

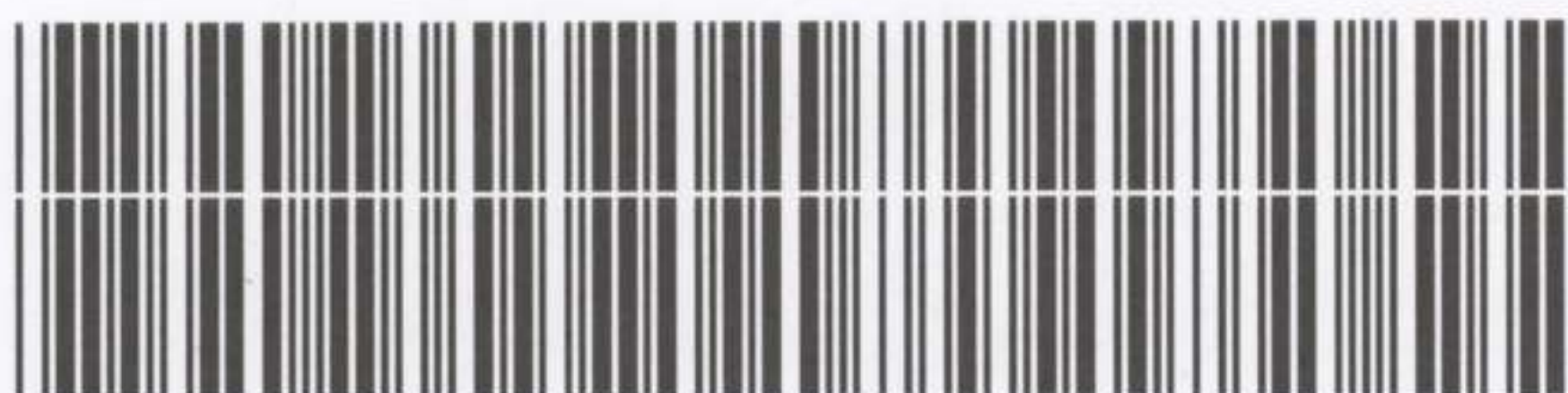
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OF

A.D.M.S. SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
StGRATIE.	1/6/18		Fine and warm.	M.H.
	2nd		Fine. Capt W.J.NEWING reinforcement Officer reported for duty and posted to 6th Aust Fld Amb.	M.H.
	3rd		Bright sunny day.	M.H.
	4th		Fine and warm. Conference of Ambulance C.O.'s and Q.M.'s held at this Office. Provision of P.B. for Carpenter, Bootmaker and Tailor was recommended for each Field Amb. All Ordnance indents outstanding one month to be notified to A.D.M.S.. Leather equipment arriving from base to go back with men evacuated and web equipment for ambulance men collected from M.D.S. Q.M. to be responsible for upkeep, condition etc of all ambulance equipment, clothing etc at all times. Conference of Dental Officers held in afternoon. Decided to dentally inspect all units of the Division on first opportunity. Dentist to confer and report as to the best method of conducting same. Decided that better co.operation should exist between R.M.O.'s and Dentists regarding preservation of mouth regions. Dental Officers to recommend line of action. Conference decided for next Sunday and S.O.A.D.S. invited to attend.	M.H.
	5th		Fine and warm.	
	6th		Fine and warm. Heavy guns being put in 20 yards from Motor Post at MERICOURT where a deep dugout is being put in for A.A.M.C. Protest put in as post will be rendered useless as motor post with gun position so close. Arranged with G.O.C. that Division be notified of intended gun positions when possible in advance so that some consideration be given to important medical posts where permanent accommodation has been made on in process process of construction. Dugout at A.D.S. BONNAY FRANVILLERS road completed and in use. New dugouts being put in at M.D.S. and also on CORBIE - SAILLY le SEC road for holding patients in case hair pin bend above CORBIE is rendered impassable by shell fire. Memo issued re R.M.O. applying for reinforcement Ambulance Bearers.	M.H. A M.H.
	7th		Fine and Sunny. Delousing chamber has been built for an experiment on lines of attached memo.	
	8th		Fine and Sunny. Inspected delousing chamber, apparently result is satisfactory but coal consumption is too great - 1½ Cwt per day. Fresh experiments being made. Wood asked for in addition to coal as Canadian down draught stoves are being used and these do not use coal advantageously. Extracts from LT.Col. Bullers memo of appreciation of War Diaries was forwarded to Field Ambulances and R.M.O's in order to encourage them to further improvement. X Ray Coil and lamp in good condition recovered from BUIRE C.C.S. was forwarded to No18. Adv. Depot Med. Stores 40 stretcher slings and blankets were also salvaged from C.C.S. D.D.M.S. notified that D.G.M.S., C.M.F. would visit 2nd Aust Division on Tuesday 11th.	M.H.

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	9/6/18		Morning hot but afternoon cooler and cloudy with dust. Conference held of Dental Officers with S.O.A.D.S. Decided that inspection of Battalions by Dental Officers was impracticable as it would waste too much valuable time. Question of co-operation between R.M.O.'s and Dental Officers was discussed and it was decided that a dental inspection by R.M.O.'s and list of men requiring dental attention would be of assistance as men would always be available when Dentist was slack. Dentists to forward report as to how R.M.O.'s could assist in preventive measures by lectures and instructions regarding care of mouth and teeth. It was considered that dental attention in the field was of more importance than dental treatment at the base. Suggestion was made that a Dental Surgeon for Division should be appointed to dentally examine and arrange for dental attention to men requiring same. Major J.C.CAMPBELL and Capt. A.L.McLEAN reinforcement Officers reported for duty and posted 3th and 5th Field Ambulances respectively.	
	10th		Showery and much cooler. Conference of A.D.M.S.'s with D.D.M.S. 11 a.m. A.D.S. and M.D.S. positions fixed for A.B. and C. Divisional Area in case of withdrawal.	
	11th		Fine and clear. D.G.M.S., C.M.F. D.M.S., A.I.F. and D.D.M.S. with Col. T.G.WILSON visited Division and inspected 5th 6th and 7th Field Ambulances Stations. No statement made of satisfaction or otherwise. Attack on German left flank thoroughly successful 1234 cases passed through M.D.S. 2nd Aust Division 3rd Aust Division 4th Aust Division 5th Aust Division 2 Other Units. P.O.W. These casualties followed down slowly apparently owing to difficulty of finding them amongst the crops and high grass but the evacuation from R.A.P. and M.D.S. was speedy and thoroughly satisfactory.	
	12th		Fine and clear. Col HATHAWAY of the United States Army, a Divisional Surgeon arrived and was attached to Divisional Headquarters.	
	13th		A.A.M.C. order no 21 issued.	
	14th		Fine and Clear. Memo sent to all concerned re Dental Work. 2nd Aust Div Order no 197 and D.D.M.S. Medical Arrangements No 25 received reference relief of this Division by 5th Aust.Div. List of material salvaged by 6th Field Amb and sent to French Mission.	
			Fine and clear. Arranged programme for Col HATHAWAY to see A.D.S. and M.D.S. working and also showed the organization and method of working the Medical Service of the Division. Instructions for Defence No34 received. A.A.M.C. Order no 22 issued. Arranged with A.D.M.S. 4th Aust Division for his forward Ambulance to take over the evacuation of casualties along SAILLY-le-SEC - VAUX road, this Division only putting in a squad of bearers at the reserve R.A.P. This was done on account of the method of evacuation north from last R.A.P. of N.Brigade through MERICOURT proving satisfactory.	

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14/6/18	15th		Ford motor ambulances are now used further forward than usual and only casualties from our R.support Battalion are evacuated along the Souther road. Medical arrangements issued. Fine and Sunny. The American A.D.M.S. has been shown the whole Medical Organization and has inspected all Medical Posts and R.A.P.'s in the forward area. He is a regular soldier and very keen and anxious for information. A.D.M.S. 5th Aust Division visited and all arrangements were completed regarding the relief of 2nd By 5th Aust Division.	F M.
COISY	16th		Fine and clear. Handing over to 5th Aust Div. A.D.M.S. completed by 10 a.m. A.D.M.S. Office opened at COISY at same time. 5th Aust Field Amb. camped in a wood just north of AMIENS with Medical Post on outskirts of the Town in a school house. 6th Field Amb in a wood just S.W. of St GRATIEN, 7th Field Amb in same wood as 6th Field Amb, but closer to ABBEVILLE. ALONVILLE. Each ambulance is clearing the sick of its Brigade to 5th Field Amb Medical Post where stretcher cases are evacuated by M.A.C. Cars to C.C.S. CROUY. Dental Units are working with their Ambulances. A cave system was discovered about 1/2 mile north of AMIENS I have placed a guard of 5th Field Amb on the place and it is being explored and a report drawn up. It is estimated there is safe cover for at least a Battalion. Apparently this is part of the old subterranean system which connected AMIENS with the neighbouring villages.	M.
	17th		Fine but threatening.	M.
	18th		Change in weather rain all day.	M.
	19th		Dull and little rain.	M.
	20th		Some rain.	M.
	21th		Some rain.	M.
	22nd		Weather unsettled. Sports held by each Field Amb. 5th Aust Field Ambulance celebrated anniversary of leaving AUSTRALIA.	M.
	23rd		Fine but cold. Memo issued re sick wastage of Division.	G M.
	24th		Bright sunny day. Captain L.L.McMAHON R.M.O. 22nd A.I.Battn evacuated sick. Ammendment to A.A.M.C.Order NO 21 issued.	H M.
	25th		Fine and warm.	M.
	26th		Fine. A.A.M.C. Order No 23 issued with reference to relief of 3rd Aust Division by this Div.	I M.
	27th		Fine and warm. Medical arrangements issued.	I M.
	28th		Bright and Sunny. Major A.J.Mollison 7th Field Amb to be Transferred to no 1 Australian Con.Dpot.HAVRE. A.D.M.S. proceeded on leave. Lt.Col.W.E.L.H.CROWTHER C.O.5th Aust Field Ambulance A/A.D.M.S. during absence of Colonel A.E.SHEPHERD D.S.O.	J K.
	29th		Alternative scheme of evacuation issued.	

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COISY.	28/6/18.		At 10.30 a.m. arrived at D.H.Q. to take over acting duties of A.D.M.S. in place of Colonel. A.E. SHEPHERD D.S.O. (leave to U.K.) Reported to G.O.C. 2nd Division, and then with D.A.D. M.S. talked over the system of working followed at the A.D.M.S. Office. The remainder of the day was spent in routine Office work and preparations for the move to GLISY. At 8.p.m., the G.O.C. Division sent for me and spoke of new operation on this front in which two Battalions of 6th A.I.Bde were to take part. This operation to be under orders of the G.O.C. 4th Australian Division. and dated from approximately a day in the first week of July.	
	29th		Fine and warm. Proceeded to 3rd Divisional H.Qrd. GLISY at 8.30 a.m., took over file of Defence scheme etc from A.D.M.S. 3rd Aust Division and spoke with him of various matters relating to this sector. Practically all Headquarters Offices in Verandah Dugouts. At 11 A.M., accompanied D.A.D.M.S. to BLANGY TRONVILLE and looked over Divisional Baths and delouser. D.D.M.S. visited D.H.Q. in my absence and left a message to attend a conference at 4th Div H.Q. (M.7.b.3:2.) at 3.30 p.m., at this conference were A.D.M.S. 3rd Aust Div, and A/A.D.M.S. 4th Aust Div (Lt Col MCGREGOR) The operations of the near future were discussed and at request of A/A.D.M.S. 4th Aust Division, the A/A.D.M.S. 2nd Aust Division is to be responsible for evacuation of casualties from 2nd Aust Div Front, and any casualties from 4th Aust Div that may come down our line of evacuation. In addition 4 hourly wounded wire, P. of W. and duplicate 3185 are to be rendered to A./A.D.M.S. 4th Aust Div. on the day of operations. The share of the 11th Field Amb was in the evacuations was discussed and apportioned to them. Any other business discussed related only to the 4th Aust Division.	
	30th		With D.A.D.M.S. went forward and inspected all R.A.P.'s, relays and motor posts of Divisional evacuations. The Medical Arrangements of the sector are excellent and very ample, converging from each Brigade sector to the motor loading post at the Tunnel Culvert. The R.A.P.'s are deep excavated dugouts with ample accommodation and very safe for personnel. One relay Post on right Sector is also accommodated in the same way. Other relay Posts are ordinary shelters constructed by the bearers. The Left line of evacuation lying behind Hill 104 is well sheltered from observation except that of enemy balloons. The Right line of evacuation after running along the VILLERS BRETONNEUX - CASNY Road opens into a broad valley and is very open to Balloon observation, and flanked for part of its length by the Eastern edge of the BOIS l'ABBE. The motor loading post (O.27.d.8.8.) is situated admirably under a railway viaduct, also an excellent deep standardised dugout. Routine Office work at D.H.Q.	

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GLISY.	30th		C.O. 7th Australian Field Ambulance called and with him routes of evacuation etc for forthcoming operations were discussed. M. J. M. W. A. J. M. W.	M.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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A. D. M. S.,
Headquarters,
6th. June 1918.

No. 21/342

5th. Aust. Field Amb.
6th. do
7th. do
All R.M.Os. 2nd. Aust. Div.,

Reference "Standing Orders A.A.M.C. Australian Corps".
Re para. 6 para 7 R.M.O's. will apply for reinforcement
Ambulance Bearers, additional equipment, etc. to Medical Officer
i/c of nearest Ambulance Post. Application for extra Regimental
Stretcher Bearers will be made to Battalion or Brigade Headquarters.
All paras. in "Instructions for the
Guidance of all Medical Officers 2nd. Australian Division" will hold
good unless directly contradicted by "Standing Orders A.A.M.C.".
"Standing Orders A.A.M.C." will be returned to A.D.M.S.
office on an officer leaving the Division.

