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Story Covered. British Offensive on Eritrea at Barentu and Agordat.

Place of Event. Eritrea. Barentu & Agordat.

Stock Used. Plus X and Background X.

Length Exposed. 2250 feet. Silent.

As far as Barentu and Agordat, the British advance was rapid, with small and intermittent resistance by the Italians. I showed bad foresight as the offensive was being pressed on Barentu and Agordat and by our information it seemed that Barentu would be the first to fall. It offered quite good resistance however, and meanwhile Agordat fell - dashed round there, ten hours after the entry and not a soul in the town - meanwhile Barentu suddenly fell as well. View necessity getting some stuff back quickly, rushed back to Khartoum to mail this though it lacks a sequence of shells arriving on an Italian objective.

ROLL 1. Making use of water wells in captured territory.

Sv and Cu Indian types drawing water.

ROLL 2. Gv and Cu lorries and motorised infantry on move. Indian Sudanese and British troops.

ROLL 3. Lorries and guns on move through Eritrea.

ROLL 4. Observation post. General ~~_____~~ and Brigadier ~~_____~~
Haddandsa or fuzzy-wuzzy suspects kept in detention.

ROLL 5. Cu Types.
Gv Sv and Cu infantry on move
Cu Musso on tree.
Gv Observation post.

ROLL 6. Infantry and material moving forward.
The Kaid, (Lt. Gen Platt) and (General ~~_____~~) ~~xxx~~ at observation post.
Sv and Cu Kaid.

ROLL 7. Gv and Sv infantry on move.

ROLL 8. Gv and Sv 18 pounder guns firing.
Sv and Cu Gen. Wavell on peak looking over battlefield.
Sv. (Major General ~~_____~~ and General Wavell walking down.

ROLL 9. Infantry moving on Barentu.

ROLL 10. Indian sappers removing road mines from road and from ground either side of road. These mines and local made from shells - two being put end to end with a depression detonator. Sapper ~~xxx~~ takes this out and mine removed.

ROLL 11. Gv. Guns firing.
Sv and Cu being worked.
Sv. Guns being loaded.

- ROLL 12 Infantry movement cross country.
- ROLL 13)
14) 6" Howies in action.
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- ROLL 16 Small numbers prisoners brought in - since Italians retreating fast, no great numbers captures as in Libya - yet!
- ROLL 17 Interrogating Eritrean prisoners - Sudan Defence Force officer questioning.
- ROLL 18) Gv Agordat.
Cu Signs.
Indian guard.
- ROLL 19) Agordat. Gv Casa Littoria building and Cu caretaker remaining.
20) British subject from Aden. Cu tanks hit on Agordat field.
21) Cu post office signs - this left in complete working order.
- Interior scenes, type looking over equipment.

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