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WAR DIARY

OF

5th. Australian L. H. Field Ambulance.

FOR

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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| KHAAN MUZELUM | 3/10/18 | | The drinking water here was obtained from a fountain and did not require chlorination. 14 patients admitted to ambulance, 2 wounded + one sick Prisoner of war, 10R admitted to hospital. Ceffan Shipway + personnel of Relay station joined DCS at Et Mezgo. | |
| | 4/10/18 | | Orders from Brigade contain instructions re Drinking Water + French Latrines 10R sick, 7 British admitted to hospital Hospital sick rate well ending 4 for Regt Admissions 36 evacuations 29 destroyed to out 4 remaining 2 wounded 10. Other formations " 27 evacuations 19 not remaining 2. French wounded 9 one died, prevalent diseases Gastro Intestinal N. P. P. 53. VD nil. | CMT# |
| | 5/10/18 | | Strength 7 Officers 105 OR 47 Horses 53 mules 20 donkeys 2 Lumb (SW 4 GW 4) 2 amb wagons 2 water carts 1 sand cart 2 Bicycles + 6 motor amb SMTASE + 4 ASE horse transport. Personnel temp detached NEO School + 14 LHA amb 1 OR DUT HQ 1 OR, Kitch 1 OR, Regt camp 1, Carrol, DCS 6 motor amb SMTASE. KRS 20 officers, 31 OR 4 ASE HT natives 4 RH 16 mules 6 donkeys 1 Gs Lumb, 2 GSW. 1 water cart 2 Bicycles, attached cadre 14 AMH 1 1 OR, 2 K Horses, YMA 12 1 R Horse, CTC 18 natives 2 Camels 6 mules 15 Camels (15 mules) 4 LHA sand (natives) 6 camels 2 6 Army camels, ELC natives 2. Admnl details with Regiment 6 OR. Instructions Ambulance ordered for 2 AMBs | CMT# |
| | 6/10/18 | | 7 OR admitted (3 OR amb personnel admitted) from Regt. Brigade moved from Khan Muzelum to Dumar, there were 14 British + 2 Prisoners of War + 1 ELC brought in camels, there seven men evacuated by Carro to French Hospital whilst we were stationed at Khan Muzelum. All 1464 askmy for reinforcements to regt to complete | CMT# |
| Dumar | 6/10/18 | | Shifted camp from low lying ground to hills. Drinking water drawn from fountain + not requiring chlorination. Instructions 43 RO ne leave to Bamaseus. 147A askmy how many reinforcements we could mount, Horses available for B. and 3 could get seats on wagons. Dispensed 1 OR report Boms at Victoria Hotel Bamaseus to make an inventory of captured medical stores, out by AMBs. Particulars of miscellaneous stores asked for, including Regimental establishments. 11 Sick admitted from Regt 1 from other formations | CMT# |

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| Bamoa | 7/10/18 | | <p>BRD. ADM's Aust Div. no personnel recaptured, wearing for A36 prisoners of war. impossible to furnish, no intel of detail. BRD's instructions re property of inhabitants & Prices of Commodities in Bamoa, Sick Parade at ambulance for Bgde 0800. Victoria Hotel Bamoa sent out of bounds to all ranks except officers Personnel of Relay Station sent off shipway & Capt Dolman rejoined Brigade. Two motor transport ASC. Lorry & 5 Car taken on strength in ADM's motor staff. 11 R have Cairo, 14 Butat sick admitted.</p> | |
| | 8/11/18 | | <p>30R admitted to hospital. Capt Dolman rejoined unit. Butat sick admitted 31, Beahaca H. P. G. 16. BRD's standing instructions re (bookkeeping water chlorination) memo from ADM's Aust Div stating no transfers to Base Hospital till further notice. Memo 4173 ADM's Aust Div re instructions with regard to use of serum & vaccines. Wire from ADM's Aust Div to Bamoa 5 Car taken on strength, all evacuations here except serious cases which may be sent to Base or to hospital. Col Bourke, inspected Lines.</p> | |
| | 9.10.18 | | <p>Company Cooking adopted. Wire from GOC. working all Revonac Areas in Bgde cleared up & Lines put straight. LTC native evacuated sick, 10R rejoined in Div HQ. Capt Dolman posted 15 A.H.R.M.O. owing to the increased number of patients, and to the uncertain weather, it was decided to take a house in the town of Bamoa. This place was scrubbed out & fumigated by a party under Lt Phillips. and was thoroughly cleaned up and ready for the reception of patients on the following morning. a quantity of medical stores and comforts received. 20R rejoined ex hospital. Bycatcher ceased to be evacuated. 1 Lumb gun returned as result.</p> | |
| | 10/10/18 | | <p>20R sick to hospital, 10R sick evac'd in DRB. Bamoa sent out of bounds to all ranks not on duty. Ambulance moved at last hour to Bullding off R.H.C. 16 Patients were carried to Caeplets to Bullding. 15 Patients returned on 10/10 discharged to duty, 10 Patients remain in hospital over night. The sum of five Pounds received from ADM's used for purchase of medical comforts.</p> | |



