

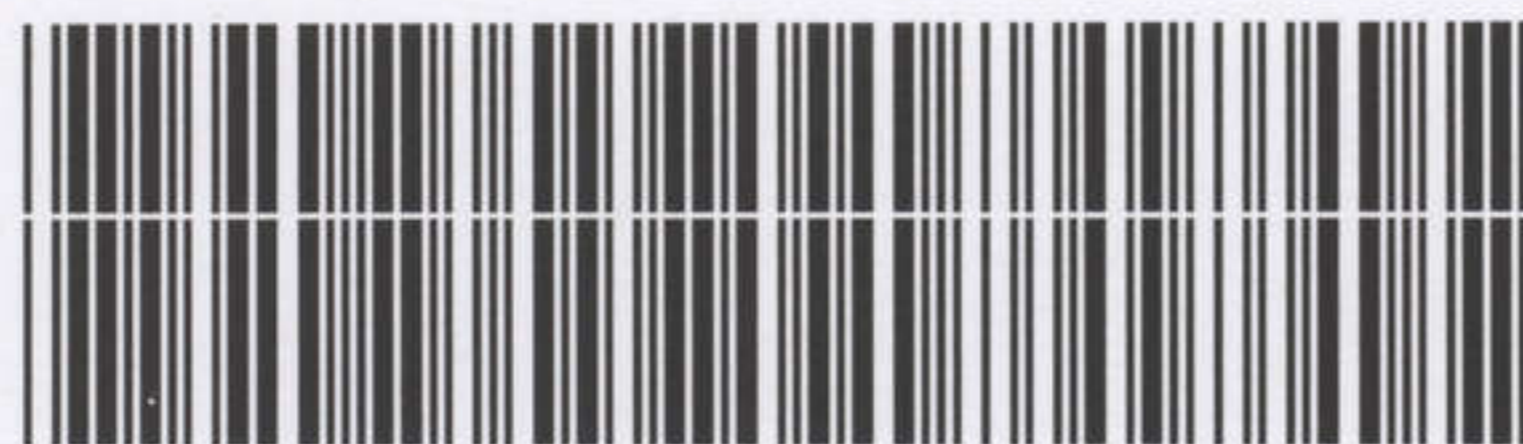
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War Diary
 D.D.M.S. III Corps
 for
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APPENDICES:

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| No | 1. Chart of Admissions and Evacuations. | } Filed under Returns
3rd Corps. |
| " | 2. (A) Infectious Diseases. (B) Statistics. | |
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BECOUAT	Dec 1		<p>December 1916.</p> <p>Sanitary officer A area reports unsanitary state of PIERREGOT and MOLLIEUS, and asks for a few P.B. men to assist in sanitation as the Town Major has great difficulty in obtaining labour. Replies that P.B. men were not available, but that the Town Major had certainly to get fatigued men from units in occupation to report if further difficulty experienced.</p> <p>5th Army asks to retain SCHOOL HOUSE in ALBERT as 7th Amb billet. We require this about the middle of the month.</p> <p>I sent report of examination of German officer at a German Hospital, in which it was stated that, among other R.G.M.C. officers had discussed impending operations. (Not of this Corps). Forwarded to A.D.S.M.S.</p>	S.M.O.
	DEC 2		<p>C.E. asks for Plan of new pattern Hospital Marquee, small in order to make floor boards for these.</p> <p>Sanitary officer ALBERT asks for 50 T.V. men to replace P.B. men at present in non-sanitary duties. Passed to A. asking that these men be detailed.</p> <p>The Salvage dump at 2 M.D.S. new site (BECOUAT) has been handed over to 15th DIV, but has not yet been moved - O'asked to have it transferred to another site.</p> <p>Coal in addition to amount authorized is to be supplied to new C.R.S. by Division & Corps troops to the extent of 2 tons weekly per Division & one ton weekly from Corps Troops.</p> <p>Gum boots - the Divs now in the line - 1st & 4th - have 7957 & 7000 pairs respectively.</p>	C.E. B.M.
	DEC 3		<p>D.M.S. asks of 2 M.D.S. to state his reasons for removing 7 Med. Carts from patients prior to evacuation to C.R.S., & substituting nominal rolls. Attention of all called to D.M.S. memo on the subject (27/25 of 17-6-16) & extract of this re-published.</p> <p>Instructions re move of 2 M.D.S. issued. opening of new Corps Post Station & centralization of</p> <p>French feet cases issued as handbook to III Corps Medical arrangements, Operations, 5. (attached)</p> <p>The Corps Commander desires that the attention of all medical officers be drawn to the arrangements</p>	APPENDIX 3

