

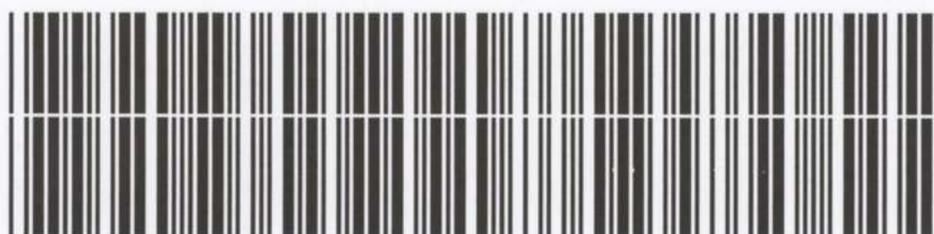
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3rd A. L. H. F. Ambulance.

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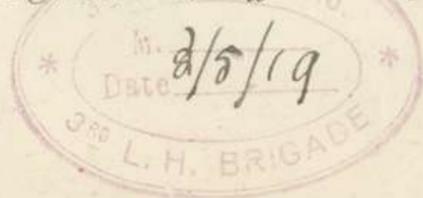


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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. 3RD L. H. F. AMBULANCE.

APRIL 1919.

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SHEET 1.



Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ZAGAZIG.	1/4/19.		CAPT. CLARKE & 2 O/Ranks with Medical Equipment proceeded to MIT GHAMR with 10th L. H. Detachment SGT LE FEVRE proceeded to Australian Headquarters CAIRO., in accordance with instructions from D. D. M. S.	Plus
	3/4/19.		Driver A. J. HINDS rejoined from Hospital. 3 H. T. A. S. C., Natives to KANTARA for discharge.	Plus
	4/4/19.		SGT THOMAS returned from Kit Stores GHEZIREH.	Plus
	5/4/19.		PTE H. J. COCK evacuated sick to 14th A. G. H. C. O., went to MANSURA to inspect Medical arrangements there.	Plus
	6/4/19.		CAPT CLARK & 2 O/Ranks rejoined Ambulance, the 10th L. H. Detachment having returned.	Plus
	10/4/19.		PRIVATE HEALEY rejoined from Hospital.	Plus
	11/4/19.		CAPT CLARK temporarily detached to 9th A. L. H., CAPT WALLIS having been evacuated to 14th A. G. H.	Plus
	15/4/19.		T/SGT THOMAS promoted Sergeant. T/CPL McNAMARA promoted Corporal. CPL GRIFFITHS appointed LANCE SERGEANT.	Plus
	17/4/19.		PTES W. C. HODSHON & E. S. DUNCAN returned from detachment at Kit Stores.	Plus
	18/4/19.		DRIVER A. E. ROWLAND evacuated to Hospital., SGT R. H. LEWIS & L/CPL DRIVER P. E. DOLLING proceeded to MOASCAR for "Early" repatriation. PRIVATE R. V. RADOLL to F. P. Compound (15 days F. P. No. 2.)	Plus
	22/4/19.		DRIVER J. L. SEYMOUR to Hospital. CPL MEIKLEJOHN returned from detachment at 8th A. L. H. CPL HORAN sent to replace him. PTE PACKMAN returned from 10th A. L. H., replaced by PTE W. C. HODSHON. PTE BALDWIN returned from 9th A. L. H.	Plus

