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Friday Jan 10 1919

This afternoon I left for Kavalla - a rather slow boat with ARC party of 3 besides myself. But when we got down to Piraeus we found that the boat would not go till tomorrow. So we left our baggage aboard & returned to Athens where I had a good dinner and a comfortable night's sleep.

Today I had a letter from Mother dated Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. Also one from Mr. Chin Day dated this Dec 27<sup>th</sup>.

Saturday Jan 11

This afternoon I set off for Kavalla again. This time the boat actually left at 4 P.M. and after 1 1/2 hrs waiting at the harbor mouth for the coal we finally put to sea. The ship is the E. Leda formerly of the Athenian S.S. Co. & is newly painted - seems very clean. We are bound for Kastro Mytilenos, then Thessy & then Kavalla. In the party are Mrs. Adonidi, a string of 12, Mrs. Simeon & Miss Klimarij. The two latter are Greek ladies related by Mr. Palmer & help in ARC work at Kavalla & in Euboea.

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Sunday Jan 12<sup>th</sup>

Quite uneventful day. Hon. Kartho (Rear) 4 P.M. went ashore & strolled through Turkish quarter. The Keizer lay up here for the night the intention seems to be to go on in the morning.

Monday Jan 13<sup>th</sup>

Beautiful weather. We left Kartho at 6 A.M. went round west side of Thasos & on at port of Thasos on E side ca 100 P.M. Left again at 2.00 & arr. Kavalla at 4 P.M.

We are all lodged at Still's house, the Melachrinis house being full, but all had dinner together. Maj. Oakley arrived about 1 hr before we did.

At dinner Maj. Oakley made a little speech explaining organization of work of Gpk Commission into zones.

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Tuesday Jan 14<sup>th</sup>

Greek New Year Day.

I spent most of morning at our bread line (at warehouse on the hill) ca 4000 people got double ration of bread.

This afternoon Maj. Oakley gave me a letter of instruction. I am to proceed to Western Macedonia & investigate conditions in the larger towns & make a report on the needs for Red Cross activity. In particular he wishes to know what hospitals there are & what facilities they have. Also whether there are any free dispensaries & what they lack. Also what organizations there are to supply relief. In addition, what orphan asylums exist & how they are operating. Also as there is large refugee population, how is it getting along etc.

I am to start tomorrow for Serres.

Wednesday Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

Went from Kavalla to Drama this morning with Miller & Taylor. They left after lunch for Panagou. My train goes at 9.55 P.M. I am way out at station but get on here who has come with no change of supplies. Deployment of meat etc. also ship to Larissa but have both gone to Kavalla today.

8) Newinger also brought with him a car of supplies - at least there is a second car here - unhooked. I went into it and noted that it contained chiefly excess of clothing with some beds & mattresses.  
- After dinner in the town I went back to the station and found that the R.T.O. had put both cars named above on to the train for Serres to-night in response to a wire from the R.T.O. at Serres. I went over to the hospital where Gibson is staying & told him. He was considerably exercised to hear that his car was being shipped away from him & rushed off at once to the R.T.O. where after some argument he finally demanded that his car should be left on the siding at Drama. The R.T.O. agreed & had the car detached from the train but he left the other one on. So I climbed into it & stretched out on a mattress which had been laid across a spring & found a bed which was comfortable night except for cold feet. The train left at 9.55 & got in to Serres at 1.00 P.M. but I stayed on my mattress till 7.00

9) Thursday Jan 16  
I walked up from the Serres station to the hotel Parthenon where I found Seager & Adams getting ready for breakfast. They make their own coffee in a tin coffee pot on an oil stove and the old lady fries their bacon. It was a very respectable breakfast. The two rooms are far more comfortable than they were last December when I was here before. There is a good oil lamp now beside the two stoves. After breakfast Adams & I went down to the station in the Fiat camionette (which the Greek Govt has detached to the service of the H.R.C. at Serres) & hauled up most of the miscellaneous supplies from my car. The British also sent up one lorry-load. The British traffic manager here is 2nd Lieut. Forbes & the R.T.O. is 2nd Lieut. Drummond. Both have been very helpful to Seager & Adams. In the afternoon I went to the mosque & saw the soup kitchen in operation. Everything is running smoothly here. I also went out to see the house which the Monarch is having put into shape for us. Some of the walls are being plastered and there is no ~~wood~~ paneled glass but the ~~wood~~ plaster is all made & carpenters are busy

Friday Jan 17

I went to the nomarch and asked for lists of those who need help (food & clothing) in the surrounding villages. He promised a list of numbers at once & by name within a few days.

This morning Gibson's car arrived with 120 bags of flour. Adams & I spent the morning getting it up to the warehouse.

I was wanting to see the city engineer about the status of the houses & time of completion but he is out of town.

The nomarch's list shows 4209 people in 15 villages in need of help.

Saturday Jan 18

I sent a telegram to Maj. Oakley stating that house would be ready in a week.

I want to be taken to Demir Hisar in the camionette but just now there is a great shortage of gasoline. Adams has telegraphed to Greek supply officer in Salonica asking for new supply.

Went into Adams's nomarch to secure new warehouse. There is a large fine one belonging to the Standard Commercial Trading Corporation which I think we can get.

Sunday Jan 19

Some gasoline came today - not as a result of Adams's telegram yesterday but independently. I hoped to get off for Demir Hisar tomorrow but Miss Dragounis & the Greek Red Cross asked for the camion for tomorrow morning to carry a couple of loads of clothing from their work room. I plan to go Tuesday. Seager says he will go with me to Demir Hisar.

Monday Jan 20

Cold & rainy. Sofo's Day. Lt Cobb arrived this morning from Xanthi with his car & nurse Kowlova with him. He told Seager he was ordered to take over the station at Serres but he later told me he was ordered to take charge of the work in the villages round about. I gave him the nomarch's list of villages & needs in each. (The list of names hasn't come yet.) This work would have to be done with a large motor truck, distributing from the truck in two or three villages each day.

Seager considers he has been relieved by Cobb & plans to leave at once. He will accompany me to Demir Hisar & thence to Salonica.



Tuesday June 21

This morning at 9.30 Seager & I left in the camionette for Demir Hisar. It was a dark unimproving day. We soon found the road was very bad. We got stuck several times in the mud & finally about noon when we had gone only half the way we got badly bogged. It took nearly an hour to get out with the help of 10 or 12 soldiers working on the road nearby. We therefore decided to send the car home to Serres & go on in a cart which a Greek officer said he would lend us.

Before we had loaded our goods into the cart a French post camion came along bound for Sofia via Demir Hisar. The messenger (who had met Seager on a boat a month ago) invited us to go along & we accepted. The French car had much more power than ours & also three men who meant to get through. So though we got dumpy most once & had to have the help of twenty men for half an hour we finally got through to hard road again. We left three other camions stuck in that same mud. There were some gangs of prisoners working on the road here - apparently Albanians to judge from their language. Our French messenger got rather excited at one time when he thought they were soldiers & drew his revolver on them. They got pretty muddy but finally pushed us out

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We reached Demir Hisar at 2.30 PM & went to the office of the Greek Consul Mr. P. Papadatos who was very friendly & gave us all the information he could about conditions at Demir Hisar & in the surrounding villages. There seem to be 7 cases of typhus here now. (2 deaths a few days ago)

There is no railway station of Demir Hisar at present open. We found we were obliged to go on to Petrina across the Struma ca 12 kilom. from Demir Hisar. The prefect gave us his Fiat camion for the trip. At Petrina we found a large British French & Italian encampment. The railway apparently being in the hands of the British. They have been repairing the big bridge across the Struma which is now ready to open for business. Three spans are of steel & four of wood. - We expected to sit around till 3.30 AM when leave for Salonika by the Constant. - Sal. post just unannounced; but were informed that that train would not take passengers. We were therefore advised to spend the night at a British Rest camp high up in the hill on the east side of the Struma & take another train tomorrow at 7.35 PM. We accepted the advice. We were cordially received & entertained at the Rest Camp by Maj. Faith & Lt. Chambers who gave us tea & dinner & bed. There is a fine hot spring here which supplies an interesting Turkish bath which has been well utilized by the British

Wednesday Jan 22  
 We were called at 6 and had a good breakfast  
 went down in a limber to Vratina station.  
 The military train left at 7.30, consisting  
 of nothing but freight-cars + one 3<sup>rd</sup> class  
 coach. We were in a compartment in the  
 latter with a British Sergeant, an Italian Lt. + 3 Greek  
 soldiers. Long tiresome ride to Salonica  
 though it was interesting to ride around  
 south end of Lake Doiran.

Arrived Salonica at 3.15 P.M. at JSC  
 station. No cabs. We got a heavy  
 wagon piled our bags on it and sat  
 on rear end with our legs dangling  
 behind while the driver drove at a  
 short trot or gallop over the rough  
 cobble stone pavements. It was impossible  
 to make him go slowly. We were finally  
 rescued from our misery by the Serbian  
 ARC car which happened to pass.  
 Capt Franz of the Serbian ARC gave us  
 a room at 121 Queen Olga St. We  
 were very tired + went early to bed.

Thursday Jan 23  
 Cold + raw. I have a bad cold.  
 I went to consulate this morning +  
 got telegram from Maj. Black: "Supplies  
 not yet in Salonica unless when you will  
 be there again + back".  
 I went to R.R. station + enquired about  
 train for Voden + Florina. They say a  
 section of the line has been washed  
 out and a bridge is down + that there  
 will be no traffic for 10 days or two weeks.  
 So I decided to go back to Athens  
 with Seeger tonight - train leaving at  
 8 P.M. We went to Governor's office  
 + arranged about tickets. In the  
 afternoon we carried our baggage to the  
 station. After an early dinner we drove  
 to the station ready to depart but then  
 learned that there would be no train  
 since a bridge near Katalani has been  
 washed out by a cloud burst this afternoon.  
 So we were obliged to drive back with our  
 baggage to 121 The Queen Olga in some temper.  
 We learned that the steamer Syria will  
 probably sail for Peraeus Saturday + we  
 mean to go by that. I telegraphed Dr. Black  
 "I am in Salonica today but plan to leave  
 for Athens Saturday unless I hear from  
 you to the contrary."

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Friday Jan 24

This morning we went to Governor's office & from there were sent to Govt transportation office where we obtained free tickets for Peraeus in SS Syria & were instructed to be aboard at 10 AM tomorrow.

In the afternoon we stayed in our room. Lreada novel.

Seaga is very much disgusted with Salonica - very gloomy. He played Solitaire most of afternoon.

Saturday Jan 25

This morning we got a cab and carried our baggage downtown again. We finally got aboard the "Syria" at 10:30 AM. It is crowded with GI's. Soldier going home on leave. There are also numerous GI officers including three generals. I had a short talk with Gen. Paraskivopoulos.

On board we found Lt. Bedell of the ARC board for Athens also Headquarters of the MEA. Also Maxson the architect.

We left at 11:30 AM (i.e. 2 1/2 hrs early). Heavy wind made a rather rough passage but we got in lee of island at 10:00 PM. Only about 5 people turned up for dinner & most of them were unhappy. Practically the whole crowd was provoked - I never saw such havoc before. The water

wasn't particularly violent but rather choppy. Everybody must have eaten something in Salonica that disagreed with him.

The Syria is a fine boat with clean spacious cabins (4 berths in each, however) a neat music room & a good smoking room as well as considerable deck space. The whole 1st class deck was swarming with soldiers however & there was no order.

Sunday Jan 26

We made Chania this morning at 6:30. After an hour here we proceeded leisurely (the Syria is a slow boat) & Peraeus arriving at 5 PM. Passing Spiniou I saw a crowd at the temple which I thought to be ARC people. As we approached Peraeus an American submarine chase came up from Samos & passed us confirming my guess.

Unmistakable confusion in landing. We finally pushed off & got ashore & without luggage went by electric train to Athens.

I arrived safely at the school & found the whole crowd there - all except Maj. Oakley, except, well save the Col. who is slightly unimpaired.

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Monday Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

Stormy rainy morning  
I wrote a letter to Mother  
Lunch with Seager at Grand Butayne.  
In afternoon Seager came up. We  
looked over the water ~~at~~ <sup>at</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~view~~ <sup>view</sup> from  
Korako. Seager stayed to  
dinner.

Tuesday Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

In the morning Seager came up again.  
We looked at potatoes & garden.  
I lunched with him + TS WA at  
Grand Butayne.  
I have been to assist TS WA  
in Home Service Dept of A.R.C.  
Seager came up PM + we  
went over mess. from 5- to 7 PM.

Wednesday Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

Seager lunched with me + TS WA  
at International.  
The major went out to drink  
so TS WA + I had a little dinner  
party. Seager, Wallace, Omerod,  
Dearing + Barnes also present.

Thursday Jan 30<sup>th</sup>

George's quarrel with the Dismons was  
apparently serious. He has announced  
to us that he is leaving on service at  
10 AM Sunday.  
Tea at Mrs Dismons.

Friday Jan 31<sup>st</sup>

After lunch TS WA + I drove round  
to Korako + looked at a couple of  
men Seager + I saw last Wednesday.  
They are very good but shockingly expensive.  
Tonight I played bridge with  
Najawell + Walker + Dearing. For  
time I even played for stakes.

Sat. Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Had a hair cut.  
Have typed out my "leaflet" - short  
article in Cornish + Bretonic times  
against Leaf's views. Did this  
evening. Have been working  
every day in Home Service Dept  
but not at very regular hours.

Sun. Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

Stormy + rainy. Typed all day -  
as to page of my magazine for  
George left us this morning at 10.

Monday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

Gene came in this morning & I paid him off. He has paid the 1919 telephone bill for me (200 dr.) & gave me receipt. I bought a small marble dish today for 12.50 dr. prehistoric from Cyclades. More bridge tonight.

Tuesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

Bought an embroidered pillow today from Skyros. Typical geometric border design but in center a cross stitch ship. Tonight we had a small dinner for Mr. & Mrs. Miss Delta & for Maj Barnes who expects to leave tomorrow.

Wednesday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

Maj. Barnes did not get off today. No boat.

I bought a fine Megri rug from Theodor but at a very high price.

Butzagan tonight. I haven't lost yet but would prefer it she were slaying the stakes.

A new bubble in sight. A Cretan named Tom was applied for the job. He worked in Mikonos. I remarked on the blue light too as usual.

Thursday Feb 6<sup>th</sup>

Nothing but Home Service Dept. letter from Aunt Augusta. Maj. Barnes departed today. We agreed to take a new outfit & this will begin on Saturday.

Friday Feb 7<sup>th</sup>

Maj. Oakley returned today from Kavalla for a conference with the Commission. He goes back tomorrow & asks me to go with him. I agreed.

Sat. Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Packed this morning & after lunch left for Piraeus. The new outfit arrived at the hotel at noon.

Maj. Oakley & I are now aboard the S.S. Amphitrite - Hospital ship how formerly King George's yacht.

Maj. Oakley wishes me to take charge of organizing village relief & district round about Drama.

On board the steamer there is no formal international Commission proceeding to Eastern Macedonia to investigate Bulgarian atrocities & damages caused by Bulgars to E. Macedonia. Prof. Vassilov of Univ. at Athens is head of the Commission. There is a Frenchman & a Serbian. An English & a Belgian

22 representative was also expected to join the others at Draman or Kavalla. There are also thirty or forty Greek judges who are to take evidence in the village. They it before the commission. The whole party <sup>of the Commission</sup> on this boat - 120 men. 61 not including two automobiles.

The Commission finally allowed Maj. Oakley & me to dine with them at their table - a good meal.

Very stormy & cloudy night. The captain decided to postpone our departure till tomorrow morning.

Sunday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>

Woke up this morning & found the ship still tied up to the quay. At 8:30 however we began to depart by 9:00 we were sailing out of the harbor. A very cold & cloudy day with occasional drizzle. We rounded Suvionn passed close by the north end of Makynisi & then headed for the channel. Doro between Kuboca & Anos. We passed through toward evening & then laid our course for the East side of Skyros. I stayed up till I saw the Skyros light ca 8:45 P.M.