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BECOURT			of trench feet, as there are a large No. of cases daily in this Corps. Confidential memo sent to A.D.S. on the subject.	
		11:30 AM	D.A.D.M.S. inspected camp of 2 C.B.P. of W. quarters . Hygiene, sanitation, cooking arrangement, etc. are very satisfactory. The men are bathed once weekly, but a few are still slightly verminous. Recommended (1) issue of a 2 nd blanket (2) Euphorb green powder to be obtained (3) floors to be washed with dilute cresol solution (4) 7 letirons to be obtained for ironing out seams of clothing.	
		2:30 PM	Inspected 1 M.D.S. and new site of 2 M.D.S. at BECOURT.	
		4 P.M.	Corps Rest Station BECOURT	
DEC 4			D.R.S. called to obtain supply of splint for slings & stretchers in R. trucks. ADMS 15 Div. info train for wounded from BAZENTIN to BECOURT to leave daily at 2:30 PM. (O informed by) O.D. interviewed this afternoon.	
			D.A.M.S. inspected 7 C.B.P. of W. in C.S. Satisfactory, except that there is no arrangement for bathing, only one blanket issued.	
DEC 5			New Medical situation issued. (See Appendix 3)	APPENDIX 4
		11 AM	ADMS 15 Div called. Inspected EBARTS F. 145 P.A. BAZENTIN	
		8 P.M.	Report received from 1 M.D.S. that it had been shelled causing about 33 casualties, all fatal (7 ^{any more} in hospital). The patients were evacuated to C.C.S. and to C.R.S. (Becourt) in available ambulances, 10 additional M.A.C. cars sent, but not required. Dis informed that 1 M.D.S. closed. Wounded to be sent direct to C.C.S. - also serious sick. D.R.S. cases from right Div. to go temporarily to LAVERVILLE, until new C.R.S. at MILLENCOURT open - 7 men left Division to the WARLOY	
DEC 6		10:30 AM	Conference of D.D.M.S.	
		11:30 AM	1 M.D.S. BECOURT CHATEAU. Now closed	
			leave of absence Railway evacuation from BAZENTIN to BECOURT. 2 M.D.S. in chateau grounds now approaching completion, linked for train to leave BAZENTIN at 2:30 PM daily, to both at BOTTOM WOOD. to take up local sick, & proceed to siding at BECOURT NORTH ^{near} at 2 M.D.S.	
			D.M.S. saying that sick implicated wounds will now go to 2/2 London C.C.S. at GROVETOWN, 5 C.C.S.	APPENDIX 5
			ALBERT being closed owing to shelling, 2 M.A.C. transferring today patients from 5 C.C.S. to 2/2 London C.C.S.	

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Dec 6 (cont)

Ordered when CIVIL HOSPITAL WAREHOUSE now used by 3rd Coy. will be handed over to attention of ADAMS directed to Corps Medical Officer 294 about completing "work" to complete DADMS till conference at 1 M.D.S. BECOUR: CHATEAU with M.O. of Corp Troops. Discussed shell shock trench feet, sanitation, etc. Impressed on them the importance of prevention of trench feet & that cases occurring out of the trenches would be taken serious notice of, as indicated, that value on the subject has been neglected.

M.O. find difficulty in obtaining drugs & dressing from F. Amb. - quantities reduced, & mail delays. Sanitation - practically none, as at present getting bath (in the forward area). Impressed on M.O. the necessity of reporting this, apparently the difficulty is due to shortage of fuel, as unit will not spare the necessary fuel when using baths.

Difficulty arising from getting Groups about obtaining G. fuel grease and powder. (Reported to G.)

Dec 7 10 AM 2 30 PM

701 M.D.S. IN FA

Conference of A.D.S. Discussed Caustics - all Divs state that washing is first job change. Fuder disinfectant before being sent. 15th Div. suggests using formalin with steam, as it is more rapid. Branshae & dysentery discussed. ADMS 48th Div stated that Regt M.D.S. blame army such as contribution cause of trench feet as the material is made 'on the stretch' & shrinks after washing, so making & constructing the feet. Discussed also speed of ambulance & the leakage of malle information also impending changes when 15th Div. moves forward & 48th Div. comes out of the line. 457 Amb. will go up & relieve 1st S. Med F.A. at COUVALMAICOU. 45FA (EARTS F*) will interwork with 47 FA (1 M.D.S.)

Discussed subjects mentioned at conference of D. Do M.S. yesterday - proposal to make 3 S. Med Army Troops - lectures to be given during the winter, etc. 1 M.D.S. receives tomorrow, 9 AM. ~~Focus~~ for wounded only.

5-30 PM C.R.S. MILLENCOURT. This opened today. Patients coming in fast. Very satisfactory arrangements.

