

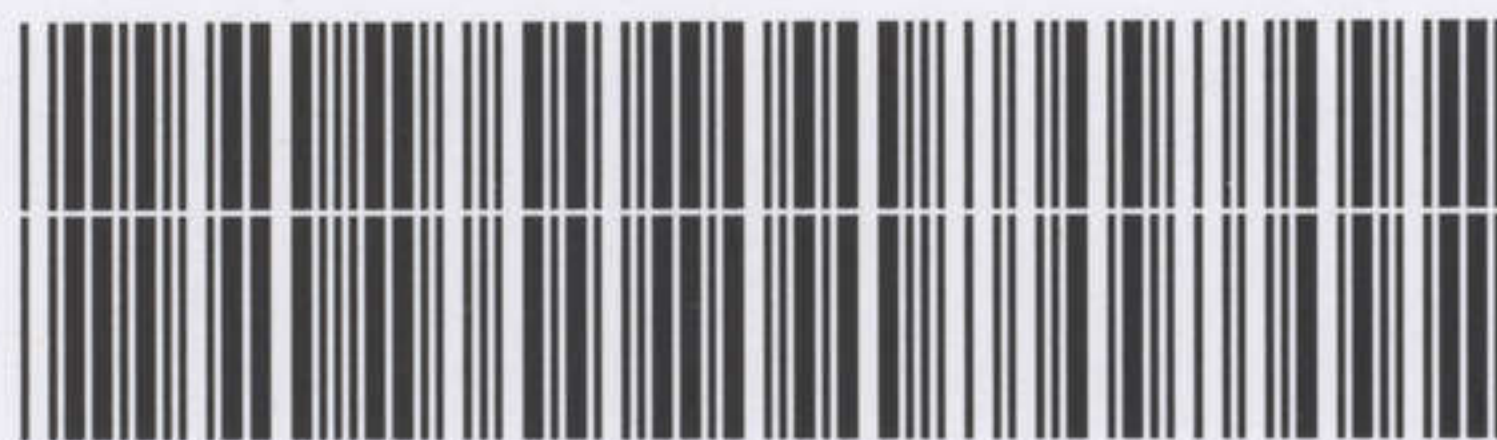
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March, 1914

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APPENDICES

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Chart of Admissions and Evacuations  
 (a) Infection Record (b) Statistics  
 Memo Re Preventive Measures against trench foot  
 Situations of Medical Units, III Corps  
 Routine Orders issued during the month  
 Map showing locations of Med. Units III Corps



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			MARCH, 1917.	
ST. EUSTACE	MAR 1.		Conference of A.D.M.S. Discussed points brought up at yesterday's Army conference. Also consider that the amount of camphor & soap allowed for prophylaxis of trench foot is inadequate - suggest that camphor & soap be increased by $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ respectively. A.D.S. will write in about this. Wrote to D.M.S. recommending issue of CLAYTON disinfectant to each San. Sect. as Dunt. Folds there has cannot cope with the amount of work to be done.	
	MAR 2		Visited Regt. Aid Posts and trenches of 50 <sup>th</sup> Div. Army asked to provide an additional CLAYTON disinfectant for each div. San. Sect. as present stock allotment of 1 lb per div. is insufficient.	
	MAR 3		A.D.M.S. reports difficulty experienced in obtaining reagents for water testing cabinets (Horowitz) forwarded to Army.	
	MAR 4		50 <sup>th</sup> Div. on being relieved in right center of Corps front by 59 Div. Relief commencing on 5 <sup>th</sup> & completed on 9 <sup>th</sup> inst.	
	MAR 5		To CERISE (near C.R.S.) with Col. ROSE re sinking wells.	
	MAR 6		Attended O conference at 1 <sup>st</sup> Div. HQ and discussed the question of trench foot and its gravity. Decided that preventive measures be taken up more efficiently. I see Appendix N <sup>o</sup> 3. Later wrote Army that div. find great difficulty in obtaining sufficient powder (camphor) and soap, that the minimum quantity per man should be $\frac{1}{2}$ oz soap & $\frac{1}{2}$ oz powder.	



