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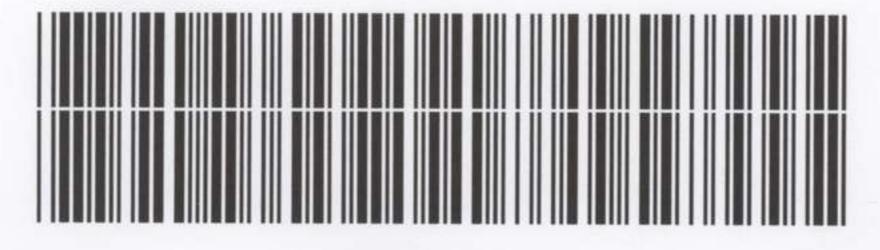
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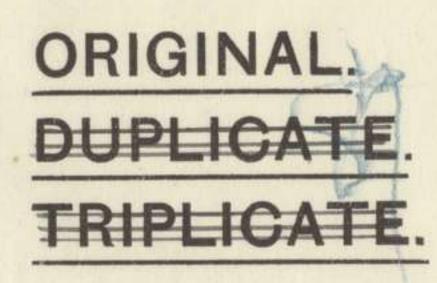
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OF

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D.M.S. A.I.F., Administrative Headquarters, LONDON.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE STAFF OFFICER AUSTRALIAN DENTAL SERVICES FRANCE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1918.

1. INSPECTIONS.

During the month I carried out the under-mentioned inspections:-

4-2-18	No.	37	Dranoutre.
4-2-18	No.	11	Sh. 28 M.24.Q.2.2
11-2-18	No.	34	Kemmel.
11-2-18	No.	32	Yong St.
11-2-18	No.	5	Locre.
11-2-18	No.	2	Locre.
11-2-18	No.	23	Dranoutre.
15-2-18	No.	18	Revelsberg Road.
15-2-18	No.	37	Outersteen.
18-2-18	No.	56	Pont D'Achelles.
18-2-18	No.	45	Westhof Farm.
20-2-18°	No.	29	Trois Arbres.
21-2-18	No.	46	Westhof Farm.

The Units attached 2nd. Australian Division have been in rest in an area sixty miles away. I have not inspected them during the month on account of lack of facilities for transport and inability to spare necessary four days away from duty in Corps Area. Unit No. 41 has been working attached to these Headquarters since 10-2-18 and necessary arrangements for working were made with the Officer-in-charge. Detailed reports of above-mentioned inspections are attached to this report, (appendices 1 - 13).

2. SICKNESS.

Capt. MELDRUM, Officer-in-charge Dental Unit No. 27 attached 12th. Aust. Fd. Amb. was evacuated to M.D.S. 22-2-18 (influenza). Capt. STEVENS, Officer-in-charge Aust. Dental Unit No. 32, attached 14th. Aust. Field Amb. was evacuated beyond C.C.S. on 22-2-18 (sub-acute rheumatism). Capt. N.E. LOCKHART marched in to the Base from Hospital on 4-2-18 and was posted to Aust. Dental Unit No. 44. This Officer was medically boarded on 12-2-18 at the Australian General Base Depot and classified B.2, "fit for service at the Base, likely to be unfit for six months, V.D.H." Capt. MORCOM, Officer-in-charge Australian Dental Unit No. 5 temporarily attached 2nd. Aust. Inf. Brigade H.Q. was evacuated to C.C.S. on 31-1-18 (dysentery) and rejoined 10-2-18.

3. MOVEMENT.

Capt. F.G.HOOTON marched in to the Australian General Base Depot on 17-2-18 and has been posted to Aust. Dental Unit No. 35. A request for the exchange of Capt. STEVENS, Aust. Dental Unit No. 32 attached 14th. Aust. Field Amb. with Capt. WILCOX Aust. Dental Unit No. 1 attached Aust. General Base Depot was recommended to the D.A.G. A.I.F. on 11-2-18

and approved. The exchange of Capt. SCHOLES, Aust. Dental Unit No. 18 attached 1st. Aust. Field Amb. with Capt. MURRAY Aust. Dental Unit No. 37 attached 1st. D.A.C. was recommended to the D.A.G. A.I.F. on 15-2-18 and approved. These moves are not yet completed. Copies of files will be forwarded in due course.

