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BARRACK
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OF

BARRACK
2 DIVISION

From 1st Dec. 1940
To 31st Dec. 1940

(Volume No. 10)

24 Jan. 1941
Summary of Events and Information

Routine
Packed 30-cwt Lorry with Officers' mess gear and cooking gear and rations for a Company and arrived at a suitable basis for Officers' mess gear in the field. A further nine No. 1 Cookers available. Approached Middle East in regard to obtaining furniture from Ordinance for NZEF Club.

Arranged for replacement of all US tentage of units in the desert. Saw ADOS(F) re contract for making NZ patches. Conference convened by A/Q at which Sub-Committee reported their findings on certain questions of policy and administration involved when Division takes the field.

S/Sgt. Bracken went to the desert to take the place of W.O. Cripps who returned from the desert to an Artillery Training course.

Discussion with O.C. Reception Depot and also staff at 2 Gen. Hospital, Helwan in an endeavour to get the issue of clothing to personnel leaving Hospital, system functioning better. Submitted report to B.T.E. regarding surplus Camp Equipment held by 2 Gen. Hospital.

Routine
Sample of NZ patches submitted by ADOS(F) were not accepted - asked for more.

Conference with O.C. and H.Q. Base Camp Commandant in regard to new messes to be formed in H.Q. area when Division moved.

Conference with O.C. Army Troops Coy. in which he indicated essential equipment required before his Company could move to the desert. Special effort made to obtain equipment.

Preparing to move to Helwan.

Moved to Helwan.

Inspected possible football grounds with A/Q. Worked out distribution to Units of the football gear coming from England.

Routine
Another 50 pairs of binoculars available. Met Lts. McTavish and McConnel and the Ordnance reinforcements at Maadi.

Arranged for G.T. to supply necessary timber for goalposts for the football grounds. Expedited C.E. for P of War camp.

Conference with Officer i/c Administration regarding Change over to Capitation.

160 Sun Compasses available.
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<td>Lt. Pollock arrived from the W.D. on a trip for spare parts. His LAD was established at Sollum and was servicing Engineer Units of the L.o. of C. Amended W.E. Table of Mobile Dental Section consequent upon change of establishment. Commented upon proposed W.E. Table of Base Signal Coy.</td>
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<td>Conference with Officer i/c Administration Officer to issue to Units of 4 Bde. Group on their return from the W.D.</td>
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<td>Arranged scale of C.E. for Base Ordnance Officer to issue to W.E. and Base Ordnance to issue to W.E.</td>
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<td>Interviewed the Military Secretary regarding temporary rank for 2/Lt. Pollock during the period in which enquiries from NZ were being made as to his substantive rank.</td>
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January 1941.
Summary of Events and Information


Capt. N.P. Manning, who is to be appointed S.O.M.E. at Base, reports for instruction. Spend greater part of day with him showing his methods of procedure and the duties of a S.O.M.E.

Inspect 14 and 19 LAD Workshops and the work in progress, Normal routine.

Normal routine. Administration Orders for LADs and attached NZACC personnel promulgated.

W.O.1 P.M.C. Carlton of 10 LAD reports to O.C.T.U. Prepared provisional establishment for Field Workshops.

Carried "Inspection of arrières-Bren at 24, 25 and 26 Bns and submitted reports of these to commanders.

To conference of Technical Officers at H.Q.6 Inf. Bde. To a tank hunting demonstration given by C.R.E.


Normal routine. Submitted list of staff and reinforcements required for Workshops to N.Z.

Te C Vehicle Park Mena to inspect vehicles and NZACC personnel attached there. To O.M.E. of B.E. regarding vehicle defects. To Col. Fitton re. deficiency of M.T. He promised that two further Breakdown Lorries would shortly be issued to LADs. Called at "vehicle ensues office."

Interviewed prospective W/Shop Staff at Reinforcements Depot. Normal routine.

Final day at Madi Camp.

Move to Helwan Camp.

Normal routine. Inspect newly located 14 and 19 LAD Workshops.

LAD and ACC personnel of 3 Contingent return from course at Mena Workshops. To Madi Camp to see Capt. Manning.

Normal routine.

To Abbasia - V.R.S. Control re issue of M/Cycles, Ford "rucks, F.A. Tractors and Carriers for 3 Contingent. To Officer 4/c Provision re issue of Ford parts. W.O.1 Keegan of Reinforcement LAD reports for duty and is temporarily attached to 14 LAD.

To Madi Camp to interview Lt. McWha and 2/Liet. McConnel of "reinforcement LAD and O/Rs of this LAD.

