

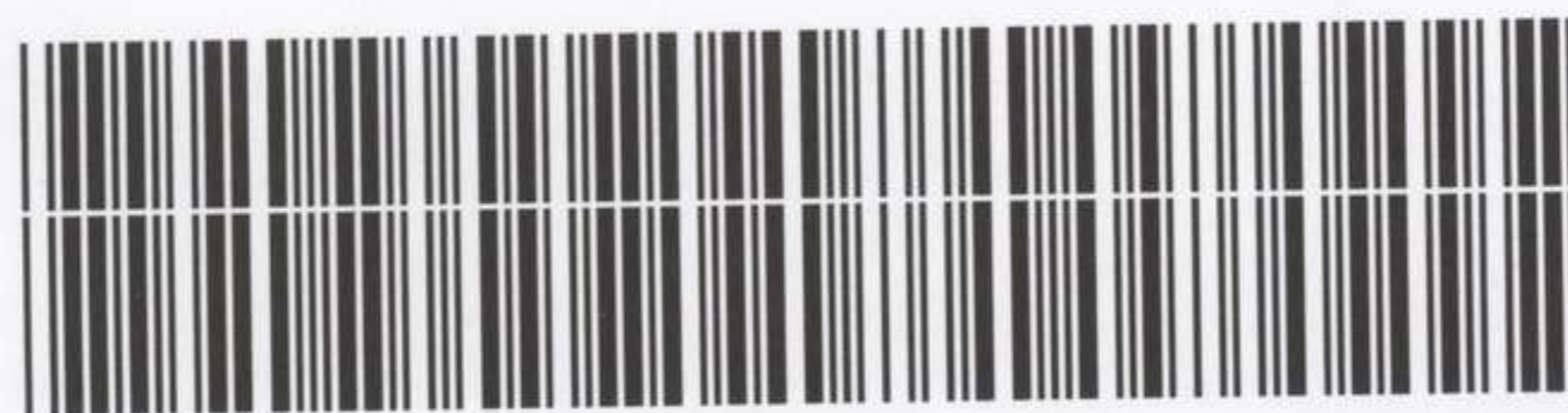
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BAILLEUL.	1917	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	admissions - nil - Transfers to other Hap. - 2. D.M.S., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army visited the Hap.	
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Col. Ridley, O.C. 51 <sup>st</sup> A.I.F. Btn. visited the Hap. [Fine, cloudy, warm]. Enemy bombarded <sup>Town</sup> outskirts. 7 am	
		3 <sup>rd</sup>	admissions - nil. Col. Barber, D.S.O. A.D.M.S. 4 <sup>th</sup> Div. A.I.F. visited the Hap. accompanied by his D.A.D.M.S. Major Jeffries - The Band of 51 <sup>st</sup> A.I.F. Btn. performed from 7-8 pm in Hap. grounds. Three enemy shells of large calibre dropped in town during A.M. Water connections & Kitchen & Road under way but not far advanced. Nine Medical Officers have reported for temporary duty.	
		4 <sup>th</sup>	admissions - nil. Outskirts of town shelled by Longrange Artillery 12-15 M.N. to 2-30 am. Col. Gordon Watson A.M.S. called. Bdr. Genls. Glasgow & Armstrong - 4 <sup>th</sup> Div. A.I.F. called.	
		5 <sup>th</sup>	admissions - nil. Capt. Coupland D.S.O. [D.S.O. (Sanitary) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army] called. [Fine clear] Some enemy shells fell in the town. D.M.S. informed us to expect an Ordinary Convoy of patients on 5 <sup>th</sup> at 8 am.	
		6 <sup>th</sup>	Convoy has not arrived so far. Town has been shelled by artillery. An Aeroplane shelled a train & a dump of ammunition 9 am. Some ceilings in building fell from the Concussion of the subsequent explosions. [Fine clear]	
		7 <sup>th</sup>	admissions Nil & Discharges Nil this month up to present - Remaining - 30. Water difficulty not yet fixed up.	
		8 <sup>th</sup>	Cases began to come in during the night. And continued during the day.	
		9 <sup>th</sup>	admissions 560 - Evacuated by Amb. Train 120. Died - 9. Transferred - 4. Remaining 427.	
		10 <sup>th</sup>	D.M.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army visited Hap. Surg. Genl. Sir A. Bessely & Major Cushing visited Hap.	

