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WAR DIARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ILBURJ.	1/1/18	10.00	Red horses arrived from YEBNAH and Regiment prepared to move.	para 16.
"	"	12.00	Left "line" and marched to LATRON arriving there 16.00.	PARATINE 1.
LATRON.	"	16.00	Bivouacked for night.	
"	2/1/18	07.00	Proceeded by march route to YEBNAH, via LUDD, RAMLEH, YDEIRAN.	
YEBNAH	"	15.00	Arrived and bivouacked in same place as 'red horses' were camped.	
"	3/1/18.		Regt rested in bivouac.	cont. of red north independently
"	4/1/18	10.30	Regt. proceeded by march route to ESDUD and bivouacked at 13.00.	
ESDUD.	5/1/18.	10.30	Continued march to MEDJEL arriving 15.00. Bivouac was made for night on sand dunes 1 1/2 miles N. of village. Heavy rains experienced and roads & tracks were in bad condition.	LAN 1918
MEDJEL	6/1/18.	10.30	Continued march to GAZA. Halted for 1 hour on road 1 mile S. of DEIR SENEID and bivouacked for night. 1/2 miles NE of GAZA. weather slightly improved.	para 16 25. 1918
GAZA	"	16.00		J. G. Lague 10.00 other reports not available

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Summary of Events and Information

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GAZA	7/1/18	0930	Regiment continued march to BELAH arriving 14.00. Camps was made in sand dunes 1 mile N. of Belah lake.	APPENDIX I
BELAH	8/1/18 15 21/1/18		Regiment remained in Belah undergoing course of training (See programme of training for each week.)	APPENDICES 2.3.4.
"	8/1/18		LIEUT. JENNER, 2/LIEUTS. W. S. GRIFFITHS, T. J. G. PAYNE rejoined from Hospital. LIEUT. MATTHEWS, 2/LIEUTS. F. PEARSON-DUTTON, R. G. WARR, R. H. LEWIS arrived from England. 2/LIEUT. W. F. NORTH COTT. went to Hospital.	
"	9/1/18		44 ORanks reinforcements arrived.	
"	12/1/18		MAJOR W. H. WIGGIN, D.S.O. to Command SHERWOOD RANGERS VEO. MAJOR H. C. MAYDON R. TH LANCERS, assumed duties of 2 in Command.	
"	13/1/18		CAPT. CROSSLEY - 1 ST. N. D. G. S. to 1/7. BATT. ESSEX. REGT. LIEUT. W. A. WARD. to England on furlough.	
"	14/1/18		2/LIEUT. C. C. B. DORMAN arrived from England.	

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BELAH.	16/18.		LIEUT.-COL. H.J. WILLIAMS. returned from Hospatal	
"	18/18.		2/LIEUT. R.H. TEMPLE arrived from England.	
"	21/18.	10.00	Bde was inspected, dismounted by. LIEUT.-GEN. SIR. H.G. CHAUVEL, R.C.M.G., C.B. Comd. DESERT MOUNTED CORPS. who congratulated Bde on its work during recent operations.	
"	23/18.		2/LIEUT. J.A. NORTHCOTT. returned from Hosp.	
"	26/18.		2/LIEUT. K. MEIKLEREID returned from Hosp.	
"	31/18.		2/LIEUTS. W.F.B. WOOD, H.H. WAINWRIGHT, J.T. MELLERS joined Regiment from England. Strength of Regiment now Officers 35, ORanks 458. Personnel 404.	

