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10th REGIMENT 3rd. L. I. BRIGADE

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EL. FUKHARI.	19/17		Regiment standing to from 0500 in readiness to move out, at short notice, in support of 22 nd Mounted Bde Yeomanry who were carrying out a reconnaissance in BERSHEBA Area. at 1606 the Regt received orders from Brigade to cease standing to.	Lb
"	29/17		Church Parade R.C.'s service at 0600, and other denominations at 1730.	Lb
"	30/17		The Brigade moved out at 0615 to point WEST & clear of BASAN western area, from this point the Regt, formed the Advanced Party a Tactical Scheme, carried out, under the direction of Brigadier Gen Grant D.S.O. The Divisional Commander Major Gen Woodroffe & Staff were present. and at the conclusion of the scheme which terminated with a dismounted attack on an enemy position, the Divisional Commander criticised the work done, expressing his approval generally. All ranks were impressed with the very excellent soundness of his remarks & advice.	Lb
"	4/9/17		Hotchkiss Rifles & a percentage of Sub & Rifles were inspected by the Desert Mounted Corps, Armourer Staff Sgt, who reported favourable, or their condition.	Lb
			Training from 0600 to 0800 + General Routine	Lb
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	6/9/17		An Inter Brigade Boxing Contest took place in the afternoon at 4 th Headquarters, in which all ranks took a keen interest. remainder of day, Early morning Training & routine forenoon & afternoon	Lb

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EL-FUKHARI. PALESTINE Ref Map:- SINAI PENINSULA RAFA 1:125000	8.9.17		A Test practice turnout of the Brigade was made. The Regt received notice at 0455 verbal, & confirmed by message at 0505. Although warning was first received 5 minutes before reveille the Regt was on the move, fully equipped to take part in operations with transport complete at 0605. The Brigade was inspected by the Divisional Commander, watered at ABASAN and returned to Camp at 0945.	NAMES sent forward for Recommendation for Award & Mention See Appendix II LH
"	9.9.17		R.C. Church Service in the morning. That, for other denominations, timed to be held at 1730, was cancelled owing to a dust storm blowing all the afternoon.	LH
"	10.9.17		Regt. Duty Regt. for the day. Hotchkiss Rifle teams training for competition. (Inter-Regiment)	LH
"	11.9.17		Mounted Training 0630 to 0830 & General Routine	LH
"	12.9.17		All training mounted cancelled, owing to a large percentage of the horses being fallen off in condition. The Divisional Commander inspected the horses during the morning. Inspector of Cooking visited & inspected Equidians Kitchens, he expressed himself as well pleased with the arrangements generally.	LH
"	13.9.17		General Routine, Special attention & time devoted to grooming & care of horses	LH
"	14.9.17		General Routine.	LH
"	15.9.17		do do	LH
"	16.9.17		Church Services R.C. in the morning. Other Denominations in the afternoon.	LH
"	17.9.17		Routine, During the day the horses were inspected the Director of Veterinary Services General BUTLER, who remarked on their well groomed appearance.	LH

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PALESTINE Ref Maps: SINAI PENINSULA RAFA-BEERSHEVA 1-12500 GAZA-SHELLAL 1-40000	18.9.17		Two troops under Capt. MACDONALD moved out at 0700 from Bivouac at FUKHARI and relieved two troops of 8th MTA Bde in support of Day outpost at 1100 at GOZ-EL-BASAL. Remainder of Regt. moved out at 0745, joined Brigade and moved to SHELLAL. Arrived SHELLAL area at 1100, watered at URGAN and reached new bivouac which had just been vacated by MIDDLESEX YEOMANRY. Very heavy dust storm all the afternoon.	R.O No 3 9/17/17 Appendix III <u>acno</u>
SHELLAL	19.9.17		Stood to arms ready to move at 0500. Day spent in settling down in new camp, erection of fannies and saddlers' shops, cookhouse etc. Violent dust storm commenced after midday + continued till after dark. 27 Reinforcements marched in from MOASCAR to Regt.	<u>acno</u>
do	20.9.17		Stood to arms at 0500. Night outpost Squadron under Major HAMLIN moved out and took up position at dusk. Reported "all clear" at 0510.	See <u>acno</u> B.R.O 42 20/9/17
RAFA-BEERSHEVA 1/12500	21/9/17		Six troops left bivouac at 0400 and were joined by a subsection from M.C.S at URGAN at 0410. This party moved out for day outpost duty under Major OLDEN. Night-outpost line was reached at 0500 and on all clear report went through at 0510 towards day outpost line. By 0620 posts at KHASIF, Pt 510, TWO TREE FARM and Pt 300 were occupied without opposition, whilst two troops with M.L. subsection were at BASAL in support. Acting under orders of C KHASIF post sent patrol towards Pt 720 supporting patrol with remainder of his troop, and half a troop with M.L. subsection were sent to KHASIF from BASAL in support. Of C 510 post sent patrol towards Pt 630 and half a troop with Hotchkiss gun were sent from BASAL in support of this movement. As patrols went forward considerable movement of enemy was observed on line 630 (inclusive) - 720 - EL BUCCAR. At 0830 a post of 6 enemy cavalry was driven off EL BUCCAR retiring in a S.E. direction. At 0915 Pt 720 was occupied by our patrol who immediately observed a Squadron of enemy cavalry at 630 and two troops with a screen moving from direction of 630	Appendix IV <u>acno</u> See sketch map Appendix V

