

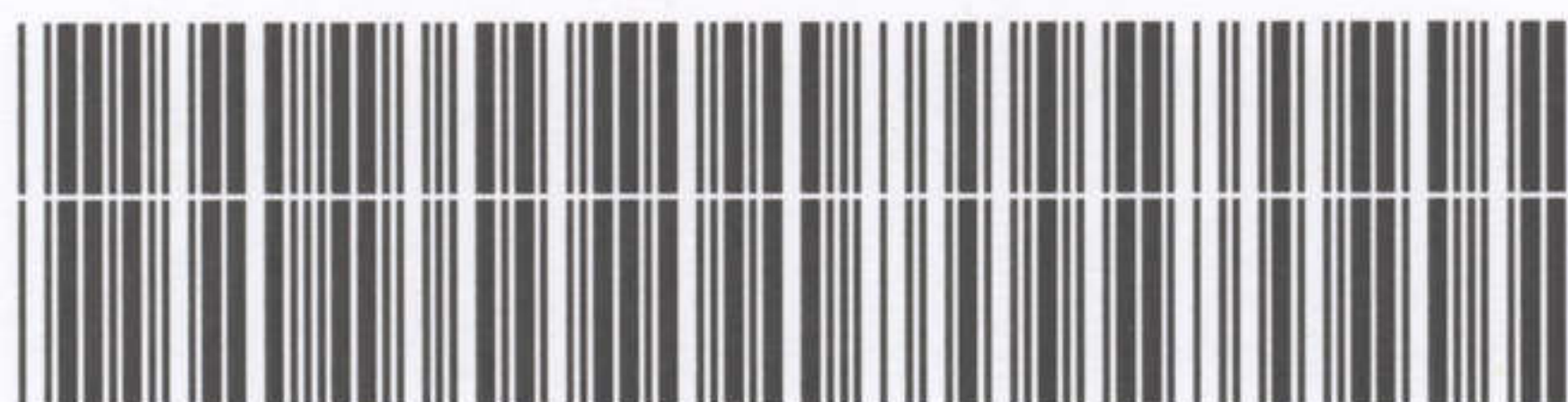
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WAR DIARY

OF

Colonel G.W. BARLER, CMG., DSO.,
D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

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HAM-sur-HEURE. <i>Belgium</i> <i>1/100,000</i>	1919 MARCH.			
	1st		Visited D.M.S., Fourth Army to discuss arrangements for evacuation to C.C.Ss. from Ambulances.	
	2nd		Visited 12th Aust. Fld. Amb., GOURDINNES, with view to providing additional accomodation in the event of an increase of in influenza.	
	3rd		A.D.M.S., 4th Aust. Div. visited D.D.M.S. discussed medical arrangements.	
	4th		Re Repatriation Quota. - Instructions issued that D.A.D.M.S. of Division concerned inspect train and report to A.D.M.S. with copy to D.D.M.S. in accordance with pro-forma attached, <i>see</i> (Appendix 1. 3 <i>attached</i> copies).	/
	5th		Nothing to report.	
	6th		D.D.M.S. visited 4th Aust. Divisional ^{Repatriation} Quota entraining at CHARLEROI, and inspected train &c. Wrote to H.Q. Aust. Corps "AQ" requesting return of Pte ANTILL, 4th Aust. San. Section, and Pte HUNTER, 5th Aust. San. Section detained by A.I.F. H.Q. in London while on leave. <i>see</i> (Appendix 1a. Copies 3 <i>attached</i> .) This practice of detaining and detaching M.O's. or men while on leave must lead to serious consequences as the critical period when Units ^{critical period when Units} services to which they belong, (Medical & Sanitary) are still functioning, at this most critical period when Units are disorganised, owing to demobilization.	/A
	7th		Issued Instructions No. 10. re allotment of new Areas to Sanitary Sections. (Appendix No. 2., 3 copies <i>attached</i> .) D.D.M.S. received instructions to attend " Post Bell Field Committee Reorganization, Post Bellum Field Army, 38 Parliament St London on 11-3-19 at 3.p.m. A.M.S., Fourth Army 168/dated 6-3-19.	2
8th	5.p.m.	D.D.M.S., proceeded to England to attend conference as above. Received notification that Gen.Staff Circ. No. 45 had been modified so that equipment of a <u>Field Ambulance</u> must be handed in complete as a Unit. It cannot be returned by Sections. A.D.M.S., 4th Aust. Div. telephoned that a case of suspected Typhus had been reported at TARCENNE. Wired O.C. 4th Aust. San. Sect. to take necessary action and report immediately.		

