

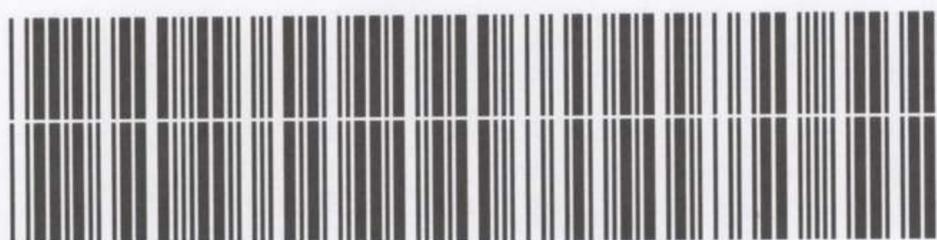
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WAR DIARY

OF

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

FOR

JANUARY

1919.

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Colonel, A. D. M. S.

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Colonel, A. D. M. S.

WAR DIARY

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.~~

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Marcinelle.	1/1/19.		From D.M.S., 4th Army. Proposed to start school in Brussels for M.O's. Information sent all M.O's. and applications called for. Lt.Col. A.M.Wilson (D.S.O.) 7th Aust. Field Amb., and Major C.F.Pitcher proceeded to report D.M.S., London en route for Australia.	
	2/1/19.		Represented by several R.M.Os. that a great shortage exists in supplies of Drugs etc., this matter has been referred to the proper Authorities. Shortage due to movement of Advanced Depot Medical Stores.	
	3/1/19.		<i>Represented by</i> Memo. from D.H.Q. <i>DIW</i> .Commander that some personnel may be billeted with people of German sympathy. Instructions issued for action to be taken to remedy same. G.O.C., A.I.F., (Gen. BIRDWOOD) visited Units of Division.	
	4/1/19.		From A.Q. Forwarding approval for Early Repatriation of Captain YULE of No. 100 Dental Section. Lt. DONKIN of 67 Dental Unit sent to relieve. To D.D.M.S. Several trucks German Medical Equipment in Station Yard at WALCOURT. Guard has been placed over same, and 5th Amb. instructed to examine contents. Major F.T.BEAMISH proceeded to report D.M.S., A.I.F., en route for Australia.	
	5/1/19.		Major E.P. ^{<i>BOUR</i>} BARLOW, R.M.O., 2nd. Australian Div. Train proceeded to London on instructions D.M.S.	
	8/1/19.		During early part of month work of Dental Units was hampered by the shortage of methylated spirits. Report and Estimated weekly requirements sent D.H.Q.	

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Marcinelle.	11/1/19.		From D.D.M.S. asking what Equipment Medical and Ordinance is British, and what Australian. Copy to 3 Ambulances for action. To D.D.M.S. It is all Australian.	
	17/1/19.		The question of the Command of 7th Field Amb. was raised to-day. The matter is being thoroughly gone into, All the senior Majors in the Division being early Category, they are naturally not keen to command an Ambulance.	
	18/1/19.		Presentation of Belgian Medals made at MARCINELLE by Belgian General. "Blue Light" Depot opened at Brussels. M.O. in charge to be responsible for health of troops visiting Brussels, and also Sanitation.	
	19/1/19.		Memo. to 3 Ambs., and all R.M.Os. ref. V.D., also calling for names of M.Os. with considerable experience re. V.D. question. The men appear to be taking every opportunity of being treated at the "Blue Light" Depots both in Charleroi and Brussels. Charleroi have treated 4-5000 during the month, and Brussels are averaging 80 daily.	
	20/1/19.		From D.M.S. ref. proposed School for M.Os. Now decided not to put in operation. Demobilisation would interfere with same.	
	21/1/19.		No.83 Dental Unit reported for duty. Attached D.H.Q. for Dental Treatment Divisional Troops. Notification sent all Units. Memo. from 6th Field Amb. asking if details attached Units are to be put on Ambulance Repatriation Roll. To 3 Ambs. instructions to place all Water Details on Rolls of Ambulance. To A.Q. Reference Medical Equipment (German) at Gare St. Therese, Charleroi. O.C. Advanced Medical Depot, says stores are valueless. Offers obtained for paper bandages, etc. Fwd. D.H.Q.	

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Marcinelle.	22/1/19.		Memo. from A.Q. ref. Completion of University course in United Kingdom for Medical Officers. Copy sent 3 Ambulances: D.D.M.S. wired for numbers immediately. No applications. From D.D.M.S. Instructions to inspect and report on P.O.W., Coy., JAMOULD. Instructions issued to 7th Aust. Amb. to inspect. Report forwarded D.D.M.S. From D.D.M.S. intimation received that vacancies exist for Officers at MICHELHAN Conval.Home. Instruction sent 3 Ambulances, and all R.M.Os.	
	23/1/19.		Instruction issued 3 Ambulances, and R.M.O. Water Details may reduced in proportion to strength of Unit.	
	24/1/19.		Capt. CAMERON G.H. 7th Field Amb. accompanied Quota to ENGLAND in charge of Medical arrangements	
	25/1/19.		Memo. from D.H.Q. that no Commanding Officer, Section Commander or Q.M. to be included in draft for Australia. Lt.-Col. RAFFAN reported to this Division for purposes of inspecting our arrangements with regard to V.D. Accompanied by D.A.D.M.S. visited "Blue Light" Depots in CHARLEROI, and also all R.A.Ps.	
	26/1/19.		Instructions received from A.Q. for Major COOK 6th Field Amb. to take Command 7th Amb. Further memo. cancelling previous memo. re COOK, matter still in abeyance. Notification received from A.Q. that Major BROWN D.G.W. is reporting for duty.	
	29/1/19.		Conference of Ambulance Commanders held at Office A.D.M.S. The acute position of Amb. Cars was the main item discussed. Major BROWN reported for duty, and attached 7th Field Ambulance.	