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Remarks and references to Appendices

Summary of Events and Information

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BREHANNEUX	MAR 7		Difficulty has been experienced in dealing with the local authorities of V. BRETONNEUX with regard to the notification of infectious disease. In one instance the MAIRE, who is a doctor, has declined to notify a case of suspected typhoid. Case seen by DADMS on 6 <sup>th</sup> and was clinically typhoid, now almost convalescent. Matter referred to Army. Maire eventually promised that all infectious cases would be notified to us, and the matter has been dropped.	
		11 AM	TO BAYONVILLERS and MORCOURT. Met ADMS 59 Div. re outbreak of measles (Rose) in this Div. The Div. has just arrived from England, & the disease was contracted there.	W3 m
	MAR 8		Line School Concert Party gave a performance at Corps Post Station.	
	Mar 9	2 PM 3 PM	C. T. P. JONES, ADMS 42 <sup>nd</sup> Div. called. Div. is arriving from EGYPT and is concentrating near ABBEVILLE. D.M.S. 4 <sup>th</sup> Army visited 1 <sup>st</sup> Div. and this office. Saw Lewis wheeled stretcher made from converted Lewis gun carriage. This is heavy and unwieldy, but might be improved.	W3 m
	Mar 10		Relief of 50 <sup>th</sup> Div. in night sector of front by 59 <sup>th</sup> Div. completed today. Capt KLEGG, San Officer, proceeded on leave today. Capt FORD, 1 <sup>st</sup> Div. acting for him. The 59 <sup>th</sup> Div. has had 39 cases of Rose Measles and 15 of Measles since arrival on 1 <sup>st</sup> March.	W3 m
	Mar 11	10:30 AM 2 PM	TO near C.R.S. CERISY, then to 48 Div. M.D.S., ECLUSIER. Some gassed cases received here last night. TO PROYART, 59 <sup>th</sup> Div. M.D.S. Not yet in further order. Orders issued for a tent (with 1 officer with trench foot experience) of 50 Div. to proceed to PROYART for temp duty at 59 Div. M.D.S. to look after trench foot cases of 50 Div. & others behind.	W3 m



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Y. BRETAGNE	MAR 12	2:30 PM 6 PM	<p>Visited new C.P.S. at CERIST and Laundry.</p> <p>C.P.C. Corps Post-Station <sup>(V. Post)</sup> called. Shortage of clothing - will draw 600 out of individual things from medical dump CERIST, also sacks &amp; trousers S.D. O asked to allot day for through it Reserve Division. Difficultly about water supply of C.P.S.</p>	<p>9382</p> <p>C. 2118</p>
	MAR 13	11 AM 2:30 PM	<p>DADMS visited Corps Dental Schools at MONTIGNY. Medical arrangements satisfactory, but M.O. has not yet obtained all the eqmpt. he requires. Directed to submit indents forthwith.</p> <p>Conference of ADMS. Discussed treat<sup>t</sup> of gassed cases. ADMS 45<sup>th</sup> Div. will send other ADMS copies of his report on recent cases. Capt LINTON, R.A.M.C., who had experience of gas cases during the Somme battle, will go round gas centres and advise on organization of these. Forder disinfectant - 59<sup>th</sup> has not yet received this, and will put up improvised one (steam). Will also start a Laundry at PEYART. Indents of drugs being put down at medical store - this will be brought up at Army Conference to narrow down gun camages - Div would like 20 cists to mount into wheeled stretchers.</p> <p>50 Div. reports recent reinforcements (officer) are over 400 unavailable for work at the front.</p>	<p>C. 2118</p>
	MAR 14		<p>Conference of DDMS, at 4<sup>th</sup> Army. Sulfine ampoules to be discontinued in First Field Div. Efforts to be made to increase fuel issue to med. units - Heating of ambulance cars to be pressed. Reports on delay of over 14 days in repairing amb. cars to be sent in by O.C. med. units. Dental centre 4<sup>th</sup> Army sanctioned. Cases of gonorrhoea admitted to Field ambulances to be treated pending evacuation. O.Cs. ad. depots. Med Stores to notify 25<sup>th</sup> Army whenever indents from A.D.S. M.S. cannot be complied with.</p>	<p>C. 2118</p>



