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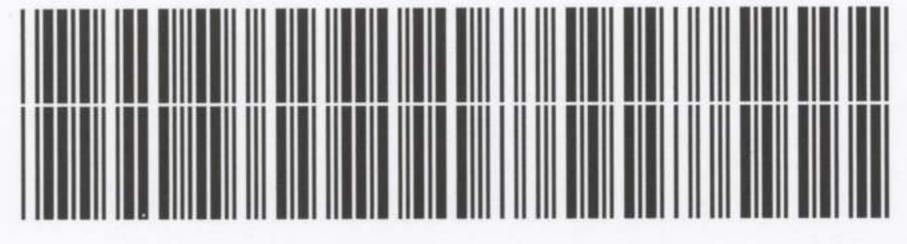
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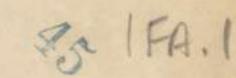
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ONT REMY	Nov.	lst.	1st. Australian Field Ambulance billeted at PONT REMY about 5 miles S. E. of	
			ABBEVILLE. Unit undergoing short syllabus of training - Physical and Disciplinary	
			in morning - organised Sports in the afternoon. Clearing sick of 1st. Aust. Inf.	
			Brigade, and 1st. Aust. Pioneer Battn., and accompdating up to 50 patients in Rest Station.	
		Tale 1	Major L. A. HAYWARD, Major A. McKILLOP, Capt. A. N. YUILLE, and 6 Other Ranks	
			detached for 21 days training in Resuscitation work at No. 5 C.C.S., B.E.F.	
			Weather fine.	
11 11	Nov.	2nd	1 Other Rank rejoined Unit from Hospital. Weather fine.	
11 11	Nov.	3rd	Nothing to report.	
11 11	Nov.	4th	4 Other Ranks transferred to Unit from 1st. Aust. Divisional Engrs., and	
			remained detached with those units. Raining.	
n n	Nov.	5th	Capt. A.C. WILTON rejoined Unit from temporary detachment as R.M.O. to 1st. Aust.	
			F. A. Bgde.	* *
			1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital. Raining.	
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PONT REMY	Nov.	6th.	Instructions that the dust must be prepared to move off from the LONG, to	
			the EPEHY Area, under the command of the 1st. Aust. Inf. Brigade. Raining.	
PÖNT REMY	Nov.	7th	Unit and Transport marched out from PONT REMY and proceeded via COCQUEREL, and	the or attache
TO VILLERS-SOUS-			LONG, to VILLERS-SOUS-AILLY, arriving in the dark at 6.15 p.m. Motor Ambulance Cars	
AILLY.			moved independently. Unit was accommodated for the night in a spacious barn.	
			Accomodation good.	
			1 N.C.O. detached to attend a Course of Instruction at Corps Gas School.	
			1 Other Rank evacuated sick to Hospital. Weather cold with drizzling rain.	
VILLERS-	Nov.	8th	Horse transport under command of Capt. ROSENTHAL moved off with Brigade Group of	Movement O
SOUS- AILLY.			Transport at 9 a.m. via FLIXECOURT to entrain at HANGEST Unit less Transport moved	Mo (2 attack
			off at /0.30 a.m. via FLIXICOURT and BOURDON, arriving at HANGEST at 1 p.m. Lunched	
			at the Station. Entraining took place immediately, but 6 G.S. Wagons, and 1 Horse	
			Ambulance Wagon was left behind to follow by another train. Train started at 4.30 p.m.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			via AMIENS, PERONNE, to ROISEL.	選
			1 Other Rank evacuated sick to Hospital	
ROISEL	Nov.	9th	Unit remained at ROISEL railway station all day awaiting clearance of congested	50
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ROISEL	Nov.	9th.	traffic for further move to EPEHY. Personnel made themselves as comfortable as possible	
(Contd)			in the covered trucks. The train got away eventually at 6 p.m., and arrived at EPEHY	
			at 7.30 p.m. Unit detrained and proceeded by march route to an adjacent camp and	
			were quartered for the night in Bell tents pitched in shell torn ground. Horse	
			Transport arrived during the night and parked near the camp.	
			Weather very frosty and cold.	
SPEHY.	Nov.	10th	Orders received to move to BAZUEL Area. Unit less Transport embussed at 9 a.m.	Hovement
			Cooks material and 24 hours rations carried. Busses moved off at 11 a.m., proceeding	Mo. 3 Cattles
			via HARGICOURT, through the HINDENBURG SYSTEM - NAUROY - MARETZ - and LE CATEAU - to	
			BAZUEL, arriving at 3 p.m. Unit billeted in town houses evacuated by civilians.	
			Horse Transport moved from EPEHY with Brigade Transports at 11 a.m. parking for the	
			night of 10/11th in PREMONT-TERAIN Area.	
AZUEL	Nov.	llth	Transport arrived at 2.30 p.m.	
			34 Other Ranks, general reinforcements joined Unit and were taken on strength.	, 新建
			9 Other Ranks A.A.M.C. reinforcements to 4th Aust. Division, arrived and were temporary	- 羅
			attached pending the arrival of 4th Aust. Division in the neighborhood	150
			Major H. B. LEE, D.S.O., M.C., transferred to 1st. Aust. Div. HdQrs. as D.A.D.M.S.	00
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BAZUEL (Contd)	Nov.	llth	News received of the signing of the Armistice. Much rejdicing and demonstration by	
			troops and civilians. Weather dull.	
BAZUEL	Nov.	12th	1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital sick. Weather fine.	
11	Nov.	13th	At 8.15 a.m. Unit complete, under Brigade Orders proceeded by march route via	Movement Order
			LE-CATEAU to BUSIGNY, arriving at 12.30 p.m. Strict march discipline was maintained	No 4 Cattachia
			throughout. Blankets carried by transport. Unit comfortably billeted in town	
			dwellings which were in excellent condition. The civilians were very pleased and	
			manifested great enjoyment on arrival of Australian troops.	
			Capt. B. F. MOORE, rejoined Unit from leave to United Kingdom.	
			Weather fine and frosty at night.	
BUSIGNY	Nov.	14th.	2 Other Ranks, (1914 personnel) proceeded on 75 days furlough to United Kingdom.	
			Weather fine.	
11	Nov.	15th.	1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital sick.	and the same of th
11	Nov.	16th.	9 Other Ranks A.A.M.C. reinforcements to 4th Aust. Division left Unit to report to	
			4th Aust. Div. Hdqrs. 1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital sick.	
