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**1914-18 War**

Medical, Dental & Nursing

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**Title:** No 1 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,  
Harefield Park

November 1918



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# WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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November 1918

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices																									
Harfield	1.11.18		<p>Conspicuous re Belgian Home for use of VADs at present overcrowded in available houses and in tents.</p> <p>Influenza epidemic - orders given in accordance with instructions for Dms AIF (Telegram No 29830 of 31.10.18) that nursing personnel shall wear gowns and face masks in attendance upon cases of influenza.</p>	Appendix I.																									
	2.11.		<p>Parade state.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Officers</th><th>W/Staff</th><th>O/Ranks</th><th>Ss VAD</th><th>W/leg. braves.</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>19</td><td>63</td><td>149</td><td>120</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>3</td><td>6</td><td>1</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>3</td><td>5</td><td>-</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>-</td><td>8</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Admissions for week = 254. Discharges = 353.</p> <p>From 1<sup>st</sup> November all patients are required to be within Hospital grounds by 6 p.m. Any extension of leave beyond this time must be specially obtained.</p>	Officers	W/Staff	O/Ranks	Ss VAD	W/leg. braves.	19	63	149	120		1	3	6	1		1	3	5	-		-	8				
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	3.11.-		Captain King-Patrick A.M.C. struck off strength reporting to A.D.M.S. with details.	Appendix II																									
	4.11.		<del>Order re inoculation against influenza for troops returning to Australia</del>																										



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Harefield	5.11.		Lady Rawlinson visited hospital with Lady Robinson and inspected a number of wards. Tea was given patients in ward 40.	
	7.11.		Matron attended funeral of battle matron Miles Walker R.A.N.S. Recommendations received from Consulting Physician Eastern Command published in unit orders for information of all concerned Captain Renwick C.S. A.A.M.C. marched out to 20:20 Weymouth for return to Australia. W/ Legum Head drive Mrs. G. Brookes to A.M.T.S. H.Q. Chelsea. note correspondence with regard to women's legion note drive	Appendix III.
	9.11.		There are now the bodies of seven dead of Influenza in the mortuary. There is considerable delay experienced in obtaining coffins and in making proper arrangements for burial. All have been accorded a military funeral with attendance of firing party and buglers. Admissions for week = 297 Discharges " " = 392.	Appendix IV



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Harefield	11.11.18		Day of signature of armistice. A number of patients failed to return from London at night but generally the conduct of staff and patients under the circumstances was exemplary.	
	12.11.		Taken on strength Major Davis T.R.E. A.A.M.C. 9.11.18 reported for duty. Major Harrison Es. A.A.M.C. 11.11.18 reported for temp. duty.	
	13.11.		Hospital Ships:- Owing to postponement of departure of Hospital Ships all existing rolls are cancelled.	
	14.11.		Regimental dance held in Patients dining Hall very successfully. Special permission obtained from Principal Matron in Chief for Sisters to dance.	
	15.11.		Letter from Commandant re payment of Labor Staff.	
	16.11.		Captain Dawson A.A.M.C. 15.11.18 Reported for duty.	
	18.11.		Admissions are being taken fairly freely now; 96 came in today.	

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Harefield	19-11-		Major Grieve AM (M.C.) A.A.M.C. 16.11.18 Reported for duty & is latter - strength Capt Holmes C.W.S. " 16.11.18 " " " " " " " " " " " "	
			W Col S. C Shaw BSO is struck off strength, having marched out to 1914 leave in the M.H. As Senior Surgeon during 1918 his work has been marred by the highest order of surgical skill.	
	20-11-		Thick fogs have made transport difficult the last two days. Men drivers are now on duty in all cars with great advantage. The work has been heavy as in 3 days 226 patients have been discharged and admissions have been heavy - 130 report today. Major Sweet A.A.M.C. 20.11.18. is struck off strength - discharged in M.H. for the A.I.F.	
	23-11-		Transport duty of C1 personnel to Australia - 8mt. 2m 16083 Admissions per week ending = 558 Discharges " " " = 485.	Appendix VI
	27-11-		Major Selton M.B.C. A.A.M.C. 25.11.18 Reported for duty from 2 A.C.D. Memorandum for A.P.M. published in Corps Order	Appendix VII



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28.11.			Hospital is very full with beds occupied almost to capacity.	
29.11			The Lieut and Pharmacist Sargent is struck off strength granted 1914 leave. No officer has reported to relieve in this post.	
30.11.			<p>Total number of admissions for the month = 1973</p> <p>" " " discharges " " = 2015</p> <p>The total number of deaths viz: 12 is much above the average for this hospital and is entirely due to the severe Pneumonia associated with the present epidemic of Influenza. From twelve to twenty fresh cases are still reporting daily for admission but the cases are not as severe as during the previous month.</p> <p>Daily average number of patients in hospital for the month = 841.</p> <p>(Patients admitted 19 Offs 68 Sisters 16 3 C/Ps. Cyatman Moll or MATH)</p>	



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P. 41/1/4.

No. 1. A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

The President.  
No. 6. Area Quartering Cttee.  
44. Penywern Road. Earl's Court. S.W.5.

15. 10. 18.

Reference Your 31/30. of the 7th inst. I am returning papers in connection with the hiring of accommodation for No. 1. A.A.H. V.A.D. Personnel.

I regret I cannot supply the information you ask for. I have endeavoured to get into touch with the Solicitors acting for the joint Trustees of the David Collett Estate, and I attach correspondence received from one of the Executors.

Cumberland House seems to be the only suitable accommodation in Harefield village, and it is recommended that one of your Inspectors call and inspect the place. It is at present occupied, and the Trustees do not appear to be enthusiastic about letting this House for War Purposes.

Could this matter be treated as very urgent please, as the Hostels are at present overcrowded, and the possibility of influenza and other epidemic ever present.

SGD. J. F. MURRAY. Captain Q.M. 1. A.A.H.

2130/22/10/18.

The Officer Commanding.  
No.1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

44. Penywern Road.  
Earl's Court. S.W.5.

22nd October. 1918.

ACCOMMODATION FOR V.A.D. HAREFIELD.

Cumberland House. This is not available.  
The following are suggested as suitable :-

The Old Orchard. Proprietor. J. A. Cann.

Memorial Hall. now partially occupied by one Belgian family.  
Possibly other accommodation for them could be found.

Please say if either of these are suitable for your requirements. Otherwise the only alternative is to find lodgings, or billets through the Police. I asked the Police to let you know what billets are available.

SGD. O. ROWE. Colonel.  
President No. 6. Area. Q.C.  
for Major-General l/c. Administration.  
EASTERN COMMAND.

P.41/1/5.

No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

The President.  
No. 6. Area Q.C. Earl's Court. S.W.5.

