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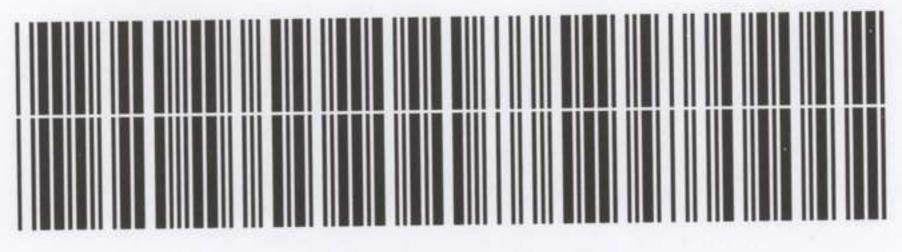
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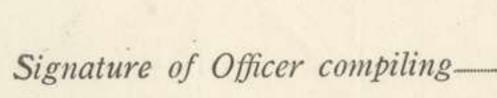


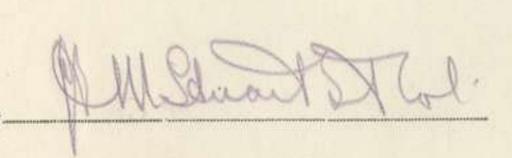




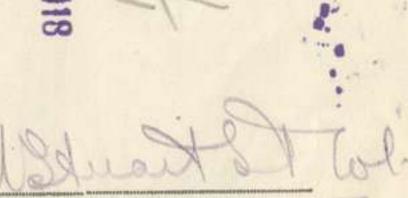












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31st March, 1918.

Reference 1" map, sheets 19, 16, 13.

- The Division, less Warwick Yeomanry, will march to SELMEH in Brigade groups (1). leaving BELAH on April 1st, 1918.
- Ambulances complete will accompany their Brigades in full marching order as (2). for operations. Dismounted personnel of Tent Divisions will be carried in Ambulance Wagons and Motor Ambulances.
- All surplus baggage and personnel will be sent to the Divisional Dump at BELAH (3). to-day. Area stores will be left in present site, and Ordnance Stores not forming part of equipment will be handed in to R.O.O., BELAH. 3% Portable Latrine Equipment and 1 portable incinerator will be carried.
- Current days rations for man and horse will be carried and renewed at each camping place.
- Sanitary Section will move with Divisional Troops, leaving BELAH at 1100 April 1st under orders of A.D.M.S.. O.C., Sanitary Section will arrange for sanitary natives to march with the units to which they are at present attached.
- (6). Acknowledge.

Issued at 1200

Colonel, A.D.M.S., Australian Mounted Division.

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19th April, 1918.

Reference 1" map.

- (1). 3rd L.H.Field Ambulance (Mobile Section) will march with 3rd L.H.Brigade group on 19th April.
 4th L.H.Field Ambulance (Mobile Section) will march with 4th L.H.Brigade group on 20th April.
 5th M.B.Field Ambulance (complete) will march with 5th Mtd.Brigade group on 20th April.
 Divisional Receiving Station will march with Divisional Troops.
 8th Samitary Section will march with Divisional Troops.
- (2). All units will move in marching order equipped as for operations except that only the current day's rations will be carried.
- (3). All baggage and stores which cannot be carried in Unit transport will be sent to Ausdiv Details Camp at LUDD.
- (4). Men who cannot be mounted will be sent to Details Camp, LUDD.
- (5). Brigade Sanitary Officers and R.M.O's will render a report on condition of camp areas to A.D.M.S. on vacating sites.
- (6). Sanitary Section and D.R.S. will render Marching Out States to A.A. & QMM.G. D.H.Q. by wire by 1200 on 19th April, giving total personnel, natives and animals.
- (7). O.C., Sanitary Section will detail a man for water duties to each Field Troop.

 Brigade Sanitary Officers will be responsible for the chlorination of the drinking water of their Brigades.
- (8). O.C., 19th Bde. R.H.A. will command Divisional Troops.

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A.D.M.S., Australian Mounted Division.

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AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISION.

Operation B. Medical Instructions No. 2.

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Reference Map East of Jordan Composite Sheet, 2nd Edition.

(1). INTENTION. The Divisional Commander intends to advance rapidly Northwards

East of the Jordan, place one Brigade facing North West astride the

UMM ESH SHERT - JISR ED DAMIE and the ES SAIT - JISR ED DAMIE tracks and

with the remainder of the Division move on ES SAIT from the West and

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(2). DISPOSITION OF AMBULANCES.

- (a). The D.R.S. will move to GHORANIYE Bridge and remain in reserve with the Angac Receiving Station.
- (b). Mobile Sections of Field Ambulances will accompany Brigades to area about F.19.
- (c). The 5th M.B.Fld.Amb., less one light ambulance wagon, will follow immediately behind the 5th Mtd.Bde. to cross roads in C.36.a. where the Immediately behind the 5th Mtd.Bde. to cross roads in C.36.a. where the Immediate Section will form a Divisional Collecting Station. The Mobile Section, less all motor ambulances, will follow the Brigade along the UMM ESH SHERT ES SALT track, the Ambulance Brigade along the UMM ESH SHERT ES SALT track, the Ambulance wagons accompanying the Section as far as possible into the foothills. Wagons accompanying the Section as far as possible into the hills, and the The camels will be taken as far as possible into the hills, and the remainder of the Mobile Section, with pack transport, will push on to ES SALT.
- (d). The 3rd and 4th L.H.Fld. Amb. Mobile Sections, less half of the bearers, all motor ambulances, and one light ambulance wagon each, will await orders at F.19 to follow their Brigades Northwards to the JISR ED DAMIE ES SALT track, where a Dressing Station will be formed by the 4th L.H.Fld. Amb.
- (e). The Mobile Section of 3rd L.H.Fld.Amb., with pack transport, will follow the Brigade to ES SALT.
- (f). Half of the Bearers of 3rd and 4th L.H.Fld. Ambs., under an Officer, will accompany the Brigades and assist the R.M.O's in dealing with casualties.
- (g). One light ambulance wagon from each Ambulance will be left at the Divisional Receiving Station and will be sent forward to ES SALT by the Off. I/C, D.R.S., by the WADE SHAIB road when opened, and report to the A.D.M.S.
- (h). 1st L.H.Fld. Amb. will accompany Brigade and arrange for the collection and evacuation of its casualties to Anzac Receiving Station at GHORANIYE BRIDGE.
- (3). No wheel transport except that required for the Divisional Collecting Station, Divisional Receiving Station, and Dressing Station of 4th. L.H.Fld. Amb., will be moved until the WADI SHAIB road is opened.