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	9th		A.D.M.S., 4th Aust. Div. called. Discussed Medical arrangements and Demobilization.	
	10th		Capt. N.G. SMITH SUTTON selected for duty in PARIS. Adminaust 53881 d. 8-3-19. O.C. 4th Aust. San. Sect. reports that alleged case of Typhus proved to be Spanish Influenza. House affected has been placed out of bounds.	
	11th		A.D.M.S., 2nd Aust. Div. reported that 24 & 83 ^{Aust.} Dental Units were no longer required. Informed S.O., A.D.S. for his information and action. Issued D3/104. d. 11 23 -19. (Appendix No3, copies attached) re Prophylactic and Abortive treatment at Blue Depots. A.D.M.S., 5th Aust. Div. called.	3.
	12th		Re D.M.S., A.I.F. 1504/31/34. d. 5- 3 -19, relative to appointment of D.A.D's.M.S. of 1st, 4th & 2nd, 5th Aust. Divs. - Recommended Major M.G.SUTTON 1st Aust. Div. stating that Capt. J.M. Maclean was also available (for 1st, 4th). Recommended Major C.K.PARKINSON, MC. D.A.D.M.S. 5th Aust. Div. Major G.B. LOWE a/D.A.D.M.S. 2nd Aust. Div. also available (for 2nd, 5th). These Officers have expressed their willingness to remain if appointed. Major PARKINSON stipulates that he be given facilities for Post Graduate work later on.	
	13th	6.30 pm.	C.O. Corps School, RUE, instructed to apply to A.D.M.S., 3rd Aust. Div. for boarding of troops at School. G.O.C. asked for action and report re measles occurring at Corps Workshops, JEUMONT. Instructed A.D.M.S., 5th Aust. Div. to ensure that Medical Officers evacuate all cases of Measles at once, isolate contacts and take all necessary precautions. Instructed O.C. 5th Aust. San. Section to investigate and report immediately. No notification of this alleged outbreak had been received previously.	
	14th		Visited JEUMONT. Received reports re measles from A.D.M.S., 5th Aust. Div. and O.C. 5th Aust. San. Section. Submitted report to G.O.C., Aust. Corps. (Appendix No. 4. D2/157, 2 copies). <i>only attached</i>	4.
	15th		Re transfer of Dental personnel- Instructions to S.O., A.D.S. that movement of personnel of Dental Units within the Corps to be affected through A.D's.M.S. of Divisions concerned, this Office being notified.	

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HAM-sur-HEURE.	1919 MARCH.			
Belgium 1/100,000	16th		D.D.M.S. returned from U.K. having given evidence before Post Bellum Army Committee. Visited 3rd Aust. Div. and conferred with G.O.C. and A.D.M.S. (acting) concerning medical arrangements and demobilization.	
	17th		D.A.D.M.S. 5th Aust. Div. called and was advised by D.D.M.S. on matters connected with Demobilization.	
	18th		Nothing to report.	
	19th		Issued instructions to A.D's.M.S. and O's.C. Sanitary Sections re return of motor vehicles- (Appendix No. 4b. F/146.d.19-3-19. 3 copies attached). Instructed A.D's.M.S. Divs. that O's.C. San. Sections should not be sent to U.K. as M.O. i/c Quota if this can be avoided.	4B.
	20th		Expedited despatch of M.O's. to U.K. for Educational leave (Adminaust. 55218). Wrote to War Records Section re Cinema pictures of A.A.M.C. (Appendix No. 4a. MS/330.d.20-3-19 3 copies attached)	4a.
	21st		A.D.M.S., 1st Aust. Div. called. Medical arrangements and demobilization discussed. Wrote Ed.1/10. d.21-3-19 (in reply to D.M.S., A.I.F. 1.M.48710. d. 18-3-19) re despatch of M.O's. for Educational leave, and explaining to D.M.S., A.I.F. numerous sources from which wires arrive and cause overlapping, confusion and delay. (Appendix No. 5. 2 copies only attached).	5
	22nd		Wired D.M.S., A.I.F. requesting Priority Roll of Medical Officers eligible for Educational Leave, as without this information it has proved impossible to arrange relief, leave &c. for Medical Officers.	
	23rd		D.D.M.S. sat for portrait to Lieut. BELL, 4th Aust. Divisional artist. All M.O's. asked for, instructed to report to D.M.S., A.I.F.	
	24th		D.D.M.S., visited BRUSSELLS for purpose of inspecting 1st & 2nd Aust. Div. Blue Light Depots. These were found to be working well. A.D's.M.S. of the Divisions concerned were instructed to ensure that the minutae of treatment as laid down in D.M.S. Instructions were carried out.	

