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OF

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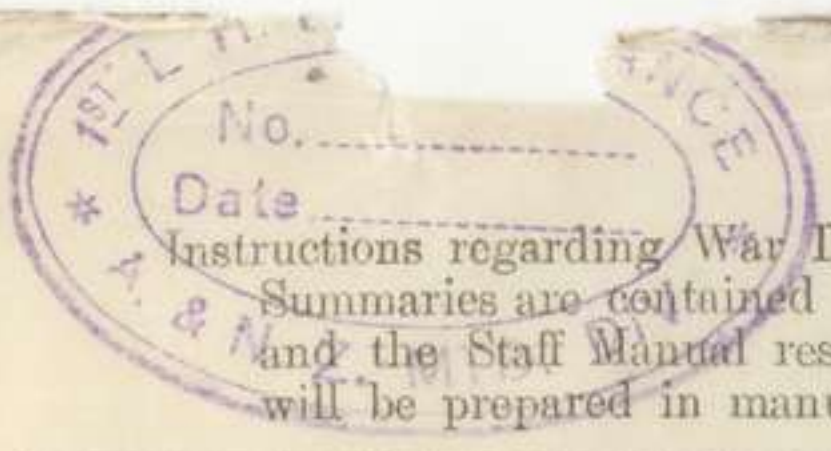
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1st L.H.F. Amb Mobile

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			REFERENCE MAP. Composite East of JORDAN. (AMMAN). Scale 1/62500.	
AMMAN.	1.10.18		The tent subdivision of the mobile section, rejoined the brigade, at Sq.157.A.26.d. (Ref. Map. MAFRAK, 1/62500). The C.O. and Capt. Gill remained with the Anzac C.S. at AMMAN as they were unfit to proceed. The A.D.M.S. & D.A.D.M.S. arrived to see how proceedings were getting on.	<i>Mug</i>
			STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 1/848 Tpr. MURRAY. A.K., admitted to Hospital.	
			REFERENCE MAP, MAFRAK (1/62500).	
Sq.157.A.26.d.	2.10.18.		The C.O. rejoined the main body of the Mobile Section at Sq.157.A.26.d. Capt. Gill was being unfit to proceed.	<i>Mug</i>
	4.10.18		STRENGTH. Struck off strength, 15145 Tpr. LOUTIT. A., admitted to Hospital.	<i>Mug</i>
			" " " " 0442 Dvr. MELVILLE. A., " " "	
	5.10.18		STRENGTH. Struck off strength, 15172 Tpr. PAYNE. J., " " "	<i>Mug</i>
			Capt. A.R. WATERHOUSE proceeds to 2nd L.H. Regt as R.M.O. vice Capt. WOODS evacuated	
			Capt. Gill reported back for duty from AMMAN.	
			PROMOTION. 19009 Tpr. Mad Cox. J.S., promoted 1/Dvr dated 22.9.18.	
			REVERSION. 19009 Dvr. MADDOX. J.S., reverts to rank of Tpr dated 5.10.18.	
	6.10.18.		STRENGTH. Struck off strength. No. 20 T/Sgt KEMP. J.H. Admd to hospl. Reverts to rank of Cpl.	<i>Mug</i>
			" " " " 15500 Dvr. HOLLOWAY. E. " " " " Tpr.	
			" " " " 924 Cpl. RICHES. C.W. " " "	
			" " " " 2447 Dvr. BEST. P.C. " " Reverts to rank of Tpr.	
			Capt. A.R. WATERHOUSE. acting R.M.O., 2nd L.H. Regt. Admd to Hospl.	
	7.10.18.		STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 4900 W.O. JACOB. L.H., admitted to Hospital.	<i>Mug</i>
			" " " " 1254 Cpl. FLINT. P. " " "	
			" " " " 9577 Dvr. BEST. E.D. " " "	
			" " " " 1004 " BUCHANAN. A.W. " " "	
			" " " " 3490 Tpr. SMITH. J.W. " " "	
			" " " " 19400 Dvr. BAILEY. W.H. " " " Reverts to Tpr.	
			" " " " 1501 L/Sgt. POOLE. J. " " " (Supernumerary strength)	
			" " " " 10109 Tpr. RITCHIE. W.J. " " "	
			PROMOTIONS. 6202 Cpl. LESLIE. A.H., to be Temp. Sgt.	
			1024 L/Cpl. SURTESS. H., to be Temp. Cpl, vice Cpl. Leslie promoted.	
	8.10/18		STRENGTH. Taken on strength. 19007 Tpr. PARKER. I., from Details, Moascar. ^{evacuated.} RICHES	<i>Mug</i>

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59.177.A. 20.a.	8.10.18.		STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 17004 Tpr. HARROD. T., Admitted to hospital.	<i>Aug</i>
			" " " 19519 " MONTGOMERY. H. " "	
			" " " 17044 " WHITEHEAD. F.E. " "	
			" " " 20 T/Cpl. ROBERTSON. W. " " and reverts to rank of L/Cpl.	
	9.10.18.		PROMOTION. 0205 Dvr. BRISSET. R., to be T/Cpl. vice T/Cpl. Robertson, evacuated.	<i>Aug</i>
	10.10.18		STRENGTH. 14 reinforcements said to have arrived at AMMAN to-day.	<i>Aug</i>
			Struck off strength. 17047 Tpr. PLUMMER. L., admitted to hospital.	
	11.10.18.		C.O. proceeded to AMMAN to interview the reinforcements and found they were men of the M.G.S.	
			PROMOTION. 0109 T/Cpl. TEBBUTT. W.H. to be Corporal.	<i>Aug</i>
			STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 1420 T/Cpl. BEASANT. W.H., Admd to hospi. Reverts to rank of Tpr.	
			" " " 0441 Dvr. DUMBRELL. W. " " "	
			" " " 0189 L/Cpl. HOUSTON. A.E. " " "	
			" " " 0273 Tpr. HARBISON. H.H. " " "	
			" " " 9170 Dvr. FORREST. A.E. " " "	
			" " " 9045 " SHIELS. J.J. " " "	
	12.10.18		STRENGTH. Taken on strength. 0570 Cpl. CORNER, H.C., fra A.I.S. headquarters.	<i>Aug</i>
			" " " 1840 Tpr. BROTHERS. J. " "	
			" " " 19000 " WYNNE. W.J., " Details, Moascar.	
			" " " 19052 " ROSE. E.J. " " "	
			Struck off strength. 0109 Cpl. TEBBUTT. W.H., Admd to hospi.	
			" " " 922 " BENNETT, A.J. " "	
			" " " 17272 Tpr. MOORE. H.S. " "	
			" " " 17579 " LEA. A.D. " "	
			" " " 10004 " MACKENZIE. W.J. " "	
			" " " 10072 " WHEELER. A.J. " "	
			" " " 00005 " FLINT. C. " "	
			" " " 14005 Dvr. LONARD. C.J. " "	
			" " " 2400 Tpr. BILLINGS. J. " "	
			" " " 0057 " DONOGHUE. J. " "	
		" " " 10927 " REDDING. D.L. " "		
		" " " 7402 " MACKIE. A.S. " "		
		" " " 19095 " SOUTHWELL. C. " "		
		" " " 19474 S/Stn. CAMPBELL. D.D.K. " " reverts to Tpr.		
		" " " 119 Dvr. McDONALD. D.J. " " "		
		" " " 4120 " WILSON. P. " " "		

