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of

3rd Light Horse Brigade Headquarters

for

JANUARY, 1919.



Signature of Compiling Officer.

*W. M. Lyall*

A/Brigade Major. 3rd Light Horse

Captain.

Brigade.

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Brig. General.  
Lieut. Colonel.  
Commanding, 3rd Light Horse Brigade.

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Army Form C. 2118.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EL MINA.	1.1.19		Brigade Sports took place. A very successful meeting providing a good days entertainment for all ranks.	
	2.1.19 to 11.1.19.		General routine. Developement of Educational Scheme. 1 hours training per day is being carried out by all ranks. Sword exercises, rifle exercises, route marching dismounted, guards and picquets are the more important items on the <del>PROGRAMME</del> programme.	
	12.1.19.		A review of the Brigade, with Divisional Troops attached was held by the C.in. C. accompanied by the Corps Commander. The C.in.c. congratulated the Brigadier on the appearance of the troops and spoke in high terms of the past achievements of the Brigade.	
	13.1.19	1730	Rev.R.B.Fowler, American Missionary delivered a Lecture in Y.M.C.A.Tent. SUBJECT. "Manners and Customs of Syria."	
	14.1.19		Leave party returned.	
	15.1.19		5th Leave Party left by Tagus. Brig. General L.C.Wilson. C.M.G.,D.S.O. and A.D.C. left for Egyptian <del>Leave</del> <sup>DUTY</sup> . Major.W.J.Urquhart left for embarkation to Australia. Capt.W.M.Lyall.M.C. took over duties of A/Brigade Major. A.S.Barker,Lieutenant, took over duties of A/Staff Captain. Lieut.Colonel.W.H.Scott. C.M.G.,D.S.O. in command of the Brigade.	
	16th & 17-1-19		Nothing to report.	
	18. 1.19		1 Marquee and E.P.Tent per Regiment received for Educational purposes.	
	19-1-19		Nothing to report.	
	20-1-19		C.S.M.Edge, Physical Culture Instructor, commenced 1st class of 9 Officers and 23 N.C.O's in Physical Culture. Duration of class. 0930 to 1100. Public Auction sale of captured animals, donkeys and riding mules held in Tripoli. Wonderful prices realised.	

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EL MINA.	21.1.19		Small mail (Australia) received. Leave party returned. Following reinforcements marched in 7 Officers and 7 other ranks. 5 Officers were cadet officers.	
	22.1.19		6th Leave Party left by Tagus. List of University students for return to Australia to complete their studies was asked for from units. 8 of these embarked with leave party. Lieut.Colonel. Bisdee V.C. inspected Brigade Police.	
	23.1.19		Nothing to report.	
	24.1.19		Whole Brigade dumbfounded to receive the sad news of the death of Lieut.Colonel.T.J.Todd, C.M.G.,D.S.O. at ASSOUAN yesterday afternoon. All flags were half masted and all parades were cancelled.	
	25.1.19		Nil.	
	26.1.19		A memorial service to the memory of the late Lieut.Col.T.J.TODD.C.M.G.,D.S.O. held in Brigade area. A great many outside officers attended. This was one of the biggest and best parades the Brigade has held.	
	27.1.19		C.S.M.Edge commenced 2nd class in Physical Culture. Following New Years Honours advised. Brig.General L.C.Wilson. C.M.G. ----- D.S.O. Major.W.M.Anderson. ----- D.S.O. Lieut.Col.T.J.Todd.D.S.O. ----- C.M.G. Capt.Luxmore. 9th L.H. ----- M.C.	
	28.1.19		251 cases of gift stores arrived for the Brigade. 5th leave party returned. Following reinforcements received. 4 Officers and 39 other ranks.	
	29.1.19		7th Leave Party left. (This party included 50% for leave in Egypt.) also about 6 men for return to Australia. School party left.	
	30.1.19		Units notified that applications would be received for return to Australia of men for distressful family reasons, business reasons etc. Married men to take preference. Text Books received for Educational Purposes.	
	31.1.19		Nil.	
			<u>General. P. T. O.</u>	

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			<p><u>GENERAL.</u> The past month has been a more or less fine in weather conditions, consequently sports of all descriptions have been carried out.</p> <p><u>FOOTBALL.</u> Early in the month Brigade Association commenced playing 3 days a week. The Brigade Band was always in attendance.</p> <p><u>BRIGADE RACE MEETING.</u> A satisfactory race course was located in Brigade area and work on same commenced, about 150 men and 200 natives employed daily in constructing courses. Quite a number of race horses have been noticed out training in the early morning.</p> <p><u>BDE ATHLETIC SPORTS.</u> All units have held their eliminating contests to select their representatives for Brigade Athletic Sports on Feb. 7th instant.</p> <p><u>RIFLE SHOOTING.</u> Has been carried out.</p> <p><u>EDUCATION.</u> <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> About 242 men in Brigade have been receiving Education in several subjects in connection with Educational Scheme.</p> <p><u>DEBATING SOCIETY.</u> Almost all units have a debating societies in progress, these have proved a great success.</p> <p><u>Y.M.C.A.</u> The Y.M.C.A. Tent was erected early in the month and has been a great asset to the Brigade.</p> <p>Altogether the morale of the personnel of this Brigade is good, there has been very little crime, men have been kept fairly busy, with fatigues. 1 hours drill a day and plenty of all descriptions of sports and education, and this has been conducive to keeping them satisfied and preventing them from becoming morose and stale.</p> <p>If the Rations scale was improved (for instance a regular supply of fresh meat, full weights), it would prove a great asset to the contentment of the men in general.</p>	

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