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HAM-sur-HEURE. <i>Belgium</i> <i>1/100,000</i>	MARCH 1919		
	25th		Wired D.M.S., A.I.F. requesting further Priority Roll of M.O's. eligible for education. Col. H.K. FRY, DSO, 5th Aust. Div. called and discussed Medical arrangements for the amalgamated Divisions 1st and 4th.
	26th		D.D.M.S. visited "A" Divisional Group (1st & 4th ^{Aust} Divs.) discussed Medical arrangements with D.A.D.M.S.. Also attended conference re Historical Records of 4th Aust. Div.
	27th		a/D.A.D.M.S. inspected train at CHARLEROI for Quota 21. Arrangements satisfactory.
	28th		Nothing to report.
	29th		D.M.S., A.I.F. & D.D.M.S. inspected entrainment of Quota No. 22 at CHARLEROI. D.M.S., A.I.F. discussed general arrangements for further demobilization. Authorised D.D.M.S. to demobilize Dental Units.
	30th		Conference held at which D.M.S., A.I.F., D.D.M.S., A.D's.M.S. of "A" & "B" Div. Groups discussed demobilization and Medical arrangements generally.
31st		Dental Unit No.3 attached to Graves Detachment Unit in accordance with A.A.G., A.I.F. 54/74. D.D.M.S. attended farewell function to Sir. D.HAIG, C.in C. at Aust. Corps H.Q.	

31-3-19

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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

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| No. 1. | Instructions re inspecting Quota trains. |
| 1a. | Copy of letter to H.Q. Aust. Corps requesting return of 2 A.A.M.C. Other Ranks by A.I.F. H.Q. in LONDON, while on leave. |
| 2. | Instruction No. 10 re allotment of new Areas to Sanitary Sections. |
| 3. | Instructions re Prophylactic & Abortive treatment of V.D. at Blue Light Depots. |
| 4. | Report to G.O.C., Aust. Corps re alleged outbreak of Measles at Corps Workshops, JEUMONT. |
| 4a. | Copy of letter to War Records re Cinema Pictures of A.A.M.C. |
| 4b. | Instructions re return of Motor Vehicles. |
| 5. | Copy of letter to D.M.S., A.I.F. re despatch of M.O's. to U.K. on Educational Leave & explaining that wires arrive from various sources re releasing M.O's. which causes confusion. |



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Appendix ①

D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps No. P7/94.

- A.D.M.S.,
- 1st Aust. Div.
- 2nd Aust. Div.
- 3rd Aust. Div.
- 4th Aust. Div.
- 5th Aust. Div.



Complaints have been received as to the sanitary state of Embarkation Quota trains. In future, the D.A.D.M.S. of the Division concerned, will inspect the train and render a report to the A.D.M.S., (copy to D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps) in accordance with the following pro-forma:-

- (i). Is the train in a sanitary state?
- (ii). Is the A.M.C. personnel complete?
- (iii). Is the M.O. equipped as instructed in D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps P7/2, dated 17-1-19?
- (iv). Does the M.O. in charge of the Quota understand his duties, and is he in possession of D.M.S., A.I.F., M1507/2/3, d. 22-2-19; D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps P7/94, d. 28-2-19?
- (v). Were any faults represented to the Entraining authorities? If so were they made good?

Headquarters,
4-3-19.

Sgd. G.W. BARLER,

Copy to:-
D.M.S., A.I.F.
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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps M7/72 & M7/73.

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Aust. Corps.
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Appendix (A)

Ref. attached.

May Headquarters A.I.F. be requested by wire to return Pte. Antill, 4th. Aust. San. Section and Pte. Hunter, 5th. Aust. San. Sect. to their respective units forthwith.

If men are to be detained and detached in this manner it will be impossible to maintain the sanitary efficiency of the Corps area at this most critical period.

[Signature]

Colonel,
D.D.M.S., Australian Corps.

H.Q.
6-3-19.

Copies to:- WAR DIARY (3)

A U S T R A L I A N C O R P S

Sanitary Instruction No. 10.

In accordance with Australian Corps 5/995 d. 21-2-19.:-

1. From 15th March, 1919, the Corp Area will be as shown on map attached..

2. Areas are allotted from 15th March, as follows, and will be taken over by mutual arrangement between O's. C. concerned:-

5th Aust. San. Section

SIVRY - BARLENCON - RENLIES - WALCOURT - MALINES
THUIN - MARCINELLE - R.A.F. Areas in RAGNIES Area.

2nd Aust. San. Section.

COUILLET - CHATELET - PRESLES - GOUGNIES
MORIALME - FLOPENNES - ROSEE

3. 5th Aust. San. Section will be located at, and will take over existing accomodation from 1st Aust. San. Section, MARBAIX.

