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5th. Light Horse Regiment. A. I. F.
2nd. L. H. Brigade.

JULY. 1916.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
DUEIDAR.	JULY 2nd.	1945.	<p>Received instructions to send Regiment to JEFFEIR to collect 50 Turks and 170 camels reported by aeroplane as being at this place this afternoon. Moved out from DUEIDAR at 2150, marched via DHABA, from there by compass bearings to point EAST JEFFEIR arrived there 0315, reconnoitred well at 0345, no men or animals there. Numerous tracks of camels and a few men, sent "C" Squadron under Major CAMERON to follow them up. While so doing aeroplane passed over and subsequently reported to Major CAMERON that enemy (2) two miles further on, remainder Regiment followed "C" Squadron in support. Plane used smoke balls and bombs. Camels and men scattered. "C" Squadron tracked them down and collected 5 Bedouins and 109 camels. Regiment returned to camp via BADA arriving DUEIDAR at 1155 on 3rd.</p>	
	8th.	2200.	<p>The horses did forty (40) miles, without any food or water since leaving camp. Practically no ill effects to horses. "B" to HAMISAH returned next day at 1800. See auzar mounted Division Operation Order No. 31.</p>	
	14th.		<p>Notification of appointment of Lieut. Col. L. B. Wilson and Major A. Midgley as C's M. G.</p>	
	17th.		<p>3rd Scottish Horse relieved the 14th L. H. and Lieut-Col. MOIR-BYERS takes over command of DUEIDAR POST.</p>	
	18th.		<p>Turks appeared in strong force in the OQRATINA District as from 1st July "KANTARA Outpost" command formed (G.O.C. Brig. Genl. Marquis of TULLABARDINE). The area included DUEIDAR, but special instructions from A.M. Division that this post not to be embodied in scheme of defense as Regt. remain mobile.</p>	

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	22nd		<p>Temporary command to be known as section mounted Troops, under Brig. Gen. CHAYTOR formed. Command to be under the direct orders of section commander (General LAWRENCE) command consists of Canterbury and Auckland M.R., 5th L. B., 2 sqns of Warwick & 1 sqn. Worcester & 1 Gloucester Y., Somerset and Leicester Batteries R.H.A</p>	
	26th to 30th		<p>Officer Patrol Lieuts Stanfield and Broughton with 30 other ranks sent to NAGID from which to observe MACEIBRA.</p>	
	7		<p>From the 18th July to the end of the month the Regiment was engaged sending out strong Patrols to DHABA on the East, down to ARAS on the South East by day. By night posts were kept on Hill 383 and Hill 331 and three miles out to the East of DUEIDAR.</p>	
				<p><i>[Signature]</i> Lieut-Col. Command. 5th L. A. R. est. 997.</p>