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HEVENCOURT	DEC 5		<p>Instructions issued to ADMS to impress on all concerned the necessity of guarding against loss of blankets and stretchers.</p> <p>ADMS, 1st Div. asks to have Staff Sgt acting with each Sect. of 7 Amb. Proposal not forwarded.</p> <p>Under instructions of DMS, 50 Div. asked to detail M.A. for 4th Army Signal School at COMBAT.</p> <p>DMS asks whether telegram essential for ADMS of a Div. Replied in affirmative.</p> <p>Asks for letter over VALENCOURT. ADMS, 50 Div. reported on 2nd that it was left in an unsatisfactory condition. This was forwarded to DDMS 2nd Corps & reply received today. Partially due to numerous changes of units holding this billet during the past few weeks. Copy prepared filed.</p>	8491
	DEC 9		<p>Q taking up question of excessive speed of vehicles. Asks for some action to be drawn up on similar lines for motor ambulances - i.e. to appoint a road officer to tour about & watch for and see enforcing the speed limit regulations. M.A.C. asked to submit scheme.</p> <p>10 AM Visited HEVENCOURT & ASCOURT BOTTEN WOOD.</p> <p>Monthly Sanitary Reports sent to DMS. Also weekly Health Report. 45th Div. Run not sickness, as long as in the line. Prevailing Disease P.U.D. French front decreasing. Sanitation of standing water in forward area unsatisfactory in some cases, but this is being dealt with.</p> <p>Capt A IRVINE-FORTESCUE, I.P.A., reported his arrival for temporary duty in this office.</p>	
	DEC 10		<p>TO BECOURT with C.E III Corps, to see siding which will be used for detaining wounded.</p> <p>Plan to 1 M.D.S. & new 2 M.D.S. & 3 S.Mid. 7. Amb.</p> <p>ADMS, 15 Div. forwards his suggestions for prevention of Trench Feet, which will be sent round other Divisions.</p> <p>Confidential letter from DMS 4th Army re prevalence of dysentery & instructions for prevention of dysentery.</p> <p>Attention of all concerned drawn to necessity of furnishing reports, returns etc., when time</p>	

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VANDENCOURT	Dec 10	(cont)	as there have frequently been delays of late. Unavailable cases arriving at C.R.S. attention directed to this. Q asks daily average no. of cases which will be evacuated from BAZENTIN by rail. Ruffed 30 by, + 60 sitting.	860
	Dec 10		Visited VANDENCOURT. (50 Div. D.R.S.) 700 march room taken up by Q.M. stores, officers and personnel to detainment of sick + wounded. Division told to re-try matters. Division not informing this office when A.D. M.S. + F.A. Commanders go on leave. Kaffir Labour P ⁿ arrived at G. Dump today.	
	Dec 12		1 M.D.S. taken over by 467. Amb. - 47 F.A. in relief to EBARTS F ^{nc} . Arrangements for medical charge of Kaffir Labour B ⁿ received from D.M.S. Cases to be treated in camp, but if necessary, can be evacuated to 45 C.C.S. when necessary set about. M.O. from 15 Div. detailed to attend camp.	
	Dec 13		Visited 48 Div. Bath at CONTAY MAISON. Not very satisfactory. Latrine + urinals not very good. S.D.M.S. 48 Div. informed. Sanitary officer forward area. 11:1 KA. LE BAZENTIN. LE PETIT killed this morning. # 10 th HOLLOWMAN killed 1 OR killed 4 (OR) wounded 5. 2 of 14 SA. Ear of value in a dog reported from CONTAY. (LATER, a report of Sen. officer recommended to O that G.R.O. 1964 (re circulation of dogs, restriction) be enforced in CONTAY.	
	Dec 14		Capt J. B. MACKAY ordered to 15 Div. from 21 M.A.C. vice Capt KEEGAN, to 21 M.A.C. Capt RATCLIFFE from 3 rd Corps Cav. Regt to 1 st Div, vice Lieut PERRIN, to 3 rd Corps Cav. Regt. 2:30 PM. Conference of A.D. M.S. discussed speed of motor ambulances - officers of F.Amb. attending. Lectures at Contay schools. C.O. + Q.M. not to be on leave at the same time. A.D. M.S. will get up some scheme of lectures. 15 Div goes into line on 16 th + will look over possible evacuation routes by LA BOISSELLE-ALBERT Road + trolley lines in vicinity.	

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MILLENECOURT	Dec 14		and site for possible M. Dressing Stations	860m
	Dec 15		Issued orders for the evacuation by rail from BAZENTIN & BECOURT of casualties in the right sector of the Corps front when the new 2 M D.S. opens at BECOURT. (With Appendix 6)	APPENDIX 6
	Dec 15		36 Prisoners of War (P.O.W.) bathed at ALBERT Baths today. FODEN being disinfectant of 45 Div. placed at their disposal	6
			Notification received from D.M.S. that the two recently formed Sanitary Squads ALBERT, were numbered 28 & 29.	
see	16		Sons inspected in Corps rest station Millemecourt & Nos 1 & 2 main Dressing Stations, Becourt.	
			Report received from asms 1st B.S. on cases of dysentery in his area which he attributed to previous infection of ground by 1st Anzac Corps.	
see	17		Plans drawn up for cinema hall at C.R.S. Millemecourt in conjunction with R.E. Millemecourt Wood Camp inspected & reported on - New orders re promotion received & passed on to division. Medical arrangements for Corps operations No 6 issued to all concerned.	
see	18		Inspected No 1/1 S.M.F.A. Becourt Hill. 46 F.A. Becourt Chateau. 1/3 Northumb. F.A. Becourt Orchard - Railway siding at Becourt place completed.	APPENDIX 6