A. S. Shipman

Colonel,
A.D.M.S.
2nd. Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
12th. June 1918.

A. A. M. C.'s ORDER NO. 21 BY COLONEL A.E. SHEPHERD D.S.O. A.D.M.S.

1. POSTINGS :-

- (a) Capt. BARBOUR E.P. to be R.M.O. 23rd. A.I. Battalion vice Capt. ORR H.J. dated 4-6-18.
- (b) Capt. PATRICK J.F. 5th. Aust. Field Amb. to be R.M.O. 2nd. Aust. M.G. Battalion in relief of Major CULPIN E. 18-6-18.
- (c) Major CULPIN E. to be R.M.O. 2nd. Aust. M.G. Battalion to be R.M.O. 25th. A.I. Battalion in relief of Capt. WHISH G.M. 18-6-18.
- (d) Capt. WHISH G.M. 25th. A.I. Battalion to be R.M.O. 18th. A.I. Battalion in relief of Capt. DAVIS C.I. (attached) 18-6-18.
- (e) Capt. DAVIS C.I. to rejoin 5th. Aust. Field Amb. 18-6-18.
- (f) Capt. ORR H.J. 23rd. A.I. Battalion to be R.M.O. 2nd. Aust. Div. Reinf. Wing attached to 5th. Aust. Field Amb. from 18-6-18.
- (g) Major INGLIS W.K. R.M.O. 2nd. Aust. Div. Reinf. Wing is posted to 6th. Aust. Field Amb. dated 18-6-18.
- (h) Major CAMPBELL J.C. is posted to 7th. Aust. Field Amb. and taken on strength 11-6-18.
- (i) Capt. McLEAN A.L. is posted to 5th. Aust. Field Amb. and taken on strength 11-6-18.

C.O. 5th. Aust. Field Amb. will arrange transport for movements (b), (c), (d) and (e)

C.O. 6th. Aust. Field Amb. will arrange transport for movements (f) and (g).

2. TRENCH FEVER.

As it is considered that, usually, Trench Fever cannot be accurately diagnosed in the Field Ambulances; therefore this diagnosis should not be made but rather the case classed under P.U.O..

3. OPHTHALMIC CASES.

Ophthalmic Centre has reported that many cases are sent unnecessarily for eye examination.

Each Field Ambulance will detail an officer with some knowledge of ophthalmic work, if possible, to examine the case and also paybook and decide if it is one that should go on to eye centre.

4. SALVAGE.

All civilian articles salvaged will be forwarded to French Mission Depot, QUERRIEU. A list of the articles will be forwarded to O.C. 2nd. Aust. Div. French Mission and a copy to A.D.M.S..

A. E. Shepherd

Colonel,
A.D.M.S.
2nd. Australian Division.

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D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps
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5th. Aust. Field Amb.
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5th. A.I. Brigade
6th. do
7th. do
2nd. Aust. M.G. Batt.
18th., 23rd., 25th. Battalions
2nd. Aust. D.H. Q. 'A'.
All R.M.Os. 2nd. Aust. Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
13th. June 1918.

2nd. Aust. D.H.Q.
5th. A.I. Brigade
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5th. Aust. Field Amb.
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All R.M.Os. 2nd. Aust. Div.,



It is considered advisable in the interests of the A.I.F. to bring about cooperation between R.M.Os. and Dental Officers so as to obtain the greatest possible value from the Dental Service and also to effect, as far as possible, early preventive treatment of mouth and teeth maladies.

It is desired that R.M.Os. give careful consideration to this matter and carry into effect the following instructions :-

1. Advise Officers and Quarters on oral hygiene and give special attention to facilities for it by arranging supply of tooth brushes etc. This advice would be by means of lectures and instruction when over suitable opportunity offers. The Battalion officers should be encouraged to take an interest in the matter.
2. R.M.Os. will when making periodical examination of the men take notice of the mouth condition and furnish a monthly nominal roll to A.D.M.S. of O.Rs. requiring and willing to receive dental attention, "Urgent" will be placed opposite the name when necessary. Cases will be marked "Surgical" or "Mechanical" the latter referring only to men requiring dentures.
3. Will arrange simple treatment at R.A.P. by means of mouth washes for such conditions as gingivitis etc. so as to avert the progress of the condition until he sees the Dental Officer.
4. Will arrange to visit the Dental Officer at intervals and confer with him regarding methods of further cooperation.

Ad. Shipman
Colonel,
A.D.M.S.

2nd. Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Headquarters,
13th. June 1918.

A. D. M. S.,
2nd AUSTRALIAN
DIVISION.

No. 21/346.

2nd. Aust. D. H. Q.,

6th. Aust. Field Ambulance reports having salvaged the following material, for period 2-6-18 to 11-6-18, which has been returned to the French Mission, QUERRIEU:-

Machines, sewing	11
Stones, grinding	3
Butter Churn	1
Stone Jars	16
Clocks	3
Pictures	9
Saws, hand	2
Mirror	1
Organ	1
Bags of clothing	30
Clothing & pictures in basket	1
Bags of wool	19
Bags of twine	3
Balls of twine	14
Bags of wheat	37
Basket of books	1
Cutters	1
Baskets crockery	2
Winnowers	3
Oat Crushers	1
Mattresses	6
Washing machine	1
Fire pump	1

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Colonel,
A.D.M.S.

2nd. Australian Division.

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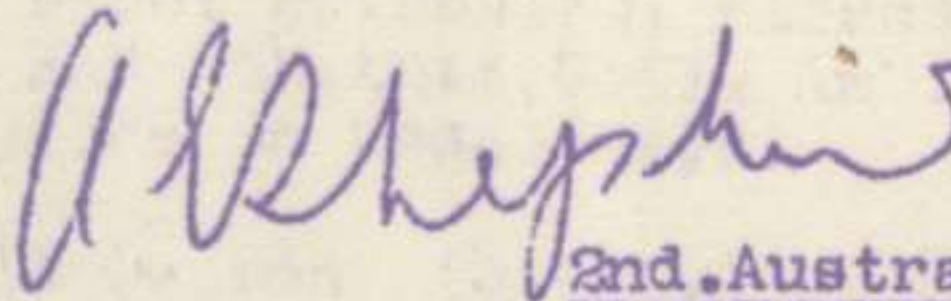
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14th. June 1918.A.A.M.C. ORDER No. 22 BY COLONEL A.E. SHEPHERD D.S.O., A.D.M.S.Reference Map Sheet 62D 1-40000.

In accordance with 2nd. Aust. Div. Order No. 197 and D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps Medical Arrangements No. 25 of 13-6-18, the Division (less artillery) will be relieved by 5th. Aust. Division between 14th. and 16th. June 1918.

The following Medical arrangements will be made:-

1. 5th. Aust. Field Amb. will be relieved by 15th. Aust. Field Amb. on the 15th. inst. On relief 5th. Aust. Field Amb. will move to sites at present occupied by 8th. Aust. Field Amb. at G.25.b.2.9.
2. 6th. Aust. Field Amb. will be relieved by 14th. Aust. Field Amb. on the 15th. inst. On relief the 6th. Aust. Field Amb. will move to sites at present occupied by 14th. Aust. Field Amb. at H.2.b.3.9.
3. 7th. Aust. Field Amb. will be relieved by 8th. Aust. Field Amb. on the 15th. inst. and on relief will move to sites at present occupied by 15th. Aust. Field Amb. at G.12.a. Central.
4. Details of reliefs will be mutually arranged between Ambulance Commanders concerned.
5. Units will move with Mobilisation stores only. Receipts for stores handed over and taken over will be forwarded in duplicate to this office by noon 17th. inst.
6. Ambulance Commanders will arrange with Headquarters of their respective Brigades for the clearance of Brigade sick whilst on route, and will arrange to clear the sick of their respective Brigade Groups whilst in Reserve Area.
7. Nos. 4, 22, and 24 Dental Units will move with their ambulances and open for dental work as soon as move is completed. No. 100 Aust. Dental Unit will remain with 2nd. Aust. D.A.C.
8. A.D.M.S. Office will close at ST. GRATIEN at 10 a.m. 16th. June and reopen same date an hour at COISY.
9. Field Ambulances ACKNOWLEDGE.



Colonel,
A.D.M.S.
2nd. Australian Division.

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4	D.M.S. 4th. Army	18	2nd. Aust. M.G. Batt.
5	D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps	19	2nd. Aust. Pion. Batt.
6	5th. Aust. Field Amb.	20	2nd. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.
7	6th. do	21	A.P.M. 2nd. Aust. Div.
8	7th. do	22	A.D.M.S. 3rd. Aust. Div.
9	2nd. Aust. Div. "G"	23	A.D.M.S. 4th. Aust. Div.
10	2nd. Aust. Div. "A.Q."	24	A.D.M.S. 5th. Aust. Div.
11	5th. A.I. Brigade	25	A.D.M.S. 47th. Division.
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14	C.R.E. 2nd. Aust. Div.	28	
15	C.R.A. 2nd. Aust. Div.	29	
16	2nd. Aust. D.A.C.	30	

Headquarters,
14th. June 1918

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Reference map Sheet 62 D 1- 40000.

1. 5th.Aust.Field Amb. G.25.b.2.9.
Medical Post - Ecole Communale, Rue d'Albert M.1.b.2.5.
6th.Aust.Field Amb. H.2.b.3.9.
7th.Aust.Field Amb. G.12.a.Central
No.22 Aust.Dental Unit (5th.Aust.Field Amb.) Ecole Communale
Rue d'Albert M.1.b.2.5.
No.4 Aust.Dental Unit (6th.Aust.Field Amb.) H.2.b.3.9.
No.24 Aust.Dental Unit (7th.Aust.Field Amb.) G.12.a.Central
5th.Aust.Sanitary Section. G.33.d.8.4.
 2. Collection of sick :-
Field Ambulances collect sick of their respective Brigades, excepting Battalion of 7th.A.I.Brigade at FRECHENCOURT which will be collected by 6th.Aust.Field Amb.
 3. Evacuation of sick :-
5th.A.I.Brigade will be evacuated through M.D.S. at St.ACHEUL.
If M.A.C. cars are available at M.D.S. cases will be transferred from Divisional to M.A.C. cars, if not Divisional cars will evacuate stretcher cases to CROUY, walking wounded and sick to Walking Wounded Station Sheet 62E K.30.d.0.4.
6th.Brigade and Battalion of 7th.A.I.Brigade at FRECHENCOURT will be evacuated by 6th.Aust.Field Amb. through M.D.S. QUERRIEU.
7th.A.I.Brigade less FRECHENCOURT Battalion will be evacuated by 7th.Aust.Field Amb. through Walking Wounded Post at Sheet 62E F.9.a.5.5.
Stretcher cases must be taken to VIGN ACOURT.
 4. Field Ambulances will open A. & D. Books for sick and wounded. M.D.S. of 3rd. and 5th.Aust.Divisions are only places for transfer to M.A.C. cars and not recording stations for patients of this Division.
A.F.W. 3118 will show each case as "recorded".
A.F.W. 3185 will show cases "evacuated to G.C.S..
 5. All R.M.Os. will endeavour to keep up to about 6 slight cases (sick) at their R.A.Ps. instead of evacuating same to Field Ambulance. Field Ambulances will arrange to keep 25 cases each.
- Indents on Advanced Depot of Medical Stores will be forwarded to this office on Tuesdays and 5th.Aust.Field Amb. will collect Divisional indent as heretofore on Wednesdays.
- Ophthalmic cases will be sent to 5th.Aust.Field Amb. Medical Post at M.1.b.2.5. through Field Ambulances by 7.30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays each week. Each Field Ambulance will examine cases before sending them to eye centre. 5th.Aust.Field Ambulance will arrange transport to LON GPRE.

At Shepherd

Colonel,
A.D.M.S.
2nd.Australian Division.

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MEDICAL AND AMBULANCE SERVICE DIVISION

Reference to Sheet No. 1 - 40000

1. 5th Aust. Field Amb. Co. (M.A.O.)
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- All R.M.O. 2nd. Aust. Div.
- 5th. Aust. San. Section

3. Evacuation of sick :-
The 5th A.I. Brigade will be evacuated through M.D.S. at St. AGNEUL.
If M.A.O. cars are available at M.D.S. cases will be transferred
from Divisional to M.A.O. cars, if not Divisional cars will
evacuate stretcher cases to OROU, walking wounded and sick to
Walking Wounded Station (Sheet No. 40000).
5th. Brigade and Battalion of 7th. A.I. Brigade at FRECHEN COURT
will be evacuated by 5th. Aust. Field Amb. through M.D.S. QUERRIEU.
7th. A.I. Brigade less FRECHEN COURT Battalion will be evacuated
by 7th. Aust. Field Amb. through Walking Wounded Post at Sheet No. 40000.

4. Stretcher cases must be taken to VIGN ACOURT.
Field Ambulances will open A. & D. Books for sick and wounded.
M.D.S. of 3rd. and 5th. Aust. Divisions are only places for
transfer to M.A.O. cars and not recording stations for patients
of this Division.

5. A.F.W. 318 will show each case as recorded.
A.F.W. 318 will show cases evacuated to 40000.
All R.M.O.s will endeavour to keep up to about 4 light cases
(which at their R.A.P.s. instead of evacuating same to Field Ambulances
Field Ambulances will arrange to keep 25 cases each.
The 5th. Aust. Field Amb. Co. (M.A.O.) will be forwarded
to this office on Tuesdays and 5th. Aust. Field Amb. will collect
Divisional Ambulance on Wednesdays.