Reference Your No. 2130. dated 22.10.18. I consider that the Memorial Hall is most suitable for the purpose named.

I have seen Mr. Cann. Chairman of the local Belgian Relief Cttee. who informs me that arrangements are being made for the reception of the Belgian family now occupying the Hall at a hostel in London. He suggests that Friday, Nov. 1st. be fixed for the date of their removal. Please inform me if you approve.

OVERLEAF.



Two rooms are occupied by Mrs. Robertson, who is caretaker of the Hall. She is the wife of a soldier, and her daughter aged about 15 years is with her there.

The latrine accommodation is poor, and a bathroom is necessary. Both these services can be easily installed, and it is recommended that this be done.

Partitions making cubicles in a large hall upstairs were erected by Bell's Asbestos Coy. Harefield, when Belgians were taken in there, and these should be purchased if possible.

SGD. C. YEATMAN. Lt. Col.  
C.O. 1. A.A.H.

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BELL'S UNITED ASBESTOS COY. LTD.  
Harefield Mills.  
Uxbridge.

JAC/KW.

28th October, 1918.

The C.O.  
1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

Dear Sir.

I confirm telephone conversation which I had with Captain Murray this morning in which it was arranged that you should send an ambulance to take eight persons and a lorry, to the Memorial Hall on Friday morning at nine a.m. to convey the Belgian family from there to General Buildings, Aldwych, arriving there about 11. a.m. where your drivers will get instructions from Miss Morgan of the War Refugees Committee as to where this family and their goods are to be deposited.

I have written to Miss Morgan explaining to her that you required the ambulance and Lorry free by 12 midday.

I conclude from our numerous conversations that the billeting Officer, Colonel Rowe, had no alternative than to requisition the Memorial Hall for the use of your V.A.Ds. but undoubtedly the Belgian's who have been our guests feel very much being removed, but I have explained to them that it is being done by you simply for military purposes, and that you were helpless in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

FOR BELL'S UNITED ASBESTOS CO. LTD.

SGD. J. A. Cam. Harefield.

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44. Penywern Road.  
Earl's Court. S.W.5.  
31st. October, 1918.

Officer Commanding.  
Australian Hospital. HAREFIELD.

Memorial Hall. HAREFIELD.

I have got the consent of two of the Trustees, Mr. Byles and Commander Tarleton, M.V.O. I have asked Rev. Harland for his.

If you can see Rev. Harland, and get his consent, please carry on with the arrangements for the removal of the Belgians, and let me know when this has been done.

SGD. O. ROWE. Colonel.  
President. No. 6. Area Q. Cttee.



1st November, 1918.

Colonel Yeatman.  
O.C. 1. A.A.H.

On behalf of the Belgian Refugees living at the Memorial Hall, Harefield, could you allow transport to take our Party and goods to Hnl. Hqrs. Belge. Relief Commission, London.

As we are now unable to exist here without rations it is desirable for us to move this day.

On behalf of the Belgian Refugees.

SGD. ALEXANDRE POCINQUA.

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1st November, 1918.

No. 1. A.A.H.

The President.  
No. 6. Area Quartering Cttee.  
44. Penywern Road. Earl's Court. S.W.5.

MEMORIAL HALL. HAREFIELD.

Your 2130/14 dated 31. 10. 18. received.  
At the request, in writing, of the Belgians occupying the Hall, they were this morning removed to the care of the Belgian Relief Committee, General Buildings, Aldwych. The Revd. Harland, saw the necessity of this action in view of the wish of these people, and acquiesced verbally.

SGD. C. YEATMAN.  
Lieut-Colonel.  
Officer Commanding.

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No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

To the Caretaker.  
Memorial Hall. HAREFIELD.

Please note that the growing Vegetables at the Memorial Hall, Harefield, lately occupied by the Belgian Refugees have been purchased by the Officer Commanding, No. 1. Aust. Auxiliary Hospital.

SGD. J. F. MURRAY. Captain.  
Q.M. 1. A.A.H.

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No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

2. 11. 18.

From :- The Commandant B.R.C.S.

To :- Officer in Command.  
No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

Sir.

I beg to inform you that I consider the Memorial Hall suitable for a Hostel for the members of the V.A.D. providing that adequate sanitary arrangements and baths are added for thirty people.



C.R.E.H. 14/4317/107.

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One ceiling badly needs repairing, a large piece having fallen and the walls need distemping.

I would suggest that the upper storey remains as it is, divided into cubicles.

I have the honor, to be, Sir.  
Your obedient Servant.

(SGD). CATHERINE. J. WARNEFORD.

Commandant. B.R.C.S.

ENCL. C.R.E.H. 14/4317/107.

44. Penywern Road.  
Earl's Court.

5th November, 1918.

C.R.E. HOUNSLOW.

MEMORIAL HALL. HAREFIELD.

Hostel for 40 members of V.A.D. attached to No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

The above premises have been acquired as a Hostel for members of V.A.D. attached to Australian Hospital, Harefield.

I send you a copy of a report by the Commandant, B.R.C.S. and shall be glad if you will carry out the necessary R.E. services as soon as possible.

Please let me know the date of the completion of these services together with the approximate cost of the same.

SGD. O. ROWE. Colonel.  
President. No. 6. Area. Q.C.

COPY. C.R.E.H. 14/4317/107. D.O.U.X. 1/425/1.

D.O. Uxbridge.

For action, and report completion, with approximate cost, please.

SGD. F. H. SMITH. 2/Lt. ASst. C.R.E. Hounslow.  
for Colonel. C.R.E. Hounslow district.

Hounslow Barracks.  
8th November.1918.

Foreman of Works.

..... for information and necessary action.

D.O.U.X. 1/423/1.  
C.R.E.H. 14/3996/65.  
D.O. Uxbridge.

HIRINGS.

In all cases where it is proposed to provide any erections, such as a latrine or otherwise, in the gardens of hirings, special authority will be obtained from the C.R.E. before putting the work in hand.

Hounslow Becks. SGD.  
9th November, 1918.

S.F.W. Colonel.  
C.R.E. Hounslow district.

FOREMAN OF WORKS.

For information.



C.R.E.H. 14/4317/107.

MEMORIAL HALL. HAREFIELD.

D.O.R.E. UXBRIDGE.

Sir.

The following services are necessary to the above Hall to make same suitable for accommodation of 30 to 40 members. V.A.D.

Hall door. 1. pane glass.  
1. gas pendant in front.

GROUND FLOOR. No. 1. Room. Take down and remove gas Stove and sink to store. Distemper walls.

No. 2. Room. Repair plastering to ceiling. Take down and store blinds.

Ist. FLOOR.

Stage Room. Take up and store stage or raised platform.  
Distemper walls.  
Provide shelving and hat and coat hooks.