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RQFA-DEERSHCOB 1/125000	21/9/17	(cont'd)	<p>apparently attempting to cut our forward troop off. This was also observed from BASAL and the remaining troop was sent forward at a fast pace to pt 550 E of L in BASAL. At the same time the troop near 420 retired towards KHASIF dismounted near BEIT ABU TAHA and exchanged shots. The two enemy troops then retired towards 630 and an observation post was seen to be on 420, while two troops of enemy cavalry were seen to occupy shallow trench between points 430 and 470 by C. 6. The situation then was that a squadron of enemy occupied 630, two troops in trenches behind 420 with a post on 720 and two troops moving about. Two machine guns were used by the latter against us but no casualties resulted. At 1515, being reinforced by the remainder of regt. which had been ordered out of bivouac, a move was made against 630 and 420 and at 1630 both these points were occupied by us without opposition the enemy retiring to WADI HANAFISH. Retrainment was made on to our outpost line and at 1800 Regt moved from this line reaching bivouac at 1935. Gun emplacements and trenches were found at 630. Visual communication was established with P.C. at GOZ LAKHEILAT at 0635. A patrol from pt 300 post moving in direction of pt 280 was fired on from Turkish trenches on WADI SHERIA about 2 miles W.N.W from 300 at 0815.</p>	Also
SHELLAL	22/9/17		<p>Stood to arms at 0430. Routine work and building of new cook houses and kitchen. General HODGSON, G.O.C. DIV, sent message through B.H.Q. expressing his pleasure at the work done on outpost line yesterday.</p>	Also
do	23/9/17		<p>Stood to arms at 0430. Church parade. Night outpost under Major TIMPERLEY</p>	Also
R-15 1/125000	24/9/17		<p>Regt moved out of bivouac at 0500 ^{under Major TODD} on a Divisional reconnaissance, C sqdn rejoining after watering. Regt HQ established at pt 550 E of BASAL. Made good line 420 (exclusive) 630, 550, 510 and a post at 300 by 0930. Commenced retirement at 1730 and reached bivouac at 2100. Pts 630 - 550 shelled during day. No casualties.</p>	See R.O. 4 23-9-17 Appendix VI

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SHELLAL RAFA - BEERSHEBA 1/125,000	25/9/17		Day outpat duty. Six troops left bivouac at 0400 under Major OLDEN. Sub-section from M.C.S. picked up at URCAN. Passed through night outpost line at 0530, occupied at 0635 posts at KHASIA, pt 510, TWO TREE FARM and pt 300 without opposition. Patrols sent forward towards pt 630 and 720. Enemy movement observed all along line EL BUCAR - 720 - 630. Cavalry posts driven off EL TSUCAR and pt 720. 720 occupied by our standing patrol at 0825 with a troop in support. Pts 630 and 550 (W of 630) still held and our advanced patrol was fired on from 550 with rifle & machine gun fire. No casualties. Support troop and 2 machine guns ordered forward and at 1155 we occupied 630, enemy already having left 550. Enemy left two observation posts one at House E of 630 and other on knoll 2500 yds E of R in GERHER. Shelling by enemy 13 hrs commenced at 0830 along our line lasted an hour. recommenced at 1530. Fired altogether about 50 rounds, common shell, H.E and shrapnel. No casualties although very close at times. Retirement commenced 1600 and from outpost line at 1800. Bivouac reached 1930. on our retirement, enemy movement visible all along WADI HANAFISH + W. IMLEH.	None
SHELLAL	26/9/17		Reveille 0500. Routine work. Syllabus of training (including gas drill) commenced.	None
do	27/9/17		Routine work. Training as per syllabus, over chlorination of water causing many complaints.	None
do	28/9/17		Routine work. Training as per syllabus. 38 reinforcements marched in from MOASCAR. 10 officers' chargers arrived.	None
do	29/9/17		Routine work. Inspection of lines etc. by actg/Brigadier (Lt/Col MAYCAR V.C. D.S.O.) who expressed his satisfaction at the turn-out generally.	see R.O. 28/9/17
do	30/9/17		Routine work. Combined Church Parade. 22 donkeys marched in.	Appendix VII