Ophthalmic cases will be sent to 5th. Aust. Field Amb. Medical
Post at M.D.S. 5. through Field Ambulances by 7.30 a.m. on Mondays
and Wednesdays each week. Each Field Ambulance will examine cases
before sending them to eye centre. 5th. Aust. Field Ambulance will
arrange transport to LON GRE.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

A. D. M. S.,
2nd AUSTRALIAN
DIVISION.
Headquarters,
No. 23rd. June 1918.
36/81.

All R.M.Os.
2nd.Aust.Div.,

Fourth Army 'A. & Q.' notes, for a long time past, show the 2nd.Aust.Div. in a bad light as regards :-

1. Sick percentage admitted to Field Ambulance.
2. Sick percentage, all ranks, evacuated to base.

As a rule the evacuations to the base are very little lower than the admission to Field Ambulance.

The average weekly evacuation to Base of Australian Divisions, for the past two months, works out as follows :-

<u>2nd.Aust.Div.</u>	<u>3rd.Aust.Div.</u>	<u>4th.Aust.Div.</u>	<u>5th.Aust.Div.</u>
1.33	1.28	.81	.79

This is very unsatisfactory and cannot be accounted for by the influenza epidemic. Sick rate to a large extent must be regarded as a disciplinary matter as the comfort and well being of the men depends on the Battalion and Company officers and has a direct bearing on the sick rate. Under the present regulations sick cannot be kept for more than 48 hours with the Unit, but it is considered that many cases which could be kept if suitable accommodation were placed at R.M.O.'s disposal by the Battalion Commander, are being evacuated to Field Ambulances, who also can only keep cases for 48 hours.

It will be seen that even if the regulations are strictly adhered to by both R.M.O. and Field Ambulance that a period of at least 96 hours (twice 48) will elapse before it is necessary to evacuate slightly sick cases. By that time the majority of these cases would be fit for light duty and so avoid evacuation from the Division.

When in the line arrangements could be made to keep slight sick for 48 hours in neighbourhood of Transport Lines, under a Medical Officer detailed by A.D.M.S. from a Field Ambulance.

This question of evacuation to Base of slightly sick is a most important one as it usually takes a long while for them to get back to their Unit. It is therefore essential that all combatant Officers as well as R.M.O.'s should carefully consider the matter and take all steps possible to avoid this constant wastage.

A. D. M. S.

COLONEL,
A.D.M.S.
2ND. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Headquarters,
24th. June 1918.

Amendment to A.A.M.C. Order No.21 dated 12-6-18.

Para. 2 Trench Fever, is cancelled and the following substituted:

2. Trench Fever, Influenza and P.U.O.

- (a) Trench Fever cannot usually be accurately diagnosed by R.M.Os. or Ambulance Medical Officers, therefore the diagnosis should not be made but rather the case classed under P.U.O. (Trench Fever).
- (b) Influenza. When a M.O. considers that a definite diagnosis can be made, the case should be reported as Influenza. Cases where it is considered that the symptoms point to Influenza rather than Trench Fever should be classed as P.U.O. (Influenza).
- (c) Other cases of Pyrexia where it is considered that above causes do not exist, will be classed simply as P.U.O.

When a case tentatively diagnosed as above by R.M.O. has been admitted to Field Ambulance and it is considered that a more definite diagnosis can be made, this should be done and the R.M.O. notified of the change.

The reason for care in the above matter is that :-

- i. Trench Fever or P.U.O. (Trench Fever) cases are likely to be evacuated from C.C.S. without delay.
- ii Influenza or P.U.O. (Influenza) cases are likely to be retained and be returned to their units in a short time.

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Headquarters,
 26th. June 1918.

A. A. M. C. ORDER No.23 BY COLONEL A.E. SHEPHERD D.S.O.

Reference Map Sheet 62 D 1 in 40,000.

In accordance with 2nd.Aust.Div. Order No.198 and D.D.M.S. Medical Instructions No.26, the following arrangements for the relief of Medical Units of 3rd.Aust.Div. will take place.

1. 5th.Aust.Field Amb. will relieve 9th.Aust.Field Amb. in the posts at M.18.a.5.6. and M.5.c.2.5. and will be responsible for clearing from GLISY - LONGUEAU Road back to emergency M.D.S. at M.18.a.5.6.
2. 6th.Aust.Field Amb. will relieve 10th.Aust.Field Amb. at M.D.S. ST.ACHEUL.
3. 7th.Aust.Field Amb. will take over from 11th.Aust.Field Amb. A.D.S. at N.26.d.1.3. , Walking Wounded Collecting Post at N.27.c.3.3. and all forward posts and will be responsible for the clearance of casualties to M.D.S.
4. Two bearer subdivisions of 5th.Aust.Field Amb. and one bearer subdivision of 6th.Aust.Field Amb. will report to C.O. 7th.Aust.Field Amb. by 9 a.m. 28-6-18. One large ambulance and one Ford from 5th. and 6th.Aust.Field Amb. will report to C.O. 7th.Aust.Field Amb. at A.D.S. by 6 p.m. 28-6-18.
5. Reliefs will be completed by 10 a.m. 29th.June 1918 all details being arranged mutually between Ambulance Commanders concerned.
6. Ambulances will move with Mob. Store Table Equipment only. Receipts in duplicate of all stores and equipment taken over will be forwarded to this office , ~~in duplicate~~, within 48 hours of completion of relief.
7. No.4, 24, and 22 Aust.Dental Units will open for dental work as soon as move is completed.
8. Ambulance Commanders will make , with their respective Brigade Staffs, necessary arrangements for the clearance of sick of Brigade Group whilst moving to new area.
9. A.D.M.S. office closes at COISY 10 a.m. 29-6-18 and reopens at GLISY on same date and hour.
10. Field Ambulances ACKNOWLEDGE.

A. E. Shepherd

Colonel,
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2nd.Australian Division.

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Reliefs will be completed by 10 a.m. 28th June 1918 all

details being arranged mutually between Ambulance Commanders concerned.

8. Ambulances will move with Mob. Store Table Equipment only.
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 will be forwarded to this office, in duplicate, within 48 hours
 of completion of relief.

9. No. 4, 24, and 28 Aust. Dental Units will open for dental work
 as soon as move is completed.

8. Ambulance Commanders will make, with their respective
 Brigade Staffs, necessary arrangements for the clearance of sick of
 Brigade Group whilst moving to new area.

9. A.D.M.S. office closes at 0015, 10 a.m. 28-8-18 and reopens
 at 0115 on same date and hour.

10. Field Ambulances ACKNOWLEDGE.

Colonel,
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2nd Australian Division.

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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS No.1 SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Reference Map Sheet 82 D 1 - 40000.

Line	R.A.Ps.	Learer Relay Motor Wagon Adv.Dressing Main Dressing	Div. Coll.	Evacuation.
		Posts. Posts. Station. Station. Station.		
Left Bde.	R.A.P. Line and support 0.24.c.2.3.	Hand carriage 0.27.d.8.8. N.26.d.1.3. 0.29.b.0.9. 0.28.b.8.1.	ST.ACHEUL and (emergency M.D.S. at M.5.c.2.5.	From R.A.Ps. to Motor Posts by wheeled stretchers, then by motor amb. to A.D.S. (N.26.d.1.3.) to M.D.S., ST.ACHEUL, and to C.C.S. Walking wounded walk to A.D.S. N.27.c.3.3. thence by charabanc to M.D.S. and on to No.2. Corps Relay Post Sh.62E K.30.d.0.4.
Right Bde.	0.34.d.9.6. 0.29.c.3.8.	0.34.b.3.1. or 0.28.b.8.1.) 0.28.c.8.4.	0.27.d.8.8. N.27.c.3.3. (Walking wounded). 0.27.d.8.8.	

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7th. do N.26.d.1.3.
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Dental Units. : No.22 5th Aust. Field Amb. M.18.a.5.6.
No.4 6th. do ST.ACHEUL
No.24 7th. do N.26.d.1.3.
No.3 Motor Ambulance Convoy BELLOY-SUR-SOMME and BERTANGLES.

Advanced Depot Medical Stores No.14 Crouy

Indents will be submitted for counter signature to this office on Tuesdays as usual. 6th Aust. Field Amb. will collect Divisional Indent on Wednesday and be responsible for distribution.

Bacteriological Laboratory :- No.5 Canadian Mobile Lab. CROUY.

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Ophthalmic Cases will be sent to 6th.Aus. Field Amb. by 7.30 a.m. Mondays, for transport to No.12 C.C.S. LONGPRE by 8.30 a.m. transport will be arranged by C.O. 6th.Aust.Field Amb., vide this office A.A.M.C. Order No.21 para. 3.

N.Y.D.N., N.Y.D. Gas and S.I.W. to No.12 C.C.S. LONGPRE.

C.O. 5th.Aust.Field Amb. will arrange medical and sanitary attention for :-

- (a) Nucleus Garrisons at M.18.b.5.5. (5th.A.I. Brigade)
N.14.d.8.6. (6th.A.I. Brigade)
N.7.a.8.8. (7th.A.I. Brigade)
- (b) Transport Lines of three Brigades.

All sick for evacuation will go to ST.ACHEUL.

Scabies will be retained for 48 hours treatment at ST.ACHEUL.

Australian Branch British Red Cross Society at PERNOIS.

Headquarters,
27th. June 1918.

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2nd. Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.Headquarters,
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 A.D.M.S. 37th. French Division

Reference MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS No.1 dated 27th. June 1918.

ALTERNATIVE SCHEME OF EVACUATION.

The normal route of evacuation from VILLERS BRETONNEUX Sector
 is via ST.ACHEUL.

EMERGENCY ROUTES.

Should the crossing of the R. AVRE, M.22 or roadways about
 M.29. be rendered impassable, the following alternative routes will be
 adopted :-

1. From A.D.S. N.26.d.3.3. by third class track from N.25.d.1.4.
 N.36.d.1.4. crossing the R. AVRE at any of the following points :-

- i S.6.d.6.6.
- ii S.6.a.2.1.
- iii M.34.a.8.3.

Two emergency bridges exist also at M.34.d.2.4. and M.34.d.8.2.,
 route is then followed through CAGNY to ST.ACHEUL.

2. Should this route become impassable, the road through AMIENS
 blocked or ST.ACHEUL rendered of no further service; cases will be
 taken from A.D.S. (a) by existing motor routes through GLISY to M.18.a.5.6.
 or (b) by wagons and ambulances to M.23.b.5.8. or
 M.24.b.1.9. thence by hand carry across the river to M.18.a.5.6.

For bridges (M.17.d.3.6. and M.18.d.2.2.), Ferry, overhead
 suspension and tracks and for all evacuation of this route from LONGUEAU
 - GLISY Road to M.18.a.5.6. O.C. 5th. Aust. Field Amb. is responsible.
 These picketed tracks and ferryways will be daily patrolled and kept in
 working order.

C.O. A.D.S., N.26. will notify C.O. M.D.S., ST.ACHEUL immediately
 cases have been diverted to M.18.c.5.6. and he will send all transport
 from M.D.S. to M.5.c.2.5. (Emergency M.D.S.)

C.O. M.5.c.2.5. is responsible for clearing from M.18. to M.5..

Walking Wounded.

While the passage is passable, walking wounded will go through
 ST.ACHEUL. Should this fail, however, cases will be sent by charabanc
 to M.23.b.5.8. or M.24.b.1.9. or if track through GLISY is still open
 to M.18.a.5.6.

Om Imbellin Major
 for Lieut.-Colonel
 a/A.D.M.S.
2nd. Australian Division.

GENERAL REMARKS.

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The Division still held the line between the ANCRE and the SOMME till June 16th when it was relieved by the 5th Aust. Division. The month therefore was divided into 2 periods.

- (1) In the line.
- (2) Out of the line.

On the 4th June a Dental conference was held with a view to establishing some system whereby Battalion cases could be examined for dental fitness, and those requiring attention to be marked for treatment thus preventing progression of early cases. On June 9th at a second Conference it was decided that systematic examination of Battalions and Artillery Brigades by Dental Officers would take too long and waste much valuable time. It was therefore arranged that R.M.O.'s should make such examination of their Units as they were able, and send a list of men dentally unfit, and requiring urgent treatment or otherwise to A.D.M.S. Office. This Office would arrange for their treatment by the nearest dental Officer from time to time. Dental Officer concerned to be in possession of a list of men needing treatment and by arrangement with Unit concerned call up these men for treatment. On completion of list or removal to another Area dental Officer concerned to notify this Office, or return list with men completed marked.

Artillery and A.M.C. Posts The difficulty again came into evidence in connection with A.M.C. Post constructed by C.E. in connection with outside MERICOURT. Heavy Howitzers were preparing to establish positions 20 yards from the mouth of this Dugout though marked R.A.P. Representations were made to Corps Heavy Artillery through Divisional General and the Divisional area was handed over with guns still not in position. In choosing sites for dugouts for A.M.C. purposes, the location of proposed Post which takes several weeks to construct is notified to D.D.M.S. and also D.H.Q. who notify Divisional and Corps Artillery. If they have any objections to this site for A.M.C. dugouts in view of the difficulty of finding sites for heavy guns, and there is no objection raised then, subsequently Artillery will not be allowed to establish gun positions within 400 yards of this post. Reference Fourth Army Order 1845 dated 6/3/18.