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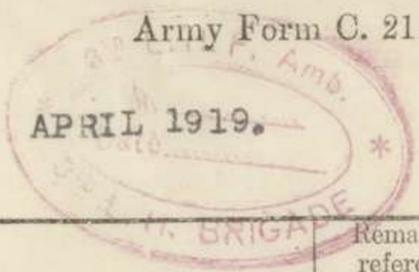
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ZAGAZIG.	23/4/19.		PTE T. WALDEN sent to join detachment at 8th REGT.	PWS PWS PWS
	24/4/19.		DVR C. N. R. THOMPSON evacuated sick.	
	25/4/19.		PTE C. WELSH evacuated. PTE GARTSIDE returned from 8th REGT., Detachment.	
	26/4/19.		DRIVER A. W. WILSON promoted T/CPL under educational scheme. T/CPL GARDINER reverts to PTE at own request. T/SGT MAC/KAY evacuated with broken ankle. Reverts to L/SGT accordingly.	PWS
	28/4/19.		PRIVATE JULLYAN returned from 9th A. L.H. Regt Detachment. PRIVATE SEALE evacuated sick from 8th L. H. Regt.	PWS
	30/4/19.		As will be observed from Appendix "A", there has been no decline in the sick rate, Malaria is the predominant cause & as a number of cases of a primary nature have been admitted, Brigade was advised to expedite the issue of Mosquito nets. This has already been done. There has also been an alarming increase in the number of venereal cases, & with a view to minimising these, small "blue light" outfits have been procured & issued to the various outposts. Evacuation of patients has been the cause of considerable confusion. Owing to the lack of accommodation on trains, different arrangements were made. On 19th inst., orders were received that ordinary patients were to be evacuated to ISMAILIA & V.D. & infectious cases to CAIRO. But it was discovered that the ISMAILIA train had been cancelled. Numerous letters telegrams, & telephone conversations resulted. It is indeed fortunate that we are all thoroughly	PWS W

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ZAGAZIG.			<p>good tempered & that numbers for evacuation were not large. However with resumption of work by Railway Officials the arrangement intended on 19th inst., came into force on 22nd inst., (viz:- ordinary cases to 26th Stationary Hospital ISMAILIA., Infectious and V.D. cases to 14th A.G.H., CAIRO.)</p> <p><u>EDUCATIONAL.</u></p> <p>It has not been possible to do very much owing to uncertain state of affairs but classes are being conducted in Arithmetic, Anatomy, Physiology; & Hairdressing. The Ambulance is now 1 Officer and 37 O/rs under strength.</p>	<p>7</p>

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

- | No. | Subject. |
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| 1. | ADMISSIONS, EVACUATIONS & DISCHARGES FOR APRIL 1919. |
| 2. | MEDICAL ORDERS IN CONNECTION WITH DEFENCE SCHEME. |

3RD L. H. F. AMBULANCE.

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ADMISSIONS, EVACUATIONS & DISCHARGES FOR APRIL 1919.

DATE.	ADMISSIONS.		EVACUATIONS.		DISCHARGES.		REMAINING.	
	OFF.	O/Rs.	OFF.	O/Rs	OFF.	O/Rs	OFF.	O/Rs.
31.								14
1		7		3				18
2.		4		5		1		16
3.		12		4		1		23
4.		4		9		3		15
5.		5		7		1		12
6		4		3		1		12
7.		9		5		2		14
8. m		3		6		3		8
9.		5				1		12
10.		9		3		1		17
11.		16		9				24
12.		6		17		4		9
13.		8		3		1		13
14.		10		8		1		14
15.		8		5		1		16
16		8		5				19
17.	1	11		6			1	24
18.		14		14		2	1	22
19.	1	9		10		1	2	20.
20.		6	1	12			1	14
21		13		9		5	1	13
22.		6		6			1	13
23.		14		9		1	1	17
24.		10.		14		2	1	11
25.		17.		10.	1			18
26		11		20				9
27.		9		8				10
28.		20.		16		1		13
29.		12		11		1		13
30.		10		8		1		14
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TO TALS.	2	280	1	245	1	35		

R.M.O., 8th A.L.H. 11th A.L.H.
 9th A.L.H. 14th A.L.H.
 10th A.L.H. 15th A.L.H.

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Attached copy of Medical Orders from East Delta Area in connection with Defence Scheme, forwarded for your information.