			Major L. A. HAYWARD, and Major A McKILLOP, Capt. A.N. YUILLE, and 6 Other Ranks	>
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USIGNY	Nov.	16th	rejoined Unit from detachment to No. 5 C.C.S., B.E.F.	
(Contd)	Nov.	17th	Every preparation being made for the well being and comfort of the troops during	
			the proposed march to Germany. Stocks overhauled, boots repaired, personnel medically	
			examined, and surplus stores etc., returned to Depot. Relaxation of Censorship Orders	
			and permission to use Cameras much appreciated by personnel.	Consider.
			Warrant Officer W. POOLE rejoined Unit from furlough to Australia.	
19	Nov.	18th.	Lieut. FRITH, 4th Aust. Inf. Battn. attached to Unit for supervision of Unit's	
			marching appearance. Personnel drilled for several hours daily with good results.	
"	Nov.	19th.	Raining.	
17		20th.	and the tree pade for Unit to be prepared to move forward	
			by march route extending over 3 days.	
			1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital sick.	
11	Nova	21st.	TA TATE MENTAL DESCRIPTION APPENDE	Movement &
			GUISE to MAZINGHIEN, arriwing at 12.30 p.m. Distance 72 miles. Personnel billeted	ne o . scarre
			in an old brewery comfortably fitted up by the enemy during their occupation. During	- 20
			the march Blankets of personnel were carried by Transport of 1st Aust. D.A.C., attached	
			for the purpose. A plentiful supply of comforts, which had been received were issued	ניט
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BUSIGNY TO AZINGHIEN	Nov.	21st.	to men. 1 G. S. Wagon, 1 G.S. Limber, and 7 Other Ranks of 1st. Aust. D.A.C. were	
(Contd)			temporarily attached to Unit for duty with Horse Transport on forward move.	
			Major A. McKILLOP proceeded on leave to PARIS.	
			Capt A.C. WILTON, and 1 Other Rank evacuated to Hospital sick. Weather fine.	
ZINGHIEN	Nov.	22nd.	Unit complete, moved off at 10 a.m. proceeding by CATILLON - LA-GROISE - to	Movement On
TO RISCHES.			PRISCHES, arriving at 1.30 p.m. 1 additional G.S.Limber from 1st. Aust. D.A.C. was	No. 6 (attach
			attached to Unit to carry Comforts and other Stores. Personnel billeted in good	
			farm houses on Desvallies Road, near PRISCHES. During the march Blankets were	
			carried by Transport.	
RISCHES	Nov.	23rd.	Unit complete, moved off at 9 a.m. with 1st Aust. Brigade Group and proceeded	Mo overment Or
TO ESNELLES.			by march route via CARTIGNIES - DESSUS-DU-MOULIN - GODIN - AVESNES to AVESNELLES, arriving	Show 7 (attack
			at 1.30 p.m. Weather very cold but men were protected from discomfort by good billets	St. Sweet
			in a practically undamaged town. The men bore the fatigue of three days continuous	強
			marching very well. Very few fell out on the way to be picked up by Horse Transport	4
ESNELLES	Nov.	24th.	Unit enjoying a days rest. Troops interest themselves in their surroundings	6
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AVESNELLES Nov. 24th especially at the sight of a wrecked German Ammunition Train, at a siding on the Flaumont road. Orders received from the lst. Aust. Inf. Egde. that Unit would proceed to SOIRE-IE-CHATEAU on 25/11/15. AVESNELLES Nov. 25th Unit complete, moved off at 9.30 a.m. and proceeded via FLAUMONT - FELLERIES - to SOIRE-IE-CHATEAU, a village which had been vacated, and left intact by the enemy, a fortnight ago. Distance 7% miles. Unit comfortably billeted in a Factory, fitted up, and used by the enemy as a Hospital. In all the recent marches the rest allowed en route was 10 minutes to each clock hour Q.M. and Hon. Lieut. J. ERAGA joined Unit from 2nd Aust. Aux. Hospital. NOTES ON THE MARCH - BUSIGNY to SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU - (21st - 25th November, 1918) The Field Ambulance moved with Brigade Group and the march was carried out under ideal conditions for the time of the year. For the first 3 days the roads were frozen, and marching surface good, except that the Horse Transport found the roads very slippery. Immediately prior to the move the Ambulance got rid of all surplus Stores,	1414.
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TO IRE-LE-CHATEAU.	Nov.	25th.	either by returning same to Ordnance, or leaving them at the Divisional Dump. The main items returned were 200 Blankets, 36 Stretchers, a quantity of Thomas Splints, and Back Splints, also a quantity of Shell Dressings. The equipment of the Divisional Resuscitation Team, carried by this Ambulance, and weighing approximately 5 cwt., together with 60 Ground Sheets, and 3 nests of Stools were left at the Divisional Dump, as As we were informed that billeting in Belgium was likely to be	
			very difficult we reloaded our Section equipment. One G.S. Wagon was allotted to carry the tentage of the three Sections so that should it be necessary the whole Unit - 9 Officers, and 191 Other Ranks could be billeted under its own canvas. The remainder of the Sections' equipment was then loaded on the remaining G. S. Wagons and Limbers.	
			One Horsedrawn Ambulance with an emergency box containing drugs, dressings, and splints, was allotted to pick up men who fell out on the march, either from foot trouble or illness. Each "Sunbeam" Motor Ambulance Car was equipped with 1 large Thomas leg Splint 1 Arm Splint, and 1 Back Splint. In this way our Splints were carried in a very [10340] Wtw5300/P7/13 750,000 jh. 6 2688 Forms/C218/16	