DELOUSING. The PATTERN extemporised delouser has been tried with alternating success and failure, depending largely on minor details which experience will overcome. Pits have proved a success, but constructed above ground it is open still to improvement. Tubes of melting mixture have been obtained melting between 80 degrees and 90 degrees Centigrade which are for purposes of testing the heating capacity of these chambers. The Foden Lorry has been working as usual but there has not been unlimited work owing to two reasons.

- (1) each man has only one blanket.
- (2) blankets are dumped when troops are in the line, and having been sterilized are not soiled till the troops again come out of the line.

On the night of 10th June and morning of 11th June 1918 7th Infantry Brigade, 3 Battalions in the line and 26th Battalion in support advanced about 500 yards on R. Brigade sector. The actual number of the wounded was about the same as the number of prisoners taken. The line was cleared right across the Divisional Front from the joint R.A.P. (Sheet 62 D. J.23.d.7.7.) of the two Battalions on the right, to the R.A.P. of left Battalion of Right Brigade. J.17.b.2.5. At this point a Ford Motor Ambulance was stationed and when casualties were coming through quickly large Cars were sent up, dry weather roads allowed this traffic and there was little interference from the enemy, though this took place in his full view 1500 yards from the front line.

So long as dry weather lasts Ford cars can be used well forward. It is more impressed upon one as time goes on the great value of the Ford Cars with its high clearance in evacuating forward areas. Each Ford car is worth 32 stretcher bearers, and per contra the utter waste and bare utility of horse ambulances, which are slow and cumbersome and useless without 4 heavy horses on greasy ground is obvious.

AMERICAN TROOPS. An American A.D.M.S. Lt Col. HATHAWAY of American Medical Services was attached for instructional purposes to our Division. He was intensely interested in all that was going on, particularly constructional work in the area, clearing of wounded, treatment of sick. He was handed over to Lt Col WELCH A.D.S. for instructional purposes for 24 hours and pretty thoroughly investigated the forward area.

Then he visited the M.D.S. and the Front Line trenches before leaving. He viewed this opportunity of paramount importance and thought it would be a good thing if a large number of American M.O.'s were attached to British Troops for instruction.

On June 11th D.A.D.M.S. 5th Aust Division was shown round the forward area, and shown all posts and dugouts and lines of evacuation. On June 16th the Division was relieved by 5th Aust Division, and D.H.Q. opened at COISY at 10 a.m. June 16th 1918.

Ambulances disposed.

5th Aust Fld	Amb. Sheet 62 D.	M.25.c.2.8.
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Each Field Ambulance during the rest out of the line were to carry 25 patients in Field Ambulance, and R.M.O.'s make an effort to retain up to 10 each, this counter acting the otherwise large evacuation rate from P.U.O. During the period intermittently it rained and made bivouaging in the woods somewhat unpleasant.

On 27th June 7th Brigade moved into VILLERS BRETONNEUX (A DIVISIONAL AREA). On 28th June 5th A.I. Brigade. and 6th A.I. Brigade, on 29th June. A.D.M.S. Office established itself at GLISY by 10 a.m.

On 28th June A.D.M.S. went on leave and Lt Colonel CROWTHER (C.O. 5th Aust Field Amb) came to Division as A/A.D.M.S.

HEALTH OF TROOPS

Apart from prevalent P.U.O. the health of the troops has been good.

P.U.O. has been very prevalent amongst the troops and accounts for about half of the evacuations for the month. The P.U.O. 399 cases were admitted to Field Ambulances during the month and 282 evacuated to C.C.S. i.e. 2.2% admitted and 1.5% evacuated for month.

Excepting P.U.O., admissions and evacuations for sickness have been as follows. Admitted 517. 3%. Evacuated 415. 2.3% for month.

Number of V.D. admitted 48, this includes some recurring cases, and most cases are contracted in FRANCE locally. Procedure is still in operation for segregation of diseased women where they can be recognised. An arrangement has been ~~made~~ in vogue whereby all cases admitted to C.C.S. do not automatically go to the base, but from C.C.S. after a few days are returned to the nearest Reinforcement staging camp, thus not such a large number of men escape to the base as percentages of evacuations to C.C.S. would signify. Actual percentages evacuation of sick to base for 4 weeks of June is 3.75% of strength.

WOUNDED. Considering the amount of Offensive work done and the extent to which prisoners have been taken, and the enemy harassed our casualty list has been slight. A large proportion of these casualties occurred in the operation June 10 - 11.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION. A.A.M.C.

Nominal roll of Officers N.C.O.'s and men sent to Base for Boarding

6/6/18.	236.	Pte P.M.STERLING	2nd Div Salvage Coy.	Cardiac Disease.
	3751	Gnr.C.BLACKBURN	3rd (Army) A.F.A.Bde.	Chronic Rheumatism.
10/6/18.	4364	Pte W.D.McGREGOR	2nd Pion Battn.	Adv Age.
	4404	Pte L.A.WEEKS.	do	do
	4309	Pte G.H.P.BATTEN	do	Physically Unfit.
	4427	Pte G.E.HANNAH.	do	do
	38190	Gnr.A.J.LONGFORD.	3rd (Army) A.F.A.Bde.	Defective Vision.
	7057	Sgt S.B.JONES.	17th A.I.Battn.	Old dislocation of R.Wrist
11/6/18.	1082.	Dvr M.A.DUNNE	2nd Div Train.	Chronic Rheumatism.
	3373	Pte F.J.CUNNINGHAM	2nd Mobile Vety Sect.	Defective Vision.
12/6/18	1145	Sgt C.BRINDLEY	17th A.I.Battn.	Nervous Exhaustion.
13/6/18	3177	Pte J.SCOTT	2nd Pion Battn.	Adv Age.
	3331	Pte F.C.CURRY.	do	Flat Foot.
17/6/18	1792	Pte M.KITCHEN.	19th Battn.	Chronic Rheumatism.
	4991	Cpl R.BERGER	21st do	Rheumatism.
18/6/18		Lt.Col.H.M.BEIJERS M.C.	19th Btn.	Vomiting loss of weight
				probably due to bowel adhesions.
20/6/18		Q.M. Hon Lieut. J.C.AITKEN.	7th Fld Amb.	Chronic Rheumatism.
	4764	Pte A.ROBERTS	23rd Battn.	do
21/6/18	7183	Pte T.A.ELLISON	25th do	Defective Vision.
	4768	Pte T.H.SAVAGE.	do	Chronic Rheumatism.
	4737	Pte H.NUMFORD.	do	Adv Age.
	6923	Pte W.H.L.LOWRY.	20th do	Defective Vision.
	870	Pte DRYSDALE	17th do	Chronic Cough Dyspnoea.
	16507	Spr J.ARTHUR.	6th Fld Coy Engrs.	Chronic Bronchial Asthma
	20	Dvr.J.T.SHANAHAN.	19th Btn.	Inability to march due to old
				injury to leg.
27/6/18	762	Cpl.C.W.SPRATT	18th do	Defective Vision.
		Captain. M.K.READFORD	28th do	Pain and weakness in R.ankle
				when marching.
	3854	Pte M.LAPPAN	21st do	D.A.H.
	925	Pte H.LARTER	2nd Pions.	D.A.H.
	84	Sgt R.H.MOSS	22nd Battn.	Chronic Rheumatism
	5627	Pte J.G.LANE.	23rd do	Corns and collositis of
				foot unfit for marching.
	5632	Pte S.N.MASON	18th do	Defective Vision.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION A.A.M.C.

List of Honours and Awards made during June 1918.

Col. A.E.SHEPHERD D.S.O.
A.D.M.S.
 Major. F.L.BIGNELL late R.M.O. 26th Battn.
 Major. A.T.DUNLOP. 5th Fld Amb.

Captain. J.A.SHANASY M.C. Late 7th Field Amb.

1625 Sgt C.A.SCHWAB D.C.M.
M.M. 7th Fld Amb.

2879 Cpl C.O.POWER Bar to M.M.
M.M. 5th Fld Amb.

3277 Driver C.D.G.LOVE. M.M. 2nd A.M.T.Coy att 6th Fld Amb.
 1514 " J.H.ELLIS do 7th do
 12020 Pte. A.R.MEARLEY 5th Fld Amb.
 15470 " A.G.MORRIS do
 17566 " R.I.MARRINER 6th do
 13641 " F.L.ROWE do

3291 Q.M.S. H.T.LINGHAM M.S.M. 6th Fld Amb.
 2946 S/Sgt. C.M.COPPIN 5th do
 3707 Sgt. R.E.DeGARIS 2nd A.M.T.Coy att 7th Fld Amb.
 8761 L/Cpl. J.F.KNOX. 6th Fld Amb.

Mentioned in Despatches.
 Col. A.E.SHEPHERD A.D.M.S.
 Major. D.M.EMBELTON D.A.D.M.S.
 Major. F.L.BIGNELL late R.M.O. 26th Battn.
 Major. A.T.DUNLOP 5th Fld Amb.
 Captain. R.P.W.FRANCIS do
 Captain. J.C.M.HARPER R.M.O. 28th Battn.
 12927 Cpl T.WINDRAM 5th Fld Amb.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.
WEEKLY ANALYSIS OF SICK ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL PERIOD.

31-5-18

TO

7-6-18

UNIT	Diarrhoea Admtd.	Scabies	V.D.	P.U.O.	Other Diseases	Total Battn Sick.
5th A.I. Bde.						
18th Battn.	-	-	-	2	4	6
18 do	-	6	2	-	5	13
19 do	-	-	-	-	3	3
20 do	1	1	-	1	3	6
Bde Total.	1	7	2	3	15	28
6th A.I. Bde.						
21st Battn.	-	-	-	1	2	3
22nd do	-	1	-	3	11	15
23rd do	-	1	-	11	12	24
24th do	-	1	-	5	5	11
Bde Total.	-	3	-	20	30	53
7th A.I. Bde.						
25th Battn.	-	-	1	-	2	3
26th do	-	1	-	4	5	10
27th do	-	1	1	2	2	6
28th do	-	1	1	-	1	3
Bde Total	-	3	3	6	10	22
Artillery.						
4th A.F.A. Bde.	-	-	-	-	1	1
5th do	-	2	-	1	2	5
D.A.C.	-	-	-	2	2	4
Arty Total	-	2	-	3	5	10
Pioneers.	-	-	-	25	10	35
Engrs Sigs)	-	-	-	5	6	13
& D.H.Q.)	-	2	-	2	1	3
A.A.S.C.	-	-	-	-	3	4
Misc.	-	1	-	1	2	3
M.G. Battn.	-	-	-	2	2	5
3 Ambs.	-	1	-	2	2	5

TOTALS FOR DIVISION.

Remained 51
Admitted 167
Evacuated 113
To Duty 53
Remaining 52

V.D. Contracted at.

1 Le HAVRE
1 AILLY-sur-SOMME
2 ABBEVILLE
1 Relapse.

SICK PERCENTAGES OF AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONS FOR WEEK ENDED.
25 - 5 - 18

FORMATION.	Percentage admitted to Field Ambulances.	Percentage evacuated to Base.
2nd Aust Division.	1.22	1.13
3rd do	1.46	.83
4th do	1.51	.73
5th do	.75	.65

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.
WEEKLY ANALYSIS OF SICK ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL PERIOD.

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noon 7 - 6-18 to noon 14 - 6 - 18

UNIT	Diarrhoea Admtd.	Scabies	V.D.	P.U.O.	Other Diseases	Total Battn Sick.
5th A.I.Bde.						
18th Battn.	-	4	-	14	6	24
18 do	-	6	2	2	5	15
19 do	-	1	1	1	5	6
20 do	-	1	1	2	4	8
Bde Total.	-	11	3	19	20	53
6th A.I.Bde.						
21st Battn.	-	-	1	1	7	9
22nd do	-	1	1	1	5	8
23rd do	-	1	-	6	6	13
24th do	-	1	-	3	7	11
Bde Total.	-	3	2	22	25	41
7th A.I.Bde.						
25th Battn.	-	-	-	2	8	10
26th do	-	1	1	13	6	21
27th do	-	-	-	-	3	3
28th do	-	-	1	3	2	6
Bde Total	-	1	2	18	19	40
Artillery.						
4th A.F.A.Bde.	-	-	-	-	1	1
5th do	1	-	-	-	2	3
D.A.C.	-	-	-	1	4	5
Arty Total	1	-	-	1	7	9
Pioneers.	1	-	-	24	5	30
Engrs Sigs)						
& D.H.Q.)	-	1	-	9	1	11
A.A.S.C.	-	-	1	-	-	1
Misc.	-	3	1	-	3	7
M.G.Battn.	-	-	-	-	3	3
3 Ambs.	1	-	1	5	2	8

TOTALS FOR DIVISION.

Remained	51
Admitted	204
Evacuated	167
To Duty	40
Remaining	48

V.D. Contracted at.

