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Surafend ref map sheet 13 Japa 29/7/71 N6D	Sept 1		<p>Strength Officers 11/30 other ranks 37 Riding horses 2 D58, 2 limb 95W 4 95W, 5 2 amb wagons 2 water carts 2 sand carts 2 Bicycles 2 motor Bicycles 6 Light motor Amb. Attached as per W.C. 7OR MTASC 4 natives ASL Home Transport, Personnel 2 OR detached, Fredo Carr 1 officer (Lieut Col M<sup>c</sup> LAREN) Officer training school Rabon (Med Ord) 2 OR, NCO school AAME measles 3OR. Attached 97<sup>th</sup> Dental Unit 1 officer 3OR, ELC Rantany natives 12, AAME details held super to estab attached to Regiment 2 officers 7OR</p> <p>2 sanitary inspectors from 8<sup>th</sup> sanitary section (Aust Div) reported for duty in this Brigade.</p> <p>Australia in Palestine deputation Roll for 110 magazine forwarded to AAF HQ Cairo for member of the unit 1 OR &amp; mot amt LAOS69 returned from advanced sub depot motor transport fuel being temp detached for repairs</p>	CROSS
	Sept 2		<p>Att Div instructions (medical) re upkeep of A.R.D. book in accordance with instructions received from DQMS Des Coy.</p>	CROSS
	Sept 3		<p>9OC (Brigadier General Onslow) DSO interviewed CO<sup>o</sup> of units at HQ.</p> <p>Capt Campbell Lecture to 15 Reg on VD and prophylaxis</p> <p>Memo received from AAME Aust Div authority to indent for 50% Acetylene Gas lamps for motor Amb.</p> <p>1OR proceeded on short leave to Egypt.</p>	CROSS
	Sept 4 <sup>th</sup>		<p>PH helmets recalled. Special attention drawn to Aust Routine order no 958 re prisoners of war.</p> <p>Ranleh &amp; Ludd placed out of bounds owing to depth &amp; insanitary condition of rows in</p> <p>Lieut P.A. RYAN, AAME posted OC 97<sup>th</sup> Dental unit. Lieut Lieut JB Donnelly AAME posted to Dental. measles. 1OR Larrier marched in ex AAME cadre, it taken on strength</p> <p>1OR evaluated sick VD. struck off strength, 1OR detached for to 14 agt for medical exam for Shyng Corp</p>	CROSS CROSS
	Sept 5		<p>Surgeon General Deatherstone DQMS AAME visited medical officers of the Brigade.</p>	CROSS
	Sept 6		<p>The Kangaroo had been selected as the emblem of the Division.</p>	CROSS
	Sept 7		<p>all vehicles except motor ambulances to be checked with directional bulbs</p> <p>2OR sick to hospital</p> <p>Weekly sick rates ending with 1/9/18, Byd admission 30 evaluations of discharged to unit remaining in hosp 7 cases gastro intestinal 7 Pyrexia MVD 9 VD 7</p> <p>% admission 1.98 inoculations 1.38, Other zoonotic admissions 7 inoculations 7 discharged to unit remaining in hosp, prevailing diseases gastro intestinal 1 pyrexia 3, VD nil</p> <p>Unit strength with ending 7/9/18, 6 OH 113OR 37 Riding horses 58 D animals 2 limb 95 wagons 4 95 Wagon 5 light amb wagon 2 water carts 2 sand carts 2 Bicycles 2 motor Bicycles 6 light motor Amb attached as per W.C. 7OR MTASC 4 natives ASL HT, personnel temp detached 14 agt 1OR. NCO school 3OR, short leave 1OR Cor school Rabon 2OR, attached 97<sup>th</sup> D W. 10F 3OR</p> <p>E.L.C. Rantany natives 12, aame details held super to estab ATT Reg to 204 7OR</p>	CROSS