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BAILLEUL.	7 <sup>th</sup>	9.45 am	Enemy shelling the town. Evacuation early this A.M. & admissions at 8.30 resumed.	
		10.45 pm	patients coming in through hospital & evacuated all day. 482 came in today total 1342 for past 2 days. Rain storm 6 pm. Sir A. Bowley, Major Cushing U.S.A. M.S., Col. Saltan & Lt Col. Chopping visited hosp. during the day. Water supply sufficient all day. Road in good use	
	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 am	Admissions (during previous 24 hrs.) - 838. Transferred to other Hops - 15. Died - 22. Evacuated by Amb. Trains - 547. Remaining 681. Evacuation still going on.	
		11 am	Enemy shelling town - D.M.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army visited hospital 11 am. MESSINES Capt on 7 <sup>th</sup> m.d.	
	11	1.30	D.G.M.S. B. G. F. Sir A.T. SLOGGETT visited the hosp. accompanied by Brig. Gen. Macpherson. Brig. Gen. Sir A. Bowley & Major. The D.G.M.S. expressed his satisfaction with our work & asked that this be communicated to all ranks.	
		6 pm	Hospital fairly well cleared. 25 R.A.M.C. Other ranks reported for Temp. Duty. 30 Labour P.L. men. Other ranks also reported for Temp. Duty. Camp Commandant 4 <sup>th</sup> Div. A.I.F. provided other ranks to the number of 50 P.B. men & Bandmen of 47 <sup>th</sup> A.I.F. Bn. for Stretcher duty. Major Jeffries & 2 SMS 4 <sup>th</sup>	
		M.N.	Aust. Gov. called at midnight. Reported re his knowledge of Med. Situation of the Everings battle.	
	9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am	Enemy long range Artillery again bombarding. No admissions since 8 pm last night. Every preparation had been made for a rush of work. Admissions <del>555</del> 270. Transferred <del>22</del> 22. Died <del>21</del> 21. Evacuated by Amb. Train. <del>547</del> 746. Remaining in Hosp. at noon yesterday 8 <sup>th</sup> - <del>681</del> 160. These were nearly all evacuated during afternoon & night. Total. O.C. 1 <sup>st</sup> A.C.S.	

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BAILLEUL	1917 June 9 <sup>th</sup>		Our water supply is most unsatisfactory - none came through the pipes yesterday - we had to send a Lorry with a tank to Stenwerk for a load. Enemy long range artillery shelled during day and in evening it was necessary to close No. 11. C.C.S. because of the bombardment of its locality. Col. Humphrey, O.C. No. 11. C.C.S. brought 6 Sisters for us to attach also about a hundred patients.	
	10 <sup>th</sup>		At 12.30 midday the C.I.C. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig visited the hospital with his staff officers. The C.I.C. expressed his "grateful thanks" for the work done by all in the unit in helping the Wounded, and desired that these be communicated to all. [Fine clear] water came through pipes in evening & filled our tanks. Sir A. Brouilly & Major Cushing visited. 8.30 am. Admissions - 289. Died - 21. Evacuated - 107. Remaining 321. [and foggy].	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	9 am	Superintendent Sir A. Brouilly & Major CUSHING, U.S.A. visited the Hosp. Enemy long range guns bombarded the railway end of the town. Capt. Kiddle, Aust. Red Cross called. Water supply good today - drinking water. The Ablution water has never yet come through the pipes. Admissions - 154. Evacuated by Amb. Trains - 166. Deaths & Discharged to Duty - 2. Transferred - 19. Remaining 280. 4 Sisters from 3 <sup>rd</sup> A.G.H. arrived last night for Temp. duty. Col. Wray Senior Chap. C. of E. <sup>A.I.E.</sup> called yesterday.	
	1.40		The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army Commander Gen. Sir H. Plumer, visited the Hosp. & inspected the Unit accompanied by the D.M.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army (Surg. Gen. Porter). Sir Halcut addressed the parade & thanked all for their services.	[Showery].