Thos. Dodd
 LT. COL
 H. BRIGADE
 10th REGIMENT 3rd. L. H. BRIGADE

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Summary of Strength — Showing Daily Fluctuations Sept. 1917

Date	Increase	Decrease	off.	O/R.	Total.
1.9.17	Effective Strength. Including 2 off & 7 O/R Attached.		25.	476.	501
2.9.17	1 O/R from Field Ambulance	1 O/R to Field Ambulance	25	476	501
3.9.17	18 O/R " Moascar.	2 O/R " " "	25	492	517
4.9.17	1 O/R " Field Ambulance 1 " " Hospital	3 " " " "	25	491	516
5.9.17	Nil.	4 " " " "	25	487	512
6.9.17	1 O/R " Field Ambulance.	2 " " " "	25	486	511
7.9.17	Capt. J. Rodsted. from Moascar 4 O/R from " " Field Ambulance 1 " " " " " " "	Lieut. A.V. Martin to Field Amb. 3 O/R " " " "	25	485	510
8.9.17	2 " " Field Ambulance	1 O/R to H. H. Postal Corp. 2 " " Post. Mtd. Div. 2 " " Field Amb.	25	482	507
9.9.17	Lieut. B.J. Liddlelow 1 O/R from Moascar		26	483	509
10.9.17	1 O/R from Field Ambulance.	2 O/R to Field Ambulance	26	482	508
11.9.17	1 O/R " " "	1 " " " " 18 " " Railway Construction	26	464	490
12.9.17	1 O/R from Field Ambulance.		26	465	491
13.9.17	1 " from Field Ambulance	Interpreter-Collectani to Field Ambulance.	26	465	491
14.9.17	2 O/R from Field Amb.	1 O/R to Ordnance 1 O/R to H.H.P.C.	26	465	491
15.9.17	—	4 O/R to Field Amb.	26	461	487
16.9.17	—	1 O/R to Field Amb.	26	460	486
17.9.17		18 O/R to Rest Camp, Pt. Saïd 1 " to Field Amb.	26	441	467
18.9.17	Major Simpkins L.C. from Moascar 1 RANK	6 O/RANKS to Field Amb.	27	436	463
19.9.17	—	1 O/RANK to Field Amb.	27	435	462
20.9.17	27 O/RANKS from Moascar	11 O/RANKS to Field Amb.	27	476	503
21.9.17	2 O/RANKS from Field Amb	1 O/R to Field Amb.	27	477	504
22.9.17	1 O/R " " "	1 O/R " " "	27	477	504
23.9.17	3 O/Rs from Cadre, Moascar 1 O/R " Field Amb.	2 O/RANKS to Field Amb.	27	479	506

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Summary of Strength		SHOWING	DAILY Fluctuations	Sept 1917.	
24-9-17.	2 ^o Ranks from 3 ^o Amb.	2 ^o Ranks to 3 ^o Amb. 4 " to 4 ^o gascar (3 Cadet) (1 Sing. Regt.)	27	475	502
25-9-17	Nil.	Nil.	27	475	502
26-9-17	Lieut. MacKellar R.D 2 ^o Ranks from A.H.S.C 3 ^o Ranks from 3 ^o Amb.	Nil.	28	480	508
27-9-17	1^o Rank to 3^o Amb. Nil	1 ^o R to 3 ^o Amb.	28	479	507
28-9-17	2 ^o Ranks from 3 ^o Amb.	3 ^o Ranks to Field Amb. 1 ^o Rank transferred to B.H.C.	28	477	505
29-9-17	38 ^o Ranks from Messcar. 1 ^o R from Hospital.	1 ^o Rank. to 3 ^o Amb.	28	515	543.
30-9-17	3 ^o Ranks from 3 ^o Amb.	2 ^o Ranks to 3 ^o Amb.	28	516	544

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REGIMENTAL ORDER No. 2

By Lieut-Col. T. J. Todd, D.S.O., Commanding 10th A.L.H. Regt,
3rd A.L.H. Brigade. Sept. 17th 1917.