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Sq. 157.A. 20, d.	12.10.18		<p>STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 17040 T/Cpl. REEVES. J., Adm to hospital. Reverts to Tpr. " " " 19000 Tpr. FOWLER. C.A. " " " " " " 11277 L/Cpl. KNEIL ABELL. H.J. " " " " " " 17270 Cpl. DEVLIN. A.D. " " " " " " 10922 Tpr. LAW. A., Taken on supernumerary strength.</p> <p>PROMOTION. 10921 Tpr. WILSON. H.A., appointed Driver 12.10.18.</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	13.10.18		<p>STRENGTH. Taken on strength. 19007 Tpr BEAN. J. from Details Moascar. " " " 19005 " ROBERTS. C.L. " " "</p> <p>PROMOTION. 70 T/Sgt KNIGHT. J.A., to be Sergeant. 1040 Tpr. BROTHERS. J., to be T/Cpl, vice Cpl. Bennett evacuated.</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	14.10.18		<p>700 T/Cpl. PLATT. E.K. returned from Cooking School at Moascar. PROMOTIONS. 4829 Dvr. MANN. J., to be T/Cpl, vice Cpl Devlin. 15507 Tpr. CARTER. R.H. " " " T/Cpl. beasant.</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	15.10.18		<p>STRENGTH. Taken on strength, 2224 Tpr FRANKS. L., from details Moascar, dated 30.9.18 30.9.18 " " " 10007 " WEGNER, W.L. " " " 700 T/Cpl PLATT, E.K., transferred to Immobile Section.</p> <p>PROMOTIONS. 19022 Tpr. ROSE, B.C. to be Driver. 2224 " FRANKS. L. " " " 1330 " MCGILLIVRAY. J. " " "</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	16.10.18		<p>C.O. rendered non-effective by through recurrent Malaria B.T.</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	17.10.18		<p>RECOMMENDATIONS. The following Officers, N.C.Os and men recommended for distinction. Major. S.H. SECCOMBE., C.O., Anzac Receiving Station. (Capt. C.A. HODGSON., C.O., Anzac Collecting Station. (2) S/Sgt. STANGER-LEATHES. H., " " " (3) RQMS. WARDEN. C. " " " (1942) Tpr CREWS. F.J. " " " (Capt. H.D. GILL. Mobile Section, 1st L.H.F.A. (2297) S/Sgt MACKENZIE. H.K. " " "</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	18.10.18		<p>STRENGTH. Taken on strength. 17077 Tpr. CARMICHAEL. C., from Details Moascar. " " " 10070 " DUFF. J.J. " " " " " " 2000 " BARNES H. " " "</p>	<i>Aug</i>
	19.10.18		<p>C.O., rendered effective. STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 20222 Tpr. WELLS. H.J. Admitted to hospital. " " " 102 L/Sgt. MACKAY. J. " " " (Supernumerary list) " " " 10075 Tpr. JONES. F.H. " " "</p>	<i>Aug</i>

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Sq. 157.A.	20/10/18.		PUNISHMENT. 19050 Tpr. ROONEY.M., awarded 7 days S.P. No.2.	
	20.d.	22.10.18.	STRENGTH. Taken on strength (supernumerary). 1055 Cpl. NEIL. K., from A.I.F. Headquarters.	<i>Miss</i>
		24.10.18	STRENGTH. Struck off strength. 711 T/Cpl. GILLIS. W.A., Admitted to hospi. Reverts to L/Cpl. 1450 Dvr. MCGILLIVRAY. J. transferred to Immobile Section.	<i>Miss</i>
		25.10.18.	The C.O., proceeded to the Immobile Section at AIN HEMAR.	<i>Miss</i>
		26.10.18	STRENGTH. Taken on strength. 6405 Cpl. NORTON.J.S., from Details Moascar. " " " 4075 Dvr. BROTHERS.W.H. " " " " Struck off strength. 19440 Tpr. BERRY.S.C Admitted to hospital.	<i>Miss</i>
		27.10.18.	STRENGTH. No. 4075 Dvr. BROTHERS.W.H., transferred to Immobile Section. 5195 Tpr. ROBINSON. A.G. Struck off strength, admitted xxxxxx to hospital. Struck off strength. MAJOR. S.H. SECCOMBE, Admitted to hospital. Taken on strength. Major. A.E. MACHIN, discharged from hospi, dated 15.9.18.	<i>Miss</i>
		28.10.18.	PROMOTION. 5550 Tpr. GRIFFIN. C., to be T/Cpl, Vice T/Cpl Platt (Immob. Section) evacuated.	<i>Miss</i>
		29.10.18	STRENGTH. 5558 T/Cpl, GRIFFIN.C., transferred to Immobile Section. 3193 Tpr, Robinson. A.G. evacuated sick 27/10/18. 18988 S/Sgt Hopkins (31st Dental Section) evacuated sick, 27/10/ 18 17026 Tpr, Hall evacuated sick, 25/10/18.	<i>Miss</i>
			CORRINGENDUM. No. 70. Sgt, KNIGHT. J., reverts to rank of Temp Sgt dated 13/10/18 No. 8109 Cpl, TEBBUTT, substantive rank cancelled, reverts to L/Cpl, dated 12/10/18.	<i>Miss</i>
		31.10.18	STRENGTH. Lieut, JOHNSTON. A.C. (31st Dental Section) evacuated sick and struck off strength. No. 25 S/Sgt STANGER-LEATHES, evacuated sick. No. 6444_5pr, INGHAM. R.F. evacuated sick.	<i>Miss</i>

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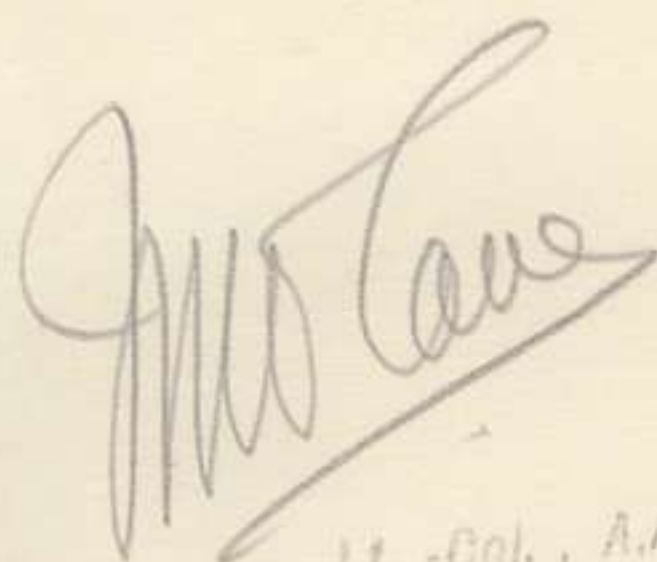
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REPORT OF WORK OF MOBILE SECTION OF 1st LIGHT HORSE FLD. AMB. F56/7

For the period 19/9/18 to 13/10/18.

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Reference Map JERICHO B.6. 2nd Edition. (1/63330).

LOCATION. Mobile Section bivouacked at Sq.113.H.26.c.

DETAILS OF UNIT.

Officers	3	O/R.	66.	
Riding horses			27	
Draught "			32	
Mules (Draught)			16	
Light Mules			9) For transport of Test Division.
Donkeys			14	
Egyptian N.I.C.			8	
" C.I.C.			10	
Camels			10	
Lying cacolets			10	

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Mobile Section moved out with brigade and bivouacked at Sq.H.1/.a. On arrival, the area recently occupied by the N.Z.M.F.A. was taken over with area stores. There were 1 Officer and 24 O/R left in hospital, owing to the hurried move of the N.Z.M.F.A. No previous notification had been received concerning these patients remaining and apparently no arrangements had been made for their evacuation, also there were patients from the B.W.I. Regiments collected by camel. This necessitated leaving a certain personnel behind to look after them, in the event of the Mobile Section having to move out at short notice. Anzac H.Q. was communicated with by phone and instructions received that such patients could not be evacuated this evening, but that sufficient personnel would have to be left to care for them until such personnel was relieved by part of the 1/1st Welsh Field Ambulance.

22/9/18.

Three motors, attached to this unit did 2 trips with patients to Anzac Receiving Station at JERICHO. Information received at 0700 from B.H.Q. that Brigade was moving to KH.FUSAIL at 0030. Capt Gill with 4 O/R detailed to remain with the patients to see to their evacuation or wait until relieved.

