

**AWM4**

**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,  
1914-18 War**

Infantry

**Item number: 23/74/2**

**Title: 57th Infantry Battalion**

March 1916



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**INTELLIGENCE-SUMMARY.**

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TEL-EL-KEBIR.	5.3.16.	1800.	<p>The Battalion mounted as Divisional Duty Battalion for a week during which time every available man was either on Guard or Fatigue. On several occasions men had to be borrowed from other battalions.</p> <p>(Original of above written on same sheet as entries for previous month &amp; filed with volume for that month).</p>	

WAR DIARY

57<sup>th</sup> Battalion AIF

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13-3-16	Tel-el-Kebir	Further serious interruptions to training were caused through every man being innoculated for typhoid and para-typhoid. This consisted of two injections at 7 day intervals. After each injection every man was ordered 2 days off duty.
15-3-16	"	The Brigade was put on a territorial basis. Officers and NCO's remained with their Battalions. Men were allotted according to the district scheme of the corresponding Battalions in Victoria. This occasioned a lot of extra work and the Battalion had to be reorganised.
21-3-16	"	The strength of Officers was increased by 7, four being promoted from the ranks and three taken from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Training Battalion.
29-3-16	0700	The Division was ordered to move from TEL-EL-KEBIR to FERRY POST on the SUEZ CANAL. The Battalion formed part of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Echelon which comprised the whole of the 15 <sup>th</sup> Brigade. The route was along the SWEET WATER CANAL. MAHSAMA (14 miles) was reached about 1800. From here 6 men were evacuated to hospital and 40 with bad feet sent on by train. The following day MOASCA (16 miles) was reached, four men being evacuated to hospital. Throughout these two days the weather was very warm and many dropped out but all caught up again through the night.
30-3-16	1800	Moasca
31-3-16	1130	Ferry Post

Schedule 2 attached

Schedule 3 Officers attached.



TERRITORIAL SYSTEM

57th Battalion A.I.F.

Schedule 23



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"A" Company

"B" Company

"C" Company

"D" Company

Violet Town  
 St James  
 Chiltern  
 Jerilderie  
 Kyabram  
 Zitta Mitta  
 Numurkah  
 Pyramid  
 Rutherglen  
 Rochester  
 Rushworth  
 Saeparton  
 Tatura  
 Wyuna  
 Wedonga  
 Yackandandah  
 Benalla  
 Tallangatta  
 Nathalia  
 Bright  
 Beechworth  
 Seymour  
 Euroa  
 Goulbourn Val.  
 Alexandra  
 Woodend  
 Wangaratta  
 Deniliquin  
 Albury  
 Broadford  
 Dingee  
 Dookie  
 Murrayville  
 Perepunkah  
 Myrtleford  
 Cornella  
 Picola  
 Keyuga  
 Toolamba  
 Granya  
 Corryong  
 Mansfield  
 Kanumbra

Warracknabeal  
 Mildura  
 Kerang  
 Charlton  
 Avoca  
 Rainbow  
 Donald  
 St Arnaud  
 Sea Lake  
 Woomelang  
 Carisbrook  
 Dunolly  
 Lascelles  
 Lake Boga  
 Wycheproof  
 Wedderburn  
 Kangaroo Flat  
 Majorca  
 Swan Hill  
 Inglewood  
 Wychitella  
 Glenloth  
 Lalbert  
 Lake Kowan  
 Derby  
 Glenalbyn  
 Huntly  
 Woodvale  
 Watson's Creek  
 Kerang  
 Maldon  
 Castlemaine  
 Kyneton  
 Maryborough  
 Malmsbury  
 Heathcote  
 Chewton  
 Moolort  
 Daylesford  
 Leonards Hill  
 Lyonsville  
 Shelbourne  
 Sebastian  
 Mologa  
 Tarnagulla  
 Daytrap  
 Korong Vale  
 Brim

Bendigo  
 Eaglehawk  
 Echuca

New South Wales  
 Queensland  
 Western Australia  
 South Australia  
 Tasmania  
 New Zealand  
 India  
 United Kingdom  
 New Guinea  
 Norway

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Ferry Post East5th April 1916.

Commanding Officer	Lieut. Colonel J.C. Stewart
2nd in Command	Major C.A. Deneny
Acting Adjutant	2nd Lieut. H.S. Dickinson
Quartermaster	" C.B. Taylor
Medical Officer	Captain Hugh Rayson
Chaplain	" G.W.B. Statt

"A" Company

Captain R.M.C. Aitchison  
 Lieut. J.T.H. Aram  
 2nd Lieut. H.G. Ferres  
 " W.H.L. Mc Donald

"G" Company

Lieut. R.V. Linton  
 2nd Lieut. W. Thomlinson  
 " E.B. Sutherland  
 " A.E. Keys

"B" Company

Lieut. M.L. Cameron  
 2nd Lt. F.W. Harris  
 " W.L. Smallhorn  
 " J.B. Laing  
 " L.W. Elliott  
 " E. Corney.

"D" Company

2nd Lieut. W.P. Trainor  
 " R.A. Morgan  
 " S.J. Nichol  
 " J.I. Snowball  
 " W.I. Stephens

Vacancies at present are being filled by Candidates for Commissions as under:-

"A" Coy.	Sergt. J.G. Mc Callum
	Sergt. E.H. Anderson
"C" Coy.	Corpl. W.R. Allen
"D" Coy	Corpl. R.A. Salmon.

*W.H. 18/2/16*