4. LEAVE.

The following is the leave I allowed to personnel of Aust. Dental Services attached Aust. Corps during the month of February:-

		Officers.	s/sgts.	Orderlies.
8 days	to Paris.	-	2	-
14 "	" Paris.	-	-	1
14 "	Sth. of France.	-	1	1
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5. INTELLIGENCE.

I have arranged with Corps Intelligence to examine German Prisoners of War at the Cage in order to gather any information relating to the methods in operation in the German Army for rendering dental treatment to its troops. Some prisoners examined a few days ago had only been recently called to the Army as their medical category was so low, and they were ignorant of dental services as well as everything else.

6. STORES.

These have come forward as usual. The only complaint of shortage during the month has been in respect to plaster of Paris and has in all cases been due to the non-compliance to this Office instructions on the part of the Dental Officers. The Australian Red Cross has supplied stoves Primus, towels, nail brushes, kettles, hand-basins, etc. during the month as the delay in obtaining same through Army and Ordnance, Calais, hinders Unit work to an appreciable extent. Colour patches requisitioned for on publication of A.I.F. Order Authority have not yet come to hand. The A.D.O.S. Aust. Corps has advised that there may be still some considerable delay in obtaining same owing to heavy demands for colour patches for all A.I.F. formations. Owing to the infinitisimal cost of these patches I have advised Units to purchase locally.

7. LECTURE.

At 3 p.m. on 6-2-18 I delivered a lecture at the A.A.M.C. School for Medical Officers, Rue St. Jacques, Bailluel. This lecture was on the same lines as that mentioned in my last monthly report.

8. RETURNS.

These have been forwarded to your Office at regular periods during the month. The Dental Officers are now practically all in line on the method and particulars of returns to this Office. As the S.D.O. Australian Base Depots is now under no obligation to examine drafts coming from England (vide your M.1508/5/16 of 22-2-18) men, whether from detention or not, may draft through the Base from England to formations not in the Corps Area dentally unfit. On arrival at formations not in the Corps Area they are able to parade for dental attention to the M.O. and as formations not in the Corps Area have not a Dental Unit the men may be sent back to the Base for dental

treatment. Or else men on draft from England requiring treatment for ulcerative gingivitis, easing of a denture, etc. etc. but certified in England as dentally fit may draft rapidly through the Base and further work is thrown on the already overburdened Dental Units in the field and under present conditions men requiring such trivial attention as the scraping of a denture made in England are frequently able to spend a whole day off duty in the forward area to have same As the S.D.O. is exempted from examining men on draft from England I cannot hold him responsible for dentally unfit men from England parading to Dental Units in the field, which was the case previous to your above-mentioned instruction. It is submitted that the system I had instituted and which was working admirably previous to the issuance of your M.1508/5/16 of 22-2-18 left nothing to be desired. of dentally unfit men from England reported on weekly returns to your Office were reported on a purely pro forma basis and proved the efficacy of my system in that such men were recipient of necessary dental treatment before drafting to the field. It is submitted that the over-ruling of my arrangements lays the Australian Dental Services in France open to inhefficiency, relieves the S.D.O. Australian Base Depots of a great deal of responsibility which he was placed there to carry, and renders me powerless to sheet home all lax methods.

On 29-1-18 I suggested to the D.D.M.S. Aust. Corps that all returns and reports from Dental Officers should be sent direct to me and not through the A.Ds. M.S. and D.D.M.S.. This would save much delay in my receiving the reports and take a burden of correspondence off the A.Ds. M.S. and D.D.M.S. This was approved 12-2-18.

