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The following Revised Regulations and Standing Orders for the Camel Corps are published for the information and guidance of all concerned.

Officers are expected to interpret them reasonably and with due regard to the interests of the service.

All previous editions of Camel Corps Regulations and Standing Orders are hereby cancelled.

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**CAMEL CORPS REGULATIONS
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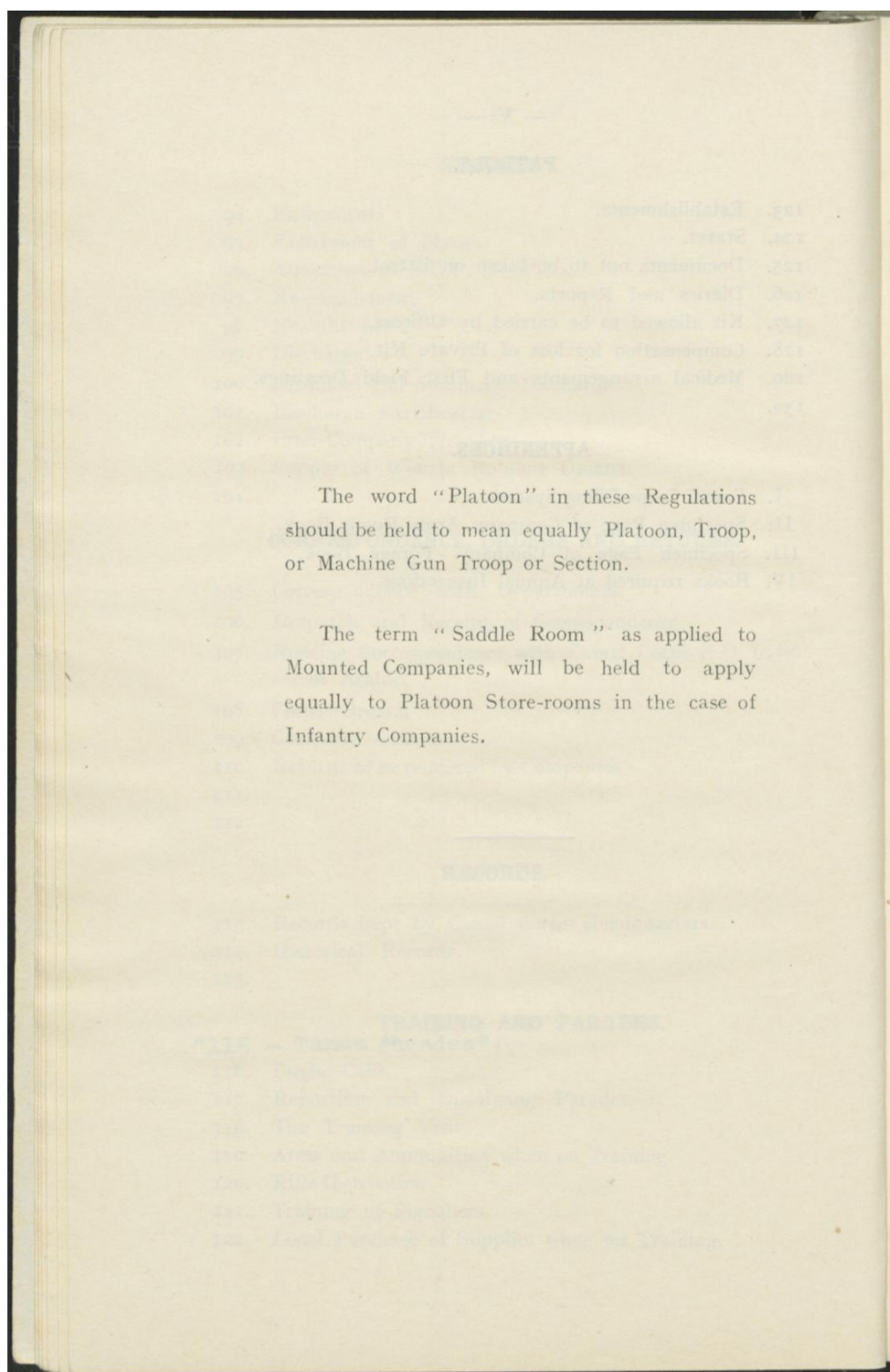
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CAMEL CORPS REGULATIONS

and

STANDING ORDERS**1928.****1. General Principles.**

The Camel Corps is an Irregular Corps, the Officers and men of which are Infantry Soldiers. The Principles of Infantry Training will govern their tactical employment, their increased mobility in the case of the Mounted Units being utilized to enable them to cover greater distances and operate with a larger radius of action than is possible in the case of men on foot. In the case of all Companies, both Mounted and Dis-mounted, special importance is attached to power of rapid mobilization and to mobility, these qualities being valued higher than dress and parade drill.

Camel Corps soldiers should be good shots, active, and those of Mounted Companies not too heavy. Mounted men should ride well, be good camel, horse, and mule masters, and perform mounted evolutions, so that they may be able to reap the full advantage of the mobility afforded them by their animals.

The N.C.Os. and men are Irregulars, practically all locally enlisted. They house and feed themselves, and provide a certain proportion of their Official Clothing and Equipment. Arms, Government Equipment and certain articles of Government Clothing are kept in Store-rooms and issued as required for duties, training or patrol.

Subject to the supervision and general direction of the Officer Commanding, Camel Corps, Company Commanders are solely responsible for the discipline, interior economy, equipment, and preparedness for war of their Companies, the training of their Officers, N.C.Os. and men, and the condition of their animals.

2. Organisation.

The establishment of the Camel Corps is laid down annually in the Sudan Defence Force Budget.

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The organisation in detail of Companies is laid down by the Officer Commanding, Camel Corps.

The Corps as at present constituted consists of:—

A Headquarters Company comprising the administrative staff, the Commanding Officer's Escort, and a Garrison Machine Gun Platoon of 4 guns.

Two Camel Companies each consisting of 4 Platoons of riflemen and a section of 2 Machine Guns.

One Company of Mounted Infantry consisting of 4 Troops of riflemen and a section of 2 Machine Guns, the whole being mounted on horses and mules.

Four dismounted Companies each consisting of 2 Platoons of riflemen, a section of 2 Machine Guns and a section of mule transport. As a part of each of these companies would always be required for garrison duty, transport is provided only for one platoon and one Machine gun.

