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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
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	<u>1st ROYAL GLOUCESTERSHIRE HUSSARS YEO.</u>	
1917. Feb 1. EL BURJ.	Two hostile aeroplanes passed over. D Squad. carried out patrols to EL MINEITIR and EL GHARRA, strength 1 troop each, and B Squad. to SHEIKH ZOWAIID, strength one squad., who brought in 6 Turkish deserters and one hostile Arab.	
" 2 "	Bad dust storm.	
" 3 "	2 Troops D Squad. carried out patrols to EL GHARRA and BIR GABR AMEIR and reported all clear.	
" 4 "	Hostile aeroplane passed over. A Squad carried out patrol to SHEIKH ZOWAIID, strength one squad., and B Squad. to UJRET MASAUD and EL GHARRA, strength one troop each and reported all clear.	
" 5 "	Hostile aeroplane passed over. B Squad. carried out patrols to EL GHARRA and BIR BARR AMEIR and reported all clear, strength 1 troop each.	
" 6 "	D Squad. took over outpost line from the Warwick Yeo. A Squad. relieved D Squad in outpost line.	
" 7 "	B Squad. relieved A Squad in outpost line. 2nd Lieut. R.E. Guise and a draft of 46 O.Rs arrived. Hostile aeroplane passed over.	
" 8 "	Two hostile aeroplanes passed over. D Squad. relieved B Squad. in the outpost line. 3 Turkish deserters came in.	
" 9 "	A Squad. relieved D Squad. in outpost line. One Turkish deserter came in. Infantry took over outpost line, but B Squad. found the standing patrols and day observation posts. Hostile aeroplane passed over.	
" 10 "	D Squad. relieved B Squad. in duties of standing patrols.	
" 11 "		

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Feb 12. EL BURJ.	A & B Squads. patrolled to 4 miles E of SHEIKH ZOWAIID and captured two Turkish deserters. Major A.J. Palmer to be Lt. Col. whilst commanding a Regiment of Yeomanry d/ 20-12-16 (Auth. G.R.O. List No 256 d/10-2-17). Temp. Capt. C.J. Ratcliff to be Staff Capt. Northern Canal Section d/ 3-2-17. No 1479 Far Q, M, S. Wm. Ed. Parnell to be 2nd Lt. A.S.C. on probation d/5-2-17. (Auth. G.R.O. List No 255 d/ 9-2-17).	
" 13 "		
" 14 "	Regimental Drill.	
" 15 "	D Squad. patrolled to SHEIKH ZOWAIID.	
" 16 "	A Squad. patrolled to EL RATAMA and BIR KHIRBET-EL-RETEIL.	
" 17 "	2nd Lieuts. P.H. Morgan and R.H. Wilson returned from Hospital.	
" 18 "	The regiment patrolled to SHEIKH ZOWAIID which was visited by G.O.C. Desert Column. One Turkish deserter was brought in.	
" 19 "	B Squad. patrolled to UJRET MASAUD. Major Turner returned from Hospital. Lieut. E.P. Butler, Ayrshire Yeo. transferred to this regiment, arrived and was posted to A Squad.	
" 20 "		
" 21 "	A Squad. patrolled to SHEIKH ZOWAIID.	
" 22 "	The Brigade moved to SHEIKH ZOWAIID. Marching out strength of the regiment 20 Officers, 310 ORs, 347 Horses, 19 Mules. Bivouacked the night. B Squad. found line of outposts.	
" 23 SHEIKH ZOWAIID.	The New Zealand and 2nd A.S.H. Brigade carried out a reconnaissance to KHAN YUNIS. Brigade returned to EL BURJ arriving 1530.	
" 24 EL BURJ.		
" 25 "		
" 26 "		

Result of Examination at the 5th Cavalry Course:- Lieut E.T. Cripps 76 possible 80, 1362 Sgt. Handy J. 77 possible 80.

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Feb 26. EL BURJ.	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>2nd Lt. A.R. Bache, Worcester Yeo. was attached to this regiment for duty.</p>	
" 27 "	Brigade Scheme near UJRET MASAUD.	
" 28 "	<p>Effective Strength of Regiment:- 27 Officers, 395 ORs, 434 Horses Riding, 21 Mules. Desert Column Escort. 1 Officer, 23 O.R. 26 Horses, 1 Mule.</p> <p>Number of Remounts received during the month 40. Horses died 1. Evacuated to Vet Hos. 2.</p>	
	<p><i>A. G. Wykeham - Insignia</i></p>	
	<p><i>Inoc</i> CAPTAIN & ADJUTANT ROYAL GLOUCESTER BISSARS YEOMANRY</p>	