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March 1917



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1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION BASE DEPOT.WAR DIARY17-3-1917.

Training. Training was carried on as usual at No 1.T.C.

Command. Lt-Col A.B.Stevens CMG.DSO. assumed command of the 1st A.D.B.D. vice Lt-Col D.S.Wanliss CMG.

Draft. Reinforcements reference Nos 942 & 943 were marked "Fit" to proceed to the front.

Discipline Officers. 2 Cases for Orderly room.
Lt-Col A.B.Stevens CMG.DSO. from 2nd Batt & Capt Gollin W 9th Batt from Hospital reported for Duty.
Lieut L.Hughes 1st Pioneer Batt, marched out to Unit.

18-3-1917.

Parade. Church Parades were held as usual, all available officers and other ranks being present.

Officers. 2/Lieut Jorgenson S.F. 10th Batt. 2/Lt Rachinger A.V. 6th Bn
 " Newitt R.D. 12th " " Stobo A.J.H. 1st "
 " Meyer A.P. 7th " " Paviour S.H. 2nd "
 " Wendt K. 10th " " McDonald G.J. 3rd "
 " Pitt C.J. 8th " " Hawkins E.R. 4th "
 " Snaden J.H. 12th " " Gash W.T. 5th "
 " Henzell W.C. 9th " reported for Duty from Eng.

19-3-1917.

Training. Training was carried out as usual at No 1.T.C. 11 other ranks for special training with R.E.

Discipline. 1 Case for Orderly room.

Officers. 2/Lieut Stuart J.E.A. & 2/Lt Harrison R.H. reported for duty from England.
 2/Lt Jorgenson S.F. 10th Batt. 2/Lt Rachinger A.V. 6th Bn
 " Newitt R.D. 12th " " Stobo A.J.H. 1st "
 " Meyer A.P. 7th " " Paviour S.R. 2nd "
 " Wendt K. 10th " " McDonald C.J. 3rd "
 " Snaden J.H. 12th " " ~~Hawkins E.R.~~ 4th "
 " Henzell W.C. 9th " " Gash W.P. 5th "
 marched out to Unit.
 Lt-Col D.S.Wanliss C.M.G. marched out to England.
 2/Lieut E.R.Hawking 4th Batt. marched out to Hospital.

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20-3-1917.

Training. Training was carried out as usual at No 1.T.C. 11 other ranks for Special Training with R.E.

BOARDS. T.B.Dehtal Board was held at 1.15 p.m. and T.B.Medical Board was held at 2.p.m.

Officers. Lieut L.A.Symons 7th Batt, commanding 1st A.D.B.D. details at Segregation Camp was marked 1 month T.B. by Medical Board. Lieut P.H.Lemehan 3rd Batt reported from England,

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21-3-1917

Training Officers. Training was carried out as usual at No 1.T.C.
 Capt Gollin W.A. 9th Bn, Lt McKell V.C. 1st Bn, 2/Lt D'Altera W. 7th Batt. 2/Lt Stuart J.E.A. 11th Bn & 2/Lt Harrison R.H. 12th Batt marched out to Units.

Lecture. In the evening an interesting Lecture was given by the Rev.W.Watson of Scotland, on "Constantinople & the Gallipoli campaign" with illustrated lantern slides.

1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION BASE DEPOT.WAR DIARY.22-3-1917.

Training. Training carried out as usual at No 1.T.C.

Officers. Lieut R.Carson 9th Batt., marched out to Hospital.

Concert. The "Cowboys Concert Party" entertained the Officers, N.C.Os and men in No 1.Mess Hut tonight, their show was an excellent one and greatly appreciated by all ranks.

23-3-1917.

Training. Bathing parade was carried out in the morning at the Steam Bath house and in the afternoon a route march without pack.

Officers. Capt. Newland J.M. 12th Batt. and Lt Cormack 3rd Batt, marched out to unit.

24-3-1917.