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Minescout	19	11	<p>24 reinforced hospital train from Rezac station arrived at Rezac station to Rezac Orchard in augmented - 67 cases carried first trip.</p> <p>3 M.C. 01, 9 33 men of 46 F.A. charts Farm traveled Rezac Chateau</p>	86/2
	20		<p>inspected 1/1 northern man F.A. Lorieville, arranged for supply of fuel & tarpaulins to complete horse-lines. inspected Corps Rest Station Millcourt. arranged for extension of horse lines to accommodate horses of 1 sect. 1/5. mid. F.A. from Rezac Hill. inspected 2 Corps main dressing station Rezac Orchard. arranged for increased clerical staff and for two evacuations daily by M.A.C.</p>	
	21		<p>visited H.Q. 4th Army, Querrins & explained new system of evacuations and admission in forward area. map showing route of evacuation prepared and sent to H.Q. 4th Army.</p> <p>Weekly conference of A.S. of M.S. in Corps. following points discussed -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) importance of O.C. F.A. delegating certain definite duties to each O. of their (2) shortage of W.O. & arms & best means of supplying deficiency. (3) status of main dressing station: to be a purely Corps unit & each division to furnish 	

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Wetherby	22		Visited C.R.S. Millerscote. Supervised erection of large recreation hall. Selected room for post office & arranged for equipment of same - report sent to DMB 4 th Army re laundry arrangements in 7th Corps	862x
	23		Inspected 415th Midland Field Ambulance Raizieny. Interviewed ADMS 40 th Div re new method of rendering returns. Visited 45th Co. Edgell & discussed method of evaporation from W.I.S. Inspected camps in Hincourt Wood & submitted report to 6th Corps	
	24		Visited 45th Midland Field Ambulance, Beacon Hill. Ordered transfer of 6 Secty transport to Millerscote. Visited 47 th Field Ambulance Beacon Chateau, 1/3 Northumbrian Field Ambulance Beacon Orchard, ADMS 1 st Division, Filcott Farm, & ADMS 15 th Division, Logenge Wood. Discussed new method of rendering returns.	
	25		Inspected Coy's Rest Station, Millerscote - large recreation hut almost completed. Interviewed ADMS 15 th Division re returns, sanitary improvements & medical charges incurred at W.I. Camp, Millerscote.	
	26		Inspected Hospital Hospice Warley - 47 th F.A. Char. Co. Wrote to Army suggesting appointment of Corp. Co. 47 th F.A. ordered to Hospital Hospice Warley	

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Remount	27		Inspected Check Station Millencourt - arranged for Sanitary Officer A area to visit Army H.Q. to confer with O.C. on re-organising sanitation school in Albert.	863x
	28		Inspected Corps main Dressing Station Becour Chateau. Police controls placed on roads by 21 M.A.C. to check furious driving - 3 cases reported of ambulances exceeding speed limit.	
	29		Inspected No. 141 Field Ambulance at Rotton Wood. Inspected steam heating apparatus at Hospital Hospice Worley, in company with staff officer R.C. - gave damage to boiler & pump.	
			Conference of A. S. of M.S. at Corps Headquarters - eye cases. Decided that cases for eye-testing sent to C.C.S. should not be counted as admissions, but kept on special list. Formaldehyde as a foot disinfectant. Decided to send surplus stocks to A.D.M.S. for use in front area units. Dentistry - Decided that endeavours should be made to form a dental department at C.M.S. in Dressing Station.	

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Warlooy	30		<p>Inspected Kaffir Camp at G Dump & German Prisoners of War Camp at Edgchill - Recommended increased drainage & fresh sump pits at both sites - Inspected billets at Warlooy in company with Town Major - Reported on dilapidation caused by troops & recommended increased police supervision & repairing of billets by units under direction of R.E.</p>	864X
	31		<p>Visited H.Q.s of 50th, 48th, 1st & 15th Divs & explained new system of compilation & rendering A.F. W. 3185 - Forwarded to R branch account of dilapidations at Hôpital Hospice, Warlooy, with letter from Maire attached.</p> <p>Forwarded to R branch account of dilapidations at Hôpital Hospice, Warlooy, with letter from Maire attached.</p> <p>Forwarded to R branch account of dilapidations at Hôpital Hospice, Warlooy, with letter from Maire attached.</p>	
			<p>S. Macdonnell Col. D.D.M.G. III Corps</p>	

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS, 3RD CORPS.

APPENDIX NO. 1 TO OPERATIONS NO. 5.