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MAR 15			<p>2 barges for evacuation, wounded by SOMME canal arrived yesterday at CAPPY &amp; have been taken to FROISSY under orders of DD I.W.T.</p> <p>Enemy blowing up bridges across SOMME.</p> <p>Cases of dysentery occurring in 59<sup>th</sup> Div. Asked for a special report on this.</p>	CWSM
MAR 16			<p>Corps Commander wishes new divs to obtain their full complement of wounded stretchers forthwith and to adopt Lt Col SOLTAN's method of carrying men in ground sheets, with handles.</p> <p>Large no. of admissions in 59<sup>th</sup> Div, including 3 cases of Diarrhoea.</p> <p>visited 141 F.A. at FONTAINE LES CAPPY.</p> <p>FROISSY - saw barges which have been allotted to us. Spoke officer of I.W.T. on the subject.</p> <p>The DD. I.W.T. has given definite orders that the barges are not to be taken over by us at present as the matter is under discussion at G.H.Q.</p>	CWSM
MAR 17			<p>Enemy are abandoning territory W. of SOMME. 1<sup>st</sup> Div. patrols reached ETERPIGNY 4<sup>57</sup>.</p> <p>Div. has occupied MAISONNETTE, and 59<sup>th</sup> Div. MAZANCOURT.</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Div. has established a T. Amb. Post at BARLEUX, and converted post at BELLOY into Ambulance Dressing Station. Main Dressing Station will remain at FONTAINE LES CAPPY.</p> <p>59<sup>th</sup> Div. will not move forward their ADS. at present as their advance has been made.</p> <p>4 PM visited 59<sup>th</sup> Div. - KASINO, ESTRES W. and E. posts.</p> <p>6 PM Interviewed ADMS 59<sup>th</sup> Div. and discussed possible moves. The advance will probably be very slow. Drafted scheme in event of rapid advance E. of SOMME.</p> <p>7.30 PM ADMS 1<sup>st</sup> Div. reports arsenic found in water at BARLEUX, has examined by San. Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Div. are confirmed. Informed Q who has issued orders to Divs that water in captured territory is not to be touched by troops until examined.</p> <p>Phoned ADMS on the subject - they are all aware of the possibility of finding poisoned water, &amp; have drawn attention to the matter.</p>	CWSM



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VARETONNEUX	Mar. 18.		<p>German continue retirement. Patrols crossed the SOMME valley.                      48<sup>th</sup> Div. has a 7 Amb. post in BACHES. 1<sup>st</sup> Div in ETERPIGNY, and A.D.S. at V. CARBONNEL.                      No wounded admitted today.</p>	
do	Mar 19.		<p>Corps holding the line DOINGT - LE MESNIL - BAIS                      Infantry out of touch with the enemy, field ambulances advanced bear posts near St. Basille                      employed in rebuilding dugouts &amp; cellars which had been wrecked by the enemy before their retirement. No wounded admitted today.                      48<sup>th</sup> Division has established Bear Posts in BACHES at I 25 E 7.7 + PERONNE + SARDEN CIG 0 8 D 9 3                      59<sup>th</sup> Div has established Bear Posts at MSERY T. 17 B 9.9                      1<sup>st</sup> Div hold the same posts as yesterday.</p>	C 25123
do	Mar 20.		<p>Infantry suspected the Corps Post Station at CERISY                      All the divisions advancing slowly &amp; consolidating. No field ambulances hold the same Bear Posts as yesterday. There have been no wounded admitted today.</p>	
do	MAR 31.		<p>1<sup>st</sup> Div visited the area reclaimed from the enemy &amp; occupied by the 48<sup>th</sup> Division.                      1<sup>st</sup> Division came out into Corps reserve, but remained in the position they occupied on 17 March.                      They handed over their posts partly to the 48<sup>th</sup> Division and partly to 59<sup>th</sup> Division. The 48<sup>th</sup> Division hold the post at ETERPIGNY. + the 59<sup>th</sup> Division at VILLERS CARBONNEL.                      1<sup>st</sup> Div visited the 59<sup>th</sup> Divisional area.</p>	
do	Mar 32.		<p>Making arrangements for the evacuation of the refugees which have been left in the area from which the enemy have retired. These refugees are mostly old infirm people or young people who are diseased. There are also a number of women with families. Medical comforts have been sent out to these people, especially milk, as they state they have not been able to get milk for some considerable time.                      The Corps mounted troops see 3 wounded in last 24 hours.</p>	all.

