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WAR DIARY

OF

General Staff A + P. L. Mounted Division

FOR

March 191*9*

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Signature of Officer Commanding

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RAFA	1st March.		During the month, until March 17th when the pressure of the insurrection in Egypt necessitated the action of this Division., all schools, instructional classes, training and Education was carried out as in the previous month. Lecture by Capt. WHEELER - "Demobilization". Major-General CHAYTOR proceeded to MOASCAR.	
M. 5	2/3rd March.		Major-General CHAYTOR returned from MOASCAR.	
M. 5	4th March.		Personnel from 2nd Tractor and Lorry Driving School arrive RAFA 2107.	
M. 5	9th March.		Lecture by Capt. PRIESTLY - "Europe's Debt to Great Britain". Personnel of 1st L.H.Bde at Schools etc., recalled prior to embarkation. Capt. YOUNG R.F.A., arrived for series of lectures on "Commercial Advertizing". This course of lectures which was greatly appreciated by all ranks extended over 5 nights, a class of instruction was also held by the lecturer each morning, when any doubtful points in the previous night's lecture were cleared up and questions asked.	
M. 5	12th March.		Derelict Car on loan to 1st L.H.Bde for Educational Purposes returned to M.T. Coy., KANTARA.	
M. 5	13th March.		1st and 2nd L.H.Regiments moved to KANTARA for embarkation to Australia on "ULIMAROA" under command of Brigadier General COX.	
M. 5	14th March.		Capt. GODDARD, Hamps. Regt. lectured on - 'Rise and Fall of the Turkish Empire'.	
M. 5	17th March.		The insurrection in Egypt now began to force itself before the Public eye and owing to the increasing disorder in Delta and Fayoum orders were received from P.L. of C. for N.Z.M.R.Bde to move to KANTARA by rail. No vehicles and a minimum of horses to be taken/ Brigade will be issued with horses at KANTARA. Coy of Divnl. Train and Field Ambulance from 75th Division will be attached at KANTARA. Brigade may be called on to act as Mobile Column. First train depart RAFA 2000 arrived KANTARA 0515 18th carrying 20 officers., 875 o/rs., 60 horses. G.O.C., G.S.O.l., A.A. & Q.M.G., and G.S. Trainee leave RAFA for KANTARA night 17/18th as Adv. D.H.Q. Lieut. Colonel E.D. FULLER DSO., assumes command of Division at RAFA. All units warned to be ready to move to KANTARA. G.H.Q. asked to supply maps of DELTA and UPPER EGYPT. Adv. D.H.Q., established "soldiers Club" KANTARA WEST. Maps asked for are being forwarded from CAIRO. Progress reports wired to COMMUNS at 0830 and 1630 daily. All units at KANTARA drawing equipment and horses. Signal Sqdn putting Wireless plant on pack basis.	
KANTARA	18th March.		Warning that first Regiment equipped will proceed TANTA, Second Regiment to BENHA coming under orders of Genls. GREER and McNEIL respectively, received. COMMUNS wired that Auckland Mtd Rifles will be ready to proceed at 1200 20th inst., Canterbury Mtd Rifles 0600 21st inst. Later it was advised that Canterbury M.R. would not be ready to proceed until 1200 21st inst., and suggested that Auckland M.R. less 2 Sqdns entrain	
Ref. Maps. N.W., N.E., S.W., S.E., DELTA 1/250,000	19th March.			

