

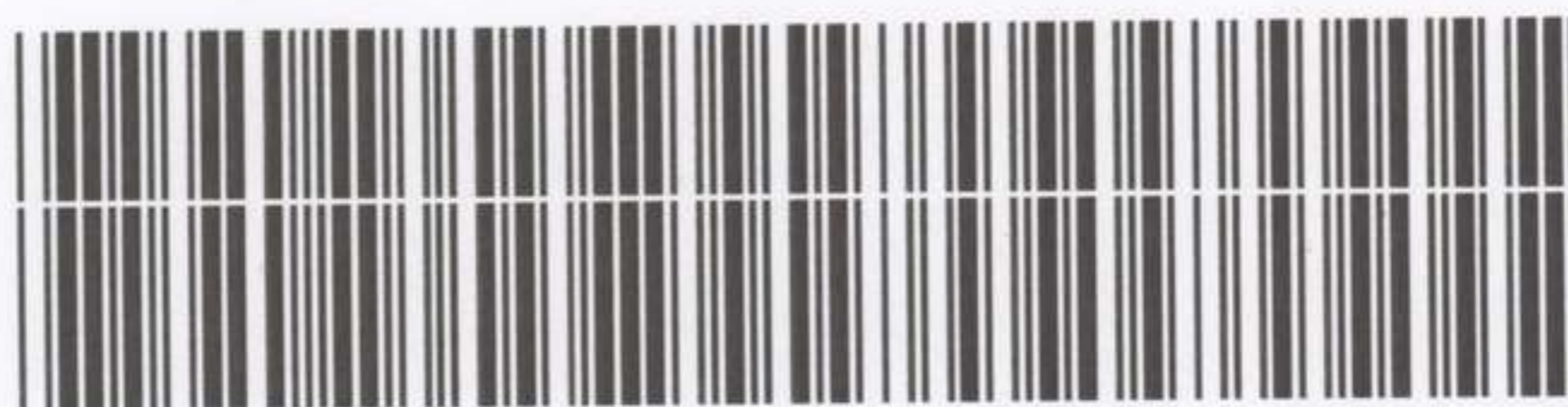
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MOASCAR ISMAILIA EGYPT	7 Feb		1 Officers & 33 other ranks of Field Troop arrived from ZEITOUN.	
	2		6 Officers & 141 other ranks of Fourth Field Company Australian Engineers joined the Division	
	3		Parties of Engineers are employed on general work around the camp extending water supply, making fettings re for offices.	
	4		General camp work. Volunteers for transfer to the Field	
	5		Engineers from other units are being called for, in order	
	6		that the Field Companies might be brought up to strength.	
	7		Lieutenant General SIR A. J. GODLEY commanding A. & N. Z. A. C. presented D. C. M. to Corporal GRAHAM of the 4 th Australian Engineers & Sergeant HODGES of the 1 st Field Company N. Z. Engineers.	

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MOASCAIR	1916			
ISMAILIA	Feb			
EGYPT	15		The Field Troop was expanded to a Field Company and designated Third Field Company New Zealand Engineers. Steps are being taken to bring the company up to establishment in Personnel Horses & Vehicles. Captain C. B. B. N.Z.E. transferred from First to Third Field Company & assumes command.	
	16		All units have now received their new rations. Informal Regimental Sports were held in the afternoon. Though the weather was unsettled the Sports passed off most successfully.	
	17		Divisional Training. C.P.E. & 5 Engineer Officers acted as Umpires.	
	18		Captain A. A. McNAIR transferred from Second Field Company to Third Field Company.	
	19		A party of Engineers are employed repairing the roads within the camp.	
	20		37 other ranks were transferred from NZMB to N.Z. Engineers.	

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	21		A party of the Fourth Field Company moved out of the Division	
	22		The balance of the Fourth Field Company Australian Engineers moved away from MOASCAR to join another Division at TEL EL KEBIR	
	24		Two Officers & 48 other ranks of Second Field Company returned from BALLAH.	
	25		Eleven other ranks of Second Field Company went to NZMR Camp at SERAPEUM for general camp engineering work	
	27		a filtration scheme for the water supply of the Camp at MOASCAR is being planned.	

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	29		<p>G.O.C NZ & A Division inspected the transport of the Division today.</p> <p>The close of the month does not see the Field Companies much further ahead as regards vehicles & equipment.</p> <p>The attention of Ordnance has been drawn to this many times but without avail. Divisional Headquarters and the Chief Engineer ANZAC have also been written to on the subject. Sufficient men have volunteered for transfers from other services to the Engineers to bring all three Field Companies up to strength & it is hoped to have these men with the Engineers in the near future.</p>																			