9. WORK ACCOMPLISHED IN FRANCE DURING MONTH (Jan. 27 to Feb. 23 inclusive).

Cases treated.	12417
Extractions.	3595
Amalgam fillings.	2886
Cement fillings.	1377
Dentures.	1659
Repairs.	1555
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Number of A.I.F. Troops rendered dentally fit - 3492.

The number of A.I.F. troops rendered dentally fit would be proportionately greater if the number of Dental Units in France was increased. At present the parades are so large that in many cases it is all that a Dental Officer can humanly do to complete the work demanded by the men parading and there is no spare time to render further treatment to what is actually urgent hence the numbers rendered dentally fit are Owing to Dental Units not being available to smaller. various formations which need them the men are obliged to march in some cases many miles along the front to visit a Dental Unit and frequently a whole day from duty is lost on account of a man requiring a ten minute dental operation. The result of overburdening a Dental Unit with work is that treatment has to be rushed and sooner or later foci of infection becomes established which impair the soldier's health to a far greater extent than good dental attention would have improved his health.

10. ULCERATIVE GINGIVITIS.

The number of separate and distinct cases diagnosed as ulcerative gingivitis amongst A.I.F. troops in France between the dates 27-1-18 and 23-2-18 was 183.

11. NOMINAL ROLL.

Nominal roll at this date is attached herewith (Appendix No. 14).

12. MONTHLY REPORT OF S.D.O. HAVRE.

The report of the S.D.O. Australian Base Depots, HAVRE, for the month of February is attached herewith (Appendix 15).

H.Q. Aust. Corps, February 28th. 1918. S.O., A.D.S., FRANCE.

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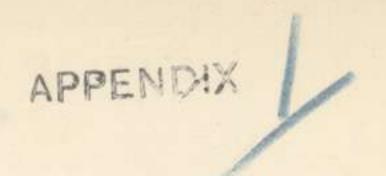
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APPENDIX.1.
REPORT ON AUST.DENTAL UNIT NO.37, attached 1st.AUST.DIV. AMM.COL.

Unit in billet at Locre packed up and awaiting transport arranged for to move back with the D.A.C. to Cutersteen.S/Sgt.
Crome of this Unit is still A.W.L.

February 28th., 1918.

See Appendix 9.

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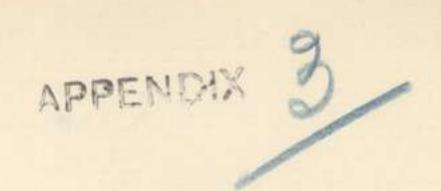
APPENDIX 20 AUST DENTAL UNIT NO.11, attached 4th AUST DIV AMM . COL.

Unit working at D.A.C.lines, Sheet 28 M.24.a.2.2.,
near Locre.Capt.Heatley had returned from tempoary duty with A.F.C.,
near Arras, and is systematically going through the D.A.C., expecting
to complete same in about seven days.It was arranged that S/Sgt.McGrath
and Pte.Thompson of this Unit would have a waggon from the lines and
go forward to the gum-pits and establish themselves there, sending any
cases they could not treat back to the D.A.C.lines for Capt.Heatley to
treat.By this means the gumners would be more accessible than they are
at present, the gum-pits being seven miles away from the Unit's present
working location.

February 28th., 1918.

This Unit has also taken on work for Aust. Flying Squadron which has recently established itself in the vicinity of the Unit location.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918. Igd. L. B. Day Major.
s.O., A.D.S., France.



APPENDIX.3.

REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO.34, attached 13th. AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 11th., 1918.

Unit working in Nissen hut at 4th. Aust.Div. Main Dressing Station, Kemmel. Place very neat and clean as I had complained about this matter on my last inspection. Unit treating men from all Bgdes. 4th. Aust. Div. and British troops who are at present temporarily attached Aust. Corps. In connection with dental treatment for British troops I have instructed several Dental Officers that they only need relieve British troops of pain as the British have a mobile dental unit fitted up in a lorry working on the area. Liquor arsenicalis is now so difficult to obtain that Capt. Forster shewed me a 21b. bottle that he had obtained with the same gusto that one shews a friend a bottle of wine of ancient vintage. Unit being kept very busy in both branches. No unnecessary dentures in hand.