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Intelligence Summary War Diaries and Intelligence  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bouvincourt	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Twenty cars from 1st A.S.C. were despatched to Peronne to commence evacuating the refugees. Heavy experiences were difficult in getting up to Peronne owing to bad state of roads & bridges and did not arrive until after 5pm so it was not considered advisable to commence operations that night. 2000 Blankets, 6 Sogar Stoves & medical comforts have been taken to Peronne to form a relay for the refugees at Peronne should it be found necessary to keep them all night. (Refugees evacuated Men 32, women 12, children 138)	L1
	24 <sup>th</sup>		The motor Convoy have made 3 journeys with the refugees making a total number of evacuated roughly 200. The roads are in good order now and little difficulty experienced by the Convoy. (Refugees evacuated MEN 32, women 12, children 138) 1st Lt. inspected 1st Division at Crecy.	L2
	25 <sup>th</sup>		1st Lt. inspected all the forward area with special reference to the evacuation of the refugees. There were nearly 300 refugees evacuated the Convoy running from VAIGNES street to Bray-sur-Somme. 1st Corps Post Station, Crecy was opened for the reception of Sick Officers. (Men 29, women 12, children 104)	L3
	26 <sup>th</sup>		There were 61 men, 116 women and 128 children, refugees evacuated today, all from Bouvincourt. 1st Lt. inspected the forward area with a view to selecting sites for 3rd Lt. Post of 59th Division and recommended that a H. Sub. be placed at MONSIEUR-CHANGES with an A.S.C. at Bouvincourt. 1st Lt. also suggested that the Nissen Huts at Valon Carrouel should be taken over by 1st Lt. 59th Division.	L4



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Villers Bretonneux	March 27		Refugees evacuated from Bourmouart 1500 70, women 234, children 201 men 2, women 13, children 13 1/2 South Midland Field Ambulance moved to Doughty I 36 4 6 6	No sick were removed from Tincove	L.S.
	28		All the evacuation of refugees from the position abandoned by the enemy has been completed.		L.S.
Bourmouart	29		Headquarters of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Corps moved from Villers Bretonneux to Bourmouart.		L.S.
do.	30		Orders issued to 1 <sup>st</sup> Division to take over Gps Seabrook Station at Villers Bretonneux from 2/3 North Midland Field Ambulance who on relief will open up at Villers Carbonnel.		L.S.
do.	31		B.D.M.S. visited the advanced posts of 48 <sup>th</sup> Division and 59 <sup>th</sup> Division, arranged for the reception of at least 500 wounded. Huts and other accommodation for wounded being rapidly constructed. Inspected the field ambulances of 42 <sup>nd</sup> division at Cappif.		

S. Macdonald Colonel  
D.S.M.S. III Corps.



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40th DIVISION.	1st DIVISION.
1/1st S.Mid.F.Amb. CAPPY MAIRIE.	No.1 F.Amb. CRISY (Closed, forming new Corps Rest Station).
1/2nd S.Mid.F.Amb. CAPPY SUD (D.R.S.).	No.2 F.Amb. CAMP MARLY (R.4.d.) (Div.M.D.S. & D.R.S.)
1/3rd S.Mid.F.Amb. ECLUSIER (Div.M.D.S.).	No.141 F.Amb. FONTAINE LES CAPPY.(R.2.d.5.3.).
40th Div. San. Section. CAPPY.	No.13 San. Section. CHUIGNOLLES.
A.D.M.S. BOIS D'OLIMPE (G.23.c.3 C.)	A.D.M.S. CHUIGNOLLES (R.10.c.)
50th DIVISION.	50th DIVISION.
1/1st N.H.F.Amb. KASINO (R.29.c.9.8.)	1/1 Nthn.F.Amb. WARFUSTE.
2/2nd N.H.F.Amb. PROYART (Div.M.D.S. & D.R.S.)	2/2nd Nthn.F.Amb. MOICOURT. 1 Sect. do. MERICOURT-sur-SOMME.
2/3rd N.H.F.Amb. VILLERS BRETONNEUX. (Tempy. C.R.S. & Corps Scabies Section).	1/3rd Nthn.F.Amb. FAYENVILLERS.
50th Div. San. Sect. PROYART.	50th Div. San. Section. MERICOURT-sur-SOMME.
A.D.M.S. BOIS ST. MARTIN (R.30.c.2.2.)	A.D.M.S. MERICOURT-sur-SOMME.
A.D.M.S., IIIrd Corps, VILLERS BRETONNEUX.	No.81 MOTOR AMBULANCE CONVOY. GAILLY.

