

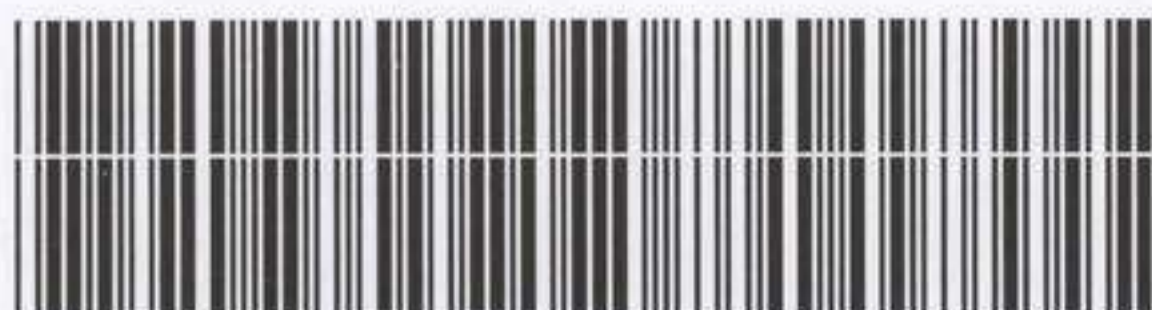
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## WAR DIARY

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY52<sup>nd</sup> Battalion  
13<sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde A.I.F

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TEL-EL-KEBIR	1/3/16		A draft of eleven Officers and 384 O.R. arrived from 12 <sup>th</sup> Battalion A.I.F to form the 52 <sup>nd</sup> Battln.	Wk
			Names of Officers - Major LANE, I.A. (in Cmd), Cap <sup>t</sup> MacPHERSON, H.A., Cap <sup>t</sup> (Temp) PERKINS, C.H., Lieut <sup>s</sup> MASSEY, H., FRASER, A.H., KENNEDY, W., STUBBINGS, C.H., WESTON, P.H., CHRISTOPHERS, W.H., BLAKNEY, C., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut Von BIBRA, E.E.	
"	3/3/16		First draft of reinforcements arrive from 3 <sup>rd</sup> Training Battalion at Base (12 <sup>th</sup> Bn reinforcements).	Wk
			Consisting of 3 Officers + 483 O.R. - men of good physique, well equipped, no arms.	Wk
"	5/3/16		Lieut-Colonel M.F. BEEVOR joins to Command, transferred from 10 <sup>th</sup> Battalion	Wk
"	14/3/16		100 O.Ranks transferred to form 4 <sup>th</sup> Division Field Artillery (new Division)	Wk
"	16/3/16		56 O.R. Trans <sup>d</sup> to Pioneer Bn 4 <sup>th</sup> Aust Div. <del>30 men to 13<sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy in 3 batches (various dates)</del>	Wk
"	18/3/16		30 O.R. to 13 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy.	Wk
"	31/3/16	0600	Commenced route march to SERAPEUM. arrived MAHSAMA <sup>a.m.</sup> 11.20 same day. weather cool good road. total distance 14 miles. (1 man fell out)	Wk

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