February 28th., 1918.

Unit at this date still working at same location until yesterday when took over from Aust.Dental Unit No.3, attached 2nd. Aust.Field Ambulance, in Bailleul.

With reference to the above re British troops 4th. Army suggested during the month that all the Aust.DentalmUnits should be pooled at No.50 C.C.S. in combination with English Units working there. Through the good graces of the D.D.M.S., Aust.Corps a fiasco was averted but Aust.Dental Units in the Corps area and also the Unit attached 2nd. Aust.C.C.S. are, obliged to render full treatment to British troops working in the Corps area.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918. Agd. L. & Day Major.
S.O., A.D.S., France.

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REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO. 32, attached 14th. AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 11th., 1918.

Unit working in hut at 5th. Aust.Div. Main Dressing Stn., Yong Street, (about a kilometre east of Kemmel). Capt. Stevens not on duty on my arrival. Time 2.15 p.m. Large parade of over twenty men waiting, including three infantry officers. S/Sgt. C.E. Davis doing the surgical work and in the act of putting in an arsenical dressing after the manner of a novice. On my questioning S/Sgt. Davis he stated that he had only performed the operation a few times and that Capt. Stevens had given him instructions how to do it ---- no rubber dam was in place though all the necessaries for putting on rubber dam were on the table. Search was made for Capt. Stevens who was reported to have gone out before lunch. At 3 p.m. Capt. Stewens turned up. He said he had been over to the 15th. M.G.Coy. to arrange a concert. Spoke to Capt. Stevens about letting novice Dental Mechanics use arsenical paste without rubber dam. The A/C.O. said he was not at all satisfied with Capt. Stevens as he did not apply himself to the work in the way he should. In patticular it was stated that some mornings Capt. Stevens did not commence his work until after 10 a.m. Putting the above together I decided that Capt. Stevens would probably be kept up to scratch if he were sent to the Base and I applied for his exchange with Capt.S.E. Wilcox from the Base to the D.A.G., A.I.F. tonight.

Unit location was clean and the mechanics amking no unnecessary dentures and supporting front teeth with vulcanite. I had a long talk with Capt. Stevens last week about dental returns, entries in paybooks etc.

Explained leave roster and method now in vogue of obtaining leave at this date to Unit No.32.

February 28th., 1918.

Willcox not yet reported at this date.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918. 19d. L.B. Day Major.



Ad. L. B. Day Major.
S.O., A.D. S., France.

APPENDIX 5.
REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO.5, attached 3rd. AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 11th., 1918.

Unit working attached 2nd. Aust.Inf. Bgde.Headquarters, Locre.Capt.Morcom had rejoined from C.C.S. yesterday having been evacuated for dysentery on 31-1-18. This Officer is by no means fit but able to carry on a reasonable amount of work. The absence of Capt. Morcom had interfered with the amount of work shewn on the Unit returns and at the date of inspection things were being put in running order again. Billet in which Unit was working was spotlessly clean. Noted that there were no needless dentures being made on mechanics' benches. Time of visit 12.30 p.m. Shewed leave roster to Unit and explained method of obtaining leave under new scheme.

February 28th., 1918.

Unit still working in same location at this date. Nothing further to report.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918.

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APPONDIXIOAUST. DENTAL UNIT NO 2, attached 8th.AUST.FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 11th., 1918.

Unit working in convent at Locre. Troops being treated from all Units of 5th.Aust.Div.Room in which work was being done was neat and clean. Work going on busily. This Unit sent in animdent for colour patches. I saw A.D.O.S., Aust.Corps re same and was advised that the indent which I sent in on publication of anthority in A.I.F.Order would probably take some considerable time to fill and Units were advised to buy same in Bailleul if the paiches were needed right away. This, and other, units are having difficulty over stoves as Primus are no lon er obtainable in France and Beatrice stoves do not give every satisfaction. Went into matter of leave and leave roster with this Unit. A complaint had been received at this office from the R.M.O., 12th.Aust.Army F.A.Bgde. about this Unit being unable to treat men from his Bgde.Capt.Ruse stated that up to the time of my inspection he had turned no men away from the 12th.Aust.Army F.A. Bgde.Capt.Ruse spent an hour with me at my office last week and I put him au fait with all that is desired regarding returns, entries in pay-books, etc. Mechanics' work shewed they were cognizant with need of running vulcanite to incisal edge of teeth.

