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October 1917

13th
LIGHT HORSE REGT.,
1 ANZAC
MOUNTED TROOPS.
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WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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1st ANZAC MOUNTED TROOPS
October 1917 Sheet 1.

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence
Summaries are contained in F. S. Regs., Part II,
and the Staff Manual respectively. Title Pages
will be prepared in manuscript.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1/10/17		13th Light Horse Regt in billets at OUDEZEELE - strength 26 Offs. 458 ORs 475 horses detached 17 off. 272 ORs 311 horses on leave 23 ORs 11 ORs hospital	
			1st Anzac Cyclist Bn in huts at BUSSEBOOM - strength officers 16 other ranks 433 - detached duties 4 officers 256 ORs attending schools of instruction 1 officer 15 ORs - leave 3 off. 37 ORs in hospital 2 off. 34 ORs.	
	2/10/17		nil.	
	3/10/17			
	4/10/17			
	5/10/17			
	6/10/17		Vacancies at 1st Anzac Corps School. Bombing Intelligence 3 ORs 3 R COs Cyclist Bn 3 ORs 2 R COs	
			Cyclist Bn - detailed 1 off. 240 ORs for water patrol. trenching Bn. details of 1 off and 60 ORs attached to cyclist Bn. marched out to 9th Trenching Company.	
	7/10/17		13th Light Horse moved to VLAMERTINGHEA as per instructions from 1st Anzac. Appendix I	
	8/10/17		13th LH Regt + attachments with 1st/52nd Aust. Divs returned to billets occupied at OUDEZEELE under verbal instructions from 1st Anzac.	
	9/10/17		nil.	

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October 1917 Army Form C. 2118 Sheet. 2

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	10/10/17		Cyclist Btr. despatched to 1st ANZAC Corps Signals 5 ORs for duty there	
	11/10/17		nil	
	12/10/17		13th Light Horse sent party of 10 ORs + 22 ORs to No. 4 Base Remount depot BOULOGNE - party proceeded by rail and returned by road via DECRES, THEROUANNE then to No. 2 Field Remount depot near HAZEBROUCK.	
	13/10/17			
	14/10/17		nil	
	15/10/17		vacancies at 1st ANZAC Corps School - Bombing Lewis Gun 2 week course 13th Lt. - 3 ORs Cyclist Btr - 3 " 2 ORs	
	16/10/17		Cyclist Btr - had 54 ORs relieved from detached duty by P. B Imperial men.	
	17/10/17		13th Light Horse - sent 10 ORs + 1 OR to Hotchkiss Gun course at G.H.Q. Small Arms school - 16 day course.	
	18/10/17		13th Light Horse supplied one squadron for detached duty as per Appendix II	
	19/10/17		Cyclist Btr had 21 ORs relieved from detached duty by P. B Imp. men.	
	20/10/17		nil	
	21/10/17		Cyclist Btr. supplied guard of 6 N COs and 27 ORs for Corps Commander.	
	22/10/17		13th Light Horse sent 2 ORs to Army Signal school 6 week course.	
	23/10/17		nil.	

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Appendix No. 1

Appendix I

First Anzac Corps
5th October 1918
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13th Aust. L.H. Regt.
II ANZAC CORPS
1st Aust. Div.
2nd " "
A.D. Signals
"A.D."
"Q"

- 1 The 13th Aust. L.H. Regt. will be prepared to undertake offensive operations not later than the 7th October.
- 2 For this purpose, the Regiment (less details) will be concentrated in the SPRES Northern Area (II Anzac Corps area).
- 3 The O.C. 13th Aust. Light Horse Regt. will proceed at once -
 - (1) to arrange the exact location for the Regiment by direct arrangement with II Anzac Corps
 - (2) to organize the Regiment for offensive operations and to leave the necessary details behind
 - (3) to reconnoitre the forward roads and routes in the First and Second Anzac Corps areas leading in the direction of PASSCHAENDAELE and MORSLEDE.
- 4 The troops, patrols and Hatches' detachments at present attached to the 1st and 2nd Aust. Divs. will be withdrawn from these divisions and assembled at the horse lines, H.31. a 5.9. on October 6th under divisional orders.
- 5 A.D. Signals will arrange for communication between the Regiment and Corps headquarters
- 6 O.C. 13th Aust. Light Horse Regt. will arrange direct for supplies with "Q" branch II Anzac Corps, and inform Q branch First Anzac Corps of arrangements made.

— B.G.G.S.
First ANZAC Corps.

