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WAR DIARY

OF

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

FOR

JUNE

1919

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Signature of Officer Commanding

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First Australian General Hospital

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Place. First Australian General Hospital.
Sutton Veny. Wilts.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	June 1st.		<p>Personnel. 10 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Mental Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 79 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 198 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1. N/Staff from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1. Dispen. (Lieutl T. W. Longville.) To Hospital.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 8.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 5.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 366.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 384.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 2nd.		<p>Personnel. 10 Med. Off. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dental Officer. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 80 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 198 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures. 1. O/Rank transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strength. 750. Admissions. 20.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 20.</p> <p>Patients remaining 366.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 384.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 3rd.		<p>Personnel. 10 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer. 80 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 198 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 O/Ranks from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1. Med. Off. Capt. A. G. Brydon. transferred. 1. O/Ranks to leave.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 17.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 19.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 364.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 386.</p>	
	Midnight			
	June 4th.		<p>Personnel. 9 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 80 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 198 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1. O/Ranks from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1. Med. Off. (Capt. C. MAXWELL) to leave. 1. N/Staff. transferred. 2 N/Staff to leave. 1. N/Staff to Hospital. 1. O/Rank transferred.</p>	

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	June 4th cont.		Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 8. Discharges and transfers. 8. Patients remaining. 364.	
	Midnight.		Vacant beds. 386.	
	June 5th.		Personnel. 8 Med.Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1.Den.Off. 1.Mess.Off. 2 Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer. 76 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 198 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.N/Staff from Hospital. 2 O/Ranks from leave. Departures. 1.Med.Off. (Capt.J.R. PORTER) transferred. 1.N/Staff to leave. 4 O/Ranks to leave. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 13. Discharges and transfers. 12. Patients remaining. 365.	
	Midnight.		Vacant beds. 385.	
	June 6th.		Personnel. 7 Med.Off. 3 Chaplains. 1.Den.Off. 1.Mess.Off. 2 Q.M.s. 1.G.D. Officer. 76 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 196. O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.O/Rank from leave. 1.O/Rank transferred. Departures. 1.Medical.Officer (Major. E.R. CORDNER) transferred. 7 N/Staff transferred. 1.O/Rank transferred. Bed Strength. 750. Admissions. 12. Discharges and transfers. 19. Patients remaining. 358.	
	Midnight.		Vacant beds. 392.	
	June 7th.		Personnel. 6 Med.Off. 3 Chaplains. 1.Den.Off. 1.Mess.Off. 2 Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer 69 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 197 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.O/Rank from leave. Departures. 2 N/Staff transferred. 1.N/Staff to Hospital. 1.O/Ranks transferred. 1.O/R to leave. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 16. Discharges and transfers. 354. 20. Patients remaining. 354.	
	Midnight.		Vacant beds. 396.	

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	June 8th.		Personnel. 6 a Med. Off. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 66 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 196 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. Nil. Bed Strength. 750. Admissions. 19. Discharges and transfers. 8. Patients remaining. 365. Vacant beds. 385.	
	Midnight.			
	June 9th.		Personnel. 6 Med. Off. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 66 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 196 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. Nil. Bed Strength. 750. Admissions 14. Discharges and transfers. 10. Patients remaining. 369. Vacant Beds. 381.	
	Midnight.			
	June 10th.		Personnel. 6 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 66 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 196 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. Med. Off. (Capt. R. L. KENNEDY) transferred. Departures. 1. O/Ranks transferred. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 13. Discharges and transfers. 15. Patients remaining. 367. Vacant beds. 383.	
	Midnight.			
	June 11th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 66 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 195 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1. O/Ranks transferred. Bed Strength. 750. Admissions. 15.	

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	June 12th.	cont.	Discharges and transfers. 8 Patients remaining. 374. Vacant beds. 376.	
	Midnight.			
	June 12th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer. 66 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses. 194 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. O/Rank from leave. Departures. 2. Masseuses transferred. 1. O/Rank to leave. 2 N/Staff to Hospital. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 12. Discharges and transfers. 5. Patients remaining. 381. xxxxxx Midnight. Vacant beds. 369.	
	June 13th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Off. 3. Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 64 N/Staff. 194 O/Ranks. Arivals. 1. Masseuses. transferred. 1. O/Ranks from leave. Departures. 2 N/Staff transferred, 3 O/Ranks to leave. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 10. Discharges and transfers. 22. Patients remaining. 369. Vacant beds. 381.	
	Midnight.			
	June 14th.		Personnel., 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains., 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 62 N/Staff. 1. Masseuses. 192 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. Med. Off. (Capt., E. P. HOLLAND) transferred. 1. Dispen. (Lt. Longville T. W.) from Hospital. 1. O/Ranks transferred. Departures. 1. Med. Off. Capt. C. MAXWELL. transferred. 1. N/Staff transferred. 1. O/Rank. tranf. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 24. Discharges and transfers. 13. Patients remaining. 380. Vacant beds. 370.	
	Midnight.			

