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WAR DIARY

DADOS N.Z.DIVISION

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Nos 25, 26,
27. & 28.Part II Order
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No. 9.

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Place EGYPT	Date 1940	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
	Nov.		
1			Routine
2			do
3			do
4			Arranged contract for cleaning and reblocking of all Hats worthy of renovation - about 500. Fixed laundry contract for the laundering of all S.D. uniforms before returning them to N.Z. - 1½ P.T. per complete uniform.
5			Arranged for issue of one further blanket to personnel in Maadi and the despatch of one blanket per man to Units in the W.D. The second blanket per man for Units in the W.D. is to be drawn from British sources. No fourth blanket for personnel in Maadi.
6			New W.E. Table issued to Bns. and they were instructed to indent up to 1098 scale. 50 Sun Compasses despatched to Units in W.D.
7			Wrote to Officer i/c Administration in regard to proposed arrangements re capitation and also the necessary financial adjustments consequent upon change to capitation.
8			Routine
9			do
10			do
11			With SOME to Middle East to see what arrangements have been made for providing us with Workshops. After learning of the provision intended, we decided they should be staffed by N.Z. personnel and have recommended such to A.A. & Q.M.G. and Officer i/c Adminsitration.
12			Routine
13			With B.O.O. to Alexandria - got mixed up in the fiercest air raid of the war on Alex.
14			Saw DADOS, Alexandria regarding the clothing to be supplied by us as replacements etc. during the laundry of the clothing from our Units in the W.D. Saw over the whole laundry system and made arrangements to attach an Ordnance Storeman to the laundry for the purpose of looking after our interests and at the same time helping units in general with their laundry. Also arranged to draw 5000 shorts, K.D. from DADOS, Alexandria, which are required urgently for the purpose of clothing personnel of the Third Contingent.
15			Presided at meeting of Div. Sports Executive in the evening.
16			It was reported to me that bad ammunition had made a number of Bren Guns Unserviceable, so stopped all shooting of CAC 1927 Ammunition and took samples of the ammunition and some barrels to the A.I.A., who confirmed my action. Also discussed with him a course for the armourers of the Third Contingent. Drew 193 Liquid Compasses for issue to Units and Officers.
17			Arranged transfer of Capt. N.P. Manning to Base as SOME. Put up for further Store huts for Ordnance. Forwarded to Officer i/c Administration comments on Lt. Col. T.J. King's proposed Base Establishment. Conference with Officer i/c Admin. in regard to financial adjustments with the War Office.

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Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	21/1	Remarks and references to Appendices
1940 Nov. 18		Finally located the 3" Mortar returned by rail by the 19 Bn over a month ago. Sent a new 3" Mortar off to the 19 Bn. Distributed 70 Pistols Signal. A/Tank Rifles still not available from Ordnance. Indications are that Maadi alone will constitute N.Z.Base.		
19		Produced schedule indicating distribution of the Liquid Compasses and the redistribution of Compasses Prismatic MkVIII thus made available. Saw Officer i/c Admin. re inclusion of Instrument Mechanics in Base Ordnance establishment.		
20		Saw Ordnance and requested them to buy welding sets for our LADs. Then on to Convalescent Depot at Moascar for conference re outfitting of personnel leaving the Depot.		
21		Lt. J.O.Kelsey promoted to rank of Temp. Capt. as from Sept. 29. Advice that 6 more 3" Mortars are available.		
22		Saw DDMS re surplus 1098 Stores held by the Convalescent Depot.		
23		At long last succeeded in getting authority for the issue of 10 No. 1 Portable Cookers. Gave Officer i/c Admin.		
24		do		
25		Went to Helwan to select suitable areas for football grounds. Very few good areas available. Officer i/c Admin. and O.C.Sigs. agreed to transfer of a Sigm. to Base Ordnance as a typewriter mechanic.		
26		Conference with O.O., No. 2 Sub-Depot on various matters. Also inspected furniture that may be suitable for NZEF Club.		
27		Conference in connection with the expansion of the Div. Large increase envisaged which will mean considerable increase in Ordnance personnel - possibly five Independent Bde. Workshops. Further 120 Pistols Signal to hand.		
28		Conference with A.A. & Q.M.G. Main points - scale of mess gear for Officers messes when in the field; weight and composition of Officers kits. Went to M.E. to see if possible to obtain more Pistols - none available.		
29		Just received final grouping of Units of Fourth Reinforcements. From the point of view of provision of camp equipment such late notice of the grouping of units is most unsatisfactory.		
30		Conference with Officer i/c Admin. in connection with provision of Staff for Bde. Workshop. Decided it was possible to staff one from personnel already here and coming with Fourth Reinforcements, but that all the personnel for the remaining Workshops should come from N.Z.		
		Went to Helwan with SOME and inspected the Australian Field Workshops.		