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Marcinelle.	30/1/19.		Memo. from General Staff stating 3rd. Aust. Div. to remain as full fighting Unit. To D.D.M.S. Salvaged Material Gare St. Therese, CHARLEROI, being sorted and listed, all will be sent O/C 18th Advanced Depot Medical Stores pointing out previous remarks of O/C Advanced Depot Medical Stores re valueless. Corps Commander visited 7th Ambulance.	
	31/1/19.		During the month a considerable number of applications were received and passed forward for Early Repatriation, Employment in ENGLAND, etc., also General Instructions 4 to 10 on Demobilisation received, copies forwarded to 3 Ambulances. During the month a fair number of Officers requiring rest sent to MICHELHAM Conval. Home.	

*W Shephard Col
Adms 2 and 4*

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WAR DIARY

OF

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

FOR

JANUARY, 1919.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
1.	Notes on Conference of R. M. Os. reference V. D.
2.	Notes on Educational Scheme for M. Os.
3.	Monthly Sanitation Report.
4.	R. M. Os. War Diaries.
5.	Copies of Recommendations for which Honours have been received during month.
6.	List of Officers, N. C. Os., and men sent to Base for Boarding during month.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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

No. 14/187

Headquarters,
18th. January 1919.

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

Reference conference on Venereal Cases.

It is intended to make an effort to clean up the chronic venereal cases before they return to Australia. This is being done entirely in the interests of the men concerned and every effort must be made to obtain their earnest cooperation, on the understanding that no man will be penalised who is willing to undergo treatment and obey instructions.

The men would be collected in the Divisional area and treated and it is anticipated that the majority would be cured within a few weeks.

It should be understood by the men that it is not advisable for them to go with drafts to Australia until they are cured and the extra few weeks necessary should be regarded in a reasonable light.

The only alternative to the above scheme would be to report all cases in the usual way an action which we do not desire to take at the present juncture.

R.M.Os. will examine all men of their units and forward a confidential list of all men suffering from Gonorrhoea :-

- (a) Acute
- (b) Subacute
- (c) Chronic

I should be pleased if any Medical Officer who has had special training in treatment of venereal diseases, and is willing to take on the treatment of these cases, would communicate with me as early as possible.

H. H. H.

Colonel,
A.D.M.S.

2nd. Australian Division.

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A. D. M. S.,
2nd AUSTRALIAN
DIVISION.
No. 6/2/75.

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From D.M.S., A.I.F.

To,
A.D.M.S 2.

From personal enquiries received, it would appear that some misapprehension exists as to the scope of the A.I.F. Education Scheme for Medical Officers.

Primarily, it is designed to allow Medical Officers who have been out of touch with their profession through the nature of their service, retaining a certain amount of familiarity with surgical and medical detail prior to return to civil life. In the second place it is hoped to allow junior Medical Officers a chance to do the hospital work which their enlistment soon after graduation has debarred them from obtaining.

The call of the service as a whole and the needs of medical attention for troops during demobilisation will make it impossible for all Medical Officers to be afforded opportunities to do post graduate work, so that a selection will be made by the D.M.S., A.I.F. and recommendations forwarded to the Director-General, Repatriation and Demobilisation. Each application will be considered on its merits but special consideration will be given to the case of those Medical Officers who have had long service in the field without opportunity of doing hospital work. Efforts have been made to initiate a similar scheme in Australia for the benefit of those Medical Officers who are compelled, through the exigencies of the service to return, but sufficient information is not yet to hand enabling any announcement to be made.

Will you please bring these facts before Medical Officers now under your administration.

Sgd. ? ? for Colonel,
a/D.M.S., A.I.F.

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

Forwarded for your information, please.

Headquarters,
21-1-19.

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

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.MONTHLY SANITARY REPORT FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1919

PHYSIQUE Good.

BILLETS Excellent.

CLOTHING Supply and quality satisfactory.

FOOD AND WATER Rations good. Water No troubles experienced.

LATRINES Satisfactory.

BATHS Ample.

DISINFECTION OF BLANKETS Foden Lorry was withdrawn to 5th Aust. Division on 25/1/19.

HEALTH OF TROOPS Excellent. P.U.O. has practically disappeared. Scabies are all being treated by 7th Aust. Field Amb. Diarrhoea gives no trouble.

SICK FOR MONTH.

<u>Admissions.</u>	<u>Evacuations.</u>
356	187
<u>Scabies admitted.</u>	
39	
<u>P.U.O. admitted.</u>	<u>P.U.O. Evacuated</u>
54	13
<u>Diarrhoea.</u>	
12	

V.D. As well as at each R.A.P., there are 2nd Divisional "Blue Light" Depots at CHARLEROI (2) and at BRUSSELS (1). At CHARLEROI between 4-5000 cases have received prophylaxis. At BRUSSELS about 80 a day are treated. Ingredients of calomel ointment are now procurable. Consulting specialist was conducted round the Depots on Jany. 27th - 29th.

No. of cases contracted during the month. 63.

Where contracted. Charleroi. 16. U.K. 25. Thuin. 3. Brussels 3. Paris 8. Marcinelle. 6. Rouen. 2. Relapse. 2. Nice. 1. Bonur. 1. LeHAYRE. 1. Sur Fontaine. 1. Anderlues. 2. No Trace. 2.

Gonorrhoea. 37. Syphilis. 12. Soft Chancre. 11. Hard Chancre 3. Sore on Penis. 3. Primary Chancre. 1. Soft Sore. 1. Phimosis. 1. Ulcers 3. Orchitis. 1.

Headquarters.
30/1/19.

W. Shepherd
Colonel.
A.D.M.S.
2nd Aust Division.

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Medical War Diary 4
 18th Bn A.I.F.
 28.12.18 - 28.1.19.

- 31.12.18 New Year's Eve Celebrations this
 Batt. Men in high spirits &
 in excellent physical condition.
- 2.1.19 Jodens loony with Bn. All
 blankets disinfected - total
 number 1160.
- 4.1.19 Every man in Bn. issued
 with a new blanket from
 him ^{there} in all.
- 5.1.19 Men bathed during last
 week. A Coy 82 B Coy 84.
 C Coy 99 D Coy 101 H Coy 184.
 Men at baths issued with
 clean change of clothing.
- 7.1.19 68 O.R. 5 officers left Bn
 & are proceeding to
 Australia.
- 15.1.19 28 O.R. 12 officers left Bn
 proceeding to Australia
- 20.1.19 Health of Bn at a high
 standard - men living well

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TWENTY-SECOND BATTALION A.I.F.

