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FOR

DECEMBER 1918

A.D.M.S.,
1st AUSTRALIAN
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SOLRE-le-1-12-18 CHATEAU			Weather - Fine.	
do.	2-12-18	1400	<p>Monthly Sanitary report received from C.O., 2nd San. Section. Copy sent to D.D.M.S., CORPS. The following January and February 1915 personnel reported to 1st D.H.Q., prior to departure for AUSTRALIA:- 1st Field Amb., 6 O.R., 2nd Field Amb., 3 O.R., 3rd Field Amb., 4 O.R.</p> <p>1600 Capt. W.K.FLOOK reported and posted 2nd Field Amb. Capts. COCKBURN and J.LOVE reported. Former Officer posted to 2nd Field Amb., and latter to 3rd Field Amb.</p> <p>1700 460 "French Letters" for R.M.O., 1st Bn., received from Aust. Base Depot Med. Stores and forwarded on.</p> <p>Weather - Fine.</p>	
do.	3-12-18	0900	<p>D.D.M.S. asking if all units of this Division are complete with A.A.M.C. attached vide A.I.F. Order 1441.</p> <p>0930 Farewell Order by Corps Commander received from D.H.Q.</p> <p>Weather - dull.</p>	
do.	4-12-18	0900	<p>C.O., 1st Field Amb., enquired if any definite date has been allotted when men from Ambulances "physically unfit to march" may be paraded at this Office. Reply sent stating that a short medical history and particulars of each case should be submitted to this Office and time and date for sending the men for examination by A.D.M.S., would then be notified.</p> <p>0930 Copy of address to Divisional and Brigade commanders on repatriation and demobilization by Lt-Gen Sir J. MONASH received.</p> <p>1000 Capt. HOLMES instructed to arrange for supervision of sanitation of MAUBEUGE. Wire received from A.I.F., 5th Army, authorising Capt. BOTHAMLEY, 6th Bn., to report to A.I.F. Hqrs LONDON immediately for transport duty to AUSTRALIA. Instructions sent to 2nd Ede and O.C., 2nd Field Amb., also instructed to detail M.O. to relieve Capt. COCKBURN 1st Divnl. Engrs. Latter Officer to report for permanent duty as R.M.O., 6th Bn. vice BOTHAMLEY.</p> <p>1500 Instructions received from D.D.M.S., CORPS, for Capt. A.T.R. ROBINSON, 3rd Field Amb., to report to No. 2 Aust. Tunnelling Coy., for duty in relief of Capt. A.M. PURVIS to report to 3rd Field Amb., for duty. O.C., 3rd Field Amb., instructed to take necessary action.</p> <p>Weather - Mild and Foggy.</p>	<p><i>Copy made</i></p> <p><i>602</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SOLRE, le5-CHATEAU	12-18	0930	Amb. Commanders notified to prepare lists of those eligible for supplementary New Years Honours Despatch 1919.	
		1145	D.A.D.M.S. visited 3rd Field Amb. site in new area at CHATELET.	
		1230	O.C., 3rd Field Amb. reported case of typhoid (French Civilian) at BEUGNIES, and asked for location of nearest civilian hospital.	
		1400	O.C., 3rd Field Amb. instructed to send typhoid case to Civil Hospital, MAUBEUGE.	
		1500	D.H.Q. ask for nominal roll of Officers who embarked in 1914 and who are eligible and desirous of (a) Furlough to AUSTRALIA. (b) 75 days furlough to U.K. Diarrhoeal report for week ending 5-12-18 - copy attached. Weather - Fine.	App.1
do. 6-	12-18	1100	O.C., 3rd Field Amb., asked to supply map reference of Ambulance site in new area (CHARLEROI) and to instruct guide to report this Office 9 a.m. on 7th inst.	
		1600	D.D.M.S., notified that no vacancies at present at MICHELHAM CONVALESCENT HOME FOR OFFICERS &	
		1900	Locations of medical units received from 4th Army.	
		2100	O.C., 3rd Field Amb., advised location of Ambulance site in new area - CHATELET (No. 144 Rue de la Station, Sheet NAMUR 8 2G, 35, 89). Weather - Fine.	
do. 7-	12-18	1000	R.M.O., 11th Bn., notified civilian case of typhoid fever and asked for instructions as to disposal. This Officer was instructed to arrange with 3rd Field Amb. to evacuate this case to MEUBEUGE Civilian Hospital.	
		1400	Confidential report received from C.O., 3rd Field Amb. reference depletion of Q.M. Staff of that unit. Weather - Foggy and wet.	
do. 8-	12-18	0930	Letter received from D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps, instructing this Office to obtain reports from Medical Officers of this Division on Gas and its effects.	
		1000	D.H.Q. ask this Office to obtain a report on the water supply in new area from O.C., 2nd San. Sectn. and to ascertain whether chlorination is necessary and whether picquets are necessary to ensure chlorination.	
		1400	D.H.Q. ask if arrangements could be made for lessons to be given to all units by O.C., 2nd San. Section or Field Ambs. on preparation and use of stock solutions of B.P. Weather - Fine.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SOLRE, le9-CHATEAU	12-18	1000	O.C., 1st Field Amb., instructed to detail an M.O. to attend at D.A.P.Ms Office for purpose of taking a vaginal smear from a suspected case in the village.	
		1100	Total sick admissions for 24 hours 13% This marks a gradual decrease.	
		1400	Memo. to Field Ambs. and R.M.Os asking for report on gas cases - copy attached. Weather - Dull and wet.	App.2.
do.	12-18	0900	Divnl, Order 136 received. D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps, Medical Instructions No.18 received. Weather - Showery.	
do.	12-18	1130	D.D.M.S., Aust. Corps, called. Weather - Showery and dull.	
do.	12-18	1030	Meeting of Amb. Commanders at this Office.	
		1100	Memo. sent to all R.M.Os directing attention to G.R.O.5757 re Accidents during Recreational Training.	
		1400	A.A.M.C. Order No.53 issued. Copy attached. Diarrhoeal report for week ending 12/12/18. - copy attached. Fourth Army Sick Wastage for week ending 7-12-18 - copy attached. Weather - Showery.	App.3. App.4 App.5
do.	12-18		Weather - dull and showery.	
do.	12-18	1930	A.D.M.S. accompanied G.O.C. to inspect new area.	
		1000	O.C., 2nd Field Amb. instructed to open "BLUE LIGHT" Establishment at CHARLEROI. Town Major will arrange accommodation, in centre of town for preference..	
		1030	Capt. E.L. SYMONS reported and posted 2nd Field Amb. for duty.	
		1100	Amendment No.1 to Divisional Order No.136 received.	
		1600	Field Ambs notified that A.D.M.S. Office will close SOLRE-le-CHATEAU at 0800 15-12-18 and open at PRESLES 12 noon same date.	
		1900	Move of D.H.Q. postponed until 19-12-18. Fourth Army sick wastage for week ending 14-12-18 - copy attached. Weather - Fine.	App.6