Centre room. Take out glass and provide and hang sash in place of fixed glass.  
Provide shelves and hat and coat hooks.  
Distemper walls.

End Room. Provide shelves and Hat and coat hooks.  
Distemper walls.

In Grounds. Thoroughly clean down walls, etc of 5. D.E. Closets.  
Provide additional shed for bath, and fix up the 2 baths that are on site with water. 1. additional farm boiler renew parts of existing farm boiler and fit up hot water supply to the 2 baths from boiler and connect to waste.

Please obtain authority from C.R.E.H. to erect additional shed for extra bath area 9' x 9'. Provide initial issue of vertical inc. props and chimneys.

SGD. H.S.T. LEAR. F. Wks.

R.E. Office.

Northolt Aerodrome. 13. 11. 18.

P.S. Work commenced this day but will cease in accordance with telephone message through Lt. Heath that labor is not ours, only work at this 'drome to be done by civil and military workmen.  
Who are you going to get to do the work?.

H.S.T.L.

P.41/1/8.

No. 1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.  
18. 11. 18.

President. 6. Area. Qtg. Cttee.

Sir.

MEMORIAL HALL. HAREFIELD.

I have to report that owing to some labor difficulty, the construction at the above Quarters has been hung up some days.

Could this matter be expedited through the C.R.E. Hounslow, please, as the Quarters are urgently needed for the housing of V.A.Ds. - at present the party who will occupy the Hall is under canvas.

SGD. C. YEATMAN. Lt. Col.  
1. A.A.H.



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No. 1. A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

19. 11. 18.

The President.  
6. Area Qtg. Cttee.

Sir.

With reference to my letter of yesterday's date.  
re. Memorial Hall. Harefield. Would you please delay any  
action you may be taking, as the D.O.R.E. Uxbridge. visited  
me this day, and I have overcome the labor difficulty by  
making Australian Engineers available for the work. Imperial  
Engineers supply materials.

Sgd. Chas. Dennis. Lt. Col.

for C.O. 1. A.A.H.

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## WAR DIARY - SEPTEMBER 1918.

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APPENDIX I.

EXTRACT FROM ROUTINE ORDERS NO.246, of 6.9.18.

"ISSUE OF TOBACCO & CIGARETTES DUTY FREE ON REPAYMENT.

Authority has been given in Routine Orders No 134 issued by Brigadier-General T. Griffiths, Administrative Headquarters A.I.F. dated 27.8.18., for the members of the Staff of this Unit to purchase tobacco & cigarettes at reduced rates under this scheme.

Maximum quantities which may be purchased as follows:-

TOBACCO	4 ozs. per week per man.
CIGARETTES	100       "       "       "

As the prices of Cigarettes and Tobacco under this Scheme are considerably cheaper than the ruling Retail prices, there will be possible a great temptation to re-sell them. It is notified that any soldier found guilty of trading, i.e. re-selling or giving away his issue, will be refused further supplies and severe disciplinary action will be taken against him.

It must also be remembered that should the Customs Authorities be satisfied that any such trading is taking place, the present concession of allowing the sale of Cigarettes and Tobacco **free of duty**, would be immediately withdrawn and the great body of troops suffer through the fault of a few. The troops are therefore urged to protect their own interests by seeing that no unscrupulous persons cause, by such trading, the cancellation of this arrangement.

Orders will be received by the Messing Officer, who will attend in the Orderlies Mess Room every Friday between the hours of 4 p.m. and 4.30 p.m."

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TELEPHONES: HAREFIELD 9, AND

RICKMANSWORTH 25.

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HAREFIELD PARK,

NEAREST STATION: DENHAM,

G.W. &amp; G.C. LINE.

JB.

HAREFIELD,

MIDDLESEX.

From: O.C. NO.1.A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.*September 1918* Oct 8th 1918.

To: D.M.S., A.I.F.

I have the honour to submit my monthly report for  
month ending September 1918.

Changes in Personnel: Offrs. N/Staff. O/Ranks. GS.VAD. W/L/M/Dvrs.

Taken on Strength.	9	3	17	5
Struck off Strength.	8	5	16	4

WEEKLY PARADE STATE.

	<u>Off.</u>	<u>N/Staff.</u>	<u>O/Rks.</u>	<u>GS.VAD.</u>	<u>Red X</u>	<u>W/L</u>	<u>Mas'rs</u>	<u>Vol</u>	<u>Civ'l'n</u>
<u>W/E 7.9.18.</u>	<u>Off.</u>	<u>N/Staff.</u>	<u>O/Rks.</u>	<u>GS.VAD.</u>	<u>Off.</u>	<u>M/Dvrs.</u>	<u>not AIF.</u>	<u>Hlprs.</u>	<u>Electn.</u>
On Duty. 20	57	153	116	1	5	2	2	1	
Leave. 2	4	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	
Sick. -	4	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	
<u>W/E 14.9.18.</u>									
On Duty 19	56	152	117	1	5	2	2	1	
Leave 1	5	6	3	-	-	-	-	-	
Sick -	4	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	
<u>W/E 21.9.18.</u>									
On Duty. 20	61	156	120	1	5	2	2	1	
Leave. 2	1	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Sick. -	4	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	
<u>W/E 28.9.18.</u>									
On Duty 19	1964	157	119	1	6	2	1	1	
Leave -	1	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	
Sick. -	3	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	

SYNOPSIS OF ADMISSIONS & DISCHARGES etc.WEEKLY TABLE.ADMISSIONS.DISCHARGES.

W/E 7.9.18.	715	654
W/E 14.9.18.	632	685
W/E 21.9.18.	585	604
W/E 28.9.18.	128	160

ADMISSIONS.

From Other Hospitals	1854
Sundries	247

2101DISCHARGES.

Furlo & No.1.ACD Sutton Veny	474
" No.2 " Weymouth	237
" Littlemoor Camp	61
" No.4 ACD.Hurdcott	228
Direct to No.1.ACD.Sutton V.	31
Littlemoor Camp	498
No.4 ACD Hurdcott	36
No.2 ACD Weymouth	256



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HAREFIELD,

MIDDLESEX.

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<u>DISCHARGES:</u>	<i>To Other Hospitals</i>	<i>25</i>	
	Sundries	173	
			<u>2119</u>

<u>DEATHS.</u>	4767 Pte Elliott ER	AAMC	
	3393 " Fletcher JD	57 Bn.	
	3343 " Macdonald N.	21 "	
	2939 " Luby R.	18 "	<u>4</u>

<u>BOARDS.</u>	<u>Surgical</u>	720	
	<u>Medical</u>	212	
			<u>932</u>

<u>DAILY AVERAGE NO. OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL.</u>	<u>900</u>
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<u>NO. OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL MIDNIGHT 30.9.18.</u>	<u>879</u>
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## GENERAL.

