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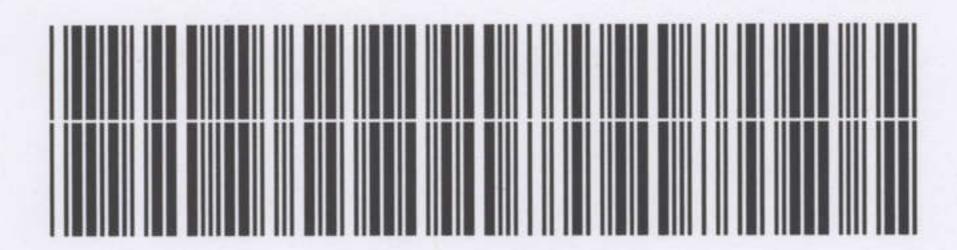
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Place	Date Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	April	Visited Red Lodge, Charing Cross, and R.A.P.s in that neighbourhood.	
	2	Visited A.D.S. at the Brewery and R.A.P.s at Despierre Farm and Lawerence Farm.	
	3	Visited D.M.S. 2nd Army and submitted the schemes for offensive and defensive operations on this Corps front. These were discussed and were approved. The 14th M.A.C. attached to this Corps for work will be removed to another area in the near future and it will be impossible to evacuate the large number of cases of Mumps occuring in the New Zealand Division. Therefore	
RTERS.	4	arrangements have been made for Nol Newzealand Field Ambulance to take all thesem cases. Inspected 9th Field Ambulance (Australian).	
E		Inspector our ractar Amountaines (Australian).	
HEADQUA	5	Inspected Corps Main Dressing Stations and South African Railway Operating Company. The camp of the latter was very comfortable although the sanitary arrangements were not complete but were being pushed on with. A good many of the personnel were suffering from heavy colds but there had been no cases of pneumonia or serious attacks.	
CORPS	6	The D.M.S. 2nd Army inspected all the medical units in the Corps today and expressed himself as being perfectly satisfied.	
AMZAC CC	7	Inspected 57th Divisional Sanitary School which completed the instruction of the whole of the Sanitary Personnel of the Division today. The course of instruction has been the same as that adopted by the other divisions inthe Corps. The whole of the Sanitary Personnel in the Corps has now been through this course and from reports received from Medical Officers attached to	
	32.6	units has resulted in a great increase in efficiency.	
CINIZ	8	Lectured at Corps Medical School. Visited A.A.&Q.M.G. New Zealand Division for purpose of discussing the schemes for evacuation of wounded from that Divisional area. It was pointed out that the Kandahar farm-Neuve Eglise Road being the most important road should be made a two way road and put in a good state of repair. Visited La Motte.	
	9	Was present at conference of D.Ds M.S. and D.M.S. 2nd Army. The chief subject of discussion	
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	April 1917		was the duties of Sanitary Sections under the new disposition. It was generally agreed that the divisions had shown a tendency to use these units for scavenging and general executive work to the detriment of their proper functions viz inspecting, advising and instructing. As Army Troops these units will have their executive functions reduced to a minimum. The question of the formation of forward centres well within the areas liable to gas in concentration was raised. It was agreed this was not feasible.	on that
	10		Visited the Corps Hain Dressing Stations and found construction progressing favourably.	
	11		Inspected Advanced Dressing Stations at Red Lodge and Charing Cross.	
RTERS.	12		Weekly conference with A.Ds M.S. of divisions. Visit to Advanced Dressing Station at Red Lodge and Charing Cross and R.A.P.s at Prowse Point, Dead Horse Corner, Rifle House, Wantage Hall and to Front Line trenches in this area. Visited Corps Main Dressing Stations and Kite Balloon Sects	
HEADQUARTERS	13		Accompanied Surgeon General Sir Neville R. Howse, V.C., K.C.B., D.M.S., A.I.F. in an inspection of the Medical Units of the 3rd Australian Division. He expressed himself as being very pleased with what he saw. In conversation he said that the reinforcement of Australian Medical Units was increasingly difficult and asked that every effort be made to keep the wastage as small as	
SPS			possible.	
CORPS	14		Visit to 57th Divisional area.	
ANZAG	15		Visit to Corps Main Dressing Stations and to Comps Main Dressing Stations. Conference with the Os C. 4th, 57th, New Zealand, and 3rd Australian Sanitary Sections for purpose of instructing and advising them in their new duties.	
ZIVD A	16		Inspected Corps Main Dressing Stations and Houplines. Visited A.Ds M.S. New Zealand and 3rd Australian Divisions.	
60	17		Visited D.M.S. 2nd Army and placed a model and plan of a small box respirator modified for administration of Oxygen to gassed cases while still in the gas cloud	Appendi

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	April 1917.		General routine.	Expendices
	19		Visited 57th Sanitary Section and Corps Main Dressing Stations.	
	20		Visited 3rd Australian Sanitary Section and Staff of New Zealand Division. The latter with reference to mx the schemes of evacuation of wounded.	
	22		Visited New Zealand Sanitary Section and inspected houplines.	
3	23		Inspected all Sanitary Sections within the Corps.	
RITE	24		Visited Corps Main Dressing Stations.	
HEADCODA	25		Visited 3rd Australian Sanitary Section. Was accompanied by A.A.G., N.Z.E.F. in an inspection of the Corps Main Dressing Stations and the Advanced Dressing Stations Of the New Zealand Division, He was very pleased with these stations.	
	26		Visited Kandahar Farm and R.A.P.s attached.	
CORPS	27		Accompanied D.M.S. 2nd Army to look at a site of a proposed Casualty Clearing Station. The Corps Main Dressing Stations were also kakenx looked at.	
2ND ANZAG	30		The chief work for the month has been the completion of the schemes for evacuation of Wounded in the new area for offensive and defensive opperations. This has also entailed much construction work. The corps Main Dressing Stations are now complete and are very fine buildings. The Advanced dresing stations are also completed and nearly all the Regimental Aid Posts. During the Month the transfer of Sanitary Sections to Army to from Divisional Troops was effected. I am of the opinion that this will lead to increased efficiency in that the personnel will always be thoroughly acquainted with their areas and will not have their work of inspection and instruction interfered with by constructional and other odd jobs given them by their Division Plans of the Corps Main Dressing Stations are attached (appendix No 2).	
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