Monday Feb 10<sup>th</sup>

25 We ran into a violent gale last night shortly after midnight which raised a heavy sea. The Amphitrite is a good little boat & plowed along steadily, however, pitching a good deal but regularly. It looked rather stormy when I got up on deck - very cold and furious snow with a dark sky & great seas. Almost all passengers were laid low & some seemed to be suffering very much. The French representative in the Int Commission in particular was in agony. He moaned & groaned & shouted "Mond Dieu mon Dieu men Dieu & Help help!" at the top of his voice. Finally about 1 P.M. we got some calm in lee of Theros & so into Kalyma water. The weather cleared a bit also & Theros stood out beautifully covered with snow. We reached Kavalla ca 5 P.M. I went to Steele's house where I had dinner & got a room. In the evening there was a party at the A.P.C. house (The Hotel Bonaparte). There were about 100 A.P.C. people & 2 officers for a Sub-Chief & 3 Toraco men. A cheerful evening with dancing & refreshments.

Tuesday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

A cold clear morning. Got up at 7 had breakfast with them then went down with my baggage to get a British Army for Dr. Doro. Maj. Oakley Lt. Walker & Gifford absent. We got away ca 9:30 The wader

(24) very bad in several places & we got blocked once by a Greek truck stuck ahead of us. We also had engine trouble. Finally got to Thessaloniki about 2 P.M. We had a light lunch at the canteen.

Later went up town & saw the Gov. Gotsis, & laid before him certain requests - for a house, warehouse, work room, & the pharmacy. He called in the Nomarch & put us up to the latter (Ali Bey) a Cretan Turk, who showed us a couple of buildings available - one a poor hotel & one a partly dilapidated house. We were not overly pleased with either.

Dinner in evening at the rest. Thessaloniki. We were guests of the 4 or 5 judges of Intern. Court who arrived this afternoon.

We have 3 small but clean rooms at Hotel Volo. but they are reserved for the Internat. Court. we shall have to clear out in a few days when they come.

I met Mrs. Politarchis who apparently runs distribution of relief clothing here at Drama & in neighboring villages.

Wednesday Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

(25) This morning the Nomarch showed us another house which is much more satisfactory. Now occupied by public Tapirion but they will be hurried out. We agreed to take this house.

In the afternoon Maj. Sallee left for Kavala. Walker & I stay to make preparations of house & other buildings for other people. The personnel will come on Saturday.

We have asked for two soldiers to be attached to us - one as interpreter for Walker.

I began to look into getting bakery for our bread - visited two or three.

In the evening Walker & I were taken to dinner by the Governor Mr. Gotsis. Besides ourselves there were present the Nomarch Ali Bey Nader Zade, the Mayor of Drama, the Mayor of Serres, Mr. Diamantopoulos, & Lt. Mikolopoulos of the Gotta office. The prefect of police Maj. Navitakis, and Mr. Goudas Agricultural Inspector (?) for Macedonia. It was a deadly affair w/ respect of the trench wines. The Gov. was being dull; started no conversation & only responded feebly. Mr. Goudas was well found & retired when dinner was half over. The only live person was Diamantopoulos, a rather original character & the Cretan Chief of police.

(26) Thursday Feb 13

This morning we prepared our first requisition on Kavalla & sent it in by the contractor who will transport our supplies. Walker & I also visited 8 or 10 bakeries here have a capacity of more than 6 to 2000 this Friday. One pleased us by its general cleanliness - opp. Anastasidis' house.

In afternoon we bought a large amount of supplies from British cautions. I got some cigars & some pipe tobacco.

In evening before dinner we had important conference with Governor, Nomach, & chief of police, Major Mavrikakis.

We agree to provide bread for all needy refugees (ca 4200) & all needy citizens of Drama (ca 5000). The Gov. agrees to establish soup kitchen by town for citizens & we will distribute bread at same place. The soup kitchen for refugees will be railway to go on.

Since the Gov. is relieved of providing bread for refugees he will give to neighboring villages. We offer to look out for some of these however. I tentatively agree to take in Yenicakoy (near Orhan) (ca 2000), Doxato (ca 2000) & Tsataldja (ca 2000) with neighboring small villages.

The Governor undertakes all transportation - from Kavalla here & from here to villages.

Friday Feb 14

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This morning Walker & I went up to the house & started 5 gipsy women scrubbing & cleaning. The Tapiroor people are moving out with much reluctance.

A young policeman - George - was assigned to us today by Major Mavrikakis. He is a very intelligent & presentable youth & proved very helpful.

At noon Gilmore arrived from Kavalla & also the shipment of supplies for the house - beds, bedding, food etc. We put everything into one of the rooms and locked it up for the night. Gilmore is to stay & help me in village relief.

The warehouse which we proposed to use for a work room was evacuated by the army & swept out tonight. A good deal of glass is out & ought to be replaced. A few panes are needed in our house too.

We hope to move into the house tomorrow. Two women may come from Kavalla & Miss Stone is also expected from Serres.



Sat. Feb. 15

We breakfasted in my bedroom on coffee bread, pats, & pastilles. Then went up to the house where we found a carpenter putting in lights. He worked fairly rapidly. We hired 4 Greek women to continue scrubbing & cleaning.

Our first issue supplies arrived today from Kavalla - 300 sacks flour, 72 sacks rice, 50 of beans & 50 of dried fruit. Also 5 bales blankets (One cart with 20 bags flour did not get in by night, reported stuck in mud)

We unpacked the boxes of household goods & found a very generous assortment of crockery etc.

We set up 8 beds in house.

From the homarch we learned that a lot shipment of cases milk, 20 cases oil, 2 bales cloth etc. is being stored by him which he will turn over to us.

In the evening two nurses Miss Hart & Miss Martin arrived. We still remain in the Solos Hotel but will move tomorrow to the house.

Walker is much disturbed because 3 of the social workers he brought from Kater have been sent back from Kavalla to Athens instead of here. It seems to me an unfortunate misadventure - standing. They ought to have come here.

Lunched with Mrs. Pollards at the hotel

Sunday Feb 16

This morning we went to the house & made up the beds. It is a bright sunny day & the house looks very pleasant.

We were unable to get furniture today since the military governor who controls the storeroom where a collection of furniture abandoned by the Bulgars & left has gone out of town.

The remaining sacks of flour arrived today.

Miss Stone & Mrs. Synnos came over from Serres today for the day.

At 2.15 PM - we began moving from the hotel Valos to our house which will henceforth be our headquarters.

Miss Stone & Mrs Synnos left on the 6.00 PM train for Serres

We engaged two servants - Chrysi, Cook & Evangelis - maid at 50 dr. per month & board.

We gave a sack of flour to A. Rigas today for a sample batch of bread.

met Col Zapherlou commander of the Division at Drama; and also Major Nikolaitos asst. commander of the Garrison at Doxato

Monday Feb 17

Busy getting settled in house. We were taken by Komarch to warehouse filled with furniture stolen by Bulgars & consigned for shipment to Bulgaria which they did not get time to send off. We were allowed to take table, stand, 2 sofas & 3 chairs.

Went to the canteen with Miss Harty bought large order of supplies for house.

In afternoon Miss Glenn & Miss Blakesley came up from Kavalla. Miss Glenn is going to Serres & then return here to organize workroom. Miss Blakesley is to distribute clothes here.

Miss Harty & Miss Martin made good deal of time to cooking today trying to train my servants. The latter do very nicely. Pie for dinner.

Walker is very restless. Seem to be very much troubled by failure of pay. Dabney & sent more personnel to Passafium - actually decided to see father & resign.

The lists of needs in Drama were finished today. The Prefect now takes them to control them. To be ready for us tomorrow.

Bread baked by Rigos delivered today - not very good. We gave a cake to another baker - mcommoff. magre. not very good results.

Taylor came upon Panagion today & stayed over night - enroute to Kavalla. I sent him large requisition to Kavalla today - for supplies to Duxate & Drama.

Tuesday Feb 18

Now sample bread today - to two bakes - Grey them - Anthopoulos & Stoulinos - recommended by Dizonos gave very good results. The other not so good.

List of needs of Drama returned to us today by local committee. They wish a copy however & will make one by tomorrow. They will give us a list with names of family & number of persons in each & a running number for each family.

The transport contractor saying my goods for Duxate will reach here Thursday evening & I plan to meet them there.

I introduced Miss Glenn & Miss Blakesley to Mrs. Kalyva of the local committee who took them in charge for the afternoon.

Went with Miss Harty to see Col. Papajostas chief medical officer here regarding establishment of our dispensary.

Taylor left for Kavalla this morning. Walker also threatens to leave tomorrow.

Miss Glenn & Miss Martin are to go to Serres tomorrow morning early. Sorry to lose Miss Martin.

The prefect sent us 4 small deal tables for our bedrooms today.

Wednesday Feb 19

Two members of the local committee arrived at 9.30 this morning with the clean copy of the list of poor of Drama to whom we are to issue bread. There are 4002 persons - 1029 families. We gave them 1100 tickets to write on the names & numbers - to be ready tomorrow.

Went at 10. to military Hospital with Miss Harty where we saw Lt Col Papaepotes chief medical officer here about our English. He is very encouraging & promises us all assistance, will also give us a doctor from home in two days. The Col speaks English fairly well.

Went with Miss Harty bought materials for curtains for house.

Miss Harty hemmed them in P.M. & put up curtains in living room of house.

In P.M. Walker & I signed contracts with two bakers for bread - 600 to 1000 loaves per day each. 100 Okes fl. for 130 bread. We issued 20 sack flour & each baker we shall distribute tickets tomorrow & begin bread line Friday.

Walker decides to go to Kavalla tomorrow & does not expect to return. He turned his accents over to me.

I go to Doxato tomorrow to receive Kavalla shipment & make arrangements for distribution.

Miss Glenn & Miss Martin left early this morning for Serres. The perfect suit is a dozen chairs today.

Baker is: Mr. Papaepotes & Stomoligos & A. Pappas

Thursday Feb. 20

This morning I went to Doxato in the Gov. General's car which was kindly put at my disposal. - No carts of supplies arrived at Doxato while I was there. That is at 5.30 P.M. but some were reported as being further back. However Djimon whom I met at Doxato & who gave me lunch promised to take care of them when they come & have them put in the basement of his house. He says we may use this as distributing center for Doxato & Chataldja. - After lunch Djimon & I went to a conference with the leading citizens of Doxato where we laid the basis for an honest list of the persons in need of relief. The needy citizens number some-thing over 700 & Refugees are said to be about equally numerous. I am to have the finished list Saturday at Drama.

Djimon & I also visited Chataldja where we saw the mayor & two or three distinguished citizens. I left with them the list of poor made for us by Stella's niece Cotcha - which they will copy & to which they will add a supplement. They will send me my original list & the supplement tomorrow. - I returned to Drama at 6.00 P.M.

Walker finally left this morning for Kavalla. He missed the post caisson again (he tried for it yesterday) & finally went in a small sousta (which he told me cost 120 drachs.)

Miss Glenn came back from Serres today. Breadline tickets have been issued today by the Greek Committee but I don't know whether all were given out. Our first

24) real bake of bread (1200 loaves) was ready today but Gilmore for some reason had the bakers keep it till tomorrow rather than deliver it to our warehouse.

Friday Feb 21

Our breadline finally got started today in connection with the soup kitchen run by the local Drama committee. We had enough bread on hand to supply the demand at 11 P.M. - The official hour for the opening but the soup kitchen had to struggle with wet wood & the rice wasn't ready till 1.00. In the meantime I spent more than an hour organizing the mob into a line assisted by 8 policemen - one of whom really helped while the others were merely spectators. We got a very respectable line at last and the distribution began at 1.00 P.M. I went home for lunch at 2.00. At 4.30 we finished the line having given food to about 3700 people.

We have more than 1300 loaves on hand for tomorrow & shall have about 1200 more. We issued 15 bags of flour to each of the bakers. A cart has been furnished us to bring the bread to our warehouse.

Sat Feb 22

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Breadline again today - somewhat better organized. We finished at 2.30 P.M. having got started earlier than yesterday.

Late in the afternoon Major Oakley arrived from Kavalla - coming up in a machine furnished by Gen. Neelapontis.

In the evening Mr. Nicolopoulos & Dramantopoulos of the gov. general's office came in to dinner. A Greek priest also strolled in late in the afternoon & made himself comfortable on our sofa. He wore a priest's hat - British officer's tunic, breeches & high boots & a thick fur overcoat & was a queer sight. He was a good trencherman. Miss Blesley though obviously bored almost to tears spent a good part of the afternoon & evening making conversation with him in French. The priest was an uninvited guest at dinner.

After dinner we played bridge for a while - Miss Harty, Dramantopoulos, Gilmore & I.

Washington's birthday which we celebrated with American flags on the table. I got my list of names from Chataldje today.

The major reports that no supplies have yet come from Peraeus & he has now run out of flour at Kavalla. A shipment of 60 sacks of flour some beans, wheat, & ravenus has sent to Dupa for me.

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Sunday Feb 25.

This morning we got the bread line off a little earlier than yesterday and finished in good season shortly after 1 P.M. Major Bakley was on hand + got rather nervous over one or two details which succeeded at first in getting the local Greek committee on edge. Later however all friction was smoothed away + the major was very nice to the local organization. The bread + soup line ran off very nicely.

In the afternoon we didn't do very much of anything.

Miss Stone came from Serres today + we all pitched in the evening + took out cards for the Doxato distribution. The list came in today by the hand of Mr. Djimon.

Miss Blakeley is ill with some sort of fever Monday Feb 24.

The bread line today ran off very smoothly without a hitch in the proceedings. We began about 10.30 and finished about 12.15.

Miss Glenn came up from Kavalla. Seven cases of clothing arrived from Serres today.

I sent out the Doxato cards to be given out by Djimon.

We finished writing out the cards for Chataloia tonight.

Major Blakeley had a high fever this afternoon 10.30. In the evening he called a doctor - Col. Papacostas who relieved him till tomorrow.

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Tuesday Feb 25

Col. Papacostas called again today + saw Miss Blakeley. He reserved opinion but told me privately he thought it looked like a case of Spanish flu. Miss B. has a high fever.

The Bread line ran off like clock work in east 1/2 hrs. 3 soup dishes were at work.

Showers in afternoon

Miss Stone left for Kavalla early this morning. The last accounts I had however were to the effect that the postal saminon in which she had a seat had not gone till nearly noon.

Major Bakley left at 6 P.M. for Serres to be gone only a day or two.

I sent off a letter to mother.

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Wednesday Feb 26

Miss Blakeslee continues to have a very high fever (40° today). Col. Papa Costas visited her twice. He told me privately she has spots on her chest & abdomen & he thought she had exanthematic typhus. He thought he would know for certain tomorrow. She spent a week working among refugees in a warehouse at Kavalla & has now been a week here. The Dr. is very uncomfortable about it however.

The bread line ran off nicely today George, the interpreter, who came up from Kavalla with Maj. Oakley is now trained to run it & will do so tomorrow if I go to Corfu.

A shipment from Kavalla came today - 1 sack flour 4 lbs sugar 80 g lard, 14 sewing machines, 1 lantern, 1 sack miscellaneous supplies for house.

Thursday Feb 27

Miss Blakeslee is very ill today - temperature 40° C. more. I telegraphed Maj. Oakley at noon asking him to return bringing Miss Martin to assist Miss Harty. I also had a telephone message sent to Kavalla to Miss Addison.

The doctor this morning made a definite diagnosis. It is a serious case of Exanthematic Typhus.

In the evening I telegraphed Col. Capps asking him to send Dr. Walker also and Miss Blakeslee's family

if he thought best. Likewise I wired Maj. Oakley giving the substance of my telegram to Col. Capps. (31)

Maj. Oakley answered my first telegram saying that he & Miss Martin will arrive tomorrow afternoon.

In the evening Felty came over from Kavalla with Miss Stone. Felty stayed only an hour & then returned to Kavalla. He reports that the ship with supplies from Perrens has not yet arrived. Thomas is laid up in Kavalla with a serious fever not yet diagnosed & Miss Addison is almost worn out with looking after him.

Friday Feb. 28

Miss Blakeslee continues to have a very high fever & we are all worried. Miss Harty has been beautifully to the emergency & is very fine but she would naturally like to have Miss Martin with her.