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Sydney May Sept 13 N6D	Sept 7		Lieut Col MCLAREN resumed command 5LHF Amb. on return from leave, Sgt Postlethwaite detached to AIF for Court of inquiry. Cricket material received from AIF Comforts fund. also memo from Red Cross Society stating that patients would continue to be supplied with comforts from Red Cross. And personnel of unit. AIF Comforts fund. and these would be sent forward with Regde Comforts. Capt CAMPBELL. Lectured smaller units of Regde on VD and prophylaxis advice slip received from Staff Paymaster AIF in Egypt. Condon rebate for month of July Ten Pounds & two pence £10-0-2 placed credit of this unit's trust account. Authority from Brigade stating that 10 OR would be allowed raffles to establish and in demand for reinforcements this must be taken into account. 2 OR were 1 appendix 1 December. 22 donkeys taken on establishment. 1 NCO & 3 OR detailed to attend instruction 1 day only in Churra water lifting equipment.	Bluff #
	Sept 8		Circular memo received from AAG Cairo, asking for CO's 2nd in Commands and all ranks decorated in the present war to have photographs taken for historical records. 1 OR sick to hospital, 16937 Lt Mallon relinquished apt as driver in AIF at own request. 1 OR transferred to no 3 Cadet wing at Anouky. 702040 Shoemey Smith, 1st Lt Bowman to be Temp Corp Carrier rec'd back to Australia, 1 OR rejoined in Field Hospital.	Cairo #
	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>		memo no SL 1790 5th AIF Regde rec'd received, relating to formation of camp at Reinforcement Camp Lidd.	appendix I
	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>		memo from ADMS Aust Dir relating to allotment for NCO's school to commence on 15/9/18. 2 OR. Circular memo from AAG asking for list of all ranks decorated in present war, giving location, 1 OR sick to hospital struck off strength. 1 OR proceeded on sick leave to Egypt, all surplus Boerac sheets clothing including foul jackets returned to B.M. store for return to Ordnance.	Cairo #
	Sept 11 <sup>th</sup>		Despatch memo from ADMS Aust Dir asking for a list of articles which would be carried in their mobile sections in the event of their transport being reduced to 8 pack amount. File this office no C 15 11-9-18, File 1/1896 5th AIF Regde received, increase of 5% granted of Officers & men over establishment, bringing total of ambulance to 16 OR. Circular memo received through 5th AIF Regde from G.S. Aust Dir no 1/18 548 dated 10/9/18 table giving scale of fuel marching order.	appendix IV

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Surafind hof Sheet Jaffa Rq 13 N6D	Sept 11 Sept 12		10R to base at 2nd NZMGs. 10R taken on Rahon strength from 97 Dental Unit 1 officer detailed to attend HQ unit our own lecture dealing with principles of requisitioning Circular memo from ADMs Aust Dir No 4/20, 19/9/18 Professional Concentration scheme ambulances has Immobility Receptions will accompany Bgde in marching order as for operations memo received that SRS would be formed on 13 met under Lt Col M Laren of this ambulance Canteen Rebate for May & June from Bgde Canteen cheque received for 1590 Pt. memo PL 1790/5 5th A.H. Bgde 1790 dated 9/9/18, closed on Bg Echelon 1 blanket for man & officer kit, confidential memo No 1897 from GAG through 5th A.H. Bgde re shortage of soap, Capt RF Lambert came posted as RMO 1st Angae Batt Dec 30/18, Capt W 3rd Credie MC posted RMO 3rd Angae Batt 1CC 18/6/18, Post II orders amended to head strength of strength	EmotH
	Sept 13		Strength. The Immobility section 5th A.H. Amb, detached to form Australian Recovery Station under Lt Col Col W W M Laren, personnel, animals vehicles, etc 2 officers, Lt Col W W M Laren, + Capt J S Campbell, 30 OR, 4 ASC AT natives 4 R Horses, 16 LD mules 6 donkeys 2 motor Amb 1 Lamb QS 2 QS W 1 water Cart 2 Bicycles Capt Dolman detached as RMO 14 Regt during temporary absence on leave of Capt Tutor Hospital sick rates week ending 13th Sept, Bgde admissions 44 evacuations 33, Discharged to unit 9 remaining 10, 7 admissions 2.93 evacuations 2.2 prevailing diseases Gastrointestinal 6, Pyrexia 11, VD 5, Other 2 formations, admissions 7 evac 4, discharged to unit 4 remaining nil, prevailing diseases Gastro intest 1, Pyrexia 3 VD nil, slight decrease in VD for the week, Strength for week ending, 6 officers 116 OR 41 horses 54 mules 22 donkeys 2 QS W, Lamb, 4 QS W, 5 Lamb wagons 2 water Carts 2 sand Carts 2 motor Bicycles 2 Bicycles, 6 motor Amb, 4 asc horse transport natives, personnel etc temp detached, 14 Regt 18 officers Capt H Dolman NCO School horses, 30R. Cavalry School Recon 20R, Aust Recovery Station 2 officers Lt Col M Laren & Capt J S Campbell 30 OR, 4 ASC AT natives 4 R Horses 16 LD mules 6 donkeys 1 QS W 2 QS W 1 water cart 2 motor amb	EmotH