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CASUALTY CLEARING STATIONS.

No. 5 C.C.S. }  
 No. 40 C.C.S. } BRAY. For front area.  
 No. 18 C.C.S. }  
 No. 33 C.C.S. } GALLEY. For back area.  
 No. 21 C.C.S. } CORNIE. For cases of shell  
 concussion, nervous  
 shock and dentifal  
 head cases.  
 No. 50 C.C.S. } HEILLY. For infection of feet.  
 No. 33 C.C.S. } GALLEY. For S.I. wound cases.

STATIONARY HOSPITALS.

No. 1 New Zealand Stationary Hospital,  
 ADELPHI.  
 (Officers Hospital, and for eye cases).  
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 No. 33 ADVANCED DEPOT OF MEDICAL STORES,  
 GALLEY.  
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 No. 5 Mob. X-Ray Unit Att. 2/2nd LONDON C.I.S.,  
 BREWLOW.

MOBILE LABORATORIES.

No. 10 Mobile Laboratory (Dec). CORNIE.  
 No. 11 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " HEILLY.  
 No. 12 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " A.I. No.

Headquarters,  
 IIIrd Corps,  
 10th March, 1917.

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4th DIVISION	1st DIVISION.	50th DIVISION.
1/1 S.M.F.Amb. CAPPY WIRIE.	1 F.Amb. CARRIER (Closed forming new C.R.S.).	2/1 N.M.F.Amb. M/SNO (R.20.c.3.5)
1/2 S.M.F.Amb. CAPPY SUD (L.R.S.).	2 F.Amb. CAMP WIRIE (R.4.d) Liv...L...d L.R.S.	2/2 N. .F.Amb. PROYART (Div M.D.3. & L.R.S.)
1/3 S.M.F.Amb. COLUSIER (Div. D.S.).	141 F.Amb. FONTAINE LES CAPPY. (M.9,d.5.3.).	2/3 N.M.F.Amb. VILLERS BRITONNETX (Temp.3.R.S.4 C. Scabies Section).
4th Div.San.Sect. CAPPY.	13 San.Sect. CHUIGNOLLES.	50th Div.San.Sect. PROYART.
A.D.M.S. CIS D'OLIMPE (R.20.c.3.5.).	A.D.M.S. CHUIGNOLLES (R.10.c.) R.	A.D.M.S. BOIS ST.MARTIN (R.20.c.6.2.).

4th DIVISION.	50th DIVISION.
1/1 L.L.F.Amb. HAREL.	1/1 Nthn.F.Amb. GARFUSER.
1/2 L.L.F.Amb. HUPPY.	1 Sect.-30- MERICOURT-sur-SOISE.
1/3 L.L.F.Amb. FRUCOURT.	2/2 Nthn.F.Amb. MORGOURT.
4th Div.San.Sect. HALLENCOURT.	1/3 Nthn.F.Amb. DAYONVILLERS.
A.D.M.S. HALLENCOURT.	50th Div.San.Sect. MERICOURT-sur-SOISE.
	A.D.M.S. MERICOURT-sur-SOISE.

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RESERVE CLINIC SECTION.

No. 5 C.C.S. )  
 No. 40 C.C.S. ) WILLY. For front area.  
 No. 13 C.C.S. )  
 No. 39 C.C.S. ) WILLY. For back area.  
 No. 21 C.C.S., CORBIE. For cases of shell  
 concussion, nervous  
 shock and doubtful  
 gassed cases.  
 No. 30 C.C.S., WILLY. For infectious cases.  
 No. 38 C.C.S., GILLY. For S.I. wound cases.

STATIONARY HOSPITAL.

