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SUTTON-VENY-WILTS- (Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sutton- -Veny	Feb. 1	9am	Frosty & Sleet. Hospital contains 1129 patients this morning. Lieut. R. B. BAILEY, 3 rd Bn. A.I.F. reported for duty as "Messing Officer" - Difficulties with evacuations per SHIPS owing to STRIKES.	
Sunday	2 nd	9am	Frosty. Sleet - 51 German patients sent to Dorchester P.O.W. Camp. Yesterday - 1023 patients in Hosp. - There are difficulties in getting funerals arranged - graves dug, gun camouflage, & firing parties A.I.F.	
	3 rd	9am	Frosty. ^{noon} Col. W. W. R. WATSON, C. B., C. M. G. Commanding A.I.F. troops Sutton-Veny. Visited Hapl. Col. McWHAE, A.D.M.S. A.I.F. Depots in U.K. visited - This Hospital is under his administration. V.A.D. General Service members arrived from 1st A.A. H. [Harefield].	
	4 th	9am	Fine, Frosty - Col. W. W. R. Watson, called - a party of V.A.D. G.S. members reported today from 1st A.A. H. Harefield - and were posted to duty. C.O. & Matron visited Melksham, Red Cross - Auxiliary Hapl. patients inspector and some selected suitable to transfer to Weymouth A.I.F. Hapl.	
	5 th	9am	Snow storm - Lieut. Caro, Principal Messing Officer called & inspected with H Bailey our Messing Off. Capt. AIRD & Capt. LATHAM reported - Col. W. W. R. Watson O.C. Troops called -	
	6 th	9am	Raining - Mr. R. C. WITHINGTON reported for duty. There are difficulties in obtaining fatigue pants from the Infantry camps A.I.F. - Difficulties with trains owing to epidemic of STRIKES.	
	7 th	9am	Fine. Sunshine at noon - 2pm. Col. McWHAE, A.D.M.S. visited -	
	8 th	9am	Fine. Clear. Sunshine. E. Wind. Cold. tp. 7am. 22°F. Q.M. collected equipment from Red Cross Auxiliary Hop. C.O. attended conference with A.A. & M.G. (led by Mr. Glinn) at D.T. B. Hd. Qrs. re funeral arrangements for deceased A.I.F. patients -	at FROME J. A. Sick Col C.O. 1st A.G.H.

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SUTTON	Feb.			
-VENY	9 th	9am	Fine - Sunshine - tp. 21° F. Cold E. wind - Dining Service - held in Y.M.C.A. hut which is in the grounds a new building erected by Brit. Y.M.C.A. in Nov. 1918.	
Sunday	→			
Mond.	10 th	9am	Fine - Sunshine - tp. 22° F. Cold ^{WIND} - Influenza & Broncho-Pneumonia still prevalent - The sharp frosts have caused damage to the water pipes at several places in the Hospital. chiefly at Lavatories.	
Tues.	11 th	9am	Fine - Sunshine - tp. 22° F. Much inconvenience caused in Wards, Latrines, Lavatories, on account of freezing of water - pipes - causing fracture of iron piping.	
Wed.	12	9am	Fine - Sunshine - tp. 20° F. Mr. Sargood, A.R. Cross Visited. Lt-Col. EVANS, C.R.E. (Brit) visited and inspected V.A.D. General Service Members Quarters, along with Commandant (Miss Warneford) and C.O.	
Thurs.	13 th	9am	Fine - Sunshine - tp. 25° F. Col. Bewley, A.D.M.S. (British) 5 th Mil. Dist. Southern Command called re transfer of German patients to the Mil. Hosp. FARGO. Col. MEWHAE, A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Tidworth called re near prospect of many more beds being required -	of beds in mains &c
Frid.	14 th	9am	THAW: Cloudy. tp. 24° F. Inconvenience general in Water Supply being cut off from time to time on account	
Sat.	15	9am	THAW. Col. MEWHAE, A.D.M.S. visited - & saw Officer patients. C.O. Col. Dick - promoted on leave till 18th. Major W.W. JOHNSON, M.C., D.S.O. came. performs duties of acting C.O.	

J. Dick Col
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Sutton - Very Sunday	Feb. 16 th	9am.	Thaw - Majors R.B. NORTH - R.C. WITHINGTON. left for Adminiaunt - MATRON CORNWELL - left for Adminiaunt for Transport Duty to Australia - Hd. Sister Kidd - HART - acting Matron -	
	17 th	9am	Thaw - German P.O.W. patients - 100 - transferred to The Military Hospital, FARGO - Male & Female Staff inoculated with 1 st dose of "Influenza Anti - Vaccine" - on 12 th 11 th & 15 th	
	18 th	9am	Thaw - Sleet. Snow - Rain - Col. McWHAE, A.D.M.S. called. Further 108 German P.O.W. patients transferred to FARGO, Mil. Hop. Col. Dick returned from leave. 4 days -	
Wed.	19 th	9am	Raining. Lt. Col. Masters, from Br. A.D.M.S. Office Tidworth, called re Records. Lt. Col. Edgar Browne Eye Specialist - visited. Telephone communications are defective.	
	20 th	9am	Raining. There is difficulty in obtaining Fatigue-parties from neighbouring A.I.F. Commands. Lt. Col. G. WALL - A.Q.M.G. A.I.F. Depots in U.K. called - (tp. 53° F. mild.).	
	21 st	9am.	Fine - tp. 60° mild - calm. Cloudy - Col. Sir Arthur Mayo - Robson, Cons. Surgeon visited. C.O. called upon A.I.F. Local Auditor, Salisbury - re Regimental Trust Fund & Messing Funds.	
Sat.	22 nd	9am.	Raining - mild - The changes in Personnel, due to the necessary carrying out of Repatriation Scheme, cause a difficulty in administration, in that, time is required to adjust the new staff to their duties, the duties requiring some Experience especially in Hospital work - Time & patience are requisite for carrying out the Scheme efficiently in regard to Hospitals, as for other Units.	J.A. Dick, Col. C.O. 1st. A.G.H

