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<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>AUGUST, 1917.</u>															
RAVELSBERG	1st.		Nothing to record.													
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	3rd.		<p>9th. Australian Infantry Brigade moved to VIEUX BERQUIN area. One Section of the 10th. Australian Field Ambulance moved with them and opened a Field Hospital at Sheet 36A. K.6.b.3.6.</p> <p>Operation Order No.11.issued. Copy herewith. This Order deals with the relief of the A.A.M.C. personnel of 3rd.Australian Division in line by 4th. Australian Field Ambulance. The 4th. Australian Field Ambulance passing for the time being under the administration of A.D.M.S. 3rd.Australian Division. The relief was complete by 11.a.m. on 5.8.17 and at the completion of the R elief, Units were located as follows :-</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>9th.Aust.Field Ambulance</td> <td>complete</td> <td>-</td> <td>Divisional Rest Station RAVELSBERG.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10th.</td> <td>do.</td> <td>-m</td> <td>VIEUX BERQUIN Area (Sheet 36A - K.6.b.3.6.)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11th.</td> <td>do.</td> <td>-</td> <td>Rue de Musee, BAILLEUL.</td> </tr> </table>	9th.Aust.Field Ambulance	complete	-	Divisional Rest Station RAVELSBERG.	10th.	do.	-m	VIEUX BERQUIN Area (Sheet 36A - K.6.b.3.6.)	11th.	do.	-	Rue de Musee, BAILLEUL.	<p>Copy of Oper.Order No.11. attached.</p>
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10th.	do.	-m	VIEUX BERQUIN Area (Sheet 36A - K.6.b.3.6.)													
11th.	do.	-	Rue de Musee, BAILLEUL.													
	5th.		<p>A.A.M.C. Operation Order in continuation of No.11. issued. Copy herewith. The New Zealand Division having taken over the Right B attalion area, the evacuation of that area passed under A.D.M.S. New Zealand Division and Medical personnel thus relieved reported to KANDAHAR FARM.</p>	<p>Order No.att.</p>												
	7th.		A.A.M.C. Operation Order No.12. issued. Copy herewith.	<p>Copy of Oper.Order attached.</p>												
	9th.		<p>The 3rd. Australian Division having been withdrawn from the Front Line, the administration of the 4th. Australian Field Ambulance passed under the A.D.M.S. 4th.Australian Division. 10th. Australian Field Ambulance moved from VIEUX BERQUIN area and took over rear portion of Divisional Rest Station, STEENWERCK and opened a Field Hospital.</p>													
	14th.		<p>Two Sections of the 10th. Australian Field Ambulance proceeded to Rest Area near SENLECQUES and opened a Field Hospital for clearance of 10th. Australian Infantry Brigade. Transport proceeded by road and personnel by train. The Headquarters of the 10th. Australian Field Ambulance and their Dental Section accompanied Unit to the Rest Area.</p>													

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	15th.		Two Sections of the 11th. Australian Field Ambulance proceeded to Rest Area near SENLEQUES and opened a Field Hospital for clearance of 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade. Transport proceeded by road and personnel by train. The Headquarters of the 11th. Australian Field Ambulance and their Dental Section accompanied the Unit to the Rest Area.	
	17th.		A.D.M.S. inspected 10th. and 11th. Field Hospitals in the Rest Area.	
	20th.		10th. Australian Field Ambulance (Field Hospital) at SENLECQUES and 11th. Australian Field Ambulance at ECUIRE (Field Hospital) inspected. Two small Brigade Hospitals established. Ambulances collecting cases from the Battalions.	
	21st.		Orders received that the Division (less 7th. and 8th. Aust. Field Artillery Brigades, 3rd. D.A.C. a portion of 3rd. Mobile Vet. Section and 3rd. Pioneer Battalion) will be concentrated in the LUMBRES-BLEQUIN Area on the 22nd. instant. A.A.M.C. Movement Order No.1. issued. Copy herewith.	Copy of order attached
			A.A.M.C. Operation Order No.13. issued. Copy herewith. 9th. Australian Field Ambulance. "C" Section 10th. Australian Field Ambulance and "B" Section 11th. Australian Field Ambulance on being relieved as per Operation Order No.13., will move in accordance with A.A.M.C. Movement Order No.1., to the Rest Area.	do.
			A.D.M.S. inspected 9th. Australian Field Ambulance at RAVELSBERG, 10th. Australian Field Ambulance at STEENWERCK, and 11th. Australian Field Ambulance at BAILLEUL, prior to handing over to the 4th. Australian and New Zealand Divisions.	
	22nd.		3rd. Australian D.H.Q., 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade, 9th. Australian Field Ambulance and the Section of the 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances moved to the Rest Area. A.D.M.S. Office closed at RAVELSBERG and opened at Rue St.Omer, FAUQUEMBERQUES.	