Each Company is commanded by a Bimbashi (Company Commander). There are also a number of Bimbashia on the establishment of Camel Corps Headquarters, who are usually attached to Companies and whose duty it is to take over command during the absence of the Company Commanders.

Each Company has an establishment of Arab or Sudanese Officers consisting of 1 Yuzbashi, 1 Mulazim Machine Gun Officer, and 1 Mulazim per 2 Platoons or Troops.

The personnel of the Headquarters Company, the 3 Mounted Companies and 1 of the Dismounted Companies is Arab, that of the 3 remaining Dismounted Companies is almost wholly Nuba.

3. Distinguishing Flags.

The Camel Corps Flag is a rectangular Green Flag with a Black \blacktriangle in the centre.

The Officer Commanding, Camel Corps, distinguishing flag is a Square Green Flag with a Red \blacktriangle in the centre.

Company Distinguishing Flags will be as follows:—

The Company Commander's Flag will be 4 feet square; Troop, Platoon, and Machine Gun Section Flags will be 3 feet square.

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Each flag will consist of three strips of equal breadth ; the centre strip being white and the outer strips coloured :

Colours will be as follows :—

No. 1 Company	Red	Horizontal Strips.
	White	
	Red	
No. 2 Company	Green	Horizontal Strips.
	White	
	Green	
No. 3 Company	Black	Horizontal Strips
	White	
	Black	
No. 4 Company	Yellow	Horizontal Strips
	White	
	Yellow	
No. 5 Company	Red-White-Red	Vertical Strips
No. 6 Company	Green-White-Green	Vertical Strips
No. 7 Company	Black-White-Black	Vertical Strips.

The above are distinguishing flags and not Colours ; their primary function is for easily distinguishing units at a distance in the field.

No flags should be carried on ordinary Mounted Parades.

On ceremonial parades the Company Flag only may be carried. It is on no account to be lowered at the salute, or to be subject to any ceremonial observances. Guards of Honour will not carry Company Flags.

Company, Troop, Platoon, and M.G. Section Flags should always be carried on Patrol, and on field work when they are required for practical purposes.

4. Distinguishing Badge of Headquarters Personnel and O.C's Escort.

In khaki dress the N.C.Os. and men of the Mounted portion of the Camel Corps Headquarters and of the O.C.

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Camel Corps Escort will wear a distinguishing badge consisting of a stripe of green braid half an inch wide on the edge of each shoulder strap.

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DUTIES.

5. Officer Commanding, Camel Corps.

The Officer commanding, Camel Corps, is responsible for the command, training, and efficiency of the Camel Corps.

6. Second-in-Command.

The Second-in-Command whilst making himself fully acquainted with the duties of the Officer Commanding, so as to enable him immediately to take over command when required, is more especially charged with :—

Animals and Remounts

Supply and distribution of Ammunition

General supervision of Clothing and Equipment

Supply and distribution of Forage

Supply and distribution of Maps and Route Reports ;
in addition to which he is Officer Commanding the Headquarters Company.

7. Staff Officer.

(1) He is the Staff Officer of the Camel Corps, Central Area, and El Obeid Station.

(2) He is responsible for seeing the O.C. Camel Corps Orders carried out and will immediately bring to the notice of the O.C., Camel Corps, any irregularities or infringement of orders.

(3) His position with regard to the Camel Corps Headquarters Unit is the same as that with regard to any of the Companies. He is not directly charged with the command, training, or administration of this unit as such, but is responsible for the duties of those of the Headquarters Staff, who work under him.

(For this purpose all N.C.Os., men and employees whose duties are in connection with the Corps, Area, or Station as opposed to with the Headquarters Unit only will work under him, but he is not responsible for their training and administration.)

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He is not responsible for the Arms, Ammunition, Clothing and Equipment on charge of the Headquarters Unit, or for the Headquarters Stores.

(4) He is responsible for Arabic Correspondence, Forms, States, and Returns received or prepared by Camel Corps Headquarters. He will check all Orders, Part II received from Companies before they are submitted to the O.C. Camel Corps and bring to his notice any irregularities. He is responsible that all Registers and Records kept by Headquarters in Arabic are correct and up-to-date.

(5) He is responsible that Area and Corps Orders are correctly compiled and that all moves and casualties are inserted.

(6) He will initial all Arabic correspondence, Returns and States and Orders for Payment before submitting them to the Officer Commanding for signature.

(7) He will issue no orders to Companies except with the approval of the Officer Commanding, Camel Corps.

(8) On matters concerning Companies, he will invariably correspond with Officers Commanding Companies. He will not correspond direct with Yuzbashia or Junior Officers. He will see that all correspondence addressed by Companies to Headquarters is signed by Officers Commanding Companies.

(9) He will be responsible for all detachments and details arriving at or departing from El Obeid. When a Company or large detachment arrives in or leaves the Station, he will invariably attend in person.

(10) He will be responsible for and supervise all details other than Camel Corps, passing through El Obeid whilst they are in the Station.

(11) He is responsible for the Station Police, and the Station Prison, for the cleanliness and sanitation of the Military Area, and for the distribution of water.

(12) Under the Officer Commanding, Camel Corps, he is responsible for the administration of the Area Grants and will keep the accounts of these Grants.

(13) He will be responsible for all unoccupied quarters and buildings at El Obeid and will take charge of the keys.

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8. Officers Commanding Companies.

Officers Commanding Companies are responsible for the training, readiness for war, and efficiency of their Companies in every respect.

9. Yuzbashia.

The Yuzbashi, whilst making himself acquainted with all Orders issued by the Officer Commanding Company, is especially charged under the supervision of the Officer Commanding Company, with Accounts, Arabic Correspondence, Pay, Clothing, Equipment, and Forage. He will keep the O.C. Company informed on all matters regarding these subjects. He will not normally be required to take part in training, and when the Company leaves the Station on training or patrol, he will as a rule be left in charge of the base.

10. Company Orderly Officers.

An Orderly Officer will be detailed in each Company. He will be detailed by the day or week as the O.C. Company may decide.

He will mount and visit the Company Guards and Sentries, will personally supervise the daily issue of forage, will attend stables and feeds, and will perform such other duties as the Officer Commanding Company may direct.