Training. Training carried out as usual at No 1 T.C.

Time. To-night at 11.pm. the clocks will be advanced 1 hour.

Concert. The "Doughnuts Concert party" entertained the Officers and men in No 1 Mess Hut, they had an excellent program and the show was thoroughly enjoyed.

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25-3-1917.

Parades. Church parades were held as usual.

Retreat. Will be sounded for the ensuing week at 7.15.p.m.

26-3-1917.

Training. Training as usual at A.T.C.

Officers. 2/Lt P.H.Lemehan 3rd Batt was classified T.B. 1 month by Medical Board.

27-3-1917.

Training. Training carried out as usual, with exception that Ref Nos 255-6-7-8-return to Depot to dinner and parade for trench relief at 7 p.m. returning at 12 noon next day.

Lectures. A lecture by the Commanding Officer to all N.C.O'S was held in the Sgts Mess at 10 a.m.

A lecture by the Commanding Officer to all officers was held in the ante-room of the Officer's Mess. Subject Courts-Martial.

28-3-1917.

Training Training carried out as usual at No 1.T.C.

Officers. Capt.Hurcombe R.K.10 Bn. Lt.Wisken R.R. 2nd Bn. Capt.Tubb F. 7th Batt.Lt Roper O.J.12th Batt.2/Lt McKenzie R.T. 9th Bn 2/Lt Shelley M.R. 4th Bn,Lt Ingles E.M. 10th Bn 2/Lt Copp C.H. 5th Bn. Marched in from England for duty.Lt Bailey A 3rd Bn Marched out to Albert. 2/Lt Pitt J.G. 8th Bn to Unit.

1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION BASE DEPOT.WAR DIARY.29-3-1917.

Training. Training carried out as usual at No 1.T.C.

Board. The undermentioned officers assembled for the purpose of holding an Audit Board.

President.

Capt. Hurcombe R.K. 10th Batt.

Members.

Lieut. Wisken R.R. 2nd Batt. Lieut Ingles E.M. 10th Batt.

Officers. Lieut Burnaby T. 12th Batt, marched out to England, conducting a P.B. Draft.

Concert. The Sunshine Concert Party entertained the Officers, N.C.O.'s & men in No 1 Mess Hut commencing at 7 p.m. and provided a good program which was greatly appreciated.

30-3-1917.

Training. Bathing parade was held in the morning, and route march without packs at 2.30 p.m.

Officers. Major Carter W.B. 3rd Batt, 2/Lt Cocin 4th Batt, 2/Lt Heaton G 7th Batt, 2/Lt Waters P.A. 8th Batt, reported for duty from Eng. Lieut Bayley K 3rd Batt, reported for duty from Albert.

31 - 3 - 1917.

Training. Training at 1.T.C. as usual.

Board.

Court of Inquiry. A court of Inquiry will assemble to inquire into and report on such matters as may be brought before it.

President.

Major Summerhayes E. 44th Batt.

Members

Lieut Bayley K. 3rd Batt. 2/Lieut Roddis G.E. 17th Batt.

Officers. Major Carter W.B. 3rd Batt. Lt Coscin B.B. 4th Batt. 2/Lieut Shelley M.R. 4th Batt. Lieut Wisken R.R. 2nd Batt. 2/Lt Copp C.H. 5th Batt. 2/Lt Sanderson F.J. 6th Batt, Capt. Tubb M.C.F.H. 7th Batt. 2/Lt Heaton G. 7th Bn, 2/Lt. McKenzie R.M.C. 9th Batt, Capt Hurcombe R.K. & Lieut Ingles E.M. 10th Batt. LT Roper O.J. & Lieut Uren H.F. 12th Batt. marched out to join their units.

Discipline 1 case for Orderly room.

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Parades. Church Parades were held as usual, all available officers and other ranks attending.

Officers. Lieut Burnaby T. 12th Batt. marched in from England.

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