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May 1917



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1.5.17		The following men were transferred to A.F.C.	
		Driver WRENCH, H.J. Plus BELL, J.J., BOYER, F.H.	
		+ TOBY, F.J.	
12.5.17		Captains DONOVAN, H.C.E. + MEEHAN, A.V. promoted	
		Major, as from 27/4/17.	
		Authority A.I.F. Order No 615: 7/4/5/17, +	
		List of Promotions + Appointments, No. 172.	
18.5.17		Military Medal awarded to Sgt. CROOK S.R. (No. 11881), for gallant work at CHARING CROSS, A.D.S. on night of 5/6 May.	
		Major HONMAN, A.V. transferred as	
		R.M.O. 37 th Battalion A.F.F. as from 18/5/17.	
		Captain YULE, J. SMYTHE taken on strength	
		of Unit from R.M.O. 37 th Btn. as from	

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18/5/17	Pont d' Achelles.	vice Major A.V. HONMAN transferred.	
8 - JUN. 1917		Captain BLAVISAUM, I. taken on strength of Unit from 11 th Aust. Field Ambulance	
		vice Major A.V. MEEHAN transferred.	
		Major A.V. MEEHAN transferred to 11 th Australian Field Ambulance.	
25/5/17	" "	Captain VICKERY, K. reported for duty.	
26/5/17	" "	Lieut. OXLEY, C.A. to the Q.M. & Hon. Captain as from 1/5/17. - Authority, A.I.F. List of Promotions & Appointments 178. published with A.T. & Order No. 646. of 18/5/17.	
29/5/17	" "	Major E.F. LINB assumes command of 9 th Field Ambulance temporarily during absence of Lieut. Col. MAGUIRE on Corp's duties.	
			E.F. Maguire Lt. Col.

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PONT d'ACHELLES. Sket 36. S.W. <u>B.8.6.3.5.</u>	25 th May. 1917.	-	<p>Temporarily relieved of command of 9th Australian Field Ambulance while performing Corps Duties. Detailed to command Corps Main Dressing Station 2nd A.N.Z.A.C. Corps. PONT d'ACHELLES. - with official title of 9th Australian Field Ambulance. Staff to consist of 1 tent subdivision of 9th, 10th & 11th Australian Field Ambulances, 3rd Aust. Division, & of 4th, 12th, & 13th Field Ambulances, 4th Aust. Div. (vide, D.D.M.S. II A.N.Z.A.C. 728/17 of 24/5/17.) C.M.D.S. to take over all evacuation duties performed by Ambulance M.D.S's, as from 26th & be evacuated by 14th M.A.C.</p> <p>The site of the C.M.D.S. is on a crossroad leading from Hill 63 & the PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, junctioning with the main BAILLEUL - ARMENTIÈRES Road. It is about 2 acres square & comprises a Corps Main Dressing Station with a Corps Collecting Post. The C.M.D.S. consists of 4 large Nissen Hospital Huts, & 14 small Nissen Huts. Of the former, one is used as an admission hut & one as a dressing hut. The other two are used as evacuating huts. 10 small Nissens are used as wards, 2 as Officers' wards, one for men and cases, & one combined office & dispensary. Kitchens, ablution floors & latrines are complete. The C.C.P. consists of 2 large Nissen hospital huts, one for admissions & one for dressings, & 22 large marquees with floors. The C.M.D.S. & C.C.P. are separated by a true mac road for motor traffic. All refuse is incinerated on the premises.</p>	

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PONT d'ACHELLES. C.M.D.S. 9th Australian Field Amb.	26 th May 1917.		The following units have reported & have been attached for duty to C.M.D. 5 "A." Section, 9 th Aust. Field Amb. "B" Section, 4 th Aust. Field Amb. "C" " 10 th " " " " " " " 12 th " " " "B" " 11 th " " " " " " " 13 th " " " together with additional clerks from each Ambulance. Commenced to admit patients from Divisions.	
	27/5/17.		Very few casualties coming in. Only 28 wounded for 24 hours.	
	28/5/17.		Casualties increasing. 140 wounded admitted.	
	31/5/17.		Casualties coming in steadily. Wounded average about 150 a day. Clearing 3 rd Australian, 4 th Australian, M. 2, Divisions, & extra divisional troops. The following reserve rations are carried, under authority D.D.M.S. 735/17 of 29/5/17. 3500 Reserve rations. 900 Bread rations daily. 1/2 ton of Coal daily. 12 gallons of oil daily.	

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PONT DACHELLES Hut 36 NW B.8 b.3.5	25/5/17		A section tent subdivision of unit detached to form Corps main Dressing Station, to remain at PONT D'ACHELLES - Lt Col FA MAGUIRE CO 9 Aust 7d Amb detailed to act as CO Corps main Dressing Station and from this date command of unit is handed to me temporarily during impending activity	
	31/5/17		Horse transport of B, C sections reported to CO 11 7d Ambulance at MDS PONT DE NIEPPE - Horse ambulances report to CAMPONORE LINES to CO 11 7d ambulance om. 16/22/i; 29/5/17 PSMs 3 Aust Division Frank Hindmoe	