11. Troop and Platoon Commanders.

Troop and Platoon Commanders are responsible for their Animals, and for the Arms, Ammunition, Clothing and Equipment issued to their Troops or Platoons.

12. Bash-Shawishia.

The Bash-Shawish will be considered as always on duty. He is responsible for the discipline and routine of the Company during and out of working hours. He is responsible that the O.C. Company's Orders are carried out and will immediately bring to the notice of the O.C. Company any contravention of orders or breaches of discipline. He is solely responsible for the good order and cleanliness of the Harimat Lines.

13. Distribution of Duties of N.C.Os.

The Shawishia and Wokala Shawishia in Mounted Coys. will command the grazing guards and Inlying Picquets, and *tulba detailed daily for the distribution of forage.*

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The Onbashia will command the Company Guards ; only in very exceptional circumstances will this duty be performed by a N.C.O. below the rank of paid Onbashi.

The Wokala Shawishia and Onbashia in Mounted Coys. will command the Stable Picquets.

The Wokala Onbashia will perform the duties of Orderly N.C.O. (Shawishia and Onbashia will not perform this duty).

The Wokala Onbashia in Dismounted Companies will command the grazing guards and Stable Picquets.

14. Office Staff.

(1) In Companies in which there is both a Sol Tayin and a Buluk Amin, the Office and Stores work will normally be distributed as follows :—

Sol Tayin :— Clothing and Equipment.
Stores Form 22.
Supplies and Supply Account.
Animal Register.
Arabic Correspondence.

Buluk Amin :— Nominal Roll.
N.C.Os.' and Men's Records.
Compilation of Pay List.
Orders, Part II.

The Buluk Amin will normally accompany the unit on trek and patrol. The Sol Tayin will not usually be required to leave the Peace Station.

(2) In Companies in which there is no Sol Tayin, the Wakil Buluk Amin will as a rule go out with the Company, and the Buluk Amin will remain at the Peace Station.

15. Company Guard Commanders.

- (1) He will make himself acquainted with the Standing Orders of the Guard and of each sentry's post.
- (2) He will inspect every relief before it goes out and on its return.
- (3) He is responsible that all men of his guard are at all times uniformly dressed.

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- (4) He is responsible for all arms, ammunition and equipment in the armoury, which is always to be locked and the key thereof in his possession ; he will allow no one to enter the armoury, except in his presence ; he will take over the rifles in the armoury by number from the Commander of the old guard, and report the number thus taken over to the O.C. Company ; he will check the number of rifles received from and returned to the armoury during his tour of duty.

After morning parades are dismissed, rifles will be chained and padlocked, and he is responsible that all chains and padlocks are in good repair.

16. Company Orderly N.C.O.

The duties of the Orderly Wakil Onbashi are as follows :—

- (1) He will be detailed for one week.
- (2) He will not leave barracks except on duty.
- (3) He will accompany the Orderly Officer on his rounds by day and night.
- (4) He will parade the sick and march them to hospital.
- (5) At night he will sleep at the Guard Room.
- (6) He will report any unusual occurrence by day or night to the Bash-Shawish and then to the Orderly Officer.

17. Company Guards.

Guards will normally mount at noon.

Men mounting guard will attend before breakfast parade, but will attend no parade or tulba after breakfast.

Men dismounting will attend no parade or tulba in the afternoon, but in Mounted Companies will attend evening stables and in all Companies they will attend parade at "Retreat."

Guards will be inspected by Company Orderly Officers before mounting.

Guards will mount in drill order.

18. Inlying Picquets.

Each Company will mount an Inlying Picquet strength not less than 12 N.C.Os. and men, who will sleep close to the Company Guard. Picquets will mount at "First Post" and

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dismiss at "Reveille" and will be under the command of a Shawish or Wakil Shawish.

Inlying Picquets will as far as possible consist of a unit (e.g. a Half Platoon) and should include a proportion of Junior N.C.Os.

19. Duty Rosters.

Each Company will keep a roster of Non-Commissioned Officers' and men's duties. Duty Rosters will be kept in ink and will show all such duties as Orderly N.C.O., guards, grazing guards, stable picquets, etc. Inlying picquet will not be considered as a tour of duty, and will not be shown in the roster. The Duty Roster will be kept under the supervision of an Officer, and will be inspected weekly by the O.C. Company.

DISCIPLINE.

20. Powers of Field Officers.

(1) The summary powers of the Corps Commander are as follows :—

(a) In the case of Non-commissioned Officers :—

Dismissal.

Reduction to a lower rank or to the ranks in the case of Shawishia or Junior N.C.Os.

Deprivation of Pay up to ten days.

Reprimand.

Stoppages of Pay to make good the loss of Government Property.

(b) In the case of Anfar :—

Dismissal.

Imprisonment up to 28 days.

Deprivation of Pay up to 10 days.

Lashes up to twenty-five.

Stoppages of Pay to make good the loss of Government Property.

For serious cases of breaches of discipline, Courts-Martial will be applied for in accordance with Military Law.

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(2) Field Officers Commanding Companies or Detachments may be given all the powers of the Corps Commander with the exception of the Reduction of Shawishia and Dismissal.

When it is considered necessary to reduce a Shawish or to dismiss a N.C.O. or man, either the case will be brought before the Corps Commander for disposal, or a full report of it will be sent to Camel Corps Headquarters in accordance with para. 27.

21. Powers of Junior Officers.

Field Officers Commanding Companies may at their discretion delegate the following powers to Junior Officers temporarily in Command of Companies or in Command of Detachments :—

(a) In the case of Non-commissioned Officers :—

Deprivation of Pay up to seven days.

Reprimand.

Stoppages of Pay to make good the loss of Government Property up to £E. 1.

(b) In the case of Anfar :—

Imprisonment up to seven days.

Deprivation of Pay up to seven days.

Stoppages of Pay to make good the loss of Government property up to £E. 1.

The above powers will be delegated in writing, a copy of the authority being forwarded to Camel Corps Headquarters by the Officer who delegates the Powers.

Lists of Punishments awarded under the above paragraph will be forwarded weekly to Camel Corps Headquarters.

22. Notes on Punishments.

In dealing with serious cases, Officers Commanding Companies should bear in mind :—

(a) That a sentence of three or more months imprisonment by Court-Martial entails immediate dismissal from the Camel Corps.

