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1. GENERAL

The month of May opened with a series of attacks by the Jewish extremists against British lines and property. The culmination was reached when an extremely daring and successful attack was made on the Prison at ACRE and a large number of Jewish and Arab prisoners were set at liberty.

On the 12 May just when the authorities had decided to try to lessen the tension in Palestine by relaxing security restrictions, two British C.I.D. men were shot dead in JERUSALEM, and the measures that had been proposed were postponed.

During the latter half of the month the Thugs have turned their attention once again to the Palestine Railways. Trains have been derailed and the tracks blown up.

It is still hard to detect what the general attitude will be to the recent decisions made by U.N.O. and the visit of the "Fact Finding" Commission, but at present there is no indication that a decision has been made to "Call off" attacks against the British during the somewhat delicate stages of the investigation.

2. CAMP 22.

In 1936, this Battalion was billeted in the Kadoorie Agricultural College at TULKARM. Those who were then serving with the Bn watched with interest the conversion of the sand track from TULKARM to NATHANYA, on the coast, to a first class macadam road. Little did they think that eleven years later the Bn would be camped astride this road only 5 miles from NATHANYA, and close to KAHR YONA, a small Jewish settlement which often enlisted our help to combat the Arab rebels.

In exchange for the rock and stones of Mount Scopus we now enjoy the sands of Camp 22. But fortunately the comparison does not end at that. We now have the added advantages of permanent buildings for Dining Halls, Cookhouses, Messes, Offices and Stores. The joy of electric lighting has replaced the annoyance of high pressure lamps, and an excellent sports arena with space for football and hockey grounds, a cricket pitch and an athletics track at our entire disposal is probably the greatest boon we have gained as the result of the move.