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	June 15th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Mess. Off. 1. Den. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 61. N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 192 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1. O/Rank from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1. O/Rank transferred.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 61</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 11.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 375.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 375.</p> <p><u>DEATH: 4.45 am. 431. PTE. H. J. SKINNER. 5th A.M. GB.</u> Pleurisy.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 16th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Mess Off. 1. Den. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 61. N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 192 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures. 1. O/Rank transferred.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 13.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 13.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 371.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 379.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 17th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Mess Off. 1. Den. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 61. N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 191 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1. N/Staff from Hospital.</p> <p>Departures. 3 O/Ranks to leave.</p> <p>Bed Strength. 750. Admissions 9.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 12.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 368.</p> <p>Vacant Beds . 382.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 18th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 3 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Mess. Off. 1. Den. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 62. N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 188 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures. 1. Chaplain. (Capt. P. P. McDONELL.) transferred. 24 O/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 16.</p>	

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	June 18th	cont.	Discharges and transfers. 12. Patients remaining. 372. Vacant beds. 378.	
		Midnight		
	June 19th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 62 N/Staff. 1. Masseuses. 164 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. O/Rank transferred. 4 O/Ranks from leave. Departures. 4 N/Staff to leave. 1. N/Staff to Hospital. Bed strnegth 750. Admissions. 16. Discharges and transfers. 16. Patients remaining. 375. Vacant beds. 375.	
		Midnight.		
	June 20th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplain. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. MS. 1. G. D. Officer 57 N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 169. O/Ranks. Arrivals. 5. O/Ranks transferred. Departures. 1. O/Rank from leave. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 8. Discharges and transfers. 1. Patients remaining. 382. Vacant beds. 368.	
		Midnight.		
	June 21st.		Personnel. 7 Med. Off. 2 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 57 N/Staff. 1. Masseuse. 173. O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1 N/Staff from leave. 3. N/Staff transferred. 2 O/Ranks from leave. Departures. Nil. Bed strnegth. 750. Admissions. 15. Discharges and transfers. 10. Patients remaining. 387. Vacant beds. 363.	
		Midnight.		
	June 22nd.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Cgaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2 Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer	

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	June 22nd.	conti.	Personnel. cont. 53 N/staff. 1. Masseuse. 175 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.0/Rank transferred. Departures. 1. n/Staff to Hospital. 5.0/Rank transferred. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 9. Discharges and transfers. 1. Patients remaining. 395. Vacant beds. 355..	
		Midnight.		
	June 23rd.		Personnel., 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 1. Dispen. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 52 52 N/staff. 1. Masseuse. 170 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1.0/Rank transferred. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 16. Discharges and transfers. 6. Patients remaining. 405. Vacant beds. 345.	
		Midnight		
	June 24th.		Personnel. 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Officer 52 N/staff. 1. Masseuses. 169 O/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1.0/Rank transferred. Bed strength - 750. Admissions. 12. Discharges and transfers. 13. Patients remaining, 404. Vacant beds. 346.	
		Midnight.		
	June 25th.		Personnel., 7 Med. Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1. Dispen. 1. Den. Off. 1. Mess Off. 2. Q. MS. 1. G. D. Officer 52 N/staff. 1. Masseuses. 168 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 3 O/Ranks from leave. Departures. Nil. Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 8. Discharges and transfers. 6. Patients remaining, 406. Vacant beds. 404 . 344.	
		Midnight.		

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	June 26th.		<p>Personnel., 7 Med.Offrs. 2 Chaplains. 1.Dispen.1.Den.Off. 1.Mess.Off. 2 Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer 52 N/Staff. 1.Masseuses. 171 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 O/Ranks from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1. Chaplain. (Chap. J.E. RAMSAY.) to leave. 1. N/Staff transferred.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 24.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 7.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 423.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 327.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 27th.		<p>Personnel., 7 Med.Off.rs.1.Chaplain.1.Dispen.1.Den.Off.1.Mess.Off. 2.Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer 51.N/Staff. 1.Masseuse. 173.O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals.1.N/Staff from leave. 1.Masseuse from leave. 1.O/Rank from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1.N/Staff to Hospital.</p> <p>Bed strength. 750. Admissions. 11.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 20.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 414.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 336.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 28th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med.Offrs. 1.Chaplain. 1.Dispen.1.Den.Off.1.Mess.Off. 2 Q.Ms.1.G.D.Officer. 51 N/Staff.2.Masseuses.174 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures.2 O/Ranks. transferred.</p> <p>Bed strength.750. Admissions18.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 19.</p> <p>Patients remaining, 413.</p> <p>Vacant beds. 337.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	June 29th.		<p>Personnel. 7 Med.Offrs.1.Chaplain.1.Dispen.1.Den.Off.1.Mess.Off. 2,Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer 51 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses.172 O/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2 O/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Departures. Nil.</p> <p>Bed stregth. 750. Admissions.8.</p> <p>Discharges and transfers. 7.</p> <p>Patients remaining, 414.</p> <p>Vacant beds.336.</p>	
	Midnight.			