(b) That a sentence of twenty-eight days imprisonment and twenty-five lashes is a very severe punishment and should be sufficient to meet most cases in which it was still desirable to retain the man in the Camel Corps.

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(c) Therefore, that except in the case of desertion, making away with ammunition, or other serious offences, it should seldom be necessary to remand a man for Court-Martial.

(d) As a rule, awards of punishment of over fourteen days and up to twenty-eight days should be reserved for the following offences :—

Petty thefts, gross insubordination, adultery with a comrade's wife, habitual absence or drunkenness, or to cases of worthless men recommended for summary dismissal and for whom the additional punishment of fourteen days and twenty-five lashes does not appear to be sufficient.

Deprivation of Pay : It should be borne in mind that the cost of living having increased so greatly in recent years, the severity of this form of punishment has increased proportionately, so that the infliction of this form of punishment frequently leads to further crime in the form of making away with clothing and equipment, stealing grain, etc.

A punishment of deprivation of two day's pay is now equivalent to one of seven days' pay when the Camel Corps was first constituted.

On the other hand, a man who receives a punishment of imprisonment has still enough for himself and family to live on, and by the nature of the punishment is prevented from immediately trying to recoup himself by illegal methods.

When making awards of deprivation of pay, officers should invariably acquaint men as to the exact sum of money of which they are being deprived.

23. Confinement to Barracks.

The punishment of Confinement to Barracks will not be awarded. Men may, however, be punished by being awarded extra turns of guard or picquet, and by being ordered to sleep in front of the guard-room at night when not on duty.

24. Sentences of Imprisonment.

Imprisonment up to twenty-eight days may be given to anfar by Field Officers Commanding Corps but when a punishment of over fourteen days imprisonment is awarded, the O.C. Company will send a short report of the case at the

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earliest opportunity to the O.C. Camel Corps for his information and for publication in Camel Corps Orders, Part I.

All men sentenced to imprisonment at El Obeid, and men sentenced to over 7 days imprisonment at Bara will be sent to carry out their sentences in the El Obeid Military Prison.

INTERIOR ECONOMY.

26. Taking Over Command of Companies.

On all occasions when one Officer takes over the Command of a Company from another, either temporarily or permanently,

Page 12. Para 26. Delete last sentence and substitute:-

"In the case of Companies stationed in El Obeid, the change will be notified by letter".

(1) Officers Commanding Companies may without reference to Camel Corps Headquarters carry out enlistments or re-enlistments within the authorised establishments of their Companies, and re-engagements and normal discharges (*i.e.*, on completion of period of engagement).

When an O.C. Company desires to dismiss or discharge a man summarily, he will either bring the man before the O.C., Camel Corps, or send a letter giving particulars of the case to Camel Corps Headquarters; if approval is given, the O.C. Company will then carry out the dismissal or discharge.

(2) Promotions to Sol Tayin, Bash-Shawish, and Buluk-Amin will be made by the O.C. Camel Corps. Promotions to Shawish and Onbashi within the authorised establishments of Companies, and the reduction of Onbashia, may be made by Officers Commanding Companies without reference to Camel Corps H.Q. Should an O.C. Company desire to reduce a Shawish, he will either bring him before the O.C. Camel Corps, or send a letter giving full particulars of the case to Camel Corps Headquarters. The case will then be dealt with by the O.C. Camel Corps, who will notify his decision to the O.C. Company.

(3) Officers Commanding Companies may appoint Wokala Shawishia and Wokala Onbashia within the limits laid down in para. 35, and may deprive N.C.Os. and men so appointed of their acting rank.

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INTERIOR ECONOMY.

26. Taking Over Command of Companies.

On all occasions when one Officer takes over the Command of a Company from another, either temporarily or permanently, the change will invariably be notified by telegram to Camel Corps Headquarters.

~~This does not apply to Companies stationed in El Obeid.~~

27. Powers of Officers Commanding Companies.

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(3) Officers Commanding Companies may appoint Wokala Shawishia and Wokala Onbashia within the limits laid down in para. 35, and may deprive N.C.Os. and men so appointed of their acting rank.

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(4) Os.C. Companies may authorise the issue and deprivation of extra pay for specialists and artisans within the authorised establishments of their Companies and provided the recipients possess the qualifications required to make them eligible for extra pay.

The whole of the above will be notified in Company Orders, Part II.

28. Office Routine.

All men for the O.C. Company's "MAKTAB" will be paraded by the Bash-Shawish, who will be responsible that the requisite evidence is present in the case of accused men.

The practice of cases and men requesting to see the O.C. Company being taken before the Yuzbashi or other Junior Officer before being seen by the O.C. Company will not be permitted.

In the case of accused men, the O.C. Company will, after hearing the evidence, himself frame the charge and enter it in the punishment book in his own handwriting.

29. Payment of Companies.

The following will be the procedure for "paying out" in all Companies:—

(1) Pay Parade will be a Commanding Officer's parade. All men not actually on duty will attend.

(Note: Os.C. Companies may find it convenient to make all men parade in some particular dress or with some particular article of Equipment *e.g.*, Kurbags or Hizams for the purpose of inspection.)

(2) Men absent from Pay Parade on account of duty will attend a recall Pay Parade at a time to be fixed by the Officer Commanding Company.

(3) Every man will attend to receive his own pay. Men's pay will not be issued to their wives. An officer will be detailed to take over and issue the pay of men in hospital.

(4) Non-Commissioned Officers and men will be paid out by the Yuzbashi or Acting Yuzbashi in the Officer Commanding Company's Office.

(5) At the time of paying out the amount payable to each man will be entered in one copy of the Pay List in ink.

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(6) A manuscript book will be kept; the following will be entered in Columns in this book prior to the time for paying out :—

- (a) Men's names.
- (b) Amount payable as shown by Pay List.
- (c) All unofficial deductions in separate Columns, *e.g.*, barber, loans from Canteen, stoppages for white-clothing, Canteen, civil suits which the man has agreed to pay by instalments, etc.
- (d) Amount to be given to men.
- (e) Signature of officer paying out to be entered at time of payment.

The deductions under (c) will be totalled on the conclusion of paying out and the total amount handed to persons concerned.

This book will be retained in the Company as an unofficial record.