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SUTTON-VENY.	FEB.			
Sund.	23	9am.	Patients in hospital = 785 A.I.F. and 25 others - total = 810. mostly medical, though numerous surgical. The medical cases are chiefly influenza plus Pneumonia or Broncho-Pneumonia.	
	24	9am.	Fine - Dull. tp. 50°. Capt. C.R. HUXTABLE, M.C. proceeded to report to Admin. Aust.	
	25th		Fine. C.O. proceeded to London on duty, - leaving Mr. Johnston, M.C., D.S.O. in charge. Lt. POWELL. proceeds to Admin. Aust. for duty - tomorrow 26th	
	26th		Dull. raining. The Cons. Surgeon Southern Command called (Sir A. Mayo-Robson, Col.).	
	27th		Fine. Cloudy. Miss WARNEFORD, (G.S. V.A.D. Commandant) left for FOLKESTONE. VAD Dispensal Hostel. C.O. returned from London.	
	28th		Fine. Sunshine. Frost. Lt. Col. MILES, Mental Specialist, Southern Command, called yesterday - During the month the German Prisoner of War patients have been transferred to Fargo Mil. Hosp. except a few unable to travel and others to attend to general duties light duties = total 9. As regards British patients (other than A.I.F.) only urgent cases are admitted, others go to FOVANT Mil. Hosp. The epidemic of Influenza with Pneumonia and Broncho-Pneumonia has kept up the numbers of A.I.F. patients admitted.	
				Sp. Sick - Col. C.O. 1st. A. G. H.

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February	1st. 1919.		<p>Personnel. 14 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispr. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 79 N/Staff 2 M'srs 9 VADs. 187 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 Offr. (LT.R.W.Bailey) from No.1.C.D. 1 O/Rnk. from No.1.A.A.H.</p> <p>Departures. Nil.</p> <p>Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions 35</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 149</p> <p>Death 3748 L/Cpl.W.H.Collins 5th. Aust Inf. Bron. Pneumonia</p> <p>" 107742 Cpl.E.Ritchens 180th. Lab.Coy. Malig. Tumour Mediastinal.</p> <p>Patients remaining 981</p> <p>Vacant Beds 131</p>	
12-35.a.m.				
5-15.a.m.				
Midnight				
February	2nd.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med Offrs. 2 Cplns. 1 Dispr. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 79 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 9 VADs. 188 O/ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures 1 O/Rank to leave 3 O/Ranks to Lark Hill.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 18</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 9</p> <p>Patients remaining 990</p> <p>Vacant Beds 122</p>	
Midnight				
February	3rd.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med Offrs. 2 Chns. 1 Dispr. 1 Den Off 2 Q.Ms. 79 N/Staff 2 M'srs. 9 VADs 184 O/Ranks 1 Mess</p> <p>Arrivals 27 V.A.Ds. G.S. from No.1.A.A.H. Harefield</p> <p>Departures. Nil.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 27</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 43</p> <p>Death Lt.F.Y.Huet. Aust. Dental Corps. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 66227 Pte.C.S.Jones 57th. Aust. Inf. do</p> <p>Patients remaining 972</p> <p>Vacant Beds 140</p>	
5-0 p.m.				
7-15 p.m.				
Midnight				
February	4th.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med Offrs. 2 Chps. 1 Dispr 1 Den Off. 1 Mess Off. 2 Q.Ms. 79 N/Staff 2 M'srs 36 VAD's 184 O/rank</p> <p>Arrivals 5 N/Staff from No.1.A.A.H. 14 V.A.D's from No.1.A.A.H. 2 O/Ranks bet from leave</p> <p>Departures. 1 N/Staff to leave in England</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 47</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 18</p> <p>Death HM 61992 Pte A.McKelvie 22nd Aust Inf. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>Patients remaning 1000</p> <p>Vacant Beds 112</p>	
10-0 a.m.				
Midnight				