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June 30th.			Personnel., 7 Med.Offrs. 1.Chaplain.1.Dispen. 1.Den.Off.1.Mess.Off. 2.Q.Ms. 1.G.D. Officer 51 N/Staff. 2 Masseuses.174 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.Chaplain. (Capt. J.C. Ramsay) from leave. 2 N/Staff from Hosp. Departures. 7 N/Staff transferred. 2 O/Ranks transferred. Bed strength. 750. Admissions 12. Discharges and transfers. 14. Patients remaining, 412. Vacant beds. 338.	
Midnight				
			<p>XXXXXXXXXXXX</p> <p><i>R.B. Stuxtable</i> Colonel., AAMC. Commanding, First Australian General Hospital.</p>	
			SUTTON VENY: WILTS: 1.7.19.	

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OF

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL

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1. C.O's Monthly Report to D.M.S.A.I.F.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

SUTTON VENNY:
WILTS:
7th June 1919.

TO: D.M.S., A.I.F.
A.I.F. Headquarters,
LONDON.

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

Herewith please

REPORT FROM C.O.
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1919.

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INSPECTIONS ETC.

The A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K., (Col. Burston, D.S.O.) visited the Hospital at intervals during the month.
May 4th, Major Genl. Sir. Chas. Rosenthal, K.C.B., D.S.O. visited and spent the afternoon interviewing patients, especially those going away by the "Karoola".
May 17th. Col. R.J. Millard, C.M.G. visited.
May 17th. The Mental Specialist (Colonel Miles) visited concerning patients, also on 24th.

ADMISSIONS ETC.

Total Admitted	--	502 including 65 from other Hospitals.
Australians.	--	476.
Others	--	26.

The average number of admissions pr day was -- 16.
The average number of discharges per day was - 16.

DEATHS:

Number (Australis)	--	3.
Others.	--	-
Total	--	3.

Average stay in Hospital was - 13.4. days. .

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

Report of Capt. A.G. BRYDON is attached. The work has become lighter with nothing special to note.

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT:

Report of Major R.O. DOUGLAS attached. Admissions for appendicitis have been frequent.

Operations total 52.

PATHOLOGICAL DEPT:

Report of Capt. O. LATHAM attached.

X.RAY & ELECTRO-THERAP. DEPT:

Report of Capt., A.E. BROWN attached.

DENTAL DEPARTMENT

Lt. C. DOWN who has left for Repatriation has been replaced by Capt. H.C.D. TAUNTON.

EYE, EAR, NOSE & THROAT DEPT:

REGISTRAR'S DEPT:

PAY SECTION:

Nothing special to report.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPT:

Capt. H.M. MAUGHAN's report attached. Arrangements made for checking as indicated in last month's report has improved matters. Five Wards have been closed during the month and personnel Dining Room transferred to No.2. Dining Hall in the Hospital building. This does away with one cooking staff and is working satisfactorily.

NURSING DEPARTMENT:

Matron E.Gray, R.R.C. , has written a full report which is attached.

G.S., V.A.D. DEPARTMENT:

Report of Mrs. L.L.A. BAKER is attached. This staff has been further reduced during the month and further reductions are being arranged for.

SANITARY OFFICER'S REPORT.

Attached. Nothing special to note.

DISPENSARY.

Lieut. T.W. LONGVILLE has been admitted to Hospital owing to an accident but is still supervising.

ANAESTHETICS:

No special report as to administration of anaesthetics is being allotted to various officers under the Senior Surgeon and will now be included in his report.

GENERAL.

There is nothing of special moment to note except the evacuation of 140 patients by Hospital Ship "Karoola" on the 6th. The evacuation was carried out without any hitch at all, patients were well looked after until they were entrained at Warminster Railway Station. The staff worked well and enthusiastically and the comfort of the patients was well provided for from both Hospital and Red Cross Sources.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
23.6.19.

R B Threlkeld
Colonel., AAMC.
Commanding,
First Australian General Hospital.

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REPORTS HEREWITH FROM :-

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT:

PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT:

X.RAY DEPARTMENT (including Massage and Electro-
Therapeutic Department)

SANITARY DEPARTMENT:

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT:

NURSING DEPARTMENT:

G.S. V.A.D. DEPARTMENT:

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AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS DISTRIBUTOR'S REPORT.