(4). EVACUATIONS.

From Divisional Collecting Station to Anzac Receiving Station at GHORANIYE BRIDGE by motor ambulance.

From 4th L.H.Fld.Amb. Dressing Station to Divisional Collecting Station by light ambulance wagon and motor ambulance if route is practicable.

Casualties of the 3rd L.H.Brigade will be evacuated to 4th L.H.Fld.Amb.

Dressing Station by camel.

Casualties of 5th Mtd.Bde. will be evacuated direct to Divisional Collecting Station by camel or stretcher bearer.

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(5). SUPPLIES .

Three days rations for man and two for the horse will be carried.

Water will be scarce and therefore all available means must be taken for carrying.

4 fantasses per Ambulance will be collected from Brigade H.Q. and carried on the camels.

(6). COMMUNICATIONS.

One mounted orderly from each Ambulance and one motor cycle from 3rd L.H. Eld. Amb. will report to A.D.M.S., H.H.Q., by 1700 on day of departure. Lt. Kilner will be attached to the Divisional Collecting Station and take charge of the motor ambulances.

- (7). O.C., 8th Sanitary Section, will accompany the Field Squadron, and he will detail one water duty man for duty with each Field Troop.
- (8). RETURNS. The usual returns and reports to A.D.M.S. D.H.Q. will be at head of 1st L.H.Brigade, about F.19 from 0300.
- (9). Acknowledge (copies 1 to 6).

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3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE.

Mil Copy No. 7.

Preliminary Instructions No.I.

Operation "B".

I. INFORMATION.

- (i) Full information regarding enemy in Eastern Area has been issued to-day and will be revised as changes occur.
- (ii) The present disposition of Desert Mounted Corps troops has been issued to-day.
- 2. Information as to the probable plans of operation of Desert Mounted Corps and Australian Mounted Division has been given verbally to all concerned and is not to be reproduced in writing until the final Operation Order is received from B.H.Q.

3. PRELIMINARY RECONNAISSANCES.

Reconnaissance of lines of advance can be carried out with glasses from

(a) H.29.

(b) Y.30.a. (good view).

(c) I.C.C. Bde. forward O.P.

This is best view, but permission to use it should be obtained from Camel Bde. H.Q. at Y.30.

4. The special features of the operation will necessitate special arrangements for carriage of essential material. These special features are:-

(i)

In the first stage, for the 3 leading Brigades, the utmost rapidity of maximum mixigas movement of which the Brigades are capable, in order to surprise and demoralise the enemy and capture all who resist in the valley.

- (ii) For the 3rd L.H. and 5th Mounted Brigades, the 2nd stage will consist of difficult movement up the mountains on bad tracks which are not thought possible for wheels.
- (iii) The ultimate stage for 3rd, 4th and 5th Brigades will probably consist of taking up a defensive line to resist counter attack.

As regards (1)

kak All pack-horses will be grouped by Squadrons, in rear of each Squadron.

As regards (ii)

The following will be the distribution of packhorses in each Regiment on present numbers in possession:-

12 Hotchkiss Guns

12 " Ammunition

5 Signalling Equipment

2 Bombs

I Water Equipment

7 (or more if available) Tools.

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As regords (111).

Barbed wire and tools and a large supply of bombs will be required. 4th A.L.H. Brigade can arrange for limbers to bring them up, but those for 3rd and 5th Brigades cannot be expected to arrive till the SH.WIMMIN * BS SALT Road is clear.

5. ESSENTIAL STORES.

- (i) As each Brigade has a different problem to solve, the details of transport are left to Brigades.
- (ii) It is considered the order of importance of stores is as follows:-

S.A.A. and Grenades Signalling Equipment Tools

- (111) The transport question for 4th Brigade is fairly normal.
- (iv) Following detail for 1st, 3rd and 5th Edes.is suggested:-

(a) 230 rounds S.A.A. per rifle on man and horse.

- (b) 12,000 rounds S.A.A. Regimental Hotohkiss Reserve on 6 pack horses.
- (e) 400 rounds extra on each M.G. pack horse 12,000 extra on pack per each M.G. Squadron.
- (a) 148 rifle grenades and 48 bombs per Regt. on 2 pack horses

(e) A minimum of 6 tool packs per Regt.

- (f) Remaining 5 packs for signalling equipment etc.
 (g) Water equipment to continue to be carried on special pack horse.
- 6. One L.G.S. limber per Regt. and 2 L.G.S. wagons Field Squadron will be left empty. These will be filled with R.B. material, under arrangements to be made by O.C. Field Squadron, for use when ES BALT is taken.
- Remaining wagons will be packed with the most essential stores and will be prepared to march to ES SALT as soon as sent for.
- In present bivouses under arrangements by A.A. & Q.M.G., Australian Mounted Division.

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3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

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5 3rd M.G.S. 13 do. (b)
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7 3rd L.H.F.A. 15 File
8 8th M.V.S.

3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE.

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Operation "B".

Preliminary Instructions No. 2

Reference Map I" to I mile.

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Scale - Each Brigade 4.
These guides will report to Brigades as soon as they

errive.

3. MAPE.

The detail of Maps to be carried is laid down in my G. 226 of 28/4/18.

4. CAPTURED PRISONERS AND GUNE.

- (i) (a) All prisoners will be evacuated rapidly to B.H.Q.
 - (b) The Corps collecting station is being established at the entrance to the GHORANIYEN Bridgehead on No. 8 road.
- (ii) Captured Guns will, if possible, be removed to the rear; otherwise they will be destroyed.
- 5. (i) All ranks are warned that, if captured, every man is bound to give his true name and rank if questioned on the subject, and it is the duty of all to refuse to answer further questions.
 - (ii) No documents or marked maps likely to disclose information useful to the enemy are to be carried by Officers or men taking part in active operations.
 - (iii) All ranks will be searched for documents before going into action.

6. WATER.

Water will be scarce. All ranks will start with xkm their water bottles and Zammameers, if in possession, full and will conserve the water as long as possible.

7. STORES.

The following stores will be carried:-

(1) FLARES.

20 per Troop. To be lit to co-operate with our artillery.

(ii) BOMBS.

48 per Regiment

(111) RIPLE GREEADES.

144 per Regiment.

