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- 03/04 (ct. Went into action in sp of D Coy, 2/15 bn. -ear of pective 0415 hrs. bug in in minefield (French type minunder spasmodic Spandau and shell fire. Uneventful dy. spasmode DG andshellfire. MG fire ceased at 1400 hrs.
- 24/25 Cct. Quiet might. Shelling commenced 0600 and was ent throughout the day. Ite COBIET shraphel wound to ohe 1000 hrs.
- 25/26 Cct. Foved into reserve area in sp A Coy 2/15 bn at 2100 hrs. Loved out at 2200 hrs in sp B Coy 2/15 bn. Guiddto posn by Eajor DAWSON. Came under heavy Spandau fire in B Coy area 2400 hrs. Major DAWSON wounded whilst giving me my task. Dug in under spasmodic Spandau and shell fire. BCoy 2/17 bn on left and C Coy 2/17 bn on right. Spandau fire very troublesome dring day.
- 26/27 Cct. Moderate Spandau fire during night. General stand-to 0400. Counter-attack on D Coy front. Moderate day. Another counter-attack on D Coy front 1630 hrs. All c/attacks unsuccessful. Withdrawn to 26 Ede area 2400 hrs 27 Oct.
- 27/29 Oct. Laying up and reorganising near junc wain MATRUH RD and FOOWERANG track.
- 29/30 Oct. Movedout to sp A Tk Rest in command Major COPEMAND.

 iosn to be taken up after 2/23 bn had reached objective. 2/23 bn
 failed to set rist through. At 0530 hrs we withdrew to 26 bde

 area as on 28/29 Oct.
- Do and 2/48 and 2/24 bns being only partially successful, infm and Coy dispositions were very confused. Made attemps to cross ry line west of RAT blockhouse, but were twice cut off by very hy Spandau fire. A Tk portees with guns in tow made a dash through the Spandau fire. Impossible, as they had all the road blocked. Unable to get a guide from 2/32 bn Comd Fost to take Fl to A Coy. At 0000 hrs decided to withdraw 500 yds and dig in facing in general direction of enemy, from where Il could attempt to repel any enemy break through. Came under heavy MVG, mortar and shell fire from all sides. Pnemy right, left and front, andown tanks in rear. Found we were in enemy strong post. Covered visible men with rifles, and ordered them to surrender 48 enemy walked out of strongly fortifed posns. 2 Italian offrs, 2 German ORs, and 44 Italia CRs. Weapons capturedincluded 4 Spandaus, 1 hy Breda, and 1 schwartzelbse. At 0730 hrs found 2/24 pn Lieut, who directed me to A Coy, 2/32, CAS 3-ton truck received direct hit and complete Sec stores lost. Bug in by 0900 hrs with 2 guns and 4 Coy (30 strong) of 2/32. Gap of 1,000 yds on left flank, and enemy on other three sides. By Spandau fire all my. Arty very heavy, but no shells closer than 20 yards from guns. Ite MACKAY,C.E. evacuated with blast effects from shell. Several c/attacks during day, general standto during the whole of this time. Lost guns and stores replaced 1700 hrs.

Right 31 Oct/1 Nov. 2/28En filled in gap on left. General stand-to all night. Spandau and shelling very heavy during day 1 Nov.

1/2 Nov. Three counter-attacks lasting approx until 0230 hrs.

Fight 2/3 Nov. Relieved at 2300 hrs by No 1 F1 C Coy, and returned to posns previously occupied by that F1.

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- Night 27/24 Gct. Were in sp of 1/13 bn. bn fwilecto reach objective. No 2 Sec held a posn fwd of the FDbs, with 25 and one Sec A Tk guns. losition precarious in extreme, under heavy fire from tanks all day, but not counter-at withdrew at last light to re-form the line. Sit BARGWAK blown up on minefield; Ite GIESON, J.T.M., wounded.
- Night 24/25 Oct. 2/13 bn pushed on and took final objective scale tank attack about noon, 17 tanks being knocked out. Nearest tank was within 70 yds of No 2 Sec before any tank was fired on. Yery heavy shelling throughout the day and also sniping. Sit LAWRIE mortally wounded by a sniper's bullet. MUMTHOMERY wounded and subsequently died. Others wounded were MACKAY, WHELAN RUDKIK, FAIRT, Opl HUNTER and SUTCLIFFE. SHILLER, BRADFORD, and DRIMWATER were evacuated suffering from shock. Opl WOOD and BROOKS slight wounds, not evacuated.
- Fight 25/28 Oct. Counter-strack by tanks and lorry-borne inf but unsuccessful. During the day heavy shelling, but no casualties. Opt WOOD and Opt GEARY both given rank of Sits. Sit WOOD to be it Sit, but to stay in comd of No 1 Sec pro tem.
 - The work of Pte BEISSEI in attending the wounded on this day, under heavy fire, deserves very special mention.
 - Right 26/27 Oct & 27 Oct. Normal, with heavy shelling. To casualties.

 Il was relieved by NTDM ESEX REST at 2400 has night 27/28 Oct.

 Withdrew to 26 Ede area for reorganising. Right 28/29 spent at same place.
- Hight 30/31 Oct in support of 2/32 in, who were to cut ry line and main MATTUH NCAD. The attacks of Figure and 2/48 and 2/24 in were not successful, and II dug in between railway and the road, with C Coy of 2/32 in (22 strong). This was a desperate posm, as with C Coy of 2/32 in (22 strong). This was a desperate posm, as there were now chemy on three sides of us. Under heavy fire from artiller, and tanks all day, and being constantly sniped. Tanks actually approached on three occasions, but were forcedback by a the guns in our rear. Captured 2 German IV and one veh.
- Might 31 Oct/1 Nov. 2/32 be were relieved by 2/43 pm. At least three counter-attacks were put in during the night and there was a general stand-to all night. During the day sniping and shelling extremely heavy. An enemy mortar detachment infiltrated into some extremely heavy. An enemy mortar detachment infiltrated into some stead ground on our front, and with their second round illed to GIBSON, J.F.M., who was acting as Sec Cpl and observing their movements. Pte IUXMOORE was seriously wounded by shrappel, and died of wounds next day. Pte BROWHEAD was wounded by mortar fire.
- Night 1/2 Nov. Counter-attacked three times and general stand-to all night. Ite BEISSEL was shot by a sniper early in the morning, and later died of wounds. Stretcer bearer who went to his aid was shot dead and Ite MYERS was grazed by a bullet from the same sniper, without being wounded. Day was fairly quiet.

Right 2/3 Nov. Relieved by No 2 Fl, C Coy, and returned to old posm

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