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From 1-5-19  
To 6-5-19

Army Form C. 2118.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Salhia	1.5.1919		Patrol of 1 Troop of 35 O.R. under Lieut Chapman proceeded to DAWAMA, QANTIR, QAHBUNA and found all quiet. Usual Regimental duties.	
"	2.5.1919		Patrol of Squadron strength from "B" & "C" proceeded to TEL TAMLIK and found all quiet. One shot was fired at AKIAD during the night and Lieut Dowsett is investigating the affair. Usual Regimental duties.	
"	3.5.1919		Patrol of one Squadron composed of two troops of "A" & "B" Squadrons proceeded under Lieut H.I. Wikner and R.R. Chapman to the large markets near AKHEIWA. Usual Regimental duties. Regimental Sports were held during the day and much competition is being displayed - good entries have been received for some events from the Burmah Rifles. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	4.5.1919		Patrol of one troop of "C" Squadron - Lieut James DCM proceeded to EZ ZAKI about four miles north from EL MANAGAT EL KUBRA and found all quiet.	
"	5.5.1919		A patrol of 25 O.R. (Lieut Malcolm) proceeded to DAWAMA, QAHBUNA, AKHEIWA and found all quiet. Pamphlets were distributed written in Arabic pointing out <del>the</del> to the fellahs the stupidity of their going against British control. Railway Posts were relieved by 25 men from "C" and M.G.S. under Lieuts. Fraser and James DCM. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	6.5.1919		Patrol of one troop to TEL BANAT (Lieut Spencer) reported all quiet. Usual camp routine. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	

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From 7.5.19  
To 12.5.19  
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Salhia	7.5.1919		"B" Squadron under Major Williams M.C. and Lieut J.M. Carter M.C. proceeded to SAN EL HAGAR, and EZ EL TAWIL staying the night at the former place.	
"	8.5.1919		"B" Squadron returned at 1030 from EZ EL TAWIL and SAN EL HAGAR and report all clear.	
"	9.5.1919		Lieut Walker with one troop from "C" Squadron proceeded to DAWAMA, QAHBUNA and EL AKHEIWA and found all quiet.	
"	10.5.1919		One composite Squadron of two troops of "A" (Lieut Worthington) and two troops M.G.S. under Captain Rose proceeded to the markets and distributed propaganda. All was found quiet.	
"	11.5.1919		One troop under Lieut J. Dowsett proceeded to EZ SOLIMAN AMEER about five miles north of QAHBUNA and distributed leaflets. All was found quiet. Two cases of small-pox were discovered in the unit - one in "B" Squadron and one in M.G.S. - the camp has been quarantined and no P.W's are allowed in the lines. This makes the work of the Regiment very hard on the present strength. 2 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	12.5.1919		Posts along the Railway were relieved by 25 of "A" under Lieut Worthington and 25 of "B" under Lieut Carter M.C. The former proceeded to AKIAD and the latter to AZAZI. 1 O.R. accidentally killed. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital.	
"	13.5.1919		A patrol of "C" Squadron proceeded to EZ ZAKI and found all quiet. Vaccination has been completed. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	

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From 14-5-19  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Salhia	14.5.1919		All posts along Railway from SALHIA to AKIAD have been withdrawn by orders from 3rd A.L.H. Brigade. Posts returned by afternoon train. Patrol to DAWAMA, SAMAKIN EL GHARB and EL AKHEIWA. Medical Board arrived to classify all men of the Regiment.	
"	15.5.1919		Medical Board and F.C.C.M. sitting. No patrol owing to the former being held and the Board of three M.O's. were anxious to get it through quickly. All hands were examined.	
"	16.5.1919		Patrol of N.C.O. and 18 O.R. proceeded to EL SADIYIN and returned by the south side of LAKE MEIHEISAN. Posts recently vacated <del>AMAXFAM</del> were visited and found all quiet. 1 O.R. to Hospital sick.	
"	17.5.1919		"C" Squadron patrol to MELIHAT DIBWAN with the Corporal of Police to investigate a report that rifles are in the village and to search it. They found nothing at all, the villagers were quiet. 2 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	18.5.1919		Patrol of M.G.S. went to DAWAMA, SAMAKIN EL GHARB and AKHEIWA and found all quiet. A patrol of one troop of "A" (Lieut Worthington and Lieut Whitfield, Political Officer) proceeded to EL MANAGAT EL KUBRA and 1900 to try and find certain persons required by the local civil police. No arrests were effected.	
"	19.5.1919		No patrols were sent out to-day. Regimental Race Meeting was held during the afternoon and a very good afternoon's sport was obtained. 2 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	

