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1914-18 War

Medical, Dental & Nursing

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June 1917



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			A Divisional Rest Station: Training: and Recreational training & Exercises.	
BUIRE	1		Daily average of patients admitted, treated, evacuated and	
	2		returned to duty for period 1 st June to noon 2 nd June	
			Admitted 21, Evac to CCS 10. Transferred to Rest Stn (Stables) 1,	
			Returned to units for duty 7. (all sick).	
			Remaining in DRS noon June 2 nd 111 other ranks.	
	3		Capt Hair Jnr Temp attached to 1 st Aust Dab to relieve Ruro on leave	Appendix
			A.D.M.S 1 st Aust Div H 21/59 - 1/6/17. "The Corps Commander has awarded	No 14
			Military Medals to the following men:-	used
			No. 2707 Pte HOCKING K. B. and No 9205 Pte RIXON S. J. "	Appendix
			A.D.M.S 1 st Aust Div H 22/59. 1/6/17. "The following French decorations	No 15
			has been awarded, Auth G.H.Q. MS H 5756(a), dated 2 nd May	used
			No. 14820 Pte GRAY F. O. 3 rd Field Amb. MEDAILLE MILITAIRE. "	
	4		7 of ranks reinforcements arrived from base	
	5		1 st Aust Div Inter Ambulance Sports held at HENENCOURT	
			prizes falling to efforts of members of this	
			unit out of 20 events being 9 firsts and 7 seconds	
			Asst Quarter M.S.	

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BUIRE	9		<p>Daily average number of patients admitted, treated, evacuated and returned to duty for week ending noon today Admitted 36, Evac to CCS 15, 2 Rest Str (sabbath) 1. Returned to units for duty 11 (all sick). Remaining in 1st Aust SRS noon June 9th 163 O ranks. Eight other ranks reinforcements reported from base</p>	
	10		<p>Lieut A.S. Prior Ob. No 5 Dental unit attached 3rd Aust Field Amb evacuated to CCS (sick)</p>	Appendix No 20
	12		<p>1st Aust Divisional sports commenced 10.30 at HENENCOURT</p>	Used
	13		<p>1st Aust Divisional sports completed - Two days holiday having been granted by Divisional Commander</p>	
	15		<p>Capt Hair JW rejoined unit from detached duty with 1st SAb</p>	
	16		<p>Unit sports, dinner and concert held today.</p>	
			<p>Daily average number of patients admitted, treated, evacuated and returned to duty for week ending noon today: Admitted 36. Evac to CCS 14, 2 Rest Str (sabbath) 1. To duty 14 (all sick) Remaining in 1st Aust SRS noon June 16th 134 other ranks</p>	

W. J. M. H. B.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BUIRI	16		<p>No 124 Sgt GARLAND J appointed warrants Officer Class 1. vice warrants officer Stubbs J transferred. To take effect from June 1st 1917. (Authority a/cy 15/4/154 d/ 10/6/17 and D.H.Q. 138/62 dated 15/6/17)</p> <p>Three other ranks reinforcements joined from base.</p> <p>Unit. Sports, Dinner & Concert.</p> <p>Op fundmg. Adms M^{rs} & 2 ans Gns. D.H.Q. Crps. & Adms M^{rs} ant DW. & other units.</p> <p>Local & other tasks at Dunny: all Ranks at Dinner.</p> <p>Cash £70 (Dinner) £21 (Jolly) from Corps Fund.</p> <p>This sum has been practically replaced by profits (allowed for by E. F. Canteens) in our Unit Canteen. (Cash to credit now approx. £150). Dinner - Soup - fish - goose + fruit - trifle - Cheese. Beer: 8 yd Pilsner & wine for toast. A great success & great assistance to esprit de Corps & morale of unit.</p>	<p>Appendix No 16 used</p>
			<p>As Dutton D.H.Q.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices
BUIRE	19		Capt Beel of B is temporarily attached to 9 th Inf Bn as RMO (auth ADMS am 143/18:6:17)	
	21		All members of unit who could be spared from duties at 1 st Aust Div proceeded by route march to the vicinity of VAUX-SUR-SOMME marching out at 06.45. Arrived at VAUX, engaged in recreative exercised, luncheon	
	22		and returned to unit at noon on 22 nd inst. DMS III Army accompanied by DMS 1 st ANZAC and ADMS 1 st Aust Division, visited and inspected the 1 st Aust Div Rest Station!	
			Major Mackenzie, Capt Rae & 17 of ranks of B section tent sub rejoined unit from detached duty with 29 CCS (GREVILLERS)	Appdx See Appdx 21
	23		Daily average number of patients admitted, treated, evacuated and returned to duty for week ending noon today :- Admitted 34. Evac to CCS 18. To Stables Str 5. To duty 11. (all but) Remaining in 1 st Aust Div Rest Str noon June 23. 167 of ranks	