Each Brigade will detail one officer galloper to report to D.H.Q. by 1600 on the day before the operation. C.O. 8th L.H. Regiment will detail the above galloper.

Ammunition dumps are being formed (1)

- (a) West of GHORABIYEH Bridge, 113.L.12.b.
- SHUNET NIERIN as soon as possible.
- G.O.C. R.A. assumes command of the ammunition columns as soon as the Division reaches ES SALT.
- (iii) A camel ammunition column is being formed, which while COFFY: -3.7 and 2.75 shells, S.A.A., bombs and rifle grenades

This column will move under the orders of O.C., 19th Brigade R.H.A.

IO. AEROPLANE CO-OPERATION.

The following reconnaissances have been arranged. They will drop messages on D.H.Q.

- (a) Contact patrols from 0530 to 0700, IIOO to I230, 1530 to 1700. Forward troops will show their positions by lighting red flares when called for.
- showing white strips (b) Tactical recensaissance from 0900 - 1036, 1300 -1430, 1500 - 1630, not going more than 10,000 yards beyond our front line.

II. RELAY POSTS.

8. GALLOPERS

9. AMMUNITION SUPPLY.

Corps H.Q. is arranging for a chain of relay posts to connect with the 4th Brigade facing JISR ED DAMIE. It will be in position by 0500.

12. DISCIPLINE.

The strictest silence will be maintained during the night march. No lights are to be lit until permitted by order of an officer after dawn.

13. COMMUNICATIONS.

(1) GENERAL.

Owing to the difficulties of transport during the second stage of the operations, cable work will be extremely limited, therefore visual and wireless communications must be principally depended on. Brigades must make every endeavour to keep in touch with D.H.Q. at all times by means of visual signalling.

All signal officers will make every possible use of the means at their disposal to maintain communication under the

varying conditions which may be expected.

(11) VISUAL.

Helios will be used as much as possible by day and Lucas lamps by night between Ede.H.Q. and D.H.Q. An advance visual party will be detailed by the 0.0. Signal Squadron to keep touch with the 5th and 3rd Edes. on their advance towards ES SALT; these Edes, must be prepared however to drop additional visual parties between the top of the plateau and ES SALT should the advanced Divisional Station get out of touch with them.

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(111) WIRELESS.

Horse pack W/T stations will be detailed by O.C.

Signal Equadron for attachment to the 3rd and 5th Edes.,

and a camel pack W/T station for attachment to the 4th Ede.

One horse pack station and one camel pack station

will remain with D.H.Q.

(iv) CABLE.

A pack cable detachment will follow the 5th Bde. to
- ES SALT. One cable wagon detachment will connect the
4th Bde. H.Q. with D.B.Q. during first stage, if and when
D.H.Q. moves up steep track during second stage, the cable
to the 4th Bde. will be teed into one of the two lines
running back to advanced Descorps H.Q.

The three cable wagons of the Signal Squadron will proceed to ES SALT as soon as Route No.S is clear.

(v) DESPATOR BIDERS.

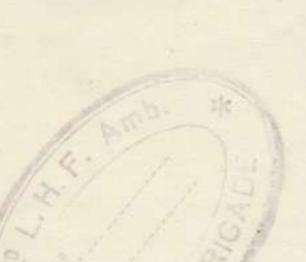
The majority of these will join D.H.Q. as soon as possible after dawn during the first stage, the 4th Ede. D.Rs. will join their Brigade at the same time. During the swoond stage, all D.Rs. less the 4th Ede. D.Rs. will proceed when possible by Route Ro.8 to join D.H.Q. at ES SALT.

14. HOSTILE COMMUNICATIONS.

Hostile Communications will be destroyed whenever met with.

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CONFIDENTIAL. ADSINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS IN CONSECTION WITH HOVE OF DIVISION ON I. AREA STORES. Tents and Ritchens will be left standing on their prepent sites. Ment Safes, Fantasses, Sanitary Equipment (above the 3% to be carried by Units) and Incinerators other than portable will be left in bivouse areas. Lifebuoys will be left on the beach. The above Area Stores will be handed over to the advanced party of the Yeomanry Division which will arrive at 1400 on the Ist prox. Each Unit will leave I M.C.O. and man to hand over all Area Stores to incoming Unit. 9th L.H. will detail an officer to remain behrind and hand over whole Brigade quota. He should report to Staff Capt. at 1800 to-day. . Parties m left behind to hand over will require rations for Eonday and Tuesday. They will rejoin the Division at MEJDaL on the 2nd or earlier if possible. An accurate record should be made od all stores to be handed ever and receipts obtained for same. All Units are responsible that this instruction is strictly complied with. 2. ORDEANCE STORES. All Ordnance Stores not forming part of Equipment of Units will be returned to R. G. O. BELAH. 3. HEAVY BAGGAGE, MESS STORES STO. Heavy Baggage, Mess Stores etc. will be collected and take-n to a site already selected near BELAE Station and left in there in charge of the Dismounted Party. A Scout will be at Hailway Station at 1030 to-day and will direct Units Transport, as it reaches Station, to the Dump. A.DI CHO UN TED PARTY. All dismounted details who have to be left behind will proceed to the selected camp near BELAH Station with the curplus baggage to await transport by rail to LUDD. On arrival there they will proceed to the Divisional Details Camp. IOth L.H. will detail an Officer to take charge of Brigade Party who should be at the Station by 1800 to-day. Each Units party will be unde-r an E.C.O. who will be in possession of a Hominal Holl. 4th L.H. Brigade are detailing a Captain to take charge of the Divisional Dismounted Party and baggage left behind. 5. BECOMD BLANKETS, Becomd Blankets for the men will be carried. 6. SECOND HORSE BLANKETS. Secong Horse Rugs and blankets will be returned to Ordnance at BELAH. 7. SPECIAL EMERGRECY RATION. The two days special emergency rations in Supply Dump Estat will not be carried. 8. AMMUNITION. Ammunition to complete t-o Establishment in the Wield will be drawn from Ammunition Dump BELAH and carried. 9. BAND, Personnel of Band will proceed by train with the L.H.F. Diemounted Party. Staff Capt., 31/3/18 3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

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3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE.

Administrative Instructions No. I

Operation B.