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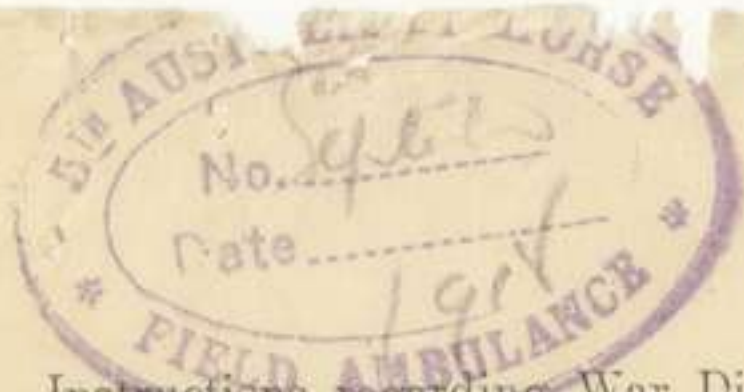
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Anrafend mail sheet 1329/71 N6B	Sept 13 " 14		<p>attached 97 Hospital unit 10 off 4 OR &amp; 10 patients Sanitary 12, Patients in Hospital 11.</p> <p>Major CM O'Halloran assumes Command 5th Amb during temporary absence of Lt Col WW in force to command ARS. The mobile section of Amb less 3 off 25 OR moved off to Divisional parade at 0700. Routine altered for this day, Ambulance was inspected by GADMS of Division, the French Ambulance section also accompanied us.</p> <p>Burial instructions received memo no 5C 1868. Burial Park, apt 1st unit 2 OR, numbers allotted to unit 886 to 897 inclusive, should above not be exhausted further allotment 841 to 870 inclusive.</p> <p>Memo Spe 1860 further instructions received re dump at Desert Coy Reinforcement Camp Ladd. Memo no 435, 14/9/18 ADMS Aust Dir received orders to collect from CTC the following: natures 19, Camels 20, Cocolets sitting 5 pair, Cocolets lying 4 pair this being the number of .. &amp; Cocolets in possession up to establishment.</p> <p>Memo no 4136, 13/9/18 ADMS Aust Dir received stating that 40 camel nets for this Amb had been indentured for under Divisional arrangements, these are to be used as an improved sitting Cocolet which is said to be more comfortable than a sitting Cocolets, when not being used for patients can be used for carrying rations etc.</p> <p>Memo no Spe 1857 5th Amb dealing with supply &amp; water services &amp; sanitary equipment during operations. Water services SMO to detail one MO to supervise chlorination of water for drinking purposes, when not practicable OC units will see that water sterilizing tablets are used, Sanitary portable equipment 3% to be carried in By Echelon.</p> <p>Memo 4136 ADMS Aust Dir all Rmt<sup>s</sup> in Div to parade with mallee carts loaded as for operations to parade in Sq 22d at 1100 on 16th inst. Pack saddles will be brought and transfer of medical equipment from mallee cart to 2 pack horses &amp; inspected by ADMS. All Rmt<sup>s</sup> of 5th Amb notified.</p> <p>4 OR reinforcements marched in ex moascar. 2 OR proceeded to moascar NEO school.</p> <p>All <del>any</del> equipment in excess to marching out scale returned to stores.</p>	Cm 104