(7) No money will be collected from men at the time of paying out except through the book referred to in para. 6.

(8) Civilians, except any specially authorised by the Officer Commanding the Company, will not be allowed in or in the vicinity of the Office at the time of paying out.

(9) No money will be stopped from a man's pay in connection with any civil debt or fine or sentence imposed by the Civil Authorities without the man being brought before the Officer Commanding his Company.

30. Advances of Pay.

When N.C.Os. and men are warned for Patrol, the period the patrol will be away for can often be foretold, and Coy. Commanders will satisfy themselves that the men forming the patrol receive a suitable advance of pay so as to enable them to provide themselves with food.

Advances of pay to recruits on joining, and to N.C.Os. and men proceeding on Active Service or on leave will be made in accordance with S.D.F. Financial Regulations, Chapter IV, Article 20 (b).

31. Stoppages of Pay.

In awarding punishments entailing stoppages of pay, Company Commanders are to ascertain whether any previous

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stoppages of pay have been awarded during the current month to the offender, and must make such arrangements so as to leave the prisoner a residue of pay of not less than two and a half piastres per diem.

32. Company Allotments.

(1) Allotments will be made to genuine relations only, and Officers Commanding Companies concerned will, as far as possible, satisfy themselves as to the genuineness of the relationship.

(2) Allotments will not be made to other soldiers, in the Corps, or to merchants.

(3) Only one allotment will be made at one time.

(4) Each allottee must produce a special pay book (with which he will be provided at the expense of the allotter) bearing the name of the allottee and allotter, and quoting the number and date of letter concerning the allotment; the amount paid will be entered therein and the book signed by the officer making the payment and by the recipient. When the allotment ceases, a red line will be drawn under the last payment and the authority quoted. No payment will be made without the production of this special book.

(5) The above orders do not invalidate the instructions laid down in the S.D.F. Financial Regulations governing the payment of allotments.

33. Attachment of Details to Companies at El Obeid.

Details of other Units passing through or temporarily stationed at El Obeid will be attached to Companies as follows:—

To Camel Corps Headquarters:—

All units of the Camel Corps not stationed at El Obeid

To No. 1 Company, Camel Corps:—

Cavalry and Mounted Rifles.

Engineer Troops.

Western Arab Corps.

"Northern Training Depot.

Motor Machine Gun Batteries.

To No. 3 Company, Camel Corps:—

~~Sudanese Machine Gun Battery.~~

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Eastern Arab Corps.

Equatorial Corps.

Sudan Defence Force Band.

To No. 2 Company, "Mechanical Transport"

Supplies Department.

Animal Transport Depot".

Mechanical Transport Department.

34. Promotion Qualifications.

No N.C.O. or man, who is within six months of completion of his period of service, is to be promoted to a higher rank unless he is willing to extend for a further period of service. Should a N.C.O. be reduced to a lower rank before the completion of that period, this engagement will not be binding upon him.

A N.C.O. who has been reduced to a lower grade or to the ranks, is to be given no promotion until after a period of six Calendar months from the date of his reduction.

35. Acting Ranks.

(1) One Wakil Shawish will be appointed per troop or platoon; his normal duty will be as a Section Commander, but he will also understudy the Platoon Shawish with a view to taking over the latter's duties at a moment's notice in the event of him being absent or becoming non-effective.

Specialist Onbashia (*e.g.*, Signallers or Saddlers) should on appointment as Wokala Shawishia revert to duty with their platoons in order to perform the duty of Wakil Shawish; by so doing they lose their extra pay, but their appointment as and training in the duties of Wakil Shawish are both necessary steps towards the attainment of the rank of Shawish.

(2) The numbers of Anfar appointed Wokala Onbashia should not normally exceed the following:—

Mounted Companies	15.
Infantry Companies	12.

This allows one per platoon to Command the Section not commanded by a paid Onbashi, 2 or 3 per M.G. Section and 6 or 8 spare, artisans etc.

(3) Men will not be appointed Unpaid Onbashia (Onbashia Sharaf) except in very special cases and with the approval of Camel Corps Headquarters.

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36. Absence Without Leave.

When a N.C.O. or a man absents himself without leave, the following procedure will be complied with by the Officer Commanding Company :—

(1) "After seven days".

(a) Camel Corps Headquarters will be informed by a letter from Companies which are stationed at Headquarters.

(b) At out-stations information will be sent by telegram if possible (otherwise by letter) to Camel Corps Headquarters and to the Mamour of the District, in both cases giving :—

Date of absenting himself.

Name and number of absentee.

His village and Mudirih.

General description of absentee.

(2) After twenty-one days :—

A Court of Enquiry will be assembled in accordance with S. D. F. Regulations. The proceedings will be prepared in triplicate, translated and forwarded to Camel Corps Headquarters together with all the documents of the deserter for disposal as follows :

(i) One copy together with the documents of the soldier will be sent to Director, Pay and Records.

(ii) One copy will be retained at Camel Corps Headquarters.

(iii) One copy will be returned to the Company for transmission to the Director, Pay and Records, with S.D.F. Form P. 14, Annual Statement of Stores Account.

37. Civil Summonses.

When a N.C.O. or a man is required by the Civil Authority for police investigation, the O.C. Company will be informed, and the man sent as soon as possible. A copy of the police enquiry will be furnished to the O.C. Company by the civil authority.

When a N.C.O. or man is going to be tried by the Civil Authority, the O.C. Company will be notified, and he will

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send the man for trial, and detail an officer to attend the Court to watch the case and render a full report to him.

38. Area Grants.

(1) Certain sums are allotted annually to the O.C. Central Area for expenditure on the following services :—

- (a) Mud and Grass Buildings.
- (b) Well Equipment.
- (c) Conservancy.
- (d) Training.
- (e) Water and Light.

(2) These grants are accounted for in accordance with S.D.F. Financial Regulations, Chapter VI, Section 14, as amended by General Order 144/26.

(3) No expenditure chargeable against these grants will be made without approval from Camel Corps Headquarters.

(4) Approval for expenditure will be of two kinds :—

- (a) Standing approval for Monthly expenditure up to a certain limit, as in the case of Conservancy at certain stations.
- (b) Special approval for expenditure to carry out a definite work.

(5) Standing approval should be applied for annually in December stating the amount and reasons why required and the way in which the grant will be expended.