TO A.D.M.S.,
2nd AUST. DIVN.

WAR DIARY OF 22ND BATTALION - MONTH ENDING 31ST JANUARY 1919.

The Battalion having now come into a Town, the inhabitants of which were very friendly, the men resumed to a large extent their civil life.

The health of the men has been very good, though perhaps there has been a slight increase in the number of men undergoing treatment, prophylactic and curative, for Venereal disease, because of the opportunities offering.

1.2.19.

[Handwritten Signature]
R.M.O., 22nd Battalion, CAPT.,
A.I.F.

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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TO A.D.M.S.

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
	29.		

Re. Medical history of 27th Bn for month of January.

During this month Bn has been stationed at Charleville and with the exception of a small outbreak of influenza the health has been excellent. The definite case of V.D. has been reported in the area although several cases in Paris have been reported which were contracted in England. The majority of the men are still billeted in good beds with townspeople.

From A. Mackenzie Capt

Place Paris 27th Bn.

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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Regimental Medical work.

4 U.F.O. Bde.

Reference Medical Memorandum No 1/5-
4364/31/1 Austn War Record Section
Dec. 1918

It is difficult to know what exactly is reqd in the way of information which will be of use. Much drudgery can be written which is useless for the purpose. As far as possible the medical war diary sent in by this Bde has been made as complete as possible and I do not know what to add to what has already been sent in. The general method of working of personnel may be of some interest in so far as this Bde is concerned. Water Details. Duties of these were not confined to water duties, in addition to water duties a certain amount of amc. duty was undertaken by them. When not in action they were responsible for parading the sick of the Battery to which they were attached. When in the line it was usual for two to be forward lines taking turns. In some circumstances depended on prevailing circumstances. They were useful there in checking unauthorised use of water and attending to any minor ailments. All the regulations ever printed will never prevent units looking on these details as men to be used for amc. work; and while the places of water details were filled by men from the unit itself it was a constant strain as to who was definitely in charge of these men. Much depended on the Battery Commander. The arrangement was never satisfactory and greatest tact was necessary to save friction at times. Much depends on the platoon how he goes about it to keep these men for his own purposes and not let them be ordered about on other jobs. Reference to Bde H.Q. was made on the matter on occasion and definite ruling given ^{as per regulations} but there is necessity for give and take on both side if matters are to

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matter on occasion and definite ruling
given ^{as per regulations} but there is necessity for give
and take on both side if matters are to

run smoothly. With the return
of Ambce men in this capacity the
difficulty ended though in some cases
it was just the changing of the colour
patch on the same man's arm.
These men wearing the brown colour
patch of the RUC were immediately
recognised as belonging to the RUC and
no one interfered in any way with
them.

As regards Sanitary details personally
I think 4 men to do nothing except
supervision and inspection too many
2 I think is sufficient. These two
should be attached to H.Q. and when in
action one to be forward and the
other at the wagon lines. If attached
to Bties or rather as battery personal
they are looked on as men suitable
for ~~running~~ ^{doing any} job. I must say
however I have not had very much
trouble regarding sanitary details.
I was grateful to the Bd H.Q. for
making one of them an act Bombardier
though there is no N.C.O. on establish-

for these details which I think is a pity.
On this N.C.O. has rested a great deal
of responsibility and he has done
his work very well indeed.

An N.C.O. even with one stripe carries
a great deal more weight than
a gunner. I have only on odd
occasions found it necessary to
have to take action after he
had recommended a thing ^{to be done} usually
his recommendation ^{to be done} was sufficient
to know that whatever was wrong
would be rectified.

Chiropodists. In an artillery Bde
though it is wise to have one
chiropodist per battery yet there
is not nearly the same amount
of care of feet necessary as in
Infantry, and it is ~~not~~ not necessary
to try and insist on it being a very
fine job. They should be available however if reqd.
Stretcher bearers. There are none
on establishment in artillery Bdes
and none are necessary. No trouble
has ever occurred during the time

I have been with the Bde, in this matter. In most cases Batteries have been near existing R.A.P.'s or ambulance posts where cases have been carried by battery personnel, and from there by ambulance bearers. An artillery R.A.P. is not always formed being often unnecessary. In two cases, near Savieville and again at Bresle I have had ambulance bearers attached for clearing of R.A.P. but for the other times when improvised aid posts were established they were either alongside some existing motor loading point or cases were carried to ambulance post by battery personnel. In these latter cases it would have been useful to have had ambulance bearers attached but so saved concerned personnel at guns for the time but it has not been necessary. As has been fully entered in diary one of my greatest problems has been the best position

for the R.M.O. of an artillery Bde in battle. So much depends on circumstances Batteries frequently being ^{well} separated and ^{removed at short notice} regarding medical equipment and suitability and adequacy of same I think all R.M.O.s will agree that Panniers & Medical & Surgical haversacks are not suitably equipped for modern warfare, there is much ^{that is} unnecessary in them and if the space was filled with other equipment they would probably be used to great deal more and save carrying an extra box. I would recommend that a meeting of R.M.O.s & men who had been R.M.O.s be called to discuss equipment of these. Regarding suitability and efficiency of transport (medical) in Artillery Bde little or nothing need be said about the Maltese cart. It has served its purpose well. Regarding horse for R.M.O. as laid down in establishment, this I do

do not think is sufficient 2 horses
are needed especially when
wagon lines are far from batteries
and batteries well separated.
If visiting batteries from wagon
lines it is often impossible to
ride right up to the guns, and
you cannot leave your horse.
While visiting batteries without
an orderly to take care of it
of course there are many times,
when driving forward, that no
horse at all is necessary.

In this Bde the RMO has always
been fortunate in that the CO
has fully realized the need for
two horses and they have been
provided also an orderly. This
orderly is placed at the RMO's
disposal and besides acting as
groom is used for conveying
messages for the RMO, drawing
drugs from ambulances etc.
If two horses and an extra horse
is not available for the sole use

of the RMO, and this is not necessary
one should be available for use
by the RMO when required.