CONSUMPTION OF FOOD PER 100 PATIENTS FOR MAY.

RETURN OF BREAKAGES.

RETURN OF DRESSINGS ISSUED.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: OF FICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT FOR MEDICAL DIVISION FOR THE MONTH OF
MAY 1919.

With the advent of an unusually early and sunny summer, the work of the Medical side of the Hospital for the month of May, has been comparatively light.

It was fortunate that such was the case, as constant changes and further depletion of the Medical Staff have rendered the allocation of the work rather a problem at times.

Fortunately also, there have been few patients on the Seriously and Dangerously Ill Lists, during the past month and only one death (pneumonia).

Perhaps the most noteworthy feature has been the number of cases treated in the Infectious Ward, but most of those belonged to the "Tonsillitis Group", which proved to have Vincents Bacilli in the mouth or throat.

Two of the Nursing Sister were in Hospital with Measles otherwise there has been little sickness amongst the Staff of the Hospital.

As I am about to proceed to Edinburgh on ~~three~~ months Educational leave, I take this opportunity of thanking every one on the Medical Side of the First Australian General Hospital, for the assistance they have given me whilst I have been in charge of the Division.

(SGD) A.G. BRYDON. Capt.,
Officer in charge Medical Div.
First Australian General Hospital.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL;

OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE SURGICAL DIVISION FOR THE MONTH
OF MAY 1919.

The surgical work of the month has been largely that of an ordinary civilian Hospital. Pyelitis and other urinary infections are still very frequent. They usually arrive with a diagnosis of "Appendicitis".

Various types of internal derangement of the knee joint are continually cropping up.

Two further wounded cases have been received from British Hospitals, one in a fair and the other in a very bad shape.

The bad results from the misuse of the Thomas splint in the treatment of simple fractures continues.

One death from haemorrhage after appendicectomy occurred through rupture of a vein in the neighbourhood of the kidney.

Operations for the month include :-

Appendicectomy	10.	
Hernia	4.	
Nephrectomy	1.	
Pyelotomy	1.	
Metero-lithotomy	1.	
Varicocele	1.	
Perineal section for extravasation of urine	1.	
Removal of ruptured spleen		1.
Haemorrhoids	2.	
Conservature mastoid operation	1.	
Empyema	1.	
Sequestrotomy	2.	
Strabismus	2.	
Pterygium	1.	
Osteoma of humerus	1.	
Haemosclerosis after Appendicectomy	1.	
Circumcision	13.	
Fistula in ano	2.	
Dermoid of scalp	1.	
Various minor operations	16.	

Administration of anaesthetics has been successfully carried out by various members of the staff.

The X-Ray and Massage Staff still maintain their high standard of work.

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17.5.19.

(SGD) R.O. DOUGLAS., Major.
Officer in charge Surgical Division,
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF PATHOLOGIST FOR MONTH OF MAY 1919.

TISSUE &c.	NATURE OF EXAM.	TOTAL EXAMS.	POS. FINDINGS.
<u>Urines.</u>			
	Chemical Exams.	95.	
<u>Micros.</u>	"	61.	
	For gon.	8.	
	Bacteriological	7.	
	Felaria	3.	1.
<u>Blood.</u>			
	Wassermann	22.	9.
	Counts.	8.	
	Malaria.	3.	2.
<u>Throat Swabs.</u>			
	Vincent's	69.	Most
	K.L.B. (cultures)	22.	2.
<u>Sputa.</u>	For T.B. &c.	21.	1.
<u>Urethral.</u>	smears fr gon.	16.	
<u>Exam</u>	spirochaete Pall.	3.	1.
<u>Pleuritic fluids</u>			
<u>Cell count and Bact.</u>	growth.	3.	
<u>Faeces</u>	for dysentery and amebae.	6.	1.
<u>Cultures</u>	(General)		
	Pus. (wounds)	2.	
	" (Acne)	1.	
	" Sycosis beard.	1.	
<u>Microscopical Preparations.</u>			
	Or sections.	3.	
<u>Vaccines.</u>	- acne.	12.	
	-Boils.	3.	
	-wounds	1.	
	-Urine.	1.	
	-sycosis beard	1.	
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Two interesting Post Mortems were done - in which interesting vascular lesions were noted. Both were accident cases.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

(SGD). O. LATHAM. Capt.
Pathologist. 1st A.G.H.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

TO: The OFFICER COMMANDING.
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF WORK OF X RAY DEPARTMENT
for MAY. 1919.

No of cases sent for Examination	85
No of cases sent for Treatment	3
No of plates used.	159.

Analysis of conditions requiring examination.

