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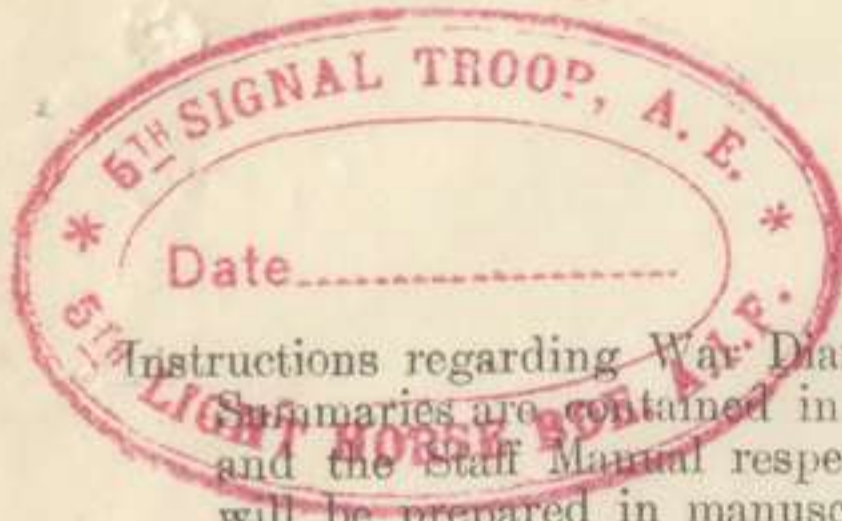
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sirafend Sheet XIII Co-ordinates 071 N 12 A	1/8/18		Lieut. M. H. McDougall. M.C. to 5 th Signal Troop. A.E. & to command. A.I.F. in Egypt. Order. No 22 1/8/18. List No 27. Imperial Camel Corps (Anzac Section)	M.H.M.
		0800	One O.R. to hospital see field ambulance. M.H.M.	
	2/8/18	0700	Telegraphs & telephone lines tested, found to be in good working order. Steady amount of business over telephone & telegraph lines, averaging about 100 messages per day. All outward & inwards despatches, by motor cyclist, to & from G.H.Q. 3 times daily	M.H.M.
	3/8/18 to 9/8/18		Training as per syllabus for July, attached July report	M.H.M.
	10/8/18		Promotions: 1975 Sgt Dowd C.A. to 4cpl from 2/7/18 593 4cpl Hutchinson J.E. to be cpl from 1/7/18 & 1/2 of Signaller 212 Sgt Armstrong P.R. from Inouan Signal Depot 16/7/18, to be Troop Sgt from 1/7/18. 309 cpl Hutchinson, C. from 15 th A.L.H. Regt to be Troop cpl & 1/2 cable pack sets. 1/7/18.	
			Schools: 1975 4cpl Dowd C.A. to Victoria Signal School, advanced telephony	
			Hospital one other ranks evacuated to hospital.	M.H.M.
	11/8/18 to 15/8/18		Training as per syllabus for July, attached July report.	
	16/8/18	1000	Full marching order parade (by Brig. Genl. L.C. Gregory, G.O.C. 5 th Bde L.A.) Being first time many of personnel this unit had saddled horses for full marching order, the "turn out" was very good.	M.H.M.

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	17/8/18.	0930	Farriss evacuated to hospital from Field Ambulance <u>noted</u>	
	18/8/18		M.I.	
	19/8/18		During day advance party of French Regt (R.M.M.C) & marched in, to prepare camp for Regt, arrangements made there Adjt Capt Pichon for communication <u>noted</u>	
	20/8/18	0600 1700	French Regt marched in (mixed French cavalry & French Colonial from alpin & morocco). Telephone line laid from Belle Heres in communication. British personnel sent to work this instrument. <u>noted</u>	
	21/8/18	0800 1700 1800	One other rank to hospital from Field Ambulance. marched in to No. 10 signal camp, two signallers, & one telegraph operator. One riding horse to A.V.C (10 th mobile section) suffering from kick. <u>noted</u>	
	22/8/18 16		Training continued as per July syllabus. <u>noted</u>	
	25/8/18.			
	26/8/18	1800	Aust div signal summons at Lued. Sheet XIII . 085 A4A. cable line laid from Divisional office to this office in direct communication at 1815. <u>noted</u>	
	27/8/18		Poled portion of telegraph line to G.H.Q. to clear line from traffic. One other rank to leave on leave for 7 days. One horse riding to 10 th mobile section, fever. <u>noted</u>	
	28/8/18	1700 0800	Three other ranks marched in from signal camp No. 10, one farrier, one driver, one signaller. Inspected French signalling equipment & made suggestions re ference additional gear for inter Squadron communication & to Belle Heres, during operations <u>noted</u>	
	29/8/18	0800 15	One horse riding to 10 th mobile section, fever. visited Capt Pichon Adjt French Regt & gave instruction to his signallers in <u>noted</u>	
	31/8/18	1030	workings of British pattern heliograph & Field Telephone <u>noted</u>	

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Malcolm H. Douglas all the
1918 5th Signal Troop

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To: OC

War Records Section

A.I.F. H.Q. Cairo

Report re discipline, health etc for month of August 1918.

1) Discipline:-

Discipline in unit still remains good, there have not been any charges made against men for any misbehaviour.

2) Health:-

Four men have been evacuated to hospital during month, but probably be available for duty in course of 2 or 3 weeks. Health remains good.

Good cooks, & good cooking, are more or less responsible for the health & splendid morale of the men.

3) Clothing:-

All articles of clothing in good condition & men not short.

W. Holman
OC 5th Signal Troop A.E.F.