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SOLRE, 1e CHATEAU	15-12-18	0830 1100	Lt-Col. WALSH, 15th Field Amb. called reference collecting 150 German bedsteads. 1st Field Amb. on move to BARBENCON, SOLRE-ST. GERY Area. Weather - Fine.	
do.	16-12-18	1600 1700 1750 1800	Following wire received from D.D.M.S.: - "Detail M.O. to report for duty 1st Aust. Tunnelling Coy., LAMBUBART near CHARLEROI. Advise name of Officer detailed." D.D.M.S. wired instructing Capt. DUHIG report Corps Hqrs for duty 19th. Capt. JACOBS reported having assumed command No. 2 Aust. San. Section. Capt. HOLMES proceeded to LONDON to report A.I.F. Hqrs for duty. Report on water supply in Divisional Area CHARLEROI received from O.C., 2nd San. Section - copy sent to 1st Aust. Divn., D.D.M.S., 1st 2nd & 3rd Inf. Bdes, and Divnl. Artillery. Amb. car sent to pick up case of Erysipelas from 11th Siege Bty, THIRMONT and take it to 3rd Field Amb., CHATELET. 1st Field Amb. on move to GOURDINNE area. 2nd Field Amb. on move to BARBENCON, SOLRE-ST. Gery area. Weather - Fine.	
do.	17-12-18	1000 1030 1515	Capt. W.I. HAYES, 3rd Field Amb., detailed for duty with 1st Aust. Tunnelling Co. 3rd Field Amb. on move to BARBENCON SOLRE ST. GERY Area. A.D.M.S. visited CHARLEROI area. O.C., 5th San. Section called and was supplied with copy of report on water supply this area. Weather - dull.	
do.	18-12-18	1500 1600 1630 1700 1730 1900	Rum issue twice weekly authorised. General Staff circular memo. No. 40 received. (Reorganisation of Field Ambs. on 2 section basis forthwith). Administrative Instructions No. 11 received from D.H.Q. O.C., 1st Field Amb., asked what arrangements had been made re treatment of Scabies. O.C., 1st Field Amb., was notified that each Amb. Commander would arrange for treatment of Scabies in his own Amb. Locations of units as at 6 a.m. 20th inst., 1st Field Amb., Chateau Toussaint GOUGNIES, 2nd Field Amb., LOVERAL-TRY D'HAIES, 3rd Field Amb., 144 Rue de la Station, CHATELET. A.D.M.S., Office, PRESLES. Weather - Cold and wet.	