Total Number of Cot Cases admitted - 341

The large proportion of cot cases boarded out of number of cases admitted is largely explained by above figure. Of the total admissions 243 were from R.M.O. Medical Inspection Room A.I.F. Headquarters London.

Of the condition of the Cot cases on arrival here from British Hospitals I wish to again report that there is great room for improvement especially in the method of splinting of limb, and in the treatment of septic bone injuries. A large proportion had to be immediately put up on more suitable splints on arrival here and after an X ray examination to have immediate sequestrectomies performed with most striking results in the improvement of their wounds and general health. The better and more liberal diet they received here undoubtedly conduces largely to this end.

Of 30 cases admitted on 17.9.18. from Shorncliffe Military Hospital, I wish to cite the following three cases.

1. 6044 Pte JURY F. 3rd Bn.- Bomb wounds multiple on June 24th. Admitted to Shorncliffe July 2nd.

A wound in the dorsum of the left foot was septic and on 26th of August three incisions were made into the foot for purpose of evacuating pus. On 31st August further incision was made over the Internal Malleolus. On the 17th he was transferred to No.1.A.A.H. and arrived in an exhausted state having suffered great pain. The left foot was unsupported by any splint: the whole foot was swollen, inflamed, and there was much discharge from 3 sinuses. Along the outer side of the foot there was much swelling and cellulitis with softening of the tissues. Under an anaesthetic next morning (the 18th Sept) large abscesses were drained and fragments of dead bone removed from the head of the astragalus. A week later he had improved in general health very greatly, he was sleeping and eating well and in appearance was a different man.



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HAREFIELD,

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## 2. 6283 Pte ABERNETHY D.F.

Wounded June 1st - Penetrating wd. of left chest.

8.6.18. Operation at No.2 Canadian General Hospital Boulogne.

Wound closed.

10.6.18. Drainage through operation wound found necessary.

2.8.18. Admitted Shorncliffe.

17.9.18. Admitted No.1.A.A.H.

Condition on admission was bad : emaciated and weak.

Large septic cavity in left chest drained by l.R. tube. Owing to the fact that his general condition was so poor, the amount of discharge from the wound and that joint changes had already commenced removal of ribs to partially obliterate the septic cavity was ~~per~~ proposed. An X ray examination disclosed the presence of a large l.R. drainage tube with safety pin attached to it within the left pleural cavity. This was removed on 31.9.18. and found to be 4 inches long and of  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch diameter.

## 3. 4148 Cpl. KELLY H.J. 27th Bn.

G.S.W. Right arm Fractured humerus left.

2.7.18. Admitted Shorncliffe

4.8.18. Operation . removal of large fragments of dead bone at site of head of humerus and pus pockets opened up.

17.9.18. Admitted to No.1.A.A.H. Condition of exhaustion and acute sepsis : region of left shoulder joint acutely inflamed and painful with much discharge. Large fluctuant collection of pus in axilla.

19.9.18. Under an anaesthetic sinuses were opened up widely, much pus evacuated and a large piece of gauze removed from cavity at upper end of humerus.

31.9.18. General condition very good. Wounds healing, slight amount of discharge only.

Health of Unit has been good.

During the month owing to a most unfortunate accident Pte E.R. Elliott A.A.M.C. of the Staff received fatal injuries incurred while riding a bicycle by a collision with another soldier also on a bicycle and coming in the opposite direction.

His funeral took place on Thursday 12th Sept. and was attended by a parade of members of the Unit under the Commanding Officer.

Reports of work done in special departments & from the Matron are appended.

LIEUT-COLONEL, A.A.M.C.  
OFFICER COMMANDING:  
NO.1.A.A.H.



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"AUSTRAL, HAREFIELD."

TELEPHONES: HAREFIELD 9, AND  
RICKMANSWORTH 25.

## No. 1 AUSTRALIAN AUXILIARY HOSPITAL.

HAREFIELD PARK,

NEAREST STATION: DENHAM,

G.W. &amp; G.C. LINE.

HAREFIELD,

MIDDLESEX.

From: MATRON, NO.I.A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

Oct 5th 1918.

To: O.C. NO.I.A.A.H.

I have to report that during last month the following changes have taken place in the Nursing Staff.

TAKEN ON UNIT STRENGTH: Two Sisters and One Staff Nurse were taken on the Unit Strength.

STRUCK OFF UNIT STRENGTH: Four Sisters and One Staff Nurse were struck off the Unit Strength:

DUTY IN FRANCE.

Two Sisters left the Unit for duty in France.

HEALTH.

Two Sisters and One Staff Nurse were transferred to Southwell Gardens sick.

Summary of Nursing Staff on 30.9.18.

	On Duty.	On Leave.	Sick.
Matron	1		
H/Sisters	2		
Sisters	19	1	
S/Nurses	38		3
	60	1	3

The Nursing for the last two weeks of the month has been very heavy and I have been unable to give the Nursing Staff the usual whole day off during each week. Leave has been stopped for a time but I hope to be able to give a number of Sisters leave as soon as the Matron-in-Chief sends some of the Transport Sisters, who are waiting for their boat, down to relieve them.

*C. L. Ross,*

MATRON, NO.I.A.A.H.  
A.A.N.S., A.I.F.



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To: O.C. NO.1.A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

Oct 7th 1918.

From: Major W.W.S. Johnston, A.A.M.C.

Sir,

Herewith report of Medical work at No.1. A.A.H. for the month of September, 1918.

There have been no cases of outstanding Medical interest admitted to the Medical Wards during this period nor has there been any series of cases illustrative of new methods in Treatment. Some few cases may however be mentioned as instructive from the point of view of the serious conditions to which even the apparently healthy soldier is liable.

Among such, were those of two men, admitted within a short time of one another, suffering from Exfoliative Dermatitis following on Arsenical Anti Syphilitic treatment.

A pustular condition resulted, affecting practically the whole person, and numerous subcutaneous abscesses developed, these being most prominent in the Groins, Axillae and Neck. Desquamation was very free and there was continuous Pyrexia but the skin condition gradually yielded to treatment. Unfortunately one of the subjects succumbed to an attack of Acute Broncho-Pneumonia, being unable to put up very little resistance in his debilitated and weakened condition.

Another death resulted from Chronic Nephritis in a patient about 21, who had suffered from generalized and gradually increasing oedema for some months past. At Autopsy the Kidneys were found to approximate to the Large Pale type. There was a history of Syphilis and subsequent treatment in the early part of the year.