A more useful thing would be a
motor bicycle which would save a great deal
of time. ^{the time spent in looking for work being much greater than the time spent in}
The number of occasions on which
the Div Art has been separated
from its own infantry and their
ambulances has suggested the
desirability of having a section of
an ambulance attached to the Div Art.
This section need in no way be
large and might be constituted
as follows. 1. Officer who would act
as S.M.O. to the artillery group as
well as Sanitary Inspector; to be
M.O. to the Div Art H.Q. To him
would be attached a limited
number of men and 1 ^{combee} car (large)
or perhaps 1 large ^{ambulance} car and 1 small
(box) car. The ambulance to be used for
clearing of sick from wagon lines
while Bdes are in the line and
from the Bdes when at rest also
when on the move for conveyance

of those with minor ailments who
would otherwise have to be evacuated.
The box car to be used for collection
of drugs supplies etc and for
use of S.M.O. in visiting Brigades
etc. Scarcity of available officers
could be met by placing the S.M.O.
as M.O. to the B.C. as well; the
work in this unit being very
much lighter than in an Artillery
Bde where: when in the line with
forward wagon lines there are no
less than 14 separate portions of 1 unit
viz. 4 Batteries each with wagon lines
forward; limber lines and Battery position
Bde H.Q. and Bde H.Q. wagon lines.
This is the number I have had to visit
at different times; to visit these
daily is a matter of impossibility as
more often than not wagon lines
of Batteries in the same Bde are
well separated, likewise forward
limber lines and batteries, all
depending on tactical situation
and suitability of accommodation.

The plan of the two Bdes of Div
arty working reliefs ^{at} the gun
line and ^{at} the wagon is
found only workable at odd times
the reason being that one Bde
is probably nowhere near the
other; at least this has been my
experience on many occasions.
The S.M.O. as suggested would be able
to do a lot in taking care of
wagon lines etc which are
very important to care for since
they act as a source of supply to the
gun line and men sick at the guns
are sent there to recuperate; and
to leave the K.M.O. of the Bde free for
work at the guns.
This is merely put forward as a
suggestion which I think would
be workable and serviceable
and would certainly save a great
deal of anxiety to K.M.O. of artillery
if they knew that they had
a car they could depend on for
daily evacuation of sick. The

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war diaries (medical) of this Bde show
the number of times the Bde has
been left without this for some
days at a time. when detached
from our own Divn and their
Ambces. It is not always so easy to
arrange for evacuation ^{with other} when on
the move or detached from one's own Divn
with other Divisions, these other Divisions
not necessarily being Australian, as it
is with one's own Division.

I understand that amongst
other suggestions regarding Divl
Artillery in future times, that
it is probable that there will be
three Brigades of Artillery to a
Division instead of two as at present.
If this comes to pass I think there
~~will be~~ the more need for an ADMS
and establishment as suggested
specially for the Artillery Group
working under the ADMS of the Divn.

Regarding other headings given in
Memo No 1/5 I do not think I can add
to anything already sent in in
war diaries or Monthly Reports.

Re. Memo 1/6 giving list of Battles.
Herewith attached duplicate of report
sent in re treating of Civilians during
October to December 1918.
The war diary of the period has been
made as complete as possible and
I have ^{made other} no notes of the period.

19/1/19.

H. Fisher Capt.
RMO 4th A.F.A. Bde

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where several civilians were treated, one being a woman suffering with quinsy, her condition cleared up after ten days treatment.

Dose of Pot Permalin, and Aspirins being used.

Several cases of skin affections were treated at their homes, one being a severe case of cow pox. Dressings and ointments were supplied in all cases.

The woman suffering with bronchitis was evacuated through the 6th Austn Field Ambce.

19/12/18

H. C. Fisher Capt.
R.M.C. 4th A.F. Ambce.

Date 1914	Location	Date 1914	Location.
October		January	
November		February	
DECEMBER 1915		March	
January		April	
February		May	
March		June	
April		July	
May		August	
June		September	
July		October	
August		November	
September		December 1916	
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1916 January		April	
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To HQ MS. 2nd Austr. Divn.
From R.M.O. 4th A.F.A. Bde.

Reference your memo No 25/188 of
16th Inst.

Escaunfort October 1918. An old
woman was found ^{wounded} in her bed
which was covered with blood.
She had been wounded two days
previously. According to evidence
obtained; the Ambulance (M.S.A.)
had promised to remove her,
this they had not done.
When found application was
made for stretch bearers to
remove her to the Aid Post.
This the American M.O. in
charge refused to do but
permitted volunteers to be
called for from his personnel.
She was removed by these
volunteers. ~~the~~ ^{from time to time}
General assistance was
given to civilians to help
them evacuate the town
which was almost constantly
shelled.
No other civilians were treated
until arrival at Cartymis
(end of November 1918)

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RMD's Monthly War Diary
4th A.F.A. Bde January 1919.

Jan 1st a few drops received from
7th F. Ambce sufficient to temporarily relieve
shortage. As it is impossible to obtain
proper urethral injection syringes
through the ambce & those prev^y supplied
being much too big for the purpose
local purchases made of proper det.

Jan 2nd Inspections. routine

Jan 3rd As a number of sick had been
pinned up from 1st Auston Vets Evac Stn
at Ragnies this unit was visited
for the purpose of investigating any
causes of same. V.C. reported Diarrhoea
had been prevalent though precautions
regarding water and sanitation had
been taken. Several cases of mild
influenza. but no serious conditions
existing. Arranged to visit unit from
time to time.

Jan 4th visit made to nos. A.W.S. at Ragnies.

Jan 5th ~~visit~~ visit made to 5th A.F. Amb. at
Walcourt, supply of drugs obtained. arrangements
made for another A.M.C. detail to report
on 6th Just as Lt/Sgt Hooley J. M.C. in charge
of water details ^{4th A.F. Bde on 6th Jan} to report ~~to~~ proceed
to Base prior to embarkation to Australia

Jan 6th Lt/Sgt Hooley J. left to report to A.D.M.S.

2nd Auston Divn prior to proceeding to Base.
Visit made to Ragnies (No. 1. A.W.S.S.)
for purpose of visiting sick there.
Unit clear of sickness.