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SOLRE le CHATEAU	19-12-18	1800 1300 1100	A.D.M.S. Office closed at SOLRE-le-CHATEAU. Reopened at PRESLES. Meeting of A.Ds.M.S. at Corps Headquarters. Weather - dull.	
PRESLES.	20-12-18	1100	Memo. issued stating location of prophylactic Blue Light Depots CHARLEROI - copy attached. Weather - cold and wet.	App.7
do.	21-12-18	0930 1500	Major. H.H. WILLIS, 3rd Field Amb. proceeded to LONDON to report to D.M.S., A.I.F., for duty. New leave allotment issued by D.H.Q. A.A.M.C. 3 Off. 8 O.R., per week. Weather - Fine.	
do.	22-12-18	0930 1500	D.H.Q. notified this Office that A.A.M.C. allotment of early 1915 personnel for return to AUSTRALIA AND leaving 25/12/18 would be 20 - Ambulances allotted as follows. 1st Field Amb., 7, 2nd Field Amb., 5, 3rd Field Amb., 8. Movement Order and pass issued for Capt. D.L. BARLOW (MC) 3rd Field Amb., to proceed to LONDON and report D.M.S. for duty. Weather - Cold and wet.	
do.	23-12-18	1000 1100	Maj. LEE visited Artillery area. Letter sent to 1st D.H.Q. pointing out the danger of transferring experienced A.A.M.C. Officers from the field to duty in ENGLAND and thus leaving in some cases only inexperienced Officers with no knowledge of the handling of men. Weather - Cold and wet.	
do.	24-12-18		Weather - Cold - Light fall of snow.	
do.	25-12-18	1000	Ambulances instructed to indent on "Q" for stabling material before noon 26/12/18. Weather - Cold and wet.	
do.	26-12-18	1000 1400	O.C., 2nd Field Amb., asked if Capt. LILLEY might be returned from Reinforcement Camp. Capt. B.L. HART reported from 3rd A.G.H., and posted 2nd Field Amb. 2nd Field Amb. instructed to send one N.C.O. and 3 men to BRUSSELS to establish a BLUE LIGHT centre at No. 33 Rue de Caserne. Monthly sanitary report for December - copy attached Weather - Wet.	App.8