Today I gave out to the bakers the last of the white flour (except a few sacks reserved for personnel). If no new supply arrives tomorrow I shall have to borrow from the Nomarch.

The general suton invitation to Miss Harty & me to tea tomorrow. Miss Harty can't go but I shall.

The afternoon train from Sams was very late. Maj. Oakley & Miss Martin got in shortly before midnight.

Mrs. Harty arrived the evening ferry Kavalla to take charge of all the distribution

Saturday March 1

Miss Blakeley's condition is the same. Very high steady fever - varying about  $40^{\circ}$ .

Miss Gilman left for Kavalla this morning & but the cannon didn't go till afternoon so she came back for lunch.

I was obliged to borrow flour from the nomarch today - 170 lb of this in 24 large sacks - which will last for two days.

In the afternoon I went to a big tea given by the Governor General at the Military Club. Everyone I have met in Kavalla was here and a lot more.

Miss Stone left in the evening for Serres.

Felby writes that the shepherds finally come with flour etc from Peiraeus.

In the afternoon Mrs Stewart, Gilman & I sorted out clothes in the warehouse & made up bundles for men & women.

Rainy disagreeable day.

I learned today that two members of the International Commission to investigate Bulgarian crimes in Eastern Macedonia are down with typhus at Kavalla. They are Mr. Vasilov the president of the commission & Mr. Skoulandis a judge.

Sunday March 2

Miss Blakeley is just the same. Fever stays around  $40^{\circ}$  & she is delirious at times. We are anxious but hope for the best.

Today I gave out the last of the white bread & a few loaves of brown. Hope the flour will be in soon.

Got a shipment from Kavalla of 100 seb. lentils, 20 g sugar, 20 cases bully beef & 3 candelons.

Telegram from Mr. Hill. He says a letter has come from Prof. Day in answer to mine requesting further information. But it has forwarded this to Salonica. I suppose I shall have to go soon to see about it but I hate to leave this place now.

Capt. Gray a new man arrived this evening.

Monday March 3

Miss Blakeley continues to be desperately ill. The Dr. gave her phenacetine today to reduce the temperature. She responded to this & today her temp. was lower than for a long time - about  $38.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ . but her general condition shows no change.

This afternoon Miss Kowroyer came from Serres to take charge of the dispensary. There came also a hat cannonette which is to be at our disposal with two drivers.

(42) Major Oakley planned to go to Kavalla today but couldn't get away as there was no room in the post-canton. He now intends to go tomorrow in our own camion.

No flour today. I had to borrow again from the prefect.

Tuesday March 4.

Miss Blakeley's & child's better this morning according to Dr. Papacostas - but Miss Blakeley & Mrs. Ward could see very little change. Temperature 104°.

Major Oakley left for Kavalla in the camion this morning - also Mrs. Stewart & Gilmore, these last two for the day only. They are coming back tonight Mrs. Stewart with more clothing for distribution & Gilmore with the motor cycle.

Breadline ran very smoothly. In the afternoon Capt. Gray & I went down to the station saw the French RTO about getting a R.R. box car for our use in going to Yanitsing. He said we ought to apply to manager of road. So we telegraphed the manager asking for the car. We also looked at a house belonging to a Protestant mission represented by a Mr. Cooper at Salonica. It doesn't look very good to me.

In the evening when the camion came back it brought beside Mrs. Stewart & Gilmore Mr. Walker & Mr. Hill who have come in response to my telegram of Feb 27. We felt greatly relieved at having an American doctor here on the job. Dr. Walker thinks Miss Blakeley's condition is good. He says "she is pretty sick but not dangerously so."

I had to borrow flour again today. This makes a total of 48 bags of 71 lbs each.

Wednesday March 5.

Dr. Walker expressed himself as satisfied with Miss Blakeley's condition this morning. She still has a high fever but her pulse is going down some & her general condition is good.

The Dr. reports that Lt. E. Walker who left here Feb 20 & arrived in Athens Feb 23 got in sick, went to a hospital Monday the 24th & on Tuesday was diagnosed as being typhus. Dr. Walker says it was a very severe case & would probably prove fatal.

The Dr. imposed a sort of quarantine on us. The upper floor of the house is to be reserved for the nurses & Miss Blakeley (one room for Mrs. Komoyen & Mrs. Stewart to sleep in). We are to eat in the lower



44) Well + no one is left in the upper hall. Capt. Gray went back to Kavalla with Dr. Walker + Mr. Hill. Gilmore + I occupy the bedroom on the ground floor.

The first of our new flour arrived today. We got 54 sacks + sent 124 sacks on to Serres. I gave out of this flour to the bakers today. The flour comes in 100 lb sacks.

I tried to telephone to Kavalla today at noon according to agreement with Maj. Oakley but no Red Cross representative was reported at the other end of the wire.

Dinner for BHA + me to dinner at the Governor General's tomorrow night. BHA has left but I accepted for myself.

Lt. Ashe, Intelligence officer + the last British officer left at the station came off for lunch.

Thursday Mar. 6 45-  
Mrs. Blakerley is better this morning pulse stronger + slower. The fever is still fairly high 38.6 to 39.6 but prospect now seems very good.

The rest of the shipment of flour came today making 200 sacks for us + 200 for Serres. There were some more cases of clothing. Gilmore went to the station + got a car for Serres loading the balance of the flour + the clothing.

In the evening Dr. Walker came over again from Kavalla. Bringing with him Lt. Korssios of the Greek army who is in the service of the A.R.C. He is going to Salonika for safety.

The Greek doctor - He has been helpful at our dispensary. Papathomopoulos by name left today having been demobilized. He wiped a pretty complete assortment of drugs from our dispensary.

I tried to telephone Kavalla again today with same lack of success as yesterday.

Dined with the Gov. General Mr. Gotsis. Others present were the Hon. Mr. of Serres Mr. Rubeads, Maj. Kepheloyannis a judge + vocate in court martial also + Diamantopoulos. It was a good simple dinner.

Friday Mar. 7.

Miss Blackwell's condition today was distinctly better. Dr Pappacoster went so far as to say that she was now out of danger. Dr Walker was well satisfied with her showing.

A new shipment of flour & clothes arrived from Kavalla today: 200 sacks flour, 28 bolts sundry for sewing room & cases soap & 5 boxes clothing.

Two American doctors Hudson & Singer (?) 1st Lt's in the Reg Army arrived this morning from Athina via Salonica. They have come to help fight the typhus. Two or three more are expected tomorrow. These two men left with Major Walker for Kavalla after lunch.

They are using an camion. I should like to get it myself for going to Daxata but it is impossible.

The bread line runs very nicely these days & I am giving it very little attention. George the interpreter has charge of keeping the count.

Part of a shipment of flour etc for Sines came in. We loaded 150 bags of flour into the camion got yesterday which has not gone yet.

I telephoned to Kavalla again today & finally got B.H.H. on the wire.

B.H.H. both sides

Saturday Mar 8.

This morning Miss Blackwell is better even than yesterday & we are all feeling very much gratified.

Maj. Perkins & Lt Vinton of the Balkan Commission arrived this morning in a Ford from Salonica. After lunch they went on to Kavalla. Two other Americans also came by train - two army doctors Capt White & Lt. Clark. There was no way to get them to Kavalla so they are staying overnight in Drama & will take the train down tomorrow.

I telephoned today again to Kavalla & talked with B.H.H. He says Maj. Oakley would like to see me tomorrow & talk things over so I will go down in the camion in the morning & hope to return in the evening. Dr Walker didn't come today but the camion arrived bringing Steele who will be in Drama for a day or two on business.

For the night we put the two doctors up on cots in the lounge hall. The camion appeared also & left for the hall for the night.

Sunday Mar. 9

Miss Blackwell is steadily improving. The fever has dropped considerably & she is now quite rational.

This morning I went to Kavalla in the clinion, leaving at 8.30 & arriving there at 10.30. Road pretty bad but fair compared with what it was a week or two ago.

Had a conference with Maj. Oakley, Maj. Walker & BkH. They asked me to take some medical supplies to Smyrna to hospital there. Some of these supplies are now in Kavalla. The rest will be sent up from Athens to Salonica, where I will pick them up. Maj. Black may join me for the trip which will begin in a week or ten days.

The question of food supplies for distribution in Macedonia is a very serious one. They seem to have come to an end. Maj. Oakley is to go to Athens tomorrow to see if more can be secured. In the meantime he wishes the bread-line at Drama run for 15 days more even at cost of shutting down Seres.

I came back to Drama in afternoon. Mrs. Stewart also went in the clinion & returned with me. Dr. White & Clark went down to Kavalla with us in the morning & stayed there.

Steele was in for dinner tonight

Monday Mar. 10

Miss Blackwell is now convalescing. She had no fever this morning - temperature normal.

The new list of poor in Seres is now ready. It includes 7151 names. I gave tickets to the committee which are to be distributed house to house by the people who made the list.

This morning I sent the carriage down to Kavalla with Steele. In the afternoon it brought back Maj. Oakley with his baggage. He had only a few minutes at the house - then went down to the station where he caught a train at 6.15 p.m. for Seres. Maj. Perkins & Lt. Burton also left on the same train with their food in a flat car.

Maj. Oakley may not return to Macedonia from his trip to Athens unless the situation looks squally. In that case he will come back.

Maj. Walker also arrived from Kavalla tonight & stayed over night in a cot in the upper hall.

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Tuesday Mar. 11.

Miss Blakeslee continues to improve. She is now out of danger according to Maj. Walker.

Felty + Miss Addison + Reardon came up at noon today in two motor cycles. After lunch we loaded up cañion with clothes for Doxato + carried them out there. The cañion went on to Kavalla carrying Maj. Walker Reardon + Sgt. H. Kossing who came back this morning for Salomon. Felty had sent him there to buy some tools + clothes for our personnel. Felty + Miss Addison also returned to Kavalla.

One of the motor cycles was left for us. Gilmore brought me safely in from Doxato with a little more experience will make a good driver.

The cañion to stay at Kavalla two or three days for repairs to engine. I sent John the mechanic to Senes for oil + gasoline.

Wednesday Mar. 12

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Miss Blakeslee is getting on nicely + we hope that in a few days our quarantine will be raised.

Today we sent off 1 wagonload of clothes + 7 of dentils to Doxato. In the afternoon Gilmore + I went out to Doxato in the motor cycle + checked in the goods which had shipped out there. We plan to have a distribution tomorrow.

Miss Gilmore + Reardon came over from Kavalla today in a motor cycle. They went back late in the afternoon.

Thursday Mar. 13

Gilmore + I spent all day at Doxato distributing. We gave out supplies to 173 families including 1 Ske of flour, 1/2 Ske dentils + one raisins for each person + one can of milk for each child + a bundle of clothes for every member of the family according to size + sex. It was a fairly successful distribution + the recipients seemed pleased.

The breadline ran today with the new tickets we gave out 1383 loaves of bread.

Long telegram from Col. Capps referring to Day houses

52) Friday Mar 14  
Raining night & morning but sun  
came out in afternoon.  
Miss Blakely is steadily improving.  
We had planned to go out to  
Doxato that morning & finish our  
distribution but the clutch wasn't  
working & Gilmore spent the whole  
morning tinkering with the  
machine. He finally got it to  
work & in the afternoon we went  
to Doxato. By working overtime  
we finished up our list of 316 families  
except for 9 who failed to come by  
6.30 PM

Chataldaris next but we have  
no women's clothes available yet.  
I am winding up our con-  
tract with Pijo the baker. He has  
not been satisfactory. I gave him  
10 sacks of flour today & will settle  
up tomorrow. Anthopoulos & Co  
will henceforth furnish the  
whole amount.

53) Saturday Mar 15  
Stayed in Drama today. We think  
of going out of quarantine tonight &  
moving upstairs again.  
A telegram arrived this morning from  
Adams saying that Mrs Stone was ill  
& that the doctors suspected typhus. He  
asked for Miss Martin. I telephoned it on  
to Karalla & Maj. Walker said he would come  
up tonight & see Mrs Martin before she  
left. Mrs Martin went at 6.00 PM. Dr.  
Walker arrived in side car brought over by  
Reiden who left immediately again for  
Karalla. Dr Walker had time for a talk  
with Miss Martin.

At the house everybody for some reason or  
other thought it was my birthday & they  
gave me a dinner party. Lt. Ake &  
his successor Lt. Kephala were guests. I  
also got a grand birthday cake from  
Anthopoulos & Stoulios as the bakers &  
Mrs Martin made me a very nice one.  
It was a very enjoyable occasion.  
I was moved only by the news of Mrs Stone  
& the absence of Miss Martin. No one  
would believe it was not my birthday  
& I finally had to say that in view  
of the evidence before me. I didn't  
bake a poem. I could no longer  
sing it.

Taylor also ill at Rodolivos but  
not very seriously according to ac-  
counts today. I telephoned.

Sunday Mar 16

Dr. Walker left this morning at 6:40 for Senes.

At 2:00 PM rec'd a telegram that Col. Capps Oakley + Dawney would arrive in afternoon. I went to station to meet them + had telegram from Maj. Walker that he wished Miss Addison to come here + Dramat take care of Miss Blakeslee + Miss Harby + go to Senes to help look after Miss Stone.

Col. Capps + his others arrived duly. Maj. Oakley is to leave very soon again + Dawney will inherit the Macedonia zone.

Rainy afternoon. Barry arrived from Rodolivos 2 PM. He says Taylor is seriously ill. In accordance with walking telegram I telephoned to Rodolivos asking Miss Addison to come here tomorrow. Also telephoned to Kavalla asking to have one of American doctors sent to Rodolivos.

In evening Miss Harby + I went to dinner given by Gov. Gen. to international commission at house of Mr. Kalyvas. Good dinner but rather dull affair.

Monday Mar 17.

Talked with Adams by phone today. Has had some understanding in Min Stone is very ill.

Barry left before lunch for Rodolivos. Capt. Oakley + Dawney left after lunch for Kavalla. In afternoon Miss Addison arrived from Rodolivos. She reports that Taylor is slightly better. Capps Oakley is concerned a good deal in situation. There is no more food for ARC to distribute. No more flour is to come. So in afternoon I saw local committee + told them we should have to discontinue bread line soon + asked them to take whatever measures they thought best.

Miss Harby left at 6:00 PM for Senes. Sorry to have her go. She is a good capable nurse + a very pleasant woman to work with.

Tuesday Mar 18

This morning Gilmore + I went out to Doxate + began distributing to poor people of Chataloja. We gave them a good ration - 1 ske of beans, 1/2 ske of lentils + 1 ske of rice, each with a bundle of clothing. We did a little more than 200 families during the day. Unfortunately we have almost run completely out of boys' clothing and we had to give mens out fit to all from 8 yrs up. There are no more women's bundles left.

Road was very bad + slushy. In the evening I was called to the phone + talked with B.H.H. He gave me 3 telegrams to forward for Capps - one to Adams one to Maj. Carey + one to Wells. After dinner I close up inventory + send surplus of fruit + oranges as well as ammunition + what we need to close bread line on Sunday. But sewing + commiss + we plan to distribute clothing + food in surrounding villages for a month or a week longer.

Capt Gray came over from Cavallo today. He joined Gilmore + me at Doxate + in the evening we all came back in the mule pack.

Wednesday Mar 19

This morning I sent Gilmore + pro. Stewart to Doxate to finish distributing to Chataloja. They came back early in the evening having finished.

Gray + I called on the Nomarch + informed him that in account of impossibility of getting more flour we shall have to discontinue bread line Sunday. He was very friendly + thanked us warmly for all we had done. Later we called on the Gov. General and gave him the same information. He was also very pleasant and said they were all grateful for what we had done.

I sent out 2 bags of boys' clothing to Doxate by Giannoulis + telephoned to Dr. Walker at Serres. He says Mrs Stone's condition continues to be very serious.

I discussed with the Gov. General possibility of buying flour from him to repay what Adams + I had borrowed from local authorities. Adams owes 4413 Drs + I 3408. The Gov. said he thought it could be managed but would let me know. I have enough American flour + repay that I have borrowed but would like to save that for the villages if I can buy enough to repay my borrowing.