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MARCH TO BELAH

1. The movements of the Division less 4th. A.L.H. Brigade during its march to BELAH at BELAH are given on attached table.
2. The bivouacs at ESEUD are about 071 A. 6, 12, 18 and 24.
 " " " MELJEL " " " 072 2, 10, 16 and 22.
 " " " GAZA will be allotted by the Adminecom.
 Brigade group bivouac parties accompanied by Staff Captains and an Engineer officer will arrive at bivouac areas two hours before the arrival of the brigades. Staff Captains in each case will report to the Adminecom on arrival.
 An officer detailed by the C.G. 19th. Brigade R.H.A. will take charge of bivouac parties and allot areas for the Divisional Troops group.
3. 5th. Mounted Brigade will inform the Adminecom GAZA direct by wire of the number of men and horses encamping at ESEUD, MELJEL and GAZA at once.
 3rd. Brigade and Divisional Troops will render the same information to this office.
4. The distribution of train transport available to assist is as given on attached table. Loads not to exceed 10 cwt.. This transport during the march will be attached to Brigades but will be rationed by C.G. Brigade Train.
 Suggage etc. which Brigades select to send by rail must reach ESEUD the day previous to the Brigade's marching out and will be accompanied by the dismounted men referred to in para 5, who will act as loading parties.
5. Men who cannot be mounted will be sent to ESEUD the day before the Brigades march out. Two days rations to be carried - see para 4.
6. C.G. Ausdiv Details BELAH will be informed by this office of the numbers proceeding by train. On arrival he will arrange accommodation, rations and transport for stores.
7. Indents for supplies will be rendered to formation supply officers under existing arrangements.
 1 days emergency rations will be carried.
8. Field Troops will as far as possible endeavour to reach the bivouacs in advance of brigades in order to take over the water services.
9. Artillery vehicles for which there are no teams are to be sent to ESEUD on 4th. inst. by 1200 for loading. The C.G. dismounted party 3rd. L.H. Brigade will assist the R.H.A. in loading, times to be mutually arranged.
10. On the occasion of the move of the 4th. L.H. Brigade the above instructions will be followed as far as is applicable.

W. Johnston
Lieut. Colonel.

1-1-18.

A.A. & C.M.G. AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISION.

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- 3rd. A.L.H. Brigade.
- 5th. Mounted Brigade
- 3rd. A.L.H. Bde. Details.
- 5th. Mtd. Bde. Details.
- C.G. Signal Squadron.
- C.G. Divisional Train.
- Camp Commandant.
- General Staff.
- C.G. Details BELAH
- C.G. Details SENEID.

- 4th. A.L.H. Brigade.
- 19th. R.H.A. Brigade.
- 4th. L.H. Brigade Details.
- 19th. Bde. Details.
- C.G. Field Squadron.
- S.S.O.
- A.D.M.S. (for Sanit. S. Descorps.
- Adminecom GAZA.



MOVEMENT TABLE OF MARCH TO BELAH.

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Date.	Return to Jany. Led horses.	REST.	ESDUD.	MEINJEL.	GAZA.	BELAH.	REMARKS.
2.							Loading Station :- ESDUD.
3.							<u>5th. Mounted Brigade.</u>
4.							<u>2nd. Jan.</u> 20 G.S. Wagons Sde. Train to report at 1000
5.							<u>3rd. Jan.</u> Sde. Train takes to ESDUD 20 G.S. wagon loads. Train returns with rations for 4th. Jan.
6.							<u>4th. Jan.</u> Brigade marches with 20 G.S. /wagons attached.
6.							WADI SUKARIEN
7.							<u>Divisional Troops.</u>
8.							<u>4th. Jan.</u> 6 train wagons to ESDUD and return.
8.							<u>5th. Jan.</u> Div. Troops marches with 10 Train wagons attached.
9.							<u>3rd. L.H. Brigade.</u>
10.							<u>4th. Jan.</u> 20 Brigade Train wagons to ESDUD and return.
10.							<u>5th. Jan.</u> Brigade marches with 20 Train wagons attached.

5th. Mounted Brigade = lead pencil.
 Divn. less 5th. and 4th. Sdes. = _____
 and "A" Batt. and B.A.C. = _____

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APPENDIX 2.

Worcestershire Yeomanry

Programme of Training for week commencing 14th Jan 1918

DATE	NATURE OF TRAINING (MORNING)		NATURE OF TRAINING (AFTERNOON)	
			1330	1330
MONDAY 14/1/18	Young Signaller Regt Classes 0800 to 1000 and 1400 to 1500 daily.		8 young NCOs per Squadron under the RSM dismounted	Manual exercise - dismounted - under Squadron arrangements
TUESDAY 15/1/18	Witchamoor Gun Classes under Squadron arrangements from 0830 daily.	A & D Squadrons Staff Rides under Squadron Leaders	do do	
WEDNESDAY 16/1/18	do do	C Squadron Staff Ride	do do	do do
THURSDAY 17/1/18	do do	Troop Staff Ride under Troop Leaders		
FRIDAY 18/1/18	do do		do do	do do
SATURDAY 19/1/18	do do		do do	do do

The Commanding Officer will inspect Saddlery, & clothing of the Regiment on 14/1/18

Stables { A Squadron at 1330 on Monday 14/1/18
 " " " " " " Tuesday 15/1/18
 " " " " " " Wednesday 16/1/18

CHURCHING KIT. { A Sqn. Mt. Dismount at 1100 on Monday 14/1/18
 " " " " " " " " Tuesday 15/1/18