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February	5th	1919	<p>Personnel. 15 Med Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 83 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 50 V.A.D's 186 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 Med Off. (Capt. I. Aird.) From R'fts. 5 O/Ranks from Fovant N 1 N/Staff from leave in U.K.</p> <p>Departures. 1 O/Rank evac. sick to No. 2 C.D.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 66</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 24 127</p> <p>Death. 61919 Pte T. Ryan G.S.R. 9th. T.B. Staff Office. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 2370 Pte. A.L. Parkes 40th. Aust. Inf. " "</p> <p>Patients remaining 936</p> <p>Vacant Beds 186</p>	Ind
February	6th.		<p>Personnel. 16 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 84 N/Staff 2 Masseuses. 50 V.A.Ds 190 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 Med. Offrs. (Capt. O. Latham, ENR Mjr. R.C. Withington) from A.I.F.H'qrs. 1 N/Staff ret from leave 19 G.S.V.A.D's from No. 1 A.A.H. 10/Rank from A.I.F.H'qrs London</p> <p>Departures. Nil</p> <p>Bed Strength. 1112 Admissions 22.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 24</p> <p>Death 4585 Pte. J. Sampson 58th. Aust. Inf. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 61392 Pte. J.W. Thompson 23rd. Aust. Inf. " "</p> <p>" 3425 L/Cpl. H. Moore 46th. Aust. M.G. Btn. " "</p> <p>" 58594 Pte. H. Ryan 3rd. Aust. TXNXX Inf. " "</p> <p>" 3834 Pte. J.W. Laidlaw 2nd. Aust. T.M.B. " "</p> <p>Patients remaining 931</p> <p>Vacant Beds 191</p>	Ind
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February	7th.	1919	<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff 2 Masseuses. 69 G.S.V.A.D.'s 191 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 6 N/Staff from No. 3 A.A.H. 42 O/Ranks from NXX A.A.M.C. Depot, Foyant Departures. Nil Bed Strength. 1112 Admissions 19 Discharges and Transfers. 9 Death 9903 Sgt. J.W. Cunningham. A.A.M.C. 7th. Aust. Fld. Amb. Bron Pneumonia " 61868 Pte. D.C. Higgins GSR. 22nd. Aust. Inf. " " Patients remaining. 939 Vacant Beds 173</p>	<p>md</p>
	February 8th.		<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 91 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 69 G.S.V.A.D.'s 213 O/Ranks. XX Arrivals. 5 G.S.V.A.D.'s from No 1 A.A.H. 5 O/Ranks ret from leave in U.K. Departures. 5 N/Staff to No. 3 A.A.H. 1 N/Staff to Hospital Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 20 Discharges and Transfers 30 Death 63241 Pte. H.J. Boon 12th. Aust. Inf. Bron Pneumonia Patients remaining 927 Vacant Beds 185</p>	<p>md</p>
	February 9th.		<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff 2 Masseuses. 74 G.S.V.A.D.'s 218 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 3 O/Ranks from No. 1 A.A.H. 1 O/Rank ret from leave in U.K. Departures. 4 O/Ranks to A.I. H'qrs for ret. to Aust. 1 O/Rank to leave U.K. Bed Strength. 1112 Admissions. 4 Discharges and Transfers. 3 Death 1914 Pte. C.G. French 4th. Aust. M.G. Btn. Bron Pneumonia " 8894 Dvr. A.L. Jago 20th Coy A.A.S.C. " " Patients remaining 926 Vacant Beds 186</p>	<p>md</p>

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February 10th.	1919		<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 77 G.S.V.A.D's 217 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 7 G.S.V.A.D's for duty. 3 O/Ranks ret from leave in U.K. Departures. 4 O/Ranks to leave and for ret. to Aust. Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 23 Discharges and Transfers. 22 Death 523025 Pte. F. Rockey 447 A gric. Coy. Bron Pneumonia " 3779 Dvr. G. E. Hannan 6th. Aust. Inf. " " " 7482 Dvr. H. H. Worseldine Aust. A.S.C. " " " 1579 Sgt. R. L. Morton 3rd. Aust. Pnrs. " " Patients remaining 923 Vacant Beds 189</p>	Jas
February 11th.			<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses 84 G.S.V.A.D's 216 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1 VAD to A.S.C. Depot Birmingham 1 VAD Dismissed 2 O/Ranks to leave for ret. to Aust. Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 18 Discharges and Transfers. 13 Death 5974 Cpl. C. G. Ashton 3rd. Aust. Light. Rlys. Bron Pneumonia Patients remaining 927 Vacant Beds 185</p>	Jas
February 12th.			<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispense r. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 82 GS V.A.D's 214 O/Ranks Arrivals 4 4 VAD's from No. 1 A.A.H. Departures. 4 O/Ranks to leave and for ret. to Aust. Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 36 Discharges and Transfers 14 Death 63372 Pte. E. H. Wilkes 12th. Aust Inf. Bron Pneumonia " Inspector. Merrifield. C. N.A.C.B. Asthma Heart Block. (Omission from 5-2-19) Patients remaining 947 Vacant Beds 165</p>	Jas

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	February 13th. 1919		<p>Personnel. 18 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 85 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 86 GS V.A.D's 210 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 N/Staff ret from leave in U.K. 1 V.A.D reported for duty.</p> <p>Departures. 1 Med. Off. (Mjr. A. J. Brennan) to A.I.F.H'qrs. London 2 N/Staff to leave. 2 O/Ranks to leave</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 45</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 6</p> <p>Death 1281 L/Cpl. Wilhelm Werner 228 R.I.R. (P.O.W.) Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 2784 Sgt. D. W. Burgess 49th Aust. Inf. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>Patients remaining 984</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 128</p>	ad
8-30 a.m. 6-35 p.m.				
Midnight				
	February 14th.		<p>Personnel. 17 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off 2 Q.Ms. 84 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 87 GS V.A.D's 208 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 O/Rank from Detachment No. 5 Camp.</p> <p>Departures. Nil</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 31</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 18 Deaths Nil.</p> <p>Patients remaining 997</p> <p>Vacant Beds 115</p>	ad
Midnight				
	February 15th.		<p>Personnel. 17 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 84 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 87 G.S.V.A.D's 209 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 10 O/Ranks from No. 1 A.A.H. 10/Rank from leave</p> <p>Departures. 1 Med. Off. (Col. J. A. Dick CMG.) to leave Bristol 2 O/Ranks to leave 20/Ranks to O.T.B. det.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 61</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 42</p> <p>Death 2478 Pte. G. W. R. Matthews 4th. Aust Inf. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 198 Pte. A. J. Thomson 26th. Aust. Inf. " "</p> <p>" 173534 Pte. F. Lever R.E. 315 H/S Works. " "</p> <p>Patients remaining 1013</p> <p>Vacant Beds 99</p>	ad
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6-30 a.m.				
12-45 p.m.				
5-35 p.m.				
7-45 p.m.				
Midnight				
February	17th.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 83 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 93 G.S.V.A.D's 212 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 O/Rank from No. 1. Group Clearing Hospital for duty</p> <p>Departures. 10/Rank to leave</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 21</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 115</p> <p>Patients remaining 916</p> <p>Vacant Beds 196</p>	
Midnight				
February	18th.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 83 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 93 G.S.V.A.D's 212 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 N/Staff ret. from leave.</p> <p>Departures 3 O/Ranks to leave in U.K.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 60</p> <p>Discharges and Trnasfers 163</p> <p>Patients remaining 813</p> <p>Vacant Beds 299</p>	
Midnight	18th			
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Midnight				
February	20th		<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess. Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q. Ms. 83 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 93 G.S.V.A.D's 208 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 O/Rank from No. 1A.A.H. for duty</p> <p>Departures 11 N/Staff to Hospital 2 O/Ranks to leave</p> <p>Bed strength 1112 Admissions. 35</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 28</p> <p>Patients remaining 785</p> <p>Vacant Beds 327</p>	JMS
Midnight				
February	21st.		<p>Personnel 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q. Ms. 72 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 93 G.S.V.A.D's 207 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures. 1 O/Rank to No. 2 Group Med. Stores Hurdcott.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 27</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 26</p> <p>Death 17839 L/Cpl. A. Hadow 11th. Fld. Coy. Aust. Engrs. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>Patients remaining 785</p> <p>Vacant Beds 327</p>	JMS
7-45 p.m.				
Midnight				
February	22nd.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess. Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q. Ms. 72 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 93 G.S.V.A.D's 206 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 V.A.D's for duty from No. 1A.A.H.</p> <p>Departures. Nil.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 32</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 13</p> <p>Death 676 L/Cpl. S. Polkinghorne 32 Aust. Inf. Bron Pneumonia</p> <p>" 3639 Pte. J.C. Collingwood 51 Aust. Inf. " "</p> <p>Patients remaining 782</p> <p>Vacant Beds 310</p>	JMS
3-15 a.m.				
11-30 a.m.				
Midnight				