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As Author of

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
PUIRE	26 27		No 89 Temp Cpl Smith S/T promoted Corporal substantive rank. No 57 Staff Sergeant Taylor F.L. transferred to No 2 Agst vice. No 771 Staff Sergeant Walker J.W. No 89 Cpl Smith S/T promoted Sergeant.	Appendix No 17 used Appendix No 18 used
			Capt BLOGG K.V. (Dental Corps) reported for duty as o/c No 5 Dental Unit vice Lieut PRIOR F.S. evacuated sick.	Appendix No 19 used
	27		Lecture on Venereal Disease by Lt Col Asst Dir and Captain Chaplain Archdeacon Ward to 1 st and 3 rd Amb's Held Ambulances at PUIRE Rest Station.	Appendix No 20 used
	30		Daily average of patients admitted, treated evacuated or returned to duty for week ending noon today: Admitted 36, Evacuated to CES 18, Transferred to Kabier Station 1. Discharged to duty 13. Total remaining in 1 st amb S.R.S. noon today 185. B section proceeded to Vaux-Sur-Somme on field day. Weather for month has been very erratic oppressive heat, followed by violent storms or heavy showers and cold changes.	
			Asst Dir M.C.	

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BUIRE 7/30

Statement showing differences in strength on 1st & 30th June 1917

	On Str		CCS	Transf	Rfb	Nos sent to Unit				1 st Assoc att
	O	OR	S-OR	Of comd.	O.R.	O	OK	CCS Officer	Taken with Officer	on strength
Strength of unit 1/6/17	10	200				1	3	x		13
21k, 20ac, transf rfb taken on str.			2	2	17			1	1	
Strength of unit 30/6/17	10	213				1	3			13

A. W. Winter 28/6/17

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No. 3 Australian Field Ambulance.
SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

General Outline.

BEARER DIVISION:

Instructions in first aid to the wounded and carriage of wounded under various conditions.

Tent Division:

Practical instructions in the nursing of cases. Practical instruction of successive details from Bearer Division in the essentials of management of sick. Lectures and practical instruction in nursing duties, with special reference to infectious ~~XXXXX~~ diseases.

COOKS:

Instructions in the erection of field kitchen for Rest Stations. Instructions re oven for roasting: special instruction to be given under Sergeant Stacey. Erection of meat safe: Storage of meat and other articles of food. Instruction in the prevention of fly breeding and in the protection of food from contamination. Disposal of refuse and waste. Economy of food. Field cooking.

SANITARY SQUAD:

Course of practical instruction by O.C. in the erection of grease traps, soakage pits, and disposal of greasy and soapy water. Disposal of excreta. Various types of incinerators. Latrine erection. Disposal of manure. General sanitation.

O.M. DEPARTMENT.

Contents of panniers: loading of wagons: weights of equipment: distribution of equipment on wagons under various conditions. Storage of rations, perishable and non-perishable.

Water Duty Men.

Instructions in the collection and sterilization of water: care and use of water cart and equipment, and of water testing apparatus.

TRANSPORT.

General instruction by Transport Officer in the care of wagons, with practical illustrations. Disposal of manure: care and feeding of horses.

BEARER AND TENT DIVISIONS.

- (a) Lectures on General Hygiene and Sanitation.
- (b) Special course of tent erection. Adaptation of various types of tents for various purposes, e.g. needs of Divisional Rest Stations for summer purposes: for gas centres, etc. Care of tents.
- (c) Route marches: Squadron and Company Drill: Stretcher Drill.
- (d) Special instruction in signalling to selected details.

FIELD AMBULANCE:

Ceremonial drill.

3.6.17

A. J. Smith
.....Lt. Col.
C.O. No. 3 Aust. Field Ambulance.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGIMENTAL NUMBER

- (1) Name of the person to whom the award is made
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REGIMENTAL NUMBER

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1st Australian Division.

Routine:	Reveille	06.00
	Parade	06.30
	Physical Culture	06.30 - 07.00
	Breakfast	07.15
	Parade	08.30
	Dinner	12.00
	Parade	13.00
	Tea	16.30
	Lights out	21.30

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Day of week.	Morning	Afternoon
<u>Sunday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Gas Helmet Inspection Church Parade. Special Department: Instructions as per syllabus.	
<u>Monday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Camp Fatigue Squad drill and Lecture S. D. Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Bandaging(triangular & roller) Application of Field Dressings. Arrest of Haemorrhage Use & abuse of Tourniquets. Bathing Parade.
<u>Tuesday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Stretcher Drill (Bearer Subdivision) Roller Bandaging (Tent Subdivision) Gas Helmet Drill S. D. Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Checking Equipment and con- tents of panniers. Tent Subdivision) Contents of Surgical Haversacks and Medical Companions. Use of Surgical Apparatus. (Bearer Subdiv.) Bathing Parade.
<u>Wednesday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Squad Drill and Lecture Sanitation(C.O.) S. D. Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Washing and bathing Parade. Dandelion Collecting Excursion.
<u>Thursday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 C.Os Inspection and Kit Inspection. S. D Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Tent Pitching Use of Splints. Bathing Parade.
<u>Friday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Squad Drill Bandaging and Application of splints. S. D. Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Physical Exercises, (football, boxing, running, etc.) Bathing Parade.
<u>Saturday</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Route March S. D. Instructions as per syllabus.	13.00 - 15.00 Sports, etc.

3.6.17

Asst. Surgeon
.....Lt. Col.
C.O. No. 3 Aust. Fld. Ambce.