Major.
for DADOS.
N.Z.DIV.

December 1940.

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Date	Hour	Events
1940		Attended Gunnery Course at Gun Shops, Abbassia. Testing of guns for OME's inspections.
Nov.	1	Normal Routine.
2		Completed Gunnery Course.
4		Inspected workshop jobs at 14 LAD. Normal routine.
5		Normal routine.
6		Leave for Western Desert. 2/Lt. England accompanies me. Call at 2 Cav. and discuss M.T. matters with OME & T.O. Call at GHQ Troops Workshops to discuss position of major repairs for 4 Bde. Group with Major. Berry. At H.Q. 4 Inf. Bde have conference with Staff Captain regarding M.T. and Ordnance matters affecting Units in Bde. Group.
7		Conference with Asst. Staff Captain continued. Call on 4 Fd. Regt., 9 LAD., 34 A.Tank.Bty., 4 Fd. Amb., 5 Fd. Park Coy. and 10 LAD. At 5 Fd. Park Coy. inspect workshops and water pump stations.
8		To H.Q. W.D.F. Long session with Col. Howard-Jones. (OME) Arrange with him to purchase locally Chev. tools and welding gear for LAD's. Also Col. Howard-Jones arranges for charging plant to be sent to H.Q. 4 Inf. Bde. OME informs me that N.Z. Division must consider forming either Divisional or Bde. Group Workshops and he suggests that this matter be discussed with DOS at M.E. on my return. It is realised that GHQ have agreed that Field Workshops are to be provided for 2nd line repairs for N.Z. Division, but it is considered that if these Field Workshops are provided they should be staffed and controlled by N.Z. Division. OME is also endeavouring to arrange for issue of deficient B/down Lorries for LAD'S.
9		Arrange evacuation scheme with W.D.F.
10		Call on ADOS W.D.F. re Ordnance matters.
11		To 6 Fd. Coy. to discuss M.T. and Ordnance matters. To G H.Q. Troops Workshops re exchange system of M.T. parts and also to study layout of Workshops. Final conference with Bde. Staff Captain and W.O.s.
12		Leave W.D. Call at 2 Cav. Arrive back at Maadi at 1800 hours.
		Peruse correspondence. Complete notes for DADOS N.Z. Division.
		Normal routine.
		To GHQ Middle East with Major Andrews to see Col. Warren regarding provision of Field Workshops for Division or Bde. Groups. This position is unsatisfactory and plans must be formulated. Referred this to A.A. & Q.M.G. (DADOS 13/20/1190 of 13/11/40) Lt. Pollock of 10 LAD called and discussed local purchase of LAD equipment authorised by OME W.D.F.

Supplement
2 pages

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Summary of Events and Information