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February	23rd.	1919	<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 72 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 95 G.S.V.A.D's 206 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals Nil. Departures 2x O/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 9 Discharges and Transfers 10 Patients remaining 801 Vacant Beds 311</p>	Midnight
February	24th.		<p>Personnel. 15 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 72 N/Staff Departures 2 Masseuses 95 G.S.V.A.D's 204 O/Ranks ARRIVALS 1 Med Off. to A.I.F.H'qrs (Capt. C.R.R. Huxtable MC.) 2 N/Staff to leave 2 O/Ranks to A.I.F.H'qrs. Arrivals. 2 O/Ranks ret. from leave. Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 25 Discharges and Transfers 23 Patients remaining 803 Vacant Beds 309</p>	Midnight
February	25th.		<p>Personnel. 14 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 70 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 95 G.S.V.A.D's 206 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 N/Staff from leave 3 G.S.V.A.D's for duty Departures. 4 O/Ranks to A.I.F.H'rs for leave and ret. to Aust Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 40 Discharges and Transfers 24 Death 2203 Pte. J. Doyle 16th. Aust. Inf. Bron Pneumonia Patients remaining 818 Vacant Beds 294</p>	3-40 p.m. Midnight

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February	26th	1919	<p>Personnel. 14 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains, 1 Dispenser. 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 2 Q.Ms. 71 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 98 G.S.V.A.D's 202 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 N/Staff ret. from leave. 2 O/Ranks ret. from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 2 N/Staff to Hospital. 1 Q.Master to No.2.A.A.H. Southall. 2 O/Ranks to leave</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 42</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 20</p> <p>Patients remaining 840</p> <p>Vacant Beds 272</p>	Midnight
February	27th.		<p>Personnel. 14 Med Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 1 Q.M. 71 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 98 G.S.V.A.D's 202 O/Ranks</p> <p>Arrivals. 1 G.S.V.A.D' for duty .</p> <p>Departures 1 V.A.D. (Miss. Warneford, Commandant) to Folkestone.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 39</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 17</p> <p>Patients remaining 862</p> <p>Vacant Beds 250</p>	Midnight
February	28th.		<p>Personnel. 14 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1 Dispenser 1 Mess Off. 1 Den Off. 1 Q.M. 71 N/Staff 2 Masseuses 98 G.S.V.A.D's 202 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 3 O/Ranks ret. from leave</p> <p>Departures 1 N/Staff to leave</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112 Admissions 38</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 139</p> <p>Patients remaining 761</p> <p>Vacant Beds 351</p>	Midnight
<p style="text-align: right;"><i>J. A. Dick</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Col. A.A.M.C. Commanding No. 1. Australian General Hospital</p> <p>6-3-19 Sutton Veny</p>				

WAR DIARY

OF

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

FOR

FEBRUARY

1919

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.

Subject.

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| 1. | Copy of C.O.'s report for month of JANUARY 1919 |
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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

SUTTON VENY,
WILTS.

20th. February 1919.

To:-

D.M.S., A.I.F.,
A.I.F. Headquarters,
L O N D O N.

Ref. D.M.S., A.I.F., M.1513/4/2 of 15.10.17.

Herewith please

REPORT FROM G.O.
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

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The First Australian General Hospital commenced duty in the United Kingdom on January 15th. 1919, having that day taken over formally the Military Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wilts., from the R.A.M.C.

The period January 15 - 31 has been the most strenuous one for all members of the 1st. A.G.H.

INSPECTIONS ETC.

The A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. (Col. D.M. Mc Whae, C.M.G.) visited the Hospital on Mondays. In the absence of the A.D.M.S. the weekly visit was carried out by the D.A.D.M.S. (Major J.H.B. Brown).

The Officer Commanding A.I.F. Troops, Sutton Veny (Col. W.W.R. Watson, C.B., C.M.G., V.D.) visited the Hospital during the month.

On January 22nd. The Staff Officer, Dental Services, A.I.F. Depots visited (Major C.H. Terry).

On January 23rd. The Consulting Surgeon, Southern Command visited. (Col. Sir Arthur Mayo-Robson).

On January 24th. The Matron in Chief, A.A.N.S., A.I.F. visited. (Miss E.A. Conyers).