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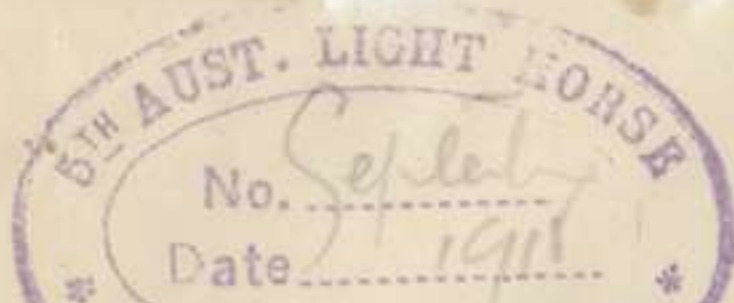
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Aurofend Re map sheet 13 29/71 N60	15 <sup>th</sup> Sep		all leave on Brigade stopped till further notice, ADM's advises daily wage to Drasmoney is no longer nearly memo 4140 ADM's Aust Dir move of Dental unit no 97 to B's Camp near front Camp Ludd to take place 17/9/18, To 1415 Sgt Postlethwaite O, recommended for promotion to Lt. Sgt to complete establishment, file c 22, 14/9/18, promotion to date from 22.8.18, memo no 1861, 15/9/18 received, in connection with Bgde transport parade, must parade of unit all ranks to see if unit of unit in possession of identity disc, Field Dressing, Brassards, 4 White sterilizing tabs Reservation no 16891 2nd Coy, Specimen of venetian left on return of Coy, Eatock Dem to duty, 1 OR MTAI marched in ex Dev Coy motor ambul, 1 OR detached to Bgde Camp Ludd, 2 OR detached to ARS, 1 ELE native evae sick, 2 LD mules to MVS.	CMO A
	16 <sup>th</sup> Sep		Received from General Staff Aust Dir through 5414 Bgde HQ, No BM 95 Hospital flags are not be flown till further orders, memo BM 97 mounted work on 17 <sup>th</sup> mat, permission to leave camp not to be given without reference to BMO, Administrative Instructions to be carried out during Operations A/c 1860/1 for the Brigade, 1 OR transferred to HAAH, 1 OR marched in from HAAH the following appointed drivers 3 OR, 2 OR regimed in NEOC school houses, 2 OR horses & 2 D Horses returned from BMO, 20 Camels 19 natives 5 pan sitting Calabots & 15 faras grey Calabots taken in charge 2 motor Bicycles returned to store, Conference of OC ambulances at ADM's Aust Dir HQ at 1630.	CMO A
	17 <sup>th</sup> Sep		Conference of OC of units of 5414 Bgde held at HQ at 1530, Expoyed 8 gallons Panakas for 5 gallons away to former laundry, Instructions received be prepared to march at 1830 17 <sup>th</sup> mat, no equipment which cannot be carried on the march will be in possession of units, except tents & horse line posts which will be left standing, memo no 4081 ADM's received, referring the points to be observed before prosecuting patients suffering from malaria for malarial fever, an order to take Immune, memo 4109/71 ADM's, Results of Medical Board of <del>units</del> on men in the field, eleven presented themselves, 7 unfit for A class, 4 fit for A class 1 OR of Regiment notified, and unfit men evacuated in the usual way. Movement Order received, Bgde march at 1900 to Yagum or Jewest Agricultural College about 4 miles from Aurofend, Transports brigaded in Echelons, Brigade reached this Camp between 9/10 PM, To 1415 Sgt Postlethwaite O promoted Lt. Sgt, 22.8.18. Authority ADM's Aust Dir memo no 4157 of 16.9.18, 1 OR sick to hospital ex leave to Egypt, 3 OR 97 Dental unit to join 73 Dental unit 1 OR regimed in Cavalry School Rehon, 10 Officers Lt Ryan (PA) 1 OR of 97 Dental unit marched out to join Australian recovery Station, 2 OR to ARS, 1 OR to HAAH 2nd Coy.	CMO A