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
PRESLES	27-12-18	1600	Indent for 2000 Blue Light outfits sent to Aust. Base Depot Med. Stores. D.D.M.S. again written reference W.O. Nursing Duties for 2nd Field Amb. Weather - Very cold and wet.	
do.	28-12-18	0900	D.D.M.S. notified this Office that Major MORTON should proceed to A.I.F. Headquarters and relief to xxxx be supplied. (2nd Field Amb. asked to supply relief.)	
		1100	D.H.Q. notified this Office that the following Medical Officers should report forthwith to A.I.F. Hqs for duty on transports:- Lt. Col. CADE, DSO, Maj. J.W. FLOOD, Maj. A.E. CULLEN.	
		1400	Duty warrants for abovenamed Officers issued.	
		1800	D.D.M.S. 'phoned for Amb. reinforcements demands on 2 section establishment basis. Fourth Army Sick wastage return for week ending 28-12-18 - copy attached. Weather - dull.	App. 9
do.	29-12-18	1300	Capt. A.T.R. ROBINSON reported back from No. 2 Aust. Tunn. Coy., and posted to 2nd Field Amb..	
		1600	Lt. Col. CADE, Maj. FLOOD, and Maj. CULLEN proceeded to U.K., for duty. Capt. P.J.F. O'SHEA proceeded on leave and Capt. FLOOK relieving R.M.O. 5th Bn arranging for attention of sick in his absence. Weather - wet.	
do.	30-12-18	1100	Prince of Wales presented medals to 3rd Inf. Bde (including 3rd Field Amb.) at CHATELET.	
		1200	Same performance 1st Inf. Bde at GOUGNIES. A.D.M.S., and D.A.D.M.S. attended.	
		1800	Circular memo. to Field Ambs. and R.M.Os (copy of 4th Aust. Divn.) with reference Ophthalmic cases - copy attached. Weather - fine.	App. 10
do.	31-12-18	1500	A.D.M.S. visited 3rd Field Amb., Weather - Fine. Diarrhoeal report for week ending 26-12-18 - copy attached. Analysis of sick wastage for December - copy attached.	App. 11 App. 12.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
PRESLES	31/12/18		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SUMMARY</u></p> <p>The first half of month was spent in the SOLRE- LE- CHATEAU AREA, where as the move to the CHARLEROI area was expected daily, little work was done by the Ambulances. On arrival in the new Area, accommodation was arranged for 50 Patients in each Ambulance, German Hospital Beds were brought from SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU. The health of the troops in the new area has been good. Diarrhoea has been fairly prevalent, but as some of the water is mineralised, I think this sufficient to account for it. V.D. has increased but as the 2nd. and 3rd. Brigades are billeted practically in CHARLEROI, this is to be expected. The Blue Light Establishment in the Town is averaging 150 attendances daily, and there are two establishments run by the 2nd. Division. Scabies returns in the Division have been high. The bathing arrangements in some areas are not very good, partly owing to poor water supply, and partly owing to the scattered billeting area. The Divisional Disinfector is situated in CHATELET, to which Units take their blankets for Disinfection. A German Portable Thresh was salvaged from the Railway Station at CHATELINEAU, and is working fairly satisfactorily at the 1st. Field Ambulance. A Leave Club was arranged in BRUSSELS for the Division and a Blue Light room installed.</p>	
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5	Fourth Army Sick Wastage for week ending	7/12/18
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DIARRHOEA CASES REPORTING SICK DURING WEEK ENDED, 5/12/18. ³

UNIT	NO. OF CASES
1st Inf. Bn.,	10
2nd do.	9
3rd do.	10
4th do.	2
5th do.	5
6th do.	-
7th do.	4
8th do.	9
9th do.	40
10th do.	15
11th do.	7
12th do.	12
1st Pioneer Bn.,	6
1st M.G. Bn.,	22
1st A.F.A. Bde.,	16
2nd do.	-
1st D.A.C.,	22
1st Div. Engrs.,	6
1st Div. Train,	-
1st Field Amb.,	2
2nd do.	-
3rd do.	11
TOTALS	208

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Headquarters,
9th. December, 1918.

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- 1st. Aust. Fld. Ambce.
- 2nd. do. do.
- 3rd. do. do.
- All R.M.O.s.
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Will you please say if you have any records of cases of GAS POISONING, and if so, forward reports to this office.

Information on the general character of gas casualties, the nature and severity of the symptoms, the mortality methods of treatment, the after-history of the cases is required to enable an estimate to be formed of the significance of this form of warfare, both from a Medical and tactical point of view.

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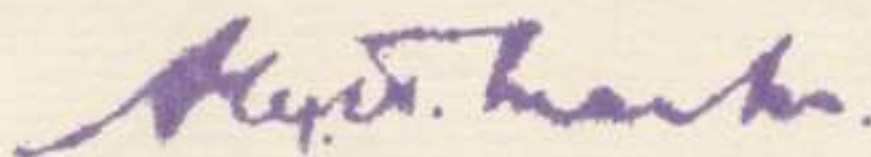
A.A.M.C. ORDER NO.53. (MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.)

Map reference, Sheet NAMUR 8.

Reference Divisional Order No.136.

Field Ambulances will move according to above order.