Accounts showing expenditure, quoting the Authority and supported by the necessary vouchers will be rendered to Camel Corps Headquarters immediately after the end of *each month*.

(6) Special approval may be applied for at any time. Full reasons for making applications should be stated, and applications should be accompanied by as accurate an estimate as possible of the cost of the work proposed. If the expenditure is approved, accounts showing the authority and supported by the necessary vouchers will be forwarded to Camel Corps Headquarters *as soon as the work is completed*.

(7) In the event of a special grant being only partially expended on 30th June, an account of the expenditure up to that date will at once be forwarded.

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In the event of any grant being only partially expended on 31st December, the balance will lapse and para. 4 of the General Order 144/26 will be complied with.

(8) Grants approved for a definite work will not be utilized for anything else.

Grants approved for separate works will be accounted for separately.

(9) It is important that the following instructions should be complied with :—

- (a) Different grants must be kept separately.
- (b) Separate Orders for Payment must be drawn for each grant and must be clearly marked with the grant against which the expenditure is authorised, *e.g.*, " Central Area Mud and Grass Building Fund."
- (c) On no account should any expenditure be shown in Unit Pay Lists.
- (d) All accounts rendered to Camel Corps Headquarters should show :—
 - (i) Grant against which expenditure has been authorised.
 - (ii) Number and date of C.C.H.Q.'s letter authorising expenditure.
 - (iii) Numbers and dates of all Orders for Payment.
- (e) Accounts must be accompanied by original vouchers or certificates.
- (f) Vouchers for each grant must be numbered consecutively throughout the year.
- (g) Vide article 3 of the Financial Regulations referred to above, thumb marks of individual labourers are not required.

39. Ropes and Dilwas.

(1) The ropes and dilwas issued by the Department of Stores and Ordinance vide Clothing and Equipment Regulations, Part II, are for use only when out of the station.

(2) Ropes and dilwas for station use are supplied to Companies by Camel Corps Headquarters on demand, these ropes and dilwas are for use only for watering animals and by official water tulbas. They are not for Harimat use.

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(3) A rope and dilwa if properly handled should last from 3 to 4 months.

(4) Os.C. Companies when demanding ropes should state the depth of the wells in their station.

(5) In order to "turn over" the dilwas issued by Ordnance there is no objection to them being used for station work and replaced by those issued by Camel Corps Headquarters.

(6) Monetary grants for the purpose of ropes and dilwas will not be made to Companies.

40. Water Tulbas.

The following table shows the number of fantasses of water which may be supplied to Officers and Officials of the Corps by fatigue parties daily. This number will not be exceeded :—

	Single	With Family	Family in absence of Officer.
Field Officers	3	3	3
Yuzbashia	2	3	2
Mulazmin	1	2	1
Solat	1	2	1
Civilian Employees (not artizans)	1	2	1

Water will not be carried by fatigue parties for Non-Commissioned Officers or Civilian Artizans and fantasses in excess of above will not be carried for Officers' horses.

Water fatigue parties will not be sent out before Reveille.

Officers and Officials not living in quarters must provide receptacles for their water; on no account will fantasses be left at private houses.

Officers on temporary duty in any station and not attached to a Company will be supplied with water by their own detachments if it exceeds 10 men, otherwise under arrangements to be made by the O.C. Station.

41. Employment of N.C.Os. and Men.

Soldiers in excess of the numbers allowed by S.D.F. Regulations for duty as syces and muraslat will not be employed by officers on work of a personal nature.

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The employment of soldiers on work of a similar nature to that which in the case of the Sudan Government is performed by prisoners should as far as possible be avoided.

N.C.Os. and men are on no account to be employed in the building, improvement or maintenance of private houses, stables, etc.

42. Temporary Buildings.

Officers Commanding Stations are responsible for the maintenance in good order of all Mud and Grass Buildings in their stations.

Officers Commanding Stations and Companies will not erect any new temporary buildings without first obtaining sanction from Camel Corps Headquarters.

As far as possible all building work will be paid for from the Mud and Grass Building Fund, and soldiers will not be employed on this work more than can possibly be avoided.

43. Fatigue Parties at El Obeid Railway Station.

Fatigue Parties will be sent to the Station only in connection with the arrival or departure of Officers of Units and Detachments present in El Obeid.

They will not be sent for Civilian Employees.

Fatigue Parties will wear clean fatigue dress, white.

When the mail train is so delayed as not to reach El-Obeid by 10.0. p.m., fatigue parties will not meet it on arrival, but will be sent to the station at 6.0. a.m. the following morning.

44. Moraslat for Headquarters Staff.

Moraslat and Syces for the Officer Commanding, Second-in-Command and Staff Officer will be found by Nos. 2, 3 and 4 Companies, two men from each Company.

Men employed as above will be attached to Camel Corps Headquarters for pay and discipline.

45. Employment of Men as Moraslat.

No man is to be employed as Moraslat to an Officer before being brought before the Officer Commanding his Company.

Soldiers will not be employed as Moraslat to Civilian Employees.

Soldiers will not be employed as Syces to Officers below Field Rank.

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46. Custody of Arms and Ammunition.

(1) All arms and ammunition will be kept in the Company armoury and ammunition store, which will be kept locked. The Commander of the Guard is responsible that no one enters the armoury except in his presence, and he will keep the key in his possession. The key of the ammunition store will be kept by an Officer.

(2) The Arms Room Book will be entered up daily (holidays included) by the Orderly Officer in his own handwriting. The Orderly Officer will sign his name in the place prescribed and bring the book, together with the Commanders of the old and new guards, before the O.C. Company, who will initial the entry. A specimen page of a Company Arms Room Book is shown in Appendix II, no alterations in headings, etc. of this book will be made without reference to the O.C. Company. The column headed "Arms Room" should contain the actual number of rifles (including rifles of men attached), for the safe custody of which the Commander of the Company Guard is responsible. This number is arrived at by subtracting the number of rifles shown in Column "On Detachment" from the number of rifles shown in Column "Establishment." For the sake of clearness, and to enable an Officer inspecting the book to see at a glance what rifles, etc. are actually under charge of the guard, all entries in the column headed "Arms Room" will be made in red ink.