In the evening Capt. Dewing arrived with Col Capps into the cañon. Dewing + his men changed Macedonia Bakery leaves tonight by boat for Rinacous. B.H.H. will come to Drama tomorrow.

Thursday Mar. 20

The camion yesterday brought up 5 cases of medical supplies which I am to convey to hospitals at Koyba. Left BKH & I with deaconomogreva for Seres & go by truck from there to Salonica.

The gov. general today informed me that he would sell us all the flour we wanted at 1.40 the oke. That solves that problem we shall now have something left for the villages.

We telephoned to Dr Walker who says Miss Stone's condition is the same.

I closed up bank account stumps & cash & keys & books etc. over to Capt Gray who is from now in charge at Drama.

BKH arrived in time for lunch. Dewing left after lunch in the camionette for Kavalla. He wants us to come back after my trip to Koyba.

In the afternoon late Gray & I walked out past the <sup>big</sup> spring for a low hill where there is a monument. There are 9 German airmen buried here. The hill is a prehistoric mound. We picked up a good many sherds both plain brownish & painted also in fragments of figurines & a small fine silt. The site judges from the pottery of almost identical in character with the one at Dikela tosh near Philipp!

Friday Mar. 21

El Lappo, BKH & I left this morning at 6.40 in a freight car for Seres. Beautiful clear morning with bright sun. I started to go away having become rather attached to the station at Drama. It is really my station since I have been here from the beginning & did most of the work of starting it. Everybody has been very friendly to me too.

We reached Seres at 10 AM. Dr. Dalke & Adams came down to meet us & took us up to the house. The upper floor is quarantined as we were at Drama. Miss Stone is very seriously sick but slightly better than yesterday Dr. Dalke thinks. I saw Miss Hartley & Miss Martin who are doing the same good work here for Miss Stone that they did at Drama for Miss Blackwell.

Mr Adams is thoroughly fed up with Seres & wants to get away. He has been here since Dec 21 & observes a change for his fruitful work.

We left at 1.30 for Salonica in the big lorry as the camionette has a broken spring. Arrived in town at 8.15 & were hospitably received by the Red Cross Serbia Commission. They now have 3 houses & were able to put us up comfortably. I am rooming with a young fellow named Wright.



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Saturday Mar. 22

This morning (bright & clear) we called on the Governor General, Mr. Adonidis, who was very friendly as usual. Later we went to British Ordnance where we were allowed to buy some equipment for Capps, B.H. & myself. We also called attention at the Consulate.

At 7.15 Capps & B.H. left by the express for Athens.

I am to go to Korymbos & deliver the hospital supplies. The idea was to go in the truck but it is no good on hills, so now we propose to exchange it for a camionette since that we can get enough gasoline from our own here. In the meantime I will wait a day or two expecting word from Dr. Black that he can accompany me.

In the afternoon I went to tea at Gov. Adonidis. Mr. Adonidis has been a little indisposed but seemed well again now.

Diamonds was also there having come in from Diamas on Thursday. Telegram from World of this date saying Black has not yet come back from Crete.

Miss Goldman is still here in Salonicia but leaves Monday night for Constantinople. Maj. Carey left tonight for Beirut & he gone a week. Capt. Hargis is replacing him temporarily here.

Sunday Mar. 23

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I loafed most of the day. Wrote up my diary in the morning. Also wrote a letter to Mother.  
Miss Mungane a nurse from Athens arrived today en route for Serres.  
Gen. Stone brother of Mrs. Stone called this afternoon. He has just come from Athens & leaves for Serres tonight.

Monday Mar. 24

Today I went to the Gov. General & with his help finally got the exchange of the 3 ton truck affected for a Fiat camionette. The Gov. Gen. sent me to Genl. G.D. where I saw Major Agapitos who gave the necessary orders. The camionette will report tomorrow at 9. AM. I plan to send Mrs. Mungane in it to Serres. For today I had a telegram from Capps that Dr. Black will leave for Salonicia on Wed. Accordingly I hope to start for the west on Thursday accompanied by the Dr.

Miss Goldman left tonight for Constantinople & I inherited her Ford car as being the only representative of the Greek Commission.

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Tuesday Mar 25

This morning the new camionette reported for duty. The chauffeur is named John & his assistant is George. I sent them back to their garage & get gasoline & oil for trip to Serres. At about 11 A.M. I got Miss Ghangane started for Serres & absent. I packed books for Dewing & 1 cap for Gilmore. & a note to Maj. Walker.

Late in the afternoon Miss Elmazi arrived from Serres & put herself under my protection. I got a room for her at the RC house.

Maj. Perkins & his asst. Vinton blew in from Monastir today with a dentist named Adams. Vinton asked me to give him my bed as he is a chemoist & Wright. I moved accordingly & am now rooming with Adams.

Wednesday Mar 26

Miss Elmazi says she came down to get 2 x-rays & take them to Serres. She wishes to return immediately & asked me to get her transportation.

I went to the Gov. General & asked him to help me get seats for her in any car that happened to go on. He telephoned to G.H.G. & we learned there will be a chance in a postal camion today or tomorrow. They asked me to call at G.H.G.

Miss Elmazi advised me a good deal this morning. We had gone down in

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the Ford to the gov. gen's office & she wished to go to the British canteen to buy a few things while I was seeing the Gov. Gen. The understanding was that she would return at once to pick me up & that we should then proceed to get the question of transportation for her to Serres. But she never came back though I waited an hour or more & strolled down to the canteen & back once. So I was disgusted & started for the RC magazine hoping to pick up a car for home. On the way however I finally found my Ford outside the British canteen. Mrs. Elmazi had gone off & picked up a cousin of hers and run about to several places with him leaving me in the lurch. We went to Greek G.H.G. & they promised to send a postal camion to the RC house to pick up Miss Elmazi tomorrow at 8.30.

In the afternoon I went with Vinton to visit St Demetrios. We met the Ephor Sotirion there who showed us through his interesting excavations. The newly discovered underground chambers were interesting.

I also laid in a stock of supplies at the canteen for our journey up country which may begin tomorrow when Maj. Black arrives.

The camionette came back from Serres tonight

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Thursday Mar. 27.

Miss Elvazi left this morning in the postal camionets. She wasn't heated exactly right by the servants in the house + was glad to go. I was glad to have her go too.

I went in the Ford to meet the train from Athens which was an hour or two late. Maj. Black arrived at 11:30 A.M. With him were Maj. Hopkins + Lt. Bourgeois on an agricultural mission to Macedonia. We all piled into the Ford + went up to the R.C. house where we had lunch.

Maj. Black + I decided to start immediately on our tour to visit hospitals in western Macedonia. We had in an additional supply of food etc. which Mrs. Orr gave us, extracted a bed a kerosene stove + a tin of kerosene from the Serbian Commission + finally at ca 5:30 P.M. in a drizzle left for our first stopping place which is Vodena. Distance ca 85 kilometers mostly through a flat plain rather uninteresting except for numerous mounds. Last part of way however, the landscape is more pleasant and Vodena itself is charmingly situated on top of a hill which rises precipitously from plain.

We stopped for the night at hotel Parkerson in Vodena - fairly clean + comfortable. Almost everybody here in Vodena seems to speak the Macedonian dialect though it is mostly an no doubt bilingual!

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Friday Mar. 28.

This morning Maj. Black + I called on Major (George) (Boris) who was out + nonarch (Stamat. Stamatov) who was away + were taken to the military hospital which we visited. The headquarters of the 2<sup>nd</sup> division has just been transferred here from Florina + the chief medical officer is Maj. Zoras. He seems very efficient. The hospital is small but very clean and lack of materials + supplies is largely made good by ingenuity in improvisation. There is no civilian hospital but plans are on foot for the establishment of one.

We secured 4 cases of gasoline + some oil from the G.P.C. transp. co. here and shortly after noon we started off up country for Florina.

Route was fairly interesting + landscape pretty. Many German prisoners working along the road which is an excellent one. We stopped for a light lunch above the north shore of Lake Ostrovo. Reached Kavitsa in middle of afternoon + soon after crossed the plain to Florina at mouth of deep ravine leading westward into the mountains. Florina is an attractive little town. The mayor was out. We visited the military hospital which is on the point of moving to Vodena. Inhabitants of Florina seem to be chiefly Macedonians.

Late in afternoon we left for Monastir 27 kilom. to the north. We wish to pay a visit to A.R.C. station there and at same time to buy + get some tires. Our inner tubes have gone rather fast - no extra ones left. Reached Monastir ca 7:15 P.M. + were cordially welcomed by A.R.C. people there.

Saturday, March 29

Capt. McFarlane is in charge of station at Monastir. He is energetic, efficient and enthusiastic. Miss Rogers runs the house + is starting a sewing room. There are a trained nurse + a social worker for clothing distribution. Also a dentist, Adams, who came back from Salonica last night bringing Maj. Hopkins + Bayoucos.

There is also here the Amer. Women's Hospital run by Dr. Keyes + Dr. Flood (2 Am women doctors) + several trained nurses. It is a very well managed little hospital clean + efficient. We were shown through it by Dr. Keyes. There is a large dispensary which treat from 100 to 200 per day. There are 3 cases of typhus at the hospital.

We visited the Macedonian quarters of Monastir with Mrs. Roe who was checking up food + clothing tickets. This quarter is very filthy.

Monastir must have been a fine city once. Today it is partly in ruins having been badly knocked about in the war.

Capt. McFarlane gave us + some others in exchange for 4 punctured ones + shortly after noon we departed for Koytra. Maj. Hopkins + Lt. Bayoucos asked to be taken along I was said, certainly if they didn't mind riding inside the castruccio which is pretty well loaded. They said they didn't mind + got in.

We went down through middle of the plain and after ca. 22 kilometers

took a diagonal across to Florina. Here we turned west + climbed 17 kilometers of steep grade (average 5%) to the pass of Pico-deri. Very good scenery but heavy clouds + a continuous drizzle prevented us from seeing much of it. We stopped on the way up for a belated lunch. After the top we descended a bit and went along through a pretty valley for more than 20 kilometers passing several small villages. Eventually we mounted a little again to another pass + then began a leisurely descent to the plain of Koytra. By this time it was dark + still drizzling. We lit our lamps + went on to a large village called Vikiasta. From here the road ran perfectly straight for ca. 10 kilometers, then curved a little and soon after reaching the actual plain of Koytra turned sharply to the left (south) + so to Koytra (17 km farther). Total distance from Florina ca. 85 km.

We had a puncture on the way which delayed us. We finally got there at 10.30 PM + were soon added in two small rooms at the hotel Metropol.

Sunday March 30.

We got up late & made our own breakfast on our kerosene stove - Mr. Black & I. Then we went out to call on the French Commandant Maj. Raymond Espinasse who is the Governor of the Territory of Kouytza. He was very friendly & courteous & invited us to lunch. There we met his staff, Capt. Cegarra, Lt. Pluis & Lt. Gautier. None of them speaks English save Lt. Gautier & he only a very little so the whole burden of carrying on conversation fell on me with my feeble French. I grew bolder as I progressed however & the conversation went along very nicely.

After lunch Capt. Cegarra escorted us to the French military hospital. The director Lt. Bourgeois showed us through it. He looks like a very capable doctor & has plenty of enthusiasm. He has huge quantities of medical supplies of all kinds.

We next visited the civil hospital run by Dr. Notakias. It is much smaller & not so clean. It comes under the Dept. of Health of the Territory of Kouytza & is supported by regular funds out of the annual budget.

We visited the Department of Charities which also has an allowance from the budget & met the director of it.

Next with Capt. Cegarra & Lt. Gautier we called on the Kennedys. We arrived in the middle of Sunday School & stayed through it. The room was crowded & it seemed to be a popular service.

Dr. Black was called on for a speech and responded nobly with a parable for the children which Mrs. Kennedy

turned into Albanian. The Dr. himself had asked for somebody to interpret his parable & our bright lad hopped up and neatly identified the villain of the Dr's tale as the Devil (Dr. had meant Germany).

In the evening we dined with the French Commandant who was very courteous to us. He proposed that we should go tomorrow to Moskopolje in our caissons to see the ruined city & the Byzantine churches with well preserved frescos. We were glad of the chance to go especially since Lt. Gautier is to accompany us. He has for a long time been stationed at the monastery of St. Prodrone just above Moskopolje as sous prefect of the region.

The civil hospital like the military has an abundance of medical supplies brought out of the budget by the French Administration from the French military hospitals when they left Kouytza. Consequently there is no need for us to distribute our supplies here & the Dr. & I have decided to go to Yannina with them. But we can't go tomorrow for there is a bridge out that will not be repaired for a day or two yet.

Late this afternoon we visited the metropoli & old church & the large new cathedral.

Maj. Hopkins & Bourgeois went off to the country early in the morning and stayed all day.

Monday Mar. 31

This morning we went to the military hospital again where Dr. Black had promised to look at a difficult case of osteous sarcoma which Dr. Bonyon thought so difficult for himself to operate. Dr. Black was of the same opinion as the French Doctor & advised against an operation. I was nearly overcome by the fumes of the drugs etc in the operating room.

Later we made a round of the town photographing various churches & scenes.

At 11:00 AM we had lunch with the French commandant. He seemed a little annoyed that Maj. Hopkins & Bonyon hadn't called on him.

After lunch we left in the camion for Moschopolje under the guidance of Lt. Gautier. Lt. Olive also went with us & Majs Black & Hopkins as well as Bonyon. Distance 21 km. of which ca 1/2 up a very steep hill. We had tires blown out on the way out & on the way in. When there were still ca 4 km. to go we got to a very steep stretch of ca 100 meters through which the cars could not pass so we were obliged to walk which nobody minded much save Gautier who has a bullet in one foot.

Moschopolje a very interesting ruined city. Three or four hundred years ago there were 7000 people there according to accounts here.

about 100 years ago the population was reduced to 1500. Ali-pasha then destroyed the place & it has remained in ruins ever since. A few families (100 or 200) still lived there at the beginning of the European war but they were burnt out by Austrians & Albanians a couple of years ago.

Two or three churches are still fairly well preserved and contain some fine frescos. We had time to visit only one - the church of St. Nicholas. It is very well preserved & the frescos are about the finest I have seen in any church in the Balkans. There is a fine arcade or colonnade on the south side of the church. The wall & ceiling are decorated with fine painting. The whole interior of the church is similarly decorated. The colors are well preserved & the style looks like a mixture of Byzantine with western. The subjects are sometimes fairly crude (scenes of hell etc) but the details are nicely executed. Some of the domes are extremely effectively painted. Inside the churches a fine raised chair of carved wood covered with gilt. The golden is gone.

In a small quadrangle near by we saw many carved wooden idols & carved pieces of wood work. Also some beams with small medallions of saints etc painted on them. Some of these are very delicately executed reminding me of Persian miniatures.

Unfortunately we had no time to visit more of the churches, but Gauthier told me they were in the same style as that of St Nicholas but not so well preserved.

Afterward we climbed in ca. 20 minutes to the monastery of St Prodomos where St Gauthier lived while sous-prefet in this region. It is a fairly clean & comfortable looking small monastery which was occupied by the French & Austrians in their operations in this district. There is a fairly good church (date 1701 I think) which is not so interesting as St Nicholas. A good many ikons in it have been brought up for safety from Nochoopolje. Nochoopolje or Noichopolis was a city of schismatics. All the neighboring cities of Albania had each its own church here & the pious made pilgrimages from time to time each to his own church.

Tuesday April 1

This was an easy day. We loafed in our room most of the morning writing up our diary etc. The temporary crossing of the river where the bridge is cut is not yet passable, but will be tomorrow.

We got our passports properly issued today. Also visited the Italian Consul who said visa by him was not necessary. I lunched with French Commandant & dined with same. Played a rubber of bridge after dinner.

The French administration of Kouka seems to me a very admirable one. The government is well organized by departments. It is managed by the French but the Albanians themselves have a considerable share in the actual work. The police force for example is entirely Albanian save for a few French officers. The Dept. of Charities is under an Albanian head controlled of course by the French. The budget system is in use & the govt is not in debt. On the contrary it has already enough funds for next year's budget.