Capt GILL'S PARTY. One heavy Motor Amb and 2 Fords were despatched from A.R.S to H.1/.a. to assist in the evacuation, all these cars doing two trips each. Another detail of patients, 22 O/R, were received from 1/1 Welsh F.A. Capt. Gill received information that there were 20 B.W.I. patients to be collected, so 10 camel camels were despatched to collect them. At 1550 the D.A.D.M.S informed Capt Gill that he had intercepted the camels and had despatched them to the 1/1 Welsh F.A, which had moved up from Sq.J.1 to the crossing of the Roman Road and the AUJA. These cars evacuated all patients by 1600. The largest number of patients in the hospital at one time was 47 all ranks. At 2000 the camel camels returned with 20 B.W.I. patients. All patients were sheltered under tentage and there were sufficient drugs and medical comforts left with Capt Gill to deal with patients. The 20 B.W.I. patients were returned to the 1/1 Welsh F.A. under instructions from D.A.D.M.S. The Camels remained with the 1/1 Welsh F.A.

Remainder of Mobile Section. Reference Map DAMIRH C.6. (1/63330). This moved out at 1030 and reached the AUJA at 1130 where the animals were watered, and then proceeded along the Roman Road past MASHARA - MUSLABA to KH.FUSAIL, Sq.U.23.c at 1430. The Mobile Section camped close to the road. The 3rd L.H. Regt proceeded to the Jordan in the vicinity of MAVID JOZLEH, but no information concerning this move was given to the Mobile Section, though it had been previously asked that such movements be informed to O.C., Mobile Section, so that 2 bearers could accompany units and act as guides should ambulance vehicles be required. The 2nd Regiment also proceeded out. The remainder of the brigade remaining in and about KH.FUSAIL. Evacuations to the 1/1 Welsh F.A in Sq.Y.24.c. (Reference Map JERICHO B.6) were carried out by motor ambulances, on demanding same from Capt. Gow, who was in charge of Anzac Motor Amb. and was stationed with 1st B.H.Q. at KH.FUSAIL. During the afternoon a

mutual arrangement was made with Capt Gow that sick and wounded from N.Z. Brigade and B.W.I were brought to this unit and evacuated by car. Former were not shown as admitted to this ambulance but the latter were, as the B.W.Is had no means of collecting their sick and wounded. During the day 3 O/R sick from 1st Bde, 2 O/R and 12 O/R sick from the B.W.Is were evacuated. Transport was sufficient and no shelter was required.

Turks, sick & wounded were evacuated. There was no congestion and drugs and medical comforts were in abundance. The largest number held waiting transport was 15 including Turks. At 1000 information was received from H.Q. of 2nd B.W.I that there were several wounded to collect, so Capt. Waterhouse and 2 bearers and 1 amb. wagen were despatched to such Hqrs. Shortly afterwards another wagen was asked for and despatched, but the total number of patients brought in was 2. The sick B.W.I. had been transported to this unit by motor ambulance, returning from the N.Z.M.F.A to AM.FSAIL.

23/9/18.

Capt. Gill's Party, left Sq.H.17.a. (JERICHO B.O. Map) at 0500. At 0630 Capt. Gill saw D.A.D.M.S, who instructed him to collect 10 fresh camels, camels and Egyptian C.T.C from 1/1 Welsh FFA. Nations, 24 hours were drawn from Main Supply Dump but there was great difficulty in doing so until a memo was obtained from D.A.D.M.S. At 0800 proceeded along Roman Road to KH FUSAIL and rejoined remainder of Mobile Section at 1010.

Information received from B.H.Q. that the Brigade was to move to ES SALT across the hills and all transport under Lieut. Hamilton, 1st L.H. Regt, was to move back to the GHORANIYEH bridgehead and proceed to ES SALT via the main metalled road, as soon as such was opened for traffic. Owing to Capt. Waterhouse being unfit he was sent with the transport.

1 Wounded Officer admitted and evacuated being the only battle casualty from the Brigade. His condition was considered not very serious though being a head case. 5 Sick O/R were evacuated.

The U.C with Capt Gill with 22 O/R mounted on horses and 15 O/R on Donkeys and light mules, 10 camel carts carrying 12 mobile stretchers, medical comforts and medical stores proceeded at 1130 to follow the Brigade, which had moved out at 1030. The route taken was more or less direct to the JORDAN close to HEB HILL but still on West bank of river. Then along west bank to UMM-ES-SHERT, crossing the ford, where some difficulty was experienced in getting the donkeys, light mules and camels across the stream. Arrived at Sq.C.32.a. (Reference Map DAMIRH) at 1330. Instructions then received that the Brigade was moving on. At 1345, which it did and proceeded in a Southeasterly direction to Sq.C.25. Central. (Ref. Map. EAST of JORDAN, 2nd Ed) arriving at 1630. The Brigade then followed the track, Road 6.

The camel carts were a mile in rear but owing to the Brigade moving in single file they were able to catch up. It was found that there was great difficulty with the donkeys as it was quite impossible for them to be ridden in hilly country and their riders had to walk practically the whole way to ES SALT. The same was experienced with the camels.

The transport left KH FUSAIL at 1200 halting at the crossing of road 29 and the AUJA, and again at TEL-ES-SULTAN, and then proceeding direct to SHUNET NIMRIN by GHORANIYEH, arriving at 0200 on 24/9/18.

24/9/18

The horse personnel arrived at Sq.H.31.c at 0630 and the camels at 0700, the light mules being new remounts were completely knocked up. Information received at 0900 that Brigade would move out as soon as all animals watered. The transport proceeded via Road 5 leaving SHUNET NIMRIN at 0830, arriving at ES SALT at 2000 and proceeding to Sq.J.5.c and arrived there at 2200. At 1030 the mounted personnel followed in the rear of the Brigade, passing through ES SALT, thence travelling direct along the ES SALT-AMMAN Road arriving at Sq.C.25.d. at 1630. Information received that Brigade would bivouac there that night, the camels and donkeys arriving an hour later.

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Orders received that the Brigade would move out at 0630. The transport left ES SALT at 0400 and reached the brigade at 0615. Instructions received from A.D.M.S. that all sick were to be evacuated to the Turkish Hospital at ES SALT. There were 6 cases, all medical, for evacuation. These were left at AIN HEMAR, in charge of a mounted bearer, and with rations. They were to be loaded on to the returning divisional train wagons and taken back to ES SALT to the Turkish Hospital. The Brigade moved out from AIN HEMAR at 0630 and was the divisional reserve. Proceeding along the AMMAN road, it proceeded as far as Sq. F.26.B. (Ref. Map Comp. 2 of JORDAN, AMMAN, 2nd Edition). and halted for 1/2 hour. The transport and camels had now caught up with the brigade. At 0820 the brigade moved on again to Sq. H. 2.B. arriving at 0900. Information was received at 1000 from D.A.D.M.S. that all sick and casualties would be evacuated to this unit, which was to transport them to SUWEILEH, where the Anzac Collecting Station was said to be. 2 Sick O/R from N.Z. Bde were evacuated to SUWEILEH. At 1400 C.O. proceeded to D.M.S. as no instructions had been received concerning the disposal of the Tent Division of the Mobile Section and it appeared from information gathered that such section was to be established at SUWEILEH pending the arrival of the Anzac Collecting Station (Immobile Section of 1st L.H.F.A). Instructions were then issued by D.A.D.M.S. that as soon as AMMAN was taken, the tent subdivision was to proceed there and become established as an Advanced Collecting Station for Chayter's Force. It was considered advisable to move the Mobile Section forward, which was done and it proceeded to Sq. W.26.A, arriving at 1550. At 1600 message was received to proceed to AMMAN. The ambulance proceeded towards AMMAN and the C.O. going ahead. The C.O. was able to get transport by motor amb, to AMMAN and proceeded direct to the Turkish hospital arriving there at 1715 where he saw the D.A.D.M.S., Anzacs. The question of a ~~xxxx~~ building for the Collecting Station was discussed & finally one of the staff of the Turkish hospital acted as guide for the D.A.D.M.S. and C.O., 1st L.H.F.A. All buildings occupied by Turk sick were considered totally unfit as they were in a most insanitary state. A building in the centre of the town was finally chosen, and it had been the headquarters of the German Motor Transport Coy. It was littered with rubbish, and this was duly cleaned out. The surrounding area of the building was crowded with troops of the 6th L.H. Regt, which increased the difficulties. The tent subdivision with its equipment and transport arrived at 2000 and the remainder of the unit passed through the town and bivouacked half a mile N. of the town in Sq. Z.2.A. By 2030 the tent subdivision was ready to receive patients. The building was not very satisfactory, having only two rooms, each 12 feet square and a hall 6 feet by 12 feet, the last being used as an operating theatre. All ranks worked splendidly. There were 15 Ford motor amb placed at the disposal of the Collecting Station. One car was despatched to bring in a N.Z. Officer with a compound fracture of leg. Of those wounded and admitted there were 1 Off & 2 O/R., N.Z., - 1 Off. & 3 O/R from 2nd L.H. Bde - 5 Sick O/R & 1 Sick Indian. Of the wounded the most serious were the compound fracture, which had not been put in a Thomas splint and a case shot through the chest. The former was anaesthetised and put up in a Thomas splint. The chest case was a through and through wound, but the patient was fairly comfortable and given a sedative. There were 2 slight cases wounded through the shoulder, one through the muscles of the thigh and a third in the buttock. By now the Anzac Collecting Station was established at SUWEILEH and instructions were received to send the most serious cases direct through to the A.A.S. at JERICHO, where the Operating Unit was, and the remainder to the A.C.S. at SUWEILEH by motor amb. There were 15 all ranks in hospital on the night of 25/26, and all ranks of the 1st L.H.F.A. were busily employed clearing up etc, until 0300 of 26/9/18.