Jan 7th Report from civilian Dr in Thun
that suspected cases of diphtheria
were in Biesmes. Visit made to
Biesmes and O.C. 20th AASC. seen and
following arrangements made

1. 4 men billeted in house of suspected
case to be removed and isolated
until further notice
2. House of suspect to be put out of bounds
and notice to that effect to be
posted, also men to be warned
not to enter any house where
sickness was known of
3. Any men complaining of sore throats
or sickness to notify the medical
orderly who would notify me at
once.

Area Commandant and 2nd No. D.A.H.Q.
and R.M.O.s of other units notified
Arrangements made with Staff
Capt 2nd No. D.A.H.Q. to place Biesmes
out of bounds to all troops
except those proceeding here on
duty. 20th AASC. to be moved if possible
with R.M.O. 2nd No. D.A.C. visited civilian
Dr and mutual assistance

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promised should outbreak occur
liaison to be kept.
Report forwarded to A.D.M.S. 2nd Aust
Div. of action taken
efforts being made to obtain a
supply of Antidiphtheritic Serum
Jan 8th. A second death of suspected
Diphtheria reported amongst
civilians at Biesmes. P.C. 20th Aust
reported efforts being made to
transfer unit to another town.
Reports of previous evidence of
foot and mouth disease in Biesmes.
Application made to 8th Aust. Ambco.
for another detail to be sent to
the Bde on the following grounds:
1. Sgt Hooley had proceeded to base
and man arranged for to come had
not arrived (see Jan 5th)

1 detail on leave and another sick
leaving 2 available for work in
the Bde one of these being due
to proceed to the Base any day
which would leave only one
in the Bde available for Blue Light
Depot and all other work.
Ambco car attached for clearing
of Artilly group reported to work shops
Jan 9th. 2 Coy. 1st Aust. moved from
Biesmes to Maladrie. A.D.M.S. 2nd

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Auston Dwn visited in P.M re suspected
diphtheria outbreak. arrangements
made with staff Capt. 2nd D.A.T.O. for
Picnics to be put 'out of bounds'
to all troops.

Pte Hill N.A. reported for duty from
5th Auston Field Ambulance

Jan 10th 2 cases of membranous tonsillitis
reported sick, 1 from 4th Bde and 1 from
20th Coy A.S.C. on account of suspected
diphtheria in area application made to
5th Field Ambee to send car to evacuate
same as artillery car had not reported
back from workshops.

Jan 11th Application made for car to A.D.M.S.
to remove sick case from 5th A.F.A. Bde

Jan 12th. Cart and driver supplied by R.M.S.
4th A.F.A. Bde and orderly from 2nd B.A.C.
proceeded to 7th Field Ambee in order to
obtain drugs etc for D.A.C. 4th, 15th A.F.A. Bdes
and 86th Army Bde R.F.A. Only a very small
quantity supplied to each unit, that of
4th Bde being sufficient to last for three
days at the most. The difficulty of
obtaining drugs in spite of requests
being submitted a week previously
is making it almost impossible
to make any pretence of carrying
on treatment. For the most part
for some weeks past it has only been a
pretence in ~~many~~ ailments, such as

coughs and colds, diarrhoea, influenza
and sometimes blue light treatment.
Application received from 80th Army Pde
R.T.A for ambulance to remove 2 sick cases.
Application passed to A.D.M.S. 2nd Austn. San. Bn.
It is very unsatisfactory not having
regular means of evac'n of sick
and when car does come it is
usually not until late afternoon
or evening.

Memoreceived from D.C. 1st Austn. Sanitary
Section asking if it was considered
necessary to arrange for disinfection
of billets at business where had
been suspected cases of Diphtheria.
Replied that not considered necessary
as no troops there now and civilian
doctors were apparently up to the mark.
Jan 13th notified by D.A.D.M.S. that in
future sick would be evac'd by car
from 7th F. Ambce calling daily.
If urgent case wire to 6th F. Ambce
for car. - Car called for evacs at
6 pm. Pte Bishop A.H. water detail
12th Bty under instruction of 5th A.F. Ambce
reported back to Ambce.

Jan 14th Car reported at 11 am. for clearing
of evacuations.

Jan 15th Rain nearly all day. Pte Bishop
A.H. reported back for duty from 5th Austn F. Ambce.

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20 Dec. 20th day a case reported that man evac'd
with membranous tonsillitis from the unit
on 10th inst had reported back from the
Aubee. - evidently not diphtheria.
Request received from Oc. 1st Auston Vet. Evac
Stn at Raines to visit unit to see sick.
Visit made and cases treated. Arrangement
made with D.O. Owlarty for treatment
of 2 men from this unit as they were
unable to visit Aubee D.O.
Notified by Dental Officer that he would be
able to treat 1 new denture case & 2
denture repairs daily from the Pde
1 new denture case = 4 repairs. Arrangements
made accordingly for sending cases to him

Jan 16th Routine

Jan 17th Proceeded to ADMS. Office
Marchinelle for Conference of Aubee
C.O's and R.M.O's of Div.

1. ADMS. spoke about V.D amongst
troops and how important it was
for chronic cases to receive treatment
especially now whilst amongst
civilians and also as they would
soon be going back to Australia
efforts would be made for depot treatment
of these before return to Australia
R.M.O's to ascertain number of
chronic cases in units.
2. Necessity for keeping strict watch.

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over equipment as difficult to make up shortages. All shortages to be indicated for immediately.

iii Difficulty of obtaining Soap, Boot leather, drugs etc discussed

Jan 20th Arrangements made with O.C. Batteries to speak to the men under their command re V.D. and explain fully to them the reason why action was being taken for examn. and specially pointing out how much better it would be to receive treatment here in France or England than in Dive Depot than wait for the trip home and be found with the condition on arrival there. Every assistance was promised by the Battery Commanders who considered that the idea was the very best way of dealing with the matter.

