

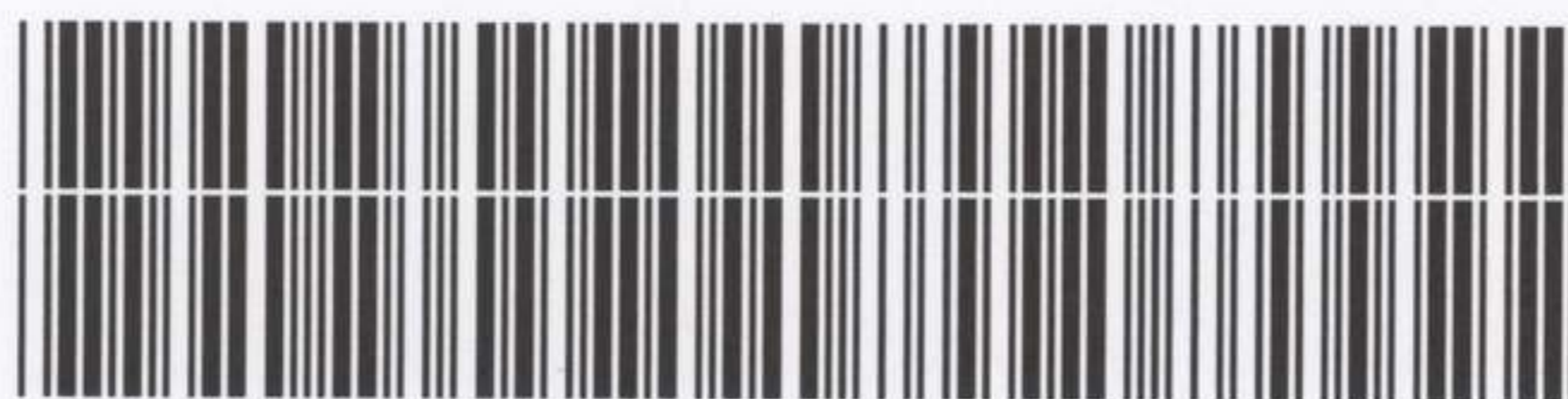
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WAR DIARY

OF

8th SANITARY SECTION.

FOR MAY 1919.



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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.~~

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Moasear	May 1919	3 rd	An no proceeded to Cairo (A.H.Q.) on duty.	
		4 th	A further section was made at Sayid Fathi's Post, on the occasion by the D.A.M.S., accompanied by advice from the Section. A report of the conditions re mosquitos breeding is appended.	No 1
		6	N. Co. rejoined from Cairo & 2 o.s. rejoined from 26 th C.C.S.	
		11	Report rendered to A.D.M.S. An sdw. by Sp. Sq. copy appended.	No 2
		14	One o.s. marched out to "A" Details for embkrs U.K. leave.	
		15	Two o.s. rejoined from isolation camp, Moasear	
			Strength of unit now 3 r. cos + 12 o.s.	
		17	Report on sanitation of Moasear camp rendered to A.D.M.S. copy appended.	No 3
		25	D.C. D.C.	No 4
		26	All buildings tents of D.H.Q., Signals & Troop Coys are	
		31	all sprayed with formaldehyde every four days. Arrangements have been made for allocation of natives for sanitary duties to all Aust. units by this section. Extra natives were taken over from 1075 San. Co. R.A.M.C. for this purpose.	2



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MONTH OF MAY 1919

LIST OF APPENDICES

- 1.- Anti-malarial report on conditions at FAYED FISHING POST.
- 2.- Sanitary report on Aust. units at MOASCAR.
- 3.- Do. Do.
- 4.- Do. Do.

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APPENDIX NO. 1

D.A.D.M.S.,
AUSDIV.

Bayed Fishing Post was again visited on the 3rd inst. and I hereby submit the following report:-

Conditions similar to those reported on the 18th April still prevail in this area. The area was more thoroughly inspected on this occasion resulting in a successful attempt to secure specimens of mosquito larvae. After a very careful inspection of the swamps lying to the S. W. of the camp, ANOPHELES larvae were discovered and breeding is being carried on among this particular species on a fairly large scale.

Although the GENUS ANOPHELES larvae were rather difficult to detect, specimens were obtained from various points and undoubtedly breeding is going on rather extensively throughout the swamps.

The conditions and causes of these breeding areas are precisely the same as reported on my last visit. Specimens of CULEX THEOBALDIA and OCHLEOTATUS were also obtained.

Mosquito nets have not been issued to the troops on this post and nothing has been done in the way of oiling in the near vicinity of the camp.

(sgd) E. G. Cizzio L/cpl.

No. 17269 8th San. Sec..

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A. D. M. S.,
AUSDIV.

SANITARY REPORT.

- Field Squadron - Fly breeding was found under the incinerator and in the vicinity of grease trap of this unit on the 7th inst.. The sanitary detail was instructed by sanitary inspector as to the treatment of these areas, the result was satisfactory. Sanitation of the camp otherwise good.
- Signal Squadron - Sanitary inspector reported fly breeding at an unused grease trap in vicinity of this unit. The sanitary detail was instructed re foul area and treated accordingly. Camp site otherwise satisfactory.
- Div'n'l Train - Fly breeding was also detected under the incinerator of this unit early in the week. Men from this section moved the incinerator to a new area and the old area was treated. Sanitation of this unit is now satisfactory.
- 4th B. H. Q. - Manure from horse lines allowed to stand too long in the lines. The Orderly Room was notified of this defect and the result is more satisfactory now. Camp site otherwise good.
- 11th and 12th Regt. Details and 4th M.G.S. - The sanitation of these units is being neglected owing to insufficient attention being given to the respective camp sites.
- 5th Bgde. Details - Insufficient attention is also being paid to the sanitation of this camp. Sanitary Detail was spoken to re the defects and a written report left at the Orderly Room. Very little improvement as resulted. This section constructed a soakage pit at a water tap in the area. It is reported that the 5th Bgde. transport water their horses from this source resulting in this area always being in a puddle.