Wednesday April 2

left at 8 AM. for Maroussa. First 40 km in 1 hr. then heavy grade up & down. The route is sensibly very interesting. Unfortunately we had bad luck with our tires & had to stop many times to change tubes. Our casing was almost worn out. The Italian Consul at Kouzbad telephoned ahead ordering lunch for us at Skaskovik. but it was nearly 1 PM when we reached Erek (47 km from Kouzbad) & hiked 44 km farther. So we stopped for lunch at Erek. The Italian officers kindly gave us lunch. We went on in afternoon up & down over broken country with frequent line trouble. till at 7 PM we reached Skaskovik 91 km from Kouzbad.

We were cordially received by the Italian officers here under Col. Nanni who gave us dinner at their mess & provided us with nice rooms & clean beds for the night. They were very hospitable & friendly.

Skaskovik has a beautiful location at a very elevated point beneath a beetling cliff. Splendid views of snow capped mountain range to west.

Skaskovik formerly had a pop of 10000 - now only 1000. was practically destroyed by Greeks in Epurate war & most of town is now in ruins.

Thursday April 3

By a heroic effort we got away early today leaving ca 6:45 AM. we descended pretty good road with sharp curves & fine views of Parati (19 km). Here is an Italian garage where we met an American horse corporal who gave us 2 coins in exchange for old ones. We spent 2 hrs here repairing the bus. Then drove on 25 km. to Kalibaki junction of roads for Santa Quaranta. Shortly after we passed the last Italian station & continued into Maroussa which we reached at 12:30. 2 hrs from Skaskovik - 77 km. (from Kouzbad 168) Bright warm day - like summer.

In P.M. Dr. Clark & I visited 2 civil hospitals, the private foundation "George Kadzikosta" & the other Municipal. We also called on Secretary to Gov. Gen. Gov. Gen. is absent in Athens. He looked through annex of military hospital which now occupies building of municipal plant. There is an epidemic of flu among new recruits in army here - ca 300 cases of a light form (only 2 deaths).

Prof. Hopkins & Bouyongos went to the country to study soils.

We had 2 good rooms at Hotel Averoff & took our meals at restaurant across street.



Friday Apr. 4

Warm summer day.

The Sec. of the Gov. Gen. put a good car at our disposal & we didn't have to walk all day.

Dr. Black & I visited military hospital in the morning. Fine location on bluff jutting out into Lake. Many buildings & fair facilities. fair quantity of drugs.

Later we inspected central disinfecting plant which is improvised but good. Also one of disinfecting stations which are located on each road entering town. Every person entering has to submit to inspection & if he seems unclean he is put through the disinfecting process.

Later in the afternoon Dr. B. & I went across the lake in a boat & landed on the island where we saw the house in which according to tradition Ali Pasha was killed.

We all brunched today with the Sec. of the Gov. General. The Mayor of Yaurima was there also the Mayor of Preveza.

We distributed the hospital supplies we had brought with us - or rather we gave them all to the Municipal Hospital this afternoon.

Also called on Italian Consul here. He has a fine collection of carpets.

Saturday April 5

We left at 7:30 this morning in the camionette on the return trip to Salonic via Kavla. Fine clear day. We had one blow out just at the Italian frontier post - but no more trouble all day. We are running tight now, since our supplies have been given away and the tires holding pretty well.

We reached Prati casa & stopped  $\frac{3}{4}$  hr. we exchanged & damaged tubes for sound ones.

Arrived Lisskovik at noon & had lunch with the Italian officials in their mess.

Left again at 1:30 and proceeded steadily till 6:30 when we finally pulled into Kavla. It was a fine run and a beautiful day.

We called on French commandant in evening. He advises us to attempt the Castoria road tomorrow - which we propose to do.

Sunday April 6

At 8 this morning we left Koytze & in something more than an hour we reached Vitichka. Here we called on the station & C. office to get a new casing. He said he had none but he gave us some gasoline & oil. Also gave us each a cup of coffee at his mess.

We went on up the road till we came to the junction for Castona. Here we turned off & followed a narrow valley with a considerable stream for a short km. Then the road left the valley & climbed in steep grade with many curves over the high hills bordering the lake of Castona on the north. Road very poor almost impassable in spots. Splendid view of the lake & Castona from the top.

Then sharply curving descent to lake & town.

The town is picturesquely situated on narrow neck of land connecting a massive mountainous headland with the shore.

Population (ca ) seems to be a curious mixture of Greek, Turkish, Macedonian & Jew.

There are no hospitals here. So Dr. Black & I had nothing to do but to stroll about. The bath on the lake is very

peculiar in construction. I got a (79) photograph of one.

Mr. Hopkins & St. Bonjourner went out into the country immediately after our arrival to collect samples of soil etc. so as to be ready to leave tomorrow morning.

Dr. Black & I played some rounds of double canfield. Each of us got them all up & we in the evening - very tired but ready to go in tomorrow.

Monday April 7

This was a day of travel all day long. The road south through Chrouptcha to Kozani is closed except if a bridge dips out. So we took an alternative route to east.

By a bad road we got round south side of lake + then continued up a long grade with numerous air sacs on the side of mountain. We came to Summit (ca 4800 ft) near Bleak-kisura. Steep descent by a badly neglected road with many sharp turns. Then eastward along S. shore of lake Rudno. At about 50 km from Kastoria we reach at rt angl. main Monastir - Kozani road - in good condition.

We turned south & in quick time on this fine road ran down to Kozani (ca 39 km). There are hospitals here. Consequently we didn't stop but pushed right on to Verria. This is a fine mountain road ca 70 km. Very steep grade & summit is very high. Splendid views of mountain side across Haliaeumon valley - one of the finest views on our route.

We reached Verria Sat PM + got a couple of rooms into a wretched gub hotel.

After a fair dinner in a respectable restaurant we retired to our room for a game of bridge. Exaggerated reports of the number of hot bugs in the beds led us to postpone our play till finally we decided to make a night of it. By economical use of candles we managed to make our light last till dawn.

The uniformed Bouyoner was very weary & sleepy but was not allowed to discontinue playing.

We have had very fine weather for our whole trip except for a couple of days at the beginning. But now it looks as if there will be a change.

Tuesday April 8

Shortly after dawn we retired from our bridge & Dr. B. cheered us with a cup of beef tea. We then had breakfast & after some delay in getting the sanatorium into order we left our uncomfortable quarters at Varna for Salonica. Left at 8:00 AM. We turned back on Monday road & proceeded on to "Alexander Springs".

Maj. Hopkins wished to spend a few hrs examining soil here.

While we waited a considerable shower came on which caused a good deal of mud & made prospecting difficult for the agriculturist. We had a light lunch of jam & bread & at 3 PM left for Salonica where we arrived ca 5:00 PM.

We found Maj. Carey at the P.R.C. house. Most of the Balkan Commission is here & they occupy the upper house. We got a single room with 4 beds at the Serbian Hospital (Hersch Hospital converted).

Dinner at the British Officer's Rest House.

Wednesday April 9

Maj. Black & I saw Mr. Gibside this morning. He promised to get us transportation to Athens tomorrow (I have decided to go into Athens) also invited us to dinner tonight. Has 4 dossiers in all.

We went out this morning & looked over British Officer's convalescent home at Chicago (Asulatochoni) 25's beautifully situated & planned. It is now evacuated & is prob. to be sold to the Greek govt & for a convalescent home for Greek army. The P.R.C. is to supply some of the equipment.

In the evening we dined with the Gov. His sister Mrs. Calvert was there & half a dozen guests.

We had tea with the Hortons & met Mr. Konodouris & his daughter. Mr. K. was Greek minister at Belgrade & has now retired. Both were at the Governor's dinner & both are to leave for Athens tomorrow. We are to go in their car.

Thursday Apr. 10

Maj. Black had long interview with Maj. Forward of the Balkan Commission.

We met Col. Parman of the north Serbian Commission. He has just got in for a conference here "to divide the spoils" of the Balkan Commission.

At 2 PM we left on the Express for Koumdoukhia via for Athens.

It will be also aboard come to Athens to take over from young Cumberland.

Unsuccessful journey. We played some bridge with the minister.

Friday Apr. 11

Arrived Athens at 1 PM. Drove to house in cab & got a little lunch.

Found letter from Mother.

Maj. James & Maj. Oakley have both left for home & the family is now somewhat reduced.

Col. Hudson & Maj. Thompson of the Balkan Commission are staying at the house.

It all seems as well as usual.

Sat. Apr. 13

Wace came over this morning & took me over to Bridport Hotel for lunch after which in company with Aunt + Ormerod + British officer, Capt (Maj. Bailey of Taranto & several officers) we went out for a tramp to Mt Hymettus - Galapoula + Kassarani. We had 2 yk old men + Kendall Smith to dinner. Smith is running the gas in Athens.

Monday Apr. 14

I wrote a letter to Prof. Day giving him an account of our trip in Western Macedonia.

Spent considerable time typing out rest of my manuscript in Korinth. Col. Hudson left for Saloniki by aeroplane.

Tuesday Apr. 15

Today I bought some khaki cloth for a suit which I gave to a tailor in Kolokotroni St to make up for me.

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Wednesday Apr. 16  
Col. Capps + Maj. Black left by the  
noon train for Saloniki

Thursday Apr. 17 to Sat. Apr. 19  
Nothing of importance. I worked most  
of the time on my prehistoric article  
about Korakon.

Tue Sat. afternoon for Mrs. Stear  
+ Mrs. Peroglu + her daughter.

Friday night I went down with  
Maj. Will + looked at procession  
- Good Friday.

Sat night I went with Maj. Will  
to house of Mrs. Kyriakidis + stood  
on balcony over looking Metropolitan  
Square to watch ceremony at  
midnight.

Adams was there also having  
returned from Serres a day or  
two ago.

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Sunday April 20  
Easter Day. - I typed my Korakon  
article all morning.

Col. Capps + Maj. Black came  
back at noon from Saloniki bringing  
Maj. Walker with them. He reports  
everything going well in E. Macedonia.

Maj. Hopkins + Lt. Brynner came up  
for lunch at my invitation.

Monday April 21

There is going to be a chaser sent up  
to Kavalla tomorrow + the Col.  
suggested that I should go up in  
it ~~as I had offered to go~~  
back there + do anything I  
could to help finish the job  
there. I accordingly plan to  
leave tomorrow afternoon at 2.

The afternoon I went to tea  
at Mrs. Peroglu's. Philadelphus  
was there and talked even  
more G.S. than usual.

Tuesday April 22

We had a farewell lunch for Wace today. His leaving for home on 3 months leave next Thursday. Mr. & Mrs. Dropper, Jerry, & the Dismoores were here. Josie Wace B.H.P. & me.

Jerry gave me a canvas rubber wash basin for the voyage to Kovalia.

At 2 P.M. a Ford came up to get me & I left for the Chascom. On the way we stopped to pick up Miss Roba, a publicity agent for the Balkan Commission. The other passengers were Capt. Donaldson, Miss Fudge, & Capraucy of the R.M.C. all going to Kavalla for assignment. We sailed at 3 P.M. on the U.S.S. 128. Commanded by Lt. J.G. Hiscock & first officer is Ensign Ball. Fine weather. The Chascom is very small & rather crowded. Crew of 2 officers & 14 men. The ladies bunked in forward magazine. Donaldson, Capraucy & I took 3 vacant bunks in crew's quarters forward.

We are sailing first to Mytilene to get some gasoline stored there & then to Kavalla.

I may get a chance to go to Bulgaria for Gen. Mazarakis has applied to Col. Leff for help for the Greek refugees still left around Corina & Burgas & I may be sent to investigate & report.

Wednesday April 23

After an uneventful quiet night we pulled out to Mytilene ca 10.30 A.M. this morning. I went ashore & strolled about town for a couple of hours. Lunch at the Grand Bretagne.

The chaser in the meantime pulled around to the old harbor & loaded the gasoline.

At 2.30 P.M. we left for Kavalla. Several hours later however when we had rounded the northeast corner of Mytilene & passed through the Straits we began to run into a heavy wind & a high sea. As our course lay we ran directly in the trough and the little chaser rolled violently. The wind grew steadily stronger & finally to add to the excitement about 9 P.M. a fire broke out in the cook's galley. The careless nigger cook had left some kind on a shelf over the stove & it came down with the rolling of the boat & caught fire. The fire was very speedily put out with no damage. A little later as the wind grew still more violent & the sea still rose the captain decided to return to the north side of Mytilene for shelter. The wind blew from South West. Once we gained the lee of Mytilene we were in quiet water again. Everybody got a good sleep. During the early part of the evening however some of the crew were sick, also Miss Roba & Capraucy.

The heavy sea would have made it impossible to land at Kavalla tomorrow had we gone on.

Thursday April 24

The wind did not go down at all today so we stayed all day long at anchor near Molyvros at the north end of Mitylene. Several times the gusts grew so violent that we dragged our anchor and we had to shift our anchorage.

A stormy cloudy disagreeable day.

Friday April 25-

Early this morning the wind had shifted to N.W. & as it was still strong & threatened to swing us in the shore Mr. Hiscock had up his anchor & made for Mitylene where we reached shortly after breakfast.

I went ashore with Capt. Donaldson & climbed to the top of the pass along the road leading to the gulf of Myrs. A beautiful view in both directions from the pass. A fine clear day with wind from N.W.

We dined again at Pandelbutzou.

At 2.15 we started again as the wind showed signs of dropping late in the afternoon we passed Molyvros again & headed out to sea to N.W. The wind began to go down considerably & the pitching was not very bad.

Saturday April 26

At 7 AM we arrived at Kavalla in quiet water after an excellent run. We made 11 knots an hour instead of 9 as expected.

After an early breakfast Capt. Donaldson & I went ashore. We arrived at the PRC home in time for another breakfast.

Mr. Dewing has an infection at the base of a tooth which has caused his face to swell up on one side to huge proportions. Otherwise he is well. Things seem to be going nicely. Dewing plans to close up all Macedonian work except that at Drama next Saturday. The arrival of new personnel is embarrassing, there is nothing for them to do. - I have a job however, namely to investigate condition etc. of 15,000 Greek refugees said to be still concentrated in Eastern Bulgaria. Gen. Myrarkis said they had no food & were not allowed to leave for home & that Greeks could not help them. So he appealed to PRC to investigate & help. Col. Capps wrote to Dewing suggesting that I go to investigate.

Dewing says he will give me Felty to accompany me, & he asks us to go to Sophia first to get in touch with Greek military mission there, & then go to Eastern Bulgaria. We also have authority to go to Constantinople if the object of our mission is not frustrated there.

Everybody seemed glad to see me at Kavalla & it was pleasant to be back.



92 In the evening there was a grand party with dancing etc. Aside from the ARC crowd there were also present the tobacco men & a number of Greeks - Col. Preatouris & his ADC, Dr. Matoussis, the prefect Mr. [unclear] & his Secretary Zagoris. As a party it seemed to be a grand success but to me it was very dull as I was out of the dancing.

I was glad to see Mr. Blakeslee looking pretty well. He even took part in the dancing which I fancy would shock Dr. Walker if he heard.

Barry & Reardon came in from Pangalon in the afternoon.

The Chaser went back just after noon. Lt. Stoughton & Schmitt were passengers for Athens.

93 Sunday Apr. 27  
Today I did nothing much in the morning but in the afternoon Felby & I left for Drama in a Ford with Mr. Zagoris. We had previously shipped (in an ambulance) Capt. Donaldson & Mrs. Blakeslee - the latter going for a visit to Drama. On the way we overtook them & I exchanged places with Mrs. Blakeslee.

Reached Drama ca 6.15 P.M. Everything looks the same as usual except that the bridge over the river on the way to the station is washed out.

I found the house in the throes of preparing for a party. In the evening a British Capt. RAMC & 4 nurses & a British Major (R.S.C.) from a stranded hospital train came up for dinner & a dance followed it. Also Lt. Kephalos & Lt. Malanias of the British Air Corps. It was a grand lunge but exceedingly dull to me & Lt. Donaldson as well, I think. Thomas & Miss Pater were in from Rodolivos.