Le HAVRE	1
ABBEVILLE	1
U.K.	1
ROUEN.	2
Relapse	5

SICK PERCENTAGES OF AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONS FOR WEEK ENDED.
8/6/18

FORMATION.	Percentage admitted to Field Ambulances.	Percentage evacuated to Base.
2nd Aust Division.	1.07	.63
3rd do	2.20	1.23
4th do	.88	.83
5th do	.72	.62

WEEKLY ANALYSIS OF SICK ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL PERIOD

noon 14 - 6 - 18 to noon 21 - 6 - 18

UNIT	Diarrhoea Admtd.	Scabies	V.D.	P.U.O.	Other Diseases.	Total Admtd Sick.
<u>5th A.I.Bde.</u>						
17th Battn.	-	-	-	17	9	26
18th do	-	8	-	3	4	15
19th do	1	-	1	1	2	5
20th do	-	2	-	2	7	11
<u>Bde Total</u>	1	10	1	23	22	57
<u>6th A.I.Bde.</u>						
21st Battn.	-	-	-	-	2	2
22nd do	-	-	-	9	3	12
23rd do	-	3	2	2	6	13
24th do	-	-	-	1	3	4
<u>Bde Total.</u>	-	3	2	12	14	31
<u>7th A.I.Bde.</u>						
25th Battn.	-	-	1	3	5	9
26th do	-	-	2	-	8	10
27th do	-	1	1	1	3	6
28th do	-	-	-	-	2	2
<u>Bde Total.</u>	-	1	4	4	18	27
<u>Arty.</u>						
4th AFA Bde.	-	-	-	-	-	-
5th do	-	-	-	-	-	-
D.A.C.	-	1	-	1	-	2
<u>Arty Total.</u>	-	1	-	1	-	2
Pioneers.	-	-	-	12	5	17
Engrs Sigs & D.H.Q.	-	1	1	1	1	4
A.A.S.C.	-	-	1	1	-	2
Miscellaneous.	-	1	1	1	2	5
Machine Gun Btn.	-	2	-	1	3	6
3 Ambulances.	-	-	-	6	4	10

TOTALS FOR DIVISION

V.D. CONTRACTED AT

Remained. 43
 Admitted. 164
 Evacuated. 109
 To Duty. 46
 Remaining. 52

U.K. 2
 St LEDGER 1
 Bertencourt. 2
 SAILLY -sur-SOMME 1
 St OUE. 1
 Relapse 3

SICK PERCENTAGES OF AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONS FOR WEEK ENDING

FORMATION	Percentage admitted to Field Ambulances	Percentage evacuated to Base
2nd Aust Div.	1.42	1.33
3rd do	2.42	1.01
4th do	.58	.77
5th do	1.02	.54

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WEEKLY ANALYSIS OF SICK ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL PERIOD

Noon 21 - 6 - 18 to Noon 28 - 6 - 18

UNIT	Diarrhoea Admtd.	Scabies	V.D.	P.U.O.	Other Diseases.	Total Admtd Sick.
5th A.I. Bde.						
17th Battn.	-	-	2	1	3	6
18th do	-	5	1	6	7	19
19th do	-	-	2	2	4	8
20th do	-	-	1	1	5	7
Bde Total	-	5	6	10	19	40
6th A.I. Bde.						
21st Battn.	-	-	-	2	4	6
22nd do	-	1	1	37	3	42
23rd do	-	1	-	10	13	24
24th do	-	-	3	4	3	10
Bde Total.	-	2	4	53	23	82
7th A.I. Bde.						
25th Battn.	-	-	-	-	6	6
26th do	-	1	1	10	19	31
27th do	-	-	1	3	3	7
28th do	-	-	-	16	10	26
Bde Total.	-	1	2	19	38	70
Arty.						
4th AFA Bde.	-	-	-	-	-	-
5th do	-	-	-	-	-	-
D.A.C.	-	-	-	1	-	1
Arty Total.	-	-	-	1	-	1
Pioneers.	-	-	1	10	4	15
Engrs Sigs & D.H.C.	-	1	1	3	3	6
A.A.S.C.	-	-	-	1	1	2
Miscellaneous.	-	-	1	6	4	11
Machine Gun Btn.	-	3	2	4	5	14
3 Ambulances.	-	-	1	6	7	14

TOTALS FOR DIVISION

Remained.	52
Admitted.	257
Evacuated.	199
To Duty.	53
Remaining.	57

V.D. CONTRACTED AT

PARIS	1	
St LEDGER	1	
U.K.	3	
BERTEN COURT	1	Relapse 6
StOUEN	3	
St SAUVEUR	1	
LeHAVRE	2	

SICK PERCENTAGES OF AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONS FOR WEEK ENDING

22-6-18

FORMATION	Percentage admitted to Field Ambulances	Percentage evacuated to Base
2nd Aust. Div.	1.42	.79
3rd do	1.63	.82
4th do	.90	.68
5th do	1.81	.99

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SALVED FROM BUIRE C.C.S. BY 2ND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Tent-Marquee, large. Complete	1.	Helmets P.H.	box	1
Piano	1	Enamel & Tinware	"	1
Deck Chairs	13	Rubber goods & Canvas Bucket	1 box	1
Brush whitewash	1	Boots	2 bags	2
Stretchers	236	German M.G.		1
Bedsteads, iron, complete	155	Dishes tin	6	6
" " incomplete	55	Rubber Piping	3 bundles	3
" " head & feet	43	Buckets	11	11
Stands, iron bucket	2	Urine Bottles & cutlery	1 box	1
Screen, bed	1	Bandages 1 bale &	3 boxes	3
Panniers	40	Sundries	2 bales	2
Pumps and sprays	58	Tubs G.I.	4	4
Pump Filter, complete in basket	2	Copper	1	1
Disinfectant, drums	18	Reflector Lamp large	2	2
Oil, lubricating, drums	4	Bread cutters	1 box	1
Paint, drums	4	Bed Chambers, enamel	1	1
Glass boxes	5	Sterilizing Plant	1	1
Scrapers Mud.	13	Brazier	3 boxes	3
Windows, Celluliod in cases	18	Enamel ware	10	10
Matting rolls	1	Trays, wooden	1 bale	1
Sand Soap	7	Towels, roller	9	9
Trousers, short boxes	2	Tables, tray	13	13
Mufflers, woolen Bales	3	Fire Extinguishers	11	11
Scarfs woolen 2 Bales	3	Splints, leg, Thomas	18	18
Trousers, blue serge 3 bales	1 box	" arm "	3 sacks	3
Jackets " " Bales	1	" wood, adjustable	1 box	1
Suits " " 2 Bales	1 pann.	Anti-Toxin etc.	1	1
Slippers 1 Bale	3 boxes.	Chart Boards, pannier	2 bales	2
Quilt, eider down	1	Bolster slips	27 "	27
Mattress slips 1 bundle. & 13		Sheets bales	6 bales	6
Capt Comforters bales	1	Toilet Bags	12 bales	12
Trousers Pyjama "	8	Shirts, sleeping	4 "	4
Jackets " "	9	Woolens assorted	2 boxes	2
Suits " Panniers	1	Assorted clothes 9 bales	6 bales	6
Calico goods Bales	1	Quilts	1 "	1
Great Coat, blue serge "	1	Stockings, operation	6	6
Shirts unbleached 2 bales &	90	Lamps	8	8
Mosquito nets Bales	2	" stands	1 box	1
Overalls, rubber Boxes	1	" glasses		

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Headquarters,
27th. June 1918.

MONTHLY SANITARY REPORT FOR JUNE 1918.

Physique. Good. Reinforcements are generally good.

Billets. The Division while holding the line and in reserve has been billeted in tents, trench shelters, trench systems and bivouacs. None of the troops are billeted in villages owing to hostile bombing and shelling in the forward area. This has only one exception i.e. S. Brigade while in reserve at RIVERY. The only result of this has been that there is perhaps less incidence of P.U.O. than there would otherwise have been.

Clothing. Clothing is obtainable for troops but there is some shortage of Australian pattern. From health aspect it is quite satisfactory.

Food and Cooking. Food is good and ration plentiful. Little advantage is taken of horse meat ration. Vegetables have been supplied as amply as possible, but difficulties in obtaining potatoes has been experienced. In some cases cooks have worked within 2000 yards of the line, but this was not usual. Food was taken up by transport from cookhouses at a safe distance from line. Eventually it arrived warm and palatable. Out of the line there has been no difficulty. Efforts are being made gradually to improve cookhouses and cooking by education of all cooks.

Water. Obtained from authorised sources, attention is very generally paid to this matter by Commanders and discipline is, on the whole, good.

Latrines. Public latrines were erected in villages where necessary and box latrines supplied. Elsewhere no open latrines are in use in the Divisional Area. This of course does not apply in trench systems in areas recently seized from the enemy. Supply of new material and establishment of new systems take some time to perfect and everything to be desired was not in existence on the right of the Corps & Divisional Sector when this division left that area.

Baths and Laundries. With the warm weather swimming has proved inviting and Divisional Baths have not been required. All ranks have taken advantage of their opportunities. There has been an ample supply of clean clothing for all. Troops of 7th. A.I. Brigade, away from any available natural bathing, have all been bathed at CARDONNETTE.

Drying Rooms. Not available and not required.

Health of Troops. When looked at in the light of absolute figures has been good. P.U.O. has been still epidemic among the different units and has caused a higher admission rate to Field Ambulances. Cases of Trench Fever have not been observed among those retained during the course of the disease with the division.

V. D. Gonorrhoea 27, Syphilis 5, Sec. Syphilis 2, Py. Syphilis 3
Soft chancre 1, Ulcer 1, Warts 1, Relapse 15.
Contracted at. :-
Le HAVRE 2 Ailly-sur Somme 2
Rouen 2 St. Ledger 2
Bertancourt 3 St. Ouen 2
Paris 1 United Kingdom 6
Abbeville 3 Amiens

Arthur Phipps

Colonel,
A.D.M.S.

2nd. Australian Division.

MEDICAL WAR DIARY for 17th. Battalion, A.I.F.
from 21st. June - 30th. June, 1918
inclusive.

21st. June., 1918. Captain Piggott R.M.O. was relieved. The Battalion was in billets and trench shelters in the vicinity of GLISY. "A" and "B" Companies occupied a wood where the men were living practically under open-air conditions. Latrines and Cook-houses were in a satisfactory sanitary condition and the Companies had access close by to a large bathing pool. "C" and "D" Companies were also situated in a wood, living under healthy conditions. The Headquarters Company was billeted in the town in deserted houses and farm-buildings. Flies were numerous in the locality but all latrines were well looked after, and there ^{was} no collection of manure or stagnant water amongst the billets.

22nd. June, 1918. Eight men suffering from P.U.O. (Influenza) were being kept under observation and medical treatment in a barn, bedded with clean straw. Companies' Headquarters visited.

24th. June, 1918. Companies' Headquarters visited and latrines inspected. One ophthalmic case evacuated to C.C.S.

25th. June, 1918. No cases evacuated. A few dental cases were sent away to 5th. Field Ambulance. for treatment.

27th. June, 1918. Ten patients under observation and treatment with P.U.O. (Influenza), P.U.O., and P.U.O. (Trench Fever).

28th. June, 1918. During the day thirty-six (36) men reported sick with P.U.O. (Influenza) and were evacuated through lack of accommodation and in consideration of the fact that the Battalion was about to enter the Line. The majority of these patients reported sick during the afternoon, several within an hour of moving up to the trenches. The Battalion took over the position O.24.c.2.3. on the night 28/29th. June, 1918. The R.A.P. is a deep dug-out 20ft. X 10ft. in dimensions, with a timbered sloping passage leading downwards to it, along which are interposed two gas-proof screens. The accommodation is sufficient for five stretcher cases, while at least three stretcher cases could find shelter in the passage; the dug-out is in process of extension and when finished will have two entrances. Two ambulance stretcher squads occupy a dug-out close by and wounded are carried or conducted by them to the nearest relay post O.29.b.0.9. Thirty blankets, ten stretchers and splints (2 Thomas and two back) were taken over from R.M.Os 33rd. and 35th. Battalions. One casualty to 17th Battalion occurred during the relief.

29th. June, 1918. Four cases of P.U.O. and P.U.O. (Influenza) were sent down to the Nucleus Battalion during the 24 hours (12 m'night to 12 m'night). The trenches were inspected. "D", "B" and "A" Companies were in occupation of the front line with "C" in reserve. Latrine seats were deficient in the forward area and these were supplied from Battalion Headquarters as well as Chloride of Lime. Flies were very numerous, mainly owing to unburied bodies still remaining between the front line and support trench. Two were buried by sanitary men and others are being disposed of at night. All Latrine seats insufficiently sealed against flies have been padded on the inside with sacking soaked with chloride of lime solution.

30th. June, 1918. Two casualties occurred during the day. The epidemic of P.U.O. (Influenza) still continues. Eleven men were sent down to the Nucleus Battalion.

A. L. Lean

Captain., A.A.M.C.

A/R.M.O., 17th. Battalion, A.I.F.

War Diary - 19th Batta - June 1918

On night of May 31st - June 1st the Battalion relieved 18th Batta in line on sector in front of Thoulancourt. On night 5th - 6th June the battalion was relieved by 28th Batta. The tour in the line was uneventful till early morning of 5th, when the enemy attempted a raid with picked troops upon a company front. Though outnumbered four to one the company drove him out and inflicted heavy losses. Our casualties were light. A regimental stretcher bearer was awarded a Military Medal for his good work during the morning.

The conditions in the line were good. The carry out to R.A.P. was partly by trench and partly overland - distance about 1500 yards from front

line. Evacuation to A.D.S. was by one hand carry to wagon post and then by motor ambulance. The supply of drugs and dressings was adequate and quickly obtained. The Y.M.C.A. supplied hot cocoa, biscuits and cigarettes to R.A.P.

R.A.P. was built into side of a bank and finished off with sandbags.

Situation 1:20,000 Sheet 62D N.E. J.17.B.3.8.

Sanitation was good.

From 6th - 14th June the battalion was in reserve in trench line between Laboussaye and Franvillers.

When the division was relieved the battalion went to Rivery near Amiens. Two companies were in billets and two in bivouacs. The R.A.P. was a billet.

The work was not strenuous and opportunities for swimming were largely availed of.