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Date	Hour	
1940		
Nov.		
12		Discussed with DADOS the position of Divisional and Base Formations in relation to OME's. A/Sgt. N.J. Rollinson of 13 LAD is attached to OCTU. for commission as an OME. Normal routine. To inspect Workshops jobs at 14 LAD. Lt. Ward in Office compiling modifications Register.
13		Normal routine.
14		Inspect work in progress at 14 LAD. Normal routine.
15		To VRS Mena and Abbassia reAOOC personnel for training and also issue of vehicles.
16		Normal routine during morning.
17		Normal routine.
18		Normal routine. Explained to Capt. Manning his duties as SOME at Base.
19		Normal routine. Compiled a schedule of the duties and functions of a DADOS(E) of a Division.
20		To 14 LAD inspection of work in progress. 2/Lt. England appointed OME of 11 LAD in place of
21		Capt. Mander who is at Reception Depot. I am promoted to temporary Captain "while performing the duties of SOME" to date from 29 Sept. 1940.
22		Normal routine.
23		Normal routine. Division notified that beginning with 8 and 15 cwt. Trucks, all M.T. in Division will be changed over to Ford so that there will be uniformity. Despite the fact that all modifications on Morris vehicles have been made, and that Units are equipped with spares for these vehicles, this move in the direction of uniformity is welcomed.
24		Normal routine during morning.
25		Experiment with each type of vehicle for screening of tail lights. Produce a specification for uniformity of this within the Division which is submitted to O.M.Es. Bauchop of 9 LAD calls and we discuss matters affecting his LAD, 4 Fd. Regt., and 34 A.Tank. Bty.
26		Normal routine. Spent afternoon with 2/Lt. England who is appointed OME of 11 L.A.D. and gave him full particulars of his LAD and instructions regarding his work with 4 Inf. Bde.
27		Normal routine. Informed that N.Z. Division is to be equipped with at least 3 and later 5 RAOC Field workshops of the modified RAOC Air Formation or Independent Brigade Group types. To GHQ Middle East to obtain copy of establishment of these types of Workshops.
28		Normal routine. Arranged with Major Pritchett of GHQ Middle East for loan of two light tanks for Tank Hunting demonstration on 10 Dec.
29		Normal routine. In touch with GHQ Middle East regarding issue of 22 Carriers-Scout to 2 Cav. Regt.

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1940 Nov. 30		To inspect Australian 2/2 Army Field Workshops which are well equipped with tools and machinery, If ever we are called upon to design our own field workshops, consider we should follow the Australian plan in some respects. Their L.A.D.s. are equipped with a garage trailer which is in effect a small mobile workshop. We should enquire if any of these Units are available as they would be admirable for our LAD's.	
		J.O. Kelly Capt. SOME. N.Z.DIV.	2.12.40.

J. O. Kelley
Capt.
SOME.
N.Z.DIV.

SUPPLEMENT TO SOME'S WAR DIARY NOVEMBER 1940.

LADs

Summary of LAD work

LADs functioned from 21 May 1940 after personnel had been withdrawn from courses to which they were attached after arrival in E.

9 LAD attached 4 Fd. Regt. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

163 major repair jobs

198 minor " "

71 workshop jobs

8 recovery "

10 LAD attached 5 Fd. Park Coy. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

146 major repair jobs

110 minor " "

27 workshop jobs

Service and maintenance of pumping stations at Maaten Bagush for 6 weeks from 8 Sept. 1940.

The major repair jobs include part of 100 Chevrolet vehicles on issue to R.Es. which are being serviced by 10 LAD.

11 LAD attached H.Q. 4 Inf. Bde. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

63 major repair jobs

157 minor " "

73 workshops jobs

7 recovery jobs

This LAD supplies half its staff to work in GHQ Troops Workshops.

12 LAD attached 27(MG)Bn. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

59 major repair jobs

99 minor " "

51 workshop jobs

2 recovery "

13 LAD attached 2 Cav. Regt. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

161 major repair jobs

124 minor " "

57 workshop jobs

9 recovery "

10 modifications patterns

LAD attached N.Z. Div. Sigs. Summary of work 21.5.40 to 30.11.40.

84 major repair jobs

83 minor " "

5 workshop jobs

recovery "

ADs (3 Contingent)

functioning, but not at full strength, towards end of November.

Analysis of Work completed - 6 months period.

Total Major repair Jobs	676
" Minor " "	771
" Major Base or Field Workshops Jobs	374
" Recovery jobs.	21

LAD	% Major repair jobs	% Minor repair jobs	% Major W/Shops Jobs	% Recovery jobs
9	24	26	19	27
10	21.5	14	8	-
11	9.5	20	20	23
12	9	13	13.5	7
13	23.5	17	15	30
14	12.5	10	24.5	13
	100	100	100	100

Comparison of LAD & Workshop Jobs.