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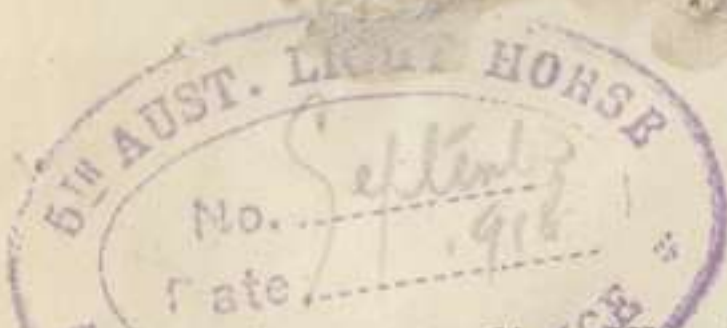
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Yayum at Jevat Agrakult had called	18/9/18		On this date came under administration of ADMS 21st Army Corps, instructions received. Casualties will be evacuated into MDS of 75 Div at C 20a motor Amb will be forked off road at C 19b order received to send Motor Bicycle to explore Ditch road cancelled owing to not having same. <del>Order</del> on arrival at Zulkeram casualties evacuated into Field Amb of 60th Division at Zulkeram. Advance beyond Zulkeram evacuation will be by horse-rebells & motor ambulances to 60th Div Field Amb, pending receipt of orders from ADMS. 6 motor Cars from this ambulance were sent <del>to report</del> on the night of 18/9/18 to report to ADMS 60th Div at Mulebis.	
	19/9/18		Copy of Operation Order <del>substantially</del> received from ADMS Aust Div received. Note: all buildings and gardens placed out of bounds. Special instructions, re sanitation by leaving Brouae areas clean, ie damage to trees. Conference of C units at 3PM in afternoon. At dusk Brigade moved out and dropped to Mellebis and <del>also</del> reached there at 0700. Brouae till 0430. Bombardment commenced and Brigade moved out at 0430. Ambulances under instructions from GOC 5th Div remained & marched with wheeled Eschelon for the day. At Misset a halt was made, Bearers attended to several wounded <del>at</del> Britist & Dicks and notified 75 CCB. Late in the afternoon moved with Eschelon through Ditch and on to Zulkeram reaching here at 0930. Brouae for the night.	CM04
Zulkeram	20/9/18		3 wounded Britist admitted. 4 Prisoners of war wounded. 7 Britist sick 10R to hospital Ambulance remained at Zulkeram for the day & night. 20R proceeded as escort to CCB Ludd	CM04
	21/9/18		The Brigade marched to Hablus, and met with opposition shortly before entering 10R Britist was wounded & evacuated to CCB Zulkeram, riding own horse. The Drench Ambulance Section remained behind on the road as recovery station, and later on in the evening moved up with eschelon. The Bearers & Caecobts remaining with Brigade all day. After the entry to Hablus an area for Brouae was allotted at Balata.	CM04
	22/9/18		Left Balata early morning carrying sick men in Caecobts; for ferries, these men evacuated to 110 combined Indian Field Ambulances.	CM04