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REFERENCE MAP . RAFA 1 : 135,000.
GAZA-SHELLAL 1 : 40,000:

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1. The following reliefs take place on 18th Sept. 1917 :-
 (A) Aust. Mtd. Divn. less 5th Mtd. Bde, and with 7th Mtd. Bde attached will relieve the Yeo. Mtd. Divn. as Forward Mtd. Divn.
 (B) The A & N.Z. Mtd. Divn moves from MARAKEB to FUKHARI in support.
 (C) Yeo. Mtd. Divn. proceeds on relief to MARAKEB.
2. (A) Advance Parties. On the 18th Sept., 10th A.L.H. Regt. will send forward 2 Troops to relieve the 2 Troops of 8th Mtd. Bde in support to Day Outpost at GOZ-EL-BASAL. .
 O.C., A Squadron will detail these two Troops under Command of Capt. MacDonald, and relief will be completed by 1100 on 18th Sept. This party to move off at 0700.
 (B) O.C., C Squadron will detail one Officer and 4 o/ranks as advance party who will report to Staff Capt. at Kilo 14 at 0730 on 18th Sept.
3. Rear Party O.C., B Squadron will detail one Officer and 4 men to remain behind to hand over bivouac to incoming Unit due to arrive by 1300.
4. Move. The remainder of Regt. will be formed up in column of troops, clear of lines, facing 9th A.L.H. Lines, ready to move at 0730 18th Sept., in following order :- H. Qtrs, C, B, A Sqdns, Sick Lines, and will join the Brigade at RAFA-SHEIKH MURAN Railway Crossing at Kilo 14, at 0800, and will fall in the column in below mentioned order :-
 Bde Scouts, B.H.Q., Signal Troop, 8th A.L.H., 3rd M.G.S., 9th A.L.H., 10th A.L.H., less detached, detailed in Para 2, sub-para A & B, Field Amb.
5. 8th A.L.H. find the necessary troops for outpost on night 18/19th Sept, and for Day Outposts on 19th Sept.
6. Watering. Morning of 18th. On arrival in Shellal Area the Brigade will water in order of march.
7. Afternoon 18th.

8th L.H. Regt, Regt. next for outpost	1500.
8th L.H. Regt, Duty Regiment.	1530.
B.H.Q. & Details, M. G.S., Field Amb.	1540.
10th A.L.H. Regt, Remaining Regt.	1600.
1/2nd. Cty. London Yeo. (att. Bde)	1630.
Hotts Battery R.H.A	1640.
8. Supplies. For supplies the Bde will be based on Shellal Depot from 18th Sept. inclusive. O.C., C Squadron will detail 1 M.C.O. & o/ranks as ration party to report to Quartermaster at 0730 18th inst.
9. Details as to the hour of "stand to", extinguishing lights etc., will be notified later.
10. General. Unexpired portion of day's ration for horse and man will be carried. Full water-bottles, and bags, *empty* 330 rounds ammunition per man, oil sheet, blanket, great-coat etc., .
 O.C. Sqdn's and Sick Lines will ensure that their bivouacs horselines, etc, are left scrupulously clean and tidy.

ABBASAN-EL-KEBIR.
17:0:17.

Sgd. G. Rosevear Captain.
Adjutant 10th A.L.H. Regiment.

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3 RD. A.L.H. BRIGADE ORDER NO. 42" *Appendix IV*

BY,

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Lieut- Colonel L.C. Maygar V.C. D.S.O. V.D. Comdg. 3rd A.L.H.

Brigade .

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Reference I/I25,000 Map.

I. In the event of the enemy attempting to occupy (even temporarily as distinct from patrolling) the line Pt. 630 EL GIRHEIR - Pt 720 GOZLAKHLEITLET . the forward mounted division will immediately operate against him vigorously

In order to ensure timely warning of any such attempt on the enemys part, and to give adequate notice of any hostile movement against our line, the forward mounted division will provide an outpost line by day and night.

2. The orders for this outpost line are as follows:-

(A) By Day.