I. TRANSPORT

(i) The whole of the Ist Line Transport of the Division that has to be left behind is to be utilised as fellows:-

30 G.S. Wagons to 60th Divisional Train 15 " " Imperial Service Cavalry Brigade.

The above wagons from this Brigade will be supplied as under:-

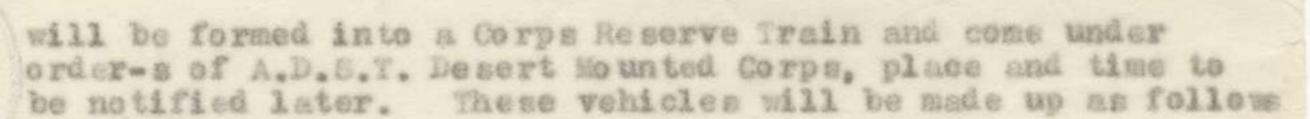
Unit	G.S.Wagens	To whom to Report	Place & Date
8 th L.H.Regt.	4	60th Div. Train	To be notified later
9th L.H. Regt.	5	do.	do.
IOth L.H.Regt.	5	do.	60.
3rd H.G.S.	I	do.	0.0.
TOTAL	15		

Transport Sergeants of the 8th and 9th L.H. Regts. will accompany the above wagons.

(ii) The following vehicles will be detailed to ration the troops left behind in the Brigade:-

B.H.Q. I G.S.W., I L.G.S. Sig.Trp. I L.G.S.

- (iii) The remaining Transport of the Brigade, less the following vehicles, which will be left behind in Brigade Area with the exception M.V.S. and Fld. Amb. vehicles which will accompany Units, i.e.
 - (a) Watercarts
 - (b) Haltese Carts
 - (c) M.V.S., 2 L.G.B.
 - (d) Fld. Amb., 4 G.S. W., 2 L.G.S.



8th L.H. 6 L.G.S. 9th L.H. 6 do. 10th L.H. 6 do. 3rd M.G.S. 18 do.

The Transport Sergeants of 10th L.H. and M.G.S. will accompany these wagons. Transport mentioned in paras. I and MXX iii will be immediately detailed for these duties and will be in readiness to move off when notified.

2. SUPPLIES.

- (i) The general scheme for taking up supplies to the troops on the East side of the JORDAN during the coming operations is as follows:-
 - (a) Motor lorries to Supply Depot West of the JORDAN.
 (b) Divisional Train working between the Supply Depot and Camel refilling point at SHUBET HIMRIE.
 - (c) Camel Echelons to Brigade Groups at the front.

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O.C. Divisional Train will select a suitable spotAER 1910 men

in conjunction with the D.I.C.T.C.

Wheel Train will be ready loaded in the neighbourhood of the JORDAN Supply Depot on Z+I day and will cross the JORDAN after the Camel Companies have done so. The exact time will be netified later.

Wheels will cross the JORDAN from West to East by the cask (Southern Bridge) and return from East to West by the Fontoon (Northern Bridge). The suspension Bridge is not to be used by vehicles.

The order and timings in which Trains will cross the Bridge on and after Z +2 day will be as follows:-

Anzacs 0500
Ausdiv 0730
60th Divn. 0960
Bridgehead
Troops 1000

These timings are subject to amendment.

(11) All troops will march with the following rations:-

On the man and horse .

(a) For the man.

2 days Emergency Ration and I Iron

Ration

(b) For the horse

2 days Emergency Ration.

These Rations will be consumed on Z day and Z+I day.

The emergency Ration for the hors e will be limited to
7 lbs. grain for each day or I4 lbs. for two days.

3. CAMELS.

to form a Camel Convoy:-

"L" Company

II85 Camels.

The above allotment of camels will be formed into three Echelons and called respectively X, Y, Z Echelons.

X Echelon will carry the rations for Z + 2 day
Y " " Z + 3 day

Z " " Z+4 day and so on.

Each Echelon will be divided into Brigade Groups and Divisional Troops Group; the numbers of camels in each Group depending on the numbers to be fed.

4. ESCORT.

Ist, 3rd, 4th and 5th Brigades will each detail a Troop to act as escort and guides for Brigade Group Behelon of camels.

Ist L.H. Ede. will also detail a troop to act as Escort

and guides for Divisional Troops Echelon of camels.

These troops will report to O.C. Divisional Train on Z

day at a time and place to be notified later.

and half the Escort Troops will be escorting outgoing convoys and half incoming convoys. 8th L.H. Regt. will detail the troop for this Ede. to consist of I Officer and 25 other ranks.

5. QUARTERMASTERS AND REPRESENTATIVES.

Divisional Train on Z day at a time and place to be notified later and will accompany X Echelon of camels on moving out.

Unless otherwise ordered they will remain with the Brigade in the hills after the first trip out.

3.

6. WATER CONVOY.

100 camels will be detached from "L" and "B" Companies to form a Water Convoy for the Australian Mounted Division. This convoy provides & gallon water per man.

Ist L.H. Brigade will detail one Troop under an Officer

to act as Escort for this Convoy.

Further instructions as to this Convoy will be issued later.

7. TRANSPORT. DISMOUNTED PARTIES & BAGGAGE.

Transport as mentioned in para, I sub-para, (iii) and 2 men per each Regt., M.G.S., one man Fld. Amb., Notte Battery, Signal Troop, B.H.Q. and baggage left behind, must be collected in one central Regimental spot. 9th L.H.Regt. will detail an Officer to command details left behind. He will be responsible for rationing this party from JERICHO Depot with transport detailed to be left behind for this purpose.

On the Brigade moving out, he will collect all details transport and baggage of Units and cart same to a spot near D.H.Q.

keeping Units Dumps separately.

This officer will report to Staff Captain immediately

on receipt of these orders.

5th Mounted Brigade are detailing a Captain who will be in charge of whole Divisional area and all details left behind in it.

The D.A.& Q.M.G. at commencement of operations will remain at SHURET MIMRIH to supervise supplies.

9. PRISONERS OF WAR.

The Commander of the Escort is responsible that he obtains a receipt for the number of prisoners handed over in exchange for a written statement showing the number of prisoners in question. This statement should show officers and other ranks separately and German and Turkish prisoners separately. The simplest method is to make out the statement in duplicate, receipt can be written on one copy and returned to the Commander of the es cort.

10. CAPTURED ARMS, EQUIPMENT STC.

Units will wire at end of each day number of guns and rifles captured,

II. SALVAGE OF SADDLERY.

Attention is directed to the instructions contained in Besert Mounted Corps letter Q.A./14 of 29/3/18 and D.H.Q. office letter Q.P./59 of 6th instant and this office A/856 forwarding o same. So far as the tactical situation permits the instructions contained in the above letters will be adhered to. Special attention is directed to para. 6 of Q.P./59.