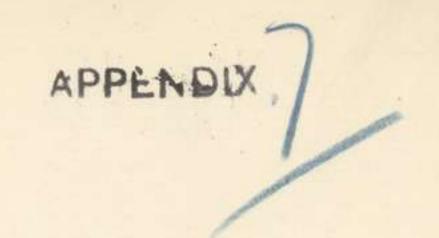
February 28th., 1918.

Unit still working at same location at this date. Nothing

further to report.

H.Q., Aust.Corps.

Sgd. L. B. Day Majo



APPENDIX.7. REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO. 23, attached 15th. AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 11th., 1918.

Unit working at civilian hospital at Dranoutre. Had accessible from there. As Capt. Sutton had been in France on a previous occasion he was quite familiar with the modus operandi of getting in touch with R.M.Os. and troops. Unit very busy treating all troops parading from the various formations in the locality. Pointed out to Capt. Sutton that only work to be done for civilians was to relieve them of pain. Civilians in the villages where Aust. Dental Units work are becoming a nuisance. If a filling is done for one of them their wide coterie of acquaintances is informed of the fact and an avalanche of civilians descends on the Dental Officer. Explained leave regulations and leave roster to this unit. No unnecessary dentures being made. Unit location clean as possible after a busy day's work.

February 28th., 1918.

Nothing further of interest to report.

H.Q., Aust. Corps. February 28th., 1918. 19d. L. B. Day Major.
S.O., A.D.S., France.

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APPENDIX 8 AUST DENTAL UNIT NO.18, attached 1st . AUST . FIELD AMBULANCE .

February 15th.1918.

Unit working in hut in the Revelsbeg Rd. Dressing Station. Unit treating troops from 3rd. Aust. Inf. Bgde. and several smaller formations including some Aust. Flying Corps. Went into matter of rendering men dentally fit with Capt. Scholes also leave and leave roster. This officer has become a little too firmly fixed in the Ast. Aust. Field Ambulance and as I think Capt. Murray of the same Division would do better with an A.A.M.C. formation I have applied to the D.A.G., A.I.F. for an exchange between these two officers which I think would be for th betterment of the service. The two Staff-Sergeants C. and W. Bell are giving a satisfactory account of themselves with this Unit.

February 28th., 1918.

Capt. Scholes is at this date arranging to take over from Capt.Murray. 19d. L. B. Day Major.
S.O., A.D.S., France.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918.

APPENDIX 9.

REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO.37, attached 1st. AUST. DIVISIONAL AMM. COL.

February 15th., 1919.

Unit working in billet in D.A.C. lines at Outersteen.
Owing to shortage of accommodation the surgical and mechanical work
had to be done in one small room. Unit working for lst. Aust. Div. Art.
and lst. Aust. Inf. Bgde. As Capt. Russell left only a meagre equipment when he handed over to Capt. Murray the latter has had considerable inconvenience to put up with in carrying on as though he requiritioned for requirements some weeks ago they have not come to hand
owing to the fact that they have had to be purchased in England.
Capt. Eurray does not seem to me to have enough initiative and I think
he would do better with an A.A.M.C. formation as he is new to the
field and seems to have difficulty in getting minor things done
owing to his lack of experie ce in the field. I have today applied to
teh D.A.G., A.I.F. for his exchange with Capt. Scholes, attached lst.
Aust. Field Amb. as Capt. Scholes is more familiar with the field routine.

the facts of the case before the Corps Courts-Martial Officer who advises that a conviction would be difficult to obtain in this case as the soldier was in the lines of the 5th. D.A.C. from the time he returned from leave and reported himself daily to the 5th. D.A.C.Orderly Room, but his presence there was not reported to these Headquarters by the C.O., 5th.D.A.C. on whom the onus rested for the retention of the N.G.O. in the lines. When S/Sgt. Crome proceeded on leave his unit was attached 5th. D.A.C. and was moved to the lst.D.A.C. during the time that he was in England. The C.O., 5th. D.A.C. is being reported to Aust. Corps "A." for his action over this matter.