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1st Australian Division.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING, 1917:1918

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Routine:		
	Reveille	06.00
	Parade	06.30
	Physical Culture	06.30 - 07.00
	Breakfast	07.15
	Parade	08.30
	Dinner	12.00
	Parade	13.00
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	Lights out	21.30

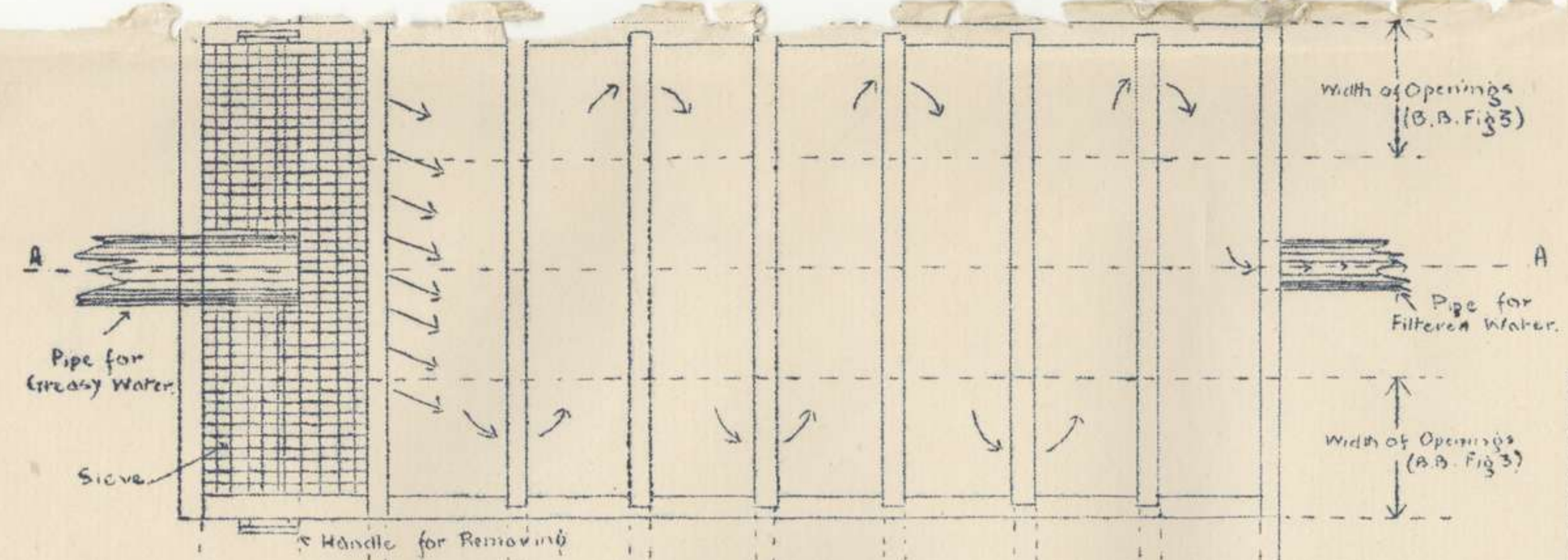
Day of week.	Morning.		Afternoon.	
	06.30 - 12.00		13.00 - 15.00	
<u>Sunday.</u>	Gas Helmet Instruction Church Parade			
<u>Monday.</u>	Training of Junior N.C.O's in practical work and Squad Drill. Instruction in transport of wounded and saluting to new recruits. Gas drill. Transport special Inspection. Experimental loading of baggage wagons "A" section.		Lecture 1.30 to 3 Regional and Superficial Anatomy. Recreative Training.	
<u>Tuesday.</u>	Company Drill and stretcher Drill. Saluting. Gas Drill. Full Parade "C" section.		Lecture on Sanitation. Recreative Training.	
<u>Wednesday.</u>	stretcher Drill. Transport of wounded. Gas Drill. Full Parade "A" section.		Route March.	
<u>Thursday.</u>	Sectional Organization. Company Drill. Full Parade "B" section.		Lecture: Arrest of haemorrhage; Treatment of wounds. Special Splints. Recreative Training.	
<u>Friday.</u>	Company Drill.		Lecture on Sanitation & Hygiene. Recreative Training.	
<u>Saturday.</u>	Special instruction in accordance with General Syllabus.			