On January 25th. The Consulting Physician, Southern Command visited. (Col. Davey).

On January 27th. Mrs. Fitzroy, Secretary, G.S. Section, V.A.D. Dept., Devonshire House, Piccadilly, London, visited and inspected accommodation for V.A.D. General Service Members.

On January 30th. The Mental Specialist, Southern Command, visited. (Lt-Col. G.E. Miles).

On January 20th. Col. Silk, Consulting Anaesthetist, Southern Command, visited.

ADMISSIONS ETC.

The number of admissions during the period January 15th.-31st. was 1201.

Of these the following were transfers from The Military, Hospital, Sutton-Veny: Officers - 13; Other Ranks - 488; Total - 501.

There were 700 additional to these, making the total admissions 1201.

DEATHS

There were 21 Deaths during the period January 15th. - 31st. viz. Officer: 1, and Other Ranks: 20, Total: 21.

The cause of death in the majority of cases was Broncho-Pneumonia.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The Report of the Officer in charge of the Medical Division (Major W.W.S. Johnston, D.S.O., M.C.) is attached.

There were many patients seriously and dangerously ill, suffering from Influenza complicated with Septic Broncho-Pneumonia. An epidemic of this disease occurred throughout the United Kingdom during January.

The Consulting Physician, Southern Command, (Colonel Davey) visited the Hospital on 25th. January by request and saw several cases.

The Mental Specialist, Southern Command, (Lt-Col. G.E. Miles) visited on the 30th. by request, and saw a case.

Major Johnston has applied for leave under the A.A.M.C. Educational Scheme and may possibly move at an early date.

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT

The Report of the Officer in charge of the Surgical Division (T/Major G. Bell) is attached.

Sixty seven surgical operations were performed during the period January 15th.- 31st. Amongst cases of interest were one Laparotomy for Suture of Leaking Duodenal Ulcer, one Amputation of Thigh for Sarcoma, and one Transfusion of Blood. The Surgical Cases have been on the whole different from those frequently met with at Rouen. Here the majority of the cases are the later results of wounds, whereas in Rouen the cases exhibited the more recent results. There is also some civil surgery here.

The Operation Theatre is small as compared with that at Rouen, and so far it has been sufficient to cope with the work required.

The Consulting Surgeon, Southern Command, (Colonel, Sir A. Mayo-Robson) visited the Hospital on the 23rd. by request and saw several cases. T/Major Bell the Senior Surgeon has applied for leave under the A.A.M.C. Educational Scheme and may possibly move at an early date.

X-RAY DEPARTMENT

This Department has performed most useful work for the Surgeons in the discovery of sequestrae and in other conditions.

A detailed Report for the period January 15th.- 31st. is attached from Captain A.E. Brown, Radiographer.

X-RAY DEPARTMENT CONTINUED.

There are necessary additions to be made to the X-Ray and Electrical Plant, requisitions for which have been made and are being supplied.

PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

A Report is attached from Major A.J. Brennan, Pathologist. This shows that a good amount of useful work has been carried out by his Department during the period January 15th. - 31st.

There is a very good laboratory at this Hospital. Permission has been given by A.I.F. Authorities for the Pathologist, R.A.M.C., Wyllye Valley Area to work in the laboratory.

Major Brennan has applied for Repatriation and may possibly leave at an early date.

SANITARY OFFICER'S DEPARTMENT

The sanitary condition of the Hospital is good. The "Alwyn" Huts in the Infectious Compound, and in the Contagious (Isolation) Compound are worn out and new huts are required. The D.O.R.E. has been asked to supply new huts. These huts are necessary if the old huts cannot be thoroughly repaired.

A Report from the Sanitary Officer (Major A.J. Brennan) is attached.

REGISTRAR'S DEPARTMENT

The duties of the Registrar and his staff have been many and various during the period January 15th. - 31st. With a staff changing frequently under the operation of the Demobilisation Scheme the work has been most difficult. The approaching addition of members of the V.A.D. General Service should prove of considerable assistance. The duties of Registrar have been most efficiently performed by Major K. Mc K. Doig, M.C., A.A.M.C. who has been indefatigable in his work.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT

The Report from The Quartermaster (Captain H.M. Maughan) is attached.

The work of this Department in a General Hospital is always one of magnitude and large responsibility. To fit everything smoothly and accurately into a Hospital under semi-civil and semi-field conditions has required great energy and patience on the part of the staff. The Quartermaster and Assistant Quartermaster, like the rest of the Unit, have experienced a strenuous time in efficiently carrying out their duties. In making supplies and equipment go round, in Home Service, under present conditions, a meticulous accuracy in measurements and quantities is absolutely essential.

The appointment of a Messing Officer by the A.D.M.S. became a necessity, and has very greatly assisted in the management of rations and diets.

The services of the Engineers have been much required in regard to the necessary alterations and repairs to buildings that were originally constructed to last from two to three years.

The greatest care and precautions are taken with a view to prevent shortages in supplies and in equipment. All ranks and Sisters and V.A.D. Members have been warned that the greatest care is required in order to prevent losses or waste.

As compared with service in France it is not so easy here to obtain items indented for and requisitioned for from the various Military Sources.

NURSING DEPARTMENT

A Report from Matron E. Cornwell is attached. The changes in the Nursing Staff have been many and rapid. It has been found difficult to maintain a permanent staff for the present owing to the moves of personnel necessary under the Demobilisation and Repatriation Scheme. The same holds throughout the other sections of the Hospital.

Matron Cornwell has applied for transport duty to Australia and may possibly leave at an early date.

DENTAL DEPARTMENT

Captain C. Morcom, Dental Officer has reported for duty and has taken charge of No. 33 Dental Unit.

ANAESTHETICS REPORT

A Report upon Anaesthetics administered in the Operation Theatre is appended from Major E.M. Allester, Anaesthetist.