February 28th., 1918.

Capt. Murray arranging to take over from Capt. Scholes

at this date.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918. Agd. L. B. Day Major. S.O., A.D.S., France.

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REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO.56, attached 10th.AUST FIELD AMBULANCE.

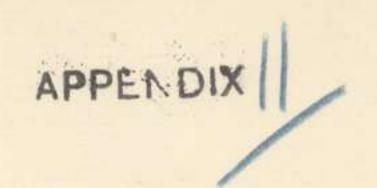
February 18th., 1918.

Unit working in hut with 10th. Aust. Field Ambulance at the Pont d'Achelles Dressing Station. Enormous crowd of men waiting.Capt. Austin makes every endeavour to treat all the men that parade but it is not possible to do dentistry for such a crowd in one day. A lot of the men were Artillery and these men alone could keep a unit busy. Hut neat and clean and everyone working at top pressure. Entries of dentures supplied being made in pay-books. Nothing further of particular interest to report.

February 28th., 1918.

Unit still working at same location. Nothing further of interest to report. 19d. L. B. Day

H.Q., Aust. Corps.



ARRECTED ALL UNIT NO.45, attached 9th. AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 18th., 1918.

Unit working with 9th. Aust. Field Ambulance at Westhof Farm. Ample work presenting from 9th. Inf. Bgde. and small formations in the locality. Found some cases in which the upper incisor teeth on denture had not been supported with vulcanite. Drew attention of unit to what is desired in this direction. Also emphasied necessity for entry of all dentures supplied in the soldier's pay-book. Hut in which Unit was working was neat and clean. Nothing further to report.

February 28th., 1918.

Unit took over from Aust.Dental Unit No.46, attached 11th. Aust.Field Ambulance at Nieppe on February 20th.

February 28th., 1918. H.Q. Aust.C rps. Jgd. L.B. Day Major.
S.O., A.D.S., France.

APPENDIX 12.

REPORT ON AUST.DESTAL UNIT NO.29. attached 2nd.AUST.CAS.CLRNG.STN.

February 20th., 1918.

unit working at the Station, Trois Arbres. Work presenting to Unit is very variable ---- some days very busy others only a few men parading. This apparently due to the weather as many of the men are obliged to come long distances. On date of visit the parade was small. There were no jaw cases in the Station.

Inspection of the mechanical work shewed no unnecessary dentures being made. But was reasonably neat and clean. Entries for dentures supplied at this Station are made in pay-books of all soldiers, A.I.F. as well as British as the Station is under Army administration. This Unit is obliged to treat British troops in the same way as A.I.F. troops under instructions from 4th. Army. Army has established what is known as a "Dental Centre" at No.50 C.C.S., Mont des Cats. This is an inovition for the British as it is the first time I have seen any organized arrangements for treating British troops in the various Armies in which Aust. Corps has served.

Capt.Caulfield is gradually calling up personnel of the End. Aust.C.C.S. and rendering them dentally fit.

February 28th., 1918.

Nothing of further interest to report.

H.Q., Aust.Corps. February 28th., 1918. 19d. L. B. Day Major.
S.O., A.D. S., France.



S.O, A.D.S., France.

APPENDIX.13.

REPORT ON AUST. DENTAL UNIT NO.46, attached 11th.AUST.FIELD AMBULANCE.

February 21st., 1918.