4. 1st and 4th Aust. San. Sections will be reduced to Cadre "A", on March 15th, and personnel not due for Repatriation or Demobilization attached for duty to 5th and 2nd Aust. San. Sections, respectively.

5. Sanitary Sections will continue to be attached for Demobilization and Repatriation to their respective Divisions. Personnel attached to 5th and 2nd Aust. San. Sections will be demobilized in order of precedence with members of those Units.

6. On demobilization, Cadre "A" will dispose of stores and equipment as follows:-

R.F. Stores to nearest R.F. Dump.
Ordnance Stores to Ordnance.
Medical Equipment to No. 18 A.D. Med. Stores.

Indents for Medical Equipment deficient will be submitted and disposed of in accordance with D.M.S., A.I.F. 4.D.5/1., d. 7-2-19, para. "A".

Headquarters
~~7-3-19.~~

G. H. Gaudin
COLONEL,
D.D.M.S., Australian Corps.

Distribution:- O's.C. San. Sections. (Map attached).
A.D's.M.S. Aust. Divs.
'AQ' Aust. Corps. (Copies for Divisions, Area Commandants and Town Majors).
D.M.S., Fourth Army.
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O.C. No. 18 Adv. Depot Med. Stores.

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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps No. D3/104.

- A.D.M.S.,
- 1st Aust. Div.
- 2nd Aust. Div.
- 3rd Aust. Div.
- 4th Aust. Div.
- 5th Aust. Div.

Appendix No 3

The attached:-

"INSTRUCTIONS TO MEDICAL OFFICERS REGARDING THE PREVENTION OF VENEREAL DISEASE" (Charts attached).

"INSTRUCTIONS TO A.M.C. ORDERLIES REGARDING THE PROPHYLACTIC & ABORTIVE TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASE."

re prophylactic & abortive Treatment at Blue Light Depots, are issued for distribution.

The procedure here recommended will be followed at all blue Light Depots.

Headquarters,
11-3-19.

W. H. ...
Colonel,
D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

Distribution:- A.Ds.M.S. Aust. Divs. (Copies for distribution).
 "AQ" Aust. Corps (Copies for Aust. Divs).
 D.M.S., Fourth Army.
 M.Os. Corps Troops Units.
 War Diary.
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War Diary 3.

INSTRUCTIONS TO MEDICAL OFFICERS REGARDING
THE PREVENTION OF VENEREAL DISEASE,
(an addendum.)

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BLUE LIGHT DEPOTS, always thus designated, must be established in advance prior to the entry of troops into any Area. The ~~sight~~ of such Depots will be notified in Orders &c. At night a Blue Light will be shown and treatment will be available day and night.

A weekly Return showing the following will be rendered, viz:-

1. Total number of men reporting.
2. Length of time since connection.
3. Whether amateur or prostitute.

A. PROPHYLACTIC TREATMENT.

For method, see "Instructions to A.M.C. Orderlies".

The steps of the method must be posted up in large legible type in each Depot as follows, in series 1. to 6.

1. Undo the braces in front, fold back the trousers' flaps, and roll up the shirt. This gives a proper exposure of the parts, and prevents staining and spoiling of clothing. Then pass water.
2. Wash first the hands, and then the parts (i.e. the penis and the skin around the root of the penis, including the scrotum) in soap and water.
3. Wash the parts in the antiseptic blue solution.
4. Await special treatment from A.A.M.C. Orderly.
5. Rub calomel ointment thoroughly into parts for at least five minutes.
6. (a). Rinse the hands in the antiseptic blue solution,
(b). Wash the hands in soap and water.

B. ABORTIVE TREATMENT.

Selection of suitable case.

This form of treatment is only intended for early cases of Gonorrhoea, where the disease is comparatively superficial and is confined to a portion of the anterior urethra.

These conditions are at present in the average case (not in all) reporting within 30 hours of noticing the first symptoms or sign whether itching, scalding or urethral discharge.

Always bear in mind the incubation period.

Thus a case with 12 hours of symptoms and 10 to 12 days incubation might be quite unsuitable, having a "deep" infection extending along the entire anterior urethra.

The soreness of the urethra elicited on palpation during the massage procedure forms a good practical guide as to the extent of the invasion, and the suitability of a case within the 30 hours time limit.

Exceptionally, even up to 48 hours, a case may be suitable and 20% of successes may be obtained, but real damage is done in 60% of such cases at least.

Hence abortive treatment should never be attempted in well-established cases of disease.

DANGERS TO GUARD AGAINST.