The health of the men during the month was good. Food was good and in fair quantity. The men were bathed weekly and during the period a Foden lorry disinfectant was in use for clothing. Sanitation was well carried out. Latrines were of deep pit type. During the time at Rivery, Sanitary and Water Details and Regimental Bearers were brought up to strength and trained.

On 28th the battalion went into reserve in trench line east of Blangy Ironville. The R.A.P. was built into a steep bank.

Rorter Capt
R.A.P. 19th A.I. Batt

1/7/18.

War Diary
R.M.O. 20th Batta 1st-30th June 1918.

The commencement of the month found the Battalion in the front line opposite Marlaucourt with the 4th Division on our right. The weather was fine and warm, trenches dry and hostile shelling fairly light, very few casualties occurring until the third of the month when we had a few. There were very few sick men in the Battalion during this time in the line, most of the companies being quite free of the influenza epidemic which had broken out a few weeks before.

On the 5th June the 7th Brigade relieved the 5th Bde, the 27th Batta relieving this Batta. We moved back to a reserve position near Bouvay where we stayed until the 14th June. On the second night after being here a working party was caught in a gas shelled valley. The majority of the men came through O.K. but there were several with small blisters, one especially who was evacuated had large blisters on his knees caused by kneeling in a shallow trench during the bombardment. The majority of the

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men who paraded sick on account of the gas had symptoms of nausea, vomiting, burning throat, conjunctival congestion and feeling of weakness. A number had slight diarrhoea and had muddy coloured complexion. Most of these cases cleared up with treatment by alkalis and gastric sedatives.

The Battalion Rest Hut at Transport Line, was visited several times and found to be working satisfactorily, being supplied with soft diet by Field Ambulance in abundance and visited daily by neighbouring M.D. A large number of evacuations are saved by treating slight cases here and allowing cases from Field Ambulance to convalesce before rejoining their Coys.

Whilst in this reserve position the men were bathed at baths in Heilly, their trousers and tunics rinsed to delouse them and coat collars cleaned with petrol.

On the 14th June the Battr. marched back to near Pont Noyelle where they embarked and proceeded to Rivery near Amiens. The 32nd Battr. relieved us. Our men were nearly all camped in the fields in small hives built

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into banks, canvas sheets forming the roof and plaited wheat forming the front wall. R.A.P. in one end of Church Army Hut where there was accommodation also for about 6 or 7 sick men on stretchers.

During the next week, inoculations were carried out and percentage of men inoculated in the Battalion completed to 100%.

Meat safes were built for all Kitchens.

Dental inspection of all men in Battalion was made and nominal roll submitted to A.D.M.S.

Towards the end of stay in this area at Rivery, influenzal cases became more prevalent again, on the 27th of June 6 cases appearing suddenly in the Transport and several coming from the G. 17. Store. The S.A.A. section of 2nd D.A.C. were camped alongside our A Company and had a large number of their men down with

P.U.O. During the past few days our A Company has had an average of three or four cases of P.U.O. daily, whilst the other Companies are only slightly affected with P.U.O. At 2 p.m. on 28th June the Battalion

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marched out of the camp at Remy
and proceeded to Blangy-Tronville
where we had the evening meal and
then marched on to position as
Reserve Battalion. R. H. P. situated in a
tunnel running under railway and
is worked in conjunction with the
A. D. S. or loading Post which is in the
same place. We had a few casualties
as Bath was caught in a short
burst of shelling whilst crossing a
valley near their destination, a mixture
of Phosgene gas and H.E. and a suffocating
gas.

A number of influenza cases developed
during the past few days, otherwise
the men are healthy and well. Cooking
for all Coys. is done by three cooks
in sunken road near Bath. H. D.
Water supply is obtained from
Blangy-Tronville. Large numbers
of flies exist around kitchens and
dugouts and are being combatted by
large quantities of Chloride of lime,
careful disposal of refuse etc.
30th June finds Bath still in support
position in the line.

D. Salaman Capt
R. H. P. 20th Bath A. I. F.

PERIOD 1st JUNE - 30 JUNE 1918 MEDICAL WAR DIARY 21st BN A.I.F. L

1st 6/18. Battalion in La Houssoyette trench line (A.I.F. reserve Brigade). Water obtained from French ledgers for scoop of chloride of lime per water cart. Health of troops good. A few cases of measles is very infectious form of influenza. Nearly all these cases were sufficiently mild to be treated in line. No complications developed. Two cases were evacuated for treatment for measles to camp.

2nd 6/18. Battalion occupied line night 3/4. 6.8. All trenches except those of right company had box latrines. Box latrines sent out for use where needed. Only a few cases of influenza during stay in line. 3 cases light diarrhoea. Bronchitis of sick mil.

MEDICAL WAR DIARY.

PERIOD 1st JUNE - 30 JUNE 1918.

21st BN A.I.F.

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15.6.18 Battalion relieved in trench west of some
Battalion lines at the R.A.P. at quarry
near Meicourt. One officer was sent
French Fever. Only a few cases of Influenza
here a few slight cases of diphtheria
17.6.18 Battalion relieved (Divisional relief) occupied
La Houssoye until line.
18.6.18 Battalion moved to line & trench outside
Queinon R.A.P. established at 10 Charington
Road Queinon & provision made to hold
10 slightly sick cases. 6 stretchers & 12
blankets & medical comforts supplied by
C.O. of 6th Field Amb. for the purpose. Cases
were chiefly Influenza of which there
were 33 cases from 19.6.18 to 28.6.18. Only
two cases were severe enough to need evacuation
One case of Typhus & one of Gonorrhoea were
evacuated. Neither contracted locally. An early

MEDICAL WAR DIARY PERIOD 1st 6.18 - 30.6.18 21st Bn A.I.F.

Treatment room was established but no one availed himself of it.

28.6.18 Divisional Relief. 21st Bn occupied line to right of Blangy Tronville. Two of water details left at Quenien with 11 slightly sick cases. These removed by Maltese cart on following day to billet in La Motte. Hand discharged duty on 30.6.18.

29.6.18 One severe case Influenza evacuated. 12 more cases in Battalion. These held & were evacuated 1.7.18 to La Motte per horse ambulance supplied by O.C. 7th Ambulance.

Apart from Influenza the health of troops was good. During stay at Quenien a field oven was built & was very satisfactory providing a variety in the diet of the men. Lagoon at Quenien was made much use of by troops.

Officer in Charge
21st Bn

MEDICAL WAR DIARY PERIOD 1st 6.18 - 20.6.18 21st BN A.I.F.

Treatment room was established but no one availed himself of it.

28.6.18 Diversional Relief. 21st BN occupied line to right of Blangy Tronville. Two of water details left at Quevies with 11 slightly sick cases. These removed by mallee cart on following day to billet in La Motte. Then discharged to duty on 30.6.18.

29.6.18 One severe case Influenza evacuated. 12 more cases in Battalion. These held & were evacuated 1.7.18 to La Motte per horse ambulance supplied by O.C. 7th Ambulance

Apart from Influenza the health of troops was good. During stay at Quevies an Field oven was built & was very satisfactory providing a variety in the diet of the men. Lagoon at Quevies was made much use of by troops.

Ray Campbell
RSM 21st BN

RMO 23rd BnHerewith Notes for War Diary Rmo 23rd Bn June 1918

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June 1-8. In line ~~in~~ in front of Buire. R.A.P. in chalk pit alongside Buire Railway station. Line of evacuation - ~~for~~ hand carry to loading post at other end of Buire - 800 yds. Ambulance Car at loading post. no difficulty in evacuating cases.

Sanitation of front line & support trenches excellent.

Sanitation of HQ & isolated billets in Buire not so good, the remains of this village being very dirty.

Health of troops fair - a number of cases of P.U.O. were evacuated. Battle casualties were few & evacuated without any delay.

Water Supply uniformly good.

June 8-15 In support ~~just behind~~ ^{close to} Ribemont. R.A.P. at Batt. HQ. Health of troops better than previous week.

Evacuation by hand carry to road - 400 yds. - thence by car to A.D.D. - No delay.

During the above fortnight the Wagon Lines were 2 Transvaal. Sanitation excellent. Health of

horses good & disposal of manure satisfactory.

June 15-25 In Corps Reserve line near Bussy - close to Querrin. Short epidemic of P.U.O. - of Influenzal type - no typical Typhoid fever. Features. Headache, general body pains, sudden onset, fever 102 to 104, pulse 100-160, occasional vomiting. Tongue not much furred.

Water Supply from running stream - tested pure.

A large number of cases of boils carbuncles & abscesses. This is attributed entirely to shortage of green vegetables. Efforts were made by Q.M. to remedy this without avail.

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During this period the following medical work was also carried out

Inoculation The TAB inoculations were brought up to 100% - approximately 200 men being re-inoculated

Dental Inspection of the whole unit was made & men requiring attention were sent to D.O.

6th Std Ambulance for treatment

Scabies The whole unit was inspected & several uncomplicated cases were discovered & treated in the lines.

General Incidence practically nil - one or two isolated cases of recurrences.

Sterilization & disinfection Blankets were put through Jodan Thresh, & the construction of a Patent Delouser was recommended (not yet completed)

Sick Parades Averaged from 12 to 30 - the great majority being cases of Influenza or Staphylococcal infection, as mentioned above

Bathing A large bathing pool was available & was made full use of. Fresh underclothes were issued at the baths.

The Sanitation of this area was good in spite of the fact that the camp was taken over in a dirty condition & that more than half the trench latrines had been taken away

General health of men apart from influenza epidemic was excellent - & morale also excellent. Abundant recreational training in afternoons had ^{stagnant} effect

R. H. M. Capel

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DIARY OF A.M.C. ATTACHED TO 24th BATTALION, A.I.F.

On night of May 31st-June 1st whilst the battalion was in support near RIBEMONT the village was heavily shelled with gas shells for over 3 hours; and the R.A.P. and Bn. Hqrs. were situated in the village and the gas was so thick that it was necessary to wear helmets until morning when the gas cleared away. Soon after Bn. Hqrs. moved out of the village to dugouts about 1/2 mile distant.

About 10. a.m. of 1st June gas casualties began to report at R.A.P. a large number of artillery men were very badly gassed and also some battalion men, chiefly suffering from severe conjunctivitis. In the evening the R.A.P. moved out of the village to a small iron shed near Bn. Hqrs. and established an R.A.P. By 5. p.m. on June 2nd about 40 men had passed through R.A.P., of these 25 men and 5 Officers had been evacuated from the Battalion suffering from the effects of gas. Many had severe conjunctivitis, but a large number had gas burns on the feet and legs caused through walking through the long grass and crops; many were burned on the heels and toes, the gas evidently passing through the leather of the boots, which were wet from the grass. Most of the casualties were amongst linesmen (signallers), who were out during the bombardment mending telephone wires, these men were chiefly affected on the knees and feet with large gas burns.

During the 8 days the Bn. was in support, many men were evacuated suffering from P.U.O. On night of 8th/9th June the A.M.C. took over front line R.A.P. forward of BUIRE - a small place built of sheet iron, and set into the side of a large quarry close to the railway station.

During the first few days many cases of P.U.O. reported, and were treated in a small hospital we established in a cellar in BUIRE. On night of June 9th the 7th Bde. on our right attacked, and the 23rd Bn. carried out a raid on our front. About 20 casualties were treated at our R.A.P.

The Battalion raided on night of 14th/15th and about 20 casualties including some prisoners passed through R.A.P.

During our tour of 8 days the A.M.C. was worked very hard.

The casualties were rather heavy, over 50 for the Battalion, and there were many cases of P.U.O. treated at the cellar in BUIRE.

About June 24th the number of cases of P.M.O. began to increase at a great rate. This was due to the fact that the men were crowded into small bivouacs built of sandbags. Four or five men were sleeping in places which should have accommodated not more than two or 3., and in these bivouacs the ventilation was about as bad as it could be. Whilst in the front line the number of cases of P.U.O. was relatively small, but now as many as 18 to 20 a day were reporting.

A small hospital about 14 feet by 8 feet was built of iron and made to accommodate 9 patients. Isolation of cases was carried out as far as possible and most of the cases were kept with the Bn., only very few being evacuated.

On June 28th a three roomed cottage was secured in LAMOTTE for a temporary hospital, staffed with 2 A.M.C. men, 2 stretcher bearers and cook. Stretchers were obtained from ambulance to serve as beds, and medical comforts etc. got from ambulance and Y.M.C.A.

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This place was made to accomodate 25 to 30 men, and up to the present has been continually full. All men are sent to a large tent situated in fields outside the village, as soon as temperature is normal to rest for 48 hours before returning to companies. Large numbers of P.U.O. are still reporting daily, and the epidemic appears to be getting more virulent ; the cases are worse than at first and the after effects worse.. Many present signs of stiffness of neck and back muscles with severe headaches, characteristic of meningismus.

2/7/18.

Donald W Coutts Major
RMO. 24th Bn.

A.D.M.S.

D.A.D.M.S.

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25 Bn

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June 18

25 Bn A.I.F.
8-7-18

I was transferred from 2nd A.M.C. Bn to 25th A. Inf Bn on 18-6-18. Before this, however, my medical orderly after doing good work continually since joining the A.I.F. received his sword stripe. Corporal Thomas, was a first class man for his job, willing, capable & always cheerful, a man who in the "Rong" would take one on the point with the same good natured smile that he gave it.

On the 18th of June I was reattached as R.M.O. to the 25th Bn, it being over 3 years since I was first appointed as R.M.O. to that unit. Very few of the original officers were left, but quite a no of original R.C.O.s now hold commissions, & many faces were familiar of the original A.M.C. Details one only No 1062 Pte SMITH. P.M.H. remained, having transferred to the infantry & remain with his Battalion. On a recent occasion there had been a large no of casualties

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Amongst the Bn. Headquarters, the Bn. Major Power DSO & his orderlies all being casualties.