Unit working in hut at location of 11th. Aust.Field Amb. at Westhof Farm, having taken over from the 9th. Aust.Field Amb. yesterday.Unit treating troops from 9th. Bgde., 3rd. A.F.A. and some units of 1st.Aust.Div. located in the vicinity.No unnecessary plates being made by the unit and assurances were given me that all dentures were entered in pay-books.No dentures being insertes at the time of my visit so was unable to verify. Went into matter of returns and leave roster with Capt. Taunton also dealt with matter of rendering men dentally fit. Unit keeping hut as clean as possible in muddy location.

February 28th., 1918.

Unit at same location at this date. Nothing further to

reports

H.Q., Aust. Corps. February 28th., 1918. Afferraiso IH.

FRANCE. NOMINAL ROLL OF AUSTRALIAN DENTAL UNITS IN FRANCE. Dental Unit Officer-in-charge. S/Sgt. Rank. No. No. Orderly. Location. No. 18 SCHOLES L.R. 14220 Capt. BELL C. 768 THOMAS W.E. 1st. Aust. Fd. Amb. 14215 BELL W. 3 PONSFORD C.H.S. 9116 BARTON C.R. 1549 PONSFORD R.L. 2nd. do 1670 PROVE E.H. 5 MORCOM C. 9528 MCKENZIE C.S. 2625 RAMSAY R. 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde.H.Q. 3703 MURRAY A. 19 FINLAY G. 13217 COOK W.A. 1433 SCOTT D. 4th. Aust. Fd. Amb. 1834 DALGARNO G.E. 22 HARBECK L. PEACOCK J.W.E. 6233 GODDARD E. 9007 5th. do 14038 FRENCH C.H. 4 POTTINGER H.W. 3263 RAY V.E. 8636 BAILEY W.R. 16th. A.A.S.C. 40 3168 BURNS H.D. 24 FRASER R. 3594 ANDREA J.E. 3982 BOWERING V.H. 7th. Aust. Fd. Amb. 137 DeSAXE N.D. 2 RUSE B.B. 15814 INGRAM L. BLOOMFIELD L.A. 8046 8th. do 1820 TULLOH C.A. 45 BENNETT G.B. 19 3020 APPENDIX ALEXANDER E.G. 10663 DRUCE R.B. 9th. do 10662 GODFERY E.A. MM. 56 AUSTIN D. 99 2770 HARDING N. 12409 McINNES J.T. do 10th. 2649 DADLEY O. 46 TAUNTON H.C.D. 13454 HEATH A.L. 13458 COOK E.T. 11th. do 14217 FLEMING W.E.

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27	MELDRUM F.	Capt.	14221	DORETAN A.C. HARROLD V.N.	9788	MCKINLEY W. A.	12th. Aust. Fd. Amb.
34	FORSTER F.R.		8866 10664	ALLEN L.H. RICKEY W.T.	13323	MILDERN E.E.	13th. do
32			5665 7334	SOUFFLOT R. DAVIS C.E.	6112	COTTERILL C.M.	14th. do
23	SUTTON A.F. M.B.E.	**	14224	RALSTON W. CASH H.R.	1095	ARMSTRONG E.	15th. do
41	SATCHELL G.K.		72 243	CHISHOLM A.J. WHETTON P.	15926	DAWSON S.B.	H.Q. Aust. Corps.
29	CAULFIELD W.E.G.	10	256 7367	IBBOTSON A.V. PIKE J.D.	7384	WALTON H.	2nd. A.C.C.S.
37	MURRAY O.R.	52	1466 13745 289	CROME H.F. BARNES H. MORRISON A.	6282	DEMPSTER W.	1st. D.A.C.
17	HENDERSON A.R.P.		1437 10817	GREGG B. CAMPBELL W.F.	6670	WYNTER F.G.	2nd. A.G.H.
10	DONOVAN G.T.	10	1374 1418	JONES E.W. COLLINGS W.A.I.	652	BOUTCHER J.	3rd. A.G.H.
11	HEATLEY C.P.		1670 14058	McGRATH T.M. NEATE C.B.	562	THOMPSON M.J.	4th. D.A.C.
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59	HALL D.S.	***	3356 264 12743	HEATH J.S.R. SUTTON C.U.A. BAND G.	9042	IRELAND F.	A.G.B.D.
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Capt. STEVENS H.E. ex Aust. Dental Unit No. 32.