1. OVERTREATMENT WITH SILVER SALT, causes very grave damage to the urethral mucous membrane in at least 30% of cases so dealt with.

The maximum number of plugs given must not exceed seven.

As a rule, five plugs will prove enough, and if the symptoms have not vastly improved in that time, the case should be treated on other lines

2. BLEEDING.

- (a). This will seldom occur now that the plug introducer is available, as the screwing in of a plug was perhaps the main cause.
- (b). If water is passed, in an endeavour to pass out the plug, even if the plug is not actually passed, it will be moistened and its removal is then seldom accompanied with bleeding. If the plug is pulled out dry, bleeding will frequently result.
- (c). If bleeding persists despite all precautions, cease plugging, and either employ the massage method alone, or else treat the case by ordinary methods.

3. MIXED INFECTION.

The greatest care must be exercised so that every procedure is carried out, under strict antiseptic precautions.

CHOICE OF SILVER SALT AND STRENGTH.

5% Argylol is the best and 5% Protosil the next best. 5% Silver Vitelline (May & Baker) is effective, but is more irritating.

A strength of 5% is adequate. Anything above 5% is too irritating for prolonged application and is liable to do damage.

TECHNIQUE OF ABORTIVE METHOD.Massage Plug Procedure.

Step 1. One dram of 5% Argylol Solution is injected into the urethra and held in for three minutes, during which time the first two or three inches of the urethra are massaged gently but with sufficient firmness. The palpation producing tenderness at the site of urethral infection shows how far up the infection has spread.

Step 11. (a). Cut a strip of open woven gauze with scissors 8 inches in length and $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in width. This is perhaps safer to use than cotton wool, although in skilled hands with a good quality of wool, making sure that the layer separated is unbroken in continuity (of same dimensions), the wool makes a softer and more absorbant plug.

The strip is carefully wound around the blunt bulbous end of the probe for a distance of three inches and formed into a smooth cylinder of uniform size.

The notched end of the special probe has not been made sufficiently rounded, and if used must be well covered with gauze.

- (b). The sterilized plug introducer is passed and the obturator withdrawn.
- (c). The dressed probe soaked in 5% Argylol is passed to the bottom of the canula.
- (d). The Canula is withdrawn.
- (e). The probe is withdrawn, leaving the plug in situ.

MASSAGE -- SEAL PROCEDURE.

When dealing with a small meatus, too small to accommodate the plug introducer, substitute sealing up with collodium for the plug introduction.

LEAD ACETATE PROCEDURE.

Irrigate with 3% Liq. Plumbi. Subacet. dil. solution, and hold in 2-3 drachms for 5 to 10 minutes.

SOOTHING DRESSING PROCEDURE.

At the conclusion of every treatment, after removing all traces of silver salt, apply a dressing of 3% Liq. Plumbi. Subacet. dil. solution around sulcus, pulling forward the foreskin over it.



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MICROSCOPICAL CONTROL.

On the 1st, 5th and 8th mornings, slides are taken. If gonococci are present on 5th or 8th mornings, send case to V.D. Hospital.

PRECIS OF TREATMENT.

- 1st Day. 1st Treatment. (i). Anterior irrigation with 1 in 10000 Pot. Permang. solution.
(ii). Massage Plug or Massage Seal Procedure.
N.L. Plug or Seal for three hours.
(iii). Soothing dressing procedure.
- 2nd Treatment. (i). Anterior irrigation with 1 in 10,000 Pot. Permang. solution.
(ii). Lead Acetate procedure.
(iii). Soothing dressing procedure.
- 3rd Treatment. Repeat 1st Treatment if not irritated.
4th Treatment. Repeat 2nd Treatment.

2nd Day. Repeat 1st day's Treatment.

3rd Day. Repeat 1st day's treatment excepting that only one plug is given.

4th & 5th Day. Repeat 3rd day's Treatment.

6th & 8th Day. Anterior irrigation with 1 in 8,000 Pot. Permang. solution three times daily.

8th Day. Case is either discharged from Blue Light Depot, or sent to a Venereal Hospital.

The attached Charts are used to record attendance at Blue Light Depot for prophylactic Treatment, and record the abortive cases.

RECORD OF CASE UNDER ABORTIVE METHOD.

Reg. No. _____ Rank. _____ Name. _____ Unit. _____

Reported at E.T.D. _____ at _____ a.m. _____ p.m. Reporting to _____

Date of Coitus _____ Place _____ First Symptom or sign _____

Appeared _____ (hours ago) Condition on reporting _____

Treatment Commenced _____ am. _____ pm. Date _____ Method _____

Further Daily History of Case whilst at E.T. Depot.