LAD	% Jobs within capabilities of LAD	% Jobs at Base or Field W/Shops
9	84	16
10	90.5	9.5
11	82	18
12	76	24
13	84	16
14	65	35
Average	80	20

9,10,11,12,13,14 LADs moved with 4 Bde. Group to Western Desert at end of August and beginning of September 1940. 14 LAD returned with Unit to Maadi on 28 Sept. 1940.

PART 2 ORDER
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Egypt

No 26
8 Nov 40

Previous Issue Dated I/II/40

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NZ ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

76 STRENGTH INCREASE

(a) Transfers

5697 Pte Gulliver JH (20 Bn)

Tfd to NZAOC Base Ord Depot & att (temp) to
HQ NZ Div WEF 2/II/40

23833 Pte McKibbon OC (Reinfs Depot)

Tfd to NZAOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div WEF 2/II/40

3203I Pte Watson TH (Pro Coy)

Tfd to NZAOC & att FAP Pro Coy WEF 25/I0/40

2501 Pte Reynolds EA (5 Fd Pk Coy)

Tfd to NZAOC & Posted to IO LAD WEF 27/I0/40

77 PROMOTIONS

9420 WO I Reid F

Appointed to Commissioned Rank as 2/Lieut
WEF 2I/9/40 (Ref 2NZEF List IO dated I/II/40)
To be Temp Sgt WEF 24/I0/40

5473 Pte Kerby JW

78 EXTRA DUTY PAY

3203I Pte Watson TH (att Pro Coy)

Eligible to draw ED Pay as MT Fitter WEF 29/I0/40

5697 Pte Gulliver JH (Base Ord Depot)

Eligible to draw ED Pay as Clerk WEF 14/I0/40

II825 Gnr Duane GH (6 Fd Regt))

Eligible to draw ED Pay as Clerks WEF 2I/I0/40

24528 Gnr Gilbert-Smith G ")

(temp att NZAOC)

23833 Pte McKibbon OC (DADOS Staff)

Eligible to draw ED Pay as Clerk WEF 2I/I0/40

32803 Pte O'Donnell RE (25 Bn)

Eligible to draw ED Pay as Clerk WEF 2/I0/40

(temp att NZAOC)

DIV INT SEC

79 STRENGTH INCREASE

(a) Rejoined Unit

8534 L/Cpl Horgan CR

Rejoined Int Sec from Base Reinfs Depot WEF
5/II/40

DIV POSTAL UNIT

80 ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS

5758 Spr Farrell AELG (Base Post)

Adm Camp Rec Hosp & CTBA Div Post WEF 3I/I0/40

5601 L/Cpl Forbes IP

Marched out on Duty att Base Post WEF 1/II/40

6337 Sgt Sefton P

Marched out on Duty att Base Post WEF 2/II/40

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Egypt

No 27
22 Nov 40

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ARMY CDRN NCL CORPS
STRENGTH INCREASE
(a) Transfers

II825 Pte Duane GH (6 Fd Regt) Tfd to NZLOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div
24528 Pte Gilbert-Smith G WEF 2/II/40
II859 Pte Shepherd HJ (DivSupColn) Tfd to NZLOC DADOS Staff WEF II/II/40
6247 Cpl Dyer IG (NZLOC) Tfd from HQ 6 Inf Bde to Reinfs Depot
as Armourer WEF II/II/40

5503 Pte Watson RW (18 Bn)

Tfd to NZLOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div

WEF II/II/40

I3352 Pte Thomas JW (26 Bn)

Tfd to NZLOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div

WEF 4/II/40

5468 Pte Ivey ME (HQ NZEF Base)

Tfd to NZLOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div

WEF 16/II/40

STRENGTH DECREASE

II68 L/L/Sgt Rollinson NJ (I3LD att 2 Cav) Marched out to OCTU 2NZEF
WEF 12/II/40

X 82 EXTRA DUTY PAY

I3352 Pte Thomas JW

Eligible for ED Pay as Clerk WEF 4/II/40

3384 Pte Hansen MG (9 LD)

Eligible for ED Pay as Mitter WEF

14/9/40

Corrigendum

✓ 32803 Pte O'Donnell RE

Ref Pt 2 Ord No 26 Para 78 dated 8/II/40
for "2/I0/40" substitute "21/I0/40"