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VESNEELES TO OLRE-LE- CHATEAU.	Nov.	25th.	NOTES ON THE MARCH (Contd) accessible way and without increasing, to any extent, the load of each car. With regard to the Brigade sick en route. They were collected by 2 Motor Ambulances and brought to the Ambulance Hdqrs., where they were seen by the Medical Officers and were evacuated to C.C.S. before the days march commenced. It was impossible to try to carry any sick whilst moving. During the first 2 days of the march practically no one from the whole Brigade fell out 3 the first day, and 4 on the second -	
			On the third day, however, the figures suddenly increased to 20. This is partly explained by the fact that after word was received that this Brigade would march to Germany, medically unfit cases were sent by the various Units to a Divisional Camp where it was thought that they would be looked after. Corps, however decided that these Camps should not be allowed and so these men were returned to their Units and	
			they rejoined on the evening of the second day. The fact that these men had been classed by their R.M.Os. as medically unfit for the march helped to justify their falling out, and a fair percentage fell out as a consequence. To these must be added the men who had asked to be allowed to remain with their Units having in prospect a view of a country they have not seen before. These men, probably could stick out a (1034) Wt W 3500/P7/3 750,000 1/1 8 2658 Forms/C218/10	

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VESNELLES TO	Nov.	25th	NOTES ON THE MARCH (Contd)	
OLRE-LE- CHATEAU			two days march, while a third day found them footsore, and weary, and unable to stick it	
			to the end A few of the blistered heels were due to the badly fitting boots, a thing	
			which it seems impossible, to more than partly remedy at present. It appears that the	
			demand for Boots - sizes7 and 8 - cannot be supplied with Australian pattern, and the	
			black Imperial Boot is used. This Imperial Boot was a leather covered iron heelback	
			and this causes a good deal of friction trouble. The socks issued to the men too,	
			are not satisfactory. The machine knitted article is not elastic enough, and in addition	
			the issue sock shrinks badly at its first washing, and while a pair of socks may fit a	
			man well on issue, they are useless afterwards, consequently the men get socks too big	
			for them, and so a very common cause of blisters is catered for.	
			A very welcome issue of Comforts Fund socks on Nov 24th, helped to decrease the	
			figures for Nov. 25th march.	
			The length of the march was an average of 8 - 10 miles. for day	3
			A start was made from 9.30 a.m. to 10 a.m., and the days march was usually completed	3
	1		by 1 p.m. Halts of 10 minutes duration occurred every hour, and the average rate of	-

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VESNELLES	Nov.	25th	NOTES ON THE MARCH (Contd)	
TO OLRE-LE-			progress was about 2½ miles per hour, allowing for the halt.	
(Contd)			1 G. S. Wagon from the Aust. D. A. C. was allotted to carry the Blankets of the	
			personnel so that the men were turned out in full marching order less Blankets.	
			On marches such as these the nadd of a Field Cooker is badly felt in all	
			Ambulances. This Ambulance is fortunate in possessing a German Field Cooker, but	
			they are not nearly as satisfactory as our own.	
			The and in this Unit was that 1 Cpl. Cook, and 1 Pte. Cook proceeded by	
			Motor Ambulance with 3 Soyer Stoves, and the necessary Tea, Milk, and Sugar, and	
			immediately the Unit arrived at the billeting area each man was issued with rations	
			of Bread, Butter, and Jam, and a Mess Tin of hot fresh Tea. The hot meat meal was	
			partaken of at night. This arrangement suited the Q M. and Cooks department while	
			the men expressed a preference for this order of meals.	* ***
	*		A very welcome issue of Tinned Fish, and Golden Syrup, together with Coffee and	4
	ja-		Milk and other comforts by the Australian Comforts Fund during the march helped us at a	
			time when rations were light during the Railway transport difficulties It also	-
			helped the Q.M. to introduce a variety into meals which would have had a monotonous D.D. & L., London, E.C. (A10266) Wt W5300/P713 750,000 2/18 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/16	

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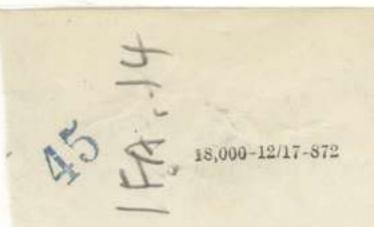
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AVESNELLES	Nov.	25th	NOTES ON THE MARCH (Contd)	
TO BOLRE-LE-			'sameness about them.	
(Contd)			The Unit is at present resting for about a fortnight before going into the third	
			stage of its journey to the CHARLEROI - NAMUR Area, and every opportunity is being taken	
			to overhaul the boots of all men At the present time the issue of solid leather is	
			very light, and this is holding things up	
			All billets occupied by the men have been highly satisfactory, better in fact than	
			any occupied by them while in a similar position on the other side of our line. Plenty	
			of straw, and hay have been available, whilst all the billets are lofty, well lighted,	
			and well ventilated. Fuel has been plentiful, both coal and wood, the former left behind	
			by the enemy, while the latter has been obtained from shell or bomb destroyed buildings	
		+:	etc. We have now passed right out of the war swept area and there will be possible	
			difficulties as regards fuel, but probably fuel will be available when Railway commun-	
			ications are normal.	The state of the s
LRE-LE- CHATEAU.	Nov	26th	Nothing to report.	-
11 11	n	27th	Nothing to report.	5
11 11	"	28th	One Other Rank rejoined Unit from Hospital. D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A10266) Wt W5300/P713 750,000 2/18 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/16	

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RE-IE-	Nov.	29th.	Nothing to report.	
11	Nov.	30th.	Capt. B. F. MOORE proceeded to 1st Aust. Gen. Hosp. Ruen to attend a six weeks	
			Refresher Course.	
*			Capt. A. N. YUIIIE temporarily detached as R. M. O. to 1st Aust. Inf. Battn.	
			Capt. E. P. HOLLAND temporarily detached as R. M. O. to 3rd Aust. Inf. Battn.	
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1st Australian Field Ambulance, 1st 6th, November, 1918. AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE. MOVEMENT ORDER No. 1. ---- by ----LIEUT-COLONEL W.F. SIMMONS. Commanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance. The Unit will move from PONT REMY to VILLERS-SOUS-AILLY approximate distance 6 miles. Route: - COCQUEREL - LONQUET - LONG - VILLERS-SOUS-AILLY. Dress: - Full Marching Order. 3. One blanket to be carried on the pack. Greatcoats, according to weather. Water bottles to be filled 4. Routine: -Dinner 1130 Fall In Advance 1245 Tea 1700 Horse Transport: - in charge of Capt. ROSENTHAL will move in rear of Company, at a distance of 50 yds. Billeting: (a) Captain HOLLAND, S/Sgt. BRAITHWAITE, and 6. Pte. WILKINSON will leave by Ford Car at 1130 for VILLERS-SOUS-AILLY, reporting to Lieut. WAUGH, 1st. Aust. Inf. Btn. at Billet Wardens Office at 1200 (b) S/Sgt. McCIELLAND will proceed by car to EPEHY Area, leaving PONT REMY at 0600

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MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2.