No. 1 New Zealand Stationary Hospital  
 LAKE.  
 (Officers hospital and for eye cases).  
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 No. 19 Advanced Depot of Medical Stores  
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 BROVETOWN (F. 25 d Sheet 62 D).  
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 No. 14 CORBIE. } Top 1/2 in back area  
 No. 31 ARPEVILLE } if more convenient.  
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 No. 3 Act. X-ray Unit at E/End 10.104 C.C.S.  
 (F. 20 d Sheet 62 D).

ORIENTAL DEPOSITORIES.

No. 10 Mobile Laboratory (H&C). CORBIE.  
 No. 11 -do- -do- -do- WILLY.  
 No. 12 -do- -do- (Hyg). ALHNS.

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for M.D.S., IIIrd Corps.

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Appendix No. 5

ROUTINE ORDERS, MEDICAL

BY

COL. S. MACDONALL, D.D.M.S., 11th CORPS.

3rd March, 1917.

71. REPORTING INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

In view of Routine Order, Medical, 11th Corps No. 66, dated 23rd February, 1917, calling for weekly return of Infectious Diseases, the monthly return is cancelled.

71. T.C. OFFICERS UNABLE TO RENEW CONTRACTS.

Any T.C. officers who are unable or unwilling to renew their contracts, will be interviewed by the D.M.S. on Mondays and Thursdays between 9-30 and 10-30 a.m.

Routine Order Medical, 11th Corps No. 33 dated 4th January, 1917 is cancelled.

72. ANTI-TYPHOID INOCULATION.

The inoculation state of Divisions and particularly of Corps Troops units is not satisfactory.

A.D.M.S. and M.Os. Corps Troops will take immediate steps to increase the percentage of those inoculated by the Tri-Vaccine (T.A.B.) and ensure that the requisite entries, with dates, are made in the men's paybooks (A.B.64).

73. ANTI-TETANIC INOCULATION.

The attention of all concerned is directed to D.M.S., Fourth Army, No. 2/17 dated 30/12/1916, which reads as follows:-

"Several cases of tetanus have occurred recently, not only in men suffering from Trench Foot, but also in men with only small abrasions of the foot and hand, who have not received an early dose of Anti-tetanic Serum. Will you please issue instructions that all men admitted to medical units with abrasions, blisters, chafes, etc., of the foot or hand, are to receive an immediate dose of anti-tetanic Serum."

*S. Macdonald*

Colonel.  
D.D.M.S., 11th Corps.

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Normal, plus all M.Os. Corps Troops.



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ROUTINE ORDERS, MEDICAL,

BY

COLONEL S. W. McDONALD, D.D.M.S., IIIrd. CORPS.

7th. March, 1917.

No. 74. EVACUATION OF WOUNDED.

The attention of all concerned is directed to D.M.S., Fourth Army Routine Order No. 32 dated 20th January, 1917, which is not being complied with in some cases.

No. 75. TRENCH FOOT RETURNS.

In compiling the Trench Foot Returns, particular care should be exercised in obtaining as accurate information as possible from the statements of patients admitted to Field Ambulances with Trench Foot. These investigations should always be carried out by a Medical Officer, and the returns signed by the Medical Officer who investigated the case.

The exact number of days in the front and support trenches should, if possible, be stated.

Accuracy in these returns will save labour in the "A" branch of Divisions and Corps, and lessen correspondence.

*S. W. McDonald*

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

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ROUTINE ORDERS, MEDICAL,

BY

COL. S. MACDONALD, D.D.M.S., IIIrd CORPS.

12th March, 1917.

No. 76. ROSE MEASLES.

Cases of Rose Measles, unless presenting complications, will be sent to the 1/3rd Northumbrian Field Ambulance at BAYONVILLERS, except officers, who will be evacuated to No. 36 Casualty Clearing Station.

No. 77. WHEELED STRETCHER CARRIAGES.

A monthly return of wheeled stretcher carriages will in future be rendered to this office by A.Ds.M.S. of Divisions. It should accompany the Return of Motor Vehicles.

The condition of the wheeled stretcher carriages will be stated.

No. 78. PODEN LORRY DISINFECTORS.

A.Ds.M.S. of Divisions will report to this office the present location of Poden Lorry Disinfectors. Changes of location will in future be notified to this office as they occur.

*S. Macdonald*

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

NOTICE.