DIV INT SEC

83 ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS

4872 Sgt Rogers RLG

Marched in CTB HQ 4 Inf Bde WEF 7/II/40

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DIV POSTAL UNIT

84 STRENGTH INCREASE

2669 L/Cpl Dobbie RM (18 Bn)

Marched in tfd to Div Postal Unit &
att Base Post Office WEF 16/II/40

STRENGTH DECREASE
(a) Hospital

6339 Spr Osmond LJJ

Adm Camp Rec Hosp 18/II/40 (X List ii)

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85 PROMOTIONS & REDUCTIONS

2669 L/Cpl Dobbie RM

Reverts to ranks at own request WEF
16/II/40

86 ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS

4189 Spr Bradley T)
34867 " McLaughlin WH)
6340 Cpl McNamara FE)
6341 Spr O'Connor MP)
34138 Spr Paterson GC)
5613 " Plumley SW)
34310 " Watters HT)
34508 " Tweedale DJ)

Marched out on duty to Base Post Office
WEF 9/II/40

marched out att No 15 Scottish Gen Hosp
WEF 7/II/40

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DIVISION
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PART 2 ORDER
DAG's Office(2nd Echelon) 2NZEF

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NZ ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

87 STRENGTH INCREASE

24862 Pte Stuart V (6 Fd Regt) Tfd to NZAOC Base Ord Depot WEF 18/II/40
5713 " Oliver JEK (Div Postal) Tfd to NZAOC Base Depot WEF 18/II/40
5498 " Solon PE (HQNZASC) Tfd to NZAOC Base Ord Depot WEF 19/II/40

88 EXTRA DUTY PAY

24862 Pte Stuart V

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29 Nov 40

5498 Pte Solon PE

Eligible for ED Pay as Clerk WEF

I8/II/40

Eligible for ED Pay as Clerk WEF

II/II/40

DIV INT SEC

Nil

DIV POSTAL UNIT

89 STRENGTH INCREASE

(a) Rejoined Unit

6339 Spr Osmond LAJ

Mchd in from I Camp Rec Hosp 20/II/40

90 PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

6339 Spr Osmond LAJ

To be Temp Cpl WEF 22/II/40

6343 Spr Kirby JR

To be L/Cpl WEF 22/II/40

91 ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS

5814 Spr Hazlewood NH

Mchd out on duty to Base Post Office
WEF 21/II/40

5752 Spr Balneaves AJ)

Mchd in from duty with Base Post Office
WEF 21/II/40

5619 " Bartosh JJ)

Mchd out on duty to Base Post Office
WEF 20/II/40

6343 " Kirby JR)

Mchd out for duty in WD WEF 22/II/40

2669 Spr Dobbie RM)

Mchd out on duty to Base Post Office
WEF 24/II/40

6319 " Brooks TM)

5694 Spr Sprague RR)

5620 Spr McKee RD)

5712 " Barrow FA)

NOTE Corrigendum

All previous refs to "personnel placed on Unit Supernumerary List & Seconded" should read "posted to Extra Regimental Unit (ie DAG's Office) & placed on X List I Note This does not necessitate any action by the unit

for Capt DAG
DAG's Office(2nd Echelon)
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In lieu of Army Form O I8I0a

UNITS AS DESIGNATED

PART 2 ORDER

OFFICERS ONLY No 9
 8 Nov 40

Station EGYPT

Previous Issue Dated II/10/40

NZ ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

I5 STRENGTH INCREASE

2/Lieut Reid F

Tfd from NZAOC DADOS Staff HQ NZ Div to Base Ord Depot 2NZEF att HQ NZ Div as Ordnance Officer WEF 2/II/40

Appointed to commissioned rank of 2/Lieut TEF
21/9/40

Lieut Fleming CK (20 Bn) Tfd to NZAOC & Posted to I3 LAD as ONE TEF 29/10/40

DIV INT SEC

Nil

DIV POSTAL UNIT

I6 PROMOTION

2/Lieut Shelker JH

To be Lieut TEF 26/8/40
(Ref 2NZEF List of Appts & Promotions No 10
dated I/II/40)

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