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BAILLEUL	1917	June 12	Admitted - 152. Died - 5. Evacuated by Amb. train - 158. Remaining - 269.	
		9 <sup>am</sup>	Yesterday O.C. opened accounts in M. Verley Decroix & Co. Bank for (1) Imprest A/c. (2) Red Cross A/c. by cheques <sup>of 100</sup> exhausting with same Bank at ESTAIRES.	
		13 <sup>th</sup>	8am. Admissions - nil. Died - 1. Evacuated - Amb. Train - 97. Transferred - 13. Remaining, 158.	
			Col. White A.D.M.S. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div. A.I.F. accompanied by Major Anderson D.S.M.S. visited the Hosp. [Fine am. Yesterday Storm & rain in Eng.]. Surgeon Genl. Parton D.M.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army	Yesterday
		14 <sup>th</sup>	8am visited Hosp. along with Capt. Strating. The D.M.S. personally thanked the Unit, per O.C. for the work done during the past week. Also complimented the Unit in making this location the best C.C.S. inside the town. The U shaped road & the road through from front to rear and the large number of Marquees adjacent to the road in the Tent Division enable Evacuation to take place speedily - & even Admissions can go on in front while Evacuation goes on in Tent Div. behind. This helps to make it the best C.C.S. - road & tentage. No enemy shells this side town for 2 days.	
		14 <sup>th</sup>	8am Admissions - 196. Evacuated - 29. Died - 1. Transferred - 1. Remaining - 323. [Fine clear].	
			The 6 Sisters of St C.C.S. returned to their Unit. 3 pm. 13 <sup>th</sup> . Maj. Gen. Holmes, D.S.O., C.M.G. visited Hosp Yesterday 4 <sup>th</sup> Div. A.I.F. & thanked the Unit.	
		5pm.	Genl. Godley, G.O.C. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anzac Corps. visited the hospital, accompanied by Col. Bezz. & Sons 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anzac and ambulance patients. Genl. Godley expressed his thanks to the Unit for work done for his Corps. & wished same to be communicated to all. [Fine clear - hot] & work & cal	

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<u>BAILLEUX</u>	1917 June 15 9am	Admitted - 122. Evacuated - 267. [No. 27, Amb. Train]. Transferred - 29. Died - 6. Remaining - 143.	
	16 <sup>th</sup> 9am	Sir A. Bowley, Sir W. Haveringham called 4pm. Col. Gordon Watson + Soltan called [Fine clear hot].	
	16 <sup>th</sup> 9am	Admissions - 1. Evacuated by Amb. Train - 5. Died - 3. Remaining - 135.	
	17 <sup>th</sup> 8am	From 7 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> June inclusive 1397 admissions. & 330 recorded general anaesthetics administered. Ratio of General Anaesthetics to (Surgically) wounded = 1 to 3.6. [Fine clear hot.]	
	17 <sup>th</sup> 8am	Admissions - nil. Evacuated - 10. Died - 1. Remaining - 124. [Fine hot. haze]	
	18 <sup>th</sup> 8am	Col. Gordon Watson, Cons. Surg. visited the Hosp.	
	18 <sup>th</sup> 8am	Admitted - 154. Transferred to other Hops - 7. Evacuated - 4. Died - 1. Remaining - 266.	
	19 <sup>th</sup> 8am	O.C. called upon D.A.A.G. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anzac re Pt. T. Sauce, <sup>11319</sup> 3: Chesire Rpt. E.S. B.V., Boulogne Chapd with breaking <sup>over</sup> <del>Crews. 20.</del>	
	19 <sup>th</sup> 8am	Admissions - 53. Died - 10. Transferred - 2. Remaining - 307. [Fine - very hot - Storm 4pm]	
	20 9am	Col. Gordon Watson called yesterday. W.O. Beckett & Pte. Bynell, escorted prisoner Pte. Sauce (Cheshire Rpt) to Boulogne.	
	20 9am	Admitted - nil. Evacuated by Amb. Train - 15. Remaining - 150. [Raining - dull - foggy]	
	21 9am	at 7.30 am. Enemy long range Artillery bombarded outskirts of Town - 2 shots.	
	21 9am	Admissions - 1. Discharged to out - 2. Died - 1. Transferred to other Hops - 14. Remaining - 134. [Raining].	
	22 8am	Admissions - 192. Discharged - nil. Remaining - 126. Escart returned <sup>from</sup> Boulogne. [Raining - mild].	
	23 8am	Admissions - 42. Died - 1. Evacuated by Amb. Train - 189. Remaining - 178. Long range enemy	
		Bombardment 2 to 5 shots during the night past 2 nights. [Raining on 22 <sup>nd</sup> ]	M. Beck of A.C.C.S.