----- by -----Lieut-Colonel W.F. SIMMONS. Commanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance.

Unit will move from VILLERS-SOUS-AILLY to. HENGEST approximate distance 8 miles.

- Route: MOUFLERS LA FOLLE FLIXECOURT HANGEST.
- Dress: Full Marching Order. One Blanket to be carried on the pack. Greatcoat according to weather. Water Bottles to be filled

Horse Transport. Reveille 0230 4. Routine: -Breakfast 0345 0415 Advance Remainder of Unit. Reveille Breakfast 0500 Fall In 0525 Advance 0543

5. Entraining: - Captain ROSENTHAL, on arrival at HANGEST Station will report to Entraining Officer - Lieut. WAUGH - with Entraining State of Horse Transport. On arrival of remainder of Unit Captain WILTON will report to Entraini ing Officer with Entraining State of Personnel.

Attention of all ranks is drawn to Divisional Order read herewith: -

6. Detraining: - No man will leave the train until ordered to do so by an Officer of this Unit

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1st. Australian Field Ambulance, 10th, November, 1918.

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FIELD AMBULANCE.

MOVEMENT ORDER No. 3.

Lieut.Colonel W.F. SIMMONS. Commanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance.

MAP REFERENCE - FRANCE, Sheets 57B, 62B, 62C: 1/400,000

- 1. Field Ambulance less Transport will move from EPEHY to BASUEL Area by bus.
- 2. Horse Transport will move by road, staging the night 10/11th November in PREMONT TERAIN Area where Transport will come under the command of Major VERNON, 2nd Battalion.
- 3. Dress Full Marching Order plus blanket.
- 4. Embussing Capt HOLLAND is Unit Embussing Officer.
 Unit will be detailed in parties of 1 Senior N.C.O.
 and 24 Other Ranks for embussing.
- 6. Baggage Wagons: One M.T. Wagon for dixies, rations, etc, is allotted to this unit and will be at the tail of the convoy and will be loaded at embussing point at 0830.

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1st Australian Field Ambulance, 13th November, 1918.

MOVEMENT ORDER No. 4.

Lieut-Colonel W.F. SIMMONS.
Commanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance

MAP REFERENCE - FRANCE, Sheet 57B.

- 1. Field Ambulance will move to the BUSIGNY Area on 13/11/18.
 Approximate distance 8 miles.
- Reveille 0600
 Breakfast 0645
 Fall In 0755
 Advance 0815
 - 3. Strict march discipline will be maintained throughout 10 minutes halt to each clock hour. Unit will march to attention while passing through towns en route.
 - 4. Horse Transport will accompany Unit.
 - 5 Dress Full marching order less blankets.
 - 6. Advance party of 1. Senior N.C.O. will meet Brigade Billeting Officer at 0700.

 Cyclist guide will meet Brigade Billeting Officer at Brigade H Q. BUSIGNY at 0900
 - 7. Brigade sick for evacuation will be collected by cars at 0630

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1ST AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE

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Movement Order No.5.

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Lieut-Colonel W.F.Simmons

Commanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance

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MAP REFERENCE - VALENCIENNES? Sheet 12: 1/100000.

- 1. 1st.Australian Field Ambulance will move from BUSIGNY to the MAZINGHIEN Area Distance 72 miles (12 Kilos)
- 2. Route BUSIGNY LA HAIE MENNERESSE ST. SOUPLET ABRE DE GUISE MAZINGHIEN.
- 4. Dress Full marching order less the two blankets which will be earried on G.S. Wagen specially
- 5. Blankets: Blankets will be handed in to the store by 0800.
- 6. Order of March: Column of Route, "A" Section leading. 20 paces between Sections. 50 paces Rear of "C" Section and Horse Transport.
- 7. Herse Transport: Fourth Army Standing Orders will be carried out remarch discipline and disposal of vehicles.

2330 20/11/18.

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Gemmanding 1st. Australian Field Ambulance.

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lst Australian Field Ambulance, 22nd November, 1918.

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MOVEMENT ORDER No. 6.

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Lieut.Colonel W.F. SIMMONS

Commanding 1st Australian Field Ambulance.

MAP REFERENCE - VALENCIENNES: Sheet 12 1/100,000

- 1. 1st. Australian Field Ambulance will move from MAZINGHIEN to PRISCHES Distance of 9 miles.
- 2. Route MAZINGHIEN CATILLON LA GROISE 61 25 98
 PRISCHES.
- Reveille 0700
 Breakfast 0730
 Fall In 0945
 Advance 1000
 Pass Starting Point 1016
- 4. Dress Full marching order less blankets.
- 5. Blankets will be loaded into Q.M. Store by 0830
- 6. Order of March This Unit will follow in rear of 1st. Field Coy. A. E. Column of Route, "B" Section leading. 20 paces between Sections.
- 7. 1 Cpl. Cook, 1 Pte. Cook, with three Soyers Stoves will proceed to new Area by Motor Ambulance at 0800.
- 8. Horse Transport will follow special route MAZINGHIEN REJET DE BEAULIEU CATILLON Thence with the main column.

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Distribution: -

Orderly Officer
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Cemmanding 1st. AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE

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MAP REFERENCE - VALENCIENNES : Sheet 12 : 1/100,000.

