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10th ALHR

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
AT SEA	1/8/19		The Ships Sports were concluded this afternoon. Weather splendid. Distributed to each member of the Regiment a Regimental Souvenir Card, & one set of Regtl Color badges .	JWC.
"	2/8/19		Big swell on. Quiet day. All members of the 5 th M.D. paid £5. Presentation of Ships Sports Prizes in evening.	JWC.
"	3/8/19		All ranks busy preparing for the disembarkation tomorrow. Received several wireless messages of "Welcome home" A fresh sea running & cloudy skies.	JWC.
"	4/8/19		Rottneest Island sighted just after daylight. (Entered Fremantle harbour at 0900) Showery weather. A large crowd of relatives and friends waiting on the wharf. The Medical Officers and staff came aboard and conducted a Medical Inspection of the troops and Ships Company. Pratigue was granted, the disembarkation staff came aboard and (disembarkation of the Regiment	JWC.

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FREMANTLE	4/7/19	(Continued)	(with all other troops belonging to the 5 th Military District commenced at 1315. Straight from the ships gangway, the troops entered E Customs Shed for Medical Inspection and Finalization - (23 officers and 443 O'Ranks. This work was completed by 1515) and all ranks were granted from 4 to 7 days leave prior to getting their discharge from Military HQ to Perth. Those men who during the campaign had contracted Malaria were ordered to report to the PMO Fremantle Base hospital for Examination and treatment if required. With the Finalization process over, the tea and refreshments which were waiting for all ranks, were hastily consumed, & the men with their kit bags shouldered, quickly passed through the barrier gate and disappeared into the throng throng of happy re-union - their relatives and friends.	JWC.

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			<u>General Remarks.</u>	
PERTH	4/8/19		The health of the members of the Regiment was on the whole excellent throughout the voyage. Very few cases were admitted to the ships hospital, and these were chiefly malarial, but all were discharged prior to disembarkation. The Ships Company did all possible for the comfort and amusement of the men; the food supplied was good + sufficient, and the A.U.S. Comforts Fund + Red Cross most liberally supplemented the fare with comforts stuff so that complaints were impossible. Every effort was made to keep the men in touch with Educational work and Repatriation Schemes. (The O.C. Troops R.M.I. "Oxfordshire" Major H.M. Parsons DSO, 9 th ALHR, in his final appreciation to the members of the Regiment expressed his admiration of their splendid conduct throughout the voyage.	J.W.C.

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H M T "OXFORDSHIRE"
2nd. August 1919

Attachments.

To Major L. G. Timperley
C.O. 10th. Light Horse Regiment

1. Herewith please find Second Progress Report on Education Scheme in the Regiment covering the period of the voyage from the 23rd. ult. to 1st. inst.
2. The following Abstract shows with other relative information what has been done during the above period.

ABSTRACT OF CLASS WORK IN 10TH. L. H. REGIMENT.

<u>Subjects</u>	<u>Hrs. or Wk.</u>	<u>Instr.</u>	<u>Av. Attd.</u>	<u>Scope treated in period</u>
Bkpgs.	4½	Lt. Hopkins	80	The Journal. The Ledger The Cash Book. Etc. in Journalising: posting ledger. Entries in Cash Book. The Trial Balance. Profit & Loss A/c. Debits and Credits.
Arith.	3	Lt. Hopkins	80	Four rules. Capacity of tanks. Four rules in Metric System.
Algebra	2	Sgt. Hillman	3	Use of Brackets. Simple Equations.
Geom.	2½	Sgt. Hillman	3	Axioms. Postulates. Studies of Angles.
Com. Eng.	<u>Note:-</u> 3 Class lasted 20th. ult.	Lt. Hopkins	18	Anal. & Synth. of Complex & Compound Sentences. Correction of errors. Vocabulary. Letter writing. Precise writing. Correspondence registering. Magneto. Carburetor. Working of Engines.
I. C. Eng.	6	Cpl. Robinson	80	Fertility of Soil. Tillage. The Plant & how it grows. Manures & Fertilisers. Unit Values. Silos & Silage. Pests & Diseases.
Agric.	4	Cpl. Dyer	18	

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3. Examinations have been held in all subjects except Geometry with the following results:-

Bookkeeping	67%
Arithmetic	63%
Commercial English	60%
Algebra	47%
I.C. Engines	58%
Agriculture	73%

4. The examinations show fair grasp of work. The percentage in results though not high may be regarded as good when it is remembered that many of the students had had no previous training and that in marking the examiner made no allowance for answers nearly but not quite correct.

5. During this period the time for Educational purposes has been extended to include a reading circle, a Lecture on the Peace Conference, an Essay Competition, and a Meeting at which questions on Repatriation and Demobilisation were answered. The Reading Circle Meetings for the general study of "Social Problems" issued by the A.I.F. Education Scheme were conducted, the first by Chaplain Captain Riley and the second by Brigadier General L. C. Wilson. Captain Riley dealt with the chapter "England before the War"; the attendance was 60. Brigadier General Wilson dealt with the chapter "Australia after the War"; the attendance was 88. The Lecture on the Peace Conference was delivered by Mr. Gullett who had the privilege of attending the same; the attendance was about 400.

6. The attendances at both the classes and the lectures were very satisfactory as showing the sustained interest held by all ranks in such subjects as were treated there.

7. The Regimental General Library has been much appreciated, the average turnover of books per day being 100.

8. STAFF. I cannot speak too highly of the interest and work of the H.C. Staff. Each member has undertaken his part of the work with a willingness and interest that has been very effectual in holding the classes together; and the work has gone on throughout the voyage without a hitch.

S/Lieut

H M T "Oxfordshire"
2/8/1919

Education Officer
10th. L.H. Regiment