Miss Hartz seemed as jolly as ever - quite unchanged. Miss Martin looked very pretty & somewhat distressed with the care of housekeeping. Both are in good spirits & are together running the dispensary with a large number of patients. Gray & Quinlan & Mrs. Stewart are the same as ever especially Mrs. Stewart who is more so.

Monday Apr. 28

This morning I called on the Gov. Gen. + Mikolopoulos + told them what I am going to do in Bulgaria. Both were interested & glad to have the A.R.C. take up the matter. It is going to be difficult to get through however. For the R.R. bridge over the Rutoz at Buk has been washed out & there will be no train for days. The carriage bridge from Kavalla to Xanthi is also destroyed. Likewise the R.R. bridge over the Struma at Demir Hisar.

Accordingly I asked the Gov. Gen. if he would give me a car to go to Sofia by motor. In the course of the day this matter was arranged + I am to have the Sunbeam tomorrow at 6 AM.

To avoid trouble in Bulgaria Felty will drive up & we will take Gilmore to drive the car back. At the last minute Gray also decided to go to meet Gilmore safely back.

We don't know how far it is & we know nothing of the road but it is said to be a long days' trip.

Capt. Donaldson will stay at Drama in charge while Gray is away. Min. Peter + Thomas went back to Rodolios at noon. I got them horses through Mikolopoulos.

In the evening Mrs. Kalyvas the wife of the Prefect came in for a visit with Miss Harby.

I had a little talk with the Prefect in the afternoon.

Tuesday Apr. 29

We were a little delayed in starting this morning but I finally got away at 8:15 new time (daylight saving = 7:15 old time).

The car ran very nicely & Felty drove well. We took the road north to Prosochani, then up through the hills along a picturesque route to Zimovo.

Soon after we crossed the frontier without incident & drove on across hills till we struck the fairly wide plain of Nevrocop. Nevrocop is ca. 75 km from Drama. We went on 8 km farther & found that the main road is badly washed out & impassible for a car. So we went back to Nevrocop. Here some Bulgarian officers were very polite to us & suggested an alternative route by a new road via Dospat, Batak, Pashtera, + Pazardjik to Sofia. One of the officers kindly lent us a map of this region as we had none.

The new bridge just below Nevrocop is washed out, but we crossed by the old one which is shaky & rotten. Then we went on mostly by a bad rough road with steep grades generally over bare hills constantly ascending. The grade was too much for the car which developed engine trouble - weakness of the heart, apparently. For several hours we stood by the roadside doing everything possible to coax the machine to go. A number of Bulgarian peasants pressed us & gave us an occasional hand in pushing the car. They were all very friendly & polite. Finally

96) in the evening the engine started again  
& we crawled up to the top of a big hill.  
Then there was a swift descent by a  
steep narrow winding road through a  
small village (Bolian) down into a  
deep valley with a small river. We  
crossed the river & started up the  
other side. Here we struck a wash-  
out in the road - a pit 8 ft deep &  
6 ft wide right across the road. There  
were 8 peasants, however, guarded by  
2 Bulgarian soldiers, busily filling up the  
pit with large stones. They had feared  
we were coming & were making the  
road passable for us. They finished  
about 9 PM & we were able to get  
across the washout very easily.

From here we climbed again a couple  
of miles, then descended into another  
village, Satovrea or Satofcha. We  
decided to stop here for the night.

We were met by the military commandant  
of the place & the Doctor who spoke French.  
They were very friendly. The Doctor (Cato  
Dostoloff) invited us to dinner which  
he had already ordered for us at his  
house. We went there & spent a whole  
evening eating a very satisfactory meal & drinking  
huge quantities of mdtchaka & wine which the Dr.  
urged upon us. Some of the notable of the  
town came in & we had a pleasant evening.  
After midnight we finally got to bed. In  
the doctor's house & the others in 2 other  
private houses in town.

Satovrea is 32 km. from Nevrocop.

Wednesday Apr. 30

This morning I got up about 7:30. (97)  
went round to wake up the Mrs. Fomine  
Feltz in bed & got him up & then sent a  
messenger to rent out Gray & Gilmol. We  
had hot milk served us for breakfast.  
About 9:30 a.m. nearly so we got started - the engine  
seemed to be working better than yesterday. The  
road still very rough & has very heavy grades.  
Pearauk had been sent out to chop away a  
couple of trees that had fallen across the way  
& we found the road clear. The route is  
very interesting chiefly over rather open  
hills with fine views but sometimes running  
through pine woods. - After a long descent  
into steep grade & sharp curves we crossed  
a small river and climbed to the village  
of Doipat just beyond it. Here the commandant  
& various dignitaries were waiting to  
receive us. None of them spoke any  
language we could understand but they  
invited us by signs to lunch with them.  
We declined & said we had to push on.

We left Doipat (26 km from Satovrea or  
from Nevrocop, 133 from Drama) shortly after  
noon and for the next 50 km travelled  
over the Rhodope Mts. without striking  
a village. This was one of the finest  
motor rides I have ever taken. For most of  
the way we must have been at an elevation  
of 4000 to 5000 ft above sea level or more.  
The road is very good and winds about through  
beautiful pine woods (Balsams) & then  
as we descend to Batak passes through  
a narrow valley with heavy woods  
& beech. It was very cold & we had

98) a chilly shower of rain on the way. Along the road near the summit we passed bit when banks of snow & there was a good deal of snow under the pine. The ground was full of mosses & lower (such as Dorsat) I saw great numbers of yellow primroses. It was a lovely ride - scenery like that in Switzerland.

From Batak which looked like a lumbering town the road wound down in sharp curves through a narrow little gorge following a river till we came to Pastera. Here we drove across low hills till we came to the plain. After a short run across the plain we crossed the R.R. line & came to the large town of Pazardjik at ca. 4:30 PM.

Here we had a few drinks of masticha with the Bulgarian Commandant & then pulled out again for Sofia.

Pazardjik is 87 km from Dorsat, 145 from Neurocop & 220 from Drama.

The Commandant told us that Sofia is 120 km away on a good road.

We left at 5 PM & went along beautifully for 15 km. then the engine stalled & we couldn't start it again for perhaps 1 1/2 hrs. we couldn't discover the trouble at all. Finally we got a team of oxen to haul us a little way & by shipping in the clutch got started at last. We began to climb over

a low pass & the road soon <sup>99</sup> became wretched. Full of holes & badly worn by rain.

Feltly drove admirably however & we went spurring along over the bad road crossing several low passes in succession.

After stopping ca 3/4 hr to get the lights going we finally crossed the last pass and came down into a valley. At last ca 11 PM we came to a big town which we found to be Delhiman where we stopped for the night. We found a small hotel where we secured rooms & where we put the car into the courtyard and after a cold lunch in our room we turned in in our beds tired & cold.

Thursday May 1

We got up late on a cold rainy looking day. It is May day + a big holiday. Most of the people of the town are wearing a red sash in their button hole which they say stands for the Bolsheviks. We had a good breakfast in the hotel eggs + meat balls.

At 10:30 we finally got away. The engine started very nicely and for a while ran well. We crossed another low pass and after going through a small village at last struck a fine smooth road. The first post said 45 km. to Sofia. We also ran into a blinding freezing rain-storm which later turned to snow. It was cold windy weather.

We followed the good road for about 35 km. Through a beautiful deep gorge with a roaring river below us. The scenery was splendid + would have been finer still on a good day. In spite of the cold this was an enjoyable ride. Once we stalled + had to wait call a big man for a passing ox team to drive us forward till the engine got started again.

When we emerged from the gorge we had only 10 or 12 km to go to Sofia through open country. Here we stalled again however for more than

an hour in a blinding snow storm. At last another ox team came along + pulled us out + after a fast run we got to Sofia ca 3.00 P.M. in a very dark + snow storm.

We got rooms + suits at the Grand Hotel "Bulgaria" where we also had a simple lunch. Afterwards we called on the American minister but he was out.

We did nothing more than wash + change into dry clothes until dinner time. After dinner we look to our beds + had a good sleep.

This afternoon we got the car taken into a British garage where we hope it may be put into good shape for the run back to Drama.

Sofia is a very respectable looking modern town built somewhat on the German plan. There are a good many large substantial buildings. Some of the streets are paved with foot brick - others with cobble stones. The streets are fairly clean.

Friday May 2  
 Still cold + rainy. In the morning Tilly + I called on the American minister Mr. Wilson. Then we went to the Greek Legation. I saw the Greek military mission. I asked them to telegraph Mr. Gotsis that we had arrived safely. Capt. Sathides confirmed in general what Gen. Mazonakis had said about 15000 Greek refugees being still in Eastern Bulgaria. I told him we would leave tomorrow if possible for Varna + Burgas to investigate. He said he would telegraph to the Greek representatives there to help us. He said there were now only ca 1300 refugees left from eastern Macedonia but many thousands of Greeks from Thrace - total now ca. 15000. These are chiefly at Burgas + along the R.R. from Burgas to Stara Zagora + to Rodanople.

Afterwards we strolled about town before + after lunch. We exchanged some Greek money for Bulgarian at the starting rate of 400 leva for 100 dracks. Every body consequently got so rich that there was a general desire to spend money. Tilly bought a camera for 1200 less. I bought a pair of field glasses for 650. I bought 10 rolls of film + a good knife. Only Gray resisted the temptation to buy. In the evening we went to the

Bulgarian opera + heard Faust sung (103) in Bulgarian by local artists. It was a creditable performance but not extremely good. Mephistopheles was by no means so good as who used to sing in Boston + the tenor Faust was a disappointment. Likewise Margarita. None of the singers seemed to have power to fill the room. The show also was weak. The theater is a very nice one with a good stage of great depth.

Saturday May 3

This morning Tilly + I again went to see the Greek mission + got a list of places in Eastern Bulgaria at which they say refugees are concentrated. Also the name of the Greek representative in Varna. Afterwards we went on another shopping tour in the course of which I bought a large knife for use at excavations if I could get any.

Retired yesterday to secure accommodation on the train for Varna today but last night were informed that there were no seats to be had in the sleeping car. So we had resigned ourselves to the idea of spending an extra day here in Sofia.

104 + leaving tomorrow. But they afternoon  
at 3 The hall porter or hotel clerk  
appeared & said the reservations had  
actually been made & that we were  
due to leave at 5 for Varna. So  
we hastily packed up & departed  
from the Rone shortly after 4.  
Tilly & I. On the way we met  
Guy of Gilmore who accompanied  
us to the station.

The English CTC gave us a note  
intitling us to travel at 1st class & at  
5 PM a heavy rain shower  
we started for Varna. We had  
a small compartment with 2 berths  
in a sleeping car & were very  
comfortable.

Leaving Sofia we followed a small  
river & passed down through a fine  
gorge for a long time. The way up  
partly while passing through the  
Balkan mts. Very fine scenery - very  
much like that we had through  
when coming down to Sofia.

We spent a very comfortable night  
in the sleeping car.

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Sunday May 4  
We were waked at 5.30 by the  
porter to change cars at Gorna. For the  
sleeper was to go through to Rustchuk  
while we were bound for Varna.  
We soon regretted that we hadn't  
stayed with the sleeper to Rustchuk &  
continued in from there to Varna.

We got accommodations in a 2nd class  
compartment (no 1st available) one  
side of which was reserved for us.  
Large no. of people travelling.  
The train went slowly - stopping a  
long time at each station - though  
a prosperous looking agricultural  
country. Considerable woods from  
time to time. We spent most of the  
day travelling in this way. Ca. 12.30  
we passed Shumen a large  
town at which I understand  
one of the internment camps for  
Greeks had been.

Sometime later we passed along  
a long lake & sand hills began to  
indicate we were approaching the sea.  
About 4 or 4.30 P.M. we finally  
pulled into Varna.

We went to the Hotel London  
Snow commandeered by the British  
& got a small double room. There  
are a good many British still  
here & the remnants of the 16th  
Division - but all expect to leave  
very soon.

After washing up we went to  
look up the Greek doctor in

10) Varva who looks after the refugees  
we soon found him - Capt  
Kitanos & his assistant Lt. Goumas  
They greeted us very cordially &  
soon took us in a cab to see the  
refugees still living in freight cars.  
There are 43 here. The cars look  
clean & the refugees seemed in  
good shape. Don't naturally they  
are recent at least to their home,  
in western Macedonia. A good  
many of them I noticed spoke  
Macedonian - only a few words of  
Greek.

In the town of Varva (pop 4,500)  
there are about 200 more refugees  
from S. Macedonia scattered about  
in houses.

Dr. Kitanos gives them food regularly  
& has supplied some clothing. He  
said he had ample supplies for  
no days more & I judge he has  
for a longer time still. All of these  
refugees are waiting impatiently  
for a boat to take them home.

We called on the French naval  
commandant & asked about making  
transport to Burgas. He said there  
was a small Bulgarian steamer  
sailing tomorrow at 5 and  
French flag which was slow  
service if we were to use it  
we asked if the sailing could  
be postponed till 9 so that we  
might see some of the refugees

in the town tomorrow morning 107  
before departing. The commandant  
very kindly arranged this for us.

Dr. Kitanos then took us out to  
a park on a hill above the  
sea & we heard a Bulgarian  
band play a number of pieces  
& good music.  
The Dr. then took us to dinner  
at a Greek restaurant which  
was our first square meal of  
the day. This restaurant was  
formerly very popular here but was  
being patronized by the Greek officers  
and their dozen or more staff &  
has been almost completely boy-  
cotted by the Bulgars & has only  
little business left.

I had developed a headache  
during the slow run  
on the train & after dinner  
went back to the hotel &  
bed directly.



Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>

I got up at 6 a.m. & Felby a little later. We went out with a Greek corporal who called for us & after having a glass of tea we met Dr. Kitanos. He took us to see some of the refugees, ca 50 or 60 who had gathered for our inspection. They all looked pretty well fed though short of clothing & shoes. Most of these I noticed spoke Greek & looked thoroughly Hellenic. They appealed clamorously for help in getting a steamer sent to take them home.

According to my judgment there is no need for action by the RRC here at Varna (save possibly in speed up the dispatch of a boat to get these people). The Greeks have good enough & some clothes - blankets they have blankets - & seem to be handling the situation adequately.

At 9 A.M. we embarked on a small Bulgarian boat & cast loose from Varna. Varna is a prosperous looking city with many substantial buildings & some fine houses. The location seems to me extraordinarily good. There is a good harbor, partly natural & partly enclosed by a high breakwater. Large ships can

enter & tie up by the quay. (109)  
Some distance east of Varna is a point in which stands a castle with an imposing tower. This was, I am told, a palace belonging to King Ferdinand.

We were nicely treated aboard the boat - the Sophia. The captain is a Bulgarian who speaks a little English. He has his 11 yr old daughter with him a very lively & friendly little girl. The crew are all Bulgarians. There is one Frenchman aboard a naval petty officer as commissioner of the harbor & the captain is really subject to him. He is very friendly to us.

At noon they gave us every sumptuous dinner in the Bulgarian style with some supplied by the Frenchman and now feeling very sleepy after a big feed I am writing these lines in the small dining saloon.

There are 2 or 3 Greek business men on board as passengers. One of them has invited me to stop for the night with him at Anichalos near Burgas & offers to take me in up to Constantinople but I have declined with thanks.

Shortly before 6 we arrived at Burgas. The steamer Sophia was really bound for Anichalos for a cargo of salt but

(10) made the extra journey of an hour +  $\frac{1}{2}$  (ca 12 miles) solely on our account. We paid nothing on the boat being as the French Commissaire said guests of the French Government.

At Burgas we got a room in the continental Hotel. Here we met a French officer stationed at Burgas - Lt. Guyet. Capt. Antoniadis the Greek representative is not here having gone to Philippopolis. Lt. Guyet was very helpful to us. He told us there are still about 1000 refugees from Eastern Macedonia in this region. Perhaps 300 of these are here in Burgas. The remainder are scattered about in the villages between Burgas + Philippopolis. Lt. Guyet told me it would take 8 days to gather them all together which he did not propose to do till he had means to transport them to Macedonia either by rail or by boat. Dr. Antoniadis has given money to many of them to buy food. It is not possible to feed them with rations since they are too widely scattered. It is not possible to see them either unless they are rounded up by a general order which would be a considerable job. Lt. Guyet thinks the only thing that can be done is to distribute money to the most needy until it becomes possible to ship them home. That is part of the question by rail for the time being since the railway between Adrianople + Dedagitch is out of commission

ca 20 km. having been washed away by the last rain storm. (see Lt. Guyet)

There is another class of refugees in this region - namely those from Turkish Thrace. Guyet thinks there may be as many as 100,000 between Bursa + Philippopolis + Adrianople. Most of these came over from Thrace in 1912-13 + have become more or less permanently established by this time. Guyet has received orders not to repatriate any of these until after peace is signed. They are by no means in so wretched a condition as the newer refugees from Macedonia though it is probably true that most of them would like to return to their homes.