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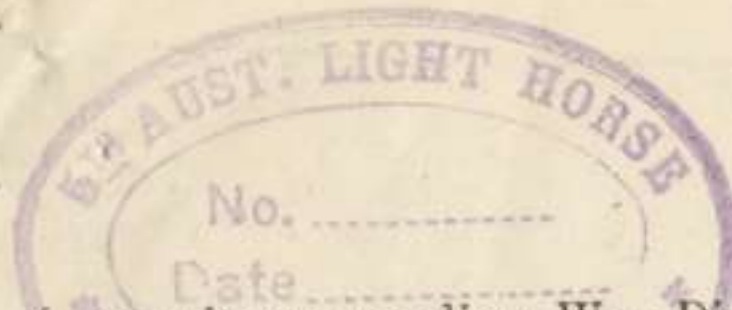
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| Duman | 10/10/18 | | <p>B.S. 1000 from ADMS Anaktin, report the case no 5th DRB as 2 cases. Embolism occurred all cases will be held in Bgdes, very urgent cases to French Hospital. Report furnished to B.H.G. on drinking water, and on possible contamination of stream running through village. Corp Commander St Jm Chaurcel visited the hospital. ^{B.H.G.} Patient each hospital must take with them unexpired of the days ration plus additional ration if in possession of unit. Memo issued to all units from B.H.G. re anti Cholera measures - drinking water to water other than that drawn at the fountain at Kuluwa Str. is to be used for drinking or cooking no water should be drunk unless boiled or chlorinated, units must ensure that this order is strictly observed. II. Fresh vegetables, invariably cooked before eating. III. Conserve latrines. In the absence of buckets are to be dug as deep as 4 ft & earth piled to the side which should be sprinkled with latrine after using. Shallow latrines are not to be used under any circumstances. The importance of keeping latrines in a sanitary condition cannot be emphasised too strongly upon the men. It is essential that units do not fail in this particular branch of sanitation. IV. A census of un inoculated should be taken & figures furnished to SMO who will arrange inoculation forthwith. All men are to be warned of the presence & dangers of Cholera & impressed with importance of precautionary measures.</p> <p>11/10/18 20R sick to hospital 20R recovered. week ending hospital sick rates Bgde admissions 105 other formations 4 evacuations 155 other formations 6 discharged to duty 17 other - nil remaining in hospital 40. Prevalent diseases Gastro Intestinal 26. Persecia 49 (mainly influenza). 4 Zamb wagon 1 sand cart 2 water cart 2 Beccles Chassis Anti 8 M.T.A.S.E 2 L.A.S.C.H.T. nature Personnel etc 2 empty detached NCO's School 2, 2 S.B. 100 20R, Car 20 20R, Richon 10R Bode dumb 10R ARS 204 29OR 4 ASE horse transport natives 4 horses 16 mules 6 donkeys 18 mules, 2 go wagons 1 water cart 2 Beccles S.B. 4 mules amb 6 M.T.A.S.E. Attached Patre 12 AKHR 10R. Horses Y.M.C.A 1 horse etc 17 natives 20 camels 5 mules 15 Lying Caeclets 4 M.T.A.S.E six natives six camels, 6 Caeclets lying E.L.P. 2</p> | |