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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KANTARA	19th March.	contd.	as Advanced party at 1000 20th inst for TANTA. Auckland Mtd Rifles ordered to proceed TANTA by rail coming under orders of Genl. GREER (14 days rations taken).	
	20th March.		Remainder D.H.Q. arrived from RAFA and D.H.Q., established KANTARA EAST 200 yards/South Bridge over SUEZ CANAL. Auckland Mtd Rifles depart KANTARA to TANTA 1145. All particulars as to moves by rail and march in <u>Appendix 1</u> . Canterbury Mtd Rifles ordered to proceed BENHA by rail leaving KANTARA by 1200 21st. 14 days rations to be taken.	APR 1/
	21st March.		Three trains from RAFA arrived KANTARA EAST from RAFA night 20/21st inst. bringing remainder of D.H.Q., signal Sqn transport and N.Z.M.R.Bde details and 1 Coy., Divisional Train. Canterbury Mtd Rifles proceeding 21st order to detrain at MINYET, and march to BENHA dropping 1 Sqn at SHIBLANGA.	
	22nd March.		Canterbury Mtd Rifles proceeding 22nd to drop 1 Sqn at ZAGAZIG coming under orders Genl. WILSON. The above was cancelled by COMMUNS later and the whole of Canterbury Mtd Rifles ordered to proceed DAMANHOUR. Remainder of N.Z.M.R.Bde ordered to proceed TANTA as soon after 1200 on 22nd inst as possible. 75th Divn. Field Ambulance and Coy. Divisional Train advised will not be required to move from KANTARA. Move of Wellington Mtd Rifles with remainder of N.Z.M.R.Bde to TANTA cancelled by COMMUNS. Wellington Mtd Rifles one section N.Z.M.G.Sqn and Detachment Field Ambulance to march to ZAGAZIG via SALHIA (1st day) ABU KEBIR (2nd day) ZAGAZIG (3rd day) then proceeding by rail to TANTA.	
	23rd March.		Destination of Wellington Mtd Rifles altered by COMMUNS to BENHA and not TANTA, W.M.R. will therefore march ZAGAZIG to BENHA. 2nd L.H.Bde arrive KANTARA EAST from RAFA night 22/23rd, proceeding to camping area vacated by N.Z.M.R.Bde.	
	24th March.		Wellington Mtd Rifles instructed to entrain 1 Sqn at ZAGAZIG for CAIRO to come under orders of 31st Bde. School of Tractor driving at 644 M.T. Coy., SURAFEND finishes. Personnel ordered to rejoin Division.	
	25th March.		2nd L.H.Bde less 7th L.H.Reg and 2nd A.M.G.S. (less 1 sect) ordered to move DAMANHOUR on 25th and 26th. Personnel to be withdrawn from Jewish Agricultural College JAFFA on completion of course 26th inst. All horses harness and gear transported to KANTARA.	
	26th March.		1 Coy., Anzac Divisional Train proceeded to TANTA. 7th L.H.Reg, 1 section 2nd A.M.G.Sqn ordered to proceed to SALHIA 0600 27th inst. Portion of 1st L.H.F.Amb on Camel basis to accompany. C.O. 7th L.H.Regiment to assume command of SALHIA and area. Section 2nd A.M.G.Sqn not being equipped. 2 Troops 7th L.H.Reg were left as escort to join up at SALHIA as soon as M.G. equipment can be completed.	
	27th March.		34th Coy. Divisional Train to proceed DAMANHOUR 28th inst.	
	28th March.		One section 2nd A.M.G.S. which was ordered to proceed to SALHIA not yet equipped.	
	29th March.		2 troops 7th L.H.Reg and one Section 2nd A.M.G.S. ordered to proceed SALHIA 0700 30th inst.	



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Appendix 1.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

MOVEMENTS BY RAIL EX KANTARA W.