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The two serious cases, compound fractures & G.S.W. of chest were sent direct through by motor amb to JERICHO, leaving at 0700. Both cases appeared to be comfortable and were given sedatives prior to their being sent away. The remaining cases were despatched to SUWEILEH. The 6th L.H. Regt were still camped around the Collecting Station which added to the difficulties & also fouled the ground, as such regiment had no sanitary equipment. As soon as possible all available O/R were employed in cleaning the area. At 1000 the D.A.D.M.S. arrived and it was arranged that 7 of the cars were to be attached to the Anzac Collecting Station and 6 to remain at the 1st L.H.F.A. (Mobile Section). These 7 were duly despatched later, loaded with patients. The question of the evacuation of the Turkish sick and wounded was discussed, and it was arranged that when such was to take place, it was to be left for the C.O., 1st L.H.F.A., to see to their evacuation. During the day the following were admitted:-

1st Bgde.	Wounded	1	Off.	1	O/R.	Sick	0	O/R.	14.
N.Z.	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	1	"
Indians	"	"	"	0	"	"	"	"	3.
2nd LH.Bde									17.
Div Troops									1.
B.W.I.									12.
25th Royal Fusers.				1	"				
TOTAL.	Wounded.	1	Off.	2	O/R.	Sick.	0	O/R.	61

Owing to the above patients not all coming in together extra shelter was not found necessary as they were all evacuated by motor ambulance.

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During the day the following were admitted:-

1st Bgde.	Wounded	4	O/R.	Sick	14	O/R.
2nd "	"	1	"	"	7	"
N.Z.	"	1	"	"	14	"
Indians	"	2	"	"	2	"
R.H.A.						
TOTAL.	Wounded	8	O/R.	Sick	40	O/R.

Of the total admissions 19 were evacuated by motor amb to SUWEILEH & to duty, 28 remained being the maximum in at one period. Capt. Gill personally saw to all these admissions and was responsible for their treatment. At 1000 D.A.D.M.S. arrived stating that 32 motor lorries would be available at 1600. 30 of these for the Turkish sick and wounded and the majority of the hospital staff and 2 for the evacuation of the Sick of Chaytor's Force, the supervision of these evacuations being left in the hands of the C.O., 1st L.H.F.A.,

It was decided by D.A.D.M.S. that two medical Officers, 4 hospital orderlies and 4 nurses of the Turkish hospital staff were to remain to treat and care for any further Turkish sick who might be admitted. The two medical men, Dr Teen and Dr. Simon Zacharia were most useful. The C.O. 1st L.H.F.A., interviewed Dr. Taulik Bey, the P.M.O. and it was arranged that all sick and wounded were to be carried down by the hospital orderlies to the area immediately east of the Anz.Div. Collecting Station by 1745. Information was received from Dr. Teen that amongst the hospital staff was a clique who systematically were selling hospital food, equipment, cattle and horses and retaining the proceeds of such sale. Under these conditions the C.O., 1st L.H.F.A., decided to search all personal trunks etc of the staff. The result of the search produced a considerable quantity of drugs and medical equipment and in one instance, one of the staff Dr. Goldberg, a German Jew, was forced to proceed to a house in the village where the majority of his personal gear was stored and amongst it a considerable quantity of medical equipment was recovered.

Originally on the evening of the 25th the P.M.O. of the Turkish hospital had stated that there were in all some 450 patients for evacuation but now on 27th such number had increased to 700. At 1700 no lorries had appeared and at 1800 a message was sent to D.A.D.M.S. asking if motor lorries were to be available.

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An answer was received to the effect that these lorries would not be available until 0730 on the morning of 28th. It was considered impossible and inadvisable to return these patients to the Turkish Hospital so the hospital orderlies were sent back to the Turkish hospital to bring down all available blankets and mattresses. The sick and wounded were made as comfortable as possible and given some nourishment and were left there all night. During the day a cash box was taken over from the P.M.O. containing some £600 in notes, £60 odd in silver, £17 in gold, which was handed over to Am. Div. Hqs on following day. It was expected that several of the Turks sick would die during the night. A guard has been placed over the medical equipment at the hospital as it was found that equipment was disappearing particularly instruments from the operating room. The sanitary condition around the building occupied by the Tent-subdivision of the 1st L.H.F.A. was very foul owing to troops bivouacking and also numerous dead animals were lying about in close proximity, and these were removed by the local inhabitants.

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At 0430 all available men were instructed to assist in the evacuation of the Turkish sick and wounded. All Turks who could possibly walk were made to do so to where the lorries were to park as they were not allowed across the stone bridge in the town yet the German motor lorries had crossed it daily frequently. The Turkish Hospital orderlies were made to carry all sick and wounded Turks who could not walk and such orderlies required constant supervision, as they were most reluctant in assisting. Dr. Auhon Abraham (Capt) from Bagdad rendered valuable assistance as interpreter. At 0545 five lorries arrived and they were loaded with Turks averaging 26 per lorry. It was then found that some of these particular lorries were not intended for these particular Turks. At 0615 the A.D.M.S. Anzac, arrived and he and the C.O., 1st L.H.F.A. proceeded to where the motor lorries were parked, 1/2 mile north of the town. It appeared that the guide sent from this unit had not reported to the C.O. of the motor lorries. 27 motor lorries were then sent forward to be loaded. At 0640 loading began, and by 0950, 690 sick and wounded Turks had been loaded as well as the Turkish Hospital staff of 25 officers of all ranks and 21 women. It was considered that some of the Turks would not reach JERICHO alive. After the despatch of the Turks one was found dead close to the bridge and 3 in one of the buildings. A party of Turkish prisoners was set to work to clean up the hospital and other buildings as they were found to be in filthy condition. All remaining mattresses, clothing etc was burnt owing to the lousy condition of the Turks. Dr Teen supervised the cleaning operations at the hospital. In the afternoon 4 German soldiers and 1 German woman were admitted in a semi-clad and starving condition, having been stripped of their clothes by Bedouins some miles N. of AMMAN, when attempting to escape by train. The woman whose name is HANSCOUR, stated she was the wife of a manufacturer in BETHLEHEM. The C.O., 1st L.H.F.A. was at the Turkish Hospital overhauling equipment etc. One motor lorry load of patients, 16, was sent away in the early morning. Capt. Gill again took charge of the admitting and treatment of all sick and wounded from Chayter's Force and was kept busily employed throughout the whole day. The admissions for the day were as follows:

1st L.H.Bde, Wounded Off.	0.R	Sick Off	0.R.	6
2nd L.H.Bde,		"	"	4
H.Z.Bde	1	1	"	33
R.H.A.			"	5
Indians			"	4
German	1	1 Woman	"	2
TOTAL	Wounded 0.R. 2.	Sick Off. 1.	Women 1.	0.R. 55

