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*PADAS*  
*Int'l Div*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Belah	1918 Mch 1.		Instructions received from A.D.C.S. that the whole question of Anti Gas Helmet's & small Box Respirators was under consideration that no orders were to be passed pending further instructions - In reply to line from A.D.C.S. as to whether any of our units were in possession of Ingodo Hotchkiss replied Nil. Issue Order put in for Discs Identity.	
		2	Flots leading demanded for use on salvage work - Visited Dump	
		3	Decoy asked to give authority for issue of 1 marquee large + 1 E.P. tent for Divisional Bathing place - Visited 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bde. + 15 <sup>th</sup> Regiment	
		4	Visited Dump - Office work & records	
		5	Allotment of Stores Sayers received from A.A.Q. - Visited 5 <sup>th</sup> Brigade	
		6	Instructions given that 8 light ambulances of 3 <sup>rd</sup> A.H. Ambulance Surplus to requirements should be sent to D.A.S. Amzacs at Ru Salem. Sgt. Williams to favour on duty.	
		7	Divisional Bulk demand submitted - Visited Dump	
		8	Visited Field Squadron, Divisional Train + 19 <sup>th</sup> Machine Gun Squadron	
		9	Instructions received from A.D.C.S. that all Small Box Respirators, less 10% for training purposes were to be withdrawn & sent to Ordnance Depot Luad, for store.	
		10	07552 Pte H. Fryer AOC reported for duty as storeman attached to D.A.S.S. 014332 " H. Code " " " " Clerk on staff of 5 <sup>th</sup> Mountain Bde 6 lifebuoy received + Field Squadron instructed as to their positions on beach	
		11	30 pairs of pantaloons for drill received & issued for trial as follows - 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> Brigades 8 each + 19 <sup>th</sup> Bde R.A.A. Co. Report called for by H. # 18 - Visited Dump	
		12	024676 Pte J. Leedy AOC late Clerk 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mt. Bde } proceeded to Luad + reported to C.O. 026166 Pte H. Burton " " Storeman dit. troops } Ordnance Depot, for duty Visited 4 <sup>th</sup> Brigade W.O. + 4 <sup>th</sup> Regiment	

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Mtd Div*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bellah	Feb 13		Reports called for from Brigades as to carriers Hotchkiss Gun - web or leather - in possession - To Dump -	
	14		Armourer fortnightly report on machine guns sent to A.D.O.S. Visited Bwon 3 <sup>rd</sup> + 5 <sup>th</sup> Bde	
	15		Return of special stores outstanding over a fortnight rendered to A.D.O.S. - visited Dump -	
	16		Visited Div Train + B Coy H.A.C. - Office work + records - Sergt Williams returned	
	17		Indented for Tools, resizing, Hotchkiss for Division. - Visited Dump	
	18		Authority received for issue of Hoops Signal Army spoken to Machine Gun Squadron issue order put forward - To Dump -	
	19		Visited 3 <sup>rd</sup> + 5 <sup>th</sup> Bwon + 19 <sup>th</sup> Bde R.A.A. H.Q.	
	20		Issue Order put forward for 500 Sq. yds of hessian for purpose of rendering latrines fly-proof - visited Dump	
	21		Wried A.D.O.S. names of Category "B" A.C. men in Division.	
	22		Serviceable Small box Respirators withdrawn from Division - 4691 - sent to Luda under Convoy for Storage - visited Dump	
	23		Issue Order submitted for rushin for covering food - 5 yards per 100 men. Instructions received from A.H.Q. that issue of Khaki Drill Trousers to A.I.F. Units was cancelled as Service Dress will be returned - Instructions given by D.H.Q. for 40 Sets of Saddlery issued to O.C. Divisional Details at Shellal in October to be returned.	

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Belah	Mch 24		Flap Scarlet + Yellow demanded for signalling in Co-operation with Aeroplanes - Issue ADOL Complete position of all Units as to saddlery required for mounts - Report received from DHO as to ADOL's inspection of vehicles of Division + instructions given that immediate steps were to be taken to make good all deficiencies - Visited Dump	
	25		Visited S.M. Coy's Ordnance Workshop on subject of ADOL's report	
	26		Office work + records - Visited Divisional Train.	
	27		Issue Order Submitted for periscopes for RHA - 30 Bags water 8 gallon demanded to replace similar number declared unserviceable by Kantara. To Dump	
	28		Armourers fortnightly reports on machine guns sent to ADOL. Issue Order put in for Saddlery for interpreters - Visited 3 <sup>rd</sup> + 4 <sup>th</sup> B.W.O.	
	29		Capt K.M. Hewson, on leave in England, posted to Home Establishment + Capt. C.W. Battersby, ADOL, appointed ADOL, Australian Mounted Division - To Dump.	
	30		List of Special Stores outstanding over 14 days sent to ADOL. Instructions given by Division for Secma Saddle Blankets to be returned to Ordnance. Belah	
	31		Mixed ADOL no. of machine guns in possession of Division - Instructions received that warwike gear was to retain service dress but be issued with Khaki Drill or Helmets + that Small Box Respirators + Steel Helmets were to be returned; Staff Capt. 5 <sup>th</sup> Bde informed - Held Conference of B.W.O.s as to move	

*CW Patterson*  
*Captain*  
*DADOS Aust. Int. Div.*

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