Requisitions for ~~Shipway's Apparatus~~ for administering warm Ether have been sent to the Depot of Medical Stores, also requisitions for a supply of Nitrous Oxide and Oxygen. These have been found necessary for an Operation Theatre for certain cases.

On January 20th. Colonel Silk, Consulting Anaesthetist, Southern Command, visited the Hospital and saw some administrations of anaesthetics in the Operation Theatre.

MESSING OFFICER

A new appointment found to be urgently required by the Hospital is that of Messing Officer.

Assistance in this matter has been given by the A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. who sent Lieut. Caro, Principal Messing Officer, Sutton Veny Camps, also Lieut. Healy, Messing Officer No. 1 Command Depot to afford information upon the subject.

Hon. Lieut Dispenser (T.W. Longville) performed the duties of Messing Officer of the Unit until the arrival of Lieut. R.B. Bailey, 3rd. Battalion, A.I.F. who has been detailed to 1st. A.G.H. for duty.

A.I.F. PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

The number of Australian Patients in Hospital increased daily to the end of the month. The numbers of other British Patients gradually diminished towards the end of the month.

OFFICER PATIENTS

Officer Patients are admitted. The accommodation in the Officer Patients' Ward is limited to 11 beds. The admissions have exceeded this accommodation and it has therefore been necessary to distribute Officer Patients to the other Wards, Special rooms attached to Wards are used for this purpose.

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OTHER BRITISH PATIENTS

The number of other British Patients has greatly diminished. Urgent cases only of other British patients are now admitted. These when convalescent are transferred to The Military Hospital, Fovant.

WOMEN PATIENTS

The Hospital admits women patients belonging to the V.A.D. Department also other women belonging to Military Organisations. This was the procedure under the R.A.M.C. regime.

GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR PATIENTS

On taking over the Hospital there were found to be 273 German Prisoners of War patients both Sick and Wounded (Officers: 4 and other Ranks: 269) These patients increased in number up to 331. The beds occupied by these patients are required for A.I.F. patients. Arrangements are being made by the a/D.M.S., A.I.F. to have all admissions of German patients stopped and for the evacuation of all Germans at present in Hospital. (22.2.19: This has been carried out except for a few unable to be moved.)

REPATRIATION & DEMOBILISATION

The amount of clerical work involved by the Repatriation and Demobilisation has been met by allocating a competent N.C.O. to take charge. Infantry Subalterns have been kindly detailed from time to time by the Officer Commanding, A.I.F. Troops, Sutton Veny, to assist in completing the necessary documents for patients.

V.A.D. GENERAL SERVICE MEMBERS

In anticipation of the early arrival of V.A.D. General Service Members from No. 1 A.A.H., Harefield Park the R.E. buildings that had been erected under the regime of The Military Hospital for "labour women" have been taken over. These buildings require some necessary alterations in order to make them up to the standard required for V.A.D., G.S. Members. On January 27th. they were inspected by Mrs. Fitzroy, The Secretary General Service Section, V.A.D. Department, Devonshire House, London, who pointed out several improvements which were considered necessary. Action has been taken to carry out these improvements. In regard to this it appears that it will take some time to effect the necessary alterations. In the meantime provisional and temporary measures are being taken to render the accommodation comfortable for the V.A.D. General Service Members due to arrive in the first week of February. Mrs Baker, recently the Superintendent of the G.S.V.A.D. Members at 1st. A.A.H. (Harefield) has reported for duty at 1st A.G.H. and is rendering assistance in carrying out these temporary measures.

Y.M.C.A. HUT

There is a Y.M.C.A. Hut within the Hospital grounds. This building was opened in December last year and is the property of the British Y.M.C.A. It is made use of by patients and A.A.M.C. personnel. Divine Services are also held in this Hut on Sundays.

DISCIPLINE

There have been very few offences dealt with at Orderly Room. The standard of discipline has been good.

RECREATION

There has not been any form of organised recreation amongst the personnel. Concerts have been given by visiting Concert Parties in the Y.M.C.A. Hut and in the Wards.

REGIMENTAL MAGAZINE

The Regimental Magazine ("The Jackass") appeared for the last time in 1918 as a Christmas Number. The Magazine was published on six occasions. It has proved to be a most useful help in forming a unit esprit de corps. There were a thousand copies of the Christmas Number published all of which have been sold. A Balance Sheet for the six issues has been submitted to the Auditor, A.I.F. and published in the Unit Corps Orders. The Magazine has been referred to as one of the best of its kind published by a Unit of the A.I.F.

WEATHER

The weather during the period January 15th. - 31st. was chiefly dull, cloudy and rainy. There were several falls of snow and a few frosts. Trouble with the water supply pipes is anticipated in case of prolonged frosty weather. In the Lavatories, sinks, baths, and W.Cs. damage is also to be expected under conditions of hard frost.

A. A. M. C.

SUTTON-VEVY, WILTS.
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Colonel, A.A.M.C.,
Commanding,
First Australian General Hospital.

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REPORTS HEARD WITH FROM:-

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT.

PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

X-RAY DEPARTMENT.

~~REGISTER'S DEPARTMENT.~~

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

SANITARY OFFICER'S DEPARTMENT.

NURSING DEPARTMENT.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

To:

The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT OF WORK OF SURGICAL DIVISION
FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

The Surgical Work has consisted mainly in the treatment of patients admitted from British Hospitals in the United Kingdom and of patients from local camps.

The former class had been suffering from gun-shot wounds in their later stages and of these the majority were compound fractures.

In addition, wounded Germans were also treated.

WALKING CASES.

These have only been retained for a few days and then transferred to Weymouth after being boarded.

COT CASES.

The majority of these have been compound fractures of lower extremities and pelvis.