Of the above 17 were evacuated and 44 remained. Increased shelter had to be erected, as one batch of 55 H.Z.O/R came together. Two C.D.L and 1 Operating Tent were erected, so that the accommodation was now increased so as to hold a total of 60. The supply of blankets was inadequate. Both the 2nd L.H. and H.Z.Bdes had allowed their troops to take one blanket with them, whereas this was not so with the 1st L.H.Bde, as these

troops could take either a blanket or an overcoat and the latter was invariably chosen. Owing to the ground being so cut up by previous traffic, the conditions in the tents were more than dusty and dirty yet there was no complaint from the patients. There was at least 4 inches of flour-like dust everywhere in the area and no personnel were available to scrape the dust away from the inside of the tents. Medical comforts were now available from the Supply Dump. Captured petrol, (19 cases) was obtained from a captured dump, and the drugs were still sufficient to deal with all cases. From the Turkish Hospital the following drugs were obtained which were most useful:

Tab. Dover sine aetine	.. Gr.V.	...	200.
" Quin. Hydrochlor.	.5 Gram	...	2000.
Ampoules Quin. hydrochlor	50		
" Morph. Hydroch.	.02 gram	...	100.
Pulv-aceti sal			5 Oz.
Phenagone			1 pound.
Sp. Vini Rect.			5 Ozs
Aether.			2 lbs
Chloroform			1 lb.

The maximum number in hospital was at one time period, 65 all ranks. Owing to the increase of medical cases being admitted, it was arranged with A.D.M.S. that both the Amb of the 2nd L.H. and N.Z. Brigades retain their sick until the evening prior to the arrival of the motor lorries for evacuation, when their sick were to be sent to this unit for evacuation on the following morning.

27 All Ranks admitted on previous day were evacuated today all evacuations being by motor amb. to SUWEILEH. The majority of the sick admitted and evacuated were Pyrexia. N.Y.F. which it is considered will be found to be Malaria.

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Information received that the Amz. Collecting Station (Immobile Section, 1st L.H.B.A) would proceed from SUWEILEH on 30th inst and relieve this unit in AMMAN and that no further cases would be evacuated to SUWEILEH to allow the A.C.S. to hand become cleared of all patients. 6 car loads of patients had been despatched to SUWEILEH before receipt of these orders. At 1700 information received from A.D.M.S. that 2nd L.H. & N.Z. Bdes had received orders to move out. Their respective amb. had left a minimum of personnel and 1 amb.wagon each. This unit was to collect such patients. The N.Z. were reported to have had about 50, the number with the 2nd amb being unknown. 5 motor ambulances, 2 amb waggons, 2 G.S. Wagons and 1 L.G.S. were despatched to the N.Z. Amb, and 31 patients were brought back. The patients from the 2nd ambulance could not be collected as the motor ambulances could not reach them and they were left till the morning as it was found that there were not more than 15 and they could be cared for. One N.Z. patient died in hospital, having been brought in unconscious, and was found to be suffering from a Pontine Haemorrhage. The accommodation was taxed to its utmost. All ranks gave most valuable assistance and worked splendidly and medical stores were becoming somewhat depleted, but the medical comforts were in abundance, as a regular supply was obtained from the A.S.C.

The admissions for the day were as follows:-

1st L.H.Bde.	Sick.	Off.	2.	O/R.	6	Wounded	Off.	O.R.
2nd L.H.Bde								
N.Z.Bde		1			31			
Div. Troops					2			
H.H.A.					1			
<u>TOTAL.</u>		<u>Sick. Off.</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>O/R.</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Nil.</u>	

Of the admissions of 20/9/18 there were 18 all ranks evacuated, The number remaining was 69 all ranks. Of the evacuations 18 were sent by car to SUWEILEH. The maximum in hospital at anyone period was 69 all ranks.

30/9/18. Of those remaining there were 40 all ranks evacuated by motor lorries (5) to JERICHO, and another lorry contained 5 sick Turks, 4 sick Germans and the German Woman. These were all despatched by 0600. At 1000 the M.A.D.M.S. arrived stating that now that the cars had been increased to 15 Fords, it was decided that 3 were to be attached to the 1/1 Welsh F.A. at ES SALT and that the remainder would be with the Anz. Collecting Station as soon as it arrived from SUWEILEH and became established at AMMAN. The cars were of course only to be used for serious cases. Capt. Hodgson, C.O., Anz. Coll. Station (Immobile Section, 1st L.H.F.A) arrived at 1200 and his unit at 1500. It was decided not to hand over to him until the following day. The total admissions for the day were as follows:

1st L.H.Bac.	Sick, Off.	1.	O/R.	8
2nd "		-		19
N.Z. Bac		1		20
Div Troops		-		1
B.W.I.		-		2
R.H.A.		-		1
TOTAL.	Sic. Off.	2	O/R	51

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The maximum number in hospital at any one period was 71 all ranks. Some of the personnel of the staff were rendered ineffective owing to illness. A Summary of such ineffectives is attached at end of report. The Immobile Section (Anz.C.S) was to take all admissions from 1st Inst. The 110th Ind.F.A. had been established for a few days at AMMAN and dealt with all Indian Troops.

1/10/18. Of the 71 all ranks remaining in hospital 5 were discharged to duty - 30 were evacuated by motor ambulance to 1/1 Welsh F.A. at ESSALT, such number requiring 2 trips during the day by some of the cars. The average length of time taken by a motor amb. to proceed to ES SALT and return was 4 1/2 hours. The road was becoming extremely rough owing to motor lorries. 17 all ranks were transferred to the A.R.S. and 21 evacuated by motor lorry, thus clearing all patients from hospital. Owing to the C.O., 1st L.H.F.A and Capt Gill being ineffective they remained at the Anzac C.S. whilst the Tent Subdivision rejoined the Brigade at Sq.157.A.26.d Ref.Map. MAFRAK, 1/65550).

2/10/18. The 3rd L.H.Regt moved out from the brigade to S. of AMMAN, and with it went 1 ambulance wagon and 4 bearers. The tent Division now only dealt with admissions from its own brigade. The number admitted was 12 O/R, the majority of such cases being pyrexia. As to the 2nd Regt, one squadron is attached to Descorps H.Q. and consequently its sick do not pass through this unit, and there is also a troop from this Regt attached to Anz.Div.Hqrs and its sick do not pass through this amb.

3/10/18. All sick from the 3rd L.H.Regt were evacuated direct to A.C.S. at AMMAN, and transport for same was arranged by A.D.M.S. as it was found to be impossible for Mobile Section, 1st L.H.F.A. to supply any extra transport owing to the heavy evacuation from the remainder of the brigade. The C.O. rejoined the Mobile Section but Capt. Gill and 4 O/R were ineffective and had to be left behind. Only 5 cases were admitted from 1st L.H.Regt and evacuated to A.C.S. at AMMAN.

4/10/18. There are 16 O/R of this unit ineffective to-day. The admissions for the day were 42, and the tentage was taxed to its utmost. Great difficulty was experienced over the blanket question as practically none of the men of the brigade are in possession of them. The details of admissions for the day were as follows:

1st Regt:	15.	M.G.S:	4	Sig Trp:	4.
2nd "	11.	1st L.H.F.A:	1.	Fla Trp:	6.
				B.H.Q:	1

There is now one squadron of the 2nd Regt at SUWEILEH and its sick are to be evacuated through a section of the 110th Ind.F.A. Medical Stores were becoming low and there appeared to be no prospect of supplies arriving. A summary is attached showing the dates of supplies of drugs etc. Medical Comforts were still available.

