRONT LINE TRENCHES	19-11-16 SUN		In the evening the Batt ⁿ was relieved by the 9 th R.W.F. (left of LUCKY WAY) & 8 th Wils (Right of LUCKY WAY) Coy proceeded to WELLINGTON HUTS HOSPITAL 2 nd Lieut Narcourt (wounded very slightly) went to hospital	
WELLINGTON HUTS	20-11-16 MON		Day devoted to cleaning clothing & equipment	
	21-11-16		2 nd Lieut Tucker (Lord Strathcona's Horse) joined and 2 nd " Bernard (Artists Rifles)	
WELLINGTON HUTS	21-11-16 TUES		Battalion marched via AVELUY, BOUZINCOURT, SENLIS, to billets at WARLOY afternoon spent in cleaning up	
WARLOY	22-11-16 WED		cleaning up & inspections, 1 hour steady drill morning & afternoon DRAFT 56.0R (3 rejoining) joined 4 men went on leave	
WARLOY	23-11-16 THU		Batt ⁿ marched via CONTAY & HE'RISSART to billets in RUE IMPRE, Inspection of clothing & equipment by OC Coy in afternoon	