1. O.C., 3rd Aust. Field Amb., will arrange to open a Collecting Post at 144 Rue de la Station, CHATELET, on "A" day.
2. Os.C., Field Ambs. will arrange to clear all cases occurring during move to 3rd Aust. Field Amb. Post at CHATELET.
3. O.C., 1st Aust. Field Amb., will arrange to clear cases from 1st Divisional Artillery during move.
4. O.C., 2nd Aust. Field Amb., will arrange to clear cases from 3rd (Army) A.F.A. Bde. during move.
5. On arrival in new area O.C., 1st Aust. Field Amb., will arrange to clear the Artillery area.
6. O.C., 3rd Aust. Field Amb., will arrange to clear Divisional Engineers, 1st Pioneer Bn., and 1st Machine Gun Bn.
7. Attention is drawn to A.A.M.C. Standing Order No. II, para VIII.
8. Field Ambulances ACKNOWLEDGE.


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DIARRHOEA CASES REPORTING SICK DURING WEEK ENDED, 12/12/18.

UNIT	NO. OF CASES.
1st Inf. Bn.,	18
2nd do.	11
3rd do.	10
4th do.	1
5th do.	4
6th do.	3
7th do.	6
8th do.	19
9th do.	35
10th do.	9
11th do.	15
12th do.	6
1st Pioneer Bn.,	8
1st M.G. Bn.,	22
1st A.F.A. Bde.,	10
2nd do.	-
1st D.A.C.,	24
1st Div. Engrs.,	7
1st Div. Train,	2
1st Field Amb.,	3
2nd do.	-
3rd do.	6
TOTALS	219

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WASTAGE RETURN FOR WEEK ENDING, MIDNIGHT.

SATURDAY, 7th. DECEMBER, 1918.

APP V 13

Cases evacuated to the Base.

Formation	Officers		O, ranks.		TOTALS.		Sick Wastage per week
	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded.	Sick	W'ded.	
Aust. Corps.							
1st. Aust. Divn.	3	-	56	-	59	-	.41
2nd. Aust. Divn.	3	-	52	-	55	-	.41
3rd. Aust. Divn.	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
4th. Aust. Divn.	3	-	70	-	73	-	.52
5th. Aust. Divn.	-	-	60	-	60	-	.43

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WASTAGE RETURN FOR WEEK ENDING, MIDNIGHT

SATURDAY, 7th. DECEMBER, 1918.

Formation	Cases evacuated to the Base.						Average % per week
	Officers		O, ranks.		TOTALS		
	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded.	Sick		
Aust. Corps.							
1st. Aust. Divn.	3	-	56	-	59	-	.41
2nd. Aust. Divn.	3	-	52	-	55	-	.41
3rd. Aust. Divn.	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
4th. Aust. Divn.	3	-	70	-	73	-	.52
5th. Aust. Divn.	-	-	60	-	60	-	.43

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- 2nd. do. do.
- 3rd. do. do.

For your information.

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APP VI

FOURTH ARMY

WASTAGE RETURN FOR WEEK, ENDING, MIDNIGHT.
SATURDAY, 14th. DECEMBER. 1918.

INFORMATION.	Cases evacuated to the Base.						Sick Wastage per week.
	Officers		O. Ranks		Totals.		
	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded	
<u>Aust. Corps.</u>							
Aust. Divn.	-	-	86	-	86	-	.64
Aust. Divn.	4	-	73	-	77	-	.56
Aust. Divn.	1	-	2	-	3	-	-
Aust. Divn.	-	-	106	-	106	-	.75
Aust. Divn.	1	-	70	-	71	-	.50

C.O.

- 1st. Aust. Field Ambulance,
- 2nd. Aust. Field Ambulance,
- 3rd. Aust. Field Ambulance.

For your information.

Colonel A.D.M.S.
 First Australian Division.

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FOURTH ARMY

WASTAGE RETURN FOR WEEK, ENDING, MIDNIGHT,
SATURDAY, 14th. DECEMBER. 1918.

INFORMATION.	Cases evacuated to the Base.						Sick Wastage per week.
	Officers		O. Ranks		Totals.		
	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded	Sick	W'ded	
<u>Aust. Corps.</u>							
Aust. Divn.	-	-	66	-	66	-	.64
Aust. Divn.	4	-	73	-	77	-	.58
Aust. Divn.	1	-	2	-	3	-	-
Aust. Divn.	-	-	106	-	106	-	.75
Aust. Divn.	1	-	70	-	71	-	.50

C.O.

- 1st. Aust. Field Ambulance,
- 2nd. Aust. Field Ambulance,
- 3rd. Aust. Field Ambulance.