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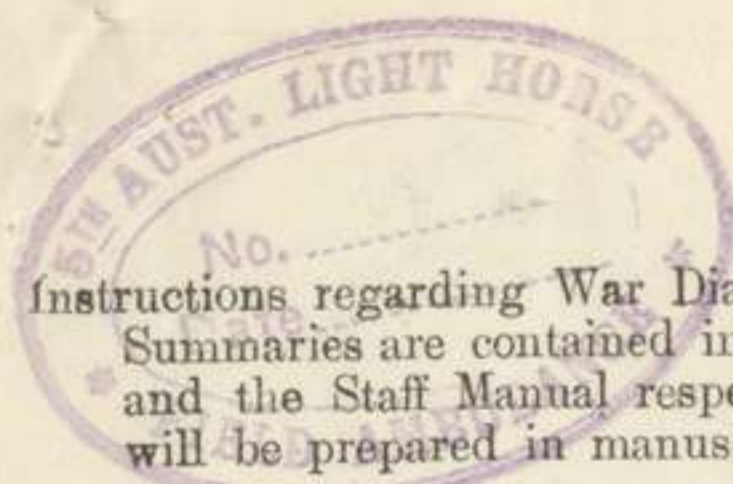
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| Dunbar | 12/10/18 | | Board of Inquiry at BHA, to inquire into circumstances under which a number of bankers abandoned during since 9/10/18. Two bankers were abandoned on track. 10R sick to hospital, medical stock obtained in Damascus at g Central depot | Cont H |
| | 13/10/18 | | wire from ADMS Aust Div BB7. English & French Hospital full except for urgent surgical cases. | Cont H |
| | 14/10/18 | | 30R required. | Cont H |
| | 15/10/18 | | GOC Aust Div - Major General Hudson visited Hospital | Cont H |
| | 16/10/18 | | 10R evacuated sick, 10R required BRS ex hospital taken on strength 9/10/18. 70R sick sick ex BRS 6/10/18 | Cont H |
| | 17/10/18 | | 10R evacuated sick ex BRS 16/10/18. 1 LD mule died at BRS 13/10/18 | |
| | | | Inoculations for Brigade with cholera vaccine of those members who have not been done for over 4 months. Limited supply. Only have obtainable | |
| | | | 10 Caecilets Camels complete with 10 native drivers detached for duty at Aust Div Reception Station. One Light Amb, 4 mules & 70R drivers reported | |
| | | | 12 AH the 4 for duty. Auth Adms Aust Div. 10R sick to Hospital | |
| | | | wire from ADMS Aust Div all cases of cholera may be sent to BRS. attention again called on BRO in sanitation of camps. BRO's Regular Camp routine should be of | |
| | | | and cases recommended to include daily exercise, morning parade | |
| | 18/10/18 | | Capt HDOH on ANAME well perform the duties of Regt sanitary officer during the temporary absence of Capt G. S. P. V. V. A. A. M. E. | Cont H |
| | | | wire from ADMS Aust Div Bro. evacuate slight cases by forwarding motor lorries to CBS Barracks, serious cases may now be sent to French & English hospitals in Damascus. Captured animals (3) returned to BHA. | Cont H |
| | | | 10R evac to BRS. 20R sick to hospital. 10R evac sick ex 14/10/18. ADMS | Cont H |
| | | | major Evans, inspected hospital. | |
| | 19/10/18 | | 10R sick to hospital. Sprung wheel ending 19/10/18, 6 officers 970R & 49 horses | |
| | | | 52 mules 19 donkeys 7 camels 4 cows. 4 light amb wagons. 2 water carts, 1 sand cart | |
| | | | 2 pieces 6 motor amb 50R MTASE. 4 ASCENT natives. Personnel etc temp detached | |
| | | | NEO schools 20R. Riches 10R DES 10R Capt highway. 20R. Cairo 20R. 17/10/18 70R. Ryle | |
| | | | Dunn Ludd 10R. Desmtd unit Kumertra 10R. ADMS Damascus 20R. ARS | |
| | | | 70R. Lt Col Mc Green. Capt 25 Campbell 270R 4 natives ASCENT. DES 60R MTASE | |
| | | | 4 motor amb. BRS 4 horses 15 mules 6 donkeys 194 mules 2 gnu | Cont H |