Injuries and diseases of bones	39
Injuries and diseases of joints	24
Chest conditions	8
Renal calculus (negative finding)	5
Bismuth Meal examinations	2
For F.B.	5
For Salivary Calculus	1
For Cervical Rib	1
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Analysis of plates used.

<u>Size</u>	<u>No.</u>
1	4.
8 x 5	66.
8 x 10	17.
10 x 6	8.
10 x 12	11.
1 x 1	251
12 x 6	10.
12 x 15	24.
	<hr/> 159.

No of stereographs - 41.

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Remarks.

_____ The work in the department is becoming progressively lighter along with that in the hospital generally. There has been a notable falling off in chest work especially and in bonework also since the departure of the Hospital ship "Karoola".

SUTTON VENY:WILTS:
2.6.19.

(Sgd) A.E.BROWN. Capt: AAMC
Radiographer.
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

TO: The OFFICER COMMANDING,
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF WORK OF MASSAGE AND
ELECTROTHERAPEUTIC DEPARTMENT FOR MAY, 1919.

Electrotherapy.

	:No:	: Transferred to.	:Discharged	:Under treatment
	:	:	: cured.	: May 31st.
Cases under treat- ment May 1st.	:47 :	Weymouth:Hosp:S.: 2 : 39 :	4 :	2 :
Cases admitted during May	:27 :	2 :	4 :	21 :
	74	43	8	23

Analysis of conditions treated and treatment given.

Condition.	:No.:	Bristow	:Inferr;	: Ionisation	:Galv.	: Reactions.
	:	:	:Galvan.:	:Cl.:	:Z7.:	:Salicyl:
	:	:	:	:	:	:Bath.:
<u>Fractures</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Femur	:27 :	27 :	:	:	:	3
Other Bones	:13 :	13 :	:	:	:	1
<u>Excisions</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Knee	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
Elbow.	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
<u>Sprains.</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Wrist	: 1 :	1 :	1 :	1 :	:	:
Ankle	: 3 :	3 :	:	:	:	:
<u>Arthritis</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Hip	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
Toe	: 2 :	1 :	:	:	2 :	:
Knee	: 5 :	5 :	:	:	2 :	:
Shoulder	: 3 :	2 :	:	:	1 :	:
<u>Nerve Injuries:</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Gt. Sciatic	: 4 :	:	4 :	:	:	4
Int. Popliteal	: 1 :	:	1 :	:	:	1
Ext. Popliteal	: 5 :	:	5 :	1 :	:	5
Ulnar	: 2 :	:	2 :	:	:	2
Musc. Spiral	: 1 :	:	1 :	:	:	1
Brachial Plex.	: 2 :	:	1 :	:	1 :	1
<u>Lumbago</u>	: 1 :	:	:	:	1 :	:
<u>Musc. Atrophy</u>	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
<u>Scar Tissue</u>	: 7 :	1 :	:	7 :	:	:
<u>Myelitis</u>	: 1 :	:	:	:	:	1
<u>Callous Ulcer</u>	: 1 :	:	:	1 :	1 :	:
<u>Flat Foot</u>	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
<u>Functional</u>	:	:	:	:	:	:
Paralysis	: 1 :	1 :	:	:	:	:
	85	59	14	10	1	7
						1
						18

Remarks.

Attached is statistical table of work done by Masseuses during the month. The first week was very heavy, but following the departure of the "Karoola" it has been very much lighter. 39 Electropherapy and about 45 Massage cases left by the "Karoola". Since then the cases dealt with have been mainly minor Surgical and medical in type.

Miss Young left for Australia in the middle of the month and the massage work is now being done by two masseurs - Miss Morton and Cpl Rabeechi, and with the voluntary assistance of Sister Payne, the results continue to be uniformly good.

Complaints.	No.under treatment.	New Cases	Treatment Discontinued.	No.under treat: 31.5.19.
GSW.fracture	35	2	38	14
Acc. "	1	8	3	6
Nerve injury	1	1	0	1
Rheumatism	3	5	2	4
Neurasthenia		1	1	
Flesh Wounds		1	1	
Flat foot		1		1
Sprains	2	5	3	1
Tabies	1	1		1
Functional		1		1
Stiff Joints	1	2	1	1
Myalgia	1	1	1	2
Paralysis	2	1	1	
Synovitis		2	1	1
Post Cerebro				
Spinal Fever		1		1
P				
Periostitis	1			1
TOTAL.	48	33	52	35.

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2.6.19.

(Sgd) A.E.BROWN.Capt.,AAMC
Radiographer.
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF SANITARY OFFICER FOR MONTH OF
MAY 1919.