For your information.

Colonel A.D.M.S.
First Australian Division.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
20th. December, 1918.

C.O.
1st. Aust. Field Ambce.
2nd. do. do.
3rd. do. do.
All R.M.Os. 1st. Aust. Divn.
R.M.O. 3rd. A.F.A.Bde.

Location of 1st. Aust. Div. prophylactic "Blue Light"
depot in CHARLEROI.

"Moulin de la Sambre (On bank of River near E.F.C.)
Rue Desindruin

2nd. Aust. Div. also have prophylactic "Blue Light" depots
in CHARLEROI at the following places:-

No.3 Place du Centre (On side of the 'place'
opposite area commandants office)
First floor of the BOURSE (At the southern end of the only
Arcade in the town.)

W. G. ...
Colonel A.D.M.S.
1st. Australian Division.

Copy to A.Q. 1st. Aust. Div.
D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps
A.D.M.S. 2nd. Aust. Div.
A.D.M.S. 4th. do.
A.D.M.S. 5th. do.

MONTHLY SANITARY REPORT

by

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A.D.M.S., 1st. Australian Division. for month

ending 26th. December, 1918.

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APP VIII

PHYSIQUE.

Very good.

AMPS & BILLETING.

Division remained in area the SOLRE-LE- CHATEAU area until the 15th. when it moved to the PRESLES Area. Billeting in this area is very good, the majority of the men are in beds and are billeted with the civilian population. As a general rule company mess rooms have been established and in addition recreation rooms have been provided.

FOOD & COOKING

Very good , a good variety of dishes are served.

WATER SUPPLY.

The C.O. 2nd. Aust. Sanitary Section has reported that the water in the area by test is very good, but it is a surface supply and is liable to vary in quality . In all villages the pumps have been put out of bounds and all water is drawn in water carts from special water points under the supervision of water details.

CONSERVANCY

Fly proof pit latrines have been established throughout the area and the civilian latrines have been put out of bounds for the troops.

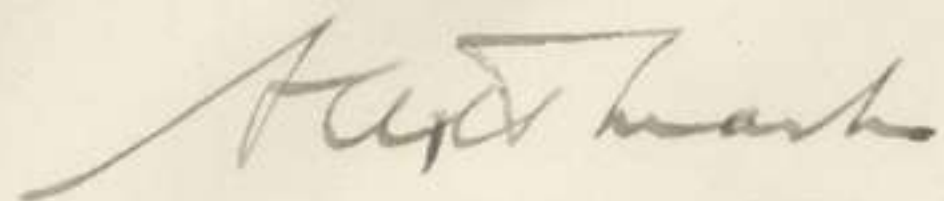
BATHS.

Baths are being built in each Brigade area capable of giving each man in the Brigade one hot bath a week. Supplies of clean clothes are available at each bath house.

HEALTH OF TROOPS.

Very good, influenza has practically died out. A few sporadic cases of mumps and measles are still occurring. Venereal disease is not so prevalent. Prophylactic huts are in operation in each battalion and ambulance, and in addition a hut has been started in CHARLEROI. Practically all V.D. cases are from men from LONDON and PARIS leave.

D.H.Q.
27:12:18.



Colonel A.D.M.S.
First Australian Division.

GRAPH Shewing Admissions to Field Ambulances

- 1. Infectious Diseases General
- 2. Diarrhoeal
- 3. Trench Foot

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DECEMBER 1918

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Colonel, A. A. M. C.

A. D. of M. S. 1st. Australian

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APP IX

FOURTH ARMY.

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WASTAGE RETURN FOR WEEK ENDING, MIDNIGHT, SATURDAY
26th. DECEMBER, 1918.

INFORMATION	Cases evacuated to the Base.						Sick Wastage % per week.
	Sick W'ded		Sick W'ded		Sick W'ded		
	Officers	O. Ranks	O. Ranks	O. Ranks	Totals.	Totals.	
Aust. Corps							
1st. Aus. Divn.	4	-	48	-	52	-	.39
2nd. Aus. Divn.	2	-	21	-	23	-	.17
3rd. Aus. Divn.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4th. Aus. Divn.	1	-	24	-	25	-	.17
5th. Au. Divn.	-	-	15	-	15	-	.10

N.B. Your attention is directed to the high rate of evacuations of this Division. O.S.C.s. Field Ambulances will take steps to ensure that cases will not be evacuated unless it is absolutely necessary to do so.