- 1. 1st. Australian Field Ambulance will move from PRISCHES to AVESNELLES. Approximate distance 10 miles.
- 2. Reute:
 PRISCHES CARTIGNIES DESSUS DU MOULIN GODIN AVESNES ROAD
 JUNCTION 5.L.27. 59. AVESNELLES
- 4. Dress: Full marching order less blankets.
- 5. Blankets will be handed in to Q.M. Stere by 0800.
- 6. March Discipline: The Ambulance will only march at attention passing through PRISCHES, CARTIGNIES, AVESNES and AVESNELLES.
- 7. Field Ambulance will follow rear of 1st. Bde. H.Q. and 1st. A.L.T.M.B.

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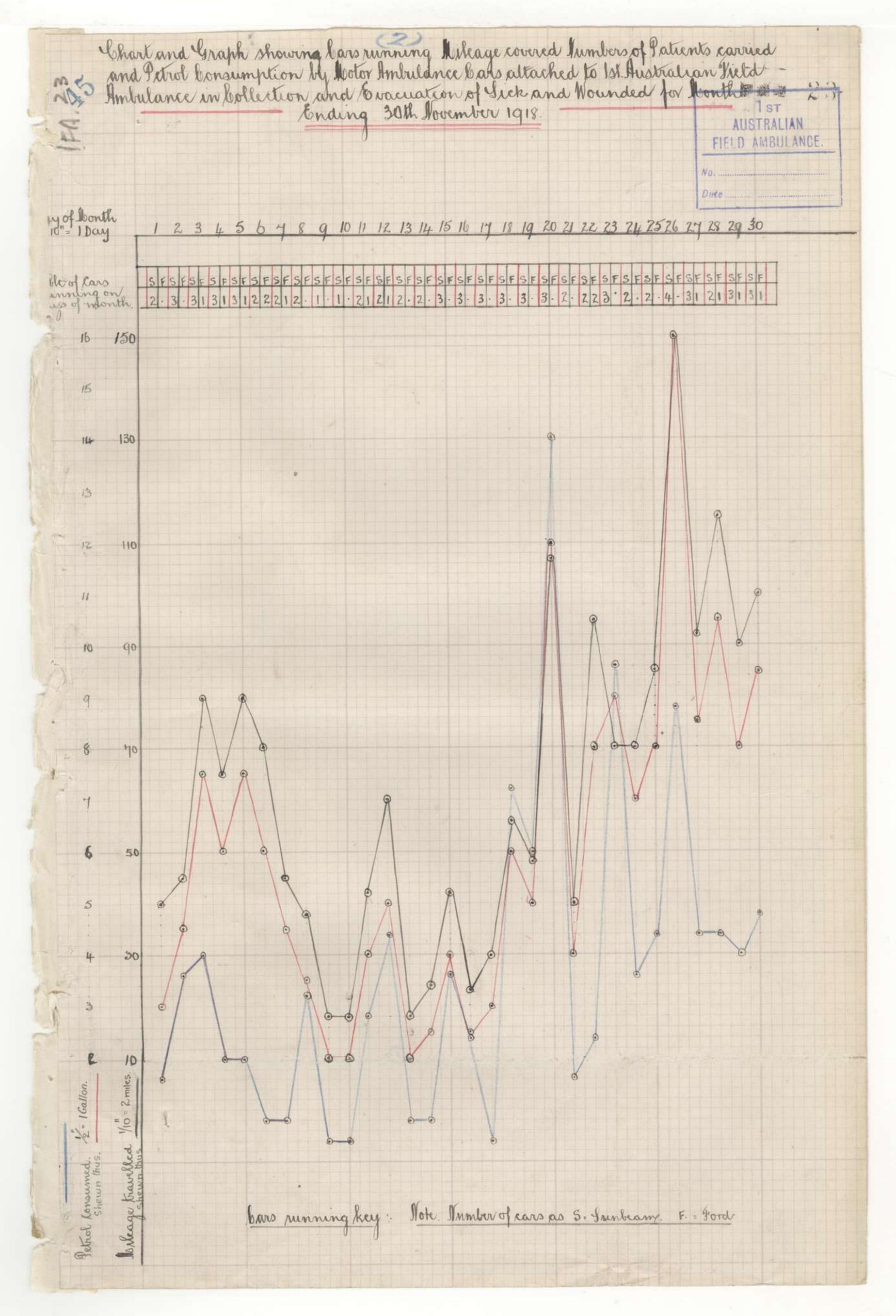
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MAP REFERENCE; VALENCIENNES, Sheet No.12 and NAMUR No.8.: 1/100,000

- 1. 1st. Australian Field Ambulance will move from AMESNELLES to SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU en 25/11/18. Appreximate distance 72 miles.
- 2. Route : AVESNELLES FLAUMONT FELLERIES SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU.
- 3. REGERRE : Pass Starting Point 1019
- 4. Dress : Full marching order less blankets.
- 5. Blankets to be handed in to Q.M. by 0800.
- 6. Advance Party: An Advance Party under W.O. POOLE will leave AVESNELLES at 0730 to prepare and clean billets. Two cooks in Motor Ambulance with three Søyers Steves will leave at 0800 to prepare midday meal at SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU.
- 7. 1st. Australian Field Ambulance will follow immediately in rear of 1st. Australian Infantry Battallion.

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	AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANOT
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Strength of Unit at beginning of month :-	10	169
Personnel taken on strength during month :-	11	37 206
Evacuations and transfers from Unit during month:-	5	10
Strength of Unit at end of month :-	9	196

The personnel received during the month included: - OFFICERS.

Q.M. and Hon. Lieut. J. BRAGA, who joined Unit from 2nd. A.A. Hospital 25/11/18.

OTHER RANKS.

Warrant Officer (Class 1.) W. POOLE, who rejoined Unit ex furlough to Australia. 34 General reinforcements from Base. 2 Rejoined Unit from Base ex sick.

Evacuations, Transfers, etc., during month include: -

OFFICERS.

Major H.B. LEE, D.S.O., M.C., transferred as D.A.D.M.S. Ist. Aust. Division.

Captain A.C. WILTON, evacuated to hospital sick.

OTHER RANKS.