(3) The orderly officer, at the same time as he makes out the Arms Room Book, will daily inspect the staples, chains, and padlocks of the arms racks and will report them correct or otherwise to the O.C. Company when he brings the Arms Room Book for his signature.

(4) Attention is directed to the necessity for Government

"Every Non-commissioned Officer and man on picquet will take over and become responsible for the custody of his own arms between the hours of "Retreat" and "Reveille."

Arms will not be placed in rifle racks between the above hours.

Every man will sleep with his ^{arms} securely attached to his body as when on trek in the field.

The bayonets of men not actually on sentry will be unfixed.

The above order applies to all guards and picquets, both in stations and in the field."

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(4) Attention is directed to the necessity for Government pistols and ammunition in the possession of Officers and others being kept under guard. Pistols will be kept chained in racks in Company armouries.

47. Arms of Guards.

The Arms of Guards will on no account be fastened by chains or in any other way.

48. Medical Inspections.

Officers Commanding Companies will arrange with Medical Officers of Stations for the N.C.Os. and men of their Companies

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to be medically inspected at least once a month. All N.C.Os. and men present in the Station will attend these inspections; arrangements being made for those on duty to attend the following day. Men temporarily attached to Companies will attend with the Companies to which they are attached.

49. Harimat Lines.

(1) Officers Commanding Companies will arrange to establish soldiers' villages for the men of their Companies. They will exercise a general supervision over these villages, and will arrange for the settlement of such disputes as may arise.

(2) Every N.C.O. and man in the Company must live in the Lines, unless he has special permission from the Officer Commanding Company to live out. This permission will only be given in exceptional circumstances, and the O. C. Company will keep a list of men granted such permission.

(3) It should be explained to every recruit on joining that he can only marry or keep a female servant with the sanction of the Officer Commanding his Company. Such permission should as a general rule be given.

(4) Each N.C.O. and man is responsible for the provision and maintenance of his own house, and the cleanliness of the ground in the vicinity of his house; fatigue parties will not be employed on this work.

50. Transport of Wives and Families.

The wives and families of Officers, N.C.Os. and men will under no circumstances be transported on Camel Corps camels.

51. Rail and Steamer Warrants.

Rail and Steamer Warrants for personnel and animals, and Reduced Fare Warrants, required at El Obeid will be issued by Camel Corps Headquarters. Warrants for transport from Tonga will be issued by ~~Palodi Garrison Platoon~~.

Companies requiring warrants will apply for them as above in writing (Arabic). Companies, other than ~~No. 7 Company~~, will not hold or issue warrants.

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52. Documents of N.C.O's. and Men on Detachment.

N. C. Os. and men sent on Courses of instruction or temporarily detached from their Companies will be accompanied by their Defaulter Sheets and Medical History Sheets.

Attestation Papers will not be sent with men detached as above, but will accompany men permanently detached (e.g. Moraslat of Officers of Camel Corps Headquarters).

ANIMALS.**53. Officers' attendance at Stables.****(1) Camel Companies :—**

The following Officers will be present at evening Stables :—

- (a) The Company Orderly Officer.
- (b) The Yuzbashi, or one of the Mulazmin Owai when the Orderly Officer is a Mulazim Tani.
- (c) The Mulazmin Tawani.
- (d) Officers of any rank for a period of three months after joining the Corps for duty.

Os.C. Companies may give any officer leave off evening stables at their discretion. On Thursdays and Fridays, the Orderly Officer only need attend.

(2) Mounted Infantry Company :—

The following officers will be present at morning stables :—

- (a) The Company Orderly Officer.
- (b) The Mulazmin Tawani.
- (c) When a mounted parade has been held before stables, all officers who have been on parade will be present.

The Company Orderly Officer will be present at mid-day watering and feed.

All officers not on other duty will be present at evening stables except on Thursdays and Fridays when the Orderly Officer only need attend.

(3) Infantry Companies :—

The Company Orderly Officer will always be present at evening stables and evening feed ; he will also attend the morning feed of mules and the morning and mid-day feed of horses if not on duty.

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54. Stable Routine for Camels.**(1) Grazing :—**

If not required for parade, camels will be sent out to graze at Reveille and will be brought in in time for evening stables.

(2) Feeding :—

When in stations camels will be fed once a day in the evening. Camels in poor condition may be given a small extra feed in the morning.

On the line of march camels will normally be fed twice a day. The major part of the ration will be fed after the evening shid, and a small feed not exceeding 3 rotls will normally be given before saddling up for the morning shid.

(3) Watering :—

Camels will normally be watered from every fourth to every eighth day at the discretion of the Officer Commanding Company, who will take into consideration the heat of the weather and the condition of the grazing.

Sick camels should be given the opportunity of watering every day.

(4) Grooming :—

(a) Except on days on which Dehan Parade is carried out, camels will normally be groomed in the evening only.

(b) The camels will be barracked in a hollow square facing inwards. Platoons will always occupy the same relative positions in the square. The men of each Platoon will fall-in in line three paces in front, of the camels. Each Platoon will provide a fantass of water in case any camel requires washing.

(c) Platoon Commanders will report the number of men present in their platoons to the Bash-Shawish who, if the numbers vary greatly, will make up the Platoons to an even number for grooming. At the same time one man from each Platoon will be told off to assist the tumargi, while the latter is attending to sick camels.

(d) The Bash-Shawish will report the Company to the Senior Officer present, who will order the grooming call to be sounded. On the completion of the call the men will turn to the right and double to the camels on the right of the line, one man to each camel.

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The men will groom the bodies, necks and heads of the camels, and remove all ticks particular attention being paid to the ears. Two small fires will be lit in rear of each platoon for burning the ticks.

(e) Camels with simple wounds requiring dressing will be taken out and barracked in the centre of the Company. All serious wounds requiring time and careful dressing should be dressed at the sick lines out of grooming hours.

(f) When each platoon has groomed its first batch of camels, the senior N. C. O. will call the men to attention and double them down the line to the next batch of camels on the left. The N. C. O. will leave behind any man whose camel requires extra attention.

(g) When the grooming of the bodies, necks and heads has been completed, the men will fall-in in front of the camels on the left of the platoon. The camels will be towered, and commencing from the left the men will groom the belly and legs and remove the ticks. On completion of this the camels will be left towered.