1. THE CORPS REST STATION, BECCOURT will be closed to further admissions after WEDNESDAY, 6th DECEMBER. On THURSDAY, 7th DECEMBER, the CORPS REST STATION, MILLENCOURT, will be open for the reception of cases from Main Dressing Stations, and Field Ambulances east of MILLENCOURT inclusive. Suitable cases from areas east of MILLENCOURT will, until further orders, be transferred to Divisional Rest Stations in the back area. Divisional Rest Stations in the back area are VADENCOURT (No. 2/3rd NORTHUMBRIAN FIELD AMBULANCE); SWART'S FARM (No. 40 FIELD AMBULANCE). LAVIEWILLE will cease to act as a Divisional Rest Station after 6th DECEMBER. There will be accommodation at the CORPS REST STATION, MILLENCOURT for 20 Officers from the forward area at WARLOY (No. 1/3rd S.M. FIDD AMBULANCE) and 20 at SWART'S FARM (No. 40 FIELD AMBULANCE) for officers from the back area. Field Ambulances must ascertain direct before hand the number of beds available at these Hospitals.
2. No. 1/3rd NORTHUMBRIAN FIELD AMBULANCE will move to BECCOURT (near BECCOURT SIDING NORTH) on 4th DECEMBER, establish new No. 2 M.D.S. there, and be ready to open at a date to be subsequently notified.
3. No. 141 FIELD AMBULANCE will take over from No. 1/3rd NORTHUMBRIAN FIELD AMBULANCE at BOTTOM WOOD on 4th DECEMBER at 12 noon and operate No. 2 M.D.S. until such time as the new Main Dressing Station at BECCOURT is ready.
4. Cased cases will be treated at BOTTOM WOOD until further orders. O.C. No. 1/3rd NORTHUMBRIAN FIELD AMBULANCE will leave special attendants and instruct Officer Commanding No. 141 FIELD AMBULANCE on the subject.
5. Commencing on WEDNESDAY, 6th DECEMBER, Field Ambulances will transfer all cases of TRENCH FEET to No. 1 M.D.S., BECCOURT ON WEAU. There they will come under the direct supervision of an officer specially selected to supervise, diagnose, and dispose of them. Field Ambulances will forward to No. 1 M.D.S. with the cases copies of the Trench Feet returns which they render to the L.D.M.S. of their Divisions. O.C. No. 1 M.D.S. will forward Trench Feet Returns in accordance with D.D.M.S., 111 Corps, No. D/7/1 dated 3/10/18 to this office in duplicate, after cases have been finally diagnosed. He will show on A.M.W. 3105 (Daily State of Sick and Wounded) the number of cases of Trench Feet transferred, evacuated, transferred to Corps Rest Station, discharged to duty and remaining, by Divisions.

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No other Trench Feet Returns will be rendered to this office.

In the event of cases of Trench Feet being transferred from No. 1 M.D.S. to the CORPS REST STATION, the C.O. CORPS REST STATION will show, by Divisions, transfers to, evacuations, discharged to duty and number remaining.

Headquarters,
III Corps,
3rd December, 1916.

S. Macdonald Colonel,

D.D.M.S., IIIrd Corps.

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SITE SITES OF MEDICAL UNITS, IIIrd CORPS, 10th DECEMBER, 1916. H.S.No.9.

15th DIVISION.

46. P.A. CONTELL LISON CHATEAU.
 46 P.A. BECOURT CHATEAU (No.1 M.D.S.)
 47 P.A. EPART'S FARM (Corps Scribes Sn).
 15 Dn.Sqn.Sn. X.26.c.5.8. (L.F.3 Area).
 A.L.M.S. X.27.b.4.3.

48th DIVISION.

1/15 M.C.F.A. BAIZIEUX.
 1 Sn. do. COGLE SUPERIEUR, ALBERT.
 1/5 S.Mid.F.A. BECOURT HILL.
 1 Sn. do. MILLENCOURT C.R.S.
 1/2 S.Mid.F.A. VANLOY (I.R.S.)
 48th Dn.Sqn.Sn. 50, Main St. VANLOY ("A" Area).
 A.D.M.S., VILLI ROCHER ALBERT.

D.D.M.S., IIIrd CORPS, HENENCOURT.

1st DIVISION.

1st P.A. SAZENTIN LE PETIT
 2nd P.A. MILLENCOURT (C.R.S.)
 141 P.A. BOTTOM WOOD.
 1 Sn do. RED COTTAGE, FRICOURT.
 1 Dn.Sqn.Sn. RED COTTAGE FRICOURT (A.F.4 Area).
 A.L.M.S., FRICOURT FARM.

50th DIVISION.

1/1 Mtn.F.A. LAVIEVILLE.
 2/2 Mtn.F.A. VALENCOURT (D.R.S.)
 1/3 Mtn.F.A. BECOURT ORCHARD (No.2 M.D.S.)
 50th Dn.Sqn.Sn. MONTIGNY ("B" Area).
 A.D.M.S. BAIZIEUX.

No.21 MOTOR AMBULANCE CONVOY, D.17 a. CENTRAL.

B. FOURTH ARMY MEDICAL UNITS UTILIZED BY IIIrd CORPS.

CASUALTY CLEARING STATIONS.

45. C.C.S.) For all cases inclding officers & abdom
 1-1 S.M.C.C.S. EDGPHILL) cases except as below.
 21 C.C.S. CORBIE. For P.As.W.of HENENCOURT -BUIRE RD.For
 cases inclding officers of shell concussn,
 nervous shock, & dtfl gassed cases.
 (Other officers to 36 & 38 C.C.Ss HEILLY
 or H.Z.Stny Hopt AMIENS.)
 39. C.C.S. ALLOUVILLE. For infect.cases.
 INDIAN TROOPS TO IND.CAV.F.A. MEAULTE.

GAS.CLG. STNS. (CONTD).

45 C.C.S., EDGPHILL. For S.A.Lab.Bn.
 2/2nd Lond.C.C.S., GROVETOWN. For S.I.ounded.
 STATIONARY HOSPITAL
 No.1 H.Z.Stny Hopt. AMIENS (for eye cases).
 ADVANCED DEPOT OF MEDICAL STORES.
 No.19 A.Dep.Hed.Strs, SKATING RINK RUE D'
 AMIENS, ALBERT.
 MOBILE LABORATORIES.
 No.10 Mob.Lab (Bac). CORBIE.
 No.12 do. (Hyg). AMIENS.
 No.3 Mob.X-ray Unit att. 2/2 Lond. C.C.S.
 GROVETOWN.