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FAUQUEMBERQUES. Rue St.Omer. (Sheet Hazebrouck 5a)	22nd.		Major J.H. ANDERSON, D.A.D.M.S. transferred to A.I.F. Administrative Headquarters, LONDON. Major W. VICKERS, 9th. Australian Field Ambulance appointed acting D.A.D.M.S.	Copy of Order No.15 attached.
	23rd.		A.A.M.C. Operation Order No.15. issued. Copy herewith.	
	25th.		Situation of Field Ambulances as follows:- 9th. Australian Field Ambulance - ECUIRE. 10th. do. - SENLECQUES. 11th. do. - OUVÉ-WIRQUIN.	
	27th.		Major W. VICKERS, 9th. Australian Field Ambulance appointed D.A.D.M.S. 3rd. Australian Division vice Major J.H. ANDERSON, transferred. Major W. VICKERS, D.A.D.M.S., proceeded on ten days' leave of absence to ENGLAND. Captain H.F. DUNSTAN, 11th. Australian Field Ambulance acting as D.A.D.M.S.	
			<u>GENERAL.</u> The Sick Wastage for the Division for the month as supplied by II Army is as follows:-	
			<u>S I C K W A S T A G E .</u>	
			<u>For Week Ended.</u>	<u>Sick % to Strength.</u>
			<u>Officers.</u>	
			<u>Other Ranks.</u>	
			4. 8. 1917. 7 132 .71	
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			No epidemic disease has been noticed and the cases of Infectious Disease for the month were as follows:-	
			Mumps - 1	
			Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis - 1	
			Dysentery - 3	
			Venereal Disease - 40.	

31/8/17
Adm. J. White Col
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APPENDIX I

SECRET

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Copy No. 18.....

Headquarters,

3rd. August, 1917.

A. A. M. C. OPERATION ORDER

No. 11. (M1/29)

(Map Reference - Sheets 36A and 283W)

1. INTENTION.

The Third Australian Division will gradually move back to a new Reserve area, full details of which will be circulated later.

2. RELIEFS.

- (a) 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will be relieved at KANDAHAR FARM (T.10.b.7.6.) and Advanced Posts by 4th. Australian Field Ambulance.
- (b) 10th. Australian Field Ambulance on relief will proceed to K.6.b.7.5. and clear cases from the 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade.
- (b) 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will be relieved by 4th. Australian Field Ambulance at WESTHOF and will proceed on relief to Divisional Rest Station, BAILLEUL.
Transport will be parked at RAVELSBERG S.16.d.1.5.
- (c) The section of the 9th. Australian Field Ambulance on being relieved at Divisional Rest Station BAILLEUL will proceed to Divisional Rest Station RAVELSBERG.
- (d) Details of reliefs will be arranged between Officers Commanding concerned.
- (e) Advanced parties will report by 12 noon 4.8.17 and reliefs will be completed by 11 a.m. on 5.8.17.
- (f) Completion to be reported to this Office by wire.

3. STORES.

All stores in excess of Mobilisation Store Table will be handed over to the relieving Unit and duplicate receipts for same will be forwarded to this Office. Special care will be taken in checking Red Cross Stores.

4. FODDEN LORRY.

Fodden Lorry will remain at Divisional Rest Station BAILLEUL.

5. ACKNOWLEDG.E.

John H. White

. D. M. S.

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(b) 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will be relieved by 4th Australian Field Ambulance at VITTON and will proceed on relief to Divisional Post Station. Transport will be parked at RAVENSBURG S.I.C. 4.1.5.

