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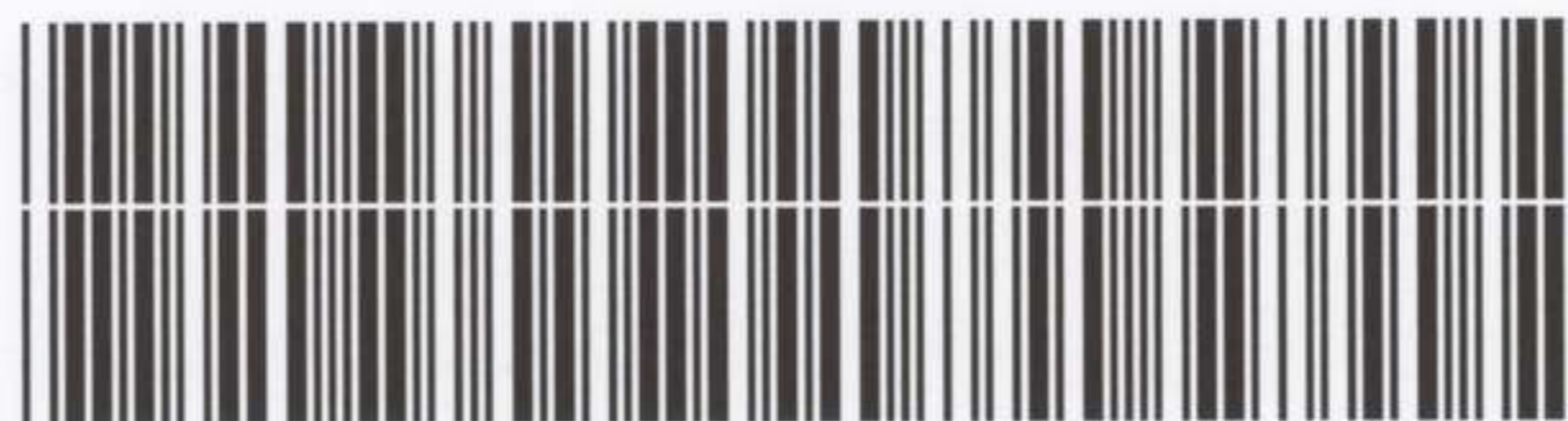
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WAR DIARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ferry Post	30-5-16		A, + C sections left Railhead at 05.00 and connected up with B section from DUNTRONN PLATEAU at 0540. The camp at RAILHEAD and medical service of Front line handed over to No 1 Welsh Field Ambulance, 53 rd Divn. Camp of the Car Clearing Station at FERRY POST occupied. Pte CROCKER handed over to A.P.M., the finding (Guilty) and sentence (270 days imprisonment with hard labor) having been promulgated on 29-5-16.	A.H.T.
"	31-5-16		Work of Car Clearing Station taken over from A section of 15 th F. Amb.	A.H.T.
"	1-6-16		Permission given by A.D.M.S. to make permanent promotions to "C" section. This was done & promotions dated 31-5-16. Training continued, Stretcher Drill & instruction in 1 st aid	A.H.T.
"	2-6-16		Pte Saunders J.F. transferred from custody of A.P.M. to unit, having nearly completed 30 days F. P. No 2. Training continued.	A.H.T.
"	3-6-16		Ambulance brought to War Strength less 1 interpreter viz 10 officers 237 other ranks. Attached are 1 Dental officer & 2 other ranks constituting the 32 nd Dental Unit.	A.H.T.
"	4-6-16		Holy Communion at 07.00.	A.H.T.
"	5-6-16		Cases remaining in Car Clearing Station evacuated to lines or to Stat. Hosp. and Clearing Hospital closed as such, cases for remaining units at FERRY POST being either returned to lines at once or passed on to Stat. Hosp. Permission given to 53 rd Divn Car Clearing Station to open up for the British units at FERRY POST. G.O.C. inspected Hospital & was pleased with improvement shown.	A.H.T. <u>U.S.R.</u>