The Greek estimate for these Thracian refugees was ca. 15,000 which is very far short of Guyet's figure. The Greek estimate also doesn't represent the Greek element among these refugees. The balance then would be Turks Bulgars etc.

We met a young man named John Bazi who is carrying on for Dr. Antoniadis in his father's absence. He introduced us to a number of his friends + gave us a big dinner at a small cookshop. It was a very good meal set off by two bottles of good Italian wine + two bottles of acceptable Italian champagne. Bazi confirmed in general what Lt. Guyet told me.

Tuesday May 6 St George's Day.

As we had obtained all the information we could last night & it was evident that in view of the great dispersal of the refugees we could not see any great number of them we decided to push on by the morning train for Philippopolis. accordingly at 7.40 A.M. we set out enclosed in a fairly comfortable 1st class compartment which bore a label prepared by St. Quyet informing the public that this compartment was occupied by the mission of the Am.R.C. The label proved very effective as a matter of fact & we were not disturbed by any one till when we were practically in sight of Philippopolis two bold sirs invaded our precinct.

It was a pleasant ride through a beautiful agricultural & grazing country. We saw enormous numbers of sheep & cattle. I suppose some of these must be booty carried away from East Macedonia.

All along the route & especially as we approach Philippopolis the country is dotted with small conical mounds resembling those about Salonica. In fact similar mounds about Pazardjik & some in the neighborhood of Sofia a few days ago. None that I saw appeared to have

been excavated. I have no doubt however that they are tumuli.

I saw one or two low mounds that looked as though they might be pre-historic sites but had no chance to examine them.

We arrived at Philippopolis at 5 P.M. It is an interesting looking prosperous town of ca. 50000 pop. Much larger than Bingen which has only 17000 built on the slopes of & around 3 abrupt elevations of rock which stand up curiously in the middle of the broad plain between the Rhodope & the Balkan ranges.

We got a room on H<sup>th</sup> floor of Hotel Mollé a typical German establishment in the center of the town. Cafe & restaurant attached with a good kitchen. The restaurant is inferior to the Cafe.

We were tired & I didn't look up Dr. Antoniadis. But I met a British intelligence officer stationed here Capt. Ebous who told me Antoniadis was seriously ill with pneumonia.

The intelligence officer was violent in his condemnation of gen. Mezarakis agreeing in this with Lord Curzon (of Sofia) & said he was barred from the country now. He said he wouldn't believe anything Mezarakis said.

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Wednesday May 7

Cloudy but no rain.  
We got up late. After a light breakfast I went to look up Dr. Antoniadis & Mr. Pappadatis his cousin. The latter seems to have 2 houses. I went to both but failed to find him. At one of these the Dr. (Antoniadis) is laid up with pneumonia (plus other complications) but the women said he was too ill to see me. They were very curious to know what I came for.

I next went to Mr. Pappadatis' office but he wasn't there. About noon he turned up at the hotel however & I had a talk with him.

He says there are from 60 to 70 refugees from eastern Macedonia here & ca 300 from Thrace. Those from Thrace are not in so serious a condition as those from Macedonia. The latter are now awaiting transportation to their homes.

Later we went to see Dr. Antoniadis who was very angry with the women for not letting me see him this morning. He seemed to be suffering somewhat & had a little difficulty in talking but showed himself very much interested in his job of looking after the refugees. According to him there are two pressing problems: (1) to get the refugees

from E. Macedonia home as soon as possible (ca 300 from Varna ca 1000 from Burgas) preferably by boat. They are in very needy condition.

(2) To do something to help the Thracian refugees in Burgas (ca. 1000 in no.) get bread until after the peace is signed they may be able to go home. These 1000 or more have left the villages where they were reasonably well settled & are now at Burgas hoping for a chance to go to Thrac. But the Allies will not allow this until after peace is signed. In the meantime the Bulgarian officials will not allow them to buy bread or supply them with meat. The Bulgarians say that if they go back to the village where they were provisionally established they can get bread but not at Burgas.

So Dr. Antoniadis wants permission from the Bulgarian govt. to make them supply bread to these refugees, or preferably a small crop of flour sent to Burgas to feed these 1000 or more.

In the latter case the same shop that brings the flour could carry back the refugees from Macedonia to their homes. I will try to get the A.R.C. to urge this on the Greek govt when I see

116/ back.

This morning while mulling about looking for Mr. Pappadhis I ran into a boy I had met in Kavalla Drama. He is the brother of the girl named Oreaia whom I met with her mother in Drama the first time I went there with Stella. She has gone there with her fiancee (Georgiadis) who had met her while a hostage in Philippopolis. They are married now. The boy dragged me off to his home where I had a talk with his mother. She gave me a drink & a cigar.

After lunch we resumed our travels and there was nothing further to be done in Philippopolis. We decided to go on to Adrianople & have a look at the station there. The train left at 2:40 & the French R.T.C. kindly arranged for our transportation. There was a sleeping car on the train & we got a whole compartment in it. We were so comfortably established here that we speedily decided not to stop at Adrianople but to go right on to Constantinople. Darius told us we might give up a travel order to this effect.

Very pleasant green country with a well dotted with conical mountains. Slow train stopping a long time at each station. We stayed at 14 km at Trnova Sirman - leaving there at 8:30 A.M.

Thursday May 8

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This morning at 6:30 we started from Kuleli Burgas where we had been lying for 3-4 hours. I didn't get up till nearly 9. We got breakfast & lunch in a dining car.

The road ran through interesting rolling country green everywhere & very far & took upon. Our train went amazingly slowly and gave us all the opportunity in the world to enjoy the scenery.

We finally got into Constantinople at 7:30 P.M. The next hour we spent in a cab driving about from one hotel to another looking for a room. We had almost given up in despair when we found a room at last in the 4th floor of a small Greek hotel - the Princes' hotel (but no princes ever came here). It costs us 3 Turkish Lira for Friday (= ca 21 drachms). I changed 100 drachms for 14 L.T.

Friday May 9.

We spent most of the morning looking up the British section of the ordnance where Felty wanted to buy some clothing. He was unable to buy any but they gave him an overcoat.

In the afternoon we walked over to Stamboul & visited St Sophia after which we went to the Bazaar. Felty bought some embroidery & some furs to take home to his wife. I picked up one bit of embroidery. Had a look round the bazaar for rugs especially. Melas but was unable to find any of the latter that would compare with my own in Athens. Prices of rugs are high compared with what they were before the war but not high compared with prices in Athens. It seemed to me there were a good many rugs in the bazaar but a good many were of poor quality.

Prices are very high in general especially of food. A fair meal in a restaurant costs ca 2 £. per person when at the present rate of exchange amounts to ca 14 drachmas.

Saturday May 10

The morning we climbed the Galata tower & took a good many pictures of the fine panorama of Constantinople. This is the first day of clear sunny weather since we left Dardanelles.

We strolled across to Stamboul & visited the Bayazid or Pigeon mosque. There was not a single pigeon to be seen.

Next we went to the Saulemianah or mosque of Sultan Mehmet the Magnificent. It is a very impressive place - more so than I remembered from my former visit to Constantinople by sea.

We went back to the Bazaar & had lunch at the Tokathou restaurant there. Then we spent most of the afternoon prowling about the Bazaar. I bought a fine pair of German field glasses (Zeiss) for 24 Turkish pounds from a hawk. Also a couple of cigarette holders & a couple of bits of embroidery - Turkish tools.

11) 120) Sunday May 11

This morning I went to the Emp. Ottoman Museum + spent some time looking at the wonderful sarcophagi from Sidon. I suppose the so-called Alexander sarcophagus is the masterpiece - but for beauty I prefer the smaller one in the form of an Ionic temple with mourning maidens in the intercolumniations.

Kelby didn't go with us to the museum. He is a queer bird - seems tired of sight-seeing already. He is a pretty good fellow but makes a very unsatisfactory travelling companion for me. Very incongenial - isn't educated enough to be much interested in anything we see. We haven't very much in common.

From the museum I went to the Bazaar where I was to meet Kelby for lunch at the Tskathan. The Tok was closed today so we were obliged to go down to the Bazaar to a small restaurant there.

After lunch I had thought of going up the Bosphorus for an excursion but Kelby wanted to go to the Bazaar again to try to trade in his old American field glasses. So we went to the Bazaar + spent most of the afternoon

Monday May 12

121) We spent the morning getting ready for departing tomorrow - that is laying in supplies at the canten etc. At noon we caught a boat from the Galata Bridge for an excursion up the Bosphorus. Bright sunny weather made it a very fine trip. We encountered a good many fine + small gorges to Anatoli Kabak ca 3 P.M. The boat stopped on how there then turned about + came back to Constantinople. Arr. ca 7:00 P.M.

Tuesday May 13.

We left this morning at 8:52 AM returning to Macedonia. Warm day. Nothing unusual on the train. We met an American Captain (of artillery) Meier in the train who was an interesting good fellow. He was bound for Sofia + Belgrad.

We went to bed in the sleeping car to get a few hours sleep before getting up + changing cars at the junction of Kuleli Buzgas

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Wednesday May 14

We got up at 3 AM + transferred into a 2<sup>nd</sup> cl. car bound for Xanthi. I started at 4.12 AM. Spent the whole day travelling leisurely through Bulgarian Thrace. The train usually stopped from 1/2 to 1 1/2 hrs at each station.

At 2 PM we reached Giumaliova. Here we met Col Smyth + Lt Tucker who were bound for Drama going in a private car as far as Buk.

They invited us to join them in their car which we did with pleasure. Reached Xanthi ca 4.15 PM.

Gilmore is said to be ~~at~~ here with the submarine car still - having been here several days. He has a man with him who apparently came from Drama with gasoline. No sign of Gilmore at the station.

At 5 we went on. From Oxilar to Buk beautiful ride up the gorge of the Nestos.

We stopped for the night at Buk where the bridge is washed away. We slept in the car.

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Thursday May 15

This morning about 7 we walked to the bridge + were hauled across a wide gap in the bridge high above the river on a swinging platform suspended from a cable. Got a slow train + went to Drama arriving ca 12.45.

All personnel at station absent in Prosochani except Miss Kelly. She is gossiping + told us much news. There have been many incidents quarrels + dissensions since we left + the personnel is all changed.

Miss Hartz + Miss Hartman in series nursing Dr. Hodgeson now convalescent promptly plus. Mrs. Stewart was sent back to Athens after many stormy scenes + after stirring up the Greeks as much as possible against Donaldson + Dewing in her behalf. Gray has been sent back to Athens + has left himself from station without permitting

Donaldson is now in charge with Miss Glenn Blakelee + Kelly here. Thomas has gone to meet Gilmore

One party of 5 HRC went to Constantinople today.

Miss Kelly gave us lunch in PM we went to Kavalle in a camion we found in the square Conveying a Greek officer.



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Friday May 16

I stayed in Kavalla today. In the morning wrote up a report of my trip to Bulgama which Dewing very kindly typed out for me.

In the afternoon I worked through the records of the early distributions in Mt Pausalon with myself + Miller + made them up into the form of a table. The grand total of clothing distributed amounts to ca 5500 pieces.

In the evening Gilmore + Thomas arrived in the Gov General's car from Xanthi.

Saturday May 17.

This morning, most of us went to Drama - Maj. Dewing, Miss Addison, Capt White, Thomas, Gilmore, + I.

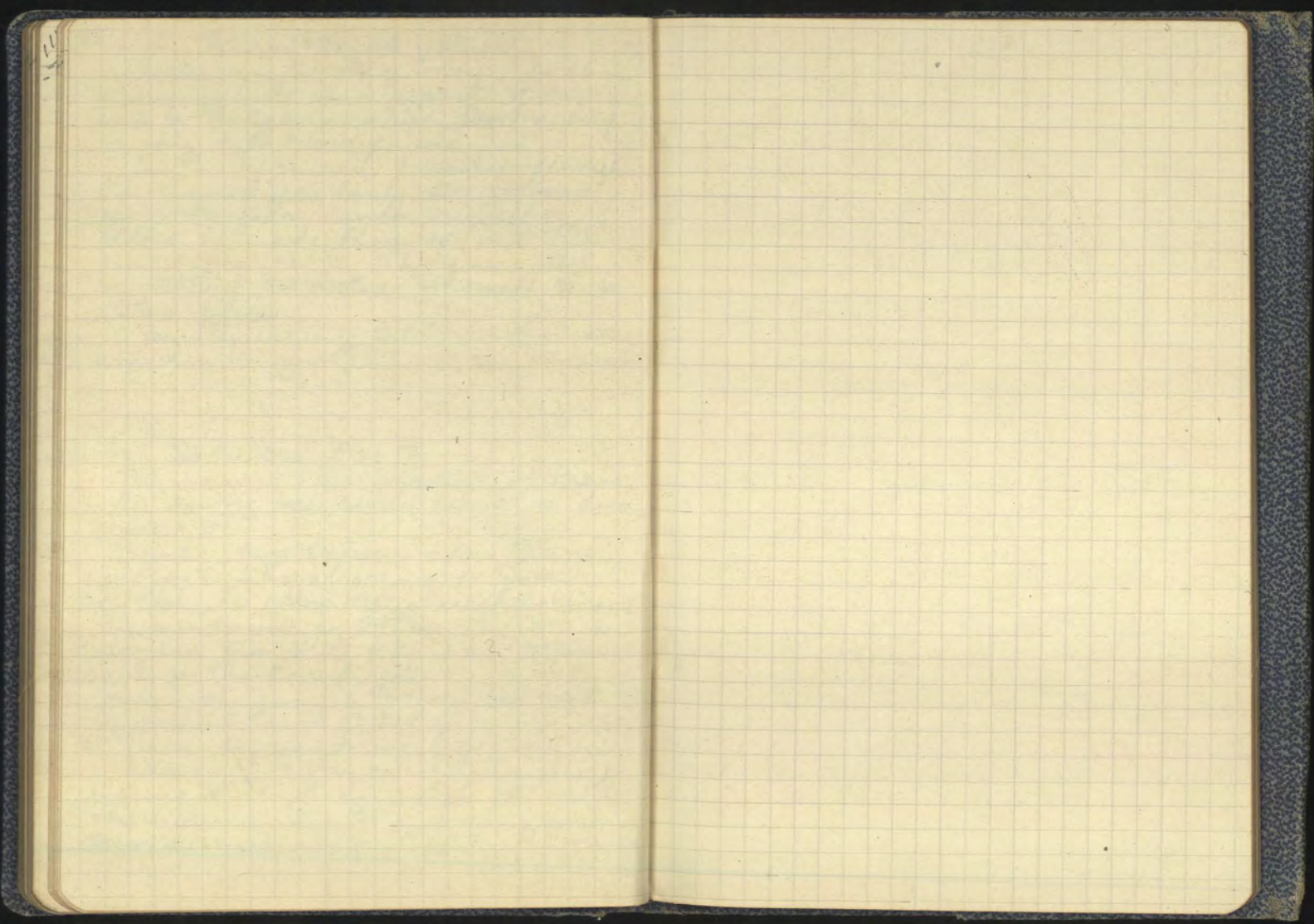
Dewing, Miss Addison + Miss Glenn went back to Kavalla tonight. Donaldson, Miss Baker + Miss Kelley are still at Drama.

I am bound for Athens. There is a telegram from Hill asking me to come back for the Corinth job.

White is also gone to Athens but has to stop to visit Taylor at Rodolivos + a day at Seres. He wants me to go with him.