I. An outpost line will be held by day from Pt 300 $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles S.W. of KHIRBIT ERK through Pt. 510 ABU SHAWISH - EL KHASIF to BIR EL ESANI.

2. Posts of a strength of I troop will be found by the Outposts Brigade at the following points :-

- No.1 Post Pt. 300
- No.2 " At trees 2 miles East of EL DAMMATH.
- NO,3 " Point 510 ABU-KHASEF ABU SHAWISH.
- No.4 " EL KHASIF.

In addition 2 Troops will be in reserve at GOZ $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ - EL BASAL.

3. A Post of a strength of one Company will be found by the Battalion of t he I.C. BRIGADE holding the GHABI Works. This Post will be about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N.of Z of GOZ LAKHLEILAT with advanced patrols on the line 630 BIR EL ESANI.

(B) By Night

I. A line as standing Patrols will be posted from Pt.280 $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles N.E. of ABU BAKRA to opposite GAMLI at I mile from the wire and also of X.Y.Z Works.

2. Standing patrols of 2 N.C.O.s and 6 men will be found by the outpost Brigade at about the following points:-

- 1. Pt. 280
- 2. N of EL NAGILI
- 3. D of EL DAMMATH
- 4. E of EL IMARA
- 5. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of U in CULTIVATION
- 6. $\frac{1}{2}$ " S of C in CULTIVATION
- 7. Ist S of ABU SOSEIN.

iii. Night Standing Patrols will be commanded by a Squadron Leader.

iv. 2 Posts of 2 N.C.O.s and 10 men be posted by the Battalion I.C. BRIGADE holding GHABI WORKS as follows:-

- 1. Post In Garden S.E. of Z. Work.
- 2. Post $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S.of R of ~~X~~ EL ~~438~~ RUEIBIA.

A Patrol will be sent from No.Z post to the WADI SHANAG.

A Patrol from NO, I ~~est~~ and from Z Work will go out I hour before dawn, and patrol for 2 miles to the Sand W.

3. DUTIES OF DAY POSTS

(1) The Posts will move through the wire at 0530 and take up their positions. They will retire at dusk when the night stand- ing patrols are in position.

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(ii) Patrols will be sent out from the Posts towards Pt 630 EL GIRHEIR Pt 720 EL BUGGAR and BIR EL ESANI . The Patrols towards 630 EL GIRHEIR 720 and EL BUGGAR will, if necessary, be supported by the reserve troops

(iii) If these Patrols are unable to approach this line this fact will be made the subject of a report wired priority to this office, so as to enable the necessary troops to be ordered out in support to Day Outposts so as to be able to clear up the situation.

(iv) In addition, all posts and patrols will always obtain and report all possible information concerning enemy movements, gun positions ,etc as well as locality and capacity of any new wells or cisterns which may be discovered.

DUTIES OF NIGHT STANDING PATROLS.

These patrols will be in position by dusk at dawn a patrol will be sent forward for a distance of about 2 miles. These patrols will return and report all clear or otherwise. The night standing patrols will withdraw as soon as the day posts have passed through them.

4. COMMUNICATIONS.

(A) By Day.

1. A telephone line is laid from GOZ EL BASEL to D.H.Q. and thence to the H.Q. of the Outposts Brigade.

2. From the supporting troops at GOS EL BASEL communication to the posts will be visual and rider.

3. Communication from GOZ EL BAZAL to the I.C. Brigade Post at GOZ LAKHLEILAT will be by visual.

(B) By Night.

1. The night standing patrols of the Outpost Brigade are connected to each other by telephone and thence through D.H.Q. to H.Q. of the Outpost Brigade.

5. The following reports are required from the Regiment on Outpost Duty,

To be rendered by	Nature of Report	To be sent by	Time due D.H.Q.	Remarks.
O.C. Night Outposts	ALL Clear or otherwise	Priority wire	0500	
O.C. Day Outposts	Situation Report	Wire	0600 1600	To report situation & and to include any information of enemy movements or other <u>important</u> intelligence.
O.C. Regiment supplying Outposts on previous day	Intelligence summary	D.R.L.C.	0700	A summary of all intelligence for day & Night Outposts supplied from Regt.

8. The exact hour of dusk and dawn will be ordered periodically. At present dusk is 1800 and Dawn 0430.

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7 The Outpost Brigade and troops at holding GHABI Works will stand to at dawn until the all clear report is received.

