

**AWM4**

**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,  
1914-18 War**

New Zealand Units

**Item number:** 35/16/22

**Title:** Signal Troop, New Zealand  
Engineers and Signal Troop, New  
Zealand Mounted Rifles Brigade

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# WAR DIARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References and references to Appendices
FARA	Aug		Signal str <sup>FARA</sup> TEL came with day patrols + WMR regns along W. Satch.	
			As for	
			Comd look over GHABI works - found 1st Lt Bde. Line by phone through DHO	
			2 night standing patrols 1 of GHABI + 1 of 200 S of Ganti connected by phones	
			Signal str FARA to come with reconnaissance by AMR in EGANI area	
			Signal str FARA to come with WMR at Pt 750 MAMAGI. Withdrew 1600	
			as for tel. str withdrawn 1530	
			Reconnaissance by WMR to Pt 770 + Khalama, came through FARA	
			} No operations	
			Bde acted as supporting Bde to Imperial Command Bde in raid on SANNA road.	
			Agro at Pt 520 (2 hrs left). 1 sqdn AMR went left 520. 1 sqdn WMR left 410 + 1 sqdn	
			1 sqdn AMR to Khulak. Chain of gall ops arranged. Line with 10 Bde at	
			MAGAM. Telephone also laid to Suk + then to MAGAM to connect with HK + S	
			Battery. Telephone cable to DHO + heavy battery also captured battery at FARA	
			Withdrawn to camp	



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	Aug			
	12		Signal in FARO to come with day standing patrols taken over from 1st LH Bde. Telephone to night standing patrols	
	13		as for 12th. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bde in support of 2nd LH Bde in entrenchment on railway at IRGEIG. BHQ at KARIM. C.M.R. at Mt 720 with posts at Mt 790 S 10 S 20. All connected by phone with BHO & 2 <sup>nd</sup> LH Bde	
	11	0900	C.M.R. relieved at GHABI works by 2nd LH Bde	
	14	0600	Withdrawn to camp. No operations	
	15		No operations	
	16	0645	Angar Division with blue Bde <sup>Yeo</sup> <del>Plum</del> Div. covered reconnaissance by entrenchment N.M.R. dig at cross-roads 1m W. TAWEL HABARI. work at 700 with posts at 730 S 10 S 20. AMR. at 840 ABYATHIA. Line by helix with all right of way by helix & wireless with 1st Bde on right 2nd Bde on left & with D.H.R.	
		1600	Withdrawn to camp	
	17	2000	Reconnaissance of SANA - MARGAM area by Major on S. 1st Bde on 17th Telephone from BHO to KARBITERK withdrawn at 0245 15th	
	18		Angar Div relieved by Germany Div & handed over all lines & Bde Bde. Mailed out to camp at TEL EL MARAKIB arrived 1600	



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MARAKEB	Aug 19 <del>22</del>		Resting	f
	<del>23</del>		Inspection of transport by A.D.S.T. Desert Mtd Corps	f
	<del>25</del>		Two of marched out to school of Instruction Results of 21st course sent by D.L. Mr H Ames Fort Bliss Signal Co suggested 30 in P.R. Robertson	f
	<del>26</del> 30		Resting	f
	31	1125	Inspection by GOC. Arzac Mtd Division	f
			Effective strength 31/8/17 1 Lt 32 ON	
			Reinforcements arrived To hospital 7 26 ON	

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 O.C. Signal Troop  
 Mr R. B. ...



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FARA	Aug	1	Signal stn on TEL <sup>to FARA</sup> came with day patrols + WMR signs along W. bank	L
		2	As for 1st	L
		4	C.M.R. took over GHABI works from 1st Lt Bde. Came by phone through DHO 2 night standing patrols 1st of GHABI + 1 2nd S of bank connected by phone	L
		5	Signal stn FARA to come with reconnaissance by AMR in EGANI area	L
		6	Signal stn FARA to come with WMR at Pt 750 MAMAGAM. Withdrew 1600	L
		7	As for 6th. Stn withdrawn 1530	L
		8	Reconnaissance by WMR to Pt 770 + Khalama. Came through FARA	L
		9	} No operations	L
		10		L
		11	Bde acted as supporting Bde to Imperial Command. Bde on raid on SANAN redoubt. Apra at Pt 320 (2nd Lt). 1 sqdn AMR went to Pt 520. 1 sqdn WMR to Pt 410 W. bank 1 sqdn C.M.R. to Kharbat bank. Position of gull ops arranged. to come with 1st Bde at MAGAM. Telephone also laid to bank + then to MAGAM to connect with H.K. & B. Batteries. Telephone cable to DHO + heavy battery also captured battery at FARA	L
		12	Withdrawn to camp	L

Remarks and references to Appendices  
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	Aug			
	12.		Signal in FARQ to come with day standing patrols taken over from 1st LH Bde. Telephone to night standing patrols	
	13.		as for 12th. Bde in support of 2nd LH Bde in enterprise on railway at IRGEIG. BHD at KARIM. C.M.R. at H-720 with posts at H-740 S 10 S 20. All connected by phone.	
	11.	0900	C.M.R. relieved at GHABRI works by 2nd LH Bde	
	14.	0600	Withdrawn to camp. No operations	
	15.		No operations	
	16.	0045	Angar Division with blue Bde from 1st Div. covered reconnaissance by 1st Bde. N.M.R. steps at crossroads 1m W. TAWEL HABARI. Work at 700 with posts at 730 S 10 S 20. M.M.R. at S 40 ASOYATHIA. Come by heli with all night posts by heli & wireless with 1st Bde on right 2nd Bde on left & with D.H.Q.	
		1600	Withdrawn to camp	
	17.	2000	Reconnaissance of SANTA - MARGAM area by Regtms sent 14 Regtms M.M.R. Telephone from BHD to KARBITERK withdrew at 0245 15th.	
	18.		Angar Div relieved by Germany Div. Handed over all lines & tel. net to Bde.	
		1100	Marched out to camp at TEL EL MARAKIB arrived 1600	

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MARRAKECH	Aug 19		Resting	R
	22		Inspection of transport by A.D.S.T. Desert Mtd Corps	R
	23		Two of marched out to school of Instruction	
	25		Results of 2nd course imp. bel. Smith. Sp. H. Ames First Class Signaller budgeted 30 w/m P.R. Robertson " " " " " " " " " " " "	S R
	26		Resting	R
	30			R
	31	1125	Inspection by G.O.C. Argae Mtd Division	R
			<p>Effective strength 21/8/17 1 Lt 32 OR.</p> <p>Reinforcements arrived 7 in</p> <p>To hospital 26 OR.</p>	
			<p>Robertson O.C. Signal Troop. M. R. Bode.</p>	