AZ. CASUALTIES.

The following returns will be rendered during operations Estimated casualty wire up to 1630 to be despatched as seen after 1630 as possible. Only totals to be given.

Daily casualty wire of casualties for 24 hours up to 1900 to reach B.H.Q. whenever possible that evening and not later than 0700 the following morning. Hames of Officers and numbers of other ranks to be shown.

(iii) Hil returns to be rendered.

Daily casualty wire for animals by classes up to 1700. (iv) To be despatched as soon after 1700 as possible.

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13. BURIALS.

Lieut. G.P. SIMONDS, Gloucester Yeomanry, the Divisional Burial Officer is attached to H.Q. 5th Mounted Brigade. All burial reports should be rendered to him in accordance with instructions already issued on the subject.

14. VETERIBARY ARRANGEMENTS.

(i) A sub-section of each Mebile Veterinary Section will

(ii) A Veterinary Dressing Station will be formed at a suitable spot to be selected by the A.D.V.S. East of the
SHORAHIYEH Bridge. As opportunity offers casualties will
be passed on to the West side of the JORDAN to a Veterinary
Receiving Station which will be formed near the Wadi NURIEEH
about Square L.S.

(iii) All easualties fit to walk will be taken to the Veterinary Veterinary Dressing Station and handed over to the Veterinary

(iv) D.A.D.O.S. will have a representative at the Veterinary Receiving Station to take over all saddlery evacuated with the horses which will be taken to the Divisional Ordnan-ce Dump opposite Supply Dump near JERICHO.

(v) The Receiving Station will draw their rations in their

own transport.

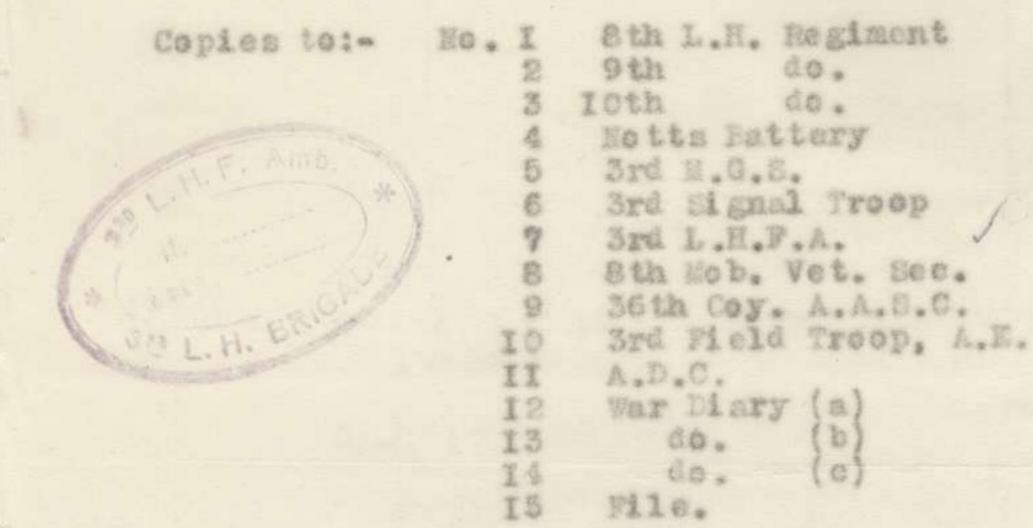
IS. AMMUNITION.

All Assumition left behind will be stacked by Units in their dump and will be collected by rear party and placed in Brigade Dump.

16. ACKHOWLEDGE.

29/4/18.

Srd A.L.H. Brigade.



ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 2

DAZA CUMP AREA.

APR 1918

I. WATERING

- (a) Drinking water will be drawn from tanks situated between Supply Depot and the Railway Station, on the Sast Side of the Railway Line.
- In wadi & mile N.H. of Bivouse Site.

 Brigade will water in order of march, commencing immediately on arrival in Bivouse. 10th L.H. Regt. will detail Steld Office, Resembly vine watering of shole Brigade.

Officer at commencement of entering to be told when to file off for water.

2. SUPPLIES

of emaller Units will report daily at 1330 to Divisional S.S.O. at the Eupply Depot at each bulting place.

The Divisional Frain will cart the forege and rations to the respective bivouse areas.

3. SANITATION.

Units will submit certificate, that their area has been serb steam, to B.H.Q. on arrival in next divouss.

The Brigade Sanitary Officer will also be responsible that all camp sites are thoroughly cleaned up before march is resumed on Tuesday. He will submit a report daily.

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Ond A. Staff Capt...
Srd A. L. H. Brigade.

Reference:- I' MAP SHEETS 19, 16, 13.

M/3 APR 1918

I. The Division (less Warwick Yeomanry) MAAGE march to SELMEN by Brigade Groups leaving BELAH on MONDAY Ist APRIL.

2. The Brigade Group will move, in order of march as below, the Head of the Column passing St. JAMES PARK at 1500 (to-morrow Ist April).

G.C.C.

Brigade Headquarters.

Scouts

Signal Troop

IOth L.H. Regiment

Notts Battery, R.H.A.

8th L.H. Regiment

M.G. Squadren

9th L.H. Regiment

Field Ambulance

Mobile Veterinary Section

Brigade Transport (less R.H.A. and Field Amb. Wagons which will accompany their Units).

Units will report at 1450 that they are in readiness to move and will join the column in Order of March.

- Transport. All Transport of the Brigade (less R.H.A. and Field Ambulance) will form up Bast of the old Decanville Railway Track at 1430 and will move off in rear of the Brigade under Q.M. 9th L.H. Q.M. and Q.M. Sgts. will accompany their Transport, reporting to their Units on arrival at GAZA.
- 4. DRESS. Marching Order. Fully equipped for operations.
- 5. RATIONS. Current days rations and forage and Iron Ration to be carried. Rations and Forage for 2nd inst. will be drawn at GAZA under instructions to be issued later.
- 6. WATERING. Morning watering will be completed by 0930;

 evening watering at GAZA.

 Water Carts will travel full.

 TROUGHB. Establishment of troughs will be carried by

 Units on 1st Line Transport.
- 7. BIVOUAC PARTIES. An Officer and one man from each Regiment.