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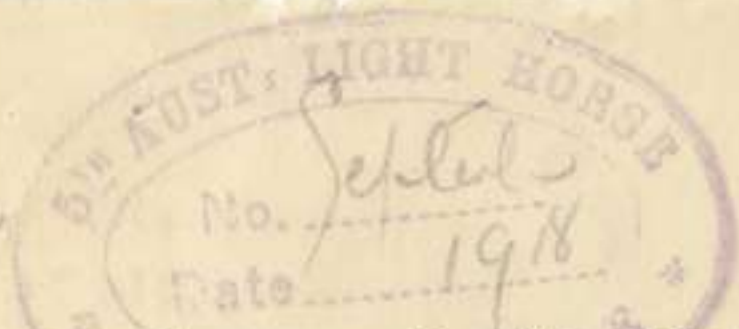
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	22/9/18		<p>Reached Jennu late in the evening, on the way we picked up 13 sick and wounded Turks at Aija Railway these brought on in Caecoles and evacuated to Turkish Hospital Jennu. There was <u>one</u> case of <u>Dysentery</u> amongst these patients.</p> <p>Hospital Sick Rates for week ending 20/9/18 Brigade admissions 40 evac 40 discharged 10 nil remaining nil % admissions 2.75 evacuations 2.75 wounded admitted for Brigade 3 other formations admissions 3 evacuations 3 count nil remaining nil wounded nil</p> <p>Prevalent Diseases Gastrointestinal 3 Pyrexia 21 40 5</p> <p>Strength week ending 20/9/18 6 officers 109 OR horses 8 mules 54 donkeys 72            2 LGSW 7 GSW 4 Light Amb 5 water carts 2 sand carts 2 bicycles 2 motor amb 6            MTASE 8 OR, natives 1 ASCHT 4. Detached personnel 14 AMH 10 1 OR, NCO school 2            Car School Rabon 1 OR, ARS 7 off 3 2 OR 2 MTASE, 4 ASCHT natives, Bgde camp 1 OR            Carro 1 OR HQ Des Corp MTASE. At ARS 4 horses 6 mules 6 donkeys 195 Lums            2 GSW 1 water cart 2 motor amb HQ Des Corp. Attached 8 MCH 1. 72 natives 1 horse            70 camels 5 pack animals Caecoles 15 pack Lums. ADM personnel with Regiment            6</p>	CMOA
	22-9-18		<p>Sand Cart dumped on track. 1 L Amb Wagon left on track owing to damage to parts.</p>	CMOH
	23-9-18		<p>5 Motor Amb of 4 sent down men detached to DADM for duty at Jennu Hospital, sick parades at Jennu were very large most patients suffering from dysentery, 11 patients evacuated to Jennu Hospital. Capt SW in Creadie RMO 15 AMH evacuated sick to Hospital, 1 OR evacuated sick to Hospital.</p>	CMOH
	24-9-18		<p>2 OR evacuated sick 1 Donkey evacuated to MVS. 2 OR rejoined unit ex 16 CBS.</p>	CMOH
near El Afala	25-9-18		<p>At 1400 Brigade marched to position near springs about 5 miles east of El Afala</p> <p>4 sent down men attached to DADM reported for duty</p> <p>1 motor order to ADM Aust Dir, 1 motor amb 2 OR to ADM Aust Dir, Capt R L Howell reported for duty from ADM Aust Dir, Capt R L Linton RMC reported for leave, Capt H Solman AMC rejoined unit on return of Capt Linton to duty with 14 AMH, a few patients admitted to ambulance</p>	CMOH - SEP 1918 CMOH

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Elafule			<p>In the evening Brigade marched out to Kaffi Kema, marching till early the following morning, the patients were carried along with us in sand carts. On leaving Elafule the Brigade came under auspices for instructions. Remained at Kaffi Kema till 0900 and moved to Tuberia and stabled &amp; watered the horses remaining about one hour here.</p> <p>At 1400 we set out for Liberia reaching there at 1630 and bivouac for the night. We evacuated 26 patients to motor wagons in the morning at Liberia. 2 OR evac'd sick 1 OR marched in 1 OR rejoined ex 14ATH. 1 Padre &amp; 1 OR joined up. 2 R Horses attached, at Liberia at 0700 a conference of OC's of units was held at BHO, ambulances were disorganised, and medical equipment placed on pack horses, division marched to Rosh Punt. we picked up one wounded Arab and one sick man, at this place, <del>we</del> carried them about a mile &amp; half further on where we halted for some hours, at night we detailed 2 dent. division men and 2 drivers 1 sand cart &amp; 3 camels with 3 natives, to take 1 wounded and seven sick men to go about back to Rosh Punt and act as <del>collecting</del> <sup>clearing</sup> station for the night with instructions to evacuate into motor wagons which were to unload at Rosh Punt this night, we shifted from the patients we had taken up during the day, into a Jewish village situated close to the Jordan banks where division was held up on account the enemy being close at hand.</p> <p>Week ending 27<sup>th</sup> Hospital sick rates Brigade admissions 53 evacuations 53 discharged to unit nil remaining nil wounded 1. % admissions 3.65 evacuations 3.65, other formations admitted 5 evacuation 5 discharged to unit nil remaining nil prevalent diseases 30 gastro intestinal, 27 Pyrexia, 2 VD, Strength 7 Officers 107 OR. 47 horses 54 mules 70 donkeys 2 Lamb gun. 4 gsw 4 Light Amb 7 Water Carts 1 sand cart 2 Breeches &amp; motor Amb, MTASC 2 OR natives ASCHT 4 personnel etc Lampy detached NCO school 2 OR, dental 1 OR, Car school Rukon 1 OR, Bgde Dump 1 OR, Cairo 1 OR, ARS 204 3 OR 4 asc AT natives, DCB 8 MTASC &amp; 6 motor Amb. at ARS 4 horses 16 mules 6 donkeys 19 gsw 2 gsw. 1 water cart 2 <del>sub</del> <sup>sub</sup> <del>wagons</del> 2 Breeches.</p>	<p>Emott Emott Emott Emott</p>