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- 5/10/18. Capt. Wood R.M.O., 2nd Regt., evacuated sick and as the remainder of such regiment was proceeding to SUWEILEH, Capt. Waterhouse was detailed to proceed with it. Capt. Gill returned from A.C.S. The admissions for the day were 50 and details as follows:
 1st Regt: 17. Field Trp: 2. L.N.F.A: 1. 2nd Regt: 9
 B.H.Q: 2. E.L.C. 1. M.G.S: 5. Sig Trp: 1
 Major Ferguson of the Anz. Lab. is now at A.C.S. & giving great assistance in the diagnosis of the pyrexial cases, the majority being malaria M.T.
- 5/10/18. Capt. Baker, R.M.O., 3rd Regt., was evacuated with Malaria M.T. but it was impossible to replace him as Capt Gill was the only available officer. Arrangements were made by the A.D.M.S. to have an M.O. supplied. Capt Waterhouse, 1st L.N.F.A and acting R.M.O. 2nd L.N.Regt also evacuated sick with Pyrexia which turned out to be malaria M.T. No M.O. could be sent to replace him. The total admissions for the day were 62, as follows:
 1st Regt: 58. B.H.Q: 5. Amb. 3
 M.G.S. 10. Field Trp. 5. Sig Trp 1
 The tentage was again taxed to the ~~limit~~ maximum and the transport was unable to cope with the evacuations. Of the above 18 were evacuated and there remained 44. The personnel of this unit was slowly decreasing and there were 25 ineffective to-day. Capt Gill work splendidly and so did all the staff under him.
- 7/10/18. There were 64 admissions for the day made up as follows:
 1st Regt: 51. L.N.F.A: 7. Field Trp: 8. 6th M.V.S: 2
 M.G.S: 11. B.H.Q 1. Sig Trp: 4.
 All these cases arrived early in the morning with the result that there were 108 patients in hospital at the one time. 5 amb waggons were loaded to their utmost and it was found necessary to obtain extra transport, so the Staff Captain arranged that G.S.waggons were made available. 37 patients were sent by amb.waggon - 18 by caacolet camels & 27 by G.S.waggons, making a total of 82 evacuated leaving in hospital 26. As to the ineffectives of 1st L.N.F.A. these were not shown in the A.A.D.book until the actual date of evacuation and were shown as admitted on the same date.
- 8/10/18. The admissions for the day totalled 64 made up as follows:
 1st Regt: 25. B.H.Q: 6. Sig Trp: 2. M.G.S: 20. Field Trp: 9. 6 MVS: 2.
 There were remaining from yesterday 26, the maximum in hospital for the 24 hours being 90. Again the tentage was more than taxed. Of the above 58 were evacuated by amb.waggon, still leaving in hospital 52.
- 9/10/18. Daily admissions totalled 12 made up as follows: 1st Regt: 12. M.G.S: 2, making a total in hospital of 70. Of these 44 were evacuated by amb.waggon & camels. The majority were pyrexia (clinical Malignant Malaria) some of whom were extremely ill & it was considered advisable that they be retained until fit to travel. These included some of the personnel of 1st L.N.F.A. Drugs were now extremely low. Fortunately a supply of captured Turkish Quin Hydroch. for intramuscular injection was obtained from A.C.S. and it was freely used.
- 9/10/18. Admissions for the day, 5 as follows: 1st Regt: 4. M.G.S. 1. This made a total of 51 to be evacuated, & they were got rid of and so cleared the tentage.
- 11/10/18. Admissions for the day, 12, as follows: 1st Regt 2 Sick. 1 Wnd. M.G.S. 2. L.N.F.A. 7 (all of these being Malaria M.T).
- 12/10/18. Admissions for the day, 27, as follows:
 1st Regt: 3. M.G.S: 2. B.H.Q: 2.
 1st L.N.F.A: 20. All of these were evacuated, some being extremely ill, but as they did not appear to improve under suitable treatment it was considered advisable that they be sent away.
- 13/10/18. Total admissions 8, as follows. 1st Regt: 3. M.G.S: 3. Sig Trp: 1. Field Trp: 1. These were all evacuated to A.C.S. at AMMAN. The result of infection of Malaria, acquired in the valley at Kh. FUSAIL - RAPID JOSALEH, appears to have ceased, but the Anophelens mosquito has been found in AMMAN and along the Wadi HAMMAN, with the result that probably some of the later pyrexial cases were due to Malarial infection in the above 2 areas.
 The strength of the Mobile Section has been reduced from 3 Officers 60 O/R on 19/9/18 to 2 Off. & 20 O/R on 13/10/18 & of these 1 Off has had recurrent malaria, 2 O/R with similar condition & 1 O/R with Clinical Malaria, who have not been evacuated.
 All ranks have shown throughout the greatest keenness, ability and endurance, and it is considered that they could not have done more than they actually did.

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NAME L. ROLL OF PERSONNEL OF MOBILE SECTION OF 1st L.H.F.A, which accompanied Brigade in Operations, 21.9.18.

NAME.	Period ineffective	Becomes Effective	Cause of being ineffective	Date of Evacuation
Lieut-Col. Cave.	30.9.18 10.10.18	5.10.18 19.10.18		- OCT 1918
Capt. Waterhouse	6.10.18		Rec.B.T. Mal.M.T.	6.10.18.
Capt. Gill. *	29.9.18	4.10.18	Enteritis	
<u>BEARERS.</u>				
Cpr. Flint	5.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
Cpi. Leslie *	-			
C/Sgt. Kemp.	4.10.18		M.T.	6.10.18
Cpr. Harrison	6.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
" Ingram. A.	-			
" Redding	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Fowler	9.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Donoghue	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Lea	6.10.18		B.T.	12.10.18
" Mackie. R.S.	6.10.18		B.T.	12.10.18
" MacKenzie	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Wheeler *	9.10.18		Clin(BT.Rec)	12.10.18
" Whitenead ?	5.10.18		B.T.	8.10.18
" Harrod ?	5.10.18		M.T.	8.10.18
<u>SIGNALLERS.</u>				
Cpi. Tebbutt.	7.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
L/C. Houston	7.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
Cpr. Vincent	-			
<u>SPECIALIST ARTISANS</u>				
Carr. Cpi. Flint.	5.10.18		M.T.	7.10.18
S/Stn. Campbell	6.10.18		B.T.Rec.	12.10.18
Wheeler Cpi. Beasant.	5.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
Sadar. Cpi. Devlin.	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
Q.M. Cpi. Bennett	7.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
<u>TENT DIVISION.</u>				
W.O., Jacobs.	5.10.18		M.T.	7.10.18
S/Sgt MacKenzie			(B.T.Rec)	
L/C. Knill-Abell.	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
Tpr. Thomson.	29.9.18	5.10.18	Pyrexia	-
" Payne	29.9.18		Pyrexia	5.10.18
" Gillies *	7.10.18	12.10.18	(Clin.Mal)	
" Ford	6.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
" Southwell. RA. *				
" Wilson *				
" Berry	30.9.18	5.10.18	Pyrexia	
" Lyall *	30.9.18	2.10.18	Pyrexia	
Cpi. Moore	8.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
Tpr Wells *	30.9.18	4.10.18	Pyrexia.	
Cpi. Reeves	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
Tpr. Montgomery	5.10.18		M.T.	8.10.18
Cpi Robertsan	5.10.18		M.T.	8.10.18
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>				
Sgt Kelly. *				
" Knight.	5.10.18	11.10.18	(Clin Mal).	
Dvr. Forrest	5.10.18		B.T.	11.10.18
" Leonard	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Cornish	-			
" Buchanan	6.10.18		M.T.	7.10.18
" Macdonald	7.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Solly	-			
" Best P.C.	5.10.18		M.T.	6.10.18
" Gillis. H.	4.10.18	9.10.18	(Rec.B.T)	
" Mann *				
" Ryan.				
" Madaox. *				
" Melville	20.9.18		Pyrexia	4.10.18
" Plummer	7.10.18		M.T.	10.10.18
" Sniels	5.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
" Holloway	5.10.18		M.T.	6.10.18
" Duffrell.	5.10.18		M.T.	11.10.18
" Butler				
" Best B.D.	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18

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NAME.	Period Ineffective.	Becomes Effective	Cause of being ineffective	Date of evacuation
Dvr. Wilson. P.	3.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Bailey	6.10.18		M.T.	7.10.18
WAGON ORDERLIES.				
Cpl. Riches	4.10.18		M.T.	6.10.18
Tpr. Billings	9.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
" Smith	6.10.18		M.T.	7.10.18
" Southwell. C.	6.10.18		M.T.	12.10.18
SPARE.				
Tpr. Carter. *				
" Rooney. *	7.10.18	9.10.18	(Pyrexia)	4.10.18
" Loutit *	2.10.18		(Pyrexia)	

* These all ranks were not at KH. FUSAIL on night of 22/23/9/18 and were not exposed to Malarial Infection as the remainder were.

