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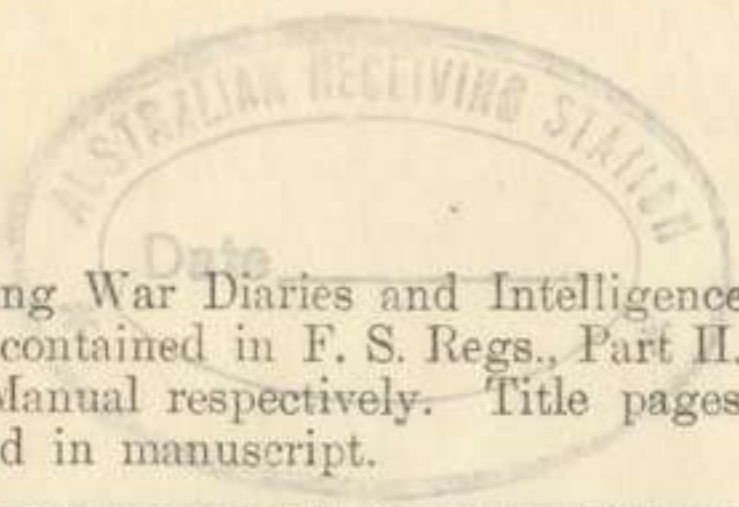


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Confidential War Diary  
of  
Australian Receiving Station  
from

6<sup>th</sup> April ————— to 30<sup>th</sup> April 1918



WAR DIARY

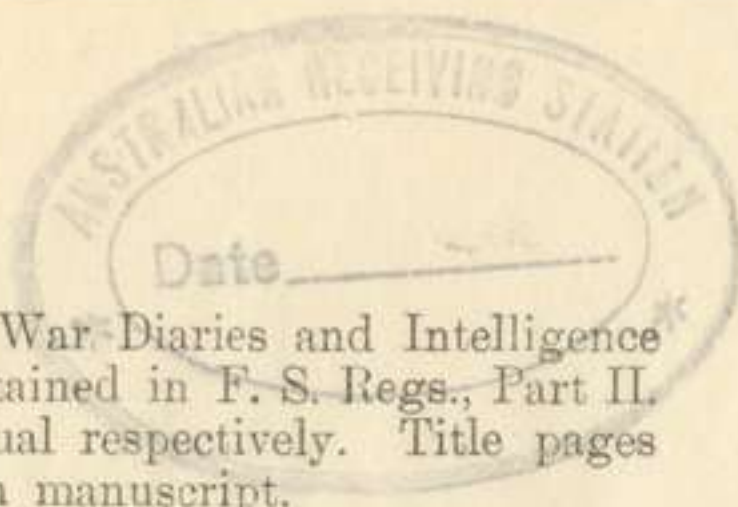
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or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
YAZUR.	6.5.22	1030	<p>Instructions by wire from ADMS proceeded to organize receiving station at YAZUR.</p> <p>Mr. MURPHY and I proceeded from SELWAH to YAZUR and were met by Capt. P. MORRIS and A. WOODS and R. from the 5<sup>th</sup> L.H.F. Amb.</p> <p>Reconnaissance was carried out by motor ambulance to 26<sup>th</sup> 176<sup>th</sup> 112.</p> <p>WOODS was no longer in command at YAZUR.</p>	
		8.4.18	<p>Mr. J. C. STOREY in operating unit reported from 4<sup>th</sup> L.H.F. Amb.</p> <p>FIELD AMB. VE. RICHARD.</p>	
		10.4.16	<p>Traced a company of DIAMOND led by ADMS to discuss forthcoming operations. As these did not emanate and orders were destroyed, no record of them.</p>	
		11.4.15	<p>Parade site for the operations was sent to Aust. MTD DIV. It is interesting to show the organization decided on for the receiving station when the STATION eventually moved it was found that the personnel had to walk which is a very weak point in the organization. Also the equipment carried was not as given.</p>	Appendix I
		12.4.15	<p>Seven Amb. cars and 4 motor cycles with 10 bikes however reported from 2<sup>nd</sup> Corps Motor Amb. BIR SALEH.</p> <p>Two 15 wagnons, 10 horses, 4 drivers 17 mules from 2 L.H.F. Amb. units.</p>	M. King
		13.4.15	<p>Op. Unit returned other details to NADI AYUN.</p> <p>On wire from ADMS. Collected from No 2 Depot: 76 camels, 50 horses, 50 mules + 45 mules under Lt. MACKAY.</p>	M. King