1. Capt. Welsford having intimated that he would be pleased if we separated tins etc. from the refuse and burned the more inflammable material such as paper, twigs. This has been carried out and the ashes etc., have been removed in a regular way.
2. In their anxiety to make the wards look attractive etc., laudable desire to cheer up their less happy sick folk - certain members of the Staff have taken to decorating the wards with both flowers and large branches. The former are all right but the latter give the sanitary men a great deal of trouble removing, besides severely taking the refuse bins accommodation.
3. There has been a general all round improvement in keeping the camp - interward places and areas round shacks clean and tidy and this has been maintained - chiefly by setting or telling off special fatigue parties for the purpose.
4. Unused swill - potato peelings etc., at one time became a nuisance - difficult to dispose of - but a place has been chosen between the shacks where they have been readily and satisfactorily buried.
5. Considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining tea-leaves for sweeping purposes round corridors. On enquiry it was ascertained that most was used in the wards - still a fair amount finds its way into the refuse bins, - this is most reprehensible, as every bit is absolutely necessary to lay the clouds of dust in the corridors.
6. Sisters are placed in charge of the Bottom Isolation which has been kept quite full with cases of mumps, measles, german measles, scarlet fever and suspicions of diphtheria cases and especially cases of Vincents Angina. Fortunately plenty of Nursing staff and improved accommodation in the way of large tents Marquees and repairs, allowed certain unusable buildings to be put into requisition again, leaving the Sanitary Office little to complain about.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

(SGD) O. LATHAM. Capt., AAMC.
Sanitary Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: THE OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT FOR
THE MONTH OF MAY 1919.

I beg to submit the following report for the month of May in reference to this Department :-

Personnel. Cpl. Neate M.C.O., in Clothing store has been struck off strength on going on Non-Military Employment.
Pte. Munro in charge of General Store has been struck off strength on return to Australia.
Five new men have replaced five who have been struck off strength on return to Australia.

Linen Store. The following are the main items of linen sent to the Laundry for the month.

Dusters.	210.	Cases slip pillow	2960
Cloths. B.P.	170	Counterpanes	780
do. Medicine	270	Sheets	4220
do. Distinctive	590	Towels hand	3890
do. Table	323	do. Bath	310
do. Tea	960	do. Round	390
Neckerchiefs	864	do. Operating	100
Handkerchiefs	850	Jackets sleeping	1558
Overalls	540	Shirts cotton	1158
Socks	170	Trousers sleeping	1416
Waiscoats serge	290	do. serge.	560.

<u>Pack Store.</u>	Number of kits received into store	381
	" " issued from "	406
	" " remaining in "	323.

<u>Clothing store.</u>	Clothing issued to Patients and Personnel	698 art.
	Necessaries " " "	1837 "

Dispensary. Lt Longville, the Dispenser has been admitted to Hospital.
Attached please find issue and Breakage return of the Dispensary for the month.

Stewards Store. Attached please find provisions consumed per hundred patients for the month.

The total number of Patients subsisted for the month has been 13996.

The number of diets issued for the month has been as follows :-

Ordinary	9624.
Chicken.	1118.
Milk	3254.

Messing. The following Bye-Products have been saved during the month :-

Dripping, 1st Class.	7 cwt.	2 qts.	1 lbs.
do. 2nd Class.	1.	0.	8.
Bones.	16.	3	1.
Swill	256.	2	0.

Housing. Five wards are now closed. Since my last return, Ward B. has been opened as a Convalescent Ward.

The personnel Dining Room has been transferred to No.2. Dining Hall lately used as Red Cross Recreation Room and the Kitchen has been conglomerated with the Patients Kitchen, so that the staff of these places can be reduced by the Amalgamation.

The Education Department have taken up their quarters in the British Carriers Centre attached to this Hospital.

The Hospital Marquees used to increase the Bed accommodation of the Hospital have been mostly struck, only four remaining standing at present which are used for storage.

The V.A.D. Flooring has been completed and the Coconut matting ordered some months ago for the floors has arrived.

General. Since the attachments of the Staff of Checkers to the Department the arrangements of surplus stores have been got more in order and Ward checking has been much more rapidly done, although shortages still occur in the Wards owing to transferring equipment, losses from Wards that cannot be traced.

The continual changing in personnel owing to Repatriation and Non-Military Employment causes a constant upsetting in the Department thus throwing more work and also more responsibility on those remaining until such time as the new members are acquainted with the work, and I find it difficult to get suitable men to follow up in the various departments so that the working can go on smoothly when the man in charge leaves, which means that close supervision and instruction has to be given by myself in most cases, the employment of the female staff on the clerical work where the returns have to be made has been the main stay during the frequent changes.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

(SGD) H.M. MAUGHAN. Capt.,
Quartermaster,
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

TO: The OFFICER COMMANDING,
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE NURSING STAFF FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1919.

The Nursing work of the month has on the whole been very quiet.