The 25th Bn. at the time of my joining were bivouacked in a wood, & two facts are worthy of Recording.

1. There was great difficulty in providing shelter for the men, many were in small hives the only roofing of which consisted of bushes. This was excellent when the weather was fine - but at times it rained fairly heavily.

Note Within a few hundred yards was a large quantity of ideal material for building shelters, namely a shell or bomb wrecked shed with quantities of galvanized iron, but it was absolutely forbidden for the men to make use of this material.

2. A neighbouring Battalion was billeted in a village but the amt of PVO (Influenza) amongst this Bn. was I believe much greater than in the 25th Bn., thus emphasizing the disadvantage of having men crowded together in badly ventilated billets.

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On the night of 27-8-18 the Battalion took over the front line. The R.A.P. was located in the spacious cellars of a chateau, in one of the cellars also was located the cookhouse of one coy. The place was almost if not quite gas proof, & on one occasion the gas curtains had to be lowered.

There was ample accommodation at this R.A.P., but a deep dug out R.A.P. was almost completed for this sector which I shall criticize on separate paper as I think it is a matter that calls for consideration & some different plan of action in the future. The R.A.P. was (I am referring to the dug out) was excellent from the point of view of the safety of those actually within it but there were two great drawbacks

- 1 It was a long way behind the line almost 2,500 ^{yards} from our left flank
- 2 The Dressing Room, tho the gradient was good, was too far down should there be a number of casualties.

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On the 4th July the Battalion took part in & secured their full share of the fine successful attack which occurred on the morning of that date. For this occasion the Engineers constructed an Emergency RAP in a trench within 1000 yards of the objective, this RAP consisted of an excavation about 7'6" by 9 ft, roofed with Iron & Camouflaged, quite a good dressing room, but the difficulty was in getting stretchers in as the sap or trench was very narrow, & also there was not a vestige of protection for any waiting wounded - walkers or stretcher cases, except a few very few walking cases that could get into the sap, but fortunately I don't think we had more than 2 stretcher cases waiting at any one time.

Ambulance & Regimental Bearers did their work well on this occasion. After the stunt Old RAP was succeeded, on 5th 18, the BR was relieved.

Stretcher on stretcher

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30/5/18.

Relieved from the Buire Sector line and marched to the Franvillers reserve trenches.

R.A.P. at Franvillers consisted of a dug-out at rear of trench.

A larger dug-out was made and used as a Battalion Rest Hut in which about 6 men were kept for 48 hours or longer if there were few sick.

5/6/18.

Marched to Gully R.A.P. on the left above Vaux-sur-Somme.

Here Battalion was in dug-outs on the steep bank. Although change of clothing took place before arrival in three days time the men had lice.

This Gully was subjected to irregular sudden shelling which caused a few casualties, also it was severely bombarded with gas shells. Great care was taken with regard to Small Box Respirators and only a few slightly gassed cases occurred. Epidemic Influenza broke out on arrival in this area. In a few days nearly half one Company were affected, most of whom were sent to Transport lines where arrangements were made for their treatment. In nearly all cases the temperature subsided after 48 hours and within a week a patient was well enough to return to duty.

While in this area the Battalion was constantly on night fatigue work with pick and shovel. The nights were chilly and since all blankets were recalled before leaving Franvillers the men experienced some discomfort.

R.A.P. was a very small dug-out, not gas proof, and not particularly well protected.

9/6/18.

Battalion moved up into reserve forward position on left above and forward of Sailly-le-Sec in vicinity of Morlancourt. The R.A.P. was in the ravine and consisted of a small well protected dug-out, gas proof and capable of holding one stretcher case and two walking wounded. On the night of the 10th. inst. at 10.p.m. the 7th. Brigade advanced about half a mile on a mile front and about 300 prisoners were taken.

One Company of 26th. Battalion ("B" Coy) occupied the old front line at the moment of advance. Most of the casualties were evacuated to the left through Mericourt area. The 51st. Battalion R.A.P. was a few yards distant from our R.A.P. and the former attended to stretcher cases while our R.A.P. did the walking wounded.

About 60 walking wounded passed through our hands on the night of the attack. On the whole they were not of a serious nature and the moral of the wounded was good. The R.M.O. 26th. Battalion had a mild attack of Influenza and when seen by the D.A.D.M.S. on the day following the attack was sent back for two days rest at 7th. Field Ambulance. Capt. Daniels (7th. Field Ambulance) relieved.

The conditions for evacuation were good as a car could, at night, be brought up to the Ravine, otherwise wheeled stretchers were used as far as Vaux-sur-Somme with relay on the way.

14/6/18.

Relieved by 31st. Battalion and proceeded back to the Fresh switch at Frechencourt. Next day Capt Tymms returned from 7th. Field Ambulance back to duty. In this area the companies were dug in the banks which were somewhat distant from each other.

The epidemic continued although not so severe and all Coys were not affected.

Blankets were reissued on the 17th. inst. and recalled again on the 25th. inst. The 26th. Nucleus rejoined Battalion from Berteaucourt.

Sick parades became very large partly due to dental cases many of whom were attended to while at Frechencourt. The vicinity was periodically shelled, but although casualties occurred none were from this Battalion.

26/6/18.

Battalion changed over to reserve in Blangy Switch trenches N.34.& 35. The new Nucleus Battalion branching off to the vicinity of Lamotte during the march. Only two men fell out on the journey.

No R.A.P. was built here, an improvised one was occupied at N.35.a.5.1.

27/6/18.

The night was spent in this reserve area.

On the evening of the 27th.inst. the Battalion moved up to the front line beyond Villers Brettoneux, the extreme right Company being adjacent to the French.

Up to the 30th.inst. only 3 casualties occurred only one being of a serious nature.

Gas shelling on a small scale was experienced and there were no casualties.

The R.A.P.-O.35.c.2.8.- was a first class deep spacious dug-out with a double drive and perfectly gas proof. Thirty wounded men could be accommodated here.

The sanitary conditions of the Companies as regards fly proof box latrines was good - nine per Company.

Evacuation facilities were good. The R.A.P. was distant only 600 yards from the right front line Companies and 1000 yards from left Company, and 1000 yards in front of reserve Company & Battalion Headquarters.

Four squads of Ambulance bearers by wheelers conveyed wounded to wheeler relay 500 yards distant (O.34.a.8.4.) thence 800 yards to Motor loading post in the Railway Tunnel at O.27.d.7.9.

A.W. Lynms.

Captain.
R.M.O. 26th.Battalion.A.I.F.

To A.D.M.S. 2nd Australian Div.

Monthly Report

On the 24th the 1st unit with a new section, the RHP was 2700 yards behind front line and after 2 days moved up to now one about 1700 yards further up in preparation for an attack by Bonah which came off at 9.45 on the night of the 26th. The moon was in good position (back of horizon) and the weather beautiful. These factors assisted greatly in the evacuation of the wounded who in this thin section was practically cleared by day light. The wounds were mostly slight and being in the majority of cases machine gun bullets & other shell bullets. Except when absolutely necessary no field dressings were issued, all who wanted a drink, and it was advisable to give one to, had one and there was no kick in the evacuation. The attack being at sunset the enemy had no observation so cases could be carried overland by the shortest routes and the weather being warm very few wounded men were heavily shocked. Only 8 or 9 of the casualties were killed. The big majority of the wounded being very slight.

G. M. C. work 28th Bath.

June. 1918.

The most important event during the month was the attack by the 7th Brigade. S. W. of Morlancourt, ^{the 10th June.} The battalion relieved the 19th Bath in the line on the night of 5th June. The R. a. P. was a shelter built into the foot of a steep bank at S 17 b. 2. 7. (Sheet 62 D 1:40000) Two stretcher squads from the 6th A. Fa. carried cases from here back to the motor loading post behind Marrett wood. at S. 11 a. 5. 6.

This R. a. P. was not moved forward during the shunt, but the evacuation of wounded was rendered easier by the establishment of a motor loading post. about 200 yards from the aid post. About 90 cases were treated during the night of the attack. The evacuation proceeded smoothly & there was no undue congestion of cases. The Y. M. C. A. had a stall near the aid post & rendered valuable assistance by keeping the wounded supplied with hot cocoa.

The battalion was relieved on the night of 14th June, & the following day moved to Cardonville for 10 days rest. During this period the opportunity was taken of carrying out a medical inspection of the men, & of bringing the T. a. G. inoculations up to 100%. New stretcher bearers received a course of instruction in first aid work.

The health of the men during the earlier part of the month was good; but in the last 10 days there was a mild outbreak of influenza. Twenty nine cases were evacuated to Field Ambulance. - The majority of the cases were very mild. This outbreak appears to be subsiding satisfactorily.

During the last 4 days of the month the battalion was in support in the Villers. Bretonneux. sector. & the

R. a. P. was situated in a chateau at O 26 c. 9. 4 (Sheet 62 D 1:40000).

This post was worked in conjunction with the R. M. O. of the 27th Bath.; but only one casualty was put through during the period.

J. M. Harper Capt.

R. M. O. 28th Bath.

1st July 1918.

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May 1918.

WAR DIARY
or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Regtl. Medical Officer,
Divisional Engineers,

Army Form C. 2118.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bertangles	3rd 5th		June 1st- Nothing to record. Inoculations were completed for the Signal Company. The Field Companies were at Frechencourt, Querrieu and Rivery. Daily visitations to the 6th Coy. were carried out from Allonville, but owing to the distance the other companies were only visited for sanitary inspection. On the 5th D.E.H.Q. moved to Allonville, the Companies remaining in the same places with the exception of the Div. Signal Company which accompanied D.H.Q.	
Allonville.	8th 9th		An epidemic of a severe nervous type of influenza broke out amongst the Wireless section. 8 cases were evacuated; 14 cases were treated in a special billet which was converted into a temporary regimental hospital. One case, of these 14, only that had severe coryza was isolated as a measles suspect. All these cases were coming from the garret billet in the chateau, the greater number being amongst the Wireless section. This billet was badly ventilated, though particular care had been taken by the Signal Orderly Officer to make the place as habitable as possible. It was deemed advisable to evacuate the whole garret Garret so about one hundred men had to be found new billets in the town.	
St Gratien	10th 11th		5 cases evacuated, two with D.A.H. Nil evacuated. 6 returned to their company after their blankets had been sterilised. These men were given 4 days "no duty" and ordered to report at the end of that period at the R.A.P. We moved to St. Gratien where a small billet, which had accommodation at the utmost for 10 cases, was utilised, and the convalescent men were brought by lorry from Allonville, and all arrived none the worse for the journey. From this onwards very few cases were bad enough to evacuate, and about 50 cases in all passed through this improvised regimental hospital and were returned to their units. Men from the Field Coys. were brought down in Maltese cart or whatever other conveyance was available, and when better were taken by maltese cart to the Main Dressing Station where new blankets were supplied, they were then taken out on the main Albert Road and conveyed by lorries which were going to the R.E. Dump at Franvillers, they were then within a few hundred yards of their respective companies. These men were given "no duty" or "light duty" accordingly. The 6th Field Company had the greatest number of cases of P.U.O. commencing at the inception of the epidemic and lasting to the end of the month. Next came the 7th Coy. in which the epidemic did not manifest itself before the middle of the month. The 5th Coy. was also late in being attacked. The Field Companies were in the neighbourhood of Franvillers, and the H.Q. of one Coy. when in the line was located at Heilly and forward sections in the neighbourhood of Ribemont. Sick parades were held at 2 o'clock at the 5th Coy. H.Q. The forward sections and forward Coy. H.Q., which were all very scattered, were only visited for sanitary inspection.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
St.Gratien.			<p>On the 22nd/23rd the 7th Coy. had a number of gas casualties, most of which were evacuated direct; a few who were slightly gassed were treated near Franvillers. The 5th Coy. also had a number of gas casualties, very few of which were able to be treated with their units.</p> <p>For the month there has been little diarrhoea, only one case of suspected dysentery and one case of ? diptheria since negative.</p> <p>The medical detail of the 7th Field Company, Sapper Tamblyn, was evacuated, and Sapper Wallis has been detailed by the O.C. to replace him. I would like to record my appreciation of the services of Sapper Tamblyn as medical orderly to the 7th Coy. from 1916 to the middle of 1918. He has always shown great devotion to his duty and the greatest interest in his work. The health of the men in all field companies and signal company is quite satisfactory.</p> <p><i>A. A. M. C.</i> Major, A.A.M.C., R.M.O. 2nd Australian Divisional Engineers.</p>	

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2nd Australian Division June 95

Report for Compilation of War Records.

- 1 Medical details for an offensive do not apply
- 2 Conditions of the men of the unit.

During the past month the health & well being of the men has been good, but towards the close of the month an epidemic of influenzal type & pyrexia made its appearance. The men of one company going down one after another & during the last 24 hours it has made its appearance in the other companies. The attack this apparently severe does not last long, the majority of the cases being able to resume full duty after 3 days.

The food issued has been of good quality, clean, wholesome & sufficient. The food is prepared under clean & wholesome conditions. Some endeavours has been made to stimulate company cooks to try & introduce a little more variety in the preparation of the usual monotonous fare.

The facilities for bathing at Divisional Baths have been unavailable, but being closely situated to a good running stream ample facilities have been at hand for the men to carry out bathing individually. This has been very largely used by the men of the unit. Clean clothes have likewise been issued to them as frequently as possible.