(Ref. Adms. 2nd Austr. Div. Memo 104/187, 1/19/19)

Jan 21st V.D. inspection of 104th Bty after O.C. Bty had spoken to personnel and making them fully understand reasons etc. Each man was examined in the room by himself and asked straight out if anything was wrong. This was considered the best way of carrying out the examn and it gave each man the opportunity

of speaking out in private if anything was wrong.

Jan 22nd Bde parade held in Hotel de Ville
Thuin. Men spoken to by C.O. Bde on
Demobilization and Repatriation
urged them to remember that they
belonged to the 4th Bde and that they
would always be welcome at the
4th Bde Drill Hall in Peace time
in Australia where it was hoped
that they would be able to have
reunions etc. opportunity was
taken to say "goodbye" to those men
going away in drafts. The C.O. also spoke
about V.D. and how efforts were being
made to clear up all cases before
return to Australia so as to allow
men to arrive there with clean sheets
He advised all any who had contracted
it to report immediately to the M.O.
so that proper treatment could
commence at once. The medical
inspections being held in the Bde
were not for the purpose of trapping
men but rather for the purpose of helping
them. The C.O.'s remarks were thoroughly
appreciated by the Bde.

Jan 23rd V.D. inspection of 11th Bty carried out
in similar manner to that of 10th Bty on
Jan 21st. On Jan 25th inspections of 10th & 12th Bties held.

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January 26th All medicine for coughs catarrh etc
exhausted also no argyrol left.
This being due to incidents having been
cut down. A number of catarrhal cases
left untreated. Memo forwarded to 7th

7. Ambse asking for supplies to be sent
on 27th if possible as otherwise we have to wait for weekly
supplies for 31st unit.
January 27th No Ambse arrived for evac of sick

1 man awaiting same from this Bde. Supplies
of drugs not to hand. Visit made to
No 1 Auston Det. Evac Sta at Ragnies for
purpose of seeing sick cases. A number of men
with catarrhal complaints, as no drugs
available could not give them any. Decided
to apply to 7th 7. Ambse for separate supplies
for this unit as they are approx 60 strong
and have a fair amt. of sickness.

Blue Light Depot inspected by Lt Col Raffan
C.O. Bulford, and D.A.D.M.S. 2nd Auston Bn.
Lecture given to RUCs of Artillery Group
on new plug method of treatment for
early gonorrhoea. Treatment with silver not
to be continued after 5th day. Care to be taken
that Cal. pint. is rubbed in for 5 minutes

at least over entire penis & scrotum.
Men who have had only 1 course of treat-
after syphilis to be advised to continue
treatment up to 5 courses as it has
been found that in spite of negative
Bld Tests the disease is almost sure to
recur after 2 years. Such cases willing
to undergo further treat to be eval^d with
covering memo. Details of V.D. Treatment
to be forwarded by D.A.D.M.S. instructions
M.C. to be appointed in the Divn for
inspecting all Blue Light Depots for
purpose of making treatment uniform
and helping R.M.O.s with their cases.
Advisable to evacuate all men reporting
with any lesion of penis as many
cases, ^{of chancres, herpes etc.} apparently not specific, had later
been found to be syphilis.

January 28th Arrangements made with
Bde Adjutant for holding back from drafts
proceeding on demobilization all men
suffering from gonorrhoea.

Notified by C.O. 5th Auston F. Ambrose re promotion
of Pte Hill, N.A. to Tempy Corp. H.C.O. in charge of
Water Details 4th A.F.A. Bde (dated 22/1/19) vice

767/Sgt Hooley J.A. to Australia.

Jan 29th. No drugs for catarrhal cases
or argyrol received to date from
Ambee (see Jan 26th) memo (as attached
duplicate) forwarded to A.D.M.S. re. shortage.

Jan 30th. $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of cough mixture received from
Ambee. Visit made to Ragnies to see sick
of No 1 A.D.B. 2 cases seen, Catarrhal.
V.D. suspicion of personnel of Bde. HQ held.
Report received that Pte Jarman, ^{5th Ambee} Water Detail,
104 Bty struck off strength, being att^d
to A.I.F. HQ London

Jan 31st Weekly indent for supply of drugs not
on hand by Ambee car. Cases remaining
untreated in consequence.

H. Fisher Capt.

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R.M.O. 4th A.F.A. Bde

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RMO's Monthly Report
4th A. F. A. Bde

January 1919

Health of Troops during the month this has ^{been} comparatively good the main ailments being of a catarrhal nature, a few mild influenza cases, and football injuries.

Food & no complaints have been received.

Kitchens have been kept in a satisfactory state.

Lattices & urinals as per previous month's report.

Refuse and Manure. A town incinerator

was according to information received last month to be made under control of 1st Austn

Sanitary Section but nothing further has

been heard of the matter. At present

refuse etc is being buried. Manure is

being disposed of to civilian farmers

a certain amount of refuse is being removed

by civilian authorities.

Baths. Div. Arty. Baths are open in the

town and men have received baths and

changes of clothes regularly.

V.D. Inspection of the Bde personnel was

carried out during the month.

This being in accordance with Memo No

14/187 A.C.M.S. office 2nd Austn Divn. Prior to

Inspection men were spoken to explaining

the reason why this inspection was ^{being} held.

At a Bde parade the C.O. Bde also referred

to the subject as reported in War Diary.

Great support in carrying it out was given

by the officers of the Bde who considered

the proposed arrangements & reasons

to be for clearing up such cases as being

admirable. The men too ^{think} fully appreciated

the reasons as stated.

The Blue Light Depot has been available

at all hours for all troops the ordalies

taking it in turn to run the place

During period 22nd Dec 1918 to 31st Dec 1918, 91 ~~cases~~

washouts were given. During this

month 284 washouts have been given.

A few cases of V.D. have reported and received

early treatment, those which did not clear

up by the end of the 5th day were evacuated.

Only 2 cases of V.D. contracted in Shuin have

reported which speaks well for the

Blue Light Depot as there is no reason

to suppose that there is less V.D. in this

down than in others.