 M.G. Squadron and Battery, and an N.C.O. from Field Amb.,

 Mob. Vet. Sec. and Signal Troop will report to Staff Captain

 at B.H.Q. at 1045.
 - 8. CAMP AREAS. All Camps will be in readiness for Inspection by 1300.
 - 9. Brigade Headquarters will close at 1400.

Subsequent moves will be as under:- Approximate time of 2nd April GAZA to MEJDEL (1) Departure (2) Arrival 1500 1730

3rd April MEJDEL to SUKERIER 1230

4th April SUKERIER to DEIRAN 1130 1430

5th April DEIRAN to SELMEN 1130 1430

MOTE. Unless otherwise ordered the daily order of march will be:B.H.Q., Scouts and Sig. Troop, Duty Regiment, Notts Battery, Regt.
next for duty, M.G. Squadron, Remaining Regiment, Field Ambulance,
Nob. Vet. Sec., Ede. Transport.

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CORRICENDUM. DR' GADE ORDER NO. I

Fo C. O., 8th L.H. Regiment. 3rd Sig. Troop 9th L.H. Regiment 3rd M.G.S. 10th L.H. Regiment 3rd L. H.F.A.

Sth Mob. Vet. Sec. Notts Battery R. M. A.

Brigade Order NoI, para. 10, is amended as under:-

"Subsequent moves will be as under:-

2nd	April	CAZA - MEJDEL-	Departure 1230\1230	Arrival 1/m30
3rd	11	MEJOEL - SUKERIER	II30 1100	I430 > 1430
4th	16	SUKERIER - DEIRAN	II30 1130	1430 1510
5th	- 41	DEIRAN - SELVER	1200	1700

31/3/18.

3rd A.L.H. Brigade Major.

3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE ORDER NO.5

18km April 1918.

Reference/Map

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- (I). The Division will commence moving to TALAT ED DUMM to-morrow 19th inst.
- (2). The Brigade group will move in order of march as below, the head of the column passing White Ruins 300 yards S. of B.H.Q. at 0930 to-morrow I9th April.

G.O.C.

B.H.Q.

3rd Bde. Scouts

3rd Signal Troop

IOth A.L.H.Regt.

Notts Battery

8th A.L.H.Regt.

3rd M.G.S.

9th A.L.H.Regt.

3rd L.H.F.A.

8th Mob. Vet. Sec.

Brigade Transport (less R.H.A. and Field Ambulance Wagons which will accompany their Units).

Units will report at the Head of the column at 0920 that they are in readiness to move and will foin the column in Order of March.

- will form up on flat 250 yards S.E. of B.H.Q. at 0915 and will move off in rear of the Brigade under Q.M. 9th L.H.Regt.
 R.Q.Ms. will accompany their transport which will report direct to Units immediately on arrival in bivouac.
- (4) DRESS.

 Marching Order; equipped for operations.
- Two emergency rations now in possession will be consumed on 19th and 20th.

 Rations to make up to full scale will be drawn by 36th Coy. Divisional Train at BIR SALEM.

 During march from DEIRAN to TALAT ED DUMM the Div.

 Train will draw and issue supplies at each halting placeyfor consumption on following day.

 Ration parties will go in advance of the Brigade and report to supply Officer at respective halting places, at 1300
 - An Officer and one man from each Regiment, M.G.S. and
 Battery and an N.C.O. from Field Ambulance, Mob. Vet.Sec. and
 Signal Troop will report to Lieut.PASCOE at B.H.Q. at OSI5 tomorrow I9 th inst. Whole party will move in advance of Brigade.
 - Brigade will commence watering at 0700 to-morrow in usual order and must be completed by 0815.

 Brigade will water in order of march at DEIRAN.

 3rd Field Troop will proceed to BEIRAN at 0630 to arrange troughs for watering.



Units will ensure Camp Areas are left scrupulously clean and tidy.

The Field Officer, accompanied by the Brigade Sanitary Officer, will inspect the Brigade Area immediately the Brigade moves out and the latter will submit certificate to B.H.Q. on arrival at DEIRAN.

A small rear party of I N.C.O. and 3 men per Unit will be left behind to finally clean up. This party will join the column with the Field Officer.

- (9) SANITARY MATERIAL.
 The usual 3% of Portable Sanitary Material will be taken.

 Sanitary Natives will accompany Units.
- (IO) COMMUNICATIONS.

 Brigade Office will close at 0830 I9th inst.
- (II) SUBSEQUENT MOVES OF BRIGADE.

20th April DEIRAN to LATRON Times of departure 21st " LATRON " JERUSALEM Will be notified 22nd " JERUSALEM " TALAT ED DUMM } later.

Unless otherwise ordered the daily order of march will

for Brigade Major,

A.L.H. Brigade.

B.H.Q., Scouts, Signal Troop, Duty Regiment, Notts Battery, Regiment next for duty, M.G.S., Remaining Regiment, 3rd L.H.F.A., Mobile Veterinary Section, Brigade Transport.

(12) JAFFA ROAD CROSSING.

JAFFA Road will be crossed in Line of Troop Column, with normal distances to enable traffic to pass between Squadrons.

Issued at 2100.

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No. I 8th L.H. Regt.
2 9th L.H. Regt.
3 IOth L.H. Regt.
4 Notts Battery
5 3rd M.G.S.
6 3rd Signal Troop
7 3rd L.H.F.A.
8 8th Mob. Vet. Sec.
9 36th Coy Divisional Train
IO 3rd Field Troop A.E.
II A.D.C.
II War Diary (a)
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I4 War Diary (c)

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3rd A.L.H. ERIGADE ORDER NO. 6.

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The Brigade Group will move to LATRON to-morrow 20th (I) April in order of march as below, head of column passing B.H.Q. at 0830.

> 0.0.C. B. H. C. Scouts Signal Troop Sth L.H.Regt. Notts Battery Oth L. H. Regt. 3rd U.C.S. IOth L.H.Regt. Spd L. H.F.A. Sth Lob. Vet. Sec. Brigade Transport (less R.H.A. and F.A.

Wagons which will accompany their Units). TRANSPORT. (0) All Transport of Brigade (less R.H.A. and F.A.) will form up on flat ISO yards T. of B.H.Q. at OSIS and will move off

in rear of Brigade under Major Darley, 9th L.H.Regt. R.Q.Ms. will accompany transport.

(3) WATERING TO-MORROW. Watering to-morrow-sill commence at 0800 in above order of march. 8th L.H. Regt. will detail a Field Officer for the day who will supervise watering. 8th L.H.Regt. will also detail a pumping party of I N.C.O. and In mon to report to F.O. at troughs at 0000. 3rd Field Troop will proceed in savence of the Brigide and will arrange to water Brigade on its errival at LATRON.