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Ferry Post	6-6-16		Training continued, stretcher exercises & Section Drill.	AHS
"	7-6-16		Blankets reduced to 1 per man. Remainder collected for return to C.O.O. Ferry Post.	AHS
"	8-6-16		Pay made (£350). A.H.S. Accommodation for sick from 14 th Inf Bde provided again owing to delay in movement. Boschee provide tent subdivision. Cases not likely to be well in 5 days to be sent on to Stalder.	AHS
"	9-6-16		Inspected by A.D.M.S. at 07.00 in camp. Apparently pleased with state of unit & camp.	AHS.
"	10-6-16		Athletic Sports & Concert in conjunction with 14 th Inf Bde. 2 men to Hospital. Effectives = 10 ^{Officers} , 235 ^{Other ranks}	AHS
"	12-6-16		Route march including transport. 1 man to Hospital. Effectives = 10 officers 234 OR. = 244.	AHS
"	14-6-16		Holiday. Divisional Athletic Sports at MOASCAR at 06.00. Inspection of unit for Venereal disease negative. 1 man to Hospital (Dinner). Effectives = 10 officers 233 Other ranks = 243	AHS
"	15-6-16		Orders received to move to MOASCAR near Railway on 16-6-16 with 14 th Inf Bde	AHS
"	15-6-16		Tent Subdivision closed. Equipment & baggage loaded on wagons 1 st line & on 3 wagons from 28 th A.S.C. company. Advance party sent to MOASCAR to take over some tents on ground occupied by 8 th F. Amb. Tentage & some equipment handed over to 53 rd (Welsh) Cas. Clearing Station excepting Mobilization (12 Bell) Tents & Operating Tents, E.P.I.P & some extra bell tents	AHS.
MOASCAR, DSMAILIYA	16-6-16		Whole unit excepting rear party marched to MOASCAR in rear of 14 th Inf Bde, ambulance moving off at 05.45. Camp site of 8 th F. Amb taken over. Rear party under CPT Burkitt cleaned up camp at Ferry Post	

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MOASCAR 16-6-16	16-6-16		and handed over camp site & tentage to Welsh Cas. Clearing Station (53 rd Divn). Tent Subdivn not opened at MOASCAR but sick from 14 th Inf Bde passed straight on to Stationary Hospital.	AHS
"	17-6-16		22 other ranks from Transport Division, including the 3 T Post Sergeants, 8 Heavy draughts, 15 Riding Horses, 3 Ambulance Wagons & limbered G.S., 3 Water Carts, 1 Maltre Cart and as much equipment & baggage as could be loaded on wagons were entrained at MOASCAR Loading Station and left about midnight 17-18 th inst for ALEXANDRIA to embark on H.T. GEORGIAN. Capt Maudsley detailed 533 rd Bn M.O.	AHS
"	18-6-16		Myself, Major Macartney, Capts Jose & Metcalfe, Lt & Qtr Wheeler, 170 other ranks and remaining equipment & baggage entrained and left MOASCAR about 22.00. Capts Parkinson & Burkitt and batmen also entrained on same train but with orders to embark on a different transport. Major Newton, Capt Horman & Lt Dunn (Dental Officer) with tent subdivn B's section & some horses totalling 3 officers and about 40 other ranks left to carry on work for 14 th Inf Bde & to entrain later.	AHS
H.T. ROYAL GEORGE ALEXANDRIA	19-6-16		Arrived ALEX by emergency train about 06.00 & embarked on 'ROYAL GEORGE' excepting Capts Parkinson & Burkitt, who went to H.T. 'CANADA'. O.C. B's section & details left at MOASCAR were to entrain at MOASCAR tonight & embark tomorrow on 'H.T. CALEDONIAN', also Capt Maudsley with 55 th BN.	AHS
"	20-6-16		Still in port. Boat stations arranged. 14 th Inf Bde allotted to Boats No 1, 3, 5, 7, and part of 9.	
"	21-6-16		" " "	AHS

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H.T. Royal George At Sea	22-6-16		Steamed out of Alexandria at 10.30. Sea Calm.	A.H.T.
"	23-6-16		Passed by CRETE. Escorted by a Destroyer today, strong breeze making sea choppy.	A.H.T.
"	24-6-16		Wind dropped & sea calm. No destroyer in sight.	A.H.T.
"	25-6-16		Church Parade at 09.30. Thick mist this morning.	A.H.T.
"	26-6-16		Sardinia on our starboard this morning. Our course has been South of Malta & now west of Sardinia & Corsica. [Capt JOSE put in charge of Transport Division, to go to ABBEVILLE] ^{in French.}	A.H.T.
MARSEILLES	27-6-16		Reached berth Marseilles at 15.00. Disembarked. Orders received. English money changed.	A.H.T.
On Train	28-6-16		Entrained at 08.00. Meals taken at 'Haltes Repas' where hot water was provided for tea.	A.H.T.
On Train	29-6-16		Reached neighbourhood of Paris at 10.00 but passed on leaving it to the West.	A.H.T.
Thiennes (Pas de Calais)	30-6-16		No 2397 Pte KEATING J.T. missed train at CALAIS during a halt, said to be unwell. Disentrained at THIENNES, near HAZEBROUCK. Went into Billets already selected by French Interpreter & staff Capt 14 th Inf Bde.	A.H.T.
"	1-7-16		Shallow trench latrines provided. Men allowed to shake down after long journey into their billets.	A.H.T.
"	2-7-16		Dressing station formed in village square in house (1 room). Evacuation from 14 th Inf Bde, billeted in Thiennes area, by 1 Motor ambulance lent by ADMS to 12 th Cas. Coy Station HAZEBROUCK. Remainder of B' section, 4 Officers 39 other ranks arrived at 2315. 3 Batmen left by D.C. B' section at MARSEILLES to join transport (under Capt JOSE).	A.H.T.