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| Mumbar | 19/10/18 | | Strength 1 water cart 1 horse 10 M.A.H. 1 light amb wagon. 2 mules, attached Padre. 10R 14 M.A.H. mules. Y.M.C.A. 1 horse. ETC 13 natives 16 camels E.L.C. natives 7, 10R 1 E.L.C. native, A.A.M.C. details in Regt 50R. Hospital | |
| | 20/10/18 | | Sick rates. 10 made admissions 111 came down 44 20 went 67 remaining 45, remaining diseases 1000 but 27 Typhoid 28 Influenza 39 V.D.B. 70 admissions 10.33 | Car 04 |
| | 21/10/18 | | Evacuations 418. 10R attached 50R & one horse The French Section of R.A.M.C. Field amb case table attached to this Ambulance | Car 04 |
| | 22/10/18 | | 2 motor cars attached for special duty for the day to 50R 15 mattresses a quantity of soap received from Aust for HQ for hospital use memo from ADMs furniture cut gone which are intensely infect. with malignant malaria, also nose of Cholera & other epidemics in Syria applications called for members AIF to attend course in England with a view to equalizing as officers (Plumby). 50R admitted sick to hospital, 30R rejoined in field hospital. | Car 04 |
| | 23/10/18 | | ADM's Col Gower & 2 ADM's major Evans inspected the hospital. 1 officer Capt Shipway sick to hosp. 14/10/18 40R sick to hospital | Car 04 |
| | 24/10/18 | | 3 Riding horses evacuated through 10 M.V.S. struck off strength 40R depot sick to hospital 10R rejoined in hospital, 2 mules & 3 donkeys used through 10 M.V.S. | Car 04 |
| | 25/10/18 | | 1 M.V.S.C. admitted sick to hospital replaced by horse from A.P.C., Capt ANDERSON sick to 5th Amb. 10R attached 7 A.P.A. 26 patients evacuated by hospital from to M.P.A.A.C.A. were from ADM's instruct all units to evacuate all regiments, field sick post with field amb. evacuate with view to possible more & arrangements made evacuate 40 patients, Captain RILEY taken on strength. | Car 04 |
| | 26/10/18 | | Report furnished to S/C for last 4 days showing number of patients admitted & discharged to last, and number of patients suffering from Pneumonia who from ADM's instructions to evacuate with view to possible more, rather accommodation arranged on train to Moalala, 30R sick to hosp. | Appendix 1 |
| | 26/10/18 | | 20R rejoined in 50 M.V.S. Sec corp, 10R sick to hosp. 10R sick to hosp. in 10 M.A.H. 50R rejoined in hosp. | Car 04 Car 04 |



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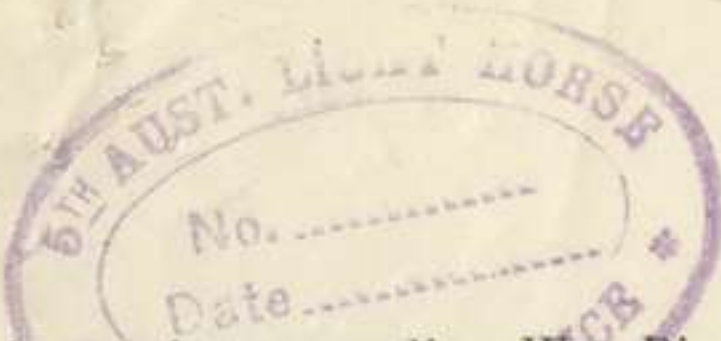
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| Dama | 26/10/18 | | Hospital sick rates week ending week 26/10/18, admissions Regde 125 erac 74 discharged dead 39 remaining 57, 2 admissions 11/19 evacuations 7/36 erac 74 prevalent diseases. Measles 16 Influenza 78, Pneumonia 5 VD3, other formations nil. Strength 600 89 OR 46 horses 50 mules 12 donkeys 2 camels 4 gsw 4 x amb wag 2 water carts 1 sand cart 2 bicycles 6 motor amb. 8 OR MTase 4 ASL HT natives. Personnel etc empty, detached NEO school mosque 2 OR, Car school Ration 10 OR 65 10R, 12 AMH 2 OR, Car 2 OR, Regde dump 10R, 11 mounted Camp Kunetra 10R. ARB 7 off Lt Col McZam 1 Capt JS Campbell 76 OR 4 ASL HT natives at DLB 4 motor amb. 6 OR MTase. 17 AMH one light amb wagon 4 mules at ARB 5 horses 15 mules 6 donkeys 1 sub gsw 2 gsw 1 water cart 2 bicycles. Absent Padres 2 & 2 OR. 7 AMH 10R. CTC 13 natives 6 camels 5 fans sitting caecoles 11 fan lying caecoles EIC natives 2. Patients rationed 30. Home details with Regiment 4 OR. 45 Patients evacuated to Moalala by train. Medical instructions not received from ADM's Aust Dir. | |
| Dama to Dama | 27/10/18 | | Movement order 89/AF received. BM 49. Regde will move to Dama. Brigade moved to Dama. Wire ADM's, stating that attention of officers 57 AMB requested for escort squadron & led horses advanced & 2nd Coy marching in rear of Regde. Nine patients evacuated on to passing cars & Lories en route. 17 admissions to Hospital. Capt JS Campbell erac with malaria in German Hospital Damascus 27/10/18. 30R erac Pak ex ARB. 30R erac sick from unit. 2 Drivers. 1 light amb 1 light 8 mules repaired ex 12 AMH. Hospital was emptied of patients on the morning 27/10/18. Patients being sent to ARB & other hospitals in Damascus. | CWOA |
| Dama to Kubeffe | 27/10/18 | | 90C 5 Bede interviewed CO's units at BAQ 0745. Patients admitted 45. Regde moved from Dama to Kubeffe carrying 4 OR 1 x amb wagon and 13 patients to be evacuated on to passing cars. " " " remained unit at Kubeffe. 35 patients were held overnight at Kubeffe and evacuated by BAPMS motor convey. 10R erac ex 15 AMH. | CWOA |
| Kubeffe to Home | 29/10/18 | | B.M.B. instructions stating that Regde march to Hasie. 4 OR sick to loop Regde from Hasie at midnight on 29/10/18 to Home's reaching there on morning 30/10/18. Nine patients admitted these being carried forward. | CWOA seven of |