Eight evacuated to hospital and struck off strength.
Two proceeded to England for 75 days furlough (1914 personnel)

To fill vacancies created by the departure of the 1914 personnel, the following temporary promotions of N.C.Os. were made within the Unit.

From L/Cpl. to Temp. Sgt. ... 1
" Pte. " " Cpl. ... 1
" Lce. Cpl. ... 2

DECORATIONS.

The following decorations were made during the month: -

No. 628 Sgt. WHITFORD H.
" 17041 Pte. HORNER, S.S.W.
" 6117 " O'TOOLE, J.J.

LEAVE.

During the month the following allotments of leave were granted:-

	-		Gff.	0.R.
To	United	Kingdom	 ***	25
13	PARIS		 1	3
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A. J. F. Education Scheme. AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE Monthly Report. November 1918 25 A Meeting of the Committee was held on 18th Nov. 1918, there being present the following v3.- Lt. bol. Simmons W. F. Thes. House H. U. " browden H. " facob H.J. Major Mc Killop notified us of his desire to resign. Proposed that It. bol. Simmons It. F. be asked to represent on the bommettee as Educational Officer. bol. Summons was asked, & promised to Consider the matter. Dwing to the forth. coming Keview & Brigade Football Competition, + judging by the previous poor attendance at Some of the classes, caused by the above, it was decided to postpone any active work in connection with the Scheme till a later date when we expect to be more settled. The Monthly Report for October was read before the Weeting & adopte

One 20th November 1918 a Meeting was held at Busigny of Representatives from the three Ambulances of the Division. There were present the following. pet Fld. Amb. Iwo representatives One " (officer) 3 rd " " Two " Apologies were tended , accepted at the unavoidable absence, owing to duly, of the Secretary, 120 Fld. Amb. The Monthly Report for October, 1st Fld. Ambe was read a commented upon. Suggested that in certain subjects where only a small number of envolments are abtained, one class be formed from the three Ambulances. Some trouble is experienced in obtaining supplies of kext books, they being now In the press. It was decided to discuss these points at the next representative Meeting. to be held as early as possible, after the Dursion has settled down. In the matter re text-books, a system of exchange was mentioned as being a means of obtaining books, to take effect between the three Ambulances. It was decided to get into touch with the Ed. Officer, set Div. re the obtaining of information regarding text-books etc. The blasses were re-commenced on Nov. 29th of at Solre-le-bhakeau, but owing to the large number of men on duly a also men on leave, the attendances were very

Owing to the attachment for duly to the Dental Borps, Phe Jacob. Ho was compelled to hand over his duties w connection with the Scheme to other hands.

For the time being, until a new Secretary is elected, Pte. House &. W. is carrying on the work.

Following is a Table showing the number of lessons held, envolments, & attendances.

blass.	No. of Envoluents	Classes held	athendance
French	65	2	33
English	12	1	11
Book- Keeping	36	2	21
Motor Engineering	22	/	14.

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HORSE TRANSPORT

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	hargers 4	Riding	Draught 16	Heavy Draught 19	
Issues during month	-			1	
Required to complete establishment	1	1	_	1	

at PONT REMY, in the ABBEVILLE area, where the horses were in good stables. Water, and ration supplies continued good, and the horses were in splendid condition.

entrained for IX Corps area, on the 9th inst, provided some heavy pulling over the steep ridges flanking the Somme valley. The weather was inclined to drizzling rain, and the roads were fairly heavy. The train journey to EPEHY proved a hardship for the horses, owing to a delay of about 15 hours when the horses were without water, and the rations were short. At EPEHY, which was reached about 8 p.m., further delay occurred in unloading, as no lights were provided, and the facilities were insufficient.

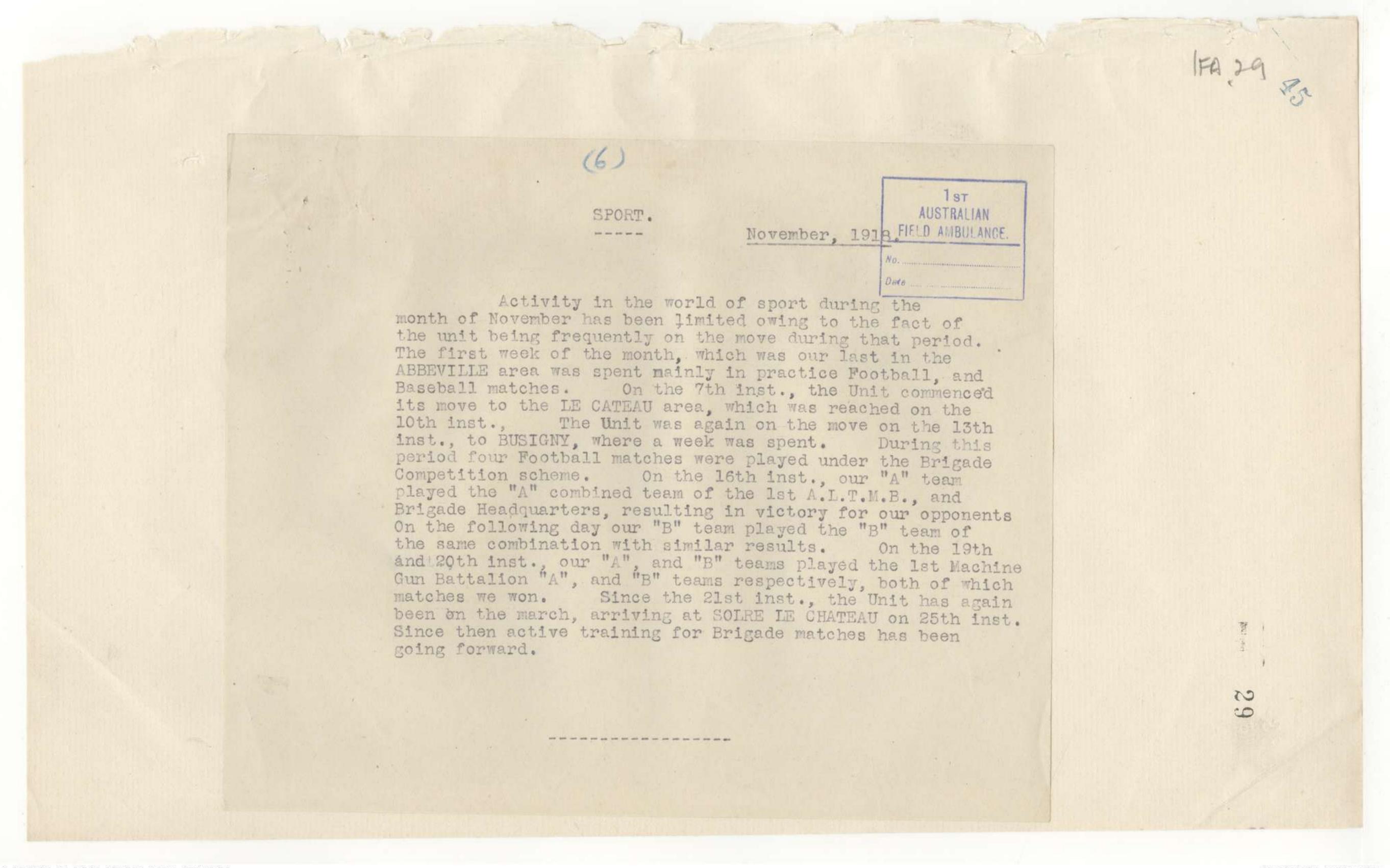
BASUEL, in the LE CATEAU area. On the 13th inst., the Unit moved to BUSIGNY, where a week was spent. On the 21st inst., a three days march to AVESNELLES was commenced, where the Unit had a days spell. The Unit has been in SOLRE LE CHATEAU since the 25th inst. The weather has been very good, except on the days march to SOLRE. Stabling has been good. In several cases the stables of large factories have been used with advantage. The water supply in most cases has been from wells, in many cases of indifferent quality. Horse-rugs are in use. There is a great demand for frost shoes, and cogs, owing to cobble roads and frost. Several horses have been badly skaken owing to the slippery nature of the roads. Half the horses have been clipped, but Clipping machines are in very bad order through want of grinding.