(c) The section of the 3rd. Australian Field Ambulance on being relieved at Divisional Post Station RAVENSBURG will proceed to Divisional Post Station RAVENSBURG.

(d) Details of reliefs will be arranged between Officers Commanding concerned.

(e) Advanced parties will report by 12 noon 4.8.17 and reliefs will be completed by 11.30 am 4.8.17.

(f) Completion to be reported to G.H.Q. by wire.

All stores in excess of Mobilisation Store Table will be handed over to the relieving unit and duplicate receipts for same will be forwarded to this Office. Special care will be taken in checking Red Cross Stores.

When lorry will remain at Divisional Post Station.

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APPENDIX 2SECRETTHIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONCopy...¹⁹...Headquarters,
5th. August, 1917,A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER inContinuation of No.11.(M1/29)(Map Reference - Sheet 28SW)

1. INFORMATION. The New Zealand Division having taken over the Right Battalion Area, on the night 4/5th., the evacuation of that area will pass under command of A.D.M.S. New Zealand Division.
2. DETAILS
 - (a) Medical personnel at GOOSEBERRY FARM A.D.S. and Advanced Posts for the clearing of the Right Battalion area will be supplied by a Unit of the New Zealand Medical Corps. Medical personnel of the 4th. Australian Field Ambulance thus released will report at KANDAHAR FARM (T.10.b.7.6.)
 - (b) The 4th. Australian Field Ambulance will continue to evacuate the Left Battalion area.
3. MOVES. Relief will be carried out on afternoon of 5th. August, 1917, and will be completed by daylight 6th. August, 1917.
Completion of move to be notified to this Office.
4. TRENCH STORES. Trench Stores will be handed over and duplicate copies of receipts forwarded to this Office.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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A. A. M. C. OPERATION ORDER No.12.(M. 1/29)

by

Colonel A. T. WHITE, V.D., A.D.M.S. 3rd. Australian DivisionMap References - sheets 28 SW. & 36NW.

1. The Third Australian Division having been withdrawn from the Front Line, the following Medical arrangements will obtain.
2. The administration of the 4th. Australian Field Ambulance will pass under the A.D.M.S. 4th. Australian Division at 10.a.m. on 9.8.1917.
3. Officer Commanding 4th. Australian Field Ambulance will arrange for the personnel and Motor Ambulances belonging to the 3rd. Australian Division to return to their Units by 10.a.m. on 9.8.1917.
4. Officer Commanding 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will take over the rear portion of the Divisional Rest Station STEINWERCK on 8.8.1917. Advance party will be in by 12 noon and move will be complete by 6.p.m.
A Field Hospital will be opened here - 8.8.17 and evacuations will proceed in the usual manner.
5. 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will run a Field Hospital at Rue de Musee, BAILLEUL.
6. 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will continue to carry on the Divisional Rest Station, RAVELSBERG.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

21-8-17

A.A.M.C. MOVEMENT ORDER No. 1

(File M1/1/41.)

(Map Reference HAZEBROUCK 5A. 1/100,000).

1. The Division (less 7th and 8th Aust. Field Artillery Brigades, 3rd D. A. C., a portion of 3rd Mobile Vet. Section and 3rd Pioneer Battalion) will be concentrated in the LUMBRES - BLEQUIN Area on the 22nd instant.
2. Units will entrain in accordance with the Time Table to follow.
Transport and Transport personnel will entrain at BAILLEUL.
Detraining Station :- WIZERNES.
3. All transport moving by road to-day will be under orders of Captain H.G. CARSTAIRS, 3rd Australian Divisional Train, and will carry rations for 22nd.
4. Railhead LUMBRES from 24th inclusive.
Rations from 23rd inclusive will be delivered by Divisional Train beginning 22nd instant for 23rd instant.
5. Rear Parties on completion of duty will report at Reinforcement Camp, STEINWERCK, and rejoin Units by first Train available.
6. Blankets will be carried on the man.
7. All Area Stores will be returned to Area Commandant and receipts obtained.
8. Any surplus kits of Officers not required for the Training Area may be left at the Divisional Store, S.25.d.9.8.
9. Lorry arrangements will be wired later.