DATE.	UNIT.	TO	LOAD.	TIMING.	DEPART.	DUR.	OFF.	O/R.	HORSES.	BAGGAGE.	VEHICLES.
20/3/19.	A.M.R.	TANTA.	0800	(1) (2)	1106 1147	1625 1705		372.	420.	37	1 water ca 1 L.G.S.
22/3/19 23/3/19	C.M.R.	DAMANHOUR.	1000	(1) 818/733 (2)	1148	-) -	21	345	432	37	1 water cart 1 L.G.S.
23/3/19	W.M.R. & 1 sect. N.Z.M.G.S.	BENHA via SALHIA.	March 0800				20	312.	387.	-	camel tspt.
24/3/19	N.Z.M.R. B.H.Q. Sig.Tp. Fd. Amb. M.V.S. Remainder N.Z.M.G.S. Fd Tp.	TANTA	0400 0700	(1) 810/721. (2) 814/727	0641 0944	1147 1435	19	243	335	83	1.G.S.W 7 1/2 L.G.S. 5 water cart 2 amb W. 5 motor cycl
25/3/19	5th L.H.Regd.	DAMANHOUR.	0400 0700	(1) 810/721 (2) 814/727a	0641 0944	1147 1435 1618	14	266.	320	20	2 L.G.S. 1 G.S.W. 1 water cart
26/3/19	6th L.H.Regd. 2nd L.H.Bde H.Q. Field Amb. Sig. Tp. Wireless. 1 sec. M.G.S. Fd. Sq. detach. Detach Supplies.	Damanhour	0400 0700	(1) 810/721 (2) 814/227a	0600 0944	1332 1618	29	621	778	32	2 Amb W. 4 Sand Carts 4 G.S.W. 9 L.G.S. 4 water cart 1 Ford car 3 Amb Cars. 6 Motor bike

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

MOVEMENTS BY RAIL EX KANTARA W.

DATE	UNIT	TO	LOAD	TIMING	DEPART	DUE	OFF	O/R	HORSES	BAGGAGE	VEHICLES.
26/3/19	Coy. Div. Train.	TANTA.	0800	816.731.	1106	1605	- 73	^{E.} 35	135	-	16 G.S.W. 13 L.G.S. 1 water cart.
28/3/19	Coy. Div. Train (34th) "B" Fd. Tp.	DAMANHOUR.	0400	810/721	0641.	1332	2. 1.	^{E.} 35. ^{E.} 42.	100	10 tons.-	(17 G.S.W. 1 L.G.S. 1 water cart. 2nd L.H.F.A. details left from 26/3.
27/3/19.	7th L.H.Reg. (less 2 troops)	SALHIA.	MARCH	0600		-	17	259	328.		28 camels.

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APPENDIX 2.



SECRET.

LOCATION OF
AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
14th MARCH 1919.

Reference 1/40,000
Sheet 055 RAFA.

Headquarters A. & N.Z. Mounted Divn.

Y.7.d.5.8.

Headquarters 1st A.L.H. Brigade.

Y.7.b.3.3.

3rd A.L.H. Regiment.

Y.1.c.4.2.

1st A.M.G. Squadron.

Y.7.a.8.5.

Headquarters 2nd A.L.H. Brigade.

Y.7.a.8.2.

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5th A.L.H. Regiment.

Y.7.b.1.7.

6th A.L.H. Regiment.

Y.7.b.0.6.

7th A.L.H. Regiment.

Y.2.c.2.6.

Headquarters N.Z.M.R. Brigade.

Y.8.a.2.7.

Auckland Mtd Rifles.

Y.8.a.6.3.

Canterbury Mtd Rifles.

Y.2.c.7.3.

Wellington Mtd Rifles.

Y.8.a.2.4.

1st N.Z.M.G. Sqn.

Y.8.a.0.5.

Headquarters 18th Bde R.H.A.

T.12.b.5.8.

Somerset Bty R.H.A.

T.6.d.5.2.

Ayrshire Bty R.H.A.

T.6.d.3.6.

Inverness Bty R.H.A.

T.6.a.3.

Brigade Amn. Column.

T.6.a.8.5.

1st Signal Squadron.

Y.7.b.8.2.

A. & N.Z. Field Squadron.

T.12.b.4.8.

Divisional Train.

T.12.c.0.5.

Troops proceeded for embarkation.

1st A.L.H. Regiment.
2nd A.L.H. Regiment.