FOURTH ARMY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The fifth meeting of the FOURTH ARMY MEDICAL SOCIETY will be held on SUNDAY, March 18th, 1917 at 8 p.m. at No. 34 (West Lane), CASUALTY CLEARING STATION, GROVETOWN.

A discussion will be opened on "The Regimental Medical Officer" by Capt J.A. ANDERSON, M.C., R.A.M.C. and Capt A.E. ROCHS, M.C., R.A.M.C. of No. 3 Field Ambulance.

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No. 79. IODINE AND CHARLES GAZZL.

The application of iodine to wounds, when followed by crevice gauze, results in severe blistering. This combination must be avoided.

No. 80. IODINE AMPULES. ISSUE OF.

The issue of iodine ampules to troops will be discontinued, as several cases of blistering from the use of iodine ampules with the first Field Dressings have been reported by C.C.Ss.

No. 81. FUEL.

A difficulty has been experienced in obtaining sufficient fuel for Field Medical Units, it is notified for information that fuel should be demanded in accordance with G.R.O. 1170 para. c.(1).

No. 82. MOTOR AMBULANCE CARS - OUT OF ACTION.

When a motor ambulance car is out of action for more than 14 days, owing to delay in repairs, a report will be submitted to this office, giving full details.

No. 83. MOTOR AMBULANCE CARS - RATTLING OF FITTINGS.

Endeavours must be made to stop the rattling of fittings inside motor ambulance cars.

No. 84. VENEREAL CASES.

When venereal cases are retained in medical units, pending investigation by the A.P.C., treatment must be commenced on admission, and continued until evacuation to C.C.S.

No. 85. ASPIRIN - SUPPLY OF.

Very little aspirin is available at Advanced Depots of Medical Stores, and demands must therefore be reduced to a minimum.

No. 86. DAILY SICK STATE - (G.P.O. 3185) - 25th 01/47.

All passed cases admitted to Field Ambulances must be shown on the daily state of sick and wounded (G.P.O. 3185) and included in the table of diarrhoea, venereal, etc., on the back of the state. It must be clearly shown whether these cases are "sick" or "wounded".

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No. 87. EVACUATIONS.

With reference to this office wire No. M. 321 dated 2nd February, 1917, as oversea evacuation has now been resumed, A.D.S. will strictly comply with the D.M.S. order re evacuations. (D.M.S. No. 127 dated 23-3-16).

No. 88. TRANSFER DOCUMENTS.

It is reported that great laxity prevails regarding the rendition of transfer documents by Field Ambulances when sending cases to the Corps Rest Station.

Each carload of cases should be accompanied by a nominal roll giving Regt. No., Rank, Name, disease and the Field Ambulance from which transferred. When two or more carloads are sent, the nominal roll should be handed to the orderly with the first car.

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No. 99. WATER - TESTS FOR CHEMICAL POISONS.

In the event of a medical officer suspecting the presence of a chemical poison in any water supply, after analysis by means of the tests provided, he must:-

- (i). Inform the O.C. of the unit to which he is attached, with a view to the troops being barred from drinking the water.
- (ii). Collect forthwith two samples of the suspected water and transmit them duly labelled to the O.C., Field Ambulance of his area for transmission to the Mobile Laboratory.
- (iii). Inform without delay the A.D.M.S. of the Division (or in the case of Corps Troops, not administered by Divisions, the D.D.M.S., 11th Corps), intimating the despatch of the samples and the nature of the poison suspected.

The O.C., Field Ambulance, receiving the samples must despatch them at once to the Mobile Laboratory by motor cycle orderly.

The A.D.M.S. of the Division concerned will notify D.D.M.S., 11th Corps, by Signal Message of the occurrence, and action taken.

No. 100. SPECIAL HOSPITAL FOR SHELL-SHOCK CASES.

No. 13 Casualty Clearing Station, GAILLY is now the Special Hospital for Shell-Shock cases. No further cases are to be sent to No. 21.C.C.S.

Medical Arrangements, 11th Corps No. 7 para 4, sub-para (d) should be amended accordingly.