Another case of interest was that of one of the Staff of No.1.A.A.H. who was admitted to Hospital in a very anaemic condition, after fainting twice in the preceding 12 hours. A full blood examination revealed nothing definite beyond a very marked secondary Anaemia. He had had no symptoms pointing to gastric or Duodenal Ulceration and had felt quite well until he fainted suddenly. On the second day after admission he had a large Haematemesis, which was repeated the following day. Physical examination on Admission had yielded nothing definite and after the Haematemesis he was in too weak a state to warrant operation. He has since been gradually improving, but is as yet still too weak for operation.

During the month, Major H.C. Adams, who has been Senior Physician at No.1.A.A.H. for the past 11 months, left the Staff, preparatory to returning to Australia. An attempt to ensure the continuity of his work on patients suffering from shell shock and War Neuroses has been made by arranging for the attendance of two Medical Officers of the Staff at a series of Lectures by Lt.Col.





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F.W. Mott on this subject at the Maudsley Neurological  
Hospital, twice a week for 3 months.

This course was inaugurated on Sept. 20th.

*W. S. Johnston*

Major, AMMC. No. 1. A. A. H.  
HAREFIELD.

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2.10.18.

FROM: LT. COL: C.E. DENNIS.

TO: O.C. NO.1. A.A.H.

## X. RAY. DEPARTMENT.- REPORT FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

Sir,

The number of cases examined in this Department during the past month. --- 497.

The number of skiagrams taken --- 784.

This is the heaviest month's work done in this Department, seventy more cases having been examined than in any previous month.

### Detail of cases.

Fractures	266
Sequestra	43
Localised F.Bs.	22
F.Bs. not localised	30
Chests examined for Tubercle etc.	25
Chests examined for F.Bs	10
Gastro-intestinal examinations by Barium meals	9
Renal tract examinations	5
Nil. Examinations	87

The work has progressed very satisfactorily in spite of the rush of work. Sgt. Strange has worked excellently and has shown himself to be capable, steady and reliable.

LIEUTENANT. COLONEL. A.A.H.  
 NO.1. A.A.H.



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1.10.18.

FROM: 9 LT. COL. C.E. DENNIS. AAMC.

TO: O.C. NO.1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD.

MESSAGE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1918.

SIR:

During the past month, the number of  
cases sent to this Department for treatment was 171.  
The Total number of treatments given was 2245.

The work, this month, has been contin-  
uously heavy but has proceeded satisfactorily.

LIEUTENANT. COLONEL. AAMC.



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1.10.18.

FROM: LT. COL. C.E. DENNIS. AAMC.

TO: O.C. NO.1. A.A..H. HAREFIELD:

DEPARTMENT.

ELECTRICAL REPORT FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1918.

Sir,

During the past month, the number of new cases admitted for treatment was - 90.  
 The number of treatments given was - 1364.

DETAILS OF CASES.

Nerve injuries due to G.S.W.	74.
Open wounds and ulcers	11.
Myalgia	1.
Neuralgia of cervical plexus &c.	1.
Chilblains	2.
Muscular atrophy	1.

In addition 65 nerve examinations and tests have been carried out.

Miss Dowling has been in attendance since her return to the ~~Ward~~ *Hospital*.

The work has been very heavy and regular but has proceeded very satisfactorily.

LIEUTENANT. COLONEL. AAMC.



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1.10.18.

NEAREST STATION: DENHAM,  
G.W. & G.C. LINE.DENTAL REPORT FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1918.

ATTENDANCE	481.
CASES TREATED	231.
TEETH EXTRACTED	64.
ANAESTHETICS. ( GENERAL	-
( LOCAL.	44.
( TEMPORARY.	28.
FILLINGS: ( PERMANENT.	127.
( ROOT FILLING.	16.
SCALING CASES	22.
DENTURES REPAIRED.	31.
DENTURES SUPPLIED	20.
PYORRHOEA CASES TREATED	8.
FRACTURE OF MANDIBLE	-
GENERAL SURGICAL CASES	-

*Wm B. Hogg*  
Capt

DENTAL OFFICER:  
NO. I. A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD:

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Memorandum on the Prevention and Treatment  
of Influenza.

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General Preventative Measures.

1. In present circumstances overcrowding of huts is very likely to assist materially the spread of infection. Beds should be separated as widely as possible, 6 feet of wall space per individual viz. at least 3 feet between the beds is to be aimed at, but in no case must the wall space per individual be reduced below 4 feet.
2. Continuous flushing of the air of occupied huts is essential and for this purpose a window on each side, but at opposite ends of the hut must be kept open at night. An Officer should be detailed to make frequent surprise visits during the night to see that the windows are kept open.
3. Overcrowding in Regimental Institutes, Canteens and places of entertainment must be avoided.
4. Dirtiness, whether personal or of occupied quarters and huts favours the spread of infection. Dry scrubbing and brushing of huts should not be permitted: huts should be cleansed by wet hand scrubbing & rooms must be thoroughly dried before they are occupied for the night.
5. Indiscriminate expectoration is especially dangerous and when necessary must be prevented by disciplinary measures.
6. Over-fatigue should be avoided.
7. Men suffering from sore throat, catarrhal symptoms, such as running at the eyes and nose and headache, should report sick at once not only in their own interests but in that of their comrades as by so doing the spread of infection through a hut may be often prevented.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

Treatment of the Infected.

Bed is essential in all cases, however mild they may be, the mild case by its ability to move about is one the most frequent sources of infection.

The patient should be kept in bed for at least two days after the temperature has fallen. Considerable exhaustion is a feature of the disease and fatigue is a frequent cause of relapse and is liable to convert a slight into a bad case.

Ample fresh air is necessary in the wards. If it is impossible with open windows to maintain a temperature of not less than 55°F., additional blankets should be provided.

Treatment in the open air is advantageous for pneumonia cases provided protection from wind can be secured. All such patients require special coverings for the shoulders, neck and head and similar coverings may even be required for ward patients who are in a close proximity to windows.

There is no merit in endeavouring to lower fever by salicylates or aspirin, though the latter may be given with caution for the easing of head and body pains,



Very little drug treatment is required for the simple cases. Simple drugs like saline diuretics and diaphoretics ( e.g. Liq. Ammonii Acetat: ) and, if there is an irritable cough, Tinct. Camph. Co. are the best. It is not necessary to prescribe Quinine for the uncomplicated cases - an important fact to bear in mind in view of the many claims on the stock of Quinine in the country. Where there is Nosa-Pharyngeal catarrh, gentle irrigation through the nose into the pharynx three or four times a day is useful. Good solutions are wither Potass. permangan (1 in 4000 ) or an alkaline solution like the following:

Borax	gr. 10
sod. bicarb	gr. 10
acid carbolici liq.	m. ii.
aq. ad	

Colour with logwood or methylkorange  
To be diluted with two ozs. warm water before using.

These solutions should be drawn gently through the nostrils from the palm of the hand.