(4) BIVOUAG PARTIES. Usual Blyouse Parties will report to Lieut. PASCOE at B.H.Q. at 0700. Ration farties will also report at same place, same time, and proceed to LATRON with Lieut. PASCOE, reporting to Supply Officer there at 1300.

(8) SUPPLIES. 36th Coy. Divisional Train will proceed in advance of Brigade and draw supplies for Brigade from Supply Dump, LATRON.

S SITATION. (0) Brigade Samitary Officer and F.O. will inspect Brigade Area after Brigade has moved out. Units will leave small rear party behind to clean up.

Issued at 1630.

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> 5 3rd M.G.S. 0 3rd Sig.Troop 3rd L.H.F.A.

8th Nob. Vet. Sec.

for Brigade Majer, 3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

IO 3rd Field Troop

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Srd A.L.H. BRIGADE ORDER NO.7. soth April 1918. Para. II of Brigada Order No.5 is amended to read (8) LATRON to ENAB Wist April TALATE ED DUMME APR 1918 ENAB Sand The Brigade Group will move to EMAB to-morrow the Wist (2) inst. in order of warch as below, Ist sub-group passing 8. of Popler Trees (near Water Area) at 0000. 0.0.0. Ist Sub-group D.H.Q. Jrd. Bde . Scouts 3rd Sig.Troop Snd 9th L.H.Regt. 320 Motts Battery 4141 10th L.H.Rogt. Sth 3rd 8.9.5. oth eth L. H. Regt. 3rd L.H.F.A. 7th Eth Mob. Vet. Sec. Brigade Transport, less H.H.A. Wagons Bth which will secon any Unit The above sub-groupswill sove independently at intervals of IO minutes between each. On reaching main road all Units will march in column . of helf-sections. Usual ten minutes halt will be observed by all Units. atches to be synchronised before leaving area. (3) TRANSPORT. All Trans ort will form up between 10th L.H. and metal read and 100 yards North of 10th L.H. at 0045 and will move off in rear of Brigade hunder Major Dikley. R.Q. Ms. will accompany Transport. In view of steep roads on road to JERUSALEM, C.Os. and O.Cs. Units will ensure that brakes of vehicles are overlooked and oiled and that wagons are not overloaded. (4) Baland To-Morrow. Wayering to-morrow will commence at 0500 in order of merch. Oth L.H.Regt. will detail a F.C. to su erviso watering. . Oth L. H. Regt. will also detail a Pum ing Party of I N.C.O. and Is men to report to F.O. at troughs at 0600. 3rd Field Troop will proceed in advance of Brigade and will arrange to water Brigade on its arrival at EHAB. (5) BIVOUAG PARTIES. Usual Bivouse arties and Ration Parties . will report at B.H.Q. at 0700. (8) BUPPLIES. 36th Coy. Divisional Train will roceed in advance of Brigade and deliver rations at ENAB. (7) SAMITATION. Portable Samitary Equipment will be used by all Units in each camp and faccas will be burked in one deep pit. All time, rubbish etc. should be placed in same hole. The ractice of burying rubbish in numerous holes must be discontinued. for Fridade Sajor, Issued at 1016. 3rd A.L.H. Brigade. Copies to: No. I Sth L.H. Regt. No. 0 38th Coy. Div. Train

S 7th do. 10 3rd Field Troop A.E.

5 10th do. 11 A.D.C. Notts Battory IS War Diary (a) 5 . 3rd 3.0.5. 3rd Sig. Troop do. 3rd L.H.F.A. IS File Eth Mob. Vet.Sec.

3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE ORDER MO. S.

MIL 38

Reference:- I/63,360 Map. Sheets I7 and I8 JERUSALEM and ERINA Sheets.

(I) G.IJ.b.S.J, to-morrow the Sand April in order of march as below:-

Point on road 800 yards Bast of resent Starting Point. location of B.H.Q. Hour of passing starting point Order of march Beouts 0700 Ist sub-group B.H.Q. Sig.Troop 0703 IOth L. H. Regt. aa, and 0713 Oth do. Sra do. 0723 4th 9th do. do. 0733 3rd M.G.S. Sth do. 0735 oth Notts Battery do. 3rd L.H.F.A. 0740 7th 8th do. Brigade Transport 0745 eth do. less R.H.A. Magons which will accompany) Unit

March Formation. Column of Half-Sections.

- (2) HALT. On to-morrow's march the Brigade will not helt for the usual 10 minutes from 0950 until 1000. On the head of the Brigade reaching Square 100 H.TO central, it will halt, rear Units closing up as much as possible. The head of the Brigade will move at 1100 in half-sections, with the normal distances only. This is necessary in order to enable 30th Gerps to regulate the march of other troops on the JERIGHO Road.

 Buring the above halt horses will, fed.
- (3) BIVOUAG PARTIES. The usual Bivouac Parties and Ration Parties will report at B.H.Q. at 0500 to-morrow Sand April.
- (4) PATER. 3rd Field Troop will roceed in advance of the Brigade and will arrange to water the Brigade on arrival at TalaT ED DUMM.
- (5) SUPPLIES. 36th Coy. A.A.S.C. will proceed in advance of the Brigade and will deliver rations at TALAT ED DUMM.
- (6) TIME. Watches will be synchronised before moving off.
- watering at watering point "A" (near drinking watering South of B.H.Q.)

 Sth L.H.Regt. will detail F.O. to supervise watering at point "B" (near old building South of Div. Train Camp).

 Units will water as under:-

0500 Ioth L.H.Regt. 0530 8th do. B.H.Q., Signal Troop) 0550 and Scouts 0500 Point "B" Div. Train OBIS 9th L.H.Ragt. 0530 3rd M.G.S. 0545 Notta Battery 0600



(7) WATERING (continued)

APR 1918

10th L.H.Regt. will detail umping erties as under:-I N.C.O. and Is men to report to F.O. at point "A" and I N.C.O. and ID men to report to F.O. at point "B". Above erties will report at 0500. No man is to be allowed to lead more than two horses to either watering area.

- TRANSPORT. All Transport will form up on area now occupied by 10th L.H.Regt. at 0750 and will move in Brigade order of march under Major DARLEY.
- (9) Cos will ensure that no straggling takes place particularly when When Brigade Major.