Date.	Condition.	Progress.	Microscopical Exam. (Gonococcus Pus. Cell)

Early Treatment interrupted _____ owing to _____

Patient is herewith instructed to report to his M.O. immediately on return to Unit, for continuation of his Early Treatment.

Signature of M.O. _____

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(4).

DAILY OR WEEKLY RECORD OF PROPHYLACTIC TREATMENTS.

No. of hours since exposure.	PROST.	ANAT
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INSTRUCTIONS TO A.M.C. ORDERLIES REGARDING THE PROPHYLACTIC
AND ABORTIVE TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASE.

PROPHYLACTIC TREATMENT.

1. Before commencing treatment instruct the soldier to expose the parts thoroughly, viz:- to undo his braces in front, fold back the trouser flaps, and roll up the shirt. It is necessary to get good access in order to carry out the treatment thoroughly, to say nothing of preventing the staining and soiling the clothing.
2. Observe whether there is any urethral discharge or inflammation of the eye of the penis before telling a man to pass his water. If there are any suspicious signs take a slide and instruct the soldier to report to his Medical Officer.
3. The soldier then washes his hands and the parts, including scrotum and area around the root of the penis, first in soap and water and next in 1 in 2,000 Corrosive Sublimate solution.
4. Swab out the first half inch of the urethra with 10% Argyrol solution, using a metal probe and cotton wool, not a match or wooden applicator.
5. Irrigate the anterior urothra with 1 in 8,000 solution of Potassium Permanganate.
6. Inject 15 to 20 minims of 10% Argyrol or 10% Protosil or 5% Silver Vitelline solution or 2% Protargol. This must be held in for 5 minutes.
7. Apply Calomel ointment to penis, scrotum and skin around the root of the penis. The ointment must be rubbed in thoroughly, straightening all folds especially over the frenum, for at least five minutes. Wrap up the parts in a piece of rag.
8. The soldier then rinses his hands in 1 in 2,000 Corrosive Sublimate solution and washes in soap and water.
9. Instruct the soldier to report at once without losing even the portion of an hour, should any itching, scalding or discharge appear, however slight the symptoms may appear to be.
10. If a soldier reports with an abrasion, tear of the frenum or sore of any kind, dress with saline gauze only, and instruct the soldier to report immediately to his Medical Officer. On no account must any antiseptic lotion, ointment or powder of any kind be applied. Be careful in handling all cases with sores, as the most innocent looking erosion might be teeming with germs of syphilis.
11. At each Blue Light Depot a series of instructions numbered 1 to 6 must be posted up in series, showing clearly the various stages of the procedure.
12. Put up a notice stating that Calomel ointment must be used, ESPECIALLY BEFORE as well as immediately after connection in order to escape infection from Syphilis.

P.T.O.

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B. ABORTIVE TREATMENT.

1. Follow out to the smallest detail the instructions given by the Medical Officer, and on no account attempt any modification of your own.
 2. On the 1st (before commencing), 5th and 8th days of treatment, procure slide specimens for microscopical examination. Always take a specimen the first thing in the morning before the patient has passed water. Do not attempt to take a specimen shortly after a man has passed water, but wait two hours at least, otherwise the result is not reliable.
 3. The size of the plug introduced must be proportionate to the size of the eye of the penis. The tendency is, to introduce too large a plug. For general purposes a strip of soft open woven gauze ~~not~~ $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in width and 8 inches long is prepared.
 4. The notched end of the probe has not been made sufficiently rounded, and must be covered to avoid any danger of injury to the urethra. In any case it is not necessary to insert it beyond the length of the canula portion of the plug introducer. It is better to wind the strip of gauze around the blunt end of the probe as in previous instructions.
 5. BEFORE A PLUG IS REMOVED, it is extremely important for the PATIENT TO PASS WATER in order to moisten the plug if it is not actually passed out during the act. Then the plug is gently withdrawn. Unless this is done there is inconvenience to the patient and perhaps bleeding will be caused.
 6. Report any complications, such as bleeding, marked tenderness or balanitis at once, to the Medical Officer before proceeding with any further treatment.
 7. Always rinse your hands in an antiseptic lotion, and wash in soap and water and also always sterilize your instruments, both before and after handling each case treated in the Blue Light Depot.
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G.O.C., Australian Corps.

War Diary No. 4

D.D.M.S., AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

No. *D2/157*
of your *12.4.19*

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Sir,

I have to report that, ^{after} receipt of your communication re Measles at Corps Workshops, JEUMONT the following action has been taken:-

^{on 13.3.19} 1. A.D.M.S., 5th. Aust. Division was instructed at 7.p.m. to ensure that M.O's. attached Corps Workshops, JEUMONT and section of 8th/15th. Aust. Field Ambulance at CLINIQUE, JEUMONT evacuate immediately all cases measles, isolate contacts and take all necessary measures to prevent spread of infection.