There is no specific treatment known to prevent pneumonia and purulent Bronchitis supervening in an ordinary case of Influenza, though previous preventive inoculation may lessen the liability.

The following observations apply to severe cases (pneumonia or purulent Bronchitis). If patients are sleepless, one of the best remedies is 20 gr. Bromide at about 6 p.m. and 15 gr. Bromide with 15 gr. Chloral Hydrates three or four hours later.

Opiates should not be used to secure sleep but may be employed in cases where the cough is irritable and exhausting.

Oxygen should be used in cases threatening to be severe especially those which show any tendency to blueness. Precise directions should be given by the M.O. as to how the oxygen should be administered and for how long. A good plan is to administer it for 5 to 10 minutes every hour or in some instances for half-an-hour at a stretch. The Haldane apparatus is invaluable where obtainable.

The blueness prevalent in the bad cases is more the result of toxæmia than true asphyxia or venous engorgement, Venaesection is seldom beneficial.

Alcohol in these severe cases is valuable and sometimes needs to be pushed. ( In the simple uncomplicated cases it is unnecessary ).

As regards the usefulness of the other stimulants, strychnine, digitalin, strophanthin, pituitrin, ether etc., the M.O's. in charge of the individual cases can alone judge.

It is hardly necessary to state that a knowledge of the quantity and composition of the urine is essential to sound treatment.

There are certain additional methods of treatment which may be used with judgment: amongst them are the following : -

#### VACCINE:

We do not advise the use of Vaccine as a General measure during the acute stages of the illness, though we see no objection to physicians of experience employing it if they so think fit on cases



under their personal observation.

Autogenous Vaccine is of undoubted assistance in the treatment of obstinate Bronchitis at the end of an attack.

SERA:

Polyvalent Anti-Strepto-Coccic Serum  
Polyvalent Anti-Pneumo-Cocci Serum  
Horse Serum

These Sera may be employed with patients severely attacked in whom pneumonic symptoms are threatening.

SALINE INJECTIONS - Subcutaneous and intravenous injections are advocated by some authorities.

We have not touched upon the important questions of the treatment of the healthy in infected areas, nor on the treatment of the personnel.

The latter comprises the wearing of masks and gowns, naso-pharyngeal hygiene, the provision of separate quarters for sleeping and messing, the separation of Influenza personnel from other personnel in the wards etc.

War Office, E.C. 4.  
30th October 1918.



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All A.D.M.S. Districts  
Two S.M.O. Garrisons  
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The following recommendations by the Consulting Physician Eastern Command for the protection of Nurses against Influenza are forwarded for the information of all concerned.

"To protect Nurses against the continual risks incurred in attending influenza patients, especially those suffering from Pneumonia, the Consulting Physician recommends as the simplest and most effective measures the following:-

1. The use of a loose white muslin gauze or Japanese silk veil (10 inches square) over the lower part of the face hanging loosely over the upper part of the chest: The upper edge of the veil or silk handkerchief stretches above the nostrils. The arrangement is similar to that of a "Yashmak".

2. The systematic use, 3 or 4 times daily of a mouth wash and gargle: e.g. Condy's fluid, peroxide of hydrogen, or carbolic lotion(2) of a 1.- 40 solution in half tumbler of Water); or of formalin tablets 3 or 4 times daily."

50 Pall Mall, S.W. 1.  
2nd November 1918.

(Sgd) R.R.H. Moore  
Colonel  
for D.D.M.S. Eastern Command

Ref.No. 1098/18/B647.

A.D.M.S. Woolwich District,  
4th Nov. 1918.

To: O.C.  
Australian Aux. Hospital, Harefield

Forwarded for your information and guidance.

Woolwich.  
4.11.18.

Sgd. R.J.S. Simpson, Colonel  
A.D.M.S. Woolwich District.



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AUSTRALIAN MOTOR TRANSPORT SERVICE,  
70, Royal Hospital Rd.,  
CHELSEA. S.W. 3.

13th November 1918.  
2354/546.

TO: The Commandant,  
Women's Legion,  
15a, Pall Mall East.

Confirming telephone communication of the 9th inst., it has been thought advisable, considering the reports that the Women's Legion Drivers stationed at Harefield have made regarding the dampness and accompanying rheumatism in connection with the A.M.T.S. Depot, at that Hospital, that the Women's Legion Drivers be withdrawn from duty there. The suggestion of your Commandant that perhaps the Drivers could be billeted in the Village, was not found practicable, and I am now arranging to replace the drivers as follows :-

Miss Kavanagh to be transferred to an Imperial Unit,  
requested in my previous letter.  
Miss Graddage to report to No.3. A.A.H. Dartford, on  
13th inst., replacing Miss Rendle, who has been released  
from Women's Legion.  
Miss Lane to be transferred to Headquarters, Chelsea, as  
soon as an A.I.F. driver is found.  
Mrs. Seames do do do.  
Miss Baines to report to No.3.A.A.H. Dartford, on 18th  
inst., and to be replaced by A.I.F. driver.

It will not, therefore, be necessary for you to supply  
the Head Driver and five Drivers for Harefield Depot.

(Sgd) R.W. WALKER. Capt.  
O.C. A.M.T.S.

O.C. NO.1.A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

For your information, please.


14.11.18.

(Sgd) G.G. SWANN, Lieut.  
for O.C. A.M.T.S.



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Qd. 7016/6/9

  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,  
Administrative Headquarters; A.I.F.,  
130, Horseferry Rd.,  
S.W. 1.

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING,  
No.1. Australian Auxiliary Hospital, 12th November 1918.  
HAREFIELD:

Confirming our telephonic conversation of the 9th instant regarding wages paid to the labour staff attached to your Hospital, will you please note that approval is hereby given for these members to be paid at the rate of 4/- per diem for six working days per week plus 6d per week for the washing of their p overalls, minus 3d per week National Health contributions.


As I understand that these members only work six days per week, and in order to avoid any further complications in compiling the pay rolls, it is considered that this rate is preferable to that given to you on Jult 9th last wherein an increase of 1/- per week was approved.

(SGD) T.H. DODDS.

Brig-General.  
COMMANDANT.



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ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS.  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,  
130 HORSEFERRY ROAD,  
LONDON. S.W.1 23-11-18.

In confirmation of Telephone Message of 22nd November.  
Please arrange to transfer to the A.A.M.C. and train in  
the A.A.M.C. Duties 50 C.1 Combatants for Duty on Ambulance  
Transports. This number will probably be required before the  
end of the year.

Please furnish weekly to the D.M.S., A.I.F. a Nominal  
Roll of all A.A.M.C. Personnel available for transport duty to  
Australia.

(SIGNED) E. Wilcocks, Major.  
For Colonel,  
A/D.M.S., A.I.F.