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| Horns | 30/10/18 31/10/18 | | <p>admitted to hospital 8, 30R sick to hospital, Bgde remained in camp for the night hours placed out of rounds ball routes, special attention drawn to re conditioning of horses. arrangement made for washing horses. special attention to grooming & grooming, 100 lbs horse destroyed on 30/10/18. 30R from 47th Amb refit for duty, 100 lbs horse & 30R. admissions for 31/10/18 being 36 total remaining in hospital being 51. Eleven of these patients were brought forward to A.A.M.S. motor Convoy strength 31/10/18. 5 officers 83 OR, 43 horses 50 mules 16 donkeys, 200 tent 195 W. 42 Lamb wagons 2 water carts, 1 sand cart 2 bicycles 6 motor amb, 5 MTASC 8 OR, 12 HT natives 4 OR, personnel etc petty detached, NCO school 2 OR, Car school Rehor 10R 12 1/2 OR 10 MNS, 1 OR, Bgde dump 10R, Camp 7 OR. BRS 1/4 F.C. w/u n. taken 2 3 OR 4 natives ABC HT natives, 2 1/2 size motor amb 8 OR MTASC, DRB 9 horses 15 mules 6 donkeys 19 1/2 mules, 2 1/2 W. 1 water cart, 2 bicycles 10 MNS 10 donkeys, 100 lbs horse Padre 14 MNS, 1 & 10R, 2 R Horses, Padre 15 AAH 4 & 10R 2 R Horses, 7 AAH 10R, CTC 13 natives 16 animals 5 for sitting Caecals, 9 heavy Caecals, 11 natives 2. YMCA 1 horse patients returned 51, medical beds with 12 patients 30R.</p> <p>appendices II Commanding officers Report III Health Report IV Quartermasters Rep</p> | <p>C.M.O.H</p> <p>C.M.O.H</p> |

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Chas. Halloran
Commanding 5th. A. L. H. F. A.

Appendix F

Return showing Number of
 Patients (a) Admitted (b) Evacuated
 (c) Discharged to unit (d) number
 of cases diagnosed Pneumonia

| Date | Admitted (a) | Evacuated (b) | Discharged (c) | Pneumonia (d) | Remarks |
|----------|--------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|
| 22/10/18 | 15 | 2 | 8 | - | / |
| 23/10 | 18 | 6 | 5 | 1 | |
| 24/10 | 18 | 27 | . | 1 | |
| 25/10 | 29 | 39 | . | 3 | |
| TOTALS | 80 | 69 | 13 | 5 | |

25/10/18
 S. McFallon Major
 S.M.O. 5th A.A. Coy



Appendix III

Discipline of the unit during the last month has been very satisfactory. There has been only one cased during the month. The sick rate has been very high amongst the men. Health throwing more work out the rest of the unit ~~the~~ every man doing his extra share satisfactorily.