A. W. Arthur Lt. Col.
C.O. No. 3 Aust. Fld. Ambce.

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Plan of Top
 (With Lid & Straw removed)
 (Direction of Water indicated
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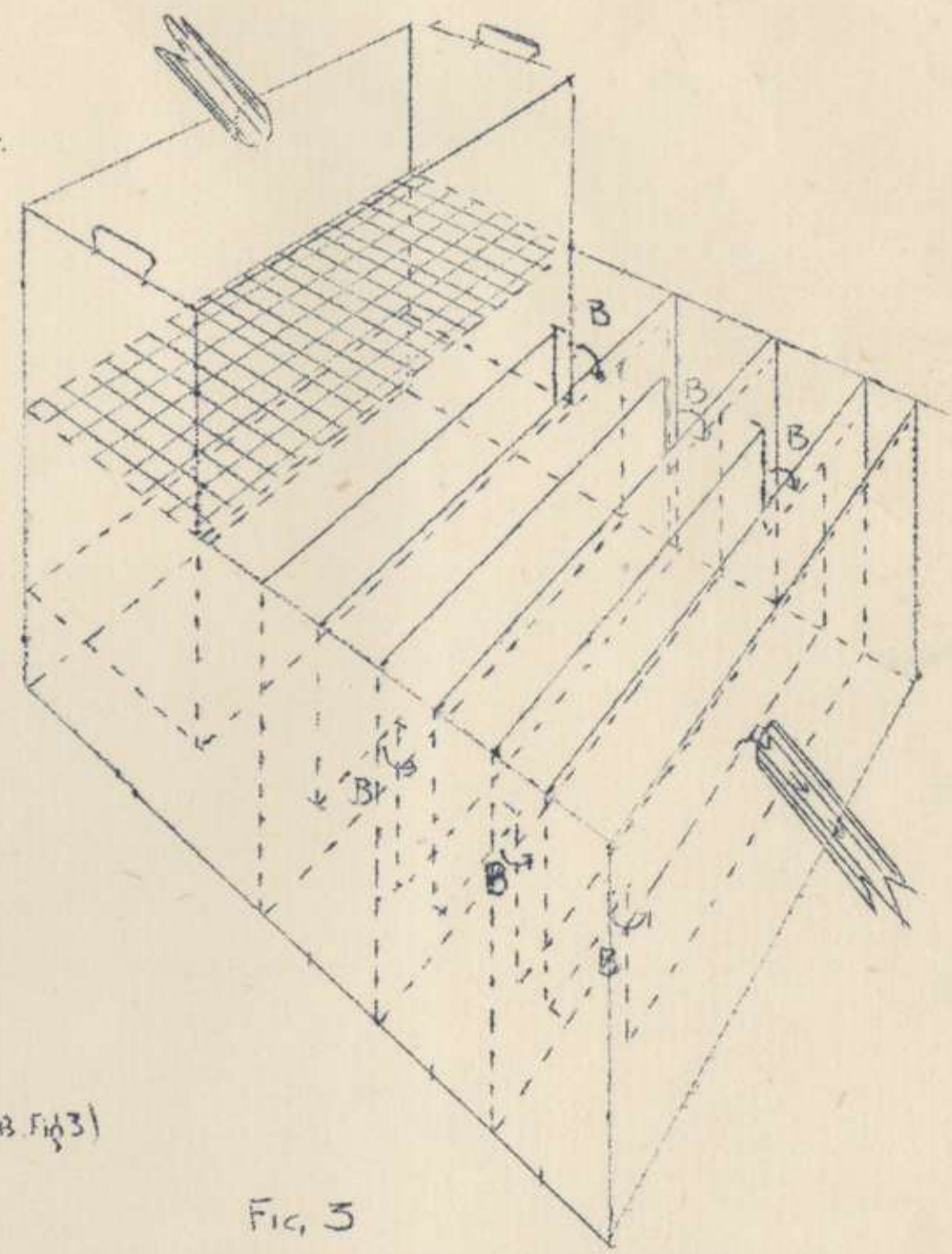
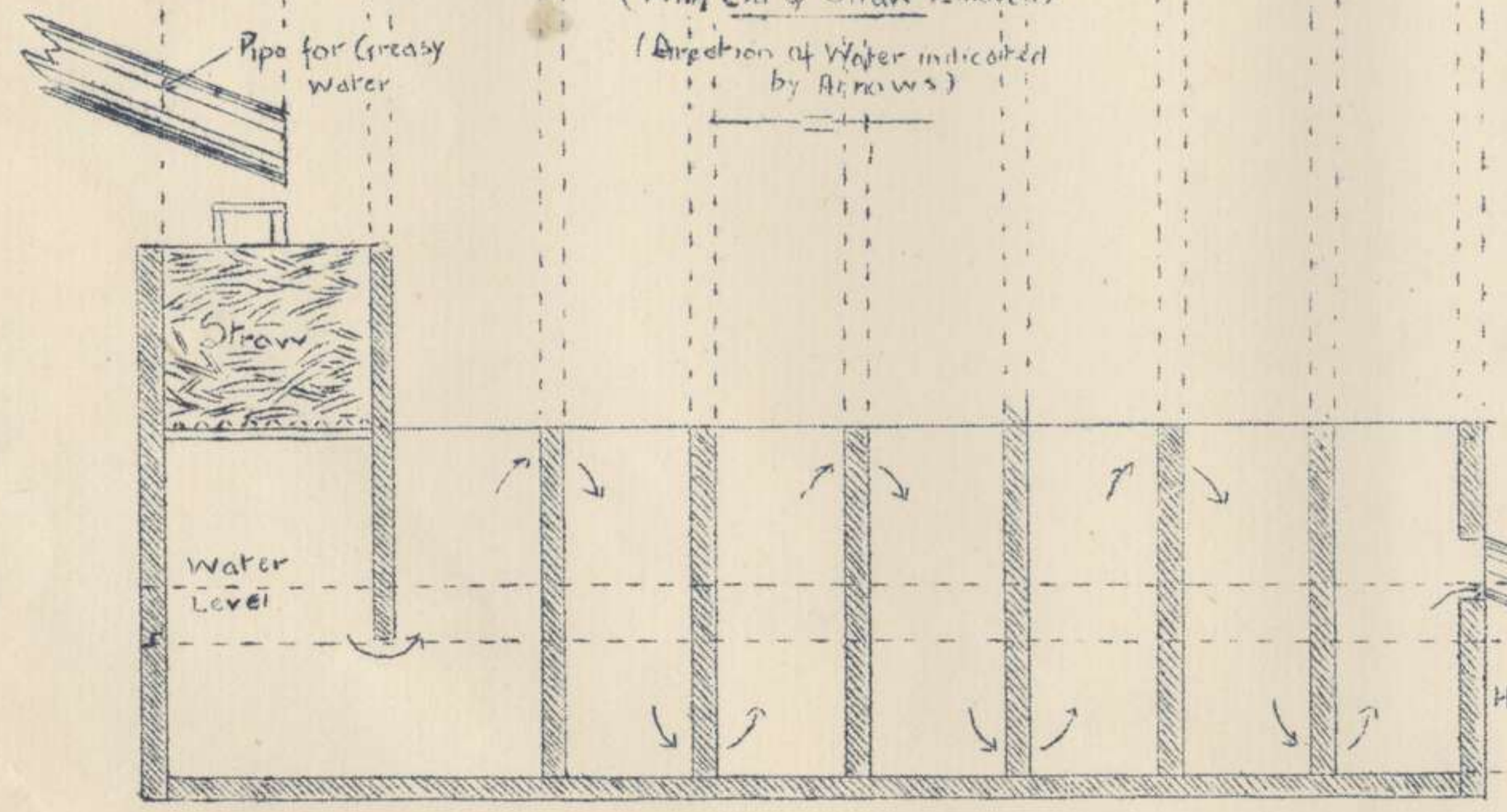