2. O.C., 5th. Aust. sanitary Section to inspect, take necessary action and report immediately.

I have personally visited JEUMONT today, and have received reports from O.C., 5th. Aust. Sanitary Section and A.D.M.S., 5th. Aust. Division, find that cases of measles were evacuated as follows:-

4th. Febry.	1	17th. Febry.	1	
1st. March	1	7th. March.	1	
10th. March	1			
	<u>3</u>		<u>2</u>	Total 5.

All patients have been evacuated to C.C.S. - all contacts have been isolated, the premises disinfected, and all necessary precautions taken to prevent the spread of infection; the camp and billets are in a sanitary state - there is no overcrowding, and it is not anticipated that the disease is likely to become widespread or serious.

A. Holmesia Court

Major for Colonel,

D.D.M.S., Australian Corps.

H.Q., 14/3/1919.

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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps No. *No 5/330*

Appendix Note
4A.

Officer in Charge,
Aust. War Records Section,
LONDON.



W.O. YOUNG, Australian War Records, called at my Office to make arrangements to take Photographs and Cinema Pictures illustrating the Medical Records of the War, as requested by Colonel BUTLER.

I have explained that this is impossible, as Active Service conditions do not now exist, and I decline to be associated with any faking.

It is a matter for regret that War Records did not make the necessary arrangements during the SOMME Advance of 1918, which afforded a unique opportunity owing to the latest and most improved methods extant in the Medical Services being employed during that period.

Headquarters,
20-3-19.

Colonel,
D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

Copy to:-
Colonel BUTLER.
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NOTES BY AUSTRALIAN WAR RECORDS SECTION ON

APPENDIX 4.A.

It has been the policy of the War Records Section to prevent the suppression of adverse criticism but to permit the party criticised to attach an explanatory statement to the criticism in question in order that future historians etc. may know both sides of the case. - In accordance with this policy the following statement is made in connection with Appendix 4.A :-

1. In April 1918 Colonel Butler, Collator, A.A.M.C. War Records, at the suggestion of this Section prepared a list of photographs and cinema pictures required to illustrate the work of the Medical Service in the field. On account of the ~~work~~ situation in the field it was not sent across to France until a few months later. It was understood the photographer was securing the pictures required from time to time. It was not found until Captain Wilkins, Senior Official Photographer, had left for Gallipoli with Mr Bean, Official Historian, that he had taken no steps whatever to secure the pictures.

2. The list prepared by Colonel Butler was then submitted to Captain McLean, Assistant Collator, A.A.M.C. War Records, and was asked to say "whether there are any subjects shown on the attached list of which photographs are still desired, bearing in mind the possibility of obtaining them now that hostilities have ceased". Captain McLean revised the list in accordance with this request, and a copy of his letter, in which it was made clear that the list had been prepared with due regard to the fact that active service conditions no longer existed, was sent to the representative of this Section in France, with a request that the photographs asked for be taken.

3. Since Mr Bean has left France, Australian Corps Headquarters have been authorised by an A.I.F. Order to superintend the work of the Photographic Sub-section. The photographer therefore informed Corps Headquarters that he was required to take the photographs wanted by Captain McLean. Corps Headquarters then offered to make arrangements to enable the work to be carried out, and the photographer was told to see Colonel Barber. Colonel Barber refused to assist in any way, and sent to me the following letter :-

"W.O.YOUNG, Australian War Records, called at my office
"to make arrangements to take photographs and cinema pic-
"tures illustrating the Medical Records of the War, as
"requested by Colonel BUTLER.

" I have explained that this is impossible, as Active
"Service conditions do not now exist, and I decline to
"be associated with any faking.

" It is a matter for regret that War Records did not
"make the necessary arrangements during the Somme advance
"of 1918, which afforded a unique opportunity owing to
"the latest and most improved methods extant in the Medi-
"cal Services being employed during that period".

4. With regard to his reply :-

(a) The question of faking does not arise. It will be seen from the foregoing paragraphs that the Section prepared its list, bearing in mind the fact that active service conditions had

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Notes on Appendix 4.a.

(a) Contd. -

now ceased, and that the proposal to pose the photographs to simulate active service conditions was originated at Headquarters, Australian Corps. In any case it is obvious that the only faking which could take place in connection with these photographs would be in the adoption of titles which made it appear that the photographs were taken under active service conditions. Colonel Barber has not the slightest ground for thinking that the Section in this case would depart from its usual practice, and employ inaccurate titles.