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BAILLEUL.	JUNE			
	24 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Admitted - 1. Transferred to other Hops - 4. Died - 2. Remaining - 143. [Fine - cool.] B ward vacated for disinfection & cleaning - Band of 51 <sup>st</sup> Bn. A.I.F. performed in Tent Mission -	
	25 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Admitted - 1. Discharged to duty - 14. Evacuated by Amb. Train - 14. Died - 5. Remaining - 141 Enemy shells exploded in the town last night. Sister Hornsey proceeded to A.I.F. H.Q. Gns. Pte Sauer re-enters again to Boulogne he had been returned here yesterday - for Trial by E. S. B. Unit. Boulogne.	
	26 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Admissions - 157. Transferred - 4. Died - 1. Remaining - 293. [Dull, cloudy, Raining] a few (6?) enemy shells dropped into this town near Railway Stn. The Sisters off duty accepted invitations to Sports meetings held at several A.I.F. units during the past week, in charge of the Senior Sister of the parties. [Fine, clear P.M. cool.]	
	27 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Yesterday Sir Arthur TAWLEY visited the hosp. accompanied by S.D.M.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Infan (Col. BEGA) also the A. & S.M.S. (Major Thompson) & the A.D.C. of 4 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Sir A.J. Godley. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Infan. Col. Lister, A.M.S. and Col. Gordon Watson A.M.S. also called and saw some special cases. Admissions - 9. Evacuated by Amb. train - 80. Died - 2. Remaining 220.	
	28 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Admissions - 1. Evacuated by Amb. train - 47. Transferred to other Hops - 8. Remaining - 166. Col. Macleod D.D.M.S. Lt. Corps. & Capt. Wigmore, O.C. 11 <sup>th</sup> M.A.C. visited the hosp. on 27 <sup>th</sup> a concert was held in "B" ward on 27 <sup>th</sup> at 5-25 pm. Capts. Mayhew, O'Kell, Mann; Capts. Gabe Langford Smith Keynes and Capt. King & other members of the attached Teams rejoined their units on 27 <sup>th</sup> .	

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BAILLEUL	June 29	1917	<p>admissions nil. Evacuated by Amb. Train - 13. Remaining - 153. [Severe Storm-flood - 8pm] <sup>28<sup>th</sup></sup>            During night of 27-28. Enemy Aeroplane dropped 5 Bombs near Railway area of town.            Six Sisters from 3<sup>rd</sup> A. G. Hosp. Abbeville rejoined their unit. Band of 51<sup>st</sup> B. In. A. I. F. came on 28<sup>th</sup> and Band of 48<sup>th</sup> B. In. A. I. F. (Lt. Col. Lane, D.S.O. M.C.) on 29<sup>th</sup> [Landing in Am. Train in P.M.]</p>													
	June 30		<p>admissions - 225 transferred to other Hosps. - 3. Died - 1. Evacuated - 4. Remaining - 367.            This C.C.S. now "receiving" patients for 24 hrs. alternately every 3<sup>rd</sup> day with 2<sup>nd</sup> Br. C.C.S. and 53<sup>rd</sup> C.C.S. Capt. Sterling. [staff of 8 M.S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Army] called left Frs. 248. for "Fat-Money." value of fat saved by Unit. Fortnightly Pay issued to Unit. Frs. 6830.            admissions - 16. transferred to other Hosps - 5. Evacuated by Amb. Train, 161. Died - 2.            Remaining on July 1<sup>st</sup> - 215.</p>													
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