On May 6th the Hospital ship "Karoola" left England, taking all our very sick patients, altogether one hundred and forty patients left the Hospital for the ship. Much excitement prevailed in the wards for over a week prior to the departure of the ship. Many of the patients had been in bed for months, and had not anticipated being able to leave for some time. The thought of "Home" at no distant date brightened many, and a general air of expectancy prevailed through the wards, even amongst the patients who were not actually to be embarked.

So many of our patients leaving, the amount of work lessened considerably, and during the last three weeks, several of our wards have been closed, the work being concentrated as much as possible.

It has been rather remarkable, that though our numbers have lessened, we have had a greater number of acute surgical cases than for some time previous: our surgical wards have been decidedly heavier than our medical section, much of our work recalling to our minds our days in civil hospitals, more than in the wards of our hospitals on Active Service.

The number of patients in our Isolation Section has been maintained, most comprising measles and mumps.

Massage. Fifty of our patients here are still having Massage. This department comprising both massage, and electrical treatment. Miss Young, who has done excellent work in our Hospitals since July 1915, has left us for transport duty to Australia, we regret losing her services - for both at No. 1. Aust. Aux. Hospital, Harefield and since January down here, Miss Young has carried out her work well.

Leave. Six Sisters have been granted 14 days leave through the month.

Sickness. The general health of the Sisters has been good. Three of our members being admitted to hospital during the month.
S/Nurse Miller.C.F., with Influenza.
Sister Sheen M.G., with Malaria.
S/Nurse MacKenzie.A., with Measles.

Struck off the Strength.

Sister McSpedden.C.C.)	Have left us for transport
" Low Nea.)	duty to Australia.
" Gallagher.E.)	

struck off strength. continued.

sister Cuskelly. A.)	Have left us for
)	transport duty to
sister Monaghan E.H.)	Australia.

Detached.

sister Aitken M.V.
sister Waldon J. McIntosh.

Have gone to No.2. A.G.C.H. Hurdcott.

Taken on strength

sister Keating M.G.
sister Horne E.L.
sister Ryan W.J.
S/Nurse Chaplin E.S.

have joined us.

We close the month with 78 sisters and S/Nurses on duty. 2 sick.

(SGD).E. GRAY., Matron.

First Australian General Hospital.

SUTTON VENNY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE GS.V.A.D. DEPARTMENT FOR THE
MONTH OF MAY 1919.

It has been found necessary to reduce the V.A.D. Staff further and at the end of May the strength of the Unit was 90, leaving 20 still on the list for transfer or demobilisation (at the discretion of the V.A.D. Headquarters)

During the month the health of the members has been extremely good and there have not been any further cases of measles amongst the V.A.Ds.

(SGD) L.L.A. BAKER.,

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

Commandant, GS/VAD.
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

MONTHLY RETURN OF RED CROSS STORES DISTRIBUTED
AT NO.1.AUST.GEN. HOSPITAL, SUTTON VENY FOR MONTH OF MAY 1919.

ARTICLES.	NO. ISS.	ARTICLES.	NO. ISS.
Cigarettes	36500	Groats -- tins	6.
Tobacco	470. ozs.	Golden syrup	10 tins.
Chocolate	1693 bars.	Soup sausage	35 pkts.
Boiled sweets	476 lbs.	Malted Milk	4 bottles
Sheep tongues	96 tins	Coffee essence	8 bottles
Jam	100 tins.	Meat Extract	23 bottles
Fruit. Pres.	197.tins.	Bed socks	70 prs.
Plum pudding	254 lbs	Dressing gowns	6
Butter	144 lbs	Ash Trays	12.
Rabbit boiled	198 lbs	Slippers prs.	30.
Biscuits	421.lbs.	Combs	144
Camp pie	134 lbs.	Face washers	481
Ham Pate.	134 lbs.	Hair brushes	143
Cheese Cheddar	72 lbs.	Handkerchiefs	197
Cheese ordinary	30 lbs.	Housewives	82.
Ox. Cheek	7 tins.	Mirrors	127
Beef in jelly	26 tins.	Mufflers	106
Cake	511 lbs.	Mittens	2 prs.
Fish mixed tins.	115	Old Linen.	97 bdls
Jelly crystals	90 pkts	Palying cards	33 pkts
Salmon	6 tins	Pipes	99
Honey	120 lbs.	Pyjamas	24 pss
Sausages	179 tins	Razor strops	2
Sultanas	112 lbs	Shaving brushes	40
Prunes	84 lbs	Shaving soap	112
Currants	112 lbs	Socks	296 prs.
Condensed milk	30 tins.	Stationary	180 pkts.
Toilet Soap	692 cakes	Toilet bags	273
Tooth brushes	204	Tooth powder	226
Gramaphones	20	Nurses Comforts	2
Sports prizes	10.		