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Rock Ponto	27/9/18		Strength continued attached Padre (14 H&H) 1 OR, 2 Riding Horses, 1 M&A 1 IR Horse CTE 18 natives 20 camels 5 pack animals Calcelets 15 Hyung E.L.C. 3. One at ARS <del>4 H&amp;H</del>	CWOA
	28/9/18		Capt Shipway 10 OR with 3 donkeys 6 mules 3 Riding Horses 1 sand Cart 1 Dist. post GSW detached to form relay station Aust. Bn., and rejoined unit by 4 PM. about 45 patients were passed through this station one death reported, and a number of sick & wounded Prisoners of war. The remainder of the ambulance pushed on to Kunetbra.	CWOA
Kunetbra	28/9/18		2 British wounded being attended to on the way also 2 Prisoners of war, these were handed over to 3rd ITC ambulance. Kunetbra was reached about 1600, The 5th Brigade had no casualties for the previous night, on this day sick parade was very small.	CWOA
	29/9/18		Admitted to Hospital 12 sick & wounded prisoners of war, 20 British sick admitted to Hospital, 20 British & French cases. In the afternoon these patients were evacuated into 4 ITC ambulance. 10 OR & 20 sick, Capt Howell & one OR detailed for duty with 4 ITC ambulance. 1 OR 2 Riding Horses and one donkey left at dismounted camp Kunetbra, Conference of officers held in the afternoon. Brigade moved off at 1600. Ambulance being dismounted. The Bearers followed about behind Brigade troops. Strictest discipline being observed on the march. Wheelled portion of ambulance was under control of Mr Phillips & Capt Shipway, and marched with A Eschelon, attached from 4 ITC ambulance 6 natives & 6 camels. 2 Light Amb 4 drivers 8 mules. Division marched all night and reached Sarsa early in the morning being held up by machine gun fire for some time, no casualties in 5th Brigade, 10 officers 2 OR 2 ITC natives 2 GSW wagns 2 Horses 10 20 animals 11 donkeys, Padre 1. Batman 1 M&A 1, Riding Horses 3. 200 4 ITC ambulance 4 OR 2 Light wagns, 8 20 animals. These were detached to form relay station. The Light Amb Wagns & Camels remained with A Eschelon.	CWOA
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Darsa to Dunmor	30/9/18		<p>The Bear section of the ambulance remained with the Brigade and was in touch with Regiments all day long. Towards evening there were three casualties killed and one wounded. OC of 14<sup>th</sup> Regt wired for a motor ambulance and succeeded in getting wounded man away. We had no casualties to attend to this day. At night we camped near Brigade on the hills on the Dunmor Road.</p> <p>Admitted Relay Station Darsa 6 wounded admitted, sick 14. <sup>British</sup> <del>British</del> majority of these patients being held one night.</p> <p>70 prisoners of war admitted 7 of which were wounded.</p> <p>On road from Darsa 1 Bear was detained to look after 3 wounded Australians <del>who had been taken prisoners and separated.</del></p> <p>The health of the troops on the march was good till we reached Jenin. The sick parade here was very large. Most of the illness was dysentery. There were no serious cases.</p> <p>Quartermaster Report see appendix III</p>	<p>CMO</p>

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1. Field Day work of ambulance.
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Part of of F. Ambulance.
3. Q.M.'s Report.