FIG. 3
 Perspective & Diagrammatic view of

Grease Trap.
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STANDARD TYPE of
GREASE TRAP.

for use of
3RD AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE
 Scale. 1/2" = 1 foot.



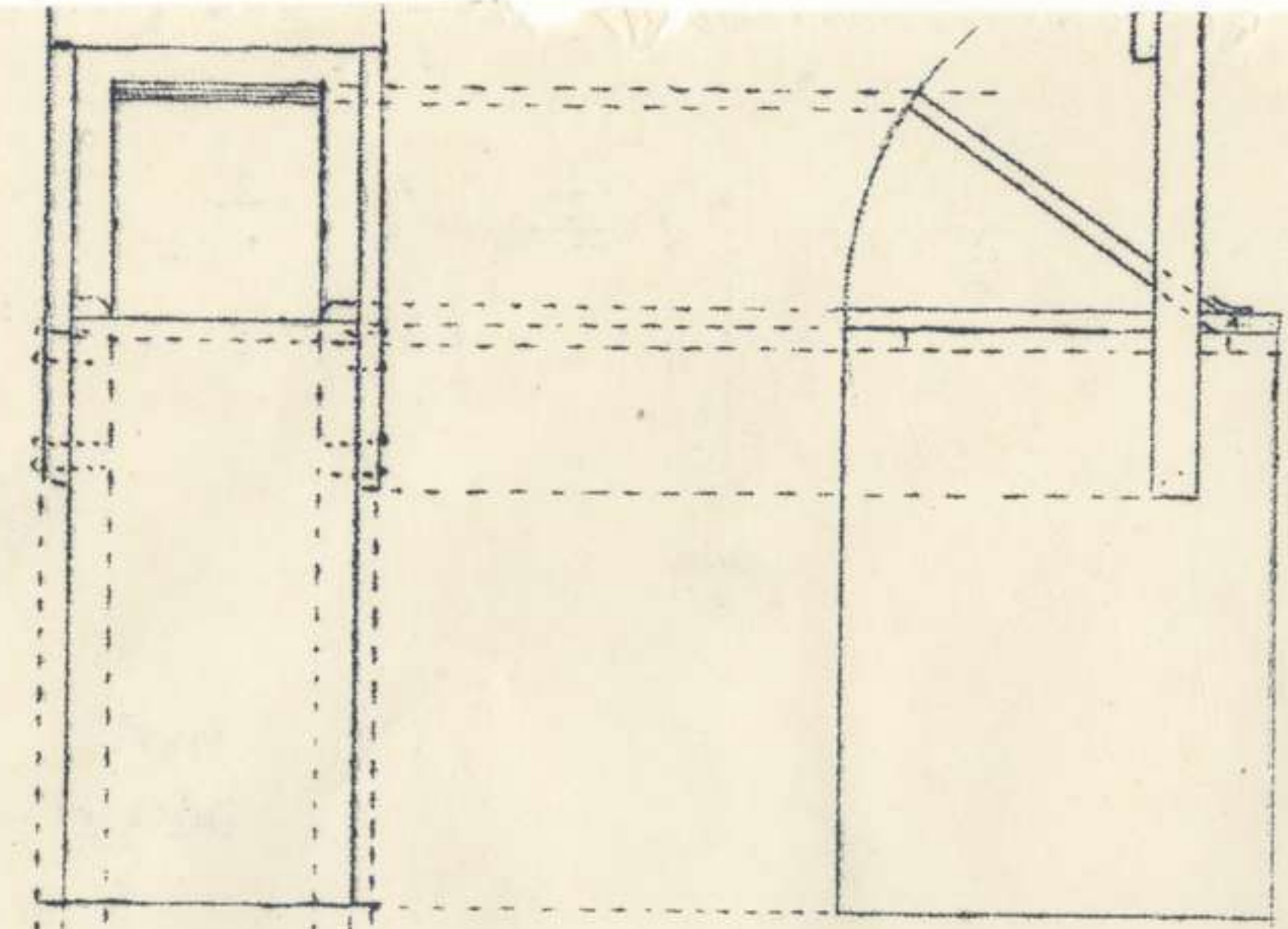
Section A-A
 (Direction of Water indicated
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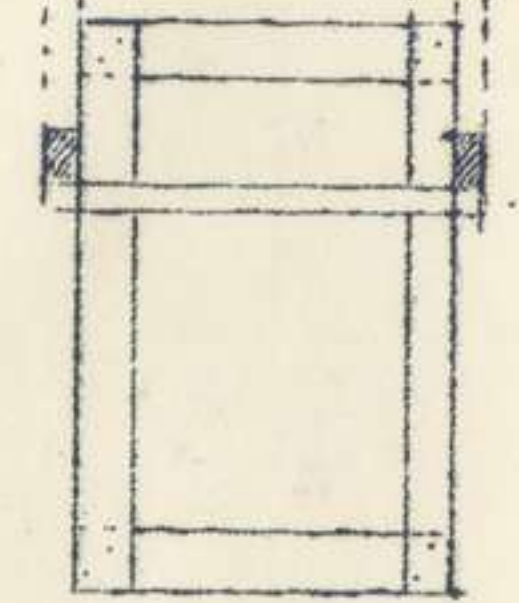