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25/2/18.

Australian Base Depots, HAVRE.

To Major Day, S.O., A.D.S., FRANCE.

Herewith Monthly Report of S.D.O. Australian Base Depots.

The characteristic feature of this month has been the revelation of the enormous number of men who require an enormous number of fillings. And although all my energies have been directed against the accumulation of fillings, the numbers do not seem to be reduced.

FILLINGS. For the last four weeks the results are as follows :-

Date.	Fillings done for week.	Men awaiting fillings.
2-2-18	185	94
9-2-18	199	95
16-2-18	241	100
23-2-18	266	156

I think, however, as soon as the back is broken and we get level with the work they will be more easily managed.

OF DRAFTS.

The percentage of dentally unfit from inspections remains pretty constant as the figures for the month, as follows, will shew:-

Week ending Date.	Percentage English Drafts unfit.	Percentage Casuals unfit.
2-2-18	4.6	48.4
13-2-18	3.1	43.1
18-2-18	3.8	46.5
25-2-18	6.6	54.3

CALCULUS.

I should like to point out how neglectful dental officers in general appear to be in the matter of scaling. A great deal of gingivitis, ulcerative and otherwise, owes its origin more or less to the presence of salivary calculus about the teeth, and for this reason alone and for oral asepsis, it is worth while keeping an eye on this matter. I consider before a man is marked "A Class" after any dental operation whatever, the dental surgeon should assume himself that the man's mouth is comparitively free from salivary calculus.

S.P.Bs.

It seems too that I have to do here far too much entering in paybooks both of other men's work as well as refused treatment (long antidates) and dentures in situ in the mouths of men marching in from England.

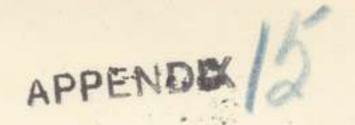
CAPT.HOOTON.

· Capt. Hooton marched in last Sunday and for two days was kept in bed by the M.O. but since then work has been considerably faciliated.

S/SGTS.

The five new Staff Sergeants as per D.A.G. A.I.F. 187/5/32 marched in on the 20th. inst. and as yet the five to be relieved have not marched out. I have now three Staff Sergeants whose promotion to their present rank dates from the same day. They are S/Sgt. McSherry, S/Sgt. Snelling J.M. and S/Sgt. Heath. In order to arrive at the determination as to which of the three is best suited to hold the position of Senior Staff Sergeant, I have given them periods of duty of a week each as

ORDERLY S/Sgts.



Orderly Staff Sergeant, with duties as above.

CLERICAL STAFF.

The clerical work still seems a rather large proposition and the clerks are the longest and most consistently worked members of the Units here.

SYSTEM OF GRAPHS.

I am keeping now graphs of all the work so that a comparison may be immediately made of any two weeks work, inspections, percentage of unfits, etc. I have to utilize for the purpose Clinical Charts, but should like to know if graph papers are obtainable.

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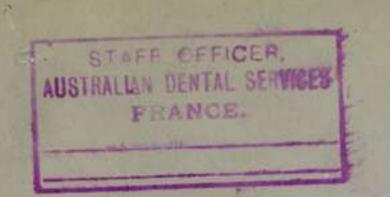
As regards the building, I have at length obtained fire appliances and am having them put in place. I have erected in front of the extracting surgery a partition so that men awaiting extractions may not lose their moral by witnessing antecedent operations. I find this an excellent addition.

ROUELLES, 25/2/18. (SGD.) VALENTINE BLOGG, Major, S.D.O., Australian Base Depots.

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Steps taken to obtain necessary graph paper for S.D.O. HAVRE.

(Sgd.) L.B.DAY, Major.



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