8. While in the Forward Area the whole Division will be ready to move out for operations at very short notice. Nose-Bags will be filled every night and arrangements made to turn out with full water-bottles.

9 No horse traffic whatever is permitted on any of the roads EAST of the WADI GHUZZEE between parallels 31° 10' and 31 degrees 20 minutes. These roads are to be kept exclusively for motor traffic.

10. This order cancels all previous instructions issued with regard to Outposts.

II. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) W.M. Anderson Major
Brigade Major
3rd A.L.H. Brigade .

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| (10) | Ordnance | (11) Signal Troop |
| (12) | Spare. | |

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MONTH, SEPTEMBER 1917

The following names of Officers and other ranks were submitted on the 8th instant and recommended for Mention on Award.

Captain G. ROSEVEAR.

Lieut W.C. PALMER.

No. 201 Serjt J.F. LADYMAN.

4 11 " J.A. BROWN.

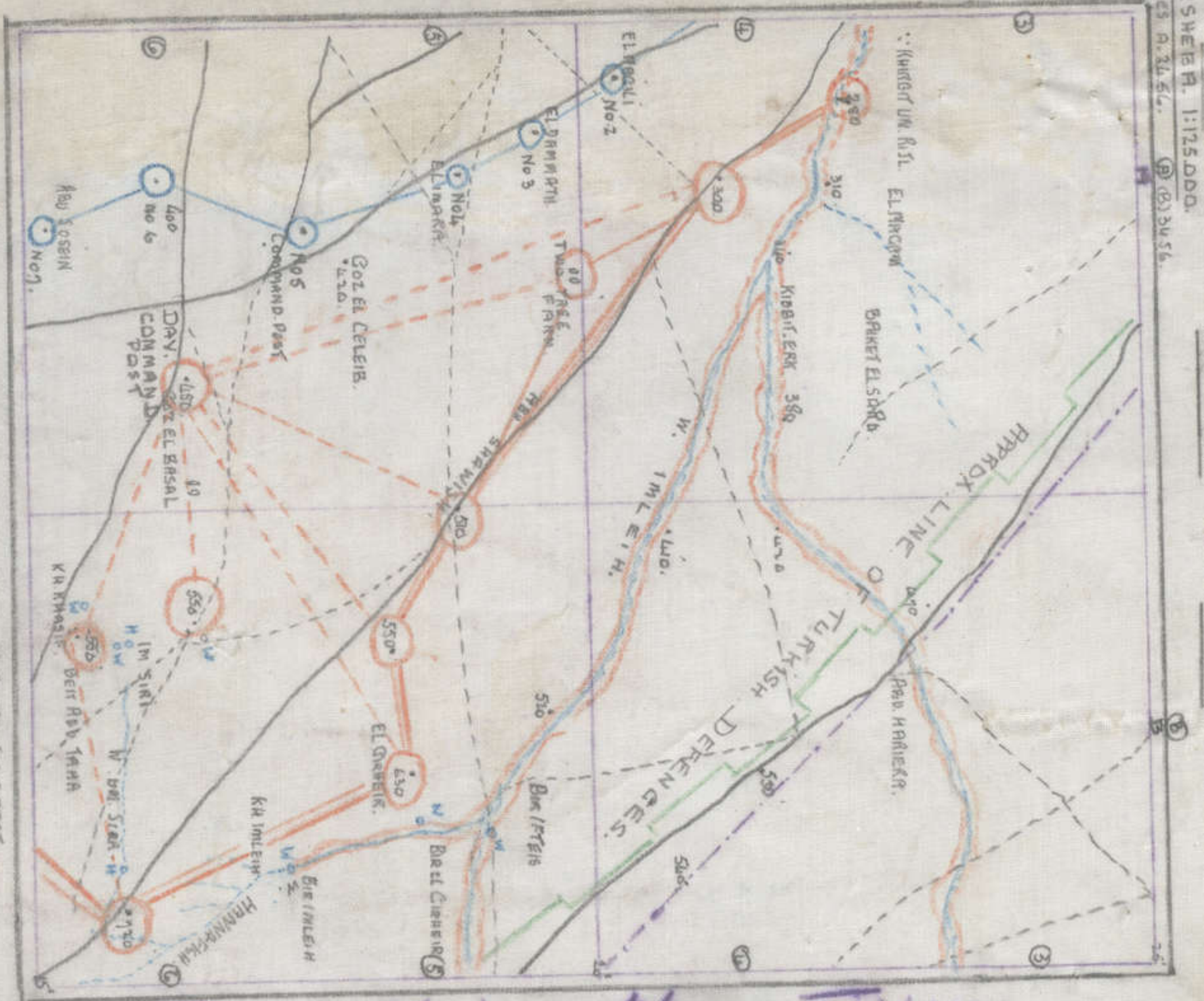
542 " D. ATWOOD.