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Front
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Plan of
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STANDARD TYPE of
FIELD LATRINE for
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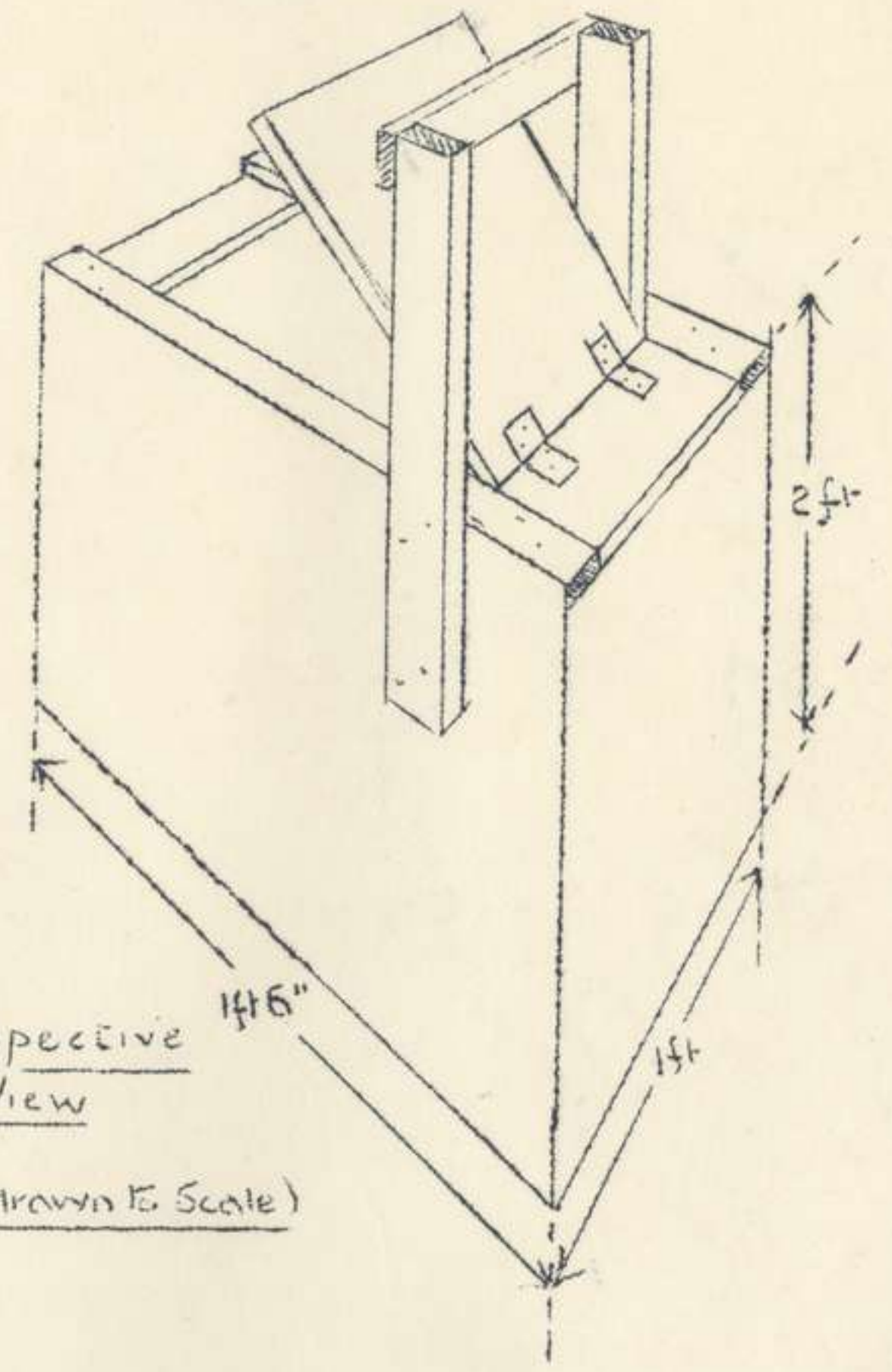
3RD AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE

(N.B. For a Larger Latrine this Type may

be duplicated)

Scale 1" = 1 foot.