Liet. McWha and 2/Liet. McConnel report to Div. H.Q. for instructions and are temporarily attached to Div. H.Q.

Normal routine.

Capt. Halsey goes on leave. Liet. Ward and McWha assume his duties.

6 Fd. Regt. are issued with 10 Dragon F.A. Tractors on loan.

Normal routine.

Liet. Pollock reports to discuss formation of Field Workshops.

Normal routine.

2/Liet. McConnel appointed O.M.E. of 18 LAD attached 6 Fd. Regt. in place of Liet. H.B. Ward who is transferred as O.M.E. to 14 LAD.

Normal Routine.
SUPPLEMENT TO SOME'S WAR DIARY, DECEMBER 1940.

I. LAD Reports from COEMs.

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All Bde. H.Q. Vehicles modified in that tail lights are now not visible from the air from an angle over 30°.

BN vehicles being proceeded with in this respect.

II. LAD arranged for exchange of M.T. parts for all N.Z. Units in W.D. during month.

O.M.E.; W.O. and driver-batman made trip to Libyan frontier to study recovery workshop problems in the field.


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O.M.E., II LAD co-ordinated all work of LADs in W.D. during month acting on instructions of COEM.

IV. 11 LAD attached 2 Cav. Regt.

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A vast amount of recovery work carried out on account of special circumstances. Appreciation was expressed by COEM, WDF. for assistance given to 60 Pndr. Bty.


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O.M.E. trained Bde. drivers in special M.T. course.

AOC and LAD personnel returned from course at Mena (BOW) on 15 December 1940.


Traffic control signs were made by 19 LAD for Units of 3 Contingent.

1 Water Distiller made.
Supplement to Some's War Diary December 1940.

1. LAD reports from COMIG:
   - 4 LAD attached 4 Dec. Sept.
   - Major Repair Jobs 4
   - Minor " 31
   - Workshop Jobs 7
   - Mechanical Defects Reported
     - (a) Centra. bearings on transmission of Morris GS 11/30 Lorries.
     - (b) Front springs - Bedford 30-cwt.
     - (c) Morris engines - Valve springs
     - (d) " " - Distributer Points.
   - Field Convey
     - 9 LAD acted as LAD to a composite convey of 220 vehicles carrying petrol to establish dump and carrying back prisoners, spending nine days as a self-contained Unit on this work.

   - Major Repair Jobs 6
   - Minor " 13
   - Workshop Jobs 4
   - Parade State
     - Complete
   - Vehicle State
     - Breakdown Lorry deficient.
   - COMIG
     - Lieut. H.B. Ward transferred from 18 LAD as COMIG of 14 LAD.

3. 10 LAD attached 5 Ed. Park Gov.
   - This LAD plus RAOC LAD under command of Lt. Peacock moved forward of Mersa Matruh at beginning of December and acted as LAD to Sapper Units. The combined LAD moved forward with advance to Sidi Barani and thence to Bardia. Records show that this LAD did a most commendable job in the field.

Z. O. Kennedy, Capt.

Some, N.Z. Div.
OFFICERS ONLY

DAC's Office (2nd Echelon) 2 NZEF

HQ 2 NZEF Base & Sub Units
Station: Egypt

No 4
Dated 17/12/40
Last issue dated 9/12/40

2 NZEF Base Discharge Dept

15. CORRIGENDUM: Ref Part 11 Order No 3 para 11:-
1528 Major Ainslie A (t present in 2 NZ Gen Hosp)
should read:- 1529 Major Ainslie A (at present in 62 Gen Hosp)

BASE ORDANCE

16. STRENGTH INCREASE:
7133 Capt Manning NP (NZACO) Marched in from Hq 2 NZEF (DADOS)
and attached to Base Ordnance Depot
(appointed OMS) WEF 3/12/40

17. ATTACHED AND DETACHED:
9420 2/Lt Reid F (NZACO) Marched in from duty at
Moascar WEF 9/12/40

D A G's Office

18. ATTACHED AND DETACHED:
4684 Mr Miller RT (War Correspondent
to 2 NZEF at
DJAG's Office) Marched out to WEF on
duty WEF 11/12/40

D J & G's Office

19. PROMOTION:
6320 Capt Alexander WH 18 Bn To be T/Major while DAC
(2 Echelon) WEF 1/12/40
Auth: HQ 2 NZEF list No 12
dated 10/12/40