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Salhia	20.5.1919		Patrol of "B" Squadron with Lieuts. <del>Eake</del> Carter MC and Hunter proceeded to DIBWAN with a native police to search for arms, but no village or camp of importance could be found.	
"	21.5.1919		A patrol of "C" Squadron (Lieut Gibbs) proceeded to AKIAD along the railway to investigate the conditions of the posts and found all O.K.	
"	22.5.1919		A patrol of "A" Squadron proceeded to EZ SADIH BISHARI and found all quiet, and natives working in the fields. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	23.5.1919		A patrol of "B" Squadron proceeded to DAWAMA, SAMAKIN EL GHARB and EL AKHEIWA and found all quiet. - Word has been received that the Division will concentrate at KANTARA before 2nd June. 2 O.R. evacuated to Hospital sick.	
"	24.5.1919		A patrol of "C" Squadron proceeded to the large markets near SAMAKIN EL SHARQ - the <del>deemeanour</del> demeanour of the natives is quite friendly.	
"	25.5.1919		1-0- Patrol of "C" Squadron <del>ka</del> proceeded to EL MANAGAT EL KUBRA and found all quiet.	
"	26.5.1919		A patrol of M.G. Squadron (Captain Rose) with Political Officer proceeded to SAN EL HAGAR to investigate a report of robbery at KREL BAKARSHA. The patrol took 48 hours rations and feed.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Salhia	27.5.1919		No further patrol to-day. Lieut Spencer and 12 O.R. proceeded along the Railway to dismantle the posts and return wire, stakes and sandbags to R.E. Park SALHIA. All emergency rations and S.A.A. are to be returned at once. Orders have been received that Regiment will leave for KANTARA on morning of 1.6.1919 and all baggage will leave by 0600-31.5.1919.	
"	28.5.1919		A patrol of "A" Squadron under Lieut Riley proceeded to DAWAMA, EL AKHEIWA and SAMAKIN EL GHARB and found all quiet. Word was received at 1430 that the Regiment and M.G.S. would move for KANTARA at 0800 to-morrow.	
Kantara	29.5.1919		Reveille 0430. All tents to be struck and loaded on to trucks by 0530. Lieut Worthington and 15 O.R. went by train as baggage Guard. Regiment moved off 0800. Transport following with camels. Good time was made and <del>kuzkuz</del> lunch halt was made about two miles from No. 1 Camel Hospital where Regiment was to bivouac for the night. As soon as the Regiment arrived into camp at 1345 horses were immediately taken to Remounts only 29 transport and rides being retained. All saddlery and equipment except haversacks and waterbottles were handed into R.Q.M. Store.	
"	30.5.1919		Regiment moved off on foot for the camp site recently occupied by 18th Brigade R.H.A. in KANTARA EAST. Plenty of time was taken for the trip and all ranks had a swim and lunched at Mrs. Chisholms and then proceeded to Camp site when tents etc were on the ground ready to erect. The camp is very conveniently situated being handy to ablution area, canteens etc. 1 O.R. to Hospital sick.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sakhia Kantara	31.5.1919		Two guards of N.C.O. and 6 O.R. mounted 1800 on Empire Club and A.I.F. Canteen. No other duties except ordinary routine. Men are allowed to go swimming at any time and no restrictions are placed on them as regards time and places.	

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