With regard to 3 (b), instructions have already been issued, that reserve supplies of drugs and medical comforts &c., are to be requisitioned for. Special attention should be paid to this matter. Bleaching powder should be kept in large quantity, and some sort of water tank made available in case of emergency.

Attention is directed to recently issued circular dated 5/4/19., by MAJOR FAIRLEY on "Bilharziosis", especially the points dealing with sterilization of water.

3c. Medical officers at places mentioned will please inspect & report, as soon as possible, on building, which would be suitable for hospital purposes.

Camels will be sent upon arrival at ZAGAZIG.



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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Present disposition of Medical Personnel.

- (a) R.M.Os with ordinary Regimental Equipment. (FARASKUR
(MANSURA and 1 Motor Ambulance.
(MIT GHAMR.
(ABU KEBIR, and 1 Motor Ambulance.
- (b) R.M.Os with ordinary Regimental Equipment and in addition P.of W. Hospitals (fully equipped) (ZAGAZIG and 3RD L.H.F.AMB.
(with 3 Motor Ambulances.)
(BELBEIS.
(SALHIA.

2. GENERAL PLAN IN THE EVENT OF A RISING.

- (a) All places on which regiments are based to be self-contained as regards medical arrangements in order to provide against the possibility of immediate evacuations of casualties being impracticable.
- (b) All posts (exclusive of posts along the railway), thrown out from the Regimental H.Q. posts, to be provided with some form of sick transport in order to clear casualties to the nearest Medical base as soon as the situation permits. Casualties from posts along the railway to be collected from the nearest medically equipped post.

3. ACTION TO BE TAKEN AT ONCE.

- (a) 30 Gacolet Camels will be sent to ABU KEBIR.
40 " " " MANSURA.
30 " " " ZAGAZIG.
- (b) All R.M.Os will arrange for one week's reserves of Medical comforts bleaching powder, disinfectants, wood etc., to be maintained at the -r posts in addition to any held at places where Field Ambulances sections of P.of W. Hospitals are stationed.
- (c) Buildings suitable for hospitals will be selected as MANSURA, MIT GHAMR and ABU KEBIR.

4. ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON PRECAUTIONARY PERIOD BEING ORDERED.

- (a) One section of a Field Ambulance will be sent to:-
MANSURA from 4th L.H.F.AMBULANCE. at MOASCAR.
MIT GHAMR. " " "
ABU KEBIR. 3RD L.H.F.AMBULANCE. at ZAGAZIG.

- (b) Buildings selected at the above places will be taken over.
- (c) The caacolet camels mentioned in para 3., will be distributed as follows:-

From MANSURA.	(20. Camels to SIMBELLAWAIN.
	(10. " " EL BOSRAT.
	(10. " " DEKERNES.
From ABU KEBIR.	(10. " " FAQUS.
	(20. " remain at ABU KEBIR.

30 camels will remain in reserve at ZAGAZIG.

METHOD OF EVACUATION FROM OUTLYING POSTS IN THE EVENT OF A GENERAL RISING AND THE NORMAL COMMUNICATIONS BEING CUT OFF.

FROM.	BY.	TO.	REMARKS.
1. DAMIETTA.	Launcher Other craft	(1) MANSURA or (2) PORT SAID.	
2. DEKERNES.	Launch	MANSURA.	
3. SIMBELLAWAIN.	Camel	MANSURA or ZAGAZIG or MIT GHAMR.	
4. EL BOSRAT.	Camel.	EL MATARIA DEKERNES.	Thence by steamer to PORT SAID. Thence as in 2.
5. FAQUS.	Camel.	ABU KEBIR or SALHIA.	
6. MIT GHAMR.	Motor Amb. or Launch.	ZAGAZIG. MANSURA.	
7. ABU KEBIR.	Rail or Motor Ambulance.	ZAGAZIG.	

6. FURTHER EVACUATION OF CASUALTIES.

This will depend on situation but cases will eventually be sent to CAIRO or ISMAILIA, as the case may be.