20. STRENGTH INCREASE:
6320 Major Alexander WH 18 Bn Dchgd 2 NZ Gen Hosp & struck
off XII List WEF 13/12/40

BASE P/Y OFFICE (NZACO)

21. PROMOTION:
2015 T/Capt Morris WC To be Capt WEF 1/12/40
Auth: 2 NZEF list of 10/12/40

22. STRENGTH INCREASE:
6196 Lt. Col Prideaux F Marched in from Conv Leave &
struck off XII List WEF 14/12/40

BASE DEP'T HOSPITAL

23. STRENGTH:
34916 Capt Dallas B (NZDC) Marched in for duty
22824 Lieut Horne OK " WEF 4/12/40

PLEASE TURN OVER
### Army Ordinance Corps

**No 28**

**Previous Issue Dated 29/11/40**

**Egypt**

| UNITS AS DESIGNATED | SGT No. T/3
|----------------------|-----------
| PANZERS              | Egypt     |
|                      |           |

#### Promotions

92

- **922** Cpl Clark D (Base Ord Dept)
- **9620** S/Sgt Bracken SG
- To be Temp Sgt WEF 2/12/40
- To be Temp WO 2 WEF 6/12/40
  (Authy: NZEF Regs PIR 53)

93

**93 Extra Duty Pay**

- **4841** Pte Clouston RA (Base Ord)
- Eligible for ED Pay as Instrument Mechanic WEF 19/11/40
- Authy: NZEF Ord No 89 dated 27/11/40

#### Div Int Sec

94

- **3111** L/Cpl Chapman NH
- **7743** L/Cpl Carroll WC
- **8534** L/Cpl Morgan CR
- **5417** L/Cpl Dorset WL
- To be Sgt WEF 14/12/40
- To be Cpl WEF 14/12/40
  (Authy: NZEF Regs PIR 53)

95

**95 Strength Increase**

- **5940** Pte Chisnall NB
- **4250** Pte Clark AL
- **4517** Pte Cooper NB
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- **4517** Pte Cooper NB
- Wchd in tfd to Div Int Sec from Reinf's Depot WEF 8/12/40

#### Div Postal Unit

96

**96 Strength Decrease**

- **6340** Cpl McHama FE
- **4189** Spr Bradley T
- **34857** " McLaughlin WH
- **6340** " O'Connor ME
- **5613** " Plumley SW
- **6340** Cpl Nash JR
- **6388** L/Cpl Kerr JS
- **6343** Spr Kirby JR
- **44781** " Lincoln JNF
- **5713** " Oliver JEF
- **5601** L/Cpl Forbes JP
- **34138** Spr Paterson GC
- **34310** " Watters HT
- **6319** Spr Brooks TM
- **2669** " Dobbie NH
- **5514** Spr Hazelwood NH
- Wchd out tfd to Base Post Office WEF 9/11/40
  (Authy: HQ NZEF Base Pt 2 Ord No 46)

**Strength Increase**

- **5752** Spr Balneaves AJ
- **6343** Spr Kirby JR
- Wchd in tfd from Div Post Office WEF 21/11/40
  (Base Post Office Pt 2 Ord No 1)
UNIT AS DESIGNATED
D A G's Office (2nd Echelon) NZEF

Egyp Previous Issue Dated 13/12/40

DIV INT Sec

98 STRENGTH DECREASE
5770 Pte Clode MG

DIV POSTAL UNIT

99 REDUCTION
87801 Temp WO 2 Smith HJ

100 ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS
5752 Spr Tailfeathers MP
NZ ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

101 TRANSFERS
5751 Sgt Avery HJ (II L.D) att 4 Inf Bde) Tfd to 18 Bn as NZOC Fitter
MV WEF 19/12/40
3046 Pte Kerr NC (18 Bn)
Tfd to NZOC & att F.P 18 Bn as Bootmaker
WEF 19/12/40
2210 L/Sgt Goldsworthy MJ (6 Fd Coy) Tfd to 10 L.D att 5 Fd Park Coy
WEF 19/12/40

102 PROMOTIONS
5751 Pte Avery HJ (II L.D) To be Sgt WEF 19/12/40
13227 L/Cpl Philpott HG (att 26 Bn) To be Sgt WEF 19/12/40

DIV INT SEC

103 STRENGTH INCREASE
(a) Hospital
5770 Pte Clode MG
Dchgd 6 Fd Amb & rejoined unit WEF 21/12/40

104 LEAVE
5617 Sgt Mayfield GK
Mchd out on leave WEF 17/12/40
Mchd in from leave WEF 24/12/40

DIV POSTAL UNIT

Nil