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1st 8 Communications for the Division are as follows: Telegraphs to Home Signals (HOMES), Tripoli, 3rd and 4th LH Bdes. Telephone to G.S.O.I., "G" Branch, AA&QMG, "Q" Branch, Night Staff officer, Signal Squadron, Field Squadron, 19th RHA Bde, Divisional Trains, AIF Cantons, DADOS, Tripoli, 3rd and 4th LH Bdes and 7th Infantry Divs. 5th LH Bde at BAALBEK and 12th LH Regt at HOMES in telegraphs and telephone communication with HOMES Signals. Wireless to Tripoli and 5th LH Bde. At 1100 3rd and 4th Bdes line failed, break was repaired and communications restored at 1130.

2nd } 8 Communications as on 1st maintained plus Squadron routes.
3rd }

4th 8 Communications as on 3rd maintained plus Squadron routes. At 1000 Field Squadron and 19th RHA Bde line failed, broken repaired and communications restored at 1100.

5th 8 Communications as on 4th maintained plus Squadron routes.

6th 8 At 1000 telegraph line to Tripoli failed, telephone line transferred to telegraph; at 1120 line repaired and restored telegraph and telephone communications.

7th 8 Home line working unsatisfactory, party endeavouring to locate the trouble, line terminated in Tripoli office pending the location of the fault.

8th } 8 Communications as on 7th maintained plus Squadron routes.
9th }

10th 0915 line to 4th LH Bde failed, restored at 0940. Line to Home restored.

- * 11th ~~th~~ Communications as on 10th maintained plus Squadron routine.
- 12th ~~th~~ At 0500 Signal Office and routes blew down during a gale and all lines broken, immediate action to restore communication was impossible. At 0900 a temporary office was established and all communications restored. At 1000 19th RMA Bde line failed; restored at 2030. Office completely re-established.
- 13th ~~th~~ } Communications as on 12th maintained plus Squadron routine.
14th ~~th~~ }
- 15th ~~th~~ Fault on 3rd and 4th Bdes line, which temporarily interrupts communications. Contact on the Home line between HORNS and TRIPOLI making the working of this line unsatisfactory, lineman cleared the lines restoring line to normal working.
- 16th ~~th~~ Fault Sqdn, 19th RMA Bde and 3rd and 4th LH Bdes lines broken by horses about 1/4 miles from Signal Office, breaks repaired by linemen and communication restored.
- 17th ~~th~~ Communications as on 16th maintained plus Squadron routine.
- 18th ~~th~~ Fault repaired on 19th RMA Bde line, G Branch office moved to new site, telephone lines extended and communication re-established.
- 19th ~~th~~ Communications as on 18th maintained plus Squadron routine.
- 20th ~~th~~ Communications as on 19th maintained. All horses of the Squadron inspected and classified by the A.D. Remounts.
- 21st ~~th~~ Intermittent fault on 19th RMA Bde line, caused by the line connection having worked loose in the telephone, fault repaired.
- 22nd ~~th~~ 4th Bde line "dis", line despatched who repairs break; he reported 70 yards of cable cut out of this line, about 1/2 mile from 4th Bde.
- 23rd ~~th~~ Communications as on 22nd maintained plus Squadron routine. 28 riding horses of the Squadron and 4 riding horses attached handed over to 5th Cavalry Divisional Representative at Desert Coops Reinforcement Camp. 35 horses class C II destroyed.
- 24th ~~th~~ Communications as on 23rd maintained. Thirty six draught horses paraded before the A.D. Remounts at 3rd LH Bde area for selection and reclassification. Break repaired in 3rd and 4th Bde line about 1/2 mile from the Office.
- 25th ~~th~~ Communications as on 24th maintained plus Squadron routine. 4 L.B. horses handed over to 19th RMA Bde.
- 26th ~~th~~ Communications as on 25th maintained. 15 L.D. horses and 20 mules handed over to 7th Infantry Divn.
- 27th ~~th~~ Fault on 4th Bde line repaired by lineman. Line to HORNS working unsatisfactorily, trouble between Tripoli Off and Horns, party endeavouring to locate fault.
- 28th ~~th~~ Communications as on 27th maintained. 20 bunches handed to A.D. Remounts for sale. All stores and equipment not actually required, returned to B.A.A.O.S.
- * On 11th inst cable was laid between FIER AYASH and Tripoli establishing telephone communication between 3 road centres.



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Educational Scheme.

Second Signal Squadron. A.E.

Educational classes held within the Unit
during the month of February '19.

Subject.	Classes held at:-	Attendance.
French	At 1000 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week.	36
Internal combustion Engines	At 1000 on Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays of each week.	48
Geography	At 1100 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week.	2
Motor Driving	At 1000 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.	57
Telegraphy	At 1100 Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Saturday of each week.	20
Wireless Telegraphy	At 1000 Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week.	13.
Telephony	At 1100 on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of each week.	20

All classes progressing favourably



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DIAGRAM
of
COMMUNICATIONS
AVB

from Hawson to MAJOR. Cmdg. SIGNALS Apdly.