(b) In connection with the last paragraph of Colonel Barber's letter, no one regrets more than this Section that the photographer failed to carry out his instructions. It should be noted, however, that the Section has at no time controlled the work of the photographers, who, for this purpose were, by an A.I.F. Order, placed under the Official Historian.

R. Mulvaney

Major.
Officer i/c, Aust. War Records Section.

25/4/1919.

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C O P Y .

Appendix 4 b.

D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps No. E/146.

- A.D.M.S.,
- 1st Aust. Div.
- 2nd Aust. Div.
- 3rd Aust. Div.
- 4th Aust. Div.
- 5th Aust. Div.

1. The Motor Ambulances Cars & Motor Cycles of one Ambulance in each Division will be returned to the Aust. M.T.Coy. concerned for disposal by D.M.T.S., A.I.F. The D.M.T.S. is arranging to transfer the best vehicles of the Unit to be demobilized, to the Ambulances continuing to function, before the vehicles are returned.

2. ~~The~~ Sanitary Sections when reduced to Cadre "B" will return the Box Car and Side Car in the same manner.

3. Car orderlies ~~when reduced to cadre~~ and stretcher will remain with their Unit.

Headquarters,
19-3-19.

Sgd. A.Holmes a'Court Mjr for
Colonel,
D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.

Copies for information:-

- D.M.T.S. A.I.F.
- S.M.T.O.
- D.M.S., A.I.F.
- D.M.S., Fourth Army.
- Aust. Corps H.Q. "G".
- do "AQ".

- O.C.
- 1st Aust. San. Section.
- 2nd do
- 3rd do
- 4th do
- 5th do



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D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps No. Ed.1/10.

Approved No. 5

D.M.S., A.I.F.
LONDON.

Reference your IM.8710., d. 18-3-19 - All M.O's. called for by you for Educational Leave have been despatched to U.K. with the following exceptions:-

1. Major H.H.HUDSON, MC. Retained as witness in F.C.C.M.
2. Capt. K.S.M.BROWN *of the 3rd Aust. Div.* Who must proceed with his "B" Cadre as directed in D.&R., G.I. No. 14.
3. Major L.G.TASSIE, DSO. Who must be retained to Command 13th F.Amb. till it becomes Cadre "B".
4. Capt. H.W.TILLING Proceeding with No. 19 Quota on March 24th.
5. Capt. W.K.FLOOK Evacuated sick to Base.
6. Major G.B.LOWE a/DADMS. 2nd Aust. Div. Not available till amalgamation of 2nd & 5th Aust. Divs.
7. Major C.H.WESLEY Commanding 14th F.Amb. and not available till return of Lt-Col Sawers from leave, or Unit reduced to Cadre "B".

In addition, all Officers demanded for other purposes by D.M.S., A.I.F. have been despatched except:-

- i. Major L.A.HAYWARD, - indispensable as he is one of the only two Majors in the 1st Aust. Div. available for President of Medical Boards.
- ii. Lt-Col. V.W.SAVAGE, C.O. 6th F.Amb. - indispensable.

iii. Capt R.G. Howard of the 3rd Aust. Div. who must proceed with Cadre "B" under 8th 4th 1914

No information further to your 4M.1504/15/17 has yet been received as to which Officers are eligible for Educational Leave and I suggest that you forward a Priority List, showing which Officers are considered eligible in which case they will be despatched as soon as they can be spared.

I have wired you today asking for this additional list as your 82681 of Jan. 23rd states that the D.M.S. will make the selection and it is therefore impossible for me or A.D.S.M.S. to say who is eligible.

Neither C.O's. or A.D's. M.S. desire to retain M.O's. unnecessarily, and Officers can be spared as soon as the desired information is made available.

At present, at least 2 Majors in addition to any Majors Commanding Field Ambulances, and D:A.D's.M.S. must be retained with each Division as long as D.& R. General Instruction No. 11 requires a Field Officer as President of Medical Boards.

The despatch of M.O's. to U.K. would be much expedited if all communications, re the same, came direct from D.M.S., A.I.F. to D.D.M.S. and after H.Q. Aust. Corps is demobilized, to A.D's.M.S. of Divisional Groups concerned.

At present they arrive: from various sources,-

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| 1. From A.M.S., A.I.F. | 5. H.Q. Aust. Corps. |
| 2. From DEMOBAUST. | 6. Direct to A.D's.M.S. or |
| 3. From ADMINAUST. | 7. even direct to Units. |
| 4. From A.A.G., A.I.F. | |

which is liable to cause overlapping, confusion and delay.

Headquarters,
21-3-19.

G. G. G.
COLONEL,
D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps.