

3rd Division ⁽¹⁾

Headquarters, 3rd Infantry Division

7th Infantry Brigade ⁽²⁾

Headquarters, 7th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2nd Bn. The Somerset Light Infantry (Prince Albert's)

2nd Bn. The Royal Welch Fusiliers

2nd Bn. The King's Royal Rifle Corps

8th Infantry Brigade ⁽³⁾

Headquarters, 8th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2nd Bn. The Devonshire Regiment

2nd Bn. The Worcestershire Regiment

1st Bn. The Duke of Wellington's Regiment (West Riding)

1st Bn. The Wiltshire Regiment (Duke of Edinburgh's)

9th Infantry Brigade ⁽⁴⁾

Headquarters, 9th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

1st Bn. The Welch Regiment

1st Bn. The Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry

2nd Bn. The South Wales Borderers

2nd Bn. The Dorsetshire Regiment

Divisional Troops

Headquarters, 3rd Divisional Royal Artillery

II Field Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽⁵⁾

(H.Q., 35th (Howitzer), 42nd, 53rd & 87th Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

III Field Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽⁶⁾

(H.Q., 18th, 62nd, 65th (Howitzer) & 75th Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

XXVI Field Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽⁷⁾

(H.Q., 15th, 40th (Howitzer), 48th & 71st Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

II Light Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽⁸⁾

(H.Q., 5th, 7th & 9th Light Batteries, Royal Artillery)

Headquarters, 3rd Divisional Royal Engineers (9)

17th (Field) Company, Royal Engineers

54th (Field) Company, Royal Engineers

56th (Field) Company, Royal Engineers

3rd Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals (10)

NOTES:

1. In 1930, within Southern Command, there was one Regular Army divisional formation. This was the 3rd Division, with its headquarters at Bulford. The divisional commander was also Commander Salisbury Plain Area. The division was one of those originally formed in 1809 during the Peninsula War and remains a Regular Army formation today. It served at the Battle of Waterloo, and during the Crimea War and the Second Boer War. In the Great War, the 3rd Division served in France, where it gained the nickname 'Iron Division' or 'Ironsides'. During the Second World War, the division served in France in 1940, and then in North West Europe during 1944 and 1945. It was disbanded after the Second World War, but it was reformed in April 1951 for the Suez Crisis. In 2009, it was based at Bulford as the 3rd (U.K.) Mechanised Division.
2. This brigade was based at Tidworth, with all three battalions also at Tidworth.
3. The headquarters for this brigade were located at Devonport. The 2nd Devons and 2nd D.W.R. were both based in Devonport (Raglan Barracks), with the 2nd Worcs and 1st Wilts based in Plymouth at Crownhill Fort and Seaton Barracks.
4. Spread across Dorset and Hampshire, the headquarters of this brigade were located at Portsmouth. The 2nd Bn. S. Wales Borderers were also based in the city. The 1st Bn. Welch Regiment were stationed nearby at Gosport, with the 1st Bn. Oxs and Bucks L.I. based on the Isle of Wight at Parkhurst and the 2nd Bn. Dorset Regiment was stationed in its home county at Portland.
5. This brigade was based at Larkhill under command of the Commandant, School of Artillery at that location.
6. Topsham Barracks in Exeter was the home of this brigade. The headquarters and three batteries (the 18th, 62nd & 65th) were all based in Exeter. The 75th Battery was based in Bristol.
7. The brigade was based at Bulford on Salisbury Plain. All the batteries were also stationed at Bulford.
8. This light brigade was also based at Bulford.
9. The headquarters divisional engineers and all three companies were based at Bulford.
10. The divisional signals were stationed at Bulford.

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