(h) After the camels have been towered the Platoon Commander will pass down the line and inspect the camels. He will see that they have been properly cleaned and that all ticks have been removed, and will examine them for signs of mange. He will examine the feet of any camel which is not standing naturally for thorns: this is most important, more serious foot injuries occurring through thorns not being found and extracted than through any other cause.

(i) The nature and extent of grooming (*i.e.* whether with rope rings, iron rings or by hand) to be carried-out each day will depend on the state of the camels' coats, and will be left to the discretion of the O. C. Company, who should himself supervise the work and inspect the camels.

(5) Routine for Dehan Parades:—

(a) Camels should be dressed with dehan two or three times a month, or more frequently if the biting flies are bad. The dressing should be applied only to such parts of the camels bodies as may require it. Dehan Parade is best carried-out early in the morning, in which case there will be no training before breakfast. After Dehan Parade camels will be sent out to graze, if possible in a shady place. Dehan Parade will not be held on a watering day. Camels whose heads or backs have

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been dressed with dehan will be kept out of the sun for that day. This paragraph does not apply to the treatment of mange, which will be carried-out in accordance with the special instructions relative thereto.

(b) The camels will first be groomed as described in sub-para (4) above ; they will then be led out commencing from the right of Platoons. Four men will be told off to each camel : one to hold the head, one to hold the tail, and two to do the dressing. The dehan must be well rubbed in and not merely smeared over the surface of the skin. Each camel will be inspected and passed by the Platoon Commander before being sent away.

(c) Camels which have been dressed will be stood together on the right of the platoon, their head ropes linked and one or two men left to look after them.

(6) Attention is directed to the instructions regarding Camel Management contained in the Camel Corps Training 1921, Chapter I.

55. Stable Routine for Horses and Mules.

(1) *Grazing*.—Horses and mules will, whenever possible, be sent out to graze, at such a time as the Company Commander may decide.

If there is no mounted parade, or animals do not go out to graze, they should be exercised for at least one hour in the morning and one hour in the evening.

(2) *Feeding*.—Horses will be fed three times and mules twice daily. Morning feed for horses and mules will be at 8.0 a.m. or after morning parade if the animals have been on parade. Mid-day feed for horses after mid-day watering. Evening feed for horses and mules at 5.30 p.m. Grass will be issued to horses after morning and evening feeds and to mules after evening feed only.

(3) *Watering*.—In station : Horses should be watered three times a day ; morning, mid-day and evening. Mules once a day, at mid-day.

Out of station : Horses should be watered twice if possible. Mules once.

(4) *Grooming*.—When in stations, all animals will be properly groomed at evening stables.

On trek all animals should be groomed after the morning shid.

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(5) *Stable Guards*. are responsible that all animals are properly tied up and for the shackle and chain with which they are tied up, and that manure is removed and the stables kept in a clean condition.

56. System of Daily Issue of Forage.

Both in stations and on patrol units will be foraged from mid-day to mid-day.

Forage will be issued from the Shunas once a day only. The issue will be superintended by the Orderly Officer. When camels are having a morning feed, as well as an evening feed, the morning's ration will be kept in sealed sacks and placed under the charge of the Company Guard for the night. The Orderly Officer will superintend the distribution of the grain in the mangers, and will see that the grain which is left unconsumed in the mangers is collected in a sack, weighed, and placed in charge of the guard; he will enter in the grain daily issue book the weight in rotls of the unconsumed grain so collected.

The above applies equally to M.I. and Infantry Companies, but, in addition, the Company Orderly Officer will superintend the issue of grass to the mules and horses.

Each Company will keep two forage books. One called the Company Forage Book will show in detail the number and description of all animals on the forage strength of the Company each day and the weight of forage issued for them; a specimen page of this book is shown in Appendix III. The other book called the Grain Daily Issue Book will show only the total weight of grain to be issued each day; it will be the authority for the Orderly Officer to issue the weight of grain shown each day, and it will also form a certificate that the Orderly Officer (who will sign the book) has actually issued this weight of grain: the weight of any unconsumed grain will be entered in this book by the Orderly Officer. Both the above books will be laid daily before the O.C. Company at the same time as the Arms Room Book.

57. Camel Dressing.

(1) The allowance of camel dressing authorised by Supply Regulations is intended for use as a general Stable dressing in connection with fit camels. This dressing should be applied in accordance with para. 54 (5).

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(2) Dressing in excess of the above allowance for the treatment of mange is charged to the budget of the Veterinary Department. In stations where there is a Veterinary Hospital, dressing for the treatment of mange will be obtained from the Veterinary Hospital. In other cases it will be issued on the certificate of a Veterinary Officer; such issues supported by this certificate will be shown in the Unit Supply Account but separate from the allowance referred to in sub-para. (1).

58. Numbering and Branding of Animals.

(1) Horses and Mules purchased after 1st January, 1925, will be numbered and branded as laid down in S.D.F. Regulations, Chapter X.

(2) All Camels, and Horses and Mules purchased prior to 1st January, 1925, will on being posted to the Corps be allotted Corps Numbers as follows:—

Nos.	1 to 100	All horses except those of No. 3 Coy.
	101 to 199	Camels of Camel Corps Headquarters.
	200 to 299	Mules of No. 1 Company.
	300 to 450	Mules of Nos. 5, 6 and 7 Companies.
	334 to 666	Camels of No. 2 Company.
	667 to 999	Horses and Mules of No. 3 Company.
	1000 to 1333	Camels of No. 4 Company.

(3) All horses and mules will be branded with the Corps mark and the number of the Company on the off fore hoof. Numbers referred to in sub-para. (2) above will be applied to the near hind hoof of animals purchased prior to 1925.

(4) Camels will be branded with their Corps Numbers on the near side of the neck, and with Corps mark and number of the Company on the near quarter.

(5) Numbers will be allotted progressively until the last number in the Unit's block is reached, after which the smallest vacant number in the Unit's block will be allotted.

(6) As a bad brand is a permanent eyesore, Officers Commanding Companies should exercise the greatest care when branding camels. They should particularly ensure that the brand is hot enough and should be careful not to brand too deeply.

59. Admission to Veterinary Hospital.

When animals are admitted to the Veterinary Hospital, El Obeid, they will be accompanied by a proportion of men of their Company as follows:—

1 or 2 animals	1 man
3 or 4 animals	2 men
5 or 6 animals	3 men