339 Corp A.R. STRUTTON.

1340 Rifle W.C. MARTIN (recommendation through
Squad Officer + B.H.Q.)

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SKETCH OF DISPOSITIONS OF DAY AND NIGHT OUTPOST HELD BY AR.L.H. BDE.
DAY OUTPOST LINE MARKED THUS: ---
NIGHT do do do do do ---
APPROX LINE OF TURKISH DEFENCES. ---



REF MAP - BEERSHEER. 1:125,000.

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By Lieut-Col. T. J. Todd, D.S.O., Commanding 10th A.L.H. Regt.
23:9:17 3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

Appendix VI

Reference Map :- RAPA - BEERSHEBA 1/125,000. - SEP 1917

1. Australian Mounted Division will move, and carry out a reconnaissance on 24th September. 651/7
2. (a). The line GOZ EL GELBIB (4 miles S.E. of KHALAGA) - IBN SAIID - PT 970 - PT 840 - PT 720 - PT 630 - PT 510 will be made good by 1100 on 24th September 1917.
Orders for the withdrawal ~~xxxxxx~~ which will begin at 1530 will be issued later.
(b). On 23/24 th September 4th A.L.H. Brigade will be in bivouac at a point 1 mile North of first "A" in MAALAGA. 7th Mounted Brigade will be in bivouac at point 690 RASHID BEK.
(c). On 24th September 3rd A.L.H. Brigade with Westminster Dragons attached, and one battery R.H.A will move, so as to make good the line, - PT 510 ABU SHAWISH - PT 630 EL GIRNEIR - PT 720 - PT 840 - PT 970 incl., by 1100 24th inst.
4th A.L.H. Brigade will make good the line, - PT 970 excl. - IBN SAIID - GOZ EL GELBIB -, by 1100.
7th Mounted Brigade will remain about RASHID BEK where D.H.Q. will be established at 0600 on 24th inst.
3. (a) Units of the Brigade will make good the following sectors of the line by 1100 on 24th September.
9th A.L.H. Regiment PT 970 incl., to PT 840 incl.
6th A.L.H. Regiment PT 840 excl., to PT 730 incl.
10th A.L.H. Regiment PT 720 excl., PT 630 EL GIRNEIR - 510 ABU SHAWISH - TWO TREE FARM - PT 300 incl.
4. (a) The Regiment less C Squadron which is supplying night standing patrols 23/24th with two sand-carts from 3rd A.L.H. Field Ambulance attached will leave bivouac at 0500.
(b) B Squadron will move via SHELLAL crossing making good the line PT 300 with one troop which will supply an observation post at a point about 1000 yards South of figure "0" of PT 280 one mile South of "B" in KHIRBIT UM RIJL. - TWO TREE FARM with one troop - PT 510 ABU SHAWISH with two troops, establishing a forward observation post on PT 630 EL GIRNEIR. These posts should be in position by 0930.
(c) The remainder of the Regiment will move via UM URGAN crossing watering there at 0530 via GOZ EL BASAL to PT 550, ^{2 miles} due East of GOZ EL BASAL where Regtl. H.Q. will be established.
(d) A Squadron will supply advance guard, and with two troops will make good the line PT 630 - PT 720 both PTs excl., and at the same time be in readiness to support B Squadron in the occupation of PT 630 should they meet with opposition. The remaining two troops of A Squadron will remain in reserve with R.H.Q. at PT 550.
(e) When reconnaissance troops move through night outpost line, C Squadron will concentrate at SHELLAL crossing, water feed, and breakfast, and then return to R.H.Q. at PT 550, where further orders will be obtained. As far as possible communication will be maintained during the time the Squadron is watering.
5. (a) 3rd A.L.H. Field Amb. will establish a dressing station at EL HUGGAR by 1100 on 24th September.
(b) B.H.Q. will be established at a Point 1 mile South of the "R" in EL HUGGAR by 1100 on 24th inst.
(c) Responsibility for lateral communications will be from right to left.
(d) Sufficient rations and forage for 24th September, and iron rations will be carried. Waterbags and bottles filled will be carried. 1 pack only per Squadron will carry tools, 230 rounds S.A.A per man will be carried. Details remaining in camp will be reduced to a minimum. Lieut. R. W. MacCallum will remain in charge of these details.