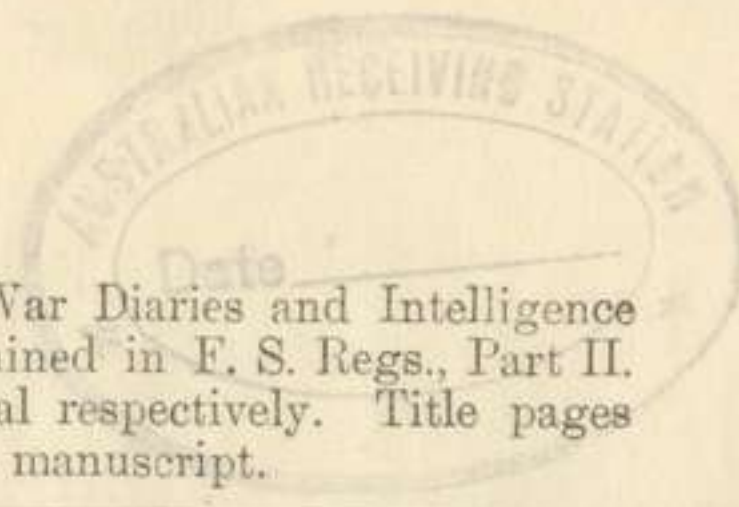
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# WAR DIARY OR INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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YAZUR	14.4.14 15.4.14 16.4.14		<p>Lieut MACKAY proceeded to LUDD to draw 30 lying caecotits. They were not available. Lieut MACKAY returned to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Depot Kils 298.</p> <p>A Lt STOREY commenced a series of demonstrations on the application of Thomas High Splint.</p>	
	17.4.14		<p>Lt STOREY with operating unit proceeded to JERICHO. Receiving STATION supplied the transport to LUDD &amp; destroyed and rendered a certificate to that effect. The operation order for cancelled operations.</p>	JKP
	18.4.14 19.4.14		<p>Wanted to be prepared to move. Yes. DIV cars returned to DEPOTS MOTOR AMB DEPOT. CAPT. RAMORRIS proceeded to CAIRO on leave. all AMB Motor Cars of AMB sent to their respective units. Rendered</p>	JKP
	20.4.14 900		<p>Moved with AUST. MTD. DIV. twelve miles to DEIRAN. Before moving to sent surplus gear to DETAIL CAMP at LUDD. I decided to take Lt. dentist A ROBERTSON with 73<sup>rd</sup> DENTAL UNIT and equipment. This entailed overloading my transport and was kindly lent a 45. Wagon by the DIVISIONAL TRAIN who carried the equipment through TALAAT ET. DUM.</p>	Appendix 111
DEIRAN	21.4.14 0915		<p>Left DEIRAN &amp; marched to LATRON. Thirty camels left for LUDD to pick up 30 lying caecotits which rejoined at LATRON. Transport was overloaded but completed the trip. The personnel had to walk.</p>	JKP JKP JKP



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LATRON	22.4.18	0900	Left LATRON for ENAB. The road was very steep and unit walked a few hundred yds on horseback. Transport completed the journey. Bivouaced the night.	
ENAB	23.4.18		Left ENAB at 1030 and arrived at TALAHATET DUM at 2100. Stayed there for the following day 24.4.18	
	25.4.18		Left TALAHATET DUM at 0700 and proceeded to Jericho and camped there with DIVISION.	
	26.4.18		Moved to K27 JERICHO map near to N. Zealand Field Amb (Immob. Sec)	
	27.4.18		Remained at K27 awaiting orders	
	28.4.18		Capt MORRIS returned to unit	
	29.4.18		Moved out <del>at</del> in operation order minus the Dental Section at 14.30 and proceeded to 2 miles EAST of JERICHO and on the side of the GHORANIEH BRIDGE - JERICHO ROAD we bivouaced	
	30.4.18		at 0430 we came under the orders of D.D.M.S. DESERT CORPS. Crossed over GHORANIEH BRIDGE at 0430. We camped 1/2 mile EAST of the BRIDGE and awaited orders. From 1900 to 2400 relieved the NEW ZEALAND IMMOB. SECTION who were operating from the operations. We were in reserve & volunteered to do this relief	
			List of patients admitted evacuated shown in Appendix IV	appendix 4.