Cot Cases in Hospital on 31.1.19 - 117.

FRACTURED FEMUR.

Cases in Hospital on 31.1.19:

Walking	2.
Fitted with Caliper Splints	
Walking	9
Requiring Caliper Splints	21
Unfit for Caliper Splints	21
Non-Union	8

Total.	61

MASSAGE.

Of 117 Cot Cases in Hospital on 31.1.19, 63 required Massage.

The operation work has been mainly the treatment of the sequelae of osteomyelitis in Compound Fractures.

Attached is list of Operations performed. Of these operations 38 were performed on Australian and British troops and 29 on German soldiers.

SUTTON VENY.
4.2.19.

Sgd. G.BELL, Major.
Officer i/c Surgical Division,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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LIST OF OPERATIONS PERFORMED FOR THE MONTH OF
JANUARY 1919.

Sequestrecomy	-	24
Drainage of Secondary Abscess		20
Removal of Foreign Bodies		2
Reduction of Fractures under Anaesthesia	-	5
Appendectomy	-	1
Laparotomy for Suture of Leaking Duodenal Ulcer	-	1
Amputation of Thigh for Sarcoma		1
Thoracotomy and Drainage of Empyema	-	3
Transfusion of Blood	-	1
Minor Operations	-	9

	<u>TOTAL</u>	67

SUTTON VENY.
4.2.19.

Sgd. G. BELL, Major
Officer i/c Surgical Division,
First Australian General Hospital.

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To: The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT OF WORK OF PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT
FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

The specimens examined during the period from
January 12th. to January 31st. were as follows:-

Blood Examinations	3
Leucocyte Counts	5
Blood Agglutinations	
(Enterica)	1
Blood Culture	1
Blood Donor Tests	3
Fluids, Pleural	3
" Prostate	1
Sputa	36 (7 Positive T.B.)
Swabs	19 (3 Vincents Angina)
Urines	71
Faeces	8 (1 Amoebic carrier)
Dark Ground for T.P.	1
Urethral Smears	2
Wassermanns	6 (Kindly examined by N.Z. Hospital).
Tumour Sections	2

<u>TOTAL.</u>	162

Three Post Mortem Examinations were made.

SUTTON VENY.
5.2.19.

S'gd. A.J. BRENNAN, Major.
PATHOLOGIST,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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To:
The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT OF WORK OF X-RAY DEPARTMENT FOR
MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

Number of Cases Examined	-	201
Number of Plates used	-	317
Number of Stereoscopic Examinations	-	105
Number of Cases for X-Ray Treatment	-	1

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1. TABLE OF CONDITIONS REQUIRING EXAMINATION

Bone Injuries	-	138
Bone Diseases (Sarcoma Tibia)		1
Joint Injuries and Diseases		30
Chest conditions	-	16
Renal Glaculus: Positive	1)	
Negative	4)	5
Head Sinuses	-	2
For F.B.: Positive	3)	
Negative	3)	6
For Cervical Rib	-	1
Bismuth Meal		1

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2. ANALYSIS OF JOINT INJURIES AND DISEASES.

Joint	Wounds	Diseases	Normal
Shoulder	Excised 3	Septic Arthritis 1	1
Elbow	(Fibrous Ankylosis 1 (Bony Ankylosis 2	nil	1
Wrist	nil	nil	1
Hip	(Fracture 1 (Caries, Head of femur 1 (Excision 1	nil	2
Knee	(Bony Ankylosis 3 (Fractured Patella 1	Chronic Synovitis 1	3
Ankle	(Fracture 3 (F.B. 1	nil	1

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3. ANALYSIS OF BONY INJURIES EXAMINED

Bone	Simple Fracture	Normal	Old Compound Fracture				Amputation Stumps		
			Healthy Union	Non Union	Caries	Seq- uestra	Healthy	Caries	Seq- uestra
Skull		1							
Jaw		1	2						
Vertebrae:									
Dorsal				1					
Lumbar						1			
Humerus			6	7	1	13	2		
Rad. & Ulna	3		3	2(Rad)					
Metacarp. & Phalanges	2	1	1	1	2	1			
Pelvis			1		3	3			
Femur			14	6	1	2	3	2	4
Tibia & Fibula	4	4	12	6	4	Tib. 15 Fib. 2	3	2	
Carpus						2			
Metatarsus & Phalanges	1					1			

4. TABLE OF CHEST CONDITIONS EXAMINED

Old Penetrating Wound	-	6
Pleural Effusion	-	3
Chronic Bronchitis	-	3
Delayed Resolution Pneumonia	-	1
Tubercle	-	1
Malignant Growth	-	1
For Secondary Growths (Negative)	-	1

5. ANALYSIS OF PLATES USED

15 x 12	-	4
10 x 12	-	55
8 x 10	-	36
8 x 5	-	76
1 x 1	-	129
$\frac{1}{2}$	-	22
		<u>317</u>

6. REMARKS.

A Report on the plant and current supply has already been forwarded. To remedy the defects reported on, a Coolidge Tube Outfit, and 150 volt accumulator battery are on order from D.M.S., A.I.F. The provision of these should place the plant on as high a basis as Rouen or possibly better.

Work has been mainly dealing with the results of G.S.W. of bone of three or four months standing, and the diagnosis of sequestra, which accounts for the large number of plates used, this type of work requiring stereoscopic plates in all cases.

Very little screening has been done, as the current is not efficient for bismuth meal examinations, or the finer points of chest diagnosis.

One case has been sent for X-Ray treatment, for a non-healing septic area on the leg.

SUTTON VENY.
1.2.19.

Sgd. A.E.BROWN, Captain.
RADIOGRAPHER,
First Australian General Hospital.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

To:

The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

MONTHLY REPORT QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 1919.

I beg to submit the following Report for the month
ending 31st. January 1919.