(SGD) M. NEBLANCH.
Red Cross Representative.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
15.6.19.

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Food consumed per 100 patients for month of May 1919.

Fish	11.01.	Margarine	6.5.
Bacon	18.6.	Cheese	1.9.
Meat	61.4.	Jam	9.1.
Potatoes	64.7.	Cocoa	.7
Vegetables	12.0.	Tea and coffee	3.
Bread	75.0.	Spirits	14.0.
Milk	102.	Licquors	7.4.
Eggs	38.	Sugar	10.0.
Cereals	20.6.		

Return of Dispensary breakages. for May 1919.

Wards.	Measures. Glass. 2. ozs.	Measures Glass. 4 ozs.	Thermometers	Syringes
1.				
2.	1.	2.		
3.			1.	
4.				
5.	1.			
6.				
7.				
8.				1.
9.		1.		
10.			1.	2.
11.	1.			
12.				
13.				
14.	1.		1.	
15.		1.		
16.	1.		1.	
A.	2.	1.	2.	
B.				
C.				1.
Admission Room			1.	
Dispensary	Measures Graduated. (1 pt.) 1.			
Total.	7.	5	7. Meas. Grad. 1. pt. 1.	4.

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RETURNS OF DRESSING ISSUED:

Ward.	Wool. lbs.	lint. lbs.	Guaze. yds.	Bandages. Roller. Nos.	Bandages. Triang. Nos.	Jaconet. yds.	Plaster. Reels.	Pins. Saf. Pkts	Gauze. Tissue lbs.
1.	8.	3.	84.	24	12.	-	-	2.	1.
2.	4.	2.	60.	36.	-	-	-	-	-
3.	5.	11.	126.	60.	-	3.	1.	2.	2.
4a.	2.	1.	36.	27.	-	1.	-	1.	1.
4b.									
5.	8.	5.	120.	96.	-	-	-	2.	-
6.	3.	1.	6.	18.	12.	-	-	2.	6.
7.	3.	2.	60.	48.	-	4.	1.	3.	1.
8.	16.	15.	336.	108.	-	3.	2.	3.	1.
9.	14.	14.	240.	138.	-	1.	2.	2.	2.
10.	19.	16.	258.	60.	24.	4.	2.	6.	2.
11.	6.	5.	6.	96.	-	1.	-	3.	-
14.	2.	20.	126.	252.	12.	1.	2.	2.	-
16.	1.	1.	84.	12.	-	1.	-	1.	-
20 & 21.	4.	1.	43.	12.	-	-	-	1.	-
22.	1.	1.	12	12.	-	-	1.	1.	1.
A.	27	36	366	550	12.	5.	1.	11.	6
B.	6.	5.	36.	24	-	1.	1.	1.	-
C.	7.	4.	114.	48.	12.	-	2	-	-
Op.Th.	1.	2.	72.	60	12.	-	1.	7.	-
Total.	137	145	2185.	1681	96	25	16.	50	25.
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(SGD) H.M. MAUGHAN. Capt.,
Quartermaster,
First Australian General Hospital.

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

1st Australian General Hospital

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sutton Key	1/6/19		Adms (Col. Burslem ORO) visited the hospital - Appointment of Captain A.B. MacLutcheon as Registrar confirmed with promotion to Major from 28 April.	
	3/6/19		Captain A.G. Brydon left on R.M.E. -	
	4/6/19		Captain G. Maxwell left for embarkation to Apia -	Adms called - Matron in chief (Miss Conyers) visited -
	5/6/19		" J. Porter " " " " " "	Miss Conyers left on 5th.
	6/6/19		Major Loder left for 1st A.D.H. Bulford -	
	7/6/19		Senior Sisters left for Australia -	
	9/6/19		Captain Kenihan M.E. reported for duty -	
	10/6/19		About 50% personnel reported to have diarrhoea - Cause not definite -	
	11/6/19		Matron in Chief notifies that both Masseuses are to be sent on pre-embarkation leave -	
	12/6/19		Adms called with reference to accommodation of personnel from Forant -	
	13/6/19		Both Masseuses left -	
	14/6/19		Miss Norton (Masseuse) returned for duty -	
	15/6/19		Captain N.P. Holland reported for duty -	
	16/6/19		Adms + AAG (Tidworth) called re accommodation available for Forant personnel -	
	17/6/19		Dus. notified that Major Temple Smith (Eye spec.) will no longer call - Eye work to be done by Major MacLutcheon -	
	18/6/19		Arranged with Matron re care of Sister Lyons's grave -	
	19/6/19		Twenty two ORs marched out for Forant (Early 1916 men)	
			Chaplain McEownell left for H.M.S. London	
			Disturbance during the night by a few patients who returned to hospital intoxicated -	

R.B. Austen

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