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May 26, 1881, Capt. W. Clifford, Seventh Infantry, First Lieut. W. W. Robinson, jr., Seventh Cavalry, and Second Lieut. G. S. Young, Seventh Infantry, with detachment of 45 enlisted men, left Fort Buford, Dak. in charge of 1,144 Indian prisoners of war for Fort Yates, Dakota, on the steamers Sherman, Helena, and Far West./ (P. 95).

May 31, 1881, Companies D and K, Fifth Infantry, left Fort Buford for their station Fort Keogh.

May 31, 1881, Fort Benton, Mont. discontinued as a military post, and Company A, Third Infantry, left for Fort Shaw, Mont. on that date. Arrived June 6.

June 4, 1881, Troops C. G. and M, Second Cavalry, left Fort Custer, Mont. for temporary duty at Fort Keogh, Mont. Arrived June 6, 1881.

June 4, 1881, the headquarters of the department transferred from Saint Paul to reservation for Fort Snelling, Minn., where buildings have been completed for the use of department headquarters.

June 5, 1881, a detachment, consisting of three officers and 70 men of Troop H. Second Cavalry, and Company A, Eighteenth Infantry, Capt. M. E. O'Brien, Second Cavalry, commanding, left Fort Assiniboine, Mont. to scout the country in the vicinity north of the Marias River, and towards the Sweet Grass Hills, to prevent the killing of cattle by Indians. Returned June 28. Distance marched, about 198 miles.

June 6, 1881, Company K, Third Infantry, and the mounted detachment at Fort Shaw, Capt. John H. Page, commanding, ordered to proceed to the old Blackfeet Indian Agency, Mont. and camp in that vicinity for a few days, after which the command to move to Dry Fork Depuyer (De Ruoyer on some maps) Creek, and to establish a camp to prevent agency or other Indians committing depredations. Camp established on Depouille Creek (De Pouie on map).