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Appendix 2

Parts Tpt. will Mobile  
Set of Ambulance in the event  
of its coming into use.

- Load I
- 2 Tarpaulins 180 lbs.
  - 2 4 Drums 50 lb. Wood 1 Axe (13 lb.)
  - 3 1 G.M.P. 1 F.S.P.
  - 4 Splints 2 Ch. Med. Cases Pannies  
Res. Dressing Box First Aid Case 8 Wash Bins
  - 5 Operat. Lamp & some like Strips
  - 6 45 Pannies 701 Selected 700 Selected  
Stationery box.
  - 7 2 Tents C.O.L.
  - 8 30 Blankets 20 Ground Sheets.



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Appendix 3  
I. Field day was held on 9/9/18.  
The Brigade marched out, the  
Ambulance following in the  
rear. When Brigade went into  
action, an officer & one orderly  
detailed to B.H.Q. One orderly  
detailed to each Regiment to  
report any casualties to Ambulance  
and to load sand carts  
to Regimental Dressing  
stations. An enemy notified  
that by no at B.H.Q. was morning  
Amb moved up also. As this  
attack was an a retreating  
army ~~no separate~~ the ambulance  
was not set up. Any  
patients (wounded) brought in  
were placed in sand carts  
and carried forward

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emergency draws for all animals  
one day + cement some carried on  
animal. one day emergency 9/11/18 or  
By Echelon.

Rations 2 days emergency + one day  
Iron Ration drawn for men. (one of the  
emergency rations carried on By Echelon  
Med Comps. plentiful until 17<sup>th</sup> unit  
supplies carried on By each ambulance wagon  
+ on 4<sup>th</sup> wagon with medicine stores.

Immobile Dept 1579118. Moved out with  
2 1/2 wagons of medicine + General  
Stores. 1 1/2 wagons, with mobile  
equipment.

Supplies. Supplies stores returned to  
A.O.D. + to General Rest Camp.

17/9/18 Unit mobile moved to Agrethine  
Colony.

Rations stores except ~~some~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~  
good night through. In Kerai. Then  
on to Samacua

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### Appendix III

1. Ration good + Supplies good
2. Transport Wagons all overhauled +  
extra wheels + spars carried. + brackets  
with axle bar board.

Ambulance wagons fitted with  
steel tyre in lieu of rubber tyres.  
Motor ambulance repaired + chain added  
with welding. chived etc. for  
sand work.

Camels with 16 camels, 124 selling  
credit drawn from CTC on 17/9/18.  
net also was drawn for these camels  
for transport use when not using  
credit from A.O.D.

Donkeys 20 donkeys in poor condition  
arrived early from Remount Dept.  
Some trucks + weakness being main  
trouble.

3. Forage good condition. Two days



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required.  
The rough country from Aberea  
to Kumbha was expensive. For shoes  
meatloaf have been shot. For  
bomblow, amput. other upsets have  
been frequent.

DRs could not supply me to  
field units, the distance being too great.  
Schie shot for me to two days only.  
Plenty of supplies now available.

Whitely



Transport which were fairly  
open had to be used up in places  
from broken waggons, along track.

One ambulance wagon abandoned  
in 1941 between Nables & Samara.

The perch bar broke going over rough  
road & allowed the under carriage to  
hull away, breaking both springs.

A milk wagon was taken to replace  
it full of milk brought away.

The wagon was handed over to a  
Sally party from Infantry.

Several camel Coercels were also  
abandoned near here. Two sitting pads  
through camel bedding with legs were  
broken, & one sitting nail.

Nails & horseshoes There has been a  
scarcity of nails for horse shoes.

Shoes stand replacing after cutting  
the hoof 3 or 4 times. but the nails  
need replacing each time. & the  
nails out of horseshoes to shoes are



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