Perspective
View
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BUIRE REST STATION

FIRE ORDERS

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FIRE ALARM SQUADS:-

AREA	N.C.O. IN CHARGE	SQUAD	FIRE POST.
A	S/Sgt Ellis	L/Cpl Aspinall Pte Wheat " Wheatley. " Beech " Plummer	Store Tent.
B	S/Sgt Walker	L/Cpl. Cameron. Pte Garlick. Puddicombe Tommason. " Birch.	Mess Hut (Patients).
Personnel.	Sgt Wellbelove	Epl Follock. L/Cpl Topwood Pte Dr. Foxleray Cook. J. rooking. Southwell Larsen.	Mess Hut. (Personnel)

ROUTINE.

In the event of an outbreak of fire the Alarm will immediately be sounded, and all squads will fall in at the Post of the Area in which the fire originates and take instructions from the N.C.O. in charge of that Area.

The area N.C.O. will be responsible that the Commanding Officer, Deputy Officer, Orderly Medical Officers, and Warrant Officer are immediately advised that a fire has occurred.

Ward Orderlies will at Once:-

Rouse all patients & arrange for their removal to a place of safety.

Remove all portable inflammable material, and, under instructions from the N.C.O. in charge of the affected area, render every assistance in extinguishing the fire by means of fire buckets, blankets &c.

All bearers will, under the direction of Sgt Macdonald, assist by carrying water to the place of fire.

All duties must be carried out in a quiet & orderly manner

25/6/17.

 (Sgd) A.G. Butler Lt. Col
 6/10. 1903. A.F. Amb.

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Syllabus of Training 16:8:17

Routine:

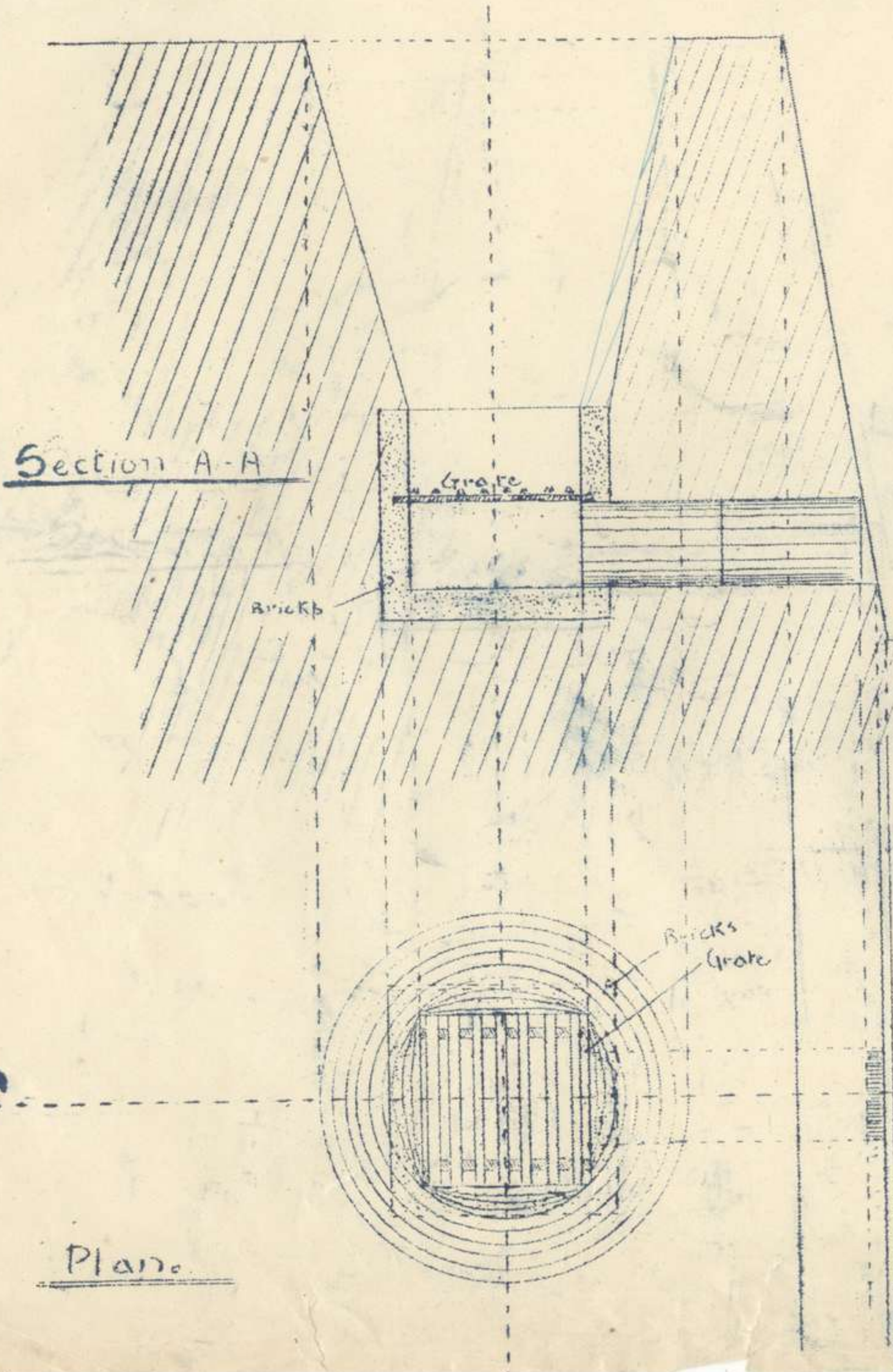
Reveille	06.00
parade	06.30
Physical Culture	06.30 - 07.00
Breakfast	07.15
parade	08.30
Dinner	12.00
parade	13.30
Tea	16.40
Lights out	21.30