The sanitary arrangements of the Taveris Company Camps have been excellently carried out by the details appointed for that work & the Camps have all been clean comfortable & sanitary as they could possibly be.

Water has been supplied by carts from the nearest water point & has been duly chlorinated before issue. The carts themselves being in a clean wholesome condition.

The feet of the units have received the necessary attention the foot trouble is practically unknown in this unit.

3 Cases of V.D. has presented themselves for treatment no cases of Scabies have occurred during the month.

For Your Information please.

A B Stille RMO

I B Stille Train

Field. June 28. 1915.

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AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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4th Austro F. Arty Bde.

Medical War Diary June 1918

June 1. ^{H.Q. 11th Bty} R.M.O. visited ^{H.Q. 11th Bty} forward position and R.A.P. in Bresle and found everything satisfactory. Enemy shelling the area for about an hour. no casualties passed through R.A.P. 12 fly proof latrine seats obtained from 1st Aust. San.

June 2. Inspection of wagon lines of 104th and 12th Bty. Conditions most satisfactory

June 3rd Inoculations of 10th, 11th & 12th Bty personnel proceeded with. At 1.30 pm. about 5 shells fell in Frechen court Sgt 62 D one 'short' burst near 10th Bty wagon lines and wounded 2 B.A.C. men attached to 10th Bty. These cases were sent off by Amb. car, obtained from 5th Austro F. Amb. (M.D.S.) after 1st aid was given by R.M.O. I think it worth noting that a U.S. Doctor ^(Dr. Secor) attached to U.S. Engineers located in neighborhood proceeded to 10th Bty and offered assistance, he then went into Frechen court to make sure no other casualties had occurred. 10th & 11th Bty wagon lines inspected and found in most satisfactory condition

June 4th Inoculations of 12th Bty personnel proceeded with. Majority of cases on Sick parades at present report with 'boils'. Otherwise health of Troops is most satisfactory. R.M.O. visited H.Q. Bde, Forward Battery positions of all the Bde Bties and R.A.P. Bresle. Lt. 104th Bty reported that use of Ammonia Capsules after gas shelling

a few nights previously had given great relief to several men. no casualties occurred. Cnr. Emanuel (10th Bty) relieved Cnr. Crawford (11th Bty) at R.A.P. Bresle.

5/6/18 Inspection of 10th & 11th Bty W.L.S. Rantime

6/6/18 Inspection of 10th & 104th Bty W.L.S. Inoculations of 104th Bty proceeded with. Under instructions from A.D.M.S. 2nd Aust. Div. L/C Montague, temp. attached to the Bde for Water Duties returned to 5th Aust. P. Amb.

7/6/18 Inspection of 10th & 12th Bty W.L.S. both in good order. Demonstration of water testing to water details.

8/6/18 Inspection of 10th, 11th, 12th, 104th W.L.S. manure at 12th Bty W.L.S. not being disposed of. Arrangements made with responsible officer for this to be done. R.M.O. visited H.Q. Bde 11th & 12th Bty positions and R.A.P. Bresle - all satisfactory.

9/6/18 R.M.O. Inspected 104th Bty & 12th Bty W.L.S.

10/6/18 Inoculations of 10th & 11th Bties proceeded with. First rain for the month during day.

11/6/18 R.M.O. visited H.Q. Bde 10th, 11th, 12th Bty positions and F.W.L.S. of 11th Bty also R.A.P. Bresle all in satisfactory state. Dr. Layman (12th Bty) relieved Cnr. Veread at Aid Post Bresle.

12/6/18 Inspection of W.L.S. of 104th, 10th, 11th & 12th Bties

13/6/18 Inoculations of 104th Bty proceeded with. It is only possible to inoculate from between 10 and 20 men at a time for the following reasons. 1st only a certain number of men are at the wagon lines at a time the remainder being with the guns. 2nd only a certain proportion of the men at the W.L.S. can be done at a

time as otherwise too many men might be suffering with after effects in the event of an enemy offensive. 3rd Personnel at gun pits cannot be done while there.
 14/6/18 RMO inspected forward positions of all Batteries as well as R.A.P. Breese and H.Q. Bde all found satisfactory.

15/6/18 Routine

16/6/18 Routine.

17/6/18 Sick parades to be held for the future at 7.30 am. instead of 9.0 am.

Dental Inspection of Personnel of 11th Bty 19 cases requiring treatment found.

RMO visited Bde H.Q. R.A.P. Breese and 11th Bty forward position. Gun Crawford relieved Gun Emanuel at R.A.P.

18/6/18 New epidemic of Influenza started with 3 cases in 11th Bty, these cases being isolated in sick tent. Lecture to Sanitary Details of 4th and 5th Bdes in P.M. by S/pt of 1st San. Section. 13 details in attendance. Some days previously arrangements had been made with V.C. 1st A. San. Sect. asking him to give the lecture if possible, but he was unable to do it himself so sent his S/pt. The 5th A.F.A. Bde RMO agreed to send his details. Last month a lecture was given to Under-Studies of Water Details by S/pt of 3rd A. San. Sect and he seemed to be much keener on talking on Sanitation than water duties; with the 1st A. San. Sect it was the other way round. If possible I hope to get them

again at a later date and will inter-
change the subjects.

19/6/18 Inoculations of 10th 11th 12th 14th Bties proceeded
with. Dental examination of 10th and
12th Bty personnel. One further case of
Influenza reported. Weather wet most of day.

20/6/18 Inoculations of 11th 14th Bties proceeded
with. Dental inspection of 10th Bty.
Nominal roll of all ^{men of} batteries requiring
dental treatment forwarded to Admin
foral 150 for the 10th Bty.
Further cases of Influenza reporting
O.C. + 2 officers of 10th Bty 10th Bty.
Cases isolated. I hear that there is
a bad epidemic of it in the 3rd A. Div
Bty. and in the London Field Ambce.
which clears the road post in Breck.
No cases being down with it in the latter.
Comforts for patients obtained from 15th A. Div.
Inoculations for month to date 281.

Weather cold and dull, no rain
21/6/18 Inoculations proceeded with in all Bties
and H.Q. visited forward timber lines and
forward Bty positions. Further cases
of Influenza reported.

22/6/18 Inoculations of all Bties & H.Q. proceeded
with. On receipt of wire notifying
illness of O.C. and another officer at
10th Bty position R.M.C. proceeded
with forward and ordered evacuation
of wagon lines. Visited 10th 11th 14th Bty
positions & H.Q. 10th Bty forward W.L.

23/6/18 Influenza still prevalent. Routine
 24/6/18 ditto. Total of 376 inoculations for month ^{giving}
 a percentage of 98.75% done in the Bde in the first 24 hours.
 25/6/18 Routine. R.M.O. visited H.Q. Bde 10th, 11th Btys &
 Bty position F.W.L. of 15th Bty. Aid post Breale
 and A.D.S. Albert Amiens Rd.
 26/6/18 Routine. Bde Laganan ⁽²⁰⁰⁰⁾ from Aid Post
 to 12th Bty W.L. 12th Bty moved to Sht 62 D 22d 64.
 27/6/18 Routine. Car Crawford evac from Aid Post
 Breale to 11th Bty W.L. with Influenza
 equipment removed in P.M. As 12th Bty
 have moved from vicinity and only
 1/3 of 11th Bty remain to clear through
 aid post it was decided to stop
 staffing it. There is still the bearer
 squad from the A.D.S. Albert Amiens Rd
 occupying the post and sufficient
 equipment was left with them
 for use in case of casualties
 until their own Ambce (32 Home
 Counties Ambce) was able to supply
 them. O.C. A.D.S. notified.
 28/6/18 Routine. R.M.O. visited Bde H.Q. 11th Bty and
 Aid post Breale also forward wagon lines
 of all Bties. Arrangements made with
 American M.O. in vicinity of F.W. lines
 to look after sick parades of latter.
 29/6/18 Routine
 30/6/18 Routine
 Total strength of Bde as on 28/6/18 3200 384 I.O. Ranks
 Reinforcements for month 7.2. 14 O.R.
 Evacuated for month 1.0. 9 O.R. (Sick) 10. 6 O.R. (wounded)
 1.0. 2 O.R. accidental exposure. R.M.O. 4th A. 7. A. Bde
 Draker Capt

R.M.O. Monthly Report.
 4th A.F.A. Bde June 1918
Health of Troops. The health during
 the first 3 weeks of the month
 was excellent but during
 the last 10 days influenza
 began to appear and is still
 prevalent. Notes regarding the
 epidemic are being compiled
 and will be forwarded with
 July's Report. In most cases fever is of very
 short duration.
Food. The food has been good but
 vegetables have been very
 scanty. Cooking has given satisfaction.
Bathing. The personnel have received
 regular baths as well as
 bathing opportunities for bathing
 in the Kallie River about 830 a.m.
Marching. No movement of the Brigade
 has taken place since last
 report. The Bty shrapnel
 have been very little in demand.
Inspections. Inspections for Scabies have
 been held at bathing parades.
 One or two mild cases were noted
 but cleared up with treatment.
Water Details. A demonstration on
 water testing was given during
 the month. 3 of the details were

sick during the month and extra men had to do their duties in the meantime.

Sanitary Details By arrangement with OC, 1st Austin Sanitary Section a letter was given to the Sanitary details of the 4th & 5th A.F.A. Bde by the Supt of the Section during the month on Sanitation and duties of details.

R.A.P. Bresle Sht 62D D15a. As stated in the Report for May, this post was held by 2 orderlies and cleared by stretcher bearers from the A.P.S. D15d 8.2. On the 26th Inst the 12th Bty moved forward to Sht 62D D22d 64, and as the aid post only would be of service to 1 section of a Bty (11th Bty) it was decided to evacuate the post. The remaining batteries being within a few hundred yards of the A.P.S. D15d 8.2, a detail from the 11th Bty was left in the aid post with the stretcher bearers until 27th Inst, when he was evacuated sick to wagon lines. During the time of occupation of the aid post 15/6/18 to 27/6/18 Returns are as follows: ^{4th A.F.A. Bde} Number wounded 9, evacuated 8. Other Units (Imperial) wounded 23, evacuated 23. Total 32 wounded treated 31 evacuated.

Conditions of working with Ambulance, supplies and equipment were reported in Report for May and have not been changed. Supplies and Medical comforts were obtained through the 15th Field Ambce who took over from the 5th A. F. Ambce.

Recreation. An Australian YMCA is established alongside the Bty Wagon lines.

Swimming and Cricket have been the main sports interests in. Matches in the latter have taken place between the Brigade Batteries and Batteries in the neighbourhood. In view of a Sports meeting being held when the Brigade goes out to rest preparations for training have already begun.

Dental. Teeth of Personnel have been inspected and nominal list of men ^(20 Feb 1916) requiring treatment forwarded to Adms. & Quarters Div. By arrangement with 2nd Div Art. Dental Officer a number of cases as required are sent to him each day for treatment.

Inoculations. 376 Inoculations were given during last month. J. C. Draper Capt
1/7/18 Rmd. 4th A. F. Bde.

Monthly War Diary

5th A.F.A. Bde
28.6.18.A.D.M.S. 2nd Aust. Division,

In June the 5th A.F.A. Bde has been continuously in action; but, since the sector has been relatively quiet, little other than of ordinary medical routine has taken place.

During this period, the gun positions though frequently interchanged have been in the region of HEILLY RIBEMONT and MERICOURT and owing to such frequent changes and the scattered positions of the batteries, an R.A.P. was not established at the guns. In all positions, batteries were near ambulance posts.

Casualties have been few, except in the 15th Battery position at RIBEMONT which on the morning of the 1st June was for 6 hours shelled with gas and H.E. In this battery, although precautions were taken as far as possible, practically all Officers & other ranks at the gun position were affected, slightly or seriously. Several deaths at C.C.S. and Base occurred up to 14 days after gassing. The gas used was mixed - probably Yellow X and

Green X₂ The evacuation of these cases was carried out satisfactorily, ambulances arriving at position on demand; and all men, as soon as it was safe, left the gassed area.

Those cases only slightly gassed - officers and men, speak highly of the relief obtained by using the Ammonia Capsules with which all ranks are now issued. This relief is especially noticed in the stoppage of the sneezing and pharyngeal irritation due to Di-phanyl chlorarsene (Blue X).

The fitness of the troops has been good until the latter end of the month when there was a great increase in number of cases of P.O.D. (influenzal). Cases of this were not confined to one particular battery or wagon lines but came from all fourteen gun positions, forward limber lines and rear wagon lines. All precautionary measures were taken and increased attention to sanitation, bivouacs and state of forward dugouts did little to stop the spread. Cases and contacts were isolated as far as possible, but only with the onset of finer weather has the epidemic commenced to decline.

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Only three of these cases necessitated evacuation.

The general sick wastage of this brigade for the month has not been high. The majority of evacuations were injuries and accidents.

Every opportunity is being taken of bathing and swimming at both forward and rear positions, and clean clothing has been issued to batteries weekly.

P.C. inoculation of brigade with T.A.B. vaccine has been commenced but as the batteries are in action, this is progressing but slowly.

No cases of venereal disease have occurred during the month. Only five men reported to prophylactic tent for preventative treatment.

During this month, the dental fitness of each man has been ascertained and as there is now a Divisional Artillery Dental Officer, all ranks when relieved from the forward positions are being advised to receive dental treatment when this is necessary. Inflammatory conditions of the mouth are very scarce.

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Lectures have been given to
Sanitary Details and also to
Water Details, and this personnel
is now working satisfactorily.

P. Campbell Capt
RMO
5th ATA Bde.