of equipment Carried  
by Australian Receiving Station

Supplied by 3<sup>rd</sup> Amb  
 Tent C.S.L. 7  
 O.P. 1  
 Tables O.P. 1  
 " Folding 4  
 Panniers F.M.P. 201 1  
 " G.S. 6  
 " " Med Comf. 2  
 Steriliser Autoclave 1  
 " instrument 1  
 Blankets 70  
 Ground sheets 45  
 Map pt. + flags 1  
 Hot water b. 25  
 Stretcher 25  
 Lamps Op. 1  
 " Apparatus 3  
 " Acetylene 3  
 Primuses 3

In G.S. panniers (6).

Bed pans 7  
 Urinals 6  
 Buckets 1  
 Hot water Bottle 6  
 Portable stove 1  
 Feeding bowls 20  
 Mugs 13  
 Plates 16  
 Jugs 3  
 Hand bowls 6  
 Dressing trays 7  
 Bowls 75  
 Kidney trays 10  
 Knives Forks Spoons Heaps  
 Bread board 1  
 Cases of operators instrument 2  
 One panner packed  
 Linen & towels 17  
 Dishes 17

Supplied by 4<sup>th</sup> Amb  
 Tent C.S.L. 7  
 " Op. 1  
 Panniers F.M.P. 201 1  
 " F.S. WI 1  
 " Med Comf. 1  
 " " 1  
 " " 1  
 " G.S. 3  
 Blankets 70  
 Ground sheets 50  
 Map pt. + flags 1  
 Ground flag 1  
 Dressing box 1  
 Med. Comf. 1  
 Stretcher 1  
 Primus Stoves 3  
 Lamps acetylene 4  
 " Apparatus 3  
 " 2  
 " 3  
 " 1  
 Stretcher 25  
 Med Comf. case 50 lbs  
 Stoves 1  
 Cases 10  
 Jangals 2  
 Antichlorine outfit 1  
 Portable latrines 4  
 " outfit 4



Continuation of Appendix II.

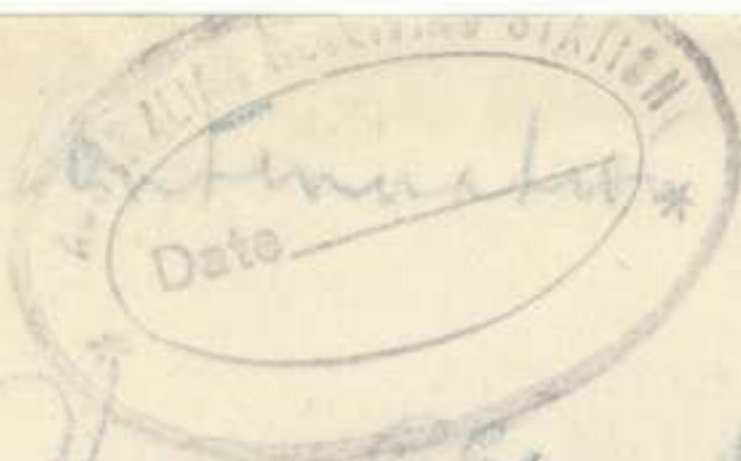
Belonging to 4<sup>th</sup> Amb

In panner 15 (6)