Drug supplies great difficulty has been experienced during the first part of the month in obtaining these and many cases had to remain untreated. There has been a great improvement in the supplying of incidents during the latter portion of the month, except in ^{older} supplies were drawn through the 7th Aust. F. Ambulance and delivered by ambulance ^{car} clearing ^{RR} means of evacuation. For the first week of the month sick cases were evacuated by ambulance car attached to R.M.C. 4th A.F. A. Co. for clearing the Div. ^{RR} Party. During the next week owing to the car having to report to workshops for repairs there was considerable difficulty in evacuating cases, telegrams having to be sent asking for car to come, and its arrival uncertain. From 14th inst. cases have been cleared daily by car sent from 7th A. F. Ambulance.

Diphtheria. Suspected cases of diphtheria occurred at Piesmas where 20th A.S.C. were billeted. Every precaution was taken and arrangements made for removal of the A.S.C. from Piesmas to Maladrie. This ^{move} was ^{done} commenced the following day and completed the next. Personnel of Sgt. Hooley left N.C. in charge of water details proceeded during on 14th inst with draft to Base prior to embarkation to Australia. His place was taken by Pte N.A. Hill (5th Aust. F. Ambulance) who was subsequently promoted to Corporal. I wish to express my appreciation of the work done in the Bde. by Sgt. Hooley. His work was at all times up to standard and nothing was ever too much trouble for him to do for any sick man no matter what time of day or night, moreover he had the confidence of the men.

Sgt. Hill who has taken his place is proving himself a capable man and is giving entire satisfaction. Of the other details Ptes Sibthorpe and Jarnan 104th & 102nd Bde's respectively are doing the best. One thing which I consider of great importance is that all the present details are well liked in the Bde by the personnel. This helps them considerably in their work.

Some of them were members of Battery football teams.

Sports & Amusements. The Brigade forms part of No. 4 group in the Div's sports arrangements. Football competitions are in progress on January 1st and 14th. Race ^{successful} meetings were held by the Div's Artillery. At the first meeting the Prince of Wales was present. Dances have been frequently held by personnel of Bde H.Q. and Batteries. The 7th Infantry Bde concert party opened for several nights in Thun, arrangements for this having been made personally by the C.O. 4th A.F.A. Bde. The YMCA has provided cinema shows, lectures etc which have been well attended.

Dental arrangements were made with the B.C. 2nd Div. Art. for treatment of a regular number of denture cases daily; regarding other work, only urgent cases to be sent. Other units sick reporting from 20th Coy. Adse D.I. and No. 1 A.V. B. Co. have been treated and these units visited on occasion.

Inoculations have been kept up to date, 18 having been done during the month.

bringing the total done within the last 12 months up to 100.

Shortages in equipment. List of shortages was forwarded to 7. Ambce. Laid out was put into 5th 7. Ambce for these in November's but not supplied. There is a fair amount missing from the panniers the losses not having been incurred by the present staff.

Boots & Sore Feet. The scarcity of boots situation has eased considerably but is not perfectly adjusted yet. Simultaneously the number of men complaining of sore feet has diminished to almost entirely comforts. No comforts have been drawn from the ambulance during the month.

A. D. S. Capt.

R.M.O. 4th A.F.A. Bde

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Early Treatment of A7A Bde
Report

December 1948 22nd to 31st
Number attending 91

January 1949 1st to 31st
Number attending 284

Number of cases of V.D. contracted
in Thailand period 1st Dec 48 to 31st Jan 49

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(Aborted ...
Evacuated to Amber 1.)

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H. Clarke Capt.
R.M.O. 4th A7A Bde

65 2nd Australian Mach. Gun. Bn.

War Diary January 1919.

During the whole month the unit has occupied billets at Ives Gomezie.

The billets have been very good and the health of the men very satisfactory.

Two large rooms at a convent were used as an Aid Post.

One room which contained a cooking range was divided into two parts the one being used as a kitchen and the other as a Rest Billet to accommodate five or six patients.

Beds, beds and mattresses were provided by the local residents for the use of the sick.

The other room which also contained a stove served as a dressing room. In another part of the village a Blue Light room was open day & night for the use of those in need of prophylactic treatment. Throughout the month there has been a shortage of material for latrine construction, soap, lobs & grindy.

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J. F. Patrick ^{capt} _{in ch}

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M.S.M. NOTIFIED ON 17-1-19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

No. 238 Staff Sergeant Edgar Henry SWORD 5th Aust. Field Amb.

This N.C.O. has done long and meritorious service in the field. As Sergeant Nursing Duties he has carried out a great deal of valuable work both during the various actions of the Division and in quieter periods of the war. An efficient and capable N.C.O., who is to be relied upon when the unit is called upon for heavy work. During the various actions of the last six months, this ambulance has had several tours of duty as a Main Dressing Station and at these times especially he has done very excellent work.

O.B.E. NOTIFIED ON 3/1/19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

Major David Moore EMBELTON 2nd. Aust. Division H.Q.

This officer has acted as D.A.D.M.S. of this Division since October 1917 and since then has rendered excellent service to the Division. He has shown great administrative ability, keenness and tact in dealing with R.M.Os. and combatant commanders in the exercise of his duties.

The work of arranging medical details for offensive or defensive operations entails frequent visits to forward posts, often under severe hostile shelling, but Major EMBELTON has never spared himself and his restless energy and enthusiasm has enabled him always to arrange the evacuation of wounded to the greatest advantage so that the work has always proceeded without a hitch and with the utmost despatch and minimum of work.

In regard to sanitation of battle areas arrangements for bathing of Divisional personnel and efficient fumigation of blankets and clothing the work of this officer has been very sound and his clear understanding and judgment has been the means of reducing the Divisional wastage.

D.S.O. NOTIFIED ON 3/1/19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

Lieut.-Colonel William Lodewyk CROWTHER 5th. Aust. Field Amb., A.I.F.

Since joining the Division, this officers' excellent service has been consistent and outstanding. He has been in charge of forward evacuation during recent offensive operation and the arrangements made reflect the greatest credit regarding his administrative ability.

He has shown great skill in arranging the bearer divisions of three ambulances under most difficult circumstances under the trying conditions of hostile shell fire, and has conducted the evacuation of wounded with the greatest efficiency, especially taking into consideration the fact that in the attack on Mt. St. QUENTIN the whole line of evacuation had to be switched to the North on very short notice. The wounded always proceeded smoothly from the front line without the slightest semblance of a hitch.