M. E. Stevenson

Capt. G.S.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

14.3.19.

Distribution.

G.S.(C) G.H.Q.

Signal Sqn.

G.S.(I) G.H.Q.

Field Sqn.

Desert Mtd Corps.

Divisional Train.

Inspector P.L. of C.

'A' & 'Q'.

Staff Officer P.L. of C.
RAFA.

A.D.M.S.

1st A.L.H. Bde.

D.A.D.V.S.

2nd A.L.H. Bde.

D.A.D.O.S.

N.Z.M.R. Bde.

D.A.P.M.

18th Bde R.H.A.

Camp Commandant.

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APPENDIX 3.

12/14/19
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ANZAC MOUNTED DIVN.

S E C R E T.

LOCATION OF TROOPS

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

30th March 1919.

<u>A. & N.Z. Mtd Divn. H.Qrs.</u>	KANTARA EAST.
1st Signal Sqn.	KANTARA EAST.
Field Sqn (less 'B' & N.Z. Fld. Troops).	KANTARA WEST.
Divisional Train (less two Coys).	KANTARA WEST.
<u>1st L.H.Bde H.Qrs.</u>	
3rd L.H.Regiment.	KANTARA WEST.
1st A.M.G.Sqn.	
1st L.H.F.Amb.	
<u>2nd L.H.Bde H.Qrs.</u>	
5th L.H.Regt.	DAMANHOUR.
6th L.H.Regt.	
2nd L.H.F.Amb.	
One Section 2nd A.M.G.S.	
'B' Field Troop.	
34th Coy. A.S.C.	
7th L.H.Regiment	SALHIA.
One Section 2nd A.M.G.S.	
2nd A.M.G.S. (less two Sections.	KANTARA WEST.
<u>N.Z.M.R.Bde H.Qrs.</u>	
Auckland Mtd Rifles.	TANTA.
N.Z.F.Amb.	
Two Sections 1st N.Z.M.G.S.	
N.Z. Coy. Divnl. Train.	
C.M.R.	DAMANHOUR.
W.M.R. (less one Sqn).	ZAGAZIG.
One Section 1st N.Z.M.G.S.	
One S qdn W.M.R.	CAIRO.
18th Bde R.H.A.	KANTARA EAST.

Robt Hopkins
Lieut Col.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

30th March 1919.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

Addressed all concerned.

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SECRET.

1. RAILWAY PATROLS. P. L. of C.

PO SAID-----FERDAN.....75th Division.
 FERDAN-----HEFISHA.....N.Z. Details.
 HEFISHA-----SUEZ.....Cape Corps.
 HEFISHA-----ABU-AKIMAR.....3/3 Gurkhas.
 ZAGAZIG-----ABU-HAMID.....)
 ZAGAZIG-----BENHA.....) Austr. Mtd. Divn.
 ZAGAZIG-----BELBEIS.....)

2. SITUATION (General).

ALEXANDRIA.
DAMAHOUR.
 0900 18/3
 20/3
 21/3
KOM HAMADA. 0320 19/3
 20/3
TANTA. 20/3
BENHA. 20/3
Cairo. 18/3
 19/3
 20/3

quiet.
 Bedouin reported concentrating on W.
 quiet.
 Rebels fired on - 7 miles S of DENSHAL.
 Police post attacked by 1500 Bedouin.
 quiet.
 quiet.
 SHOUBRA bridge repaired.
 2 stations damaged in old CAIRO.
 All quiet except for womens demonstration. Mail plane forced
 forced to land at EL SHIN and burnt by the mob. Barges
 burnt, convoys robbed and several persons killed at
 EL ZAMAWEL.
 Large force of Bedouin attacked and were driven off
 with 400 casualties.
 Gen. HURDLESTONE proceeding ASSUIT to rescue refugees and
 open communication with Sudan.