 Issued at 1800. JERUSHIEM. 3rd A.L. H. Brigade.

Co ies to :- No. I Sth L. H. Regt. 9th do. Ioth do. Notts Battery 5 3rd M.W.S. Grd Signal Troop I4 do. 7 3rd L.H.F.A. 8 Sth Mob. Vet. Sec.

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3rd A.L.H. BRIGADE ORDER NO.9

Reference Map I" to I mile, Sheets IS and East of JORDAN composite

I. OUTPOSTS.

(i) On the night April 29/30, from immediately after dark, one Regt. 1st A.L.H. Ede. will hold the following approximate outpost line:-

0.24 - 0.18 - 0.5 - F.29 central - F.23 central - F.16 central - F.15 central - F.14 central.

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(ii) The outposts will not be withdrawn without orders from D.H.Q.

2. MARCH.

- (i) To-might April 29/30th the Brigade Group will march to area of concentration as follows:-
 - B.H.Q.

 Ede. Scouts

 3rd Signal Troop

 9th L.H.Regt. (plus one section H.G.

 Sqdn. 4 guns).

 3rd H.G.S. (less one section)

 10th L.H.Regt.

 HONG KONG and SINGAPORE MOUNTAIN

 Batterjus.

 8th L.H.Regt.

 3rd Field Troop

 3rd L.H.F.A.

 Camel Ammunition Column.
 - (b) Starting Point. Track JUNCTION in Square K.5.c.4.3 (just South present bivouse of Notts Battery).
 - (c) Time to pass Starting Point. B.H.Q. will pass the starting point at 2120. Units will join the column in above order.
 - (d) Route to Exit through Bridgehead Defences. Via Track North of TELL DEIR GHARMAN to L.I2.a, thence via main road, across barrel and pontoon bridges, thence Berth.
 - (e)Time to cross Bridges. 2320 2400.
 - (f) Exit through Bridgehead Defences. Square 0.27.b thence due North.
 - (g) Area of Concentration. Square 02 and 03.
 - (h) March Formation. Column of Bections On reaching area of concentration the Ede. will form column of Equadrons in Line of Troop Column at reduced distances.
 - (ii) After passing through the Bridgehead Defences, C.O. 9th L.H.Regt. will detail two troops as left flank guard to the Brigade. These Troops will rejain 9th L.H.Regt. on Bde. moving North from the Area of Concentration early on 30 th April
- 3.

 report to C.O., 9th L.H.Regt., before Bie. moves to-night.

- 4. C.O. 8th L.H.Regt., will detail 2 H.C.Os. and 20 men, plus necessary horseholders, to report to Staff Captain at B.H.Q. at 2115 to-night. This party is required to assist Rde. in crossing bridge. Party will rejoin 8th L.H.Regt. when the Brigade Broup has crossed bridge.
- 5. No wheels will accompany Brigade Groups except Reld Ambulance.
- 6. The Brigade Group will use the pontoon and cask bridges equally.
- 7. The strictest march discipline will be maintained on the march. Special attention will be given to packs as it is archable the Ede. might have to move at the trot up the JORDAN Valley.
- 3. The A.P.M. will reconnoitre the real by daylight and amploy all the police in the Division for policing with and from the entrance to the JORDAN valley to the exit at 0.27. b.
- 9. STREL HELMETS.

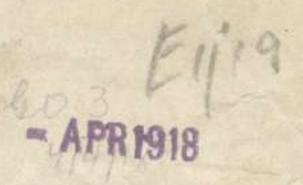
On the Brigade Group moving from the area of concentration at dawn to-morrow all ranks will wear steel helmets.

IO.ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at //45. 29 th April 1918. Brigade Major.
3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

8th L.H. Regiment Copies to:-No. I 9th do. Ioth do. Notts Battery APR 1918 3rd M.G.S. 3rd Signal Troop 3rd L.H.F.A. 8th Mob. Vet. Sec. 36th Coy. A.A.S.C. IO 3rd Field Troop, A.B. II A.D.C. 12 War Diary (a) 13 do . (b) Id do. I5 File.

Defence of GHORANIYEH Bridge-head and the JERICHO Plain.



For the defence of the above area the troops under Major-General E. W. C. CHAYTOR, will be kept in three groups.

(a) The CHORANIYEH Bridge-head defences.

(b) The AUJAH Defences.

(c) The Reserve.

Mar Diane 2. The GHORANIXEH Bridge-head defences will be held by the 1st L. H. Bde and 1 Regiment and 4 Machine Gums from 2nd L. H. Bde all being under the Command of Brigadier-General COX, C.B., C.M.G. V.D., He will entrench and wire the outer defence line of the Bridgehead which has already been selected. He will also select and prepare for occupation a line of defence immediately overlooking the GHORANIYEH Crossing on the West bank of the river in case it is required to occupy it. The ENKOLA FORD will be included in this Bridge-head.

- 3. The AUJAH defences will be held by the Imperial Camel Bde and one Regiment 2nd L.H.Bde under the command of Brigadier-General SMITH, V.C., M.C. He will select a position North of the WADY AUJAH so as to prevent any move of the enemy Southwards to the JERICHO Plain. He will also be responsible for watching the AUJAH FORD, and for patrolling the gap between his left and the Infantry post at EN NEJMEH.
- 4. The Reserve will consist of the 2nd L.H. Bde (less 2 Regiments and 4 Machine Guns) and the N.Z.M.R.Bde, and will be bivouacked about
- The Artillery of the Sector will be divided into two groups.
 - (a) The GHORANIYMH Group.

(b) The AUJAH Group.

The GHORANIYEH Group will be under the command of Major FRASER, M. C., C.R.A., ANZAC Mounted Division and will consist of -

> Ayrshire Battery. Inverness Battery. Somerset Battery. One Section 60-pdrs.

Until the evening of April 6th C/308 Battery of 60th Division remains in position, after which date it rejoins its division.

The AUJAH group will be under the command of LT.Col. CUNNINGHAM, R.A., Commanding /301 Artillery Brigade. It will consist of -

> 301 Artillery Brigade. One Section 60-pdrs. One Turkish 77 mm gun.

- 6. The Imperial Camel Brigade will also provide one Section to guard the Motor boats on the DEAD SEA at RUJM EL BAHR.
- 7. The N.Z.M.R. Bde will furnish each night picquets of two sections under an N.C.O. to watch -MANDESI FORD. KASR EL YEHUD FORD. MAKHADAT HAJLA FORD.