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18th LIGHT HORSE REGT., 1 ANZAC MOUNTED TROOPS.
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Appendix II

Headquarters
1st ANZAC 18/10/17
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1st ANZAC Regt
Hd Qrs. 4th Aust Div.
5th " "

1. CO. 13th A.M.H. will send forward on morning of 19th Oct, one squadron with its transport to RENINGHELST Area; minimum strength to be 4 officers 130 other ranks. Advance party will report to Area Commandant RENINGHELST Area at 9.30 a.m. (Golden Horn to laminet) for camp and horse standings.
2. 3 NCOs and 35 Other Ranks of the squadron will be sent on to report by noon to HQ, 4th Aust. Div. The RAMPARTS XPRES for duty picketing and patrolling light Railways, in relief of infantry at present employed in this work. This party will be dismounted, their horses being taken back to the squadron camp in RENINGHELST Area.
3. The 20 other ranks of 13th A.M.H. at present employed under A.P.Ms. 4th and 5th Aust. Divs. (10 each) will remain so employed, but their horses will be taken back to the squadron camp by arrangement with respective A.P.Ms.
4. One officer and 15 other ranks will be employed burying horses in the forward area. The officer will report on 20th inst. to each of 4th 5th Aust. Divs. HQ. and arrange the details of the work & quarters. Completions will be reported to Corps HQs and the party will then rejoin the squadron.
5. O.C. Squadron will get in touch with and inspect the orderlies and horses detached from 13th A.M.H. for duty with Area Comdts. in the area.

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5th Aust. Light Horse Regt.

Appendix III

Headquarters

1st Anzac

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25th October 1917

Please detail a party of 1 NCO and 6 other ranks to report to HQ of each of the 1st and 5th Aust. Divisions on the afternoon of 27th October for duty as despatch riders.

Party detailed to 5th Aust. Div will remain attached to 2nd Aust. Div after the relief.

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Appendix IV

1st ANZAC Corps

23/10/17.

1st addendum to General Staff Circular no 93
Subject: Anti-Aircraft protection

1. In addition to the machine guns detailed in 1st Anzac Corps General Staff Circular no 93 dated 22/10/17. for anti-aircraft defence, heavy artillery groups will be provided with anti-aircraft machine guns as follows:-

Left divisions. T.I.C + d. - group no. H.1. - 2 machine guns

Right " - I.II.d - " - H.2. - 2 " "

The necessary detachments will be detailed by the corps and will be attached to divisions for command, administration & discipline & the provisions of paragraphs 1.(iii) & (iv) of General Staff Circular no 93 will be applicable to the above.

2. The machine guns detailed for defence of artillery groups will be as follows:-

Groups 1, 2, & H.2. by Lewis machine guns of the 1st Anzac Cyclist Btr.

Groups 3, 4, 5 & H.1. by Hotchkiss guns of the 13th Aust. Light Horse Regt.

3. Commanding officers of the 13th Aust. L.H. Regt & 1st Anzac Cyclist Btr. will place guns as above at the disposal of the commanders of right and left divisions respectively by direct arrangement. Accommodation will be provided by divisions & the packing of the guns will be completed by the 28th inst.

4. Acknowledge.

— B.G.S.
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Appendix IV
1st ANZAC Corps

22/10/17

General Staff Circular no. 93
Subject: Anti-aircraft protection

(i) In the forward divisional areas (right & left) i.e., east of Gordon Road, machine gun protection against enemy aircraft will be provided under divisional arrangements. A statement of these arrangements will be included in divisional orders.

(ii) In addition to the above, artillery groups will be provided with anti-aircraft machine gun defence as follows:

- Right division - J.3.C group - no. 1 - 2 guns
- J.8. b " " 2 - 2 "
- Left " - D27b TONNEBEKE group - no. 3 - 2 guns
- D27 central MULLER " - 4 - "
- J2. a. HANNEBEKE " - 5 - "

The necessary detachments will be detailed by the Corps and will be attached to divisions for command, administration & discipline.

(iii) The exact location of the above machine guns will be decided by the Artillery group commanders of the right and left divisions respectively, after conference with the D.M.G.O. of the divisions in question.

(iv) The D.M.G.O. of each sector will be responsible for the relief of such machine guns mentioned in (ii) above. He will see that adequate accommodation is provided for the personnel, who need not number more than 3 per gun, before the machine guns are mounted, that close touch is kept with the artillery anti-aircraft centres.

3. G. G. S.
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Appendix V

Strength of 13th LH on 2/10/17 - 23 Off 440 ORs 473 horses
 includes detached 9 off 211 ORs 215 horses
 leave 1 " 17 "
 hospital 5 "

" " Cyclist Bn on 2/10/17 - 16 off. 422 ORs detached
 4 off. 208 ORs. attending schools of instruction Offs
 ORs 14 - on overseas leave off. 2 ORs 9 Hospital
 2 Hf. 29 ORs.

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