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**Regiment**

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## WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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5th. L. B. Regt., A.I.F., Army Form C. 2118.

2nd. L. B. Brigade,  
Anzac Mounted Division,  
E. E. F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Reference Map: Syria Jungles 1/450,000.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Kazar	5th.			Divisional staff Ride. RCE	
	17th.			Brigade Exercise. RCE	
	18th.			Brigade Exercise. RCE	
	21st.			B'd Squadron (Major R. H. Nimmo) detailed to report to T. L. B. Bde. for Patrol and outpost duty, left camp at 1500.	
				Regiment (less B. Sqdn) moved with Rest of Brigade from Kazar to Esani. left Kazar 1700 arrived Esani 2300. Bivouaced for remainder of night. RCE	
Esani	22nd.			Regt. (less B. Sqdn) moved camp one & half miles to south along wadi. large working parties found for development of water in wadi. RCE	
	23rd.			" A's Squadron (Major A. J. Baskinbrot, R.S.O.) sent to P. 15. 730 and 930 to cover advance of 5th. Mt'd. Bde. to Pt. RCE	
	24th.			Regt. (less B. Squadron) moved with remainder of Bde. to Asluj at 1700. after crossing wadi near Malaaga, Regt. detailed as escort to Brigade transport. arrived Asluj 0400 on morning 25th. RCE	
Asluj	25th.			large working party of 300 found for development of water at Asluj. RCE	
	26th.			Regt. (less B. Squadron) on reconnaissance to EL MATRADA left camp at 0950 and proceeded 30 miles in S. direction. Aeroplane which was to drop reconnaissance report failed to do so. Country observed to be flat. No enemy were seen. Natives reported to Durkish Lancers camped at Muvra two days before. good water was discovered in wells at Muvra, could be developed into a good supply. Road taken by Regt. very rough, hilly and rocky. Impassable for wheels, very rough on horses. Regt. returned to bivouac at 2005.	
	27th.			lieut. Col. L. B. Wilson, R.S.O. notified of appointment to command 3rd. L. B. Brigade. RCE Major S. B. Cameron, R.S.O. notified of promotion to temporary lieut. Colonel, command the Regt. working parties found for water. Day Patrol and Night outposts supplied RCE	

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Asuj.	28th.		100 men and 200 Horses sent Khalasa to water and return following day - in order to ease water supply at Asuj. 50 men sent as part of Bde party of 150 men under Lieut. Col. White, 6th. L. H. on reconnaissance along Buroleba Road. Permanent working party of 50 for work on wells at Asuj. RCE	
	29th.		100 men and 200 Horses sent to Khalasa for water returned. "B" Squadron rejoined the Regt. from I. L. C. Brigade. I. L. C. sent wire of congratulation to Brigade for work done at Asuj. RCE	
	30th./ 31st.		Day Patrols found. Regt. moved out with rest of Bde. for advance to rear of Buroleba to Pt. on Hebron Road near Saklat. Arrived at Hamam on Wadi el Saba at 0400 on morning of 31st. After watering horses in this wadi the Regt. was ordered forward to support the 7th. L. H. which had crossed the Hebron Road under very heavy shell fire and <del>had</del> occupied a position in Wadi ITMY. The Regt. was heavily shelled crossing the Wadi Khalil and Hebron Road. High ground to the N. and N.W. was held by enemy with guns and machine guns. This Regt. and 7th. Regt. <del>had</del> engaged enemy during remainder of day and held outpost line covering Buroleba - Hebron Road and approaches from the N.E. during night 31st. October / 1st. November. RCE	
	31.10.17.			
			Donald Cameron Lieut. Colonel, Commanding 5th. L. H. Regt., A. I. F.	

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