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ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS, A.I.F.  
130 Hoursefery Road,  
LONDON. SWX 1. 26-11-18.

FROM: D.M.S., A.I.F.  
TO: C.O.  
NO. 1 A.A.H.,  
HAREFIELD.

The following Memorandum received from the A.P.M. Administrative Headquarters, is forwarded for your information:-

"I respectfully beg to report that there is a strong suspicion that many undesirable characters, both male and Female, of the class that endeavour to cultivate acquaintance with Members of the A.I.F. on Leave in London, are at the present moment employing for the purposes of drugging and subsequent robbery, small tablets of the appearance of Saccharine, which these individuals proffer for the use of any of our men in whose company they may be eating.

The action of whatever Drug is contained in the above Tablet is to produce almost immediate drowsiness followed by complete stupor. On revival a slight loss of memory frequently results and the victims have usually only a confused recollection of the person with whom he has been in company, and of the circumstances of their meeting, and is in fact incapable of giving any detailed account of what has transpired.

There is abundant cause to believe that several members of the A.I.F. in this city, who have been recently robbed of their Wallets and Paybooks, Etc., and have been able to furnish practically no information as to the occurrence, have been victims to persons using the above tablets.

I, therefore, respectfully beg to suggest that all members of the A.I.F. may be warned through the medium of A.I.F. Orders, or by the various Furlough Offices concerned, as to the inadvisability of accepting any so called Saccharine Tablets proffered for their use by comparative strangers in whose company they may happen to be.

Every effort is at present being made to obtain some of the above Tablets for Analysis and to locate their source of supply, and in the event of further information being obtained on the subject, you will be notified accordingly, please.

(SIGNED) J.M. ANDERSON, Lieut-Col.  
For Colonel.  
a/D.M.S., A.I.F.



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HAREFIELD,

MIDDLESEX.

Dec. 12, 1918.

From: O.C. No. 1.A.A.H.  
HAREFIELD.

To: D.M.S., A.I.F.

I have the honor to submit my monthly report for  
month ending 30th November, 1918.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL:   Offrs.   N/Staff:   O/Ranks:   GS.VAD.   W/Leg.Dvrs.

Taken on Strength:	6	1	24	6	2
Struck off Strength:	6	6	26	3	5

WEEKLY PARADE STATE.

	<u>Off.</u>	<u>N/Staff:</u>	<u>O/Rks.</u>	<u>GS.VAD.</u>	<u>Red X W/L</u>	<u>Masseuses Vol.</u>	<u>Civln.</u>
					<u>Off.</u>	<u>Dvrs. not AIF.</u>	<u>Electn.</u>

W/E 3.11.18.

On duty 19	63	149	120	1	5	2	3	1
Leave 1	3	6	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sick	8	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

W/E 10.11.18.

On duty 19	63	152	121	1	5	2	3	1
Leave -	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sick	11	4	-	-	-	-	-	-

W/E 17.11.18.

On duty 23	64	149	121	1	3	2	3	1
Leave -	-	11	1	-	1	-	-	-
Sick -	9	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

W/E 24.11.18.

On duty 20	65	158	118	1	1	2	3	1
Leave 2	2	7	7	-	1	-	-	-
Sick -	7	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

W/E 30.11.18.

On duty 20	64	163	121	1	1	2	3	1
Leave -	3	2	6	-	-	-	-	-
Sick -	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

SYNOPSIS OF ADMISSIONS AND DISCHARGES &c.WEEKLY TABLE.ADMISSIONS:DISCHARGES:W/E 3.11.18.

254

353

"10.11.18.

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17.11.18.

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WEEKLY TABLE.

W/E 24.11.18.  
W/E 30.11.18.

ADMISSIONS.

558  
492

DISCHARGES.

485  
554

ADMISSIONS.

From other Hospitals 1284  
Sundries 689

Total 1973DISCHARGES.

Furlo No.1.ACD.Sutton Veny 310  
" No.2.ACD.Weymouth 257  
" Littlemoor Camp 2  
No.4 ACD.Hurdcott 209  
Direct No.1.ACD.Sutton Veny 34  
" No.2 " Weymouth 282  
" Littlemoor Camp 582  
" No.4 ACD.Hurdcott 17  
To other Hospitals 24  
Sundries 299

Total 2015DEATHS.

4733 Pte Blake R.E.  
33736 Gnr Lingley W.L.  
978 Sgt West C.H.  
10831 Spr Abberton E.  
787 Cpl Field G.W.  
4189 Pte Naylor J.  
4754 Pte Noble G.F.  
2658 Pte Luff C.J.  
5802 Gnr Moore J.F.  
3564 Pte Eastham H.J.  
1864 Pte Ivett W.J.  
2896 Bdr Robinson R.

Total 12BOARDS.

Surgical  
Medical

407  
138

Total 545NO. OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL AT MIDNIGHT 30.11.18.796DAILY AVERAGE NO. OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL.841GENERAL.

The large number of deaths (12) were due to Influenza and its sequelae. Throughout the month three wards of 32 beds each were constantly full of acute cases, with early convalescence men had to be transferred to convalescent wards and after some days there to No.3 Australian Command Depot. The



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proportion of less severe cases was larger than in the preceding months.

Health of personnel has been good and there is nothing to remark in this connection except that a number of sisters have had colds.

During the month Lt.Col. C.G. Shaw D.S.O., proceeded on 1914 leave. His loss has been acutely felt and I here desire to place on record my appreciation of his surgical skill and conscientious care of patients. His instructive addresses at Staff medical meetings as well as his daily example and work in theatre and wards has ensured that Medical Officers have learnt lessons invaluable to themselves and the men under their care.

Major C. St.Clair Stewart is now Senior Surgeon.

Attached are reports of work done in the various departments of this Hospital.

*C. G. Catman*

Lieut-Colonel, AAMC.  
 OFFICER COMMANDING:  
 No.1.A.A.H.



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Dec 6, 1918.

From: Major R. St.C. Steuart, A.A.M.C.

To: Officer Commanding No.1.A.A.H.

Sir,

I have the honour to present the Surgical Report for the month of November 1918.

During the month there have been 137 Operations including the following:-

Removal Sequestra	41.
Sec.Suture of Wounds	5
Abscess & Sinus incisions	22
Suture of Nerves	6
Removal F.B.	9
Hernia	12
Appendicetomy	5
Torphone	3
Aneurism	2
Removal tumours	2
Haemorrhoids	2
Mastoid	1
Submucous Resection	3
Wiring Patella	1
Removal Wire Tibia	1
Empyema	2
Circumcision	2
Enucleation Eye	1
Repair Eye Socket	2
Tonsils	1
Removal Toe Nails	3
Skin Graft	2
Varicocoele	1
Hydrocele	1

The work in the Surgical Wards has not been as heavy as usual principally owing to the Influenza epidemic.