SHELLAL 23/9/17.

Sgd. G. Rosevear Captain & A/

Senior Major

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Appendix VII

By Lieut Col T.J. Todd D.S.O. Commanding 10th A.L.H. Regt
28/9/17 @ 3rd A.L.H. Brigade.

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I" Duties.

Field Officer	Capt. J Rodsted.
Orderly Officer	2/Lieut F.G. McGregor
Orderly Sergeant	Sgt Attwood D.
Orderley Corporal	L/Cpl Finlay D.

Bge Water Guard I Sgt I. Cpl 13 men (mtd 1700 28/9/17) A. Sqd
Pumping party (resv) I N.C.O. 8 men 0515
Pumping Party I N.C.O. 31 men 0730
Working Party I, N.C.O. 12 men Supply Depot 0700
Dismtd Orderly Offices Mess 0600
Regtl Quarter Guard 2 N.C.O.s 6 men 0730
Ration Party I. N.C.O. 6 men 0730
Stable Picquet I. N.C.O. 1800

2. Adntd to Field Amb.
3. Strength.

No. 3353 Tpr Bartlett J, 28/9/17.

No. 1008 Tpr Austin E.R. having marched in from Hospital is taken on strength and posted to A Squadron. 28/9/17
The following reinforcements having marched in from Moascar are taken on the strength and posted as under:- No. 1191
Tpr Pike G. 3408 Anderson H. 783 Blanchard J. 835 Blanch T.L
2876 Barron D. 3406 Beard G.B. 2195 Gould J.W. 3422 Gibson E.R.
3424 Hodges F. 3425 Long B.W. 2883 Marsh H.S.
A. Squadron.
Nos 657 L/Cpl Hunter B. 3418 Tprs Drew J.H. 3181 Goyder W.
3428 O'Neill MJ. 2440 O'Connell G. 3432 Rodgers AJ.
3436 Whithurst G.H. 3374 Wright G.A. 3439 Wright B.
3438 White W, to B Squadron.
Nos 210 Tprs Adams R.J. 3442 Burrows W. 3420 Fernie J.W.
517 Ferrier W.H. 2881 Lee H.W. 1104 Le Lievre J.K. 2377
Maguire G. J. 1415 Murray N.B. 448 Morphett H.A. 3133 W
Waltan V.J. 3249 WHITTON W. 2106 Bain D.G. to C Squadr on
Nos 3349 Campbell J, 3427 Newton D. 3435 Syme G. to H. Qrs
No 180 F.Q.M.S. Burton W. is taken on the strength and absorbed from Supernumary list. Posted to Headquarters.
No. 75 Sgt Hoops M, is taken on strength of attached and attached to A. Squadron. Dated 28.9.17.

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4. Strength
Horses

The following remounts having been evacuated from M.V.S are struck off strength :- Dated 27/9/17

No 44 bay mare dght. , 1803 bay geld. ride.
The following remounts having marched in from Remount Depot are taken on strength. Dated 28/9/17. Bay mare 144 U.H. branded O. bay geld R. 9099 N.V.B. brn. mare 317 n.v.b. bay geld 1986 JD near shld brown geld 24408 brand N.K. near SHLD bay mare A 45987 branded H.G. near shld., Cest. geld 36304 branded Y.2.1/2. near shoulder. black mare 26689 N. near shoulder.

also

5. Transfers.

No. 3016 Tpr Woods N.B. is transferred from A.Sqdn to B Sqdn.
No. 3441 Tpr Ahrens J. from Hqrs to B Squadron.
No. 3359 Tpr Lines A.A. from Hqrs to B Squadron.
No. 3315 Tpr Trevenen A.C. from Hqrs to A. Squadron.

6. Reversions.

Consequent on the return of N.C.O. holding permanent rank No. 90 TY/ F.Q.M.S. Lea J, reverts to his substantive rank of Far/Sgt and is transferred from R.H.Q. to B. Sqdn .
No. 538 Ty/-ar SGT Sowden W.J.R. reverts to his substantive rank of sJs Corpl.
No. 29 TY/s/s Cpl Davis E.A. reverts to his substantive rank of sJsmith.
The above to date from 28/9/17.