- Knives Forks & Spoons 30.
- Saucepans rest of 4
- Basins washing 4
- Bowls large 12
- Wine bottles 3
- Bedpans 2
- Meth Spr. Containers 1 gal 1
- Kerosene 1 1
- Feeding trays 6
- Kidney trays 6
- Spittoons 1
- Towels 24
- Hot water bottles 2
- Funnels 2
- Tape measures 1
- Iron Tines 1
- Hair Clippers & comb 1 ea
- Scrubbing brushes 3
- Soap bars 4.
- Brown pyramides
- Stools folding 15
- Bowls dressing 12
- Stationery Boxes 2
- Type writer 1
- Tables collapsible 3
- Telephone 1

Added to this is extra med comforts extra supply of dressings & poultices, Kerosene fuel & methylated spirits which vary according to supply. The following quantities generally carried

- Extra med Conf 100 lbs
- " Dressing 50 lbs
- " poultices 8 gals
- Kerosene 4 gals
- Meth Spr 4 gals



Appendix II

The equipment detailed was  
carried with following extra  
not intended to be carried  
73<sup>rd</sup> Dental Unit taking 1 U.S. load  
one E.P.I.P.

The dental unit for part of the journey  
was carried by six mules.

The equipment was compared to  
4 U.S. one mule. The baggage  
of the personnel was either carried  
on the camels etc extra mules &  
at other times by the personnel.

J. K. [Signature]  
Major





Parade State  
 Personnel of Australian Receiving Station rendered 11/4/18.

Appendix I

	Officers.	Other Ranks.		Natives		Horses		Motor Drivers		Donkeys.	Mechanical Transport.		Bicycles.	Vehicles		
		d. C.O.'s	Privates	H.I.	t. l. b.	Riding	Draught.	d. C.O.	Plus.		Ambles.	Cycles		G. S.	Limbers	Water Carts.
4 <sup>th</sup> L. H. F. A.	3	10	28	3	1	3	18	2	5		4	2	2	2	1	1
3 <sup>rd</sup> L. H. F. A.	2	6	26	3	1	3	16	2	6	4	5	2		2	1	1
5 <sup>th</sup> Bde. F. A.								2	6		5	2				
Operating Unit.	1	2	6	1			10	1			1			2		
	6	18	60	7	2	6	44	7	17	4	15	6	2	6	2	2

*W. H. ...*



Personnel of Aust Rec Str on 19<sup>th</sup> April 1918.

	Officers	Other Ranks		Natives		Horses		Motor Cars		Donkeys	Mech Transport		Bicycles	Vehicles		
		W.C.P.	Men	I.H.I.	E.L.C.	Light	Heavy	W.C.P.	Men		Amble	Trucks		G.S.	Lumber	Motor Cars
4 <sup>th</sup> L.H.A.	3	10	28	3	1	3	18	2	5		4	2	2	2	1	1
3 <sup>rd</sup> L.H.A.	2	6	26	3	1	3	16	2	6	4	5	2		2	1	1
5 <sup>th</sup> Bidge 7.A.								2	6		5	2				
Operating unit	1	2	6	1			10	1			1			2		
	6	18	60	7	2	6	44	7	17	4	15	6	2	6	2	2



Signed E. H. Parry Major  
 o/c A.R.S.





Approved

Personnel of Aust. Rec. Station on 26<sup>th</sup> April 1918.

	Officers	Other Ranks		Natives		Horses		Donkeys	Vehicles		
		NCOs	Men	E.L.B.	H.P.	Light	Draught		G.I.	Lumber	Water Cans
3 <sup>rd</sup> L. H. F. A.	2	6	26	1	3	3	16	4	2	1	1
4 <sup>th</sup> " "	3	10	28	1	3	3	18	.	2	1	1
	5	16	54	2	6	6	34	4	4	2	2



W. K. ...

Major

C/o Aust. Rec. Stn

Appendix



Personnel of Aust Rec Stn on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1918

	Officers	Other Ranks		Natives		Horses		Donkeys	Sheep		
		NCP	New	EG	H.J.	Light	Dark		G.S.	Limbs	Wags
3 <sup>rd</sup> L.H.A.	2	6	25	1	3	3	16	4	2	1	1
4 <sup>th</sup> do	2	7	<del>27</del> 27	1	3	3	18	.	2	1	1
	4	13	52	2	6	6	34	4	4	2	2



sgd E K Davy Major  
O/c Ad R