It has been impossible to obtain many necessities from Ordnance, of late. Tools, combs, and cutters, as well as haynets, nose-bags, and harness leather are very difficult to obtain

The present transport park, billets, and stables, are good. There is a good water supply from a running stream.

Wagons are washed and well oiled once a week.
Harness is cleaned daily and is in perfect condition. Horses continue to be in excellent condition.

126 Duty teams turned out for the month, which is a fair average of 4 per day.



SICK AND WOUNDED PATIENTS.

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AUSTRALTANT FIELD AMBULANCE.

The following number of patients were dealt with by the 1st. Australian Field Ambulance during the of November, 1918, evacuating the sick of the 1st. Australian Infantry Brigade.

All the following particulars refer to SICK.

There were no WOUNDED admitted during the month.

FORMATION	ADM	ITTED	SENT TO	oc.c.s.	SENT TO REST STN.	DI	RETURNED FOR DU	
ST. AUST. DIVISION	Off.	0.R.	Off.	0.R.	off. O.R.	off.	O.R. Off.	<u>0.R</u> .
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TOTAL SICK	10	257	10	230	27			

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4TH AUST. DIVISION.	off. O.R.	off. o.R.	Off. O.R.	off. O.R. off. O.R.
4th. Div. Salvage Coy. 4th. D. H. Q. 4th. Div. Sig. Coy	1 3 1	1 3	1	
TOTAL (SICK)	5	4	1	
AUST. CORPS TROOPS.				
Aust. Emp. Coy. A. P. O. C. Hvy. Art. Sig Sec. 6th. M. T. Coy. Aust. Corps Cyclists Btn.				
TOTAL (SICK)	6	4	2	
IMPERIAL.	1 53	1 51	2	
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CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

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The following is a Classification of Diseases of Patients admitted by 1st. Australian Field Ambulance during the month of November, 1918.

DISEASE	OFFICERS	OTHER RANKS.
Influenza	6	62
Tonsillitis	2	5
Ulcer. Gingivitis	-	
Nose Trouble		4
	4.	1
Accidental		21
Chancre		9
Wassermann Test		4
Orchitis		1
P.U.O.		14
Scabies	****	17
Gonorrhoea		23
Conjunctivitis		3
Bronchitis	1	14
Synovitis		5
Hernia		
		3
Furunculosis the	7	6
I.C.T., and O.S.kin Donam	1	12
Debility		2
Measles		1
Nephritis		4
Def. Hearing		1
Dhobi Itch		4
Sciatica		2
Pyorrhoea		1
Laryngitis		2
Epididymitis		3
N.Y.D.		1
Diarrhoea		8
D.A.H.		5
Rheumatism		14
Bubo.		13
Urethritis		10
Varicose Veins		7
Cellulitis		3
		6
Trench Fever		4
Epilepsy		1
Trench Foot		1
Dermatitis		2
Herpes		1
Myocarditis		1
Myalgia		1
Acne		2
Haemorrhoids		2
Shingles		3
Anaemia		1
Dental		1
Gastritis		2
Haematuria		2
Metatarsalgia		1
Impetigo		7
Pleurisy		1
Cholcystitis		2
Malaria		7
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1ST AUST. DIVISION RESUSCITATION TEAM

AUSTRALIAN
FIELD AMBULANCE.

NOVember, 1918.

The 1st. Aust. Div. Resuscitation Team, Major L. A. HAYWARD, Capt., A. N. YUILLE, and 4 Other Ranks, plus 1 Officer (Major A. McKILLOP) worked with No. 12 C. C. S. from 3/11/18 to 14/11/18. Every opportunity for good work was given by the C. C. S. and the personnel of the Team benefitted greatly. by the work done.

During the above period the number of transfusions given were:-

Blood alone ... 9 cases
Blood and Gum ... 9
Blood and Sodi Bicarb ... 1
Gum only ... 2

Some of the patients received more than one dose of Blood and Gum, and one case was given 2200 C.C. blood and 3000 C.C.Gum in three doses within 4 days, But died from gas infection after a late amputation at the hip.