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- Unoccupied Mess Huts - These huts in the vicinity of Aust. Divnl. units are being used by natives for sorting rubbish collected from incinerators, and occasionally as latrines. A scavenging gang from the section is sent to attend to these unoccupied huts twice weekly. The main roads and unoccupied stables are also being regularly scavenged by a gang from the section.
- Public Latrines - The latrines near the railway station have not been receiving enough attention recently. The 107th San. Sec., R. A. M. C. are responsible for this particular area and their attention has been drawn to this matter.
- Cinema and Gambling Area - The sanitation of this area is being carried out by this section. All grease traps have been repaired and D. O. R. E., ISMAILIA re latrine screens required for this area.
- All units are now able to obtain sufficient tinned and disinfectant to enable them to carry out their sanitation satisfactorily.

(sgd.) E. A. PALMER S/sgt.,

8th San. Sec.

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A. D. M. S.,
AUSDIV.

I beg to submit the following report on the sanitation of AUST
DIV. Details for the week ending 17 : 5 : 19.

5th Brigade - Dixies are being washed at a tap without a soakage pit resulting in the area being strewn with tea leaves. The area around the incinerator is also very untidy. This camp is otherwise satisfactory.

4th, 11th and 12th Regt. - These details have moved out and the area will be thoroughly scavenged tomorrow by a gang from the section.

A. S. C. H. Q. - The Sanitary Detail has been spoken to regarding the grease traps, more attention could be paid to them. Camp site otherwise satisfactory

Divnl. Train - Fly breeding was detected at a grease trap and under a refuse bin at this unit. The sanitary detail was instructed as to the treatment necessary and the result was satisfactory. Insufficient attention is being paid to the incineration of refuse.

5th L. H. F. Ambce. - Fly breeding in the vicinity of grease trap was reported by the sanitary inspector. If nothing was done by the unit and the inspector treated the area himself to prevent further breeding.

4th Bgd. Band - Fly breeding was detected in this area. The affected area was treated by this section and a new grease trap installed.

Provost Corps - During the week a quantity of rubbish was deposited on area to the rear of this camp. The area was cleaned and disinfected by the section and the Q. M. S. of the unit notified of the defect.

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Anti-malarial Work - An unsuccessful search was made along the banks of the canal, for mosquito breeding areas. Mosquito larvae was found in the underground cistern to the rear of the Officers Mess D. H. Q., this cistern has now been oiled.

Egyptians from the Ambce. adjoining the band have been using a tap on the Band area. Permission was given for the use of the tap provided the Ambce. constructed a soakage pit for same.

All latrine screens in the vicinity of the cinema have been repaired. Screens at the Divnl. Train are still unrepaired.

Signal Office was sprayed with Formaldehyde during the week.

Sanitary labourers attached to this unit have been disinfected during the week. Scavenging of roads and all unoccupied areas being carried on as usual.

(sgd.) E. A. PALMER S/sgt.,

17 : 5 : 19

8TH SAN. SEC..

A.D.M.S.,

AUSDIV.

I beg to submit the following report on the sanitation of the Aust. Div. units for week ending 24 : 5 : 49.

5th Brigade - The defects of this details have already been reported this week and in accordance with your instructions, the Staff Capt. made an inspection, and the improvements necessary to bring the sanitation up to the required standard were pointed out by me. A man from this Section with four natives was sent to assist the sanitary detail to complete the work required. Improvements are now noticeable.

"A" Details - Fly breeding was noticed on a foul area in the vicinity of the incinerator, where cookhouse refuse had been buried. The sanitary Sgt. of this camp was notified and he had the area treated. The practice of burying refuse has now ceased.
The camp site is otherwise satisfactory.

Signal Squadron - An ablation area used by officers is badly in need of a soakage pit and the sanitary detail has been spoken to regarding it. The sanitation otherwise is good.

Divnl. Train (38 Coy.) - Fly breeding was detected at a grease trap in this unit's area and the sanitary detail was instructed how to treat same. Result satisfactory.

12th Regt. - This unit has moved on to the area previously occupied by the C. T. D. Inquiries were made regarding sanitary equipment of which this Regt. has sufficient.

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C. T. D. - This unit is temporarily camped near "A" Details. Officers latrines have been erected and the other ranks are using the adjoining latrines of "A" Details.

Gurkas - A detachment of Gurkas are occupying an area in the vicinity of the Camp Post Office. Latrines have been allotted to this detachment. A party moved out early in the week and left the area satisfactory.

Cinema area - A new soakage pit, grease trap and urine tube were installed on this area by the Section during the week.

Divnl. H. Q. - Cistern near officers latrines, in which mosquito breeding was reported last week, has been successfully cleaned and disinfected. Officers cookhouse supplied with fly trap and tanglefoot.

All officers' quarters have been sprayed with formaldehyde during the week.

Scavenging - All unoccupied mess huts, latrines and areas in the vicinity of Aust. Divn. units have been scavenged during the week.

D. O. R. E. was notified on the 20th inst. to erect two latrine screens at Aust. Div. Train. Nothing has been done up to date.

R. E.s MOASCAR were also notified of two taps, one in the vicinity of 4th Bgde. Band and the other on the area recently occupied by 4th M. G. S., which were constantly running. This polluting the respective areas with waste water.

All unoccupied latrines to the rear of 5th Ambce. and the A. S. C. have been packed up neatly.

(sgd.) E. A. PALMER S/sgt.,

8TH SAN. SEC.

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