This fact was entirely due to the careful arrangements made by this officer. The careful organisation of every department of his command and his excellent command of men has made his unit, 5th. Australian Field Ambulance one of the smartest and most reliable in the A.I.F.

Colonel CROWTHER has twice carried out the duties of Acting A.D.M.S. with great success showing administrative capacity of high degree.

M.S.M. NOTIFIED ON 17-1-19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

23 Staff Quartermaster Sergeant. Alan Harris TYSOE 2nd. D.H.Q.

During the last six months this Warrant Officer has done consistently good work in the field as chief clerk to A.D.M.S. He has always proved himself reliable and efficient in the very responsible work of that position and has shown ability, strict sense of duty and careful attention to detail which has been invaluable to the department.

M.S.M. NOTIFIED ON 17-1-19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

No. 2862 Warrant Officer George Herbert LONG "M.M." 5th Aust. Field Amb.

This Warrant Officer has done long and very meritorious service in the field and has been with the Unit since its inception. As Warrant Officer General Duties he has done outstanding work. Tactful and a good administrator, he has worked at all times to uphold and strengthen the unit. When his duties have lain with the bearers in the forward area he has carried out his work regardless of his personal safety. His work and example have been of the greatest value to the ambulance.

M.S.M. NOTIFIED ON 17-1-19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

No. 3491 Sergeant (T.S/Sgt.) Gordon Kynock Raymond AITKEN 7th Aust.

Field Amb.

As Nursing Duty Sergeant this N.C.O. has conducted the nursing work of the unit at Advanced Dressing Station on every occasion when the ambulance has been in action and his ability, perseverance and tact has assisted greatly in the excellent work of the nursing section. His work has been of exceptionally high order especially in regard to the handling of the nursing orderlies and the surgical arrangements which have frequently been carried out under hostile shell fire.

M.S.M. NOTIFIED ON 17-1-19 AS HAVING BEEN AWARDED

No. 3165 Sergeant James HORNBUCKLE 6th Aust. Field Amb.

This N.C.O. has, over a long period first as a General Duty Sergeant and later as a Transport Sergeant, invariably done excellent work and rendered valuable service in maintaining the efficiency of the men and transport under his control. In certain critical situations he has shown himself to be thoroughly reliable when a transport breakdown would have proved serious.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
9/2/19.

Nominal Roll of N.C.Os., and men sent to Base for Medical Boards.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>RANK.</u>	<u>NAME.</u>	<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>AILMENT.</u>
2357	Pte.	EDMONDS J.	2nd D.H.Q.	Varicocile.
3035	Pte.	HUNTER W.	26th Bn.	Old wound R. ankle.
2979	Pte.	RYAN M.	17th Bn.	Chr. Rheum. and debility.
5403	Pte.	THOMPSON L.A.	27th Bn.	R.Ing. Hernia.
23112	Pte.	RUCKLIFF T.H.	44 R.A.S.C., M.T.	Frac. disloc'n. meta- carpies R. Hand.
14963	Spr.	COOKE R.C.	7th F.C.Eng.	Dyspnoea vision.
6763	Sgt.	WOODS G.H.	26th Bn.	Debility.

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

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Remarks and references to Appendices

Summary of Events and Information

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Castignies area.	1/12/18	15	<p>During this period Drains HQ were located at Castignies - 20th Company 1 kilo away 15th Coy at Pasches (6 1/2 kilos) 16th Company at Boulogne (8 kilos) + 17th Company at Grand Fayt (6 kilos) - Sick parades were held daily by RMO at 15th + 20th Companies - 16th + 17th Company sick were attended to by 6th + 7th Field Ambulances respectively. The health of the troops during this period was excellent - there were one or two isolated cases of influenza - no diarrhoea + very little venereal disease. Sanitation of camps was good. Bunkers were for the most part situated in barns + were generally clean. Latrines were of deep trench + urinals of deepening pit type - + both worked satisfactorily. The feeding of the men was excellent - cookhouses were kept in a sanitary condition - + grease traps regularly used. It was reported that Enteric was prevalent in certain areas to be occupied - consequently a vigorous propaganda was carried on to obviate any sanitary defects that might favour infection men were lectured on parade, + orders were issued with reference to chlorination of water, avoidance of unboiled milk,</p>
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Cartigny Area	11/2/18 to 17/2/18		<p>curban latrines, etc. TAB inoculations were immediately brought up to 100% in each company. Lectures were also delivered on the dangers of venereal disease in the Charlevon area, & all men urged to take advantage of prophylaxis in Blue Light Depots after any sexual indiscretion. Brigade baths were available for the men at a short distance & were taken full advantage of. There were very few cases of scabies.</p>	
On the march	17/2/18 to		<p>In Charlevon area the Companies were widely scattered - The RMO who had been quartered with the 15 Coy. since leaving the Somme area found it impossible to reach all the Companies on horseback & finally moved in to HQ. Medical arrangements were then as follows - Casual sick were attended to by the medical orderlies of each company. Any serious case was seen by the nearest RMO or ambulance. The incidence of the sickness during this period has been extremely light - & very many wounds</p>	
Charlevon Area	24/2/18 to 31/2/18			

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Charleston area 24/12/18 to 31/12/18			<p>Sick reports have shown a mild return. The RMO visits each camp by motor twice weekly & inspects Sanitation, sees chronic sick etc. The arrangement so far has worked satisfactorily. Sanitation in all areas is good. Deep trench latrines, as far as the moist nature of the ground permits are in use - buckets & cookhouses are clean & sanitary. There are several isolated cases of gleet under treatment, but no recent venereal disease & Practically no diarrhoea.</p> <p>I wish to note the excellent manner in which the medical orderlies Corporal John, Ptes Bates, Beattie & Lewis, have carried out their duties which have of necessity been more responsible than those of the average A.M.C. detail.</p> <p>The 16th Company attached to Bde has had difficulty in procuring supplies of underclothes for issue after baths - otherwise bathing issues of fresh underclothes are regularly carried out.</p> <p>3. 1. 19</p> <p>CO Harbour Major RMO 2nd Divisional Train</p>	