Capt. H. Brown Major
Co 5 - L.A. Amb.



Appendix
III

Health Report

I The health of the Troops during the last month has been most unfavourable.

The causes operating have been

- a Abrupt of active service
- b Influenza epidemic
- c Malaria
- d Pneumonia
- e Scabies

II Sanitation trench latrines have been used whilst on the march.

In the field ambulance portable latrines have been used horse manure has been spread and incinerated where possible.

Refuse, has been incinerated where possible, in other cases it has been buried

III The food supply has been plentiful and of good quality

IV No cases of mummy reported

V Water has been chlorinated for drinking purposes

S. H. Bode

Commanding Officer



Appendix IV

Department.

30/9/18 to 31/10/18.

Capt. G. S. Shipway with two Drivers, 2 1/2 wagons Medical & general stores left at SASSA. 2 wagons of 1st L.H.F. Ambulance also remained with him.

Remainder of transport after leaving 13 cases with stations at SASSA moved with 3rd L.H.F. Amb. at Divisional Dump 15 cases were collected from Major EVANS DADMS fusils, & carried on to El Mezze & handed over to 3rd L.H.F. Amb. who had formed a station here.

1 Tent C.O.L. was loaned to 3rd L.H.F. Amb.

1500 supplies 5 wagons & 30 Camel Carriers set out to collect sick & wounded along the Salabijn to Beuret road.

The Budget being wagons were sent back to lines & carriers only proceeded. Twenty four cases were collected for ER Ryque & along road for 2 or 3 miles.

The road. has completely blocked



(2)

in camp, several cases were carried back from other sides of Highway to Camp. These cases were landed over to 3 L.H.F. Amb.

Waggon collected 50 cases approx. from roadside & Turkish Hospital at EL MEZZE to 3 L.H.F.

Casualties 12 make another attempt to get through road stoppage & collected 24 cases at Duman & landed over to Motor Transport.

The balance of Ambulance Casualties collected 62 cases from Hospital joined at EL MEZZE for 3 L.H.F. Amb.

Balance of Ambulance transport received advanced party at Duman at 1700 wounded were collected from hills & placed in houses near the road for collection by Motor Ambulances.

1500 Transport Casualties received by Cavalry & Brigade.

Rations Good & good variety. Fresh meat issued alive for period at Duman.

Vegetables good variety & fresh Bread local Baking. Lighter class issued for patients.

From Rations, earned on the main two days Emergencies (see Record)



(3)

Nov 21. Echelons. 9 one full ration
enclosed portion on man for
March drawn.

Grain increased to 12 lbs.
for horses & tibbin drawn, most of tibbin
drawn, most of tibbin in dirty condition.
Fuel Firwood plentiful in
vicinity.

Medical Comforts Plentiful & good variety, except
coughs & arrowroot until latter part of
month.

Transport One G.S. waggon & one G.S.
Trailer to 58th & Repair Advance for
Repairs & exchange of vehicles. All baggage
overhauled for marks.

Advances Surplus saddles & stirrups
returned to Advance Unit. Turkish
horse shoes drawn, not used. Also
Bedding Blankets. One Tent C.P.L.
less iron on loan to 34th F. Co. at
EL MEZZE to be returned to Capt 3rd Coy
not returned yet.

Material for incinerators etc scarce.
Insectant plentiful.

Dec 1. Marched to Desnos. Carry
extra firwood & Medical Comforts
for journey to home.

Brew from D.R.S. extra ground
shut & returned surplus.

Medical report to 19. 11. 5
27/10/54. Drew Tibbitts at
Kunceira also left. Medical report
with company under Major Evans D.A.M.S.
Huddell.

31/10/54. One day grain for 'B1'
Huddell. Two days grain & one
day emergency ration drawn from
D.S. Train.

Huddell. Ration good. Fresh
Meat & Bread issued.

4/11/54. Extra biscuits & tea drawn
& Biscuits M.S.

Canteen items drawn at Summit
through Hyde. also 3/11/54 at Huddell
from A.I.F. canteen.



Sgt J. J. Halliday D.S.M.
5th Australian L. H. Field Ambulance.

Capt J. J. Halliday
Major