H.Q., III Corps,
 18-12-1916.

W. H. Fortescue Capt.,
 For Colonel, D.D.M.S., III Corps.

Copy No. _____

AMENDMENT NO. 1. TO MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS, IIIrd. CORPS,
OPERATIONS NO. 5. DATED 14th OCTOBER, 1918.

All cases of Self-Inflicted Wounds will be transferred to S/C London Casualty Clearing Station, DUCVETOWN from this day inclusive.

Medical Arrangements, IIIrd Corps, Operations No. 5, para. 4., sub-para (viii) should be amended accordingly.

Headquarters,
IIIrd. Corps.
6th. Dec., 18.

W. B. P. Major,
for Colonel,
D.D.M.S., IIIrd. Corps.

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D.D.M.S., IIIrd Corps, No. 1029/16.

EVACUATION OF CASUALTIES FROM RIGHT SECTOR,
IIIrd CORPS.

1. After sundown, 19th December, 1916, all sick and wounded from the Right Sector, except those requiring immediate evacuation, will be conveyed by rail from the Railhead Collecting Station, BAZENTIN CIRCUS, to BECOURT NORTH. A special train is timed to leave BAZENTIN at 2-33 p.m., arriving at BECOURT NORTH about 3-30 p.m., stopping five minutes at BOTTOM HOOK to entrain local sick.
2. The D.D.M.S., 1st Division, will detail one officer to act as R.M.O. It will be his duty to supervise the entraining of the sick and wounded at Railhead.
3. The O.C., No. 2 Main Dressing Station, BECOURT, will similarly detail an officer to act as S.M.C. at BECOURT NORTH STATION.
4. The S.M.C. will be responsible for the careful entraining or detraining of the sick and wounded, and at BECOURT NORTH will arrange for the attendance of the necessary ambulances and personnel on the arrival of a conveyance.
5. On or before the departure of the special train from BAZENTIN, the R.M.O. at that station will inform by telephone the R.M.O. at BECOURT NORTH of the number of lying and sitting cases proceeding on the train.
6. Walking cases may be despatched from BAZENTIN by ordinary trains, as far as BECORDEL JUNCTION, from whence the O.C., No. 2 M.D.S. will arrange to conduct them to BECOURT.
7. The D.D.M.S., 1st Division will arrange for a suitable party of R.M.O. personnel with equipment, to travel on the train.
8. Serious cases will be evacuated from BAZENTIN in specially prepared vans only.

Headquarters,
IIIrd Corps,
15th December, 1916.

S. Macdonald

Colonel,
D.D.M.S., III Corps.

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APPENDIX Y.

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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS,
IIIrd CORPS.

OPERATIONS NO. 6.

A. FIELD AMBULANCES EAST OF ALBERT.

1. Reception of Casualties.

Casualties (Sick and Wounded) arriving at Field Ambulances East of ALBERT, will not be shown as "admitted" in the Admission and Discharge Book of the Field Ambulance, but will be sent to Main Dressing Stations or evacuated to C.C.S.

2. Evacuation of Casualties.

Casualties will be evacuated from Field Ambulances East of ALBERT to :-

- (i). C.C.Ss. ELGEHILL for serious cases, medical and surgical, requiring urgent treatment. Particulars of cases so evacuated will at once be notified to No.1 M.D.S., who will make the necessary entries in the Admission and Discharge Book.
- (ii). No.39, C.C.S., ALLENVILLE for infectious cases.
- (iii). Main Dressing Stations, BECOURT, for all other cases.
LYING CASES (except GAS POISONING) to No.1 M.D.S., BECOURT CHATEAU (X.25.d.8.4.)
SITTING AND LAINING CASES, and cases of GAS POISONING to No.2 M.D.S., BECOURT ORCHARD (X.25.d.8.1.)

Divisions are responsible for the evacuation of all cases to Main Dressing Stations, and for direct evacuation to Casualty Clearing Stations.

Instructions regarding evacuation by rail from RIGHT SECTOR of CORPS FRONT are contained in D.D.M.S., IIIrd Corps, No. 1029/16, dated 15-12-1916.

B. FIELD AMBULANCES WEST OF ALBERT (INCLUSIVE).

1. Reception of Casualties.

Sick and Wounded arriving at Field Ambulances West of ALBERT (inclusive) will be "admitted" in the Admission and Discharge Book of the Unit.

2. Evacuation of Casualties.

Field Ambulances West of ALBERT (inclusive) will evacuate sick and wounded to:

- (1). Divisional Rest Station at WARLOY for "A" area.
- " " " " " " " " at YADENECOURT for "B" area.

- (11). No. 21 C.C.S., CORBIE, with the exception of units East of the HENSCOURT BARRAGE, which evacuate to No. 45 C.C.S., BISHOPVILLE.
- (111) No. 39 C.C.S., ALLOWVILLE, for infectious cases.
- (iv). 2/2nd LONDON C.C.S., GROVETOWN, for Self Inflicted Wounded cases.
- (v). No. 1 NEW ZEALAND STATIONARY HOSPITAL, AHIENS, for eye cases.