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MEDICAL STORES

Dates of Indents forwarded by Mob. Section to A.D.M.S. for signature & despatch to No 8. Adv. Depot Med. Stores, Jerusalem	Dates stores actually received	Details of stores actually received
1. 9. 18	19. 9. 18	Drugs & dressings complete
9. 9. 18	Not received.	(Morrocks Box indented for)
9. 9. 18	20.10.18 21. 9. 18	Dressings recd.) Voucher Drugs recd.) 917
14. 9. 18	8. 10. 18	Drugs & dressings complete Voucher 919.
19. 9. 18	10. 10. 18	Drugs & dressings complete Voucher ?
27. 9. 18	16. 10. 18	Dressings only. Voucher 974
7. 10. 18	Not received.	Awaiting collection at 6th A.D.M.S., LUDD.
12. 10. 18	26. 10. 18	Drugs & dressings complete. Voucher 886, No. 6. A.D.M.S., LUDD.

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APPENDIX 2. MALARIAL INFECTION OF PERSONNEL.

The Personnel of the Mobile Section proceeding with the brigade on 21.9.18 consisted of

5 Officers, 60 O/R.

On 13.10.18 this had been reduced to

2 Officers, 20 O/R.

The causes of such evacuations were:

Officer	1.	Malaria.	M.T.
O/Ranks	37.	"	"
"	4.	"	B.T.
"	1.	"	Clinical.
"	2.	Pyrexia N.Y.D.	(Laboratory not available)

Of the remaining 2 Officers and 20 O/Ranks, the following were rendered ineffective for periods but not evacuated:

Off.	1.	Malaria.	Rec.	B.T.
O/R.	2.	"	"	"
O/R	1.	"	Clinical.	

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APPENDIX 3. TRANSPORT.

VEHICLES.

Owing to the rough country these have become partially unserviceable and require frequent temporary overhauling. It is suggested that at first opportunity all vehicles be sent to Ordnance Workshops for general overhaul.

HORSES.

These have stood operations exceptionally well. Forage has always been abundant and there has been a copious water supply. One Draught horse died - cause unknown and one donkey has been evacuated with Debility. The donkeys have proved to be most ~~unsatisfactory~~ unsatisfactory in hilly country when expected to carry personnel, who have had to walk the whole way except when travelling on good roads.

C.T.G and N.T. PERSONNEL.

The majority of these have been infected with malaria but with suitable treatment it was considered unnecessary to evacuate them.

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REINFORCEMENTS.

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These are urgently required as the unit is 2 Officers,
50 Q/Ranks under strength.

The reinforcements recently arrived from Australia have been found to be totally inexperienced in the care and management of horses (other than those who live in the country). It is suggested that these reinforcements be given a more thorough and extended course of instruction concerning the management and care of horses and that more time in that training be spent in such course of instruction in preference to hospital work.

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APPENDIX 5.

SANITATION.

Owing to a certain number of the Egyptian Sanitary natives having been evacuated complete incineration by all units of excreta and camp refuse has been impossible.

Trench latrines have been necessary in a few instances.

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HEALTH OF THE BRIGADE.

There appears to be no doubt that the majority of cases of pyrexia evacuated from the brigade up to 15.10.18 are Malaria and most probably the infection took place at KH. FUSAIL, Jordan River, near MAFID JOSELEH on the night of 22/23.9.18. A certain number of recent evacuations are doubtless malaria acquired at ABBAN and the WADI HAMMAN.

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Return showing number of patients of 1st L.H. Bde
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DATES	ADMITTED	EVACUATED	ON DUTY	CHL. FEBERTY	V.D.	DIARRHOEA	PYREXIA	RHEUMATISM	PLEURISY	WOUNDED	OTHER DISEASES	DIED
2 nd to 5 th	182	181	1	-	-	7	169	-	-	1	5	-
6 th to 12 th	467	467	-	1	-	1	458	-	-	1	1	-
13 th to 19 th	111	111	-	-	1	-	108	-	-	-	2	-
20 th to 26 th	70	59	11	-	2	4	60	-	-	-	4	-
27 th to 31 st	56	54	2	-	-	4	49	-	-	-	3	-
	881	867	14	1	3	16	844	-	-	2	15	-

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1st LIGHT HORSE FIELD AMBULANCE.
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Signature of Officer Commanding _____

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<u>1st Light Horse Field Ambulance, Immobile Section.</u>	
A ^{MM} AN	1.10.18		Took over from Mobile Section. 6444 Tpr INGHAM ^M . R.F. rejoined from ^M ES SALT	C.R.H.
	4.10.18		6206 Dvr, WILSON. L. E. B. evacuated to hospital with Diphtheria.	C.R.H.
	6.10.18		6204 L/ Cpl CAULFIELD, J, promoted T/ Cpl.	C.R.H.
	8.10.18		19468 Dvr, McFADYEN. R. E. L. Evacuated to hospital with Malaria. ^{M.T.}	C.R.H.
			18667 Tpr, MARR. W. H. " " " " " "	
	9.10.18		6203 Dvr, BRISSETT. J. Promoted T/ Cpl.	C.R.H.
			17846 Tpr, LECCHI. E. Evacuated to hospital with Malaria ^{M.T.}	
			19482 Tpr, WILD. H. E. " " " " " "	C.R.H.
	10.10.18		3687 Tpr, RIVERS. E. O. A. D. ^{M.S.} to proceed to SUWEILEH on 12 th inst.	C.R.H.
	11.10.18		Unit left A ^{MM} AN at 2522 0900 for SUWEILEH, On arrival there further instructions received to proceed to AIN HE ^{MM} AR, Arrived AIN HE ^{MM} AR 1400. and set up	C.R.H.
	12.10.18		hospital near 3rd Regiment.	
AIN HE ^{MM} AR			8209 L/ Cpl RUSSELL. E. J. T. evacuated to hospital with Malaria ^{M.T.}	
	13.10.18		8212 Tpr, STANLEY. W. Promoted Te ^m p. Cpl.	C.R.H.
	15.10.18		17887 Tpr, O'DWYER. C. R. W. evacuated to hospital Clinical Malaria. 15147 Dvr, MARSHALL. W. A. P. Evac	C.R.H.
	26.10.18		19455 Dvr, COWLED. G. C. " " " " " "	C.R.H.
			19453 Tpr, CREWS. F. J. " " " " " "	
	19.10.18		3633 Tpr, WELLS. G. H. " " " " " "	C.R.H.
	24.10.18		411 Cpl. GILLIS. W. A. " " " " " "	C.R.H.
			"	
	28.10.18		760 Cpl, PLATT. E. K. Evacuated to hospital with Clinical Diphtheria.	C.R.H.
	31.10.18		25 S Sgt STANGER-LEATHES " " " " " Malaria ^{M.T.}	C.R.H.
			6444 Tpr, INGHAM ^M . R. F. " " " " " Dysentery ^M	
			Instructions received to move tomorrow, joining up with Brigade as they pass through en route to RISCHON.	C.R.H.

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

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Subject.

1. Report on Operations extending over period from 22.9.18 to 12.10.18.

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RECORD OF WORK OF ANZAC COLLECTING STATION (IMMOBILE SECTION,
1st L.H.F.A.). for period 21.9.18 to 12.10.18.