3. LOCAL SITUATION.

ZAGAZIG. 19/3
BELBEIS. 19/3
 21/3
ISMAILIA. 20/3
SALHIA. 19/3
CANAL.

3rd L.H. Bde H'd Q'rs. All quiet.
 8th L.H. Regt. MINA EL QAMH.
 100 natives of ABU-HAMID dispersed by 3/3 Gurkhas.
 3rd A.M.C. S. dn.
 Attempt to cut railway at BURDEIN ~~was~~ driven off
 with casualties.
 1st B.N.I. and 2 Sqdns Indian Cavalry arrived from CANTARA
 A.M.R. left for TANTA.
 TEL-EL-KEBIR portion of 11th A.L.H. arrived.
 Bridge broken KAFF-NEU-KEBIR.
 Bridge E of FA'US tipped into canal, railway slightly
 damaged.
 SALHIA rationed from KAPTARA.
 Nil.

R. H. Hopkins

Lieut for Lieut-colonel.
 General Staff.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

22/3/19/

DISTRIBUTION.

1st L.H. Bde. Sig. Sqdn.
 2nd L.H. Bde. Field Sqdn.
 N.Z.M.R. Bde. 18th Bde R.H.A.

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SITUATION REPORT.

No 2200, 21/3/19.

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1. LOCAL.

ZAGAZIG.
BELEH.
ISMAILIA.
SALHIA.
CAHAL.

All quiet.

Nil.

All quiet.

22/3/19. Police post at FAQUS attacked - arms and ammunition stolen.

SUEZ. All quiet.

PORT SAID. Strike of coal coolies and disturbances. Casualties inflicted.

2. GENERAL.

ALEXANDRIA.
DAMANHUR.
TANTA.
BENHA.

Telegraph cut at KAER el DAWAR but repaired.

2000 Bedouin advancing on KOM HAMADA.

Nil.

Great disturbances in the MUNIFIA. Nearly all railway stations have been burnt.

CAIRO.
FAYUM.

Bedouin reported at GIZA and DASHUR. Some looting took place.

Food dropped by R. A. F. Reinforced by 150 of 47th Punjabis.

80 I.C.C. arrived WASTIA. Large gathering of hostile Bedouin.

ROY L. Hopkins
Lieut for

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

23rd March, 1919.

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SITUATION REPORT.

No 2200. 21/3/19.

1. LOCAL.ZAGAZIG.

All quiet.

ELBEIS.

Nil.

ISMAILIA.

All quiet.

SAHIA.

22/3/19. Police post at SAHIA attacked - arms and ammunition stolen.

CANAL.

SUEZ. All quiet.

PORT SAID. Strike of coal coolies and disturbances. Casualties inflicted.

2. GENERAL.ALEXANDRIA.

Telegraph cut at KAHR el DAWAR but repaired.

DAMANHUR.

2000 Bedouin advancing on KOM HAMADA.

TANTA.

Nil.

BENHA.

Great disturbances in the MUDERIA. Nearly all railway stations have been burnt.

CAIRO.

Bedouin reported at GIZA and DASHUR. Some looting took place.

FAYUM.

Food dropped by R. A. F. Reinforced by 150 of 47th Punjab.

80 I.C.C. arrived WASTIA. Large gathering of hostile Bedouin.

R. H. Doughty
Lieut forLieut. Colonel,
General Staff.23rd March, 1919.AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

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SITUATION EGYPET

1. LOCAL.

ZAGAZIG.
EL ASHUGI.

crowds dispersed without firing.
Natives attacked Australian post- were driven off with 5 natives killed. 1 soldier wounded.

ISMAILIA.
CAHAL.
SALHIA.

All quiet.
quiet, unrest in Port-Said. Coal coolies return to work.
W.M.R. proceeding to restore order at FAQUS.

2. GENERAL.

CAIRO.

2 trains arrived from Alexandria. Natives attacked marshalling yards but were driven off.
E.S.R. workshop situation improving.

