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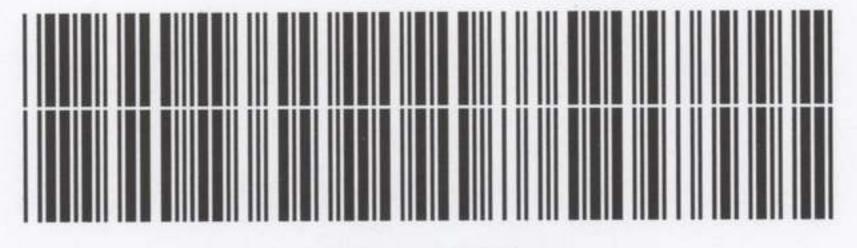
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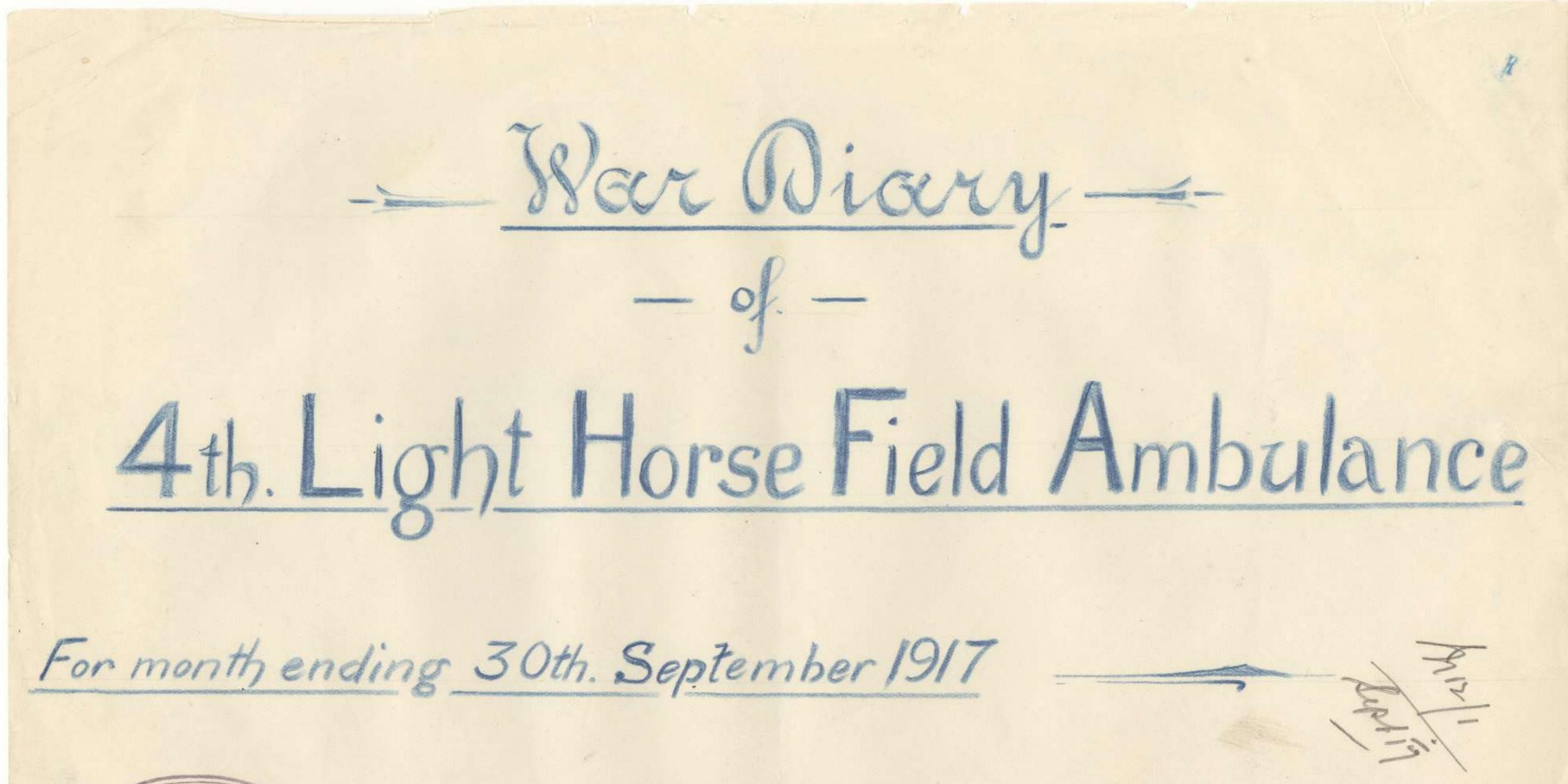
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September 1917



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Lieut. Col. R. Fowler, Commanding Officer.

C. C. 4th, Light Horse Field, Ar \$

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## WAR DIARY

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### INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118

O.C. 4th, Light Horse Field, Amb.

Place	Date 1917.	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
UKHARI	Sept 1.	0600	Ambulance moved with 4th & Ho Brigade to EL GAMLI, returning to bivouac at FUKHARI at 1930. For operation orders, parade state 8 report on operations see Submitted report, on "General Health of Troops in 4th & Ho Byde as a Result of Work done by "	Appendix 1.
	7		Submitted report, on "General Health of Troops in 4th 2 16 Byde as a Result of Work done by "	Appendix. To
	4		Levit Eol. J. E Storey reported for duty from No 14 Aus. General Hospital & taken on strength. Tecture and discussion on Malaria for all Medical Officers of Aus. Into Diot held in Officers mess attended by all officers of Ambulance. (Lecturer Capt. Paton)	
	8			Appendix. I
			Major E. K. PARRY, Staff Sgh. L. L. FLOYD and Staff Sgh. H.V. EMMETT recommended	Appendix I
			for newards for meritorious service vide Appendix. Prior recommendation of Warrant Officer A. M. SULLIVAN. inadvertently omitted from diary of June. included herewith.	Append ix.
	9		Lecture and discussion on Bilharziosis in officers' mess of 3rd L.H. Field Ambulance KAZAR. (Lecturer Capt. N.H. FAIRLEY. AA.MC.) attended by all own officers.	Appendix.
	11.		Received advice of the Temporary appointment of Warrant Officer H. V. EMMETT. vice W. O. A.M. SULLIVAN to Hospital dated 28.8.1917.	4 / 2
	12.		Report on Espabilities of Native Horse Transport Drivers with 4th L.H. Field Ambulance. rendered on demand through 4th. Byde. H. Qro. to "A" Branch Aus. Mtd. Division.	Appendix.
			Request for Commissioned Enarter master as a long felt want in Jight Horse Field Ambulances, submitted through A.D. M.S. Aus. Mtd. Division.	Appendix.V
	13.		East. J. Green reported from 3rd L. H. Field Ambulance and attached as an instructor in Regimental duties, Syllabus arranged for four days includes - lectures to N. C.O.b. Inspection of Routine parades and Special instructional parades.	

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# WAR DIARY

# INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118

O. C. 4th, Spit Horse Field, Amb.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FUKHARI.	Sept. 14		Change of Brigade Commanders Brig. General Grant. D.S.O. vice Brig. General MEREDITH. D.S.O.	
	16.		Two officers attended betwee by Major E. E. AUSTIN. R.A.M.C. at 3rd L.H. Fld. Amb. on "Insects which affect the troops in Palestine".	Appendix. TX
	17		Proposal for auti-malaria crusade submitted to A.D.M.S D. M. D. M.	Appendix X
	//-		Departure of CAPT. GREEN. His work and suggestions have been as useful as his short stay would permit. He reports very favourably on efficience of N. C.O's and the standard in voque for routine work. Imbulance moved with Brigade to TEL EL FORD	
EL EL FARA.	18.	//	Imbulance moved with Brigade to TEL. EL. FARA. and relieved the Mtd Bade.	Appendix.)
	20		Offended emborage at Die 6	Appendix X
	23		Phobulance accompanied Brigade on 48 hours reconnaissance of ESANI-B KHALASA. area. For operation orders, marching out states & reports see ? Returned from Operation to FARA. bivouac.	Appendix X
	25.	1000	Returned from Operation to FARA bivouac.	
	-		Amendment to Provisional establishment received vide Appendix Everemonial parade at which G.O.E. Division presented decorations to four members of emit	Appendix. XV
			Received notes on Treatment of Malaria, adopting our scheme (Appendix. X.) as a Divisional measure The scheme is in full working order for this Bugade The microscopic work being done by Jieut GRANT, Angae Jaboratory, SHELLAL. Summary of Weekly Lick for Brigade.	
	30.		Summary of Weekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Weekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Strength for Minit gaste.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Minit gaste.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Minit gaste.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Minit gaste.  Summary of Meekly Sick for Brigade.  Summary of Meekl	Appendix XI



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BRIGADE OPERATION ORDER NO.27.

