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~~WAR DIARY~~
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FRANCE	Dec. 1st.	- noon.	9th. Australian Field Ambulance took over Right area from 103rd. British Field Ambulance at ARMENTIERES - M.D.S. formed at MATERNITE HOSPITAL (Sheet 36 N.W. B.30 c 6.4) and A.D.S. at BRICKFIELD (Sheet 36 N.W. I 8.B. 5.7). Advanced party of 10th. Australian Field Ambulance, consisting of One Officer, 9 N.C.O's and 30 men reported to Officer Commanding 3rd. N.Z. Field Ambulance to take over Medical evacuation of Left Sector.	<i>MM</i> <i>Copy No 21 attached</i>
	2nd.		10th. Australian Field Ambulance moved by Motor lorries from STRAZEELE to ARMENTIERES taking over M.D.S. by 1.p.m. Location - ECOLE RUE DE MESSINES (Sheet 36 N.W. C.19 c 1.1.) A.D.S. at HOUPLINES (Sheet 36 N.W. C.26 d 5.9.).	<i>MM</i>
	1st.		D.R.S. taken over complete from 104th. British Field Ambulance by 11th. Australian Field Ambulance location STEENWERCK (Sheet 36 N.W. A 23. a 9.9. transport parked at D.R.S. 3rd. Australian Sanitary Section reported to ECOLE PROFESSIONELLE (sheet 36 N.W. B. 30.b 3.9.) for duty.	<i>MM</i>
	2nd.	noon	3rd. Australian Sanitary Section took over from S.M.O. FRANKS' FORCE, the sanitation of ARMENTIERES AREA completed by 12 noon. Divisional Baths were taken over from S.M.O. FRANKS' FORCE at 12 noon by Major HONMAN, 9th. Australian Field Ambulance and 60 Other ranks (Sheet 36 N.W. B. 24 C 0.9.)	<i>MM</i>
	3rd.		Circulars showing distribution of Medical Units attached.	<i>MM</i>
	6th.		Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance instructed to detail personnel for Divisional Baths at STEENWERCK under supervision of Lieut. MURRAY J.F. Quartermaster (Sheet 36 N.W. A 11 d 3.5)	<i>MM</i>
	8th.		Divisional Baths at STEENWERCK were opened. Instruction re Gas Attack attached.	<i>MM</i> <i>Copy attached</i>
	4th.		Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance instructed to detail a Section complete and all Horse transport to proceed to Billets at (Sheet 36 N.W. A 5.c 2.-9.)	<i>MM</i>
	18th.		Dressing Station at (Sheet 36 N.W. A.5.c 2.9.) opened to receive patients.	<i>MM</i>
	30th		During the Month a few cases of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis and Scarletina occurred and Mumps and	<i>MM</i>

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FRANCE	30th.		<p>Mumps and Scabies have been very prevalent, but every precaution has been taken to minimise the spread of these diseases. The general health of the Troops has been fairly good and few cases of "Trench Foot" have occurred.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Arthur J. White Col</i> A.D.M.S. 3rd Div. (Aust) B.E.F.</p>	

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NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO THE FRONT LINE OF TRENCHES.

H Headquarters,
1st. December, 1916.

Reference Map 1/20,000 sheet 36 N.S.

Distribution of A.D.M.S. Office - RUE DE HOSPICES, STENWERCK.
Medical Units. A 23 a 2/8.

Right Brigade in Line.

9th. Australian Fld. Amb. H.Q. at H.D.S.
H.D.S. at MATERNITE HOSPITAL B 30 c 5/4.
A.D.S. at BRICKFIELD I 8 b 3/7.

Left Brigade in Line.

10th. Australian Fld. Amb. H.Q. at H.D.S.
H.D.S. at ECOLE, DUX MESSINES C 19 c 1/1.
A.D.S. at HOUPLINES C 26 a 5/9.

Divisional Rest Station.

11th. Australian Fld. Amb.
STENWERCK at A 23 a 9/9.

Sanitary Section.

3rd. Aust. Sanitary Section.
ECOLE PROFESSIONELLE B 30 b 5/9.

Divisional Baths. B.24 c 0/9.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

COLONEL.
A.D.M.S.

Distribution.

- Copy No. 1. H.Q. "A.Q."
- 2. H.Q. "G"
- 3. C.C. 9th. Aust. Fld. Amb.
- 4. C.C. 10th. do.
- 5. C.C. 11th. do.
- 6. C.C. 3rd. Sant. Sect. A.I.F.
- 7. C.C.C. 9th. Aust. Inf. Brigade
- 8. C.C.C. 10th. do.
- 9. C.C.C. 11th. do.
- 10. C.R.A.
- 11. C.R.S.
- 12. D.A.C.
- 13. Div. Sig. Coy.
- 14. Div. Train
- 15. A.D.V.S.
- 16. A.P.M.
- 17. D.D.M.S. 2nd. ANZAC
- 18. D.D.M.S. 2nd. ANZAC
- 19. A.D.M.S. 34th. Division
- 20. A.D.M.S. New Zealand Division.
- 21. War Diary
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- 23. A.D.C. for C.C.C.
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GAS ATTACK

In the event of a Gas Attack the following arrangements will be carried out:-

1. C.C. Divisional Baths will ensure that all bearers at Baths will at once report to their Field Ambulance Headquarters.

2. C.C. Sanitary Section will ensure that all bearers with his Unit will report at once to their Field Ambulance.

C.C. Sanitary Section will also hold his section in reserve for employment as bearers as required. Application for use of S sanitary Section will be made direct to A.D.M.S., and C.C. Sanitary Section will await orders from A.D.M.S. before using his Section as bearers.

3. C.C. "A" Australian Field Ambulance will requisition on Reserve Battalion Right Brigade for 150 men with requisite number of Officers and N.C.O.'s for use as bearers. These will be supplied, if the Military situation allows. Such decision to be made by C.C.C. Right Brigade.

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4. C.C. "B" Field Ambulance will requisition on Reserve Battalion Left Brigade for 150 men with requisite number of Officers and N.C.O.'s. for use as bearers. These will be supplied if the Military situation allows. Such decision to be made by the C.C.C. Left Brigade.

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5. C.C. "C" Field Ambulance will order all his bearers to stand by and will draft orders which will ensure that such bearers can be rapidly moved to the point where their services may be required. They will move only under orders of the A.D.M.S. and a requisition for their services will be made direct to him.

6. C's.C. A and B Aust. Field Ambulances will draw out a complete and detailed set of orders on (i) basis of above personnel.
(ii) basis of A.A.M.C. personnel only.

showing dispositions they will make in event of Gas Attack as to bearers, supply of stretchers, Ammonia capsules, oxygen cylinders, use of horse and motor transport, additional lines and means of evacuation. A list of extra accommodation to be used while waiting clearance of cases will also be prepared.

A copy of such order will be kept in M.D.S. ready for issue.

Duplicate copy of all orders to be sent to the A.D.M.S. for his information.

7. All gassed cases are to be treated as stretcher cases and every means is to be employed to clear trenches of men overcome by gas.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

COLONEL. A.D.M.S.

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- 2. "Q"
- 3. C.C. 9th. Aust. Field Ambulance
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- 6. S.C. 3rd. Aust. Sanitary Section
- 7. C.C. 9th. Aust. Inf. Bde.
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- 10. A.D.M.S. New Zealand Div.
- 11. A.D.M.S. 34th. Div.
- 12. D.D.M.S.
- 13. S.D.M.S.
- 14. C.C. Divisional Baths.
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