C.O. 1st. Aust. Fld. Ambce
2nd. do. do.
3rd. do. do.

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For your information.

Colonel, A. A. M.
A.D. of H. B. 1st. Australian

APP V

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Headquarters
 30th. December 1918.

O.C. 1st. Aust. Field Ambce.
 " 2nd. do
 " 3rd. do
 All R.M.Os. (For information)

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FOURTH ARMY OPHTHALMIC CENTRE

28/12/18. Ref. Fourth Army Medical Arrangements dated

All cases needing attention at this Centre, will be sent to 3rd. Aust. Fld. Ambce., 144 Rue de la Station, CHATELET before 1800 on WEDNESDAYS, where they will be accommodated for the night, and sent to the Ophthalmic Centre before 10,00 on THURSDAYS. - The cases will be detained for the night, and returned to their Units the following day.

Nominal Rolls in duplicate will accompany each case showing number, rank and name, and Unit and Division.

Please ensure that every case has his Pay Book (A.B.64), and the result of the examination will be entered on the last page.

The number of cases sent from this Division must not exceed 10. on one day.

Colonel A.D.M.S.
 First Australian Division.

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APP II

DIARRHOEA CASES REPORTING SICK DURING WEEK ENDED 06:19:18.

UNIT	NO. OF CASES.
1st. Inf. Bn.	14
2nd. do.	4
3rd. do.	11
4th. do.	-
5th. do.	2
6th. do.	-
7th. do.	1
8th. do.	17
9th. do.	1
10th. do.	-
11th. do.	1
12th. do.	3
1st. Pioneer Bn.	8
1st. A.M.G. Bn.	13
1st. A.F.A. Bde.	1
2nd. do.	2
1st. D.A.C.	2
1st. Div. Engrs.	2
1st. Div. Train	1
1st. Field Amb.	-
2nd. Field Amb.	-
3rd. Field Amb.	3
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TOTALS.	21

31:12:18.

(sd) A.H. MARKS Colonel A.D.M.S.
First Australian Division.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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APPENDIX

ANALYSIS OF SICK WASTAGE BY UNITS FROM 1ST. TO 31ST. DECEMBER, 1918.

UNIT	TO C.C.S.	N.Y.D. PYREXIA	SCabies	VENEREAL	STRENGTH
1st. Inf. Bn.	29	2	3	3	430
2nd. do.	19	-	1	6	454
3rd. do.	32	5	-	8	524
4th. do.	13	-	2	5	524
1st. A.L.T.M.B.	-	-	-	-	-
1st. Bde. H.Q.	1	-	-	-	135
TOTALS	94	7	6	22	
5th. Inf. Bn.	22	-	-	1	490
6th. do.	11	-	-	1	426
7th. do.	3	-	1	1	405
8th. do.	20	-	1	5	547
2nd. A.L.T.M.B.	2	-	-	1	37
2nd. Bde. H.Q.	2	-	-	1	166
TOTALS	60	-	2	10	
9th. Inf. Bn.	27	2	-	3	706
0th. do.	10	-	2	1	439
1th. do.	23	1	-	3	389
2th. do.	16	1	1	2	576
3rd. A.L.T.M.B.	1	-	-	-	39
3rd. Bde. H.Q.	1	-	-	-	164
TOTALS.	78	4	3	9	
1st. A.F.A. Bde.	17	-	-	7	693
2nd. do.	12	-	1	3	715
3rd. D.A.C.	13	- ...	2	-	424
TOTALS.	42	-	3	10	
1st. Pion. Bn.	17	1	-	3	760
2nd. A.M.G. Bn.	34	6	1	7	776
3rd. Div. Sig. Co.	15	-	3	1	150
4th. Div. Engrs.	30	-	-	2	445
5th. Fld. Ambce	4	-	1	1	
6th. do.	6	-	-	-	482
7th. do.	-	-	-	-	
8th. Div. Train	7	-	-	-	443
9th. Mob. Vets	4	-	-	-	24
10th. Div. H.Q.	2	1	-	1	183
11th. Div. Salvage Co.	-	-	-	-	30
TOTALS.	119	8	5	15	
GRAND TOTALS.	393	19	19	66	

A. D. M. S.

Colonel A.D.M.S.
First Australian Division.

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