\* Brigadier-General J.B. MEREDITH, D.S.O.

4th Australian Light Horse Brigade.

31st August 1917.

order, if necessary, to support the Yeomanry Division which will be covering a reconnaissance in the neighbourhood of KHALASA.

2. The Brigade will move out in full marching order and will be clear of the railway crossing South of the Brigade Area by 0600.

remain in camp. Only rations and forage for tomorrow will be taken, "special" rations and forage will be left in camp.

"A" Echelon will rendez-vous at Ablution Area at 0600 and will follow on after the Brigade.

Modified Field Ambulance will accompany the Brigade.

5. Order of March:-

B.H.Q.
M.G. Squadron.
R.H.A.
4th A.L.H. Regiment.
11th " "
12th " "
Modified Field Ambulance.
"A" Echelon.

Aeroplane formation - As aeroplanes when have been more than usually active lately, special attention will be paid to avoiding close formations.

7. Orderlies. Two mounted orderlies per Regiment and M.G. Sqdn will report to B.H.Q. at 0530.

for Brigade Major, 4th A.I.H. Brigade.

31st August 1917.

Issued at 2100.

Copies to:- 1. War Diary.

3. Camp Commandant. 4. Signal Troop.

5. M.G. Squadron. 6. 4th A.L.H. Regiment.

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OFFICER COMMANDING 4th. LIGHT AGRSP FIELD AMBULANCE ON OPERATIONS OF 1st. September 1917.

No.

A.D. N. S.

No.

Date

Aust. Mtd. Division.

Sir,

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I beg to report that your operation order under No. 1974 was satisfactorily carried out.

after standing by all day at GAMLI the Ambulance returned about 1700, under orders of the G.O.C. 4th. Australian Light Horse Brigade.

NATIVE H.T.DRIVERS. Referring to the parade state all
Native drivers were left in camp, as at present they are useless
and dangerous. I append Major Parry's report as to their
capability as horse transport drivers. It seems incongruous
that whereas Regimental First Line Transport is not required to
use Native drivers, the Ambulance should be asked to do so, since
the latter in action comes under fire at least as much, if not
more than Echelon "A". At present I consider them a dangerous
experiment.

# MAJOR PARRYS REPORT: >

"We received eighteen Native H.T.Drivers on 26.8.1917.

"On trying them out it was found that they knew "absolutely nothing about riding or driving horses.

"They could not groom, harness or saddle a horse.

"Since then they have been undergoing a course of "instruction in equitation and animal management and "have shown a little improvement, but I consider that they "will not be fit to drive in ateam till at least "they have completed a month's training given under "arrangement with Major Maunders. I do not consider



"they will be suitable to drive Ambulance wagons

"which in past operations were often under fire and

"needed expert driving. The morale of the natives

"has not been tested."

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4th. LIGHT HORSE FIELD AMBULANCE. Appendix															
MOBILE SECTION. St. August 17.															
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War Diary Appendix GENERAL HEALTH OF TROOPS IN 4th. L.H. BRIGADE AS THE WORK DONE BY THEM. A RESULT OF A.D.M.S. Australian Mounted Division. Sir. Reference your 1942, dated 28/8/1917. One not infrequently hears the E.E.F. spoken of as "a tired army". The "cap fits" this Brigade at least. In my opinion the "tired-syndrome" is a summation of the effects of climate and monotony. If this be so, then the present syllabus of work is inimical to the health of the troops in that (1). it asks for too much in the heat of the day, (2). it imposes a monotonous curriculum of musketry upon men who for the most part are proficient marksmen. The former leads to heat exhaustion, the latter to mental depression. I have discussed the subject with R.M.O's and Regimental C.O's who are unanimous in saying "the men are getting too much to do"; "a man does not get an hour to himself from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. As a corollary may I add the following examination of the system of resting the troops. (1). Are the sea shore camps suitable resting areas? The opinion in this Brigade is emphatic and unanimous in stating that, during our recent sojourn on the beach both men and animals suffered from great lassitude and depression, defects which almost immediately disapposated on removal to present site. I am convinced meterological conditions underlie these observations and suggest the collection of data (hygroscopic readings) to help decide the question. (2). Is the Port Said Rest Camp scheme satisfactory? The present scheme is to give every man a short holida; (10 days). Would not the effects be more beneficial if some men were given a longer holiday (1 month). Many men are for sundry reasons not anxious to go to Port Said, and it may become necessary to detail unwilling or indifferent men at frequent intervals. The choice of fewer men at longer intervals would be more beneficial from the point of view of health as well as simplifying railway transport and other administration problems. I am, etc. Ass Tholas Lieut. Colonel. S.M.O. 4th. L.H. Brigade. 31st. August 1917. AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL RCDIG1013806

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AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVESTON. Appendix

Corps Commander instructs me to write and express his great appreciation of the improvement that was manifested in the "Quick Turn-out" test on 8th. September, the timings of which he considers most satisfactory. He further desires me to add that he wishes his appreciation to be communicated to all Officers, N.C.Os. and men in the Division under your command.

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G.O.C.

4th. A.L. H. Brigade.

(Sed) R.G. Howard Vyse.

Brigadier General General Staff. DESERT MOUNTED CORPS.

G.O.C.

4th. A.L. H. Brigade

For information.

(Sgd) P.V.KELLY
Lieutenant Colonel
General Staff.

AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISN.

TO HI A LA Field And

For information and communication to all

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for Brigade Major.

4th. A. L. H. Brigade.

15/9/17.

A despatch by the Commander-in-Chief is being compiled for the period 1st March to 15th September, 1917.

Will you kindly forward any recommendations you may have to make regarding the personnel under your command, so as to reach this Office by noon on the 9th instant. Wil returns should be rendered if necessary.

Owing to information received, the G.O.C. has decided to resubmit the names he sent forward on the departure of General Sir Archibald Murray in June last, unless you specially desire to withdraw any name you then forwarded.

It is important that any decoration (including brevet) or mention granted in the despatch of 3rd June or 6th July respectively should be stated against any name now forwarded.

Names should be placed in order of merit and prepared on A.F. W.3121 - copy attached.

Those who received a decoration (including brevet) in the 3rd June despatch carmot now be recommended for more than a montion.

Those who were mentioned in despatch of 6th July cannot be submitted for mention in the present despatch.

A. C. ROBINSON, (Sd.) 7/9/17.

Lt. Gol., A.A.& Q.M.G., Aus.Mtd.Divn.

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3rd L.H.Fld.Amb. Do. 4th 7th M.B.Fld.Amb.

For your information. Please render your recommendation to me at once, in addition to Brigade H.Q. (if called for).

A.D.M.S., Aus. Mtd. Divn.

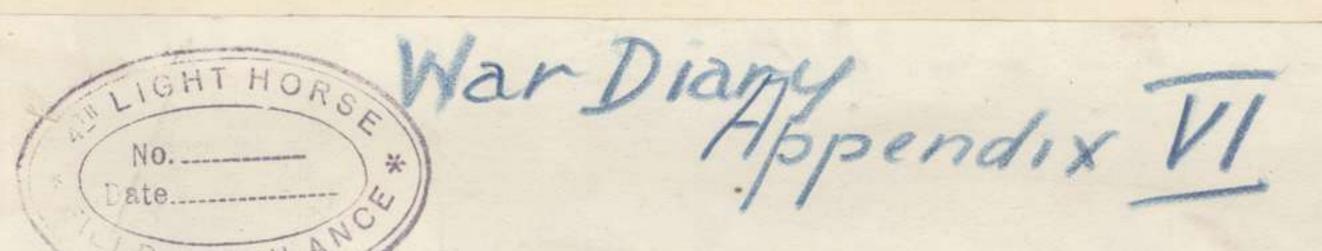
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" 4th L.H.Bde.
" 7th Mtd.Bde.
M.O. 19th Bde. R.H.A.
" Field Squadron, R.E.
" Divisional Train.

A lecture on Bilharziosis will be given by Capt. N.H. Fairley, A.A.M.C., to be followed by a discussion, on Sunday, the instant, at 1500, at 3rd L.H.Fld.Amb., KAZAR.

All Medical Officers are invited to attend.

It is proposed, if sufficient interest is taken in them to continue such meetings as long as operations allow of them at weekly intervals.

Suggestions for subjects and lectures are invited.

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A.D.M.S., Aus. Mtd. Divn.

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Appendix

N CAPABILITIES OF NATIVE HORSE TRANSPORT DRIVERS

G. O. C.

4th. Aust. Light Horse Brigade.

Sir,

On trying them out it was found that they knew absolutely nothing about riding or driving horses. They could not groom, harness or saddle a horse. Since then they have been undergoing a course of instruction in equitation and animal management and have shown a little improvement. No Native N.C.O's are allowed on the establishment, so that this instruction has been carried occasional visits of out by white N.C.O's and/a Native Officer supplied by the Divisional Train. (Which officer incidently remarked, that we would never make drivers of these natives as they were the "losfers" of the Provinces, and had never handled horses or mules.)

Recommendations. I recommend (1) that native drivers be only supplied for vehicles in Echelon"B". It seems incongrous that whereas Regimental First Line Transport is not required to use native drivers, the Ambulance should be asked to do so, since the latter in action comes under fire at least as much, if not more than Echelon "A".

(2) That if it remains necessary to use any native drivers at all,

Native
efficient and well trained/N.C.O's be supplied with them, as at

present discipline and administrative control is extremely

difficult.

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I am etc,

Lieut. Colonel.

Commanding Officer 4th. L.H.Fld. Amb.



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Aust. Mounted Division.

I wish to draw your attention to an anomaly in the present Establishment of a Light Horse Field Ambulance, which is very unjust to the N.C.O. I refer to the Sergeant Stewardship. In practice the senior of the two stewards is a Quartermaster in every sense of the term, being the executant for indenture, collection, distribution and salving of all Unit supplies, clothing and Ordnance stores— No light work with our present "mixed" establishment of men, animals and vehicles.

Compare the position with that of Squadron Quartermaster Sergeant. He deals with about 130 men and has a Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant and a commissioned Quartermaster to bear the brunt of the work and responsibility.

Compare also, the Quartermaster Sergeant of a Base Kit Store, (A.I.F.Orders 14/8/1917, para 813) who attends to the requirements of a personnel of 50 only. Both these N.C.O's carry pay and rank of Company Quartermaster Sergeants.

That the higher authorities appreciate the above anomaly is shown by the establishment of the recently mobilised Camel Brigade Field Ambilance, which carries a commissioned Quarter-master.

I think the present period of retrenchment (economy in Native H.T.Drivers, etc.) a favourable occasion to press for a commissioned quartermaster as a long felt want in a Light Horse Field Ambulance, or at the very least to have one steward made a Company Quartermaster Sergeant.

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Officer Commanding 4th. L.H. Fld. Ambulance.

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Re ANTI-MALARIA CRUSADE.

PREAMBLE. Any lengthy preamble is rendered unnecessary by the correspondence and discussion that has already taken place on this subject. It is because the recent malaria census has shown this Brigade to be the most concerned, that I have ventured to submit the following scheme for your approval. The scheme is already on its trial in this Brigade. (Dartielle)

The best opinions (Ross and Thompson - Liverpool 1910-1913;

Goethals and James - Panama 1913) endorse the following

principles of management.
"A". Mosquito reduction.

"B"(a) Thorough early treatment by quinine of acute cases.

(b) Detection and "sterilization" by quinine of gamttecarriers, (i.e. Latent cases infectious to mosquitoes
with a well disciplined routine embodying these principles
the universal prophylactic (?) administration of small doses of
quinine is considered inadvisable since it does not guarantee
prevention, and may produce and cloak gamete-carriers.

SCHEME.

The scheme deals only with category "B". It postulates three essentials: - (1) Divisional control (or higher if necessary) (2) Microscopic diagnosis. (3) A thorough and heroic course of quinine at Rest Camps.

The existing Medical Service can be utilised in the

following way:-

(a). ACUTE CASES (Primary or Recurrent).

Stage 1. Evacuate via a Field Ambulance to D.C.S.

SHELLAL, or AMR, where microscopic diagnosis is established by the finding of asexual parasitic forms. The diagnosis is recorded on the bacterioscopic card.

Stage 2. When cases are aprexial, transfer to MARAKEB, where every case is given 30 grains soluble quinine per os for three weeks with Liq: arsenicalis q.s.. Each patient takes the bacterioscopic card with him, the treatment to be recorded thereon (the space at the foot of the card can be conveniently ruled off).

Stage 3. Return patient to Unit (with card) where he continues soluble quinine per os (20 grains per day for two weeks, 10 grains per day for one month). Cards to be retained by R.M.O. until completion of treatment, and then forwarded to the A.D.M.S. for filing.

(b). LATENT CASES.

Stage 1. The subjection of all the latent or quiescent cases to microscopic blood examinations (films by either R.M.O., a special Divisional Malaria-Officer or N.C.O. from Laboratory), and the diagnosis of "carrier" established by the discovery of sexual parasitic forms (gametes).

Stages 2 & 3. Exactly as in (3) for acute cases.

This scheme should I think do a great deal towards the eradication and prevention of malaria, at the same time economising quinine in the long run.

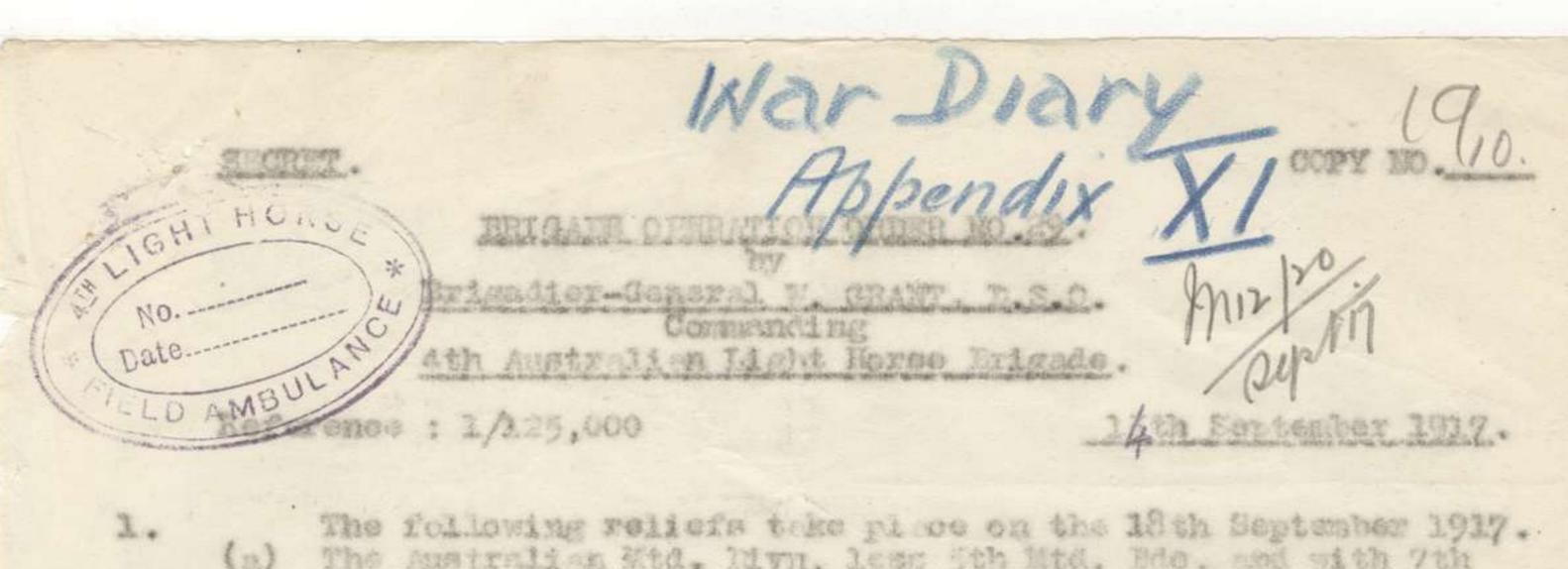
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I am, etc.

Lieut. Colonel

Officer Commanding 4th. L.H. Fld. Amb.



1. The following reliefs take place on the 18th September 1917.

(a) The Australian Mtd. Rivn. less 5th Mtd. Edo. and with 7th Etd. Edo. (Less one regiment and 20th H.G. Sadn) attached, will relieve the Yeamsary Mtd. Divn. as Forward Etd. Divn.

(b) The A. E. M.Z. Mtd. Divn. moves from MARAKES to BUKHASI and relies the Australian Mtd. Divn. in support.

(c) The Yeamsary Mtd. Divn. proceeds, on relief, to MARAKES.

2. (a) 7th Mtd. Pde. relieves 22nd Mtd. Bds. in the GATLI area and takes over the GHAIL Works.
(b) 3rd L.M. Pde. takes over the outpest line by 1100 on 15th September, and Livouses in the SHELLAL area.
(c) 4th A.L.H. Pde. with "A" Bettery H.A.C. attached will relieve the 5th Mtd. Pde. in the FARA area at 1000, and will move as follows:-

STAPFIED FOIRT : Rifle Hange.

CRIME OF MARCH 1

B.H.Q., Signal Troop and 4th L.H. Regt.

11th A.L.H. Regt.

12th A.L.H. Regt.

1735

M.G. Squadron, "A" Hattery H.A.C., Fld. Amb. 0745

Transport

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POUTE: Via Gup Horth of Mr. SHALTH to THE M. PARA. passing South of
Flying from the

other units rear parties under an H.C.O. to hand over livouses and area stores and to ensure that the Bde. erea is clean. The A. A. N. Z. Livn. ere due to arrive by 1200. MARSLAND All parties on handing over will report to Lieut. MARSLAND 12th A.L.H. Regt. at the present Bde. Neadquarters, who will instruct the urple party to precess to FARA.

attanced parties. Regiments will detail an officer and 6 men, other units on N.C.O. and 3 men to report to the Staff Captain at 0600 on the 18th to proceed to Para and take over area stores and bivoures from the 6th Mtd. Rde. Field Ambulance will detail a Medbeal Officer to accompany this party.

Units will take over the bivouses occupped when last at FARA. The Field Officer will accompany the above party.

September, after exciving in bivouse in the order of march.

4th A.L.A. Tegt. will detail a Bdo. pumping party of 1 Sgt. and
14 man to report to the Field Officer at the traughs on excival

The Field Officer will receive instructions as to the allotsent of troughs from the Div. Weter Officer, who will be in the erea at 0900 on 18th instant.

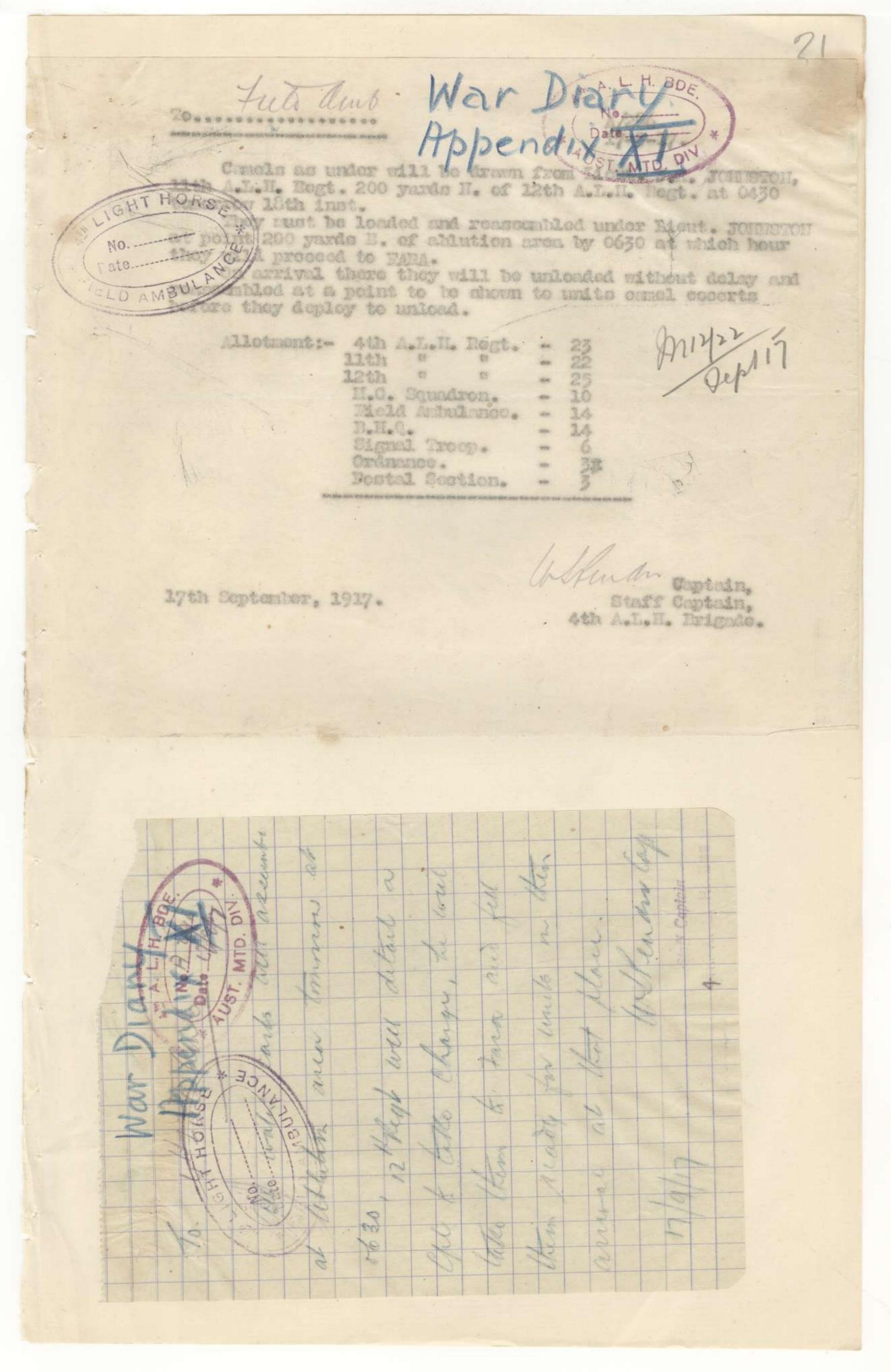
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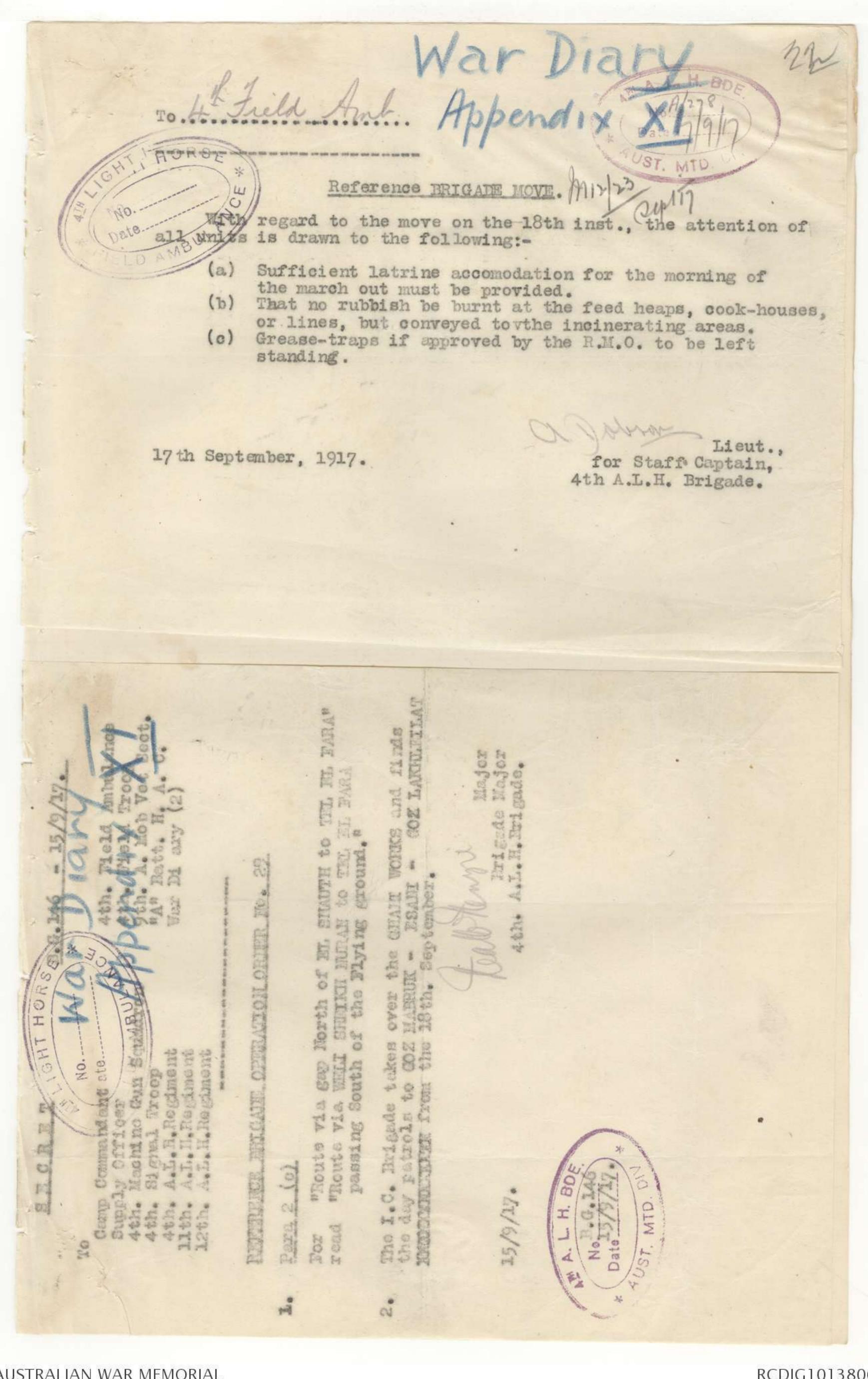
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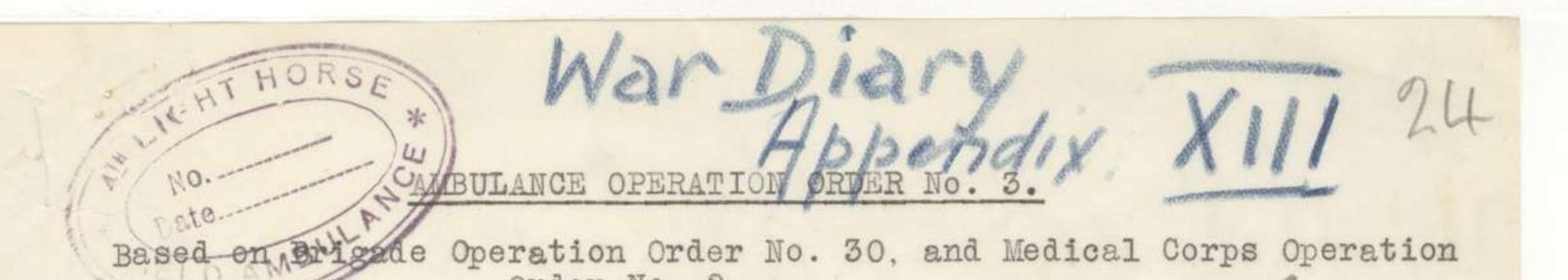
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TIGHT HONS The gentle on Watering Anel WHAN WHUS, Please Coshier's Office hert Mid. Corps; and dismounted orderlies for G.S. Desert Mid. Corps, will be relieved by A.& N.Z. Divn. at 0800 and units will arrange to withdraw them at that heur. m/12/21. Och SUPPLIES. The Bde. Ration Damp will be about a dee spot an when lest in Fant Area. The neural Ration Jordalle will report to Supply Officer at that point at 1000 18th inst. TRANSPORT. Units will notify this office by a 900 lath inst. the number of camels (calculated at 350 the per camel) necessary to move the usual stores. Thuel transport will proceed in one schelon with each unit's transport in some order of march as the units, under command of Bde. Transport Officer. Point of assembly - just Bust of Ablution Area. - AREA copped. Units will leave rear parties to hand over their bivouses to units of A. & W.Z. Htd. Divn. who are due/16/0 -arrive by 1200. Units will see that all area stores as rendered in their weekly returns are harded over complete to incoming unite, and obtain receipt for some. Cookhouses and reserve water tanks will be included. 11. Unite will report without dolay when they have sentched in at FARA Divisional Headquarters will close at amasan at 1100 and will 12. open at the name hour 2 miles west of RAMA. 13. ACTORDED TO THE COLORS Major, Brigade Hajor, 14th September 1917. 4th A.L.H. Brigado. Issued at /000 Copies to L. War Disary. 5. Camp Communicat. 4. Bupplay Officer. 5. 4th M.Q. Squadron. o. 4th Signal Troop. 7. AthA. L. H. Rogt. U. 11th A. L. Hogt. 9. 12th A.L. H. Regt. 10. 4th Field Ambalance. il. 4th Field Troop. 12. 9th A. Mob. Vet. Section. 15. "A" Buttoxy H.A.C.





Adjulanto may attend if thought advisorble Asmos. Ans. Mr. Din.



Order No. 2.

Reference Map BEERSHEBA 1: 125000.

INFORMATION. To make a recennaissance on the 24th. September of the water in the ESANI - KHALASA area, and roads in the ESANI - GOZ SHEIHILI - ASLUJ - KHALASA area.

MOVES 23rd. September 1917. The Mobile Section of the Ambulance will leave the camping area at 1300 and join Brigade at the Western end of FARA CROSSING. The Ambulance will then accompany Brigade Head-quarters to 1 mile N. of M in MAALAGA and bivouac there on the hight of 23rd. - 24th.

DISPOSITION. The Mobile Section according to attached parade state. The remainder will stay in bivouac at FARA under Capt Murphy. Major Parry will accompany advanced party and report at 1230 to Brigade Headquarters on the 23rd. inst.

The Ambulance will water on the evening of the 23rd. ar MAALAGA in order of march.

No lights will be allowed between 1800 on the 23rd cand 0500 on the 24th.

24th. September 1917. Brigade Headquarters will be established at a point 910 GOZ SHEIHILI. The Ambulance will accompany Headquarters and establish a dressing station near there.

FODDER AND RATIONS. The current day's rations and the special ration and fodder will be carried.
"B" Echelon will not accompany the Unit.
"A" Echelon will rendezvous at B.H.Q. at 1330 on the 23rd. and join units at MAALAGA.

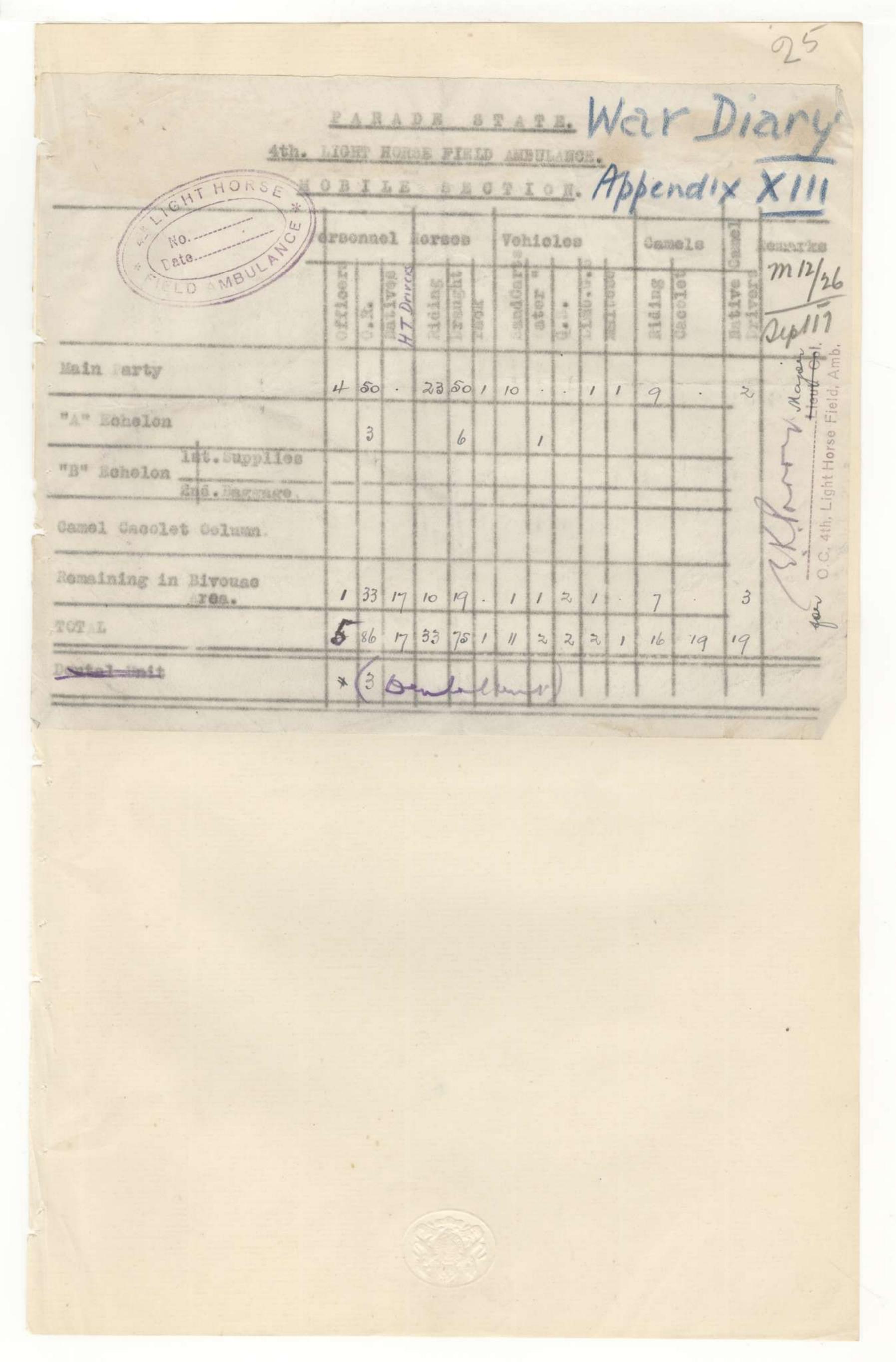
EVACUATIONS. Will be by sandcart to RASHID BEK to 7th. Mounted Brigade Field Ambilance.

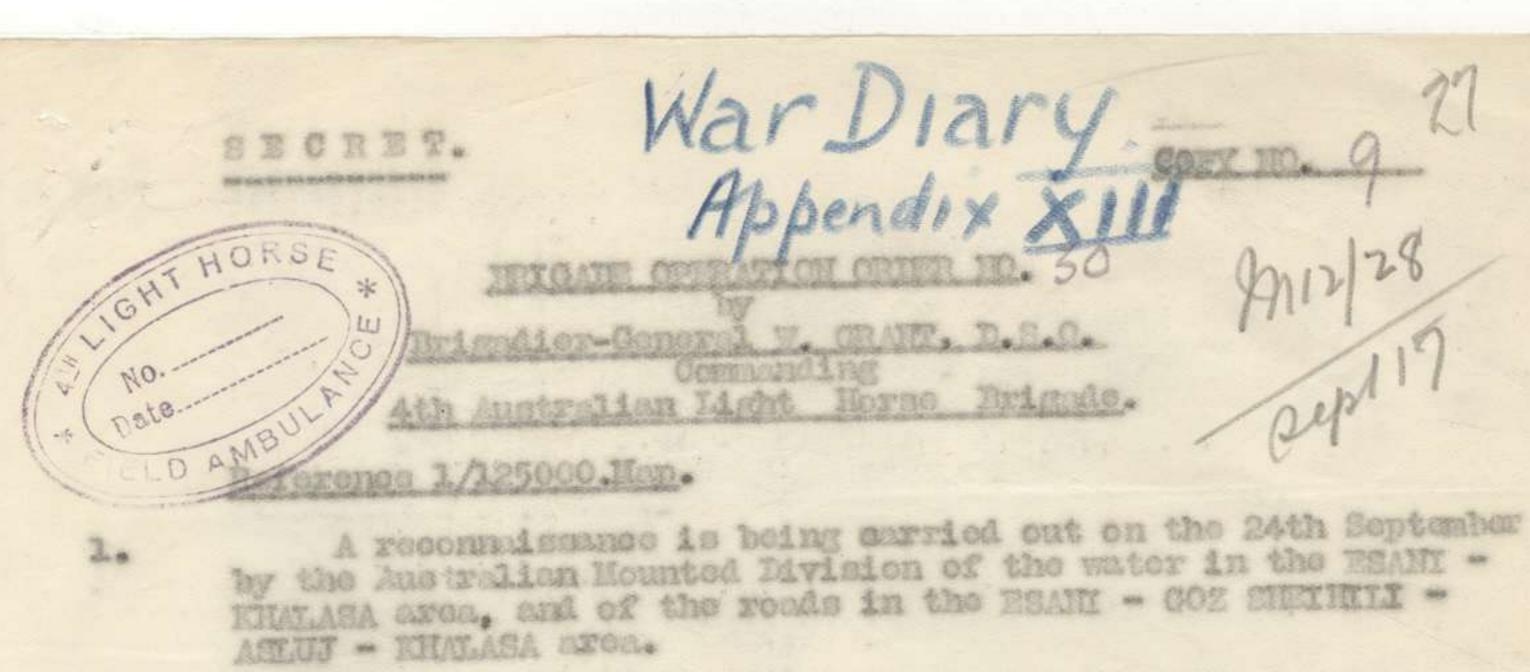
RETURNS. Usual Returns to A.D.M.S. at D.H.Q. Rashid Bek.

23rd. Sept. 1917.

Commanding Officer 4th. L.H.F. Amb.







- The line GOZ EL GELETE 42 miles S.E. of EHALASA I'M SATID 2 \* - 970 - 840 - 720 - 630 - 510 is being made good by 1100 on the 24th September.

## moved. September 23rd.

1. The 7th Hounted Brigade will march at 1400 via GOZ HAIRUK to RASHED HEE where they will bivouse the night 23rd - 24th. 2. The 4th A.L.H. Brigade with "A" Battery H.A.C. attached will leave Para at 1530 and will move via Fara crossing - FSAM to orong tracks 1 mile N. of H in MAALAGA where it will bivouse

the night 23rd- 24th. 3. Advanced Guard. 11th L.H. Regiment less 1 Squadron. 1 Subsection H.G. Squadron. Squadron 11th L.H. Regiment. Storting Point.

400 years R. of gap in from line wire from main PARA erousing.

Time of Starting. 1330

Dounds. A.G. 1. GOU LANGUELLAR RIGHT. INALAGA. L.F.G. 1. 600 Contour H.of Western 680.

2. RASHID HER - UH AJUA. Order of March.

B.H.Q. Sig. Troop. M.G. Squadron. Less 1 Sub Sect. 12th L.H. Rogt. HAN Buttery H.A.C. Field Ambulanco. MAR Robelon.

On arrival at emons roads 1 mile H. of HAALAGA the Brigade 40 will water in the order of march.

At 1250 on the 25rd the following will meet at Brigwie Hoedquarters and accompany the Vanguard to be shown the night 5. outpost line and bivouse areas.

C.O. 4th L.H. Regiment. O.C. H.O. Squadron. Brigade Major. Staff Captain. Field Officer. One representative from each unit.

- By 1830 the 4th L.H. Regiment will take up the might outpos line 750 AM M. PICAL - 780 inclusive, connecting up with the 6. 7th Hounted Erigade at 780. O.C. MCG. Squadren will put 2 Subsections in the line. The 11th L.H. Regiment will withdraw to water as seen as the might outposts are in position.
- to open controlled formation will be avoided. Units will be read to open controlled velley fire on to enemy aircraft.

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2. War Diary XIII Moves 24th September. GHT HORES OF KHALASA to INH SAIID (exclusive). The support Squadron . The 12th L.H. Regiment will make good the line des me deller protect any reconnaissance which may take place towards ASLUJ. -2. The lith L.H. Regiment will make good the line I'm SAIID inclusive. 970 (exclusive) by 1100 connecting up with the 3rd L.H. ELD AMS Subsections and Field Ambulance will be in reserve at 910 GOZ 4. O.C. H.G. Equadron will detail & subsection to accompany cach the 11th and 12th L.H. Regiments. 5. Brigodo Headquarters will be established at Pt. 910 Co-Z SHEIHILL . 6. The Brigade will water on the morning of the 24th before taking up the line. 7. Asrial protection will be provided.
8. Interwal communication will be from right to left high No lights will be allowed between 1800 on the 23rd and 0500 9. on 24th. 10. COMMUNICATIONS. A cable will be laid to H.Q. night outpost line on night 23rd - 24th. Communications will be by visual on the 24th. The I.C. Brigade are helding a day outpost at COZ LAKULTILAT 11. up to 1530 on 23mi. 12. No. I Party will recommoited WAIN THANKIE and WAIN ASSUJ. No. 2 Harty will reconnective W. EL AUSECH. No. 3 Party will reconneitre W. ISDEID. A Drouming Spation will be established at RASHID HER by 13. 1800 on 23rd. 4 fodder Katrons PODDER. JA. The current day's and one special ration will be carried. "D" Echelon will not accempany units. "A" Bohelon will rendez-vous at B.H.Q. at 1330 on 23rd. under Lieut. Corpon, 11th A.L.H. Regiment. On arrival at the biwouse area MASLAGA "A" Robelon will be despatched to join its respective units. Harching out states to be in by 1000 on 23rd instant. ACKIDULEDGE. 15. Brigade Hajor, 4th A.L.H. Brigade. 22nd September 1917. I sauced at-Copies to: - 1 War Diary. Camp Commandant. 4 M.G. Squadron. Signal Troop. 4th A.L.H. Regt. 1180 12th Field Ambulance. DAN Bottery H.A.C. H Field Trook

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MEDICAL CORPS ORDER No. 2, by Colonel G. P. DIXON, A.D.M.S., AUSR.MTD.DIXW.

Reference map BEERSHERA 1/125,000. ELD AMBU

(1). The Division will carry out a reconnaissance on September 23rd and 24th, making good the line GOZ-ML-GALIEB - IBN SAID - Point 970 - Point 840 - Point 720 - Point 630 - Point 510 by 1100 on September 24th.

- (2). Mobile Sections of Ambulances less cacolet camels will accompany their respective Brigades.
- (3). The 7th Mtd.Bde.Fld.Amb. will establish a Dressing Station at RASHID BEK by 1800 on 23rd. The Rak 3rd L.H.Fld. Amb. will establish a Dressing Station at EL BUGGAR by 1100 on 24th. The Tent Division of the 4th L.H.Fld.Amb. will be established by 1100 on 34th at a point in vicinity of Brigade Headquarters to be decided by the O.C ...
- (4). O.C., 4th L.H.Fld.Amb., and 7th Mtd.Bdo.Fld.Amb. will detail two orderlies to report to A.D.M.S. when Dresking Stations are established.
- (5). Evacuation will be by sandcart to RASHID BEK or EL BUGGAR and thence by motor ambulance to the Immobile Section of 3rd L.H.Fld. Amb. at SHELLAL.
- (6). O.C., 3rd L.H.Fld.Amb. will detail one officer with necessary sandcarts and personnel to accompany the regiments holding the line from the WADI to Point 970 and this officer will evacuate direct to 7th Mtd.Bde.Fld.Amb. at RASHID BEK.
- (7). O.C., 3rd L.H.Fld.Amb. will detail must an officer to collect 4 motor ambulances at SHELLAL JUNCTION on morning of 24th to proceed to Dressing Station at Four motor ambulances will proceed to RASHID BEK on afternoon of 23rd under orders of A.D.M.S.
- (8). One days special ration and forage for man and horse will be carried. "B" Echelon will not accompany Unit.
- (9). Ambulances will withdraw with their Brigades.
- (10). The following returns will be sent to A.D.M.S., D.H.Q., at RASHID BEK:- after 0600 on 24th.
  - (a). Number of wounded admitted and remaining every four hours by wire, return to be progressive for each period of 24 hours beginning at 1800 daily, and sent in code.
  - (b). 24 hourly return of wounded made up to 1600 and sent in code.

NIL returns need not be sent. The following code will be used:-

> GARAMEL WOUNDOF WOUNDOR

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CARANX. TAWNYWAVE CASUALTIES.

WOUNDED OFFICERS. WOUNDED OTHER RANKS.

SERIOUS. SLIGHT.

INDIAN TROOPS.

(11). Acknowledge.

A.D.M.S.. Australian Mounted Divn.

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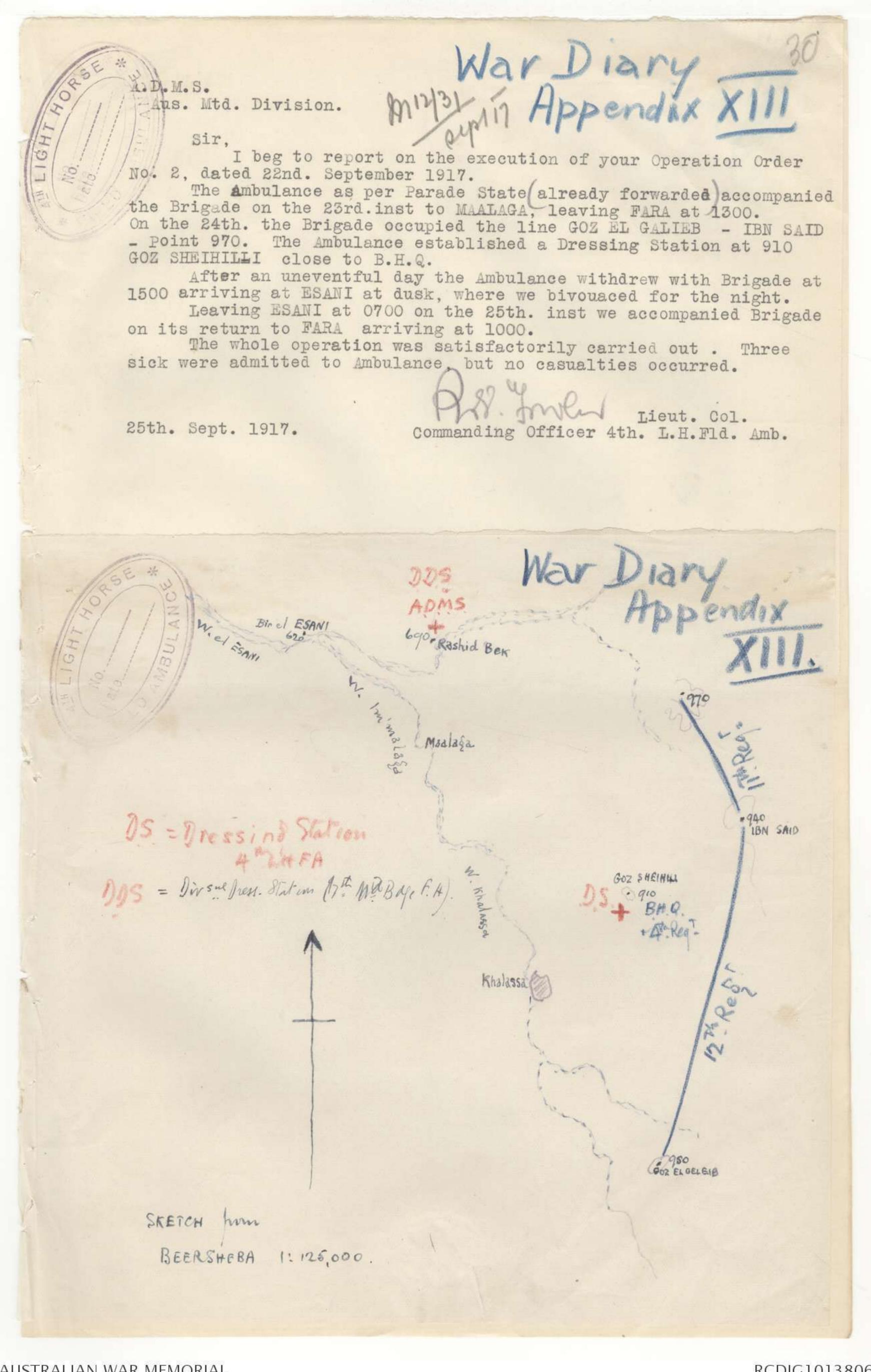
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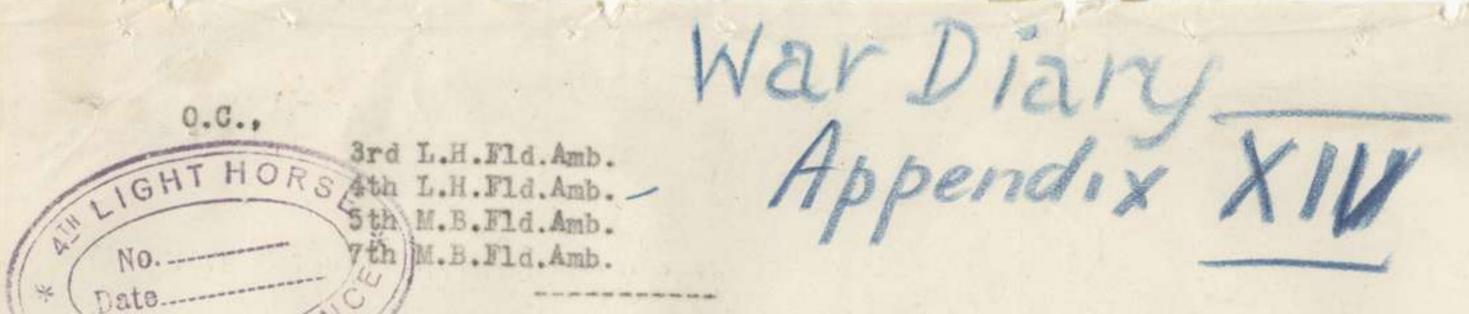
3. 3rd Amb. 8. H.Q., 7th Bde.

/4. 4th Amb. 9. War Diary.

5. 7th Amb. 10. File.

Issued at 1830.





issued under G.H.Q. letter G.S. 550/1 of 13/9/17. This letter is authority to indent for additions.

#### E. FIELD AMBULANCES.

- (1) Of the 18 native drivers I will be English speaking and of higher rank than the rest.
- (2) Add for Maltese Cart 2 draught horses and 1 native driver.
- (3) Return 2 immobile G.S. wagons to Ordnance.
- (4) Add donkeys for sand-cart orderlies, 6.

#### F. SANITARY SECTION.

Add donkey for batman, 1.

Provisional Establishment G.S. (O.b. I July 1917 should be amended accordingly.





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A.D.M.S.., Aus. Mtd. Divn.

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4th A.L.H. Field Ambulance.

A receipt will be obtained and forwarded to this office from each of the following members of the 4th Field Ambulance receiving decorations: -

Serbian Silver Medal. No. 9477 Pte. BENSON, J. Military Medal.

" 4261 DVr. DONE, C.G.A.

Military Medal and Serbian 72 Tpr. GOULD, M.T. Gold Medal.

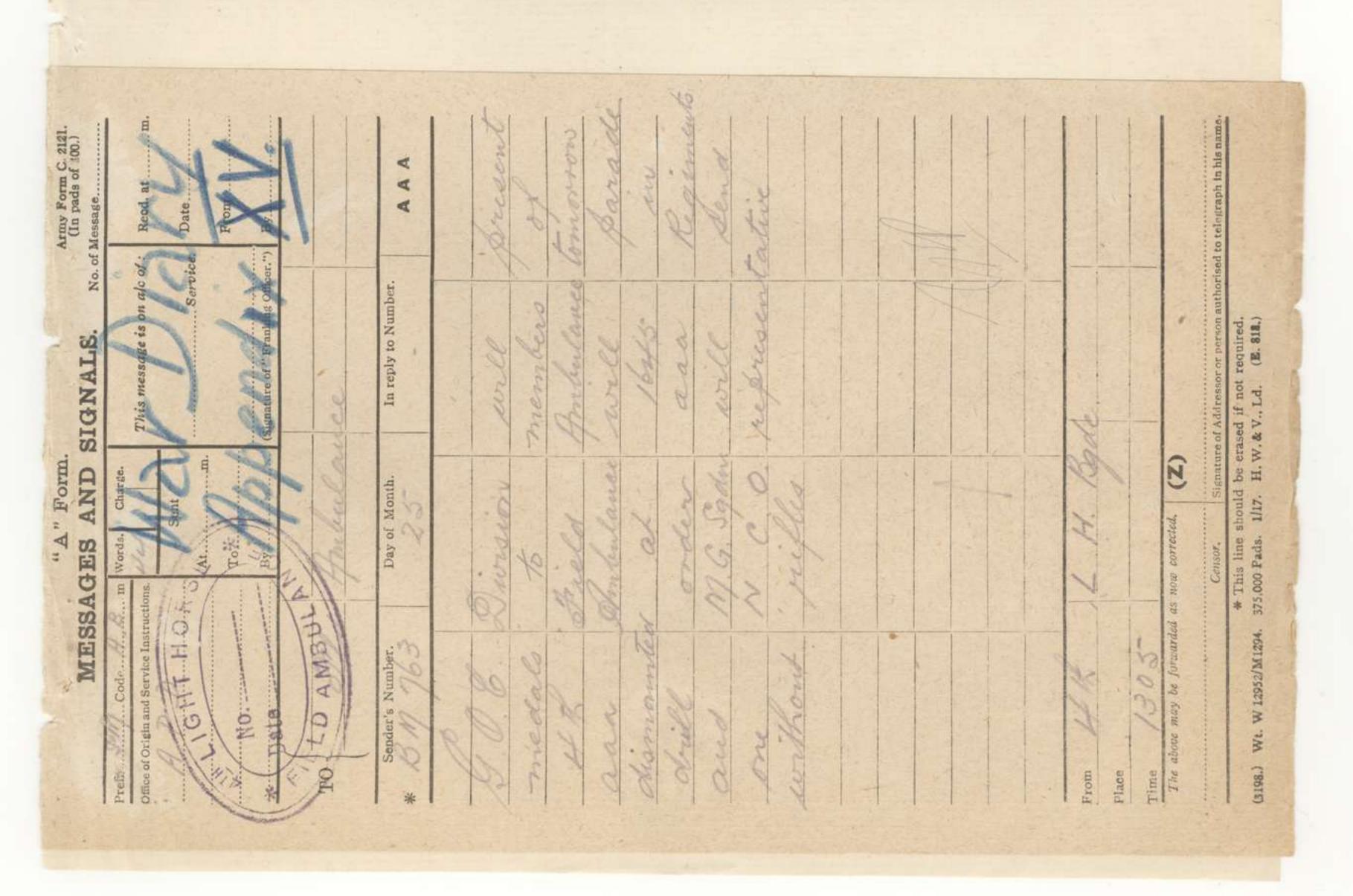
64 Sgt. STOREY, W. D.C.M.

If any of the above are not at present with the unit you will acknowledge receipt of their decorations to this office.

For safe custody of medals see Kings Regs. They should be forwarded to 3rd Echelon, Australian Records.

25th September, 1917.

Major, Brigade Major, 4th A.L.H. Brigade.



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4th. LIGHT HORSE BRIGADE.

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No. Date AMBULANCE At

Ath. LIGHT HORSE FIELD AMBULANCE.

Summary of thr Weekly Strength of Unit

Appendix XVIII

Native H.T. Native C.T.

Drivers. Drivers.

Date.	Officers.	Other Ranks.	Native H.T.	Native C.T. Drivers.
1:9:1917	5	100	18	20
8:9:1917	6	97	18	20
15:9:1917	6	97	17	21
22:9:1917	6	96	17	20
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Non-Water Mounted Division.

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Appendix XVIII

A discussion on "Surgery in a Field Ambulance and in front of it" will be opened by Lieut-Colonel T.B.Layton, R.A.M.C.(T) at the 2nd L.H.Fld.Amb., KAZAR, on Sunday, 30th inst at 1530. All officers are invited to attend.

Please forward the names of any officers who will speak on this subject.

Headquarters, 25/9/17.

(Sd) R.M.DOWNES, Golonel. D.D.M.S., Desert Mounted Corps,

S.M.O.,

3rd L.H.Bde. 4th L.H.Bde. 7th Mtd.Bde.

office.

For your information, please forward names to this

fortun.

Colonel,

A.D.M.S., Australian Mounted Division.