FAKIM.

quiet.
Railway again out at WADEI. Force proceeding N. from SUDAN arriving ASSUAN 23rd inst and continuing N. to meet Gen. HURDLESTONE.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

ANZAC MED. DIV.

3rd L.H. Bde
4th L.H. Regt.
11th L.H. Regt.
14th L.H. Regt.
2 ~~nd~~ L.H. Regts

ZAGAZIG.
Train Guards.
2 Sdms ABU HAMAD. 1 Sgdn TEL EL KEBIR.
Moving to BELBEIS.
Arriving at PORT-SAID from SYRIA 23rd probably.

Kantara Indian Horse. 1 sqdn patrolling ABU SURIR- KASSABBIN.
1 sqdn patrolling HQASGAR-ABU SURIR.

ANZAC MED. DIV.

E.S.R. Bde. (H.A.)
A.M.R.)
C.M.R.
W.M.R.
2nd L.H. Bde
3rd L.H. Regt.)
18th R.H.A.)

TANTA.
DAMANHUR.
Proceeding FA US from SALHIA.
KANTARA.
RAFA.

R.H. Hopkins
Lieut for.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

24th March, 1919

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APPENDIX 4.

SITUATION REPORT.

2100 March 23rd, 1919.

G/70/73.

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AREA.

1. LOCAL.
ZAGAZIG.

Unrest. Branch lines cut.
Mit Ghar (N.W. of Zagazig) reported very hostile. Construction train held up at 1800 22nd.
W.M.R. proceeding to clear up the situation at Fagun.

SALHIA.

2. GENERAL.
DAMANHOUR.

Line cut between Hosh Isa and Abu Matimir (S.W. Damanhur) by 1000 men. Armoured car from Damanhur investigating.
Violent rioting at Kafr el Sheikh (20 miles E. of Tanta). Police posts attacked and rifles stolen. Flying column from Tanta leaving 24th to bring in ringleaders.
Quiet. Unrest in Wadi Natrun.
Fighting at Validia near Assuit.
Quiet.

TANTA.

FAYUM.

OTHER DISTRICTS.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

14th L.H. Regt. Belbeis, being mounted.
4th L.H. Regt. Mouscar, being mounted.
2 coys 75th Div. Proceeding to Belbeis 24th.

Roll Hopkins
Lieut for.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

25th March 1919.

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SITUATION REPORT.

G/70/73.

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1. LOCAL.
ZAGAZIG.

Train fired on 3 M. W. of ABU HAMAD. 11th L.H. Regt investigating.
W.M.R. proceeding to deal with disturbance at MIT GARR.
Considerable unrest N. & N.W. of ZAGAZIG.
Quiet. Employees at HARCHADA (RED SEA) oilfields reported disaffected.

SHAL.

2. GENERAL.
DAMANHOUR.

Bombe dropped on hostile crowds at HOCH ISA and ABU HATIN 23rd. Mounted column proceeding 24th.
Patrol attacked by 50 rebels at MAAMAL EL QUIZOS (near KAFR el DAWAR).
2 'planes forced to land at KOM el HAMASH (S. of KAFR el DAWAR). Light cars sent to assist, but held up at KAFR el DAWAR by 200 rebels.
Assistant sent. Unrest in whole BEHERIA province.
Column proceeding to deal with disturbance at KAFR el SHEIKH.
Quiet.
Line opened. Daily service hoped to be established by 25th.
Revolt reported at ASSIUT.
Civilians from WADI NATRUN evacuated to ALEXANDRIA.

TANTA.

CAIRO.

FAYUM.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

4th L.H. Regt. DAMANHOUR.
4th A.M.G.S. DAMANHOUR.
W.M.R. Proceeding to MIT GARR (less 1 sqdn to CAIRO) from ZAGAZIG.
2nd L.H. Bde, less 7th Regt. Proceeding DAMANHOUR.
2nd A.M.G.S.