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10. Divisional Headquarters will open in the LUMBRES AREA at 2 p.m. 22nd August, 1917.
11. For the purpose of the move Field Ambulances will be under orders of G.O.C. 11th Aust. Infantry Brigade.
12. Officer Commanding 9th Australian Field Ambulance will be S.M.O. of the A.A.M.C. personnel proceeding.
13. On arrival at the LUMBRES- BLEQUIN Area "C" Section 10th Aust. Field Ambulance will rejoin Unit at SENLECQUES. "B" Section 11th Australian Field Ambulance will rejoin Unit at EQUIRE. and the 9th Aust. Field Amb. will open a Field Hospital and "Blue Light" Treatment Room.

Arthur G. White

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A.D.M.S. 3rd Australian Divn.

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A. A. M. C. OPERATION ORDER No. 13.

(File M. 1/33.)

by

COLONEL A. F. WHITE, V. D., A.D.M.S. 3rd Australian Division.

Map References - Sheets 28 SW. & 36NW

1. INTENTION.

- (1). To relieve 9th Australian Field Ambulance at Divisional Rest Station, RAVELSBERG by 4th Australian Division A.A.M.C.
- (2). To relieve "C" Section, 10th Australian Field Ambulance at Divisional Rest Station, STEINWERCK by New Zealand Medical Corps.
- (3). To relieve "B" Section, 11th Australian Field Ambulance at M.D.S., Rue de Musee, BAILLJUL by 4th Australian Division A.A.M.C.

2. DETAILS.

Advanced Parties will report by Mid-night 21/8/1917.

Details of handing over to be arranged by Officers Commanding concerned.

3. COMPLETION OF MOVES.

Moves to be completed by 8 a.m. 22/8/1917, and to be reported by wire to this Office.

4. EXTRA STORES.Stores in excess of Mobilization Store Table will not be taken.
Lists of Stores handed over will be forwarded to this Office in duplicate.

5. On completion of handing over Units will conform to instructions contained in this Office "Movement Order No.1 (file M1/1/41)". of even date.

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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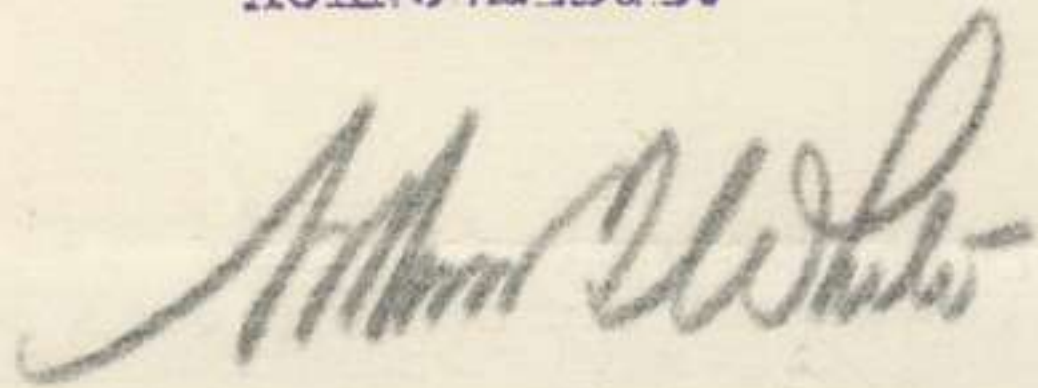
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Map Reference - HAZEBROUCK 5A, Sheet 1/100,000.

1. INTENTION. 9th Australian Field Ambulance to move into Area occupied by 11th Australian Field Ambulance at ECUIRE and LE VAL RESTANT.

11th Australian Field Ambulance to move into Area occupied by 9th Australian Field Ambulance at OUVS - WIRQUIN.
2. DETAILS. Advanced parties will report by 1 p.m. on 24/8/1917..

Details of moves to be arranged by Officers Commanding concerned.
3. COMPLETION OF MOVES. Moves to be completed by Mid-day 25th instant, and to be reported to this Office by wire.
4. EXTRA STORES. Stores in excess to Mobilization Store Table will not be taken.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.



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