I have got to stay over here tomorrow because I forgot my watch at Kavalla this morning. Miss Kelley is going down tomorrow + will bring it back in the evening.

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Sunday May 18



Shama pop 45000

Refugees

43 in freight cars

ca

250 in town

waiting for steamer to go home

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Shama Expenses

May 22	portage from JSC	10. —
	"    "    "    "    "    "	5
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	2 Tickets to Ashens	113.50
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Kuala Lumpur 27  
From Felby

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May 2 Exchanged 300 Dr. for 1200 levs.

May 8 Exchanged 100 Dr for 14 Lt.  
" 300 levs " 9 "  
12 " 100 Dr. " 14 15

May 13	Steepyear	36.-
	Breakfast	10.-
	lunch	35.-
14	Tip to porter of steepyear	10.-
	Portage of baggage	5

Expenses on trip to Bulgaria

Apr. 30	Okeant for hauling automobile	10.-
	Lodging & breakfast & meals	45.-
	Dep. at hotel (for meals)	10
" 8	Tip to sleeping car porters	Levs
May 1	dep. at hotel covering bill for lunch of 160 tip	175
	4 theater tickets	44.
	Tip to porter for sleeping car tickets to Varna 80 tip	100.
	10 rolls of 17 film	53.50
	agatha cigar holder	1.50
3	Hotel bill 2 days	59.
	Small knife	45.
	large "	20.
	Bread on train	10.
7	Lunch at station	10.
8	Hotel bill Burgas	40.
	paten	20.
	map of Bulgaria	12.
7	lunch on train tip etc.	20.
	2 small knives	75.
8	exchanged for 9 Lt.	300.
14	2% for breakfast	10.
		Piastres
9	Guide book & map	120.-
	newspaper etc	5
	tip in mosque	30
10	1 field glass	22.00
	3 pencils	30
	2 pieces embroidery of Felby	4.
	2 agatha holders	4.
	1 cigar holder + 2 cigars	90
13	expenses porters	75
		3.00

For Red Cross

Todor Mavrodieff

4<sup>th</sup> Regt. of Bulg. prisoners

~~4<sup>th</sup> Co.~~ 1<sup>st</sup> Co.

Bitolia

Bulg. prisoner held by Serbs.

News of him desired by

Cateo Apostoloff

Satoffcha, Nevrokopska

who gave us dinner & put us up for  
the night Apr. 29



Feb 9.	Lunch	12.20
	Rth. Peirano	.75
	Boatman	2.00
10	Baggage at Kavalla	2.
11	" " Tony	2.
	Cigs	3.
	Shirts (2)	1.00
12	Tea	<del>4.65</del>
	Shine	.40
13	<del>Canteen supplies</del>	<del>23.15</del>
	Shoes half soled	23.
14	<del>Brooms &amp; brushes</del>	<del>21.</del>
	Tea & coffee	5.00
	Shoes half soled and pain	23.
16	Fruit	<del>3.</del>
18	Shaving soap	1.25
	Chocolates, 1 box	5.20
	Sm. Fr. Salts	3.75
	1 box cigarets	3.50
	6 packets "	1.50
	1 box cigars	54.05
	6 pipe cleaners	.90
	6 tins Aidath	21.
	4 boxes matches	.30
	1 pr shoe laces	.45
17	6 bot. brandy	17.70
	1 box cigars	54.05
	6 tins Aidath	21.
	3 boxes cigarets	10.50
20	1 cigarette case	6.
	Shoes to date	21.10
		<u>272.60</u>
	Repair camera case	3.
		<u>275.60</u>
	Unaccounted for	7.80
		<u>283.40</u>

Cash Feb 8

1014.70  
283.40

Cash Feb. 26

731.50

Mch 1...		
Playing cards + matches	4.50	
Tooth paste	2.	
shoe	30	
Mar. 6 Cigars + tobacco + sundry		
supplies from canteen	68.20	
15 shoes	1.	
	5.75	
19 pipe	7.875	
	32.30	
Lost or unrecorded	111.05	

Mar. 22 To Col Capps	4.00	
24 Shirts + collars at Brit. Off.	39.40	
for maintenance Salonica {	To Adams' Corporal	25.
	" " chauffeur Hygin	25.
	" " long driver	25.
	" " " assistant	25.
25 1 doz. handkerchiefs	16.80	
26 Supplies at canteen R 46.80		
CW 61.95	61.95	
27 1 hr embroiders	6.75	
6 pieces embroidery	100.-	
Tips to servants	20.	
" " chauffeur	10.	
2 postage stamps	35.	
<del>6 pieces embroidery</del>	<del>100.</del>	

Apr 6 Visiting church	5.
8 To chauffeurs	57.70
Hair cut etc.	3.90
Expenses on trip ???	24.50
Shoes	14.
	312.80

Cash 731.30

Mar 20 From RRE Bureau	600.
	1331.30
	111.05
	1220.25
Bal Mar. 20	700
From Sch. Cash	1920.25

Apr 4 Repair of rug	312.80
Cloth for quilt	75.-
10 neck w/ pins + buttons	67.50
Shoes	5.50
Board	.90
	12.50
	474.20

Apr 18 To RRE net. on	
Cash 809.10	adv. of 200
	+ 1000
	628.25
	1102.45

Shortage 8.70

1111.15

Bal	1920.25
	1111.15
	809.10



Jan 21 Demir Hissar 6000 pop.  
from chiefly refugees. (formerly 3000 inhab.)  
Hospitals 2 Military  
1 civilian organized by  
Brit. Red Cross. 12 beds.  
Lack of medicines (The British  
Red Cross gave them disinfectants)

No free dispensaries

Two civilian doctors give prescriptions  
to poor + if issued by governor  
they present them at drug store  
+ get drugs free.

No orphan asylum. 100 or 12  
children sent to asylum at Serres

Railway station now used is that  
of Vetrina 1/2 kilom. distant.

Soup kitchen serves daily (noon  
only) 1600 to 1800 (chiefly natives  
of Demir Hissar)

There are a few cases of typhus  
also some grippe & malaria

Phillipopolis  
Refugees from E. Macedonia 60 to 70  
These ca 300

Karalla, deportation began Sep 1917  
5000 to 6000 men

Circular (#14027)  
to the general staff of 10th division  
(Drama) & the garrison commanders  
of Karalla etc etc.

orders deportation of Greek  
population of occupied part  
of Macedonia beginning nearest  
frontiers.

No. 14027 July 10, 1917

In Drama deportation began in July

$$\begin{array}{r} 909.10 \\ \underline{500.} \\ 1409.10 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} 868.10 \\ \underline{5} \\ 1368.10 \\ \underline{50} \\ 1318.10 \\ \underline{100} \\ 1218.10 \end{array}$$

Cash April 18 809.10 35.  
1st class  
From Hmarket Dept 100.

Incidentals Drama etc 5.  

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909.10 40  

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40  

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869.10  

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1.  

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868.10

Repair of pattern

Feb 4 Lunch	1789. <sup>50</sup>
Embroidered pillow	9.30
5 Lunch	50.
1 rug Akabri	10.
<del>1 rug Akabri</del>	285.
<del>1 rug Akabri</del>	15.
Bridge	16.00
price of cloth for pillow case	1.90
6 Lunch ewTB + BKA	10.50
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	1547.20
	941-
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	602.20
	7.55
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	609.75
	20.
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	529.75
	.70
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	630.45

cash Jan 27  
 1618.90  
 26.75  
 1645.15  
 79.25  
 1545.90

Feb 7 lunch  
 1 m. gloves  
 shirts etc

1645.15  
 630.45  
 1014.70  
 Cash Feb. 8.  
 ok.

646.40

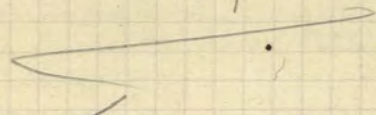
Jan 17 Lunch	6.50
Dinner	8.00
Jan 18 Lunch + dinner	15.50
Jan 19 " "	17.00
supper for 2	26.40
Jan 20 Lunch	9.20
Dinner	8.50
21-23 Transport + Tips	25.00
23 Lunch	31.
Tsa	5.
Carrage	30.
cab back to house	12.50
telegram to Maj. Black	7.50
24 Cab to Gov's office	10.
L + D	27.
25 Boatman	10.
26 meal in "Syria"	24.50
laundry + tips for Porter	10.
Cab	15
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	44.
	<del>25.</del>
28 Kurrak for Serge etc	89.50
Board to weld	9.
30 Lunch	8.80
31 "	1.
cab	
Bridge	9.00
Feb 1 lunch	7.50
Haircut and shampoo	4.60
Shine	.30
Feb 3 Lunch	9.30
Photo marble case	12.50
Bridge	1.25
Board	
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	1731.40
	49
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	1780.50

Alexon Greg

Salonica 19 Rue Franck

Ανδριάντ ταν

Πολιτικῶν Γραφείων  
Καὶ Κυριακῶν  
= Αδύρας.



(100)  
1000  
1000  
1000  
5.30  
1216.50

Due to Kelly +50

890	1010	110
<del>1000</del>	<del>1000</del>	<del>3.20</del>
1040	9.40	2.20
970	9.70	2.90
990	9.30	1.90
1010		
9.50		
940	10.80	1.80
1070	9.80	
970	10.50	
990	11.60	
<del>930</del>	10.50	
980		

1st bill for transp - first shipment

3876

65

3941

postage

to be Pd by Prefect

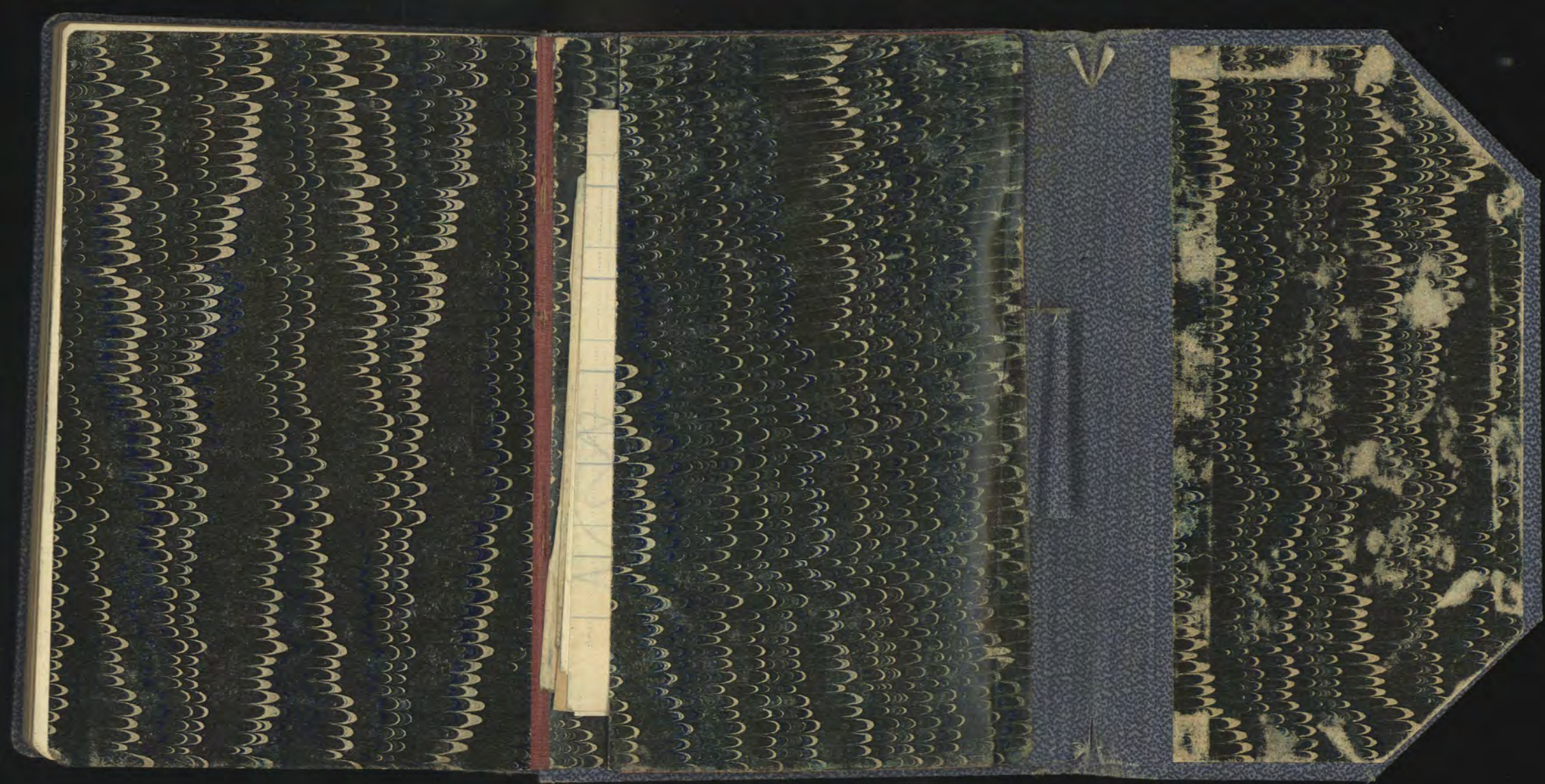
OTC by CWB

10

16.50	160
310	54
13.80	214
2	20
10.30	234
16.50	

-1.00	-1.60	-1.20	-1.60	-1.70	-2.20	-2.60
-2.90	-2.60	-3.60	-4.00	-4.30	-4.80	-5.20
-6.20	+2.80	+2.30	+3.10			

2850



Demir Hassai + villages in district  
 number of persons needing help (food & clothing)  
 Jan 21, 1919

Μείρα. ουσίμων εν εχόντων  
 άρτων επιδείψις άρτων ενόντων

Σύνολον 1870 ομολογούντων άρτων ενόντων

<u>Βίρυρα</u>	380
<u>Ν. Βίγγι</u>	200
<u>Ράμρα</u>	80
<u>Ευβίρα</u>	50
<u>Τουρσίη</u>	40
<u>Μουσίη</u>	80
<u>Νωός</u>	150
<u>Προδράα</u>	30
<u>Γουία Μαγιά</u>	
<u>Γουία Τούσι</u>	
<u>Αραπό</u>	
<u>Βορνοβο</u>	
<u>Ευί Χασί</u>	
<u>Κοροί</u>	
<u>Αουνοβο</u>	
<u>Μαίνα</u>	
<u>Αία Καραουί</u>	
<u>Κάμπι</u>	
<u>Λαβανός</u>	95
<u>Ταυβίρα</u>	60
<u>Χουί</u>	45
<u>Κουνοβο</u>	185
<u>Αραουί</u>	68
<u>Βαρουίη</u>	74
<u>Κερασί</u>	142
<u>Κουσίη</u>	205
<u>Αίκοβο</u>	162

Βίρυρα

Κοροί

αυτοί εν οι 2000



Monsieur. T. Hanson

Commissaire des G.

a bord du navire  
requisitionné "Lofie"  
"Vanner"







2880  
5  
14400

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Dec 20-21 Cronista-Seres

1918

guide	15.	
Transportation	24.	
Board + lodging	<u>21.50</u>	60.50

Jan 11-20

1919 Athens to Kavalla Jan 11-13

(Party of four) Cab + portage + embarkation	24.25	
Board + matruky on steamer	157.40	
Landing at Kavalla	30.	
Portage	<u>15</u>	226.65

Kavalla + Seres Jan 15-20

Board	89.10	
Baggage	<u>6.</u>	95.10

Jan 23 Telegram to Maj. Blade

7.50

Shotgun ammunition bought by  
authority of Col. Cass for Mr.  
Sjiman of Cronista

182.

Total

571.75

Rec'd of Capt. Mc Ininch

Kavalla Dec 18

200.

Rec'd of Lt. Bradford

Athens Jan 9

1000.

1200

Total due ATRC

628.25

1200.

1st Trip Nov - Dec 1918

Salmona A72

{ 160.  
170.50

~~nd trip~~

equipment

{ 431.55  
409.40

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1171.45

Redd 2568.40

Bul

1396.95

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ΥΠΟΔΙΟΙΚΗΤΗΣ

ΣΙΔΗΡΟΚΑΣΤΡΟΝ