As far as possible, Field Ambulances East of ALBERT will transfer cases to Rest Station for their own Divisional area. In cases of emergency, they should be sent to the nearest medical unit.

C. MAIN DRESSING STATIONS.

1. Reception of Casualties.

- (i). No. 1 M.D.S. is at BECOURT CHATEAU (X.25.d.B.4.) and receives LYING CASES (except cases of GAS POISONING).
- (11). No. 2 M.D.S. is at BECOURT ORCHARD (X.25.d.B.1.) and receives SITTING AND WALKING CASES, and cases of GAS POISONING.

All casualties (Sick and Wounded) arriving at a Main Dressing Station, will be shown as "admitted" in the Admission and Discharge Book of that unit.

2. Evacuation of Casualties.

Casualties (Sick and Wounded) will be evacuated from Main Dressing Stations to:-

- (i). C.R.S., MILLENCOURT, if likely to be fit for duty in ten days. (N.B. This includes Trench Foot cases).
- (11). Casualty Clearing Stations, BISHOPVILLE, if requiring longer treatment than ten days.
- (111). No. 39 C.C.S., ALLOWVILLE, in cases of infectious disease.
- (iv). No. 21 C.C.S., CORBIE, in cases of Shell concussion, Barbed wire, and doubtful gassed cases.
- (v). No. 1 NEW ZEALAND STATIONARY HOSPITAL, AHIENS, in cases of eye disease.
- (vi). 2/2nd LONDON C.C.S., GROVETOWN, in cases of Self Inflicted wounds.

D. DIVISIONAL REST STATIONS.

1. Reception of Casualties.

Divisional Rest Station, MILLENCOURT, will receive casualties, as transfers, from medical units.

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The Divisional Rest Station, WARLOY, will receive casualties, as transfers, from medical units in "A" area and ALBERT.

2. Evacuation of Casualties.

Divisional Rest Stations, VALENCOURT AND WARLOY, will evacuate cases which fail to recover in ten days, to Co. 21 C.C.S., CORBIE. Special cases will be evacuated in accordance with para. B. 2 above.

3. Discharges to duty.

Cases which recover and become fit for duty, will rejoin their units by arrangements with the Divisions concerned. Divisions will be notified in accordance with III Corps Routine Order No. 133 (b) dated 10/8/1916. (Appendix No. 1).

E. CORPS REST STATION.

1. Reception of Casualties.

The CORPS REST STATION, MILLENCOURT, will receive cases likely to be fit within ten days, from the Main Dressing Stations, BECOURT. There will be accommodation for 20 officers and 1150 other ranks. Main Dressing Stations will ascertain the number of beds available before transferring cases to C.R.S.

2. Evacuation of Casualties.

The Corps Rest Station will evacuate cases which fail to recover within ten days to C.C.S., EDGEHILL. Special cases will be evacuated in accordance with para. C:2. The C.R.S. must always maintain a minimum of 100 vacant beds.

3. Discharges to duty.

Cases which recover and become fit for duty will rejoin their units by arrangement with the Divisions concerned, the Division being notified in accordance with III Corps Routine Order No. 133 (b) dated 10/8, 1916.

F. MOTOR AMBULANCE CONVOY.

1. Loan of cars.

M.A.C. cars will, when necessary, be stationed at Main Dressing Stations, and at Field Ambulances East of ALBERT, to assist in evacuation in accordance with instructions from D.D.N.S.

2. Daily Routine Evacuation.

A motor cyclist of the M.A.C. will call at the Main Dressing Stations, BECOURT, and C.R.S., MILLENCOURT, at 8 a.m. daily.

The Officers Commanding Main Dressing Stations and Corps Rest Station will call daily state of cases (lying and sitting) for evacuation to be prepared and ready by 8 a.m.

On receipt of this at to, the C.C. No. 21 M.A.C., will despatch sufficient cars to arrive at M.F. 3a. and C.R.S. by 10 a.m.

Other medical units will carry out their own evacuations and only in exceptional circumstances will they apply to the C.C. No. 21 M.A.C. for assistance.

3. Urgent Evacuation.

Urgent cases requiring immediate evacuation will be despatched in the cars of the unit where they report sick. If the number requiring urgent evacuation exceeds than the available cars of the unit can cope with, application for additional cars will be made direct, by the quickest method, to C.C. No. 21 M.A.C.

G. SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVE LABOUR COMPANY.

Mild cases of sickness, or injury, not requiring evacuation, will normally be treated in the hut set apart for this purpose, in the M.F.P.L. CO. QUARTERS, near "G" LUMP. On no account will European patients be treated in this hut.

Cases requiring evacuation to hospital will be sent to No. 45 C.C.S., EGGESILL, ambulances being applied for to the Field Ambulance in occupation of the BOULE SUPERIEUR, ALBERT.

Casualties among the European Staff will be sent to BOULE SUPERIEUR, ALBERT.