Roll Hopkins
Lieut for.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

25th March, 1919.

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2200 25th March, 1919

G/70/73.

Date 27/3/19.

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1. LOCAL.

FAQUS.

Wellington M.R. arrested ringleaders and have brought them in to ZAGAZIG. Mamur of FAQUS has sent in 3 prisoners to Police Station. SALHIA and also recovered some police arms. Air reconnaissance reports village burning at 1450 to-day, 1 mile N.E. ABU AKHDAR.

2. GENERAL

HOSH ISSA.

Mounted column arrived 24th and made several arrests. No news from Upper Egypt.

Wadi HALFA reports no news N. of ASSUAN.

OTHER DISTRICTS. quiet.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

4th L.H. Regt.

1 Sqn and M.G. Sqn, less 1 section left for DAMANHOUR.

5th L.H. Regt.

Left KANTARA for DAMANHOUR.

1 Coy. Divn Train. Left KANTARA for TANTA.

M. E. ... Capt. 4

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

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APPENDIX 10.

2200 March 26th.

G/70/73.

Date 28/3/19

AREA.

1. LOCAL.

SALHIA-

7th L.H. Regt proceeding 27th. R.A.F. reconnoitring.

CANAL.

Unofficially reported that 50 E.L.C. deserted from EL BERDAN.

2. GENERAL.

DAMANHOUR.

Column despatched to DELINGAT.

TANTA.

KAFR EL SHEIKH surrounded, unopposed. Investigations being made. Turkish flag hoisted at ZIFTA (N.E. of TANTA.) and SIMBELLAWIN (S.E. of MANSURA), irrigation bridges broken and country flooded between latter place and MANSURA.

FAYUM.

150 refugees evacuated to / CAIRO. quiet, except ISTA, police station in Bedouin hands.

LUXOR quiet.

Position satisfactory at ASSIUT. Gen. HURDLESTONE arrived 25th. Communication to

WADI HALFA re-established.

SOLLUM area normal.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

14th L.H. Regt.

ZAGAZIG.

12th L.H. Regt

To CAIRO 28th.

15th L.H. Regt

MOASCAR.

N.Z.M.G.S.

less 1 section.

MOASCAR.

7th L.H. Regt

SALHIA.

Composite Bde

(75th Divn.)

Moving CAIRO.

Rolls ...

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APPENDIX 11

2200, 27th March, '19.

AREA.

1. LOCAL.

ZAGAZIG.

Railway station accidentally fired night 26/27th inst.
Wire cut at ABU HAMID.

SALHIA.

7th L.H. Regt arrived. 2 Bedouins captured. Patrol to ~~FAHUS~~ 25th inst.
reported Greek Church wrecked and Turkish flags flying. No hostility.

2. GENERAL. Situation much quieter in all areas.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

Composite Bde (75th Div.) Remainder proceeding to CAIRO.
R.E. and R.A. personnel
at Demob. Camp. To SUEZ 29th.

29th March, 1919.

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GENERAL STAFF
No.
Date
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APPENDIX 12.

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SITUATION REPORT.

to 2200 March 29th.

AREA.

1. LOCAL.

All quiet.

2. GENERAL.
DAMANHOUR.

2 Sqdns 5th L.H. Regt proceeding SHUBRAKHIT to ITAI el BARUD.
Mobile column arrived KOM HAMADA.

TANTA.

Demonstration reported at SIMBELLAWIN (near SHUBRAKHIT).
Patrols fired on near SIMBELLAWIN, one man wounded. Rebels dispersed
with Lewis Gun fire.

MANSHURA.
FAYUM.

28 arrests made at SHUBRAKHIT. Crowd very threatening.
Local Qadans arranging to guard el KURAIMAT pumping station.

3. DISPOSITIONS.

1/4th Northants SUEZ to CAIRO.
6th L.H. Regt. DAMANHUR to MENHA by rail 31st.

31st March, 1919.

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