The number of men treated by transfusion, or infusion was 16, of which 11 were evacuated to the Base in excellent condition, while 5 died in C.C.S. - one from Septic Pneumonia - 2 from Gas infection - and 1 during transfusion

All transfusions were performed by 1 Medical Officer with 2 Orderlies assisting, consequently both Officers and Orderlies had good experience.

Practically all transfusions were done, either during or immediately before, but for the most part immediately after operations and cases were then sent to Resuscitation Ward, for Rechauffement for a few hours.

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1ST AUSTRALIAN DIVN. RESUSCITATION TEAM

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The cases were chiefly shattered limbs, but 5 cases of penetrating Abdomen were transfused with 3 deaths.

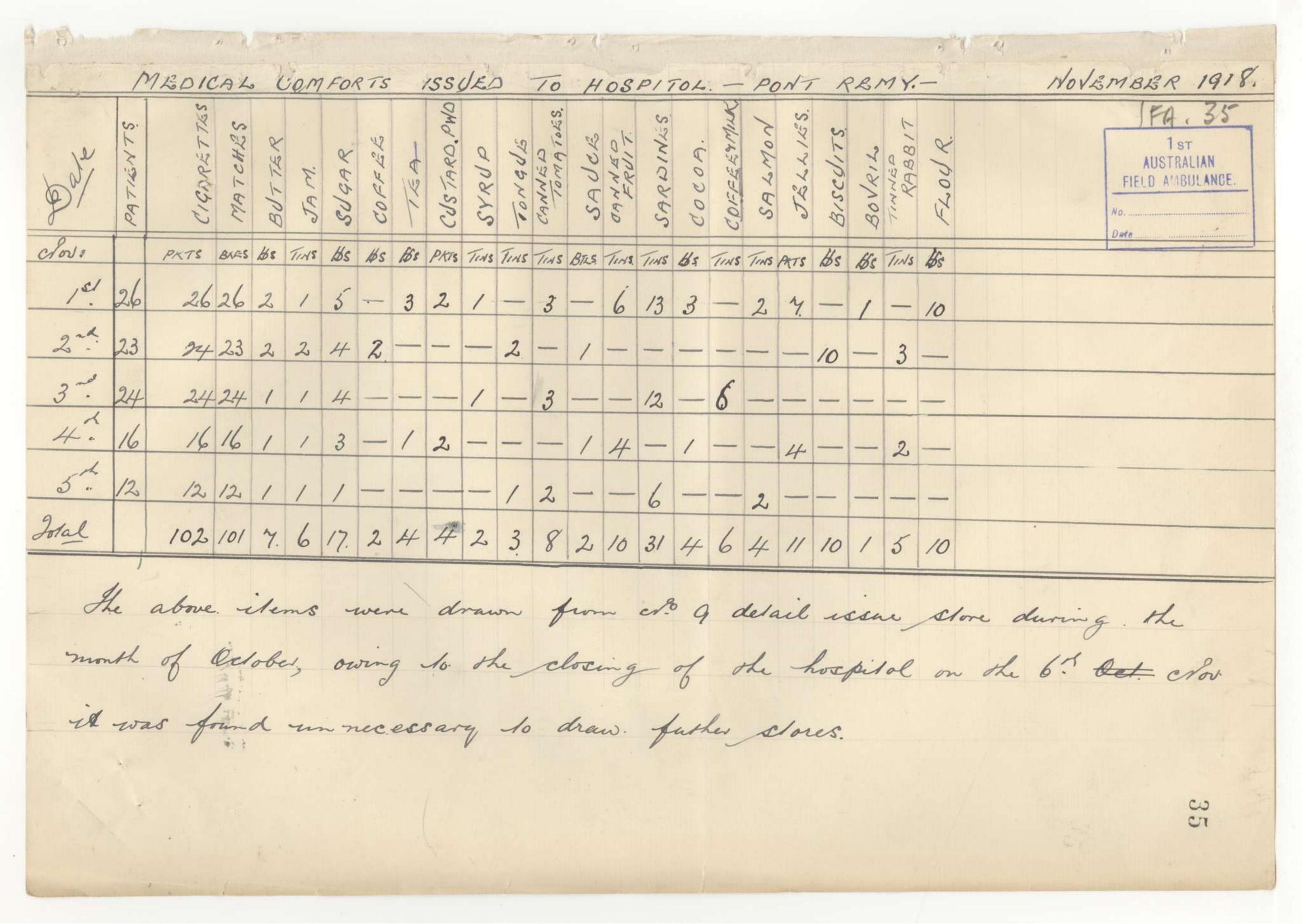
Some Surgical work was also done. The Senior Surgeon of the C. C. S. was suffering from Influenza for 5 days, and for this period Capt. YUILLE took his place in the Surgical Team, with Major McKILLOP as Anaesthetist.

Several Amputations, Ligations of Femeral, Tibial and other Arteries and general Excision of Wounds were done

Final operation - Perforated Gastric Ulcer.
Ulcer was purse stringed and Gastro-Jegunostomy performed.
Case was evacuated to Base 10 days later in excellent condition.

Since rejoining Ambulance the Team has been doing ordinary Ambulance work.

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ORDNANCE SUPPLIES.

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November, 1918.

All supplies requisitioned from Ordnance during the month have arrived in good time, considering our many movements, and the long distance to "Railhead"

The Winter issue of Clothing is almost complete and the only items outstanding are the inner soles for boots, and gloves for Motor Transport personnel.

A portion of the "Tapped Horseshoes" (Winter issue) have arrived and the balance are forthcoming at an early date.

It is again found necessary to comment on the faulty pattern of Ankle Boots now being issued. The men prefer to put up with many inconveniences, and wet feet to avoid wearing ill fitting boots, which have never been as popular as the "Australian Tan"

The Field Service Boot issued this Winter has been found to be of very poor quality. One pair being returned to Ordnance as unserviceable after less than one months wear.

The reduction of the Field Ambulance Mobilization Table has considerably lessened the amount of equipment to be carried. On the 17th and 18th November, 200 H.P. Helmets 31 Stretchers, 200 Blankets, and 3 large Tarpaulins, which completed the load of 1 G. S. Wagon were returned.

opportunities for bathing during the month, and at no time has there been a shortage of clean clothing.