H. PRISONERS OF WAR.

The A.D.A.S. of the Division occupying the RIGHT SECTOR of the CORPS FRONT will arrange for a strict medical inspection of Prisoners of War at the Camp at SAZENTIN (S.D. 122) or other camps as they are formed in the front area. He will take the necessary steps for isolation and disinfection in case of any who appear to be suffering from infectious diseases.

Wounded prisoners of war will be dealt with as other wounded, as laid down in Field Service Regulations Part II.

J. DISPOSAL OF KITS AND VALUABLES.

Officers Commanding medical units will pay special attention to the instructions and regulations on this subject, and take such steps as may enable them to trace disposal of such articles should reports of losses be made subsequently.

K. SUPPLY OF STRETCHERS AND BLANKETS.

Particular care will be taken by Field Ambulances to obtain an equivalent number of stretchers and blankets to those sent with casualties to C.C.S. to replace those handed over with patients.

Co. Q., in Dressing Stations requiring extra stretchers during operations, will send an indent for the required number by motor ambulance which, rounded to a C.C.S., and the stretchers will be despatched by means of returning ambulances.

Additional blankets will be obtained in a similar manner if necessary. Each ambulance will carry three blankets for each patient.

L. INDIAN SICK.

Indian sick will be evacuated direct from their units to the SHERIDAN INDIAN CAVALRY FIELD AMBULANCE, BEAUFORTE.

M. REPORTING MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE.

A.Ds.M.S. will keep this office informed promptly of any occurrence of an unusual or important character, likely to affect the medical arrangements.

N. RETURNS.

Routine messages and returns will continue to be sent by A.Ds.M.S. as at present.

The Trench Foot return called for under this office No.D/7/1 dated 3/10/18, is cancelled. A.Ds.M.S. will forward in lieu a copy of the return, in duplicate, rendered to D.M.S., Fourth Army, (D.M.S. No. 17/217 dated 14/10/18) and will state in the remarks column (a) whether boots were taken off daily (b) whether socks were changed daily, and (c) whether contracted in trenches. These questions will be answered in accordance with specimen attached (Appendix No.2).

This return will be rendered to this office in respect of cases evacuated to C.C.S. only. Cases transferred to Corps Rest Station will be accompanied by Trench Foot Returns as above, and O.C., Corps Rest Station will submit to this office, in duplicate, Trench Foot returns in respect of all cases transferred to C.C.S.

(N.B. Copies of this return will also be attached to the daily state of sick and wounded rendered by O.C. C.C.S. to the D.M.S., Fourth Army.)

SPECIAL MESSAGE.

Each Main Dressing Station will send a special message to D.L.M.S., 11th Corps, repeated to A.Ds.M.S. Divisions, at 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. daily.

These special messages should refer only to transactions of wounded from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. and from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. respectively.

In framing the special message, O.C. Main Dressing Stations, must take steps to divide the casualties into groups, corresponding to the Divisions to which the patients belong. The number of cases of GAS POISONING and the total number remaining must also be given.

NIL items should be omitted from the message.

SPECIMEN MESSAGE.

Admitted since 3 a.m. 9th Div. C.I.C.R. 20. 23rd Div. C.I.C.R. 31. Casualties on Div. C.I.C.R. 48. Gassed 1. Remaining 23.

O. OFFICERS.

As a rule, sick and wounded officers will be evacuated direct to C.R.S.

In cases of mild sickness or slight wounds, they may be sent to:-

- (i). C.R.S., MILLENGOURT. 90 beds.
- (ii). D.R.S., FARLOY 10 beds.
- (iii). The Field Amb. at BRANT'S PASS 24 beds.

Only cases likely to recover within ten days of admission are to be sent to C.R.S., D.R.S., or the Field Ambulance at BRANT'S PASS; and before an officer is despatched to one of these units, it must be clearly ascertained that there is a vacant bed for him.

If, in exceptional circumstances, an officer is retained at either of these units for more than ten days, the case will be reported to this office.

S. Macdonald

Headquarters,
IIIrd Corps,
17th December, 1916.

Colonel,

D.E.M.S., IIIrd Corps.

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APPENDIX No. 1.

IIIrd CORPS ROUTINE ORDER No.133 dated 10/3/1916.

DISCHARGE OF MEN FROM HOSPITAL.

In continuation of IIIrd Corps Routine Order No. 123 dated 31/7/16, the following procedure should be followed with regard to returning to their units men who are discharged fit from Medical Units:-

- (a). Men discharged from Casualty Clearing Stations will be sent to the nearest R.F.C. for consignment to their Railhead.
- (b). In the case of men fit to rejoin their units from Field Ambulances, the Division concerned will be notified and the Division will then arrange to remove the men and return them to their units.

(FOURTH ARMY No.A.285/35 dated 9/9/1916.)

APPENDIX 2.

STATEMENT OF CASES OF "TRENCH FOOT" ADMITTED TO FIELD AMBULANCES OF.....DIVISION
 DURING 24 HOURS ENDING noon / / 191 .

UNIT.	No. of cases.	No. of cases wearing long gum boots.	Whether oil or grease used.	Whether hot food served in trenches.	No. of days in trenches.	Remarks.
B.R.Berks.	28	14	By 20.	Yes.	20 6 days 8 4 ..	(a) In 20 cases (b) In 14 cases. (c) Yes.

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