Nearly 90% of Fractures of Forearm still are sent in splinted in Prone or Medprone positions necessitating, after some months of that position a great deal of unnecessary discomfort to the patient.

The work of the Medical Officers has been carried out in a satisfactory manner.

*Steuart*  
Major A.A.M.C.



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3.12.18.

FROM: MATRON. NO.1. A.A.H.

TO: O.G. NO.1. A.A.H.

## REPORT OF NURSING STAFF FOR NOVEMBER 1918.

CHANGES IN STAFF: There have been very few changes in the Nursing Staff this month.

1 S/Nurse was taken on the Unit Strength. 3 Sisters and 3 S/Nurses were struck off the Unit Strength. 1 Sister proceeded to France to NO.1.A.G.H., for duty., and 1 Sister proceeded to Australia on Transport Duty.

LEAVE. Owing to the number of Staff off duty, sick, only 1 Sister and 3 S/Nurses were granted 14 days leave during the month.

NURSING OF PATIENTS: The nursing has been continuously heavy all the month especially in the Medical Wards, where there have been many serious cases of Influenza and Pneumonia who needed special Nursing. The only means of giving these patients extra attention at night was by taking Sisters from the Surgical Wards. One Sister and one Orderly had 96 Surgical Beds at night instead of 64 and One Sister and 1 Orderly had 32 Medical Beds instead of 64 Medical Beds.

HEALTH OF STAFF: Although the Nursing Staff took every precaution, wearing gowns and masks and applying Menthol & Eucalyptus Vaseline in nostrils before starting duty in the morning, the daily average of Sisters off duty sick, was between 8 & 9.

*P. L. Ross.*

MATRON. AANS. A.I.F.  
NO.1. A.A.H. HAREFIELD:



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MONTHLY REPORT OF MESSAGE DEPARTMENT-NOVEMBER 1918.

FROM: LT.COL. DENNIS.

TO: O.C. NO.1. A.A.H.

Sir,

The work has been very heavy during the past month as the number of new cases was - 257.  
and the number of treatments carried out 2140.  
and Miss Dewling was absent owing to sickness for the greater part of the month. Consequently, Miss Godfrey had to be taken from the Electrical ward and <sup>left</sup> left to ,  
massage alone during the latter part of the month.  
Most of the month, each masseur had over twenty cases per day to attend to.

Under the circumstances, the work has been done as satisfactorily as possible.

Lieut. Colonel. AAMC.





NB:

4.12.18.

MONTHLY REPORT-ELECTRICAL WARD-NOVEMBER 1918.

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FROM: LT.COL. DENNIS.

TO: O.C. NO.I. A.A.H.

Sir,

During the past month, the work has been constantly very heavy. The number of new cases treated - 100  
This is the Highest number I think for any one month this year.

The number of treatments given - 1282.  
and lately over sixty cases per day have been treated.

The number of nerve examinations and tests 50.  
The work has been carried out most satisfactorily and Miss Jennings and L/Cpl. Daly have both worked splendidly. Owing to pressure of work in the massage Department, Miss Godfrey had to be transferred there to enable the staff to cope with the rush of work.

Lt.Colonel. A.A.M.C.



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MONTHLY REPORT - X.RAY DEPARTMENT- FOR NOVEMBER 1918.

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FROM: LT.COL. DENNIS.

TO: O.C. NO.I. A.A.H.

Sir,

The total number of cases examined during the month  
is -- 281.

And the number of skiagrams taken 401.

During the first half of the month, the work was  
lighter than usual, but increased towards the latter  
end. The work has been satisfactory.

Lt.Colonel. AAMC.



From :- Q.M. 1. A.A.H. To :- C.O. 1. A.A.H.

MONTHLY REPORT. Quartermaster's Department - NOVEMBER, 1918.

1. TRANSPORT. I have to report that owing to limited transport available, the greatest of difficulty has been experienced during the month of November in the transport of supplies.

The two lorries ( one light - one heavy ) broke down during the month, and one lorry was attached in lieu.

The supply of fuel that could be transported from Denham was barely sufficient for needs from day to day, and has not allowed of a small reserve to be accumulated.

By personal influence at the Hounslow Royal Army Supply Depot, I was able to arrange for the delivery of rations by Imperial lorries on several occasions - this helped the difficult situation.

The position at 30th November is that the following trucks were awaiting clearance at Denham station :-

Fuel.	3. Trucks.
Clothing and Equipment.	2. Trucks.
Sealed trucks of R.A.S.C. supplies.	2. Trucks.

2. COST OF RATIONING.

a. Cost of patients for August period.	1/9.641. per diem.
b. Cost of personnel. " (V.A.D.).	1/1.55. "
c. " " (other).	1/3.26. "

Cost of personnel for September period.	1/1.733. "
(V.A.D.).	

Others.	1/3.714d. "
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3. SUPPLIES AUTHORISED FOR PATIENTS.

A.C.I. 159/18 has been amended by A.C.I. 1186/18. - this increases the Rations for Patients - meat increasing from 31½ lbs. per 100 per diem to 38 lbs. per 100 per diem.

A statement is attached shewing comparison of the rations consumed per 100 patients per diem with A.C.I. 1186/18.

*[Signature]*  
 ..... Captain.  
 Q.M. 1. A.A.H.



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CONSUMPTION during Messing Period October 26th to  
November 29th, 1918.

per 100 patients per day.						
Article.	Max. authorised.	Total issue.	Underdrawn. Overdrawn.	A.C.I. 1186/18. A. B.		Consumption.
Meat.	11644. 5.	12150.2.	505. 13.	38.	38.	39.67
Fish.	5745. 8.	6011.	265. 8.	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	19.39.
Bacon.	3830. 5.	3281.	549. 5.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	10.71.
Bread and flour.	22982. 4.	22933.4.	49.	75.	75.	74.87.
Sugar.	2911.	2907. 7.	3. 9.	9.	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	9. 49.
Butter, margarine, suet.	1991. 12.	2523.	531. 4.	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	8. 23.
Potatoes.	21450.	23632.	2182.	50.	70.	77.15.
P.vegs.	10725.	9111.	1614.	25.	35.	29.74.
Cocoa.	459. 10.	417. 4.	42. 6.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	1. 36.
Milk.	39835. 10.	42214.	2378. 10.	80.	130.	137.61.
Jam.	2145. 5.	2096.	49.	7.	7.	6. 84.
Cereals.	4596. 7.	5017.	420. 9.	15.	15.	16. 38.
Eggs.	15321.	20513.	5192.	40.	50.	66.97.
Tea and coffee.	612. 13.	611. 13.	1.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	2.	1. 99.
Cheese.	919. 4.	709.	210. 4.	3.	3.	2. 31.