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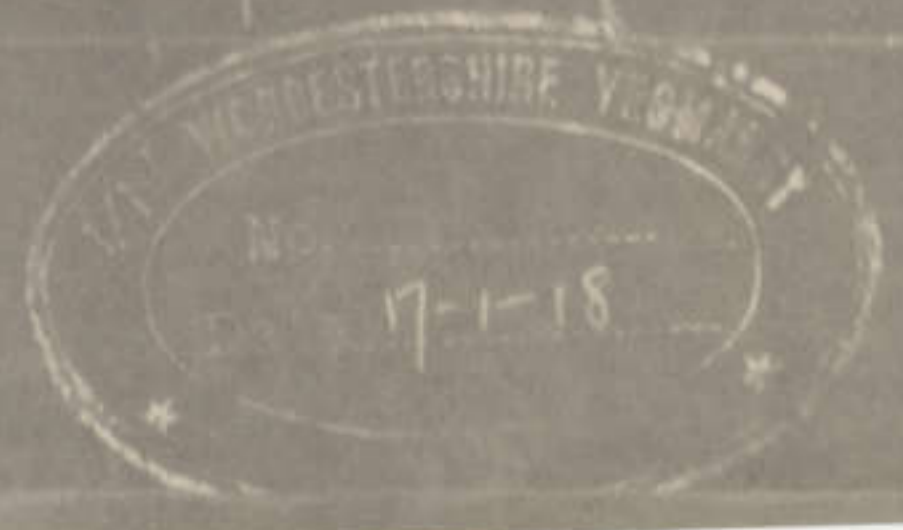
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APPENDIX 3.

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Programme of Training for week ending 26th Jan 1918.

DATE	NATURE OF TRAINING	MORNING	PLACE	TIME	NATURE OF TRAINING	AFTERNOON	PLACE	TIME
21 st Jan 1918.	A Squadn C " D "	Training of new men in barracks Rifle Signalling	(1) Regimental Staff Ride (2) Squadron Leaders 1 Subalterns under Lt.	(1) Camp 08-00 (2) GAZD Road 08-30	Training of new men at Hatching's Rifle and Signalling. Young NCOs. at dismounted drill. Troops at dismounted drill.		Vicinity of Camp	13-30
22 nd	A Squadn C " D "	- do -		Camp 08-00	do - do -	inspection of 1 Troop on square by C.O.	- - -	- - -
23 rd	A Squadn C " D "	(1) - do - (2)	(1) Regimental Staff Ride (2) Squadron Leaders	(1) Camp 08-00 (2) S. of Camp 08-30	do - do -			
24 th	A Squadn C " D "	(1) - do - (2)	C Squadron Staff Ride					
25 th	A Squadn C " D "	(1) - do - (2)	D Squadron Staff Ride		do - do -			
26 th	A Squadn C " D "	- do -		Camp 08-00	do - do -			



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APPENDIX 4

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Programme of Training for week commencing 28th January 1918.

DATE	NATURE OF TRAINING (MORNING)	PLACE	TIME	NATURE OF TRAINING (AFTERNOON)	PLACE	TIME
MONDAY 28-1-18	A.C. & D Squadrons, Troop and Squad training mounted	EISE of Camp	08.00	Young NCOs under Regt arrangements at discounted drill Squadron Hotchkiss classes Squad classes Junior Officers & NCO on Topography	Camp -- --	1330 -- --
TUESDAY 29-1-18	C & D Squadrons, Troop & Squad training. F Squad Hotchkiss training in the field for all trained & partially trained men.	--	--	as for Monday	--	--
WEDNESDAY 30-1-18	A.C. & D Squad's Hotchkiss Classes.	Camp	--	as for Monday	--	--
THURSDAY 31-1-18	A & D Squad's Troop & Squad training C Squad Hotchkiss in the field as above.	EISE of Camp	--			
FRIDAY 1-2-18	A & C Squad's Troop & Squad training D Squad Hotchkiss in the field as above.	--	--	as for Monday and continuing under Sqd Officer & Sqd NCO	--	1600
SATURDAY 2-2-18	A.C. & D Squad's Hotchkiss Classes. Regimental Scheme without Troops	Camp E/BREIT	--	as for Monday	--	1330

Signalling classes under Regimental arrangements according to Biol Programme
Sketches & Plans classes under M.O. daily at 1100

24-1-18

Signed J. Payne
for C.O. Worcestershire Yeomanry

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