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No. 91. PORTUGUESE TROOPS - FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

With reference to D.M.S., Fourth Army, Routine Orders Nos. 36, 41 and 61; and IIIrd Corps Routine Order, Medical, No. 57 dated 11-2-1917; some difficulty has been experienced in connection with the Returns of Portuguese Troops admitted to British Hospitals, and for the convenience of the Financial Adviser, Headquarters D. of C. Area, and the Portuguese Authorities, by whom claims will eventually be certified, future returns will be rendered in accordance with the attached pro-forma.

The destination of patients transferred will be shown.

Returns will in future be furnished in duplicate. "NIL" Returns will also be rendered.

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24th March, 1917.

No. 23. WATER SUPPLY.

A.D.M.S. of Divisions in the forward area will render a report on wells and water supplies investigated by their Sanitary Officers, to this office. Map references are to be given.

No. 24. CORPS FIELD LORRY DISINFECTOR.

A Corps Field Lorry Disinfector is now established at the Corps Scabies Station, VILLERS BR. TO. N.W. It is available for disinfection of clothing and blankets of IIIrd Corps Units. Application should be made direct to the IIIrd Corps Sanitary Officer, VILLERS BR. TO. N.W.

No. 25. DESIGNATIONS OF DRESSING STATIONS, ETC. FOR PURPOSES OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

The official designation of the Field Ambulance will invariably be inserted on Army Form A.38, and all other official returns rendered by Corps Rest Stations, Scabies Stations, Main Dressing and Collecting Stations (D.D.M.S. B.323/1). (D.M.S., Fourth Army Routine Order No. 130).

No. 26. AMBULANCE TRANSPORT.

Horse-drawn ambulances will be used whenever possible in place of motor ambulances for the purpose of conveying patients to Rest Stations and for journeys where rapid transit is not essential. (D.M.S., Fourth Army Routine Order No. 131).

No. 27. NOTES ON MEDICAL HISTORY OF PATIENTS.

Instances have occurred in which medical officers have given to patients (officers and other ranks) copies of documents relating to the medical history of their cases. This practice is irregular and very undesirable, and will be discontinued at once.

Any notes on cases transferred will be transmitted by medical units through which the patients are evacuated. (D.M.S., Fourth Army Routine Order, No. 133).

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No. 22. CORPS REST STATION. & OFFICERS' HOSPITAL

The Corps Rest Station, VILLERS-BRETONNEUX, will be closed to further admissions after MONDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1917.

On THURSDAY, the 29th MARCH, 1917, the Corps Rest Station, CHRISY, will open for the reception of cases from Divisions in the forward area. 200 beds will be reserved for each Division in the forward area, 100 for Divisions in the back area, and 100 for Corps Troops and other formations administered by IIIrd Corps.

A.D.M.S. of Divisions and M.Os. Corps Troops will arrange that these numbers are not exceeded, and that only suitable cases, likely to recover in 14 days, are sent to the Corps Rest Station.

The Officers' Hospital in connection with the IIIrd Corps Rest Station, CHRISY (Q.S.c.3.0 West of H. S.E.) will open on SUNDAY, the 25th March, 1917.

There will be accommodation for 40 officers, 10 for Divisions in the forward area and 10 for Corps Troops and other formations.

Field Ambulances and M.Os. of Corps Troops must ascertain direct with Officer Commanding, IIIrd Corps Rest Station, CHRISY, the number of beds available, and the authorized allotment must not be exceeded.

Only suitable cases likely to recover in 14 days are to be transferred to the Corps Rest Station, CHRISY.

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No. 98. DENTAL CASES.

Attention has been drawn to the fact that a good many dental cases are being sent to Field Ambulances unnecessarily, i.e., men with black, healthy stumps, who have been in this condition for some time.

Such cases, unless debilitated, or suffering from digestive troubles are quite fit for duty, and should not be sent to Hospital.

In cases where stumps are unhealthy and septic, they should be extracted as far as possible in Field Ambulances and retained, if necessary, at Divisional Rest Stations until their mouths are ready for dentures, thereby avoiding evacuation to the Base.

Attention is again called to D.G.S. Circular Memo. No. 11 dated 26/5/1915.

(D.M.S., Fourth Army, No. 6/237 dated 25-3-1917).

No. 99. REPORTING INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Reference Routine Order, Medical, IIIrd Corps, No. 66 para 6, of 22/2/1917: for "probable source of infection" read "probable source and place of infection."

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