HOUSING.

During the month, the taking over of the Military
Hospital has been completed.

The General Service Workers Quarters are being fitted
up for the reception of V.A.D. Workers transferred from
Harefield.

PROVISION.

The following is a list of Diets issued during the
month:-

Ordinary	-	20,679
Chicken	-	772
Milk	-	2,847
No Diet	-	4

Total number of patients subsisted: 24,302.

LINEN.

Articles sent to Wash monthly	13,531
Articles changed with Wards.	12,350
Articles owing from Laundry	17

GENERAL STORES.

Breakages by Wards for month	194
Deficiencies of Kits handed back	314

PACK STORES.

Kits received into Store	700
Kits issued from Store	425
Kits remaining in Store	395

PRISONER OF WAR KITS.

Kits received into Store	31
Kits issued from Store	13
Kits remaining in Store	47

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CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Clothing taken over from Military Hospital:-

Boots	prs.	85	Badges, Hat	110
Coats, Great		78	Jackets, Aust.	85
Hats, Aust. Patt.		74	Breeches, D.S.	76
Straps, Chin		74		

Total Receipts:-

Boots	prs.	225	Hats, C.P.	74
Breeches	"	120	Straps, Chin	74
Jackets, S.D.C.P.		135	Breeches, D.S.	76
Trowsers, S.D.		100	Badges, Hat	110

Issues to Patients:-

Boots	prs	26	Jackets, S.D.&C.P.	8
Coats, Great		4	Breeches, D.S.	3
Hats, Aust.		2	Trowsers, S.D.	2
Straps, Chin		2	Laces, Leather	prs 26

Issues to Staff:-

Boots	prs	29	Jackets, S.D.	1
Hats, Aust.		1	Laces, Leather	prs 29
Straps, Chin		1		

Clothing remaining:-

Boots	prs	170	Jackets, S.D. & C.P.	126
Coats, Great		74	Breeches, S.D. Mtd.	120
Hats, C.P.		71	Trowsers, S.D.	98
Straps, Chin		71	Breeches, D.S.	73
Badges, Hat		110	Laces, Leather	prs 85
			Ribbon 1914-15 Star	2 yards.

CONSERVATION OF FAT.

During the month 26 lbs. of Fat was handed over from personnel Kitchen. The fat from Patients' Kitchen was not handed over during January, but will be sent during February.

KITCHENS.

The work in this Department is now satisfactory.

SUTTON VENY.
6.2.19.

Sgd. HAROLD M. MAUGHAN, Captain,
QUARTERMASTER,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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To:
The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

SANITARY OFFICER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF
JANUARY 1919.

The Hospital from a Sanitary standpoint is quite satisfactory. Kitchens, bath-houses and latrines are kept in good order. As already pointed out the huts (Alwyn?) both in Infectious and Isolation Compounds are unfit for patients in Winter months being in bad repair and continually damp.

Two Amoebic Dysentery Carriers were admitted.

SUTTON VENY.
5.2.19.

Sgd. A.J. BRENNAN, Major.
PATHOLOGIST,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

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To:

The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT OF NURSING DEPARTMENT
FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

Though the Nursing Staff commenced its duties at this Hospital on the 22nd. December 1918, very little can be said of the general work, because there has been a good deal of change of staff during the month.

In the midst of the change of Hospital Staffs there has been a serious recrudescence of Influenza. About 14 of the Nursing Staff developed temperatures and were off duty from one to two weeks.

During the former regime, a number of general servants were engaged, and as the advent of V.A.D. General Service Workers was expected, the former were dispensed with and this gave us a little much-needed space for increasing the accommodation for Nursing Staff.

On the whole, nursing matters are adjusting themselves very well, and we think that during February a general improvement of conditions will make for harmonious work.

SUTTON VENY.
10.2.19.

Sgd. E. CORNWELL, Matron.
A.A.N.S., A.I.F.
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LIST OF APPENDICES
TO ACCOMPANY C.O'S. MONTHLY REPORT TO D.M.S., A.I.F.
FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1919.

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1. Report upon Anaesthetics administered during month.
2. Balance Sheet of Regimental Magazine, "The Jackass".

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To: The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT UPON ANAESTHETICS FOR MONTH OF
JANUARY 1919.
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1. During the occupancy of the Hospital by this Unit 70 operations have been performed under General Anaesthetics - the nature of the Anaesthetics used being shown in a table below - of which I have administered 66.
2. The Hospital is not equipped with any Shipway Apparatus and though they have been ordered about three weeks, they have not yet come to hand. This has necessitated a larger use of Chloroform & Ether administered cold than is justified, having regard to the class of cases dealt with and the prevalence of pulmonary complaints.
3. A certain proportion of cases are only suitable for operation if Nitrous Oxide and Oxygen is available. Fortunately the Hospital possesses a Boyle's Apparatus, but the supply of Nitrous Oxide gas leaves much to be desired, as it was only after repeated telegraphing and a final personal application that 400 gallons of the gas were forwarded to us out of some thousands of gallons ordered. At present there is little more than one hour's supply available. I would urge the necessity of a constant supply of gas being maintained and that the cylinders should be of 500 gallons capacity as is necessary if they are to be used in Boyle's apparatus.
4. During the month Colonel Silk, Consulting Anaesthetist to Southern Command, visited the theatre and inspected some administrations of Anaesthetics.

NATURE OF ANAESTHETICS USED.

Anaesthetic	Total No. of Admin- istrations.
Chloroform & Ether mixture	46
Nitrous Oxide & Oxygen	13
Chloroform alone or with Oxygen	5
Ethyl Chloride	5
Ether	1

TOTAL	70

SUTTON VENY
2.2.19

Sgd. E. M. ALLESTREE, Major, AAMC.
First Australian General Hospital.