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The 7th LHR and Bean's 1919 Gallipoli mission Reading List

The 7th LHR: The 7th Light Horse Regiment was a mounted infantry regiment of the Australian Army during the First World War. The regiment was raised in October 1914, and assigned to the 2nd Light Horse Brigade. The regiment fought against the forces of the Ottoman Empire, in Egypt, at Gallipoli, on the Sinai Peninsula, and in Palestine and Jordan. Shortly after the Armistice, Lieutenant-General Sir Harry Chauvel despatched the 7th Australian Light Horse Regiment and New Zealand's Canterbury Mounted Rifles to secure the peninsula, survey the cemeteries and undertake battlefield clearance (Gullett 1938: 786; Deasey 2019). These regiments were withdrawn in early 1919 when it was clear that there would be no attempt by the Turks to interfere with the cemeteries. The regiment eventually returned to Australia in March 1919. For its role in the war the regiment was awarded sixteen battle honours.

Bean's Mission: A small mission of eight Australians – including Charles Bean, George Lambert, and Hubert Wilkins – who visited Gallipoli in 1919 to carry out research on the battlefields of the 1915 campaign, discuss a plan for the Gallipoli war graves, and obtain from the Turks their story of the fighting. The mission retraced the landing and the fight up the range, and with the assistance of a Turkish officer, Major Zeki Bey who served through the campaign, was able to follow the Turk defence system (Bean 1948: 14-23).

The books listed below are available in the Institute's Ursula Davidson Library. The call number (*i.e.* compactus shelf address) follows the citation in each case.

BEAN, Charles Edwin Woodrow (1948) *Gallipoli Mission* (Canberra: Australian War Memorial)
Call No: 570.14 BEAN 1948

BEAN, Charles Edwin Woodrow (1983) *Gallipoli correspondent: the frontline diary of C. E. W. Bean* Selected and annotated by K. Fewster (Sydney: George Allen & Unwin) Call No: 575
BEAN 1983 [p.54-74, 141-2, 168, 171, 174, 182-3, 190-200]

BOU, Jean (2010) *Light Horse: a history of Australia's mounted arm* (Port Melbourne: Cambridge University Press) Call no: 570.2 BOU 2010

DEASEY, David J. (2019) *Post-war operations in the Middle East* *United Service* Vol. 70 No. 1 (March) pp. 13 – 16 Call No. J030 US 2019 [The 7th Light Horse and Bean's work on Gallipoli post-war are described briefly at pp 13-14]

GULLETT, H. S. (1938) *The Australian Imperial Force in Sinai and Palestine 1914-1918*. The official history of Australia in the war of 1914-1918, Volume VII, Sinai and Palestine, 5th edition (Angus & Robertson: Sydney) Call No. 570.14 BEAN v. 7/2 [Chapter XLV describes the post-armistice occupation of Gallipoli at p. 786 *et seq.*]

KING, Jonathan; BOWERS, Michael Gallipoli (2005) *Untold stories from war correspondent Charles Bean and front-line Anzacs* (Sydney: Transworld Publications) Call No: 575 KING 2005 [Gallipoli Mission: p.298, 313]

McCARTHY, Dudley (1983) *Gallipoli to the Somme: the story of C. E. W. Bean* (Sydney: John Ferguson) Call No: 575 MCCA 1983 [Gallipoli Mission: p.372, 387, 388.]

RICHARDSON, J. D., Lt. Col. (1923) *The History of the 7th Light Horse Regiment A.I.F* (Sydney: Eric N. Birks) Call No: 570.2 RICH 1923.

Secondary sources:

BEAN, Charles Edwin Woodrow (1921, 1924 & 1938 editions) *The Official history of Australia in the War of 1914-1918.*

Volume 1: The Story of Anzac, from the outbreak of War to the end of the first phase of the Gallipoli Campaign, May 4, 1915 (Sydney: Angus & Robertson) Call No: 570.14 BEAN v.1

Volume 2: The Story of Anzac, from 4 May, 1915, to the evacuation of the Gallipoli Peninsula (Sydney: Angus & Robertson) Call No: 570.14 BEAN v.2

BROWNING, Neville (2012) *Gallipoli to Tripoli: history of the 10th Light Horse Regiment AIF, 1914-1919* (Victoria Park, W.A.: Hesperian Press) Call No: 570.2 BROW 2012

BURNESS, Peter (1966) *The Nek: the tragic charge of the Light Horse at Gallipoli* (Kenthurst, NSW: Kangaroo Press) Call No: 575 BURN 1966

Hollis, Kenneth (2008) *Thunder of the hooves : a history of 12 Australian Light Horse Regiment 1915-1919* (Loftus, N.S.W. : Australian Military History Publications) Call No: 503.2 HOLL 2008

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