- 21.9.18. Received orders from A.D.M.S. to evacuate all patients at Desert Corps Rest Station, JERUSALEM, and to proceed to Anzac Receiving Station, JERICHO, arriving on morning of 23rd inst.
- 22.9.18. Red Cross Stores and equipment collected and handed to Capt. Herdorn Red Cross Commissioner. Camp thoroughly cleaned and rubbish incinerated. 5 O/R left as guard, and 1 Sanitary Native. Two G.S. Wagons and 1 water-cart moved out and mounted personnel.
- 23.9.18. Unmounted personnel left by motor ambulances at daybreak and arrived at Anzac Receiving Station the same morning. Received orders to proceed at daybreak on 24th to ES SALT. Under orders from A.D.M.S. 2 O/R remained at Receiving Station.
- 24.9.18. Moved out at 0500 with 2 G.S. Wagons, 1 water cart, and with personnel mounted and leading 54 Turkish mules, laden with fanatis & forage. Total personnel, 1 Officer, 26 O/R. Joined up at JERICHO with 7th Sanitary Section under Capt. H. Sutton. Halted at 1200 at SHUNET NIMRIN, resuming journey at 1559. Owing to the poor condition of the mules they were left there until next morning in charge of 10 O/R. Outspanned in WADI SHAIB at 2100. Mosquitoes very prevalent.
- 25.9.18. Moved off at 0600 and reached ES SALT at 1000, rested 3 hours and proceeded to SUWILAH which was reached at 1800. Three bell tents pitched on a site adjacent to S.E. end of village. Following admitted straightway. Brit. Off. Wounded 2, O/R wounded 14, sick 15. Indian O/R sick 1. These were brought from AMMAN by light ambulances (motor).
- 26.9.18. Additional tents erected increasing accommodation to 8 bells and 1 operating tent. Rest of personnel with mules arrived during afternoon. 1 O/R remained at ES SALT with part of Sanitary Section. Evacuated by light amb. c.s. to JERICHO. Lying 10, sitting 4, total, 14. Capt. H. Sutton left for AMMAN. Admitted British 46, B.W.I. 40, Indians 4, Turkish P.W. 6. Total Wounded 0, Sick 112. 1 Turkish P/W died of wounds and was buried

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- 27.9.18. Admissions, Brit. 56, B.W.I. 4, P/W. German 5, Turk 1. 1 O/R joined section ex leave.
- 28.9.18. All patients evacuated, 10 in light motor ambes, 145 in motor lorries to JERICHO. Remaining at 2400 Brit. Sick. Off. 2, O/R. 10 B.W.I. Sick. O/R 1.
- 29.9.18. Admissions. Brit. O/R. 15. Instructions from A.D.M.S. to evacuate all patients and to proceed to AMMAN on 30/9/18. Handed over to G.C. Mahratta Inf, a receipt obtained 15 Turkish mules & saddles.
- 30/9/18. Remaining patients evacuated by motor lorries & light ambes to Jericho. Section proceeded to AMMAN, arriving there at midday. Total Admissions to Station at SUWILAH:

British Off.	Wounded	2	Sick	4
" O/R	"	25	"	120
B.W.I. Off.	"	-	"	1
" O/R	"	-	"	56
Indian	"	1	"	2
P/W Turk	"	5	"	7
" German "	"	-	"	5
				<u>Total. 226</u>

Largest number held at one time - 156.

One bell tent was used for dressing and admissions and the operating & 7 bells for patients, the remainder of patients were accommodated in adjoining cottages. There were ample supplies of blankets, drugs and medical comforts. P/W admitted 15. One died, the rest evacuated to JERICHO in motor lorries.

- 1.10.18. AMMAN. Took over from Mobile Section. 1 O/R rejoined from ES SALT 4 O/R attached from Mob. Sectn. Admissions. Sick. Brit. Off. 4 O/R. 41 B.W.I. Sick O/R 1.
- 2.10.18. All patients evacuated at 0600 by motor lorries to Anz. Rec. Station JERICHO. Admissions Brit. Sick Off. 1. O/R. 22. Smerrefian Army. Sick Off. 2, O/R 7.
- 3.10.18. Admissions. Brit. O/R. 41. B.W.I. 1.
- 4.10.18. All patients evacuated by motor lorries - total 74 & 27 P/W. 1 O/R this unit evacuated diphtheria (faucial). Admissions. British O/R. 26.

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- 7.10.18. Admissions. Brit. Sick Off. 3. O/R. 77.
- 6.10.18. Evacuated by motor lorries 107, Light Amb, 3. Admissions British Sick Off. 1. O/R. 100. Sherrefian Army Sick Off. 1.
- 7.10.18. Admissions: Brit. Sick Off. 5. O/R. 147. Six of staff off duty with Pyrexia.
- 8.10.18. Evacuated by motor lorries, 269, amb. 6. Total 215. Remaining Brit. 21, chiefly serious cases. 5 O/R Staff evacuated all Malaria M.T. Admissions. Brit. Sick. Off. 5. O/R. 122.
- 9.10.18. Admissions Brit. Sick Off 5, O/R. 60. 2 O/R of staff evacuated both Malaria M.T.
- 10.10.18. Evacuated by motor lorries, 269, amb 3. Total 212. 1 O/R staff evacuated (B.T). Admissions Brit. O/R. 29.
- 11.10.18. Admissions Brit. Sick. Off. 1 O/R 22. Received orders to proceed to SUWAILAH on 12th inst.

Number of Patients Admitted to Collection Station, AMMAN from 1.10.18 to 11.10.18, inclusive.

British. Officers	29	O/R.	756.	
Sherrefian Sick. Off.	5	"	7	
B.W.I.	2	"	10	
P/W Turkish		"	50	Total 858

Largest Number held at one time. 246.

ACCOMODATION. The Anz. Div. Collection Station was situated in and around the arena of the Roman Amphitheatre. Seven rooms in 3 stone cottages were utilized and accomodated about 80 patients; also 1 Operating tent & 6 bell tents accomodated about 55 patients. During periods of congestion five rooms in the Turkish Hospital (about 200 yards away) were utilized. The necessary sanitary arrangements were improvised from materials found there. It was impossible to feed patients except in relays as only about 60 cups and basins were found, and very few patients brought their mess gear with them. Most of the Staff were off duty part of the time with pyrexial attacks (some have since proved to be malarial) and physical exhaustion; 7 were evacuated with malaria and 1 with diphtheria. 9 Turkish P/W were used for fatigues, sanitation etc.

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COLLECTION & EVACUATION. Patients were brought in by Horse Ambs, camel caddies & light motor amb; in some cases limbers & G.S. waggons were used. Evacuations chiefly by motor lorries to JERICHO serious cases by light motor amb. to ES SALT. Mattresses and pillows from the Turkish Hospital were placed in lorries for the worse cases to lie on and when these were used up, young slender branches were littered on the floor. A supply of tinned milk, Bovril and milk biscuits were placed in charge of the M.C.O 1/c lorry convey for the patients and the latter's water bottles were filled prior to leaving AMMAN. A meal of tea, arrowroot or Bovril and bread were given to the patients before the convoy left (at 0000 on alternate days). 50 P/W. (Turkish) were evacuated by motor lorries to Jericho.

SUPPLIES. There was ample supply of medical comforts, blankets and drugs. The Aust. Red Cross promptly sent from JERUSALEM when wired to 100 blankets, insecticide, soap & cigarettes. These blankets supplemented those we already held. For two days we were short of quinine solution for injection, but this was relieved by finding a stock of Turkish quinine solution of a strength of 1 gramme in 5 c.c.

NATURE OF CASES. The vast majority of the patients were suffering from malignant malaria and many- these particularly from JERKA - were in a serious condition owing chiefly to the exhausting effect of a long rough journey. As far as possible the most serious cases were held, morphia given to ensure rest, and stimulants ordered in addition to intramuscular Quinine. Most of the patients complained of intense headache and backache, nearly all vomited (rendering quinine by the mouth useless in many cases) and all were very prostrate. Some had diarrhoea and five were typically cerebral. Major Ferguson and S/Sgt Newton (of Anzac Laboratory) arrived on 6.10.18 but both fell ill next day and were only able to examine a few blood smears. Despite their severe pyrexial symptoms they later examined about 100 and nearly all were

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positive for M.I. The routine treatment was to give intramuscular daily IX grains (3 c.c) of the Turkish solution, and gr.XV twice daily by the mouth of the Quin.Hyd. in solution. Later the ~~intramuscular~~ intramuscular dose, when supplies were increased, was raised to Gr,XII (4.c.c). The injections were made into the pectoral regions in preference to the gluteal regions as causing less pain (Particularly as the men had to sit on a long journey) and as being more likely to be aseptic. Quinine was given to any serious cases without waiting for a Laboratory report although preliminary smears were taken as far as was possible with a reduced staff. The bulk of the cases were Malignant Tertian of recent infection with a probable incubation of about ten days.
