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N 2. Mtd Field Ambulance

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BASAN.	1917 June		<p>Throughout the month the N 2 Mtd Rifles Brigade has been in reserve and the work of this Ambulance has consisted purely in attending to the sick of the Brigade, sanitation of the Camp Areas and the replenishing of shortages in equipment etc.</p> <p><u>Health of the Brigade</u></p> <p>On the whole the health of the Brigade for hot summer weather has been satisfactory and the troops have undoubtedly benefited from the prolonged rest.</p> <p>No serious epidemic has occurred and there has been a steady improvement in the recovery of peptic sores which last month reached its maximum. There are no fever cases & those treated improve more quickly. This is probably largely due to the fact that more regular dressings can be applied than when the troops are engaged patrolling etc.</p> <p><u>Alimentary Disorders</u> many cases of acute gastritis have been treated but the majority rapidly recover. Cases of enteritis have</p>	<p>CTHN.</p> <p>CTHN.</p> <p>CTHN.</p>

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BASAN.	1917 June.		<p>- not been as numerous and few of them suggest clinically the presence of a grave dysenteric infection.</p> <p><u>Typhoid</u>. The number of cases remains high, and always increases when the camp area is unusually dense.</p> <p><u>Diphtheria</u>. Several cases have occurred in the Canterbury area. Every effort has been made to discover the source of infection. Cooks and others handling food have been repeatedly examined bacteriologically, in case one of them should prove to be a carrier of the disease but without success. Large parades have been carried out and also frequent examinations by the R.M.O.</p> <p><u>Sanitation</u>. A good water supply has been available and the Field Troops have lent every assistance in adapting their work to the medical requirements. Chlorination has always been carefully carried out, under the daily supervision of the Brigade Sanitary Officer, who also each day visited the bins of all units in the</p>	<p>CTH</p> <p>CTH</p>

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ABASAN	June		<p><u>Dental Treatment.</u> A complete dental inspection of every man in the Brigade has been carried out and the results carefully charted. The facts elicited showed a need of great assistance in the selection of men for treatment.</p> <p><u>Amey's Rest Camp.</u> Till June 18th the camp was staffed by the portable section of the Ambulance. (I.C. Major TROTTER). A considerable number of men have been sent (after selection by RMO's) from the Brigade and have derived considerable benefit from the change of surroundings, sea bathing etc.</p> <p><u>Change in Strength.</u></p>	CTHn.
	15		Lieut YOUNG W.H. NZMC posted to strength from Moncar	CTHn
	17		Capt DONALDSON D. NZDC departed for Moncar for duty there.	
	28.		Capt WIDDOWSON L. NZMC having been granted furlough to visit N.Z. departed for Moncar.	
			This officer has been with the Brigade throughout the whole Sinai & Syrian campaigns and	CTH and Newm Loc

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ASATV	1917 June.		<p>In addition served as R.M.O. to the Auckland Mtd Rifle at Kallifoli.</p> <p>His work has always been carried out with much enthusiasm, and ability, and his loss to the N.Z.M.C. in Egypt is a great one.</p> <p>During the last 6 months of his Regiment he led a consistently low sick rate, which was undoubtedly appreciable due to his individual effort.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">C. T. Hand Newm Lt Col.</p>	<p>C. T. H. N.</p> <p>C. T. H. N.</p>