Day of Week.	Morning	Afternoon.
	08.30 - 12.00	13.30 - 15.00
Sunday.	09.00 - 12.00 Gas Helmet Inspection. Church parade	
<u>Monday.</u>	Training of Junior N.C.O's. in practical work and squad drill. Instruction in transport of wounded and saluting to new recruits. Gas Drill. Transport-Special Inspection. Experimental loading of Baggage Wagons "B" Section.	Practical Work. Lecture 1.30 to 2 Regional and Superficial Anatomy. Recreative Training.
<u>Tuesday.</u>	Company Drill and Stretcher Drill. Saluting. Gas Drill. Full parade "C" Section.	Route March.
<u>Wednesday.</u>	Stretcher Drill. Transport of wounded. Gas Drill. Full parade "A" Section.	Lecture on Sanitation. Recreative Training. Practical Work.
<u>Thursday.</u>	Sectional Organisation. Company Drill. Full parade "B" Section.	Lecture: Arrest of haemorrhage. Treatment of Wounds. Special Splints. Recreative Training.
<u>Friday.</u>	Company Drill.	Practical Work. Lecture on Sanitation & Hygiene. Recreative Training.
<u>Saturday.</u>	Special Instruction in accordance with General Syllabus.	

.....Lt. Col.
C.O. No. 3 Aust. Field. Ambulance.

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Section A-A

Brick

Grate

Bricks
Grate

Plane

STANDARD TYPE
of
FIELD INCINERATOR
for use of
3RD AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE

Scale 1/2" = 1 Foot

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			<p>Appendix 21 Div. HQ. 28/June/1917 "The following has been received from Lt Col [unclear] + Lt [unclear] for your information: "The Div. III Army Division are to [unclear] through [unclear] to the [unclear] of the [unclear] of [unclear] Division which he recently inspected the [unclear] he experienced at the [unclear] arrangements for the [unclear] other [unclear] of [unclear] conditions [unclear] [unclear] was much impressed with the [unclear] efficiency of the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] which he inspected" (Sp. Adms [unclear] [unclear])</p>	
			<p>Albion M. [unclear]</p>	

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1st Australian Division.

25:6:17.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

<u>Routine:</u>	Reveille	08.00
	Parade	08.30
	Physical Culture	06.30 - 07.00
	Breakfast	07.15
	Parade	08.30
	Dinner	12.00
	Parade	13.30
	Tea	16.30
	Lights out	21.30

Day of Week.	Morning 08.30 - 12.00	Afternoon. 13.30 - 15.00
<u>Sunday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Gas Helmet Inspection. 09.00 - 12.00 Church Parade.	
<u>Tuesday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Boot & Foot Inspection. 08.30 - 12.00 Training of Junior N.C.O's in Practical Work & Squad Drill. Saluting. Stretcher Drill & Section Drill by Sect. Serjts.	Lecture. Regional and Superficial Anatomy.
<u>Monday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Company Drill & Complete Section Drill. 08.30 - 12.00 Section Drill. Stretcher Drill. Triangular Bandaging.	Lecture: Sanitation & Hygiene Recreative Training.
<u>Tuesday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Gas Drill. Field Day for "A" Section with Transport fully equipped.	Application of Field and Triangular Bandages. (Bearer Subdivision). Roller Bandaging (Tent Subdivision).
<u>Wednesday.</u>	08.30 - 12.00 Training of Junior N.C.Os. Saluting. Signalling (Semaphore) Special Squad (Morse).	
<u>Thursday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Field Day for "B" Sect. with Transport fully equipped. 08.30 - 12.00 Kit Inspection for "C" Section. Transport of Wounded. Hand Seat Drill.	Lecture: General Treatment of Accidents.
<u>Friday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Field Day for "C" Sect with Transport Fully equipped. Drill for "A" & "B" 08.30 - 12.00 Kit Inspection "A" Sect. Instruction to Fire Alarm Squad. Signalling (Semaphore)	First Aid Treatment. (in squads).
<u>Saturday.</u>	06.30 - 07.00 Special Squad (Morse). Gas Drill. 08.30 - 12.00 Special Instruction as per Syllabus.	

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