

APPENDIX 'A'

ACTION 26th June - 1st July 1944.

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26th June 44.

Bn attacked as reserve Bn behind 2 Glas H and 9 Cams whose objectives were CHEUX and HANT de BOSQUE. 'A' Coy right forward, 'B' Coy left forward, 'C' and 'D' in reserve. During mopping up in woods behind the forward Bns, 'D' Coy (Comd Major Ashcroft) killed or captured about 40 Germans probably a Platoon, and 'A' Coy (Comd Major Blair) dealt with about 30 Germans in dug-outs within hedgerows.

At 1400 hrs Lt.Col Grant O.C. 7 Seaforth, directed 'B' Coy (Comd Major Bickersteth) supported by two tps of Churchills on to the high ground a mile south of CHEUX. 'B' Coy got  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile out of CHEUX and then got held up by machine guns on the reverse crest and the Churchills by A/Tk guns in the same position. This situation stabilised itself for the night. Casualties Major Bickersteth killed, Lt White, Lt Levay and Lt Keary wounded.

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APPENDIX 'B'

27th June 1944.

After a quiet night at about 0600 hrs 'C' Company (Comd Major Telfer) attacked round the left of the ridge, killed four Germans and had to withdraw from the forward slope owing to enemy mortars. At 1030 hrs 'D' Company attacked the high ground a mile north of CHEUX and found that the enemy had withdrawn. 'D' Company took up a forward slope position on the ridge without difficulty as 11th Armd Div had passed through on our right. At about 1700 hrs Bn of the Somerset Light Infantry took over the Bn positions and the Bn moved out just north of CHEUX for the night.

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APPENDIX 'C'

28th June, 1944.

The Bn with in support a Sqn of Churchills were ordered to advance on the X roads at 910636. The Sqn of tanks remained about a mile south of CHEUX having been warned against the possibility of German Mark VI Tanks between GRAINVILLE-SUR-ODON and COLLEVILLE. The advance was continued with two companies on independant axis 'A' Coy left, 'D' Coy right. After a stiff advanced guard action both Companies reached the X Roads and the Bn reorganised and dug in round the X roads. (Officer casualties were high that day Major Telfer, Major Ashcroft and Lieut Mackintosh were killed.)

In the afternoon a patrol of 2 secs of carrier and two dets of 3" mortars commanded by Lieut Hills were sent south to contact The Argylls of 227 Bde at the bridge 915622 and to assist them to hold it until they were properly dug in.

This patrol penetrated about 500 yards south of the bridge before returning before dark to report no enemy between LE VALTIN and the bridge and that the Argylls were in possession of the bridge and a bridgehead on the south side.

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