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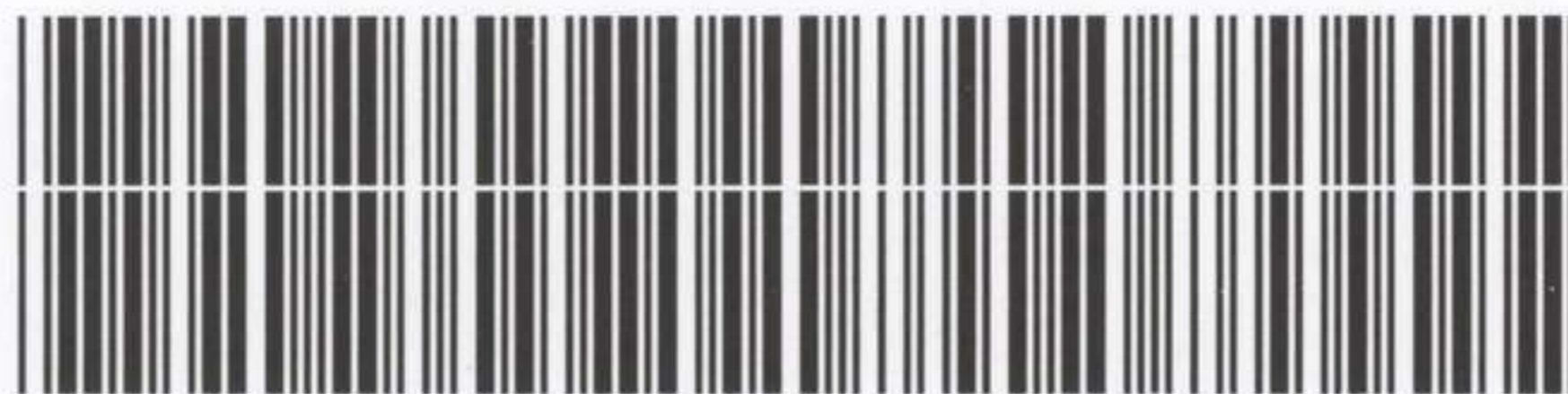
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October 1917



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10th. Field Amb.  
F.W. Dr. Capt.  
Lt-Col

or  
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HILLHOEK	1-10-17	22.30	<p>The II Anzac Corps Rest Station has accommodation for 1100 patients, including two Nissen Huts for Officers. The 10th Aust. Field Ambulance took over on 29/9/17 from 2/2nd North Midland Field Ambulance. There were 760 patients at the take over. One Section of 11th Field Ambulance was detailed for duty with "A" &amp; "C" Sections of the 10th Field Amb. "B" Sec. of the 10th Fld. Amb. remained at Winnie with the 10th A.I.F. Bde. On 30/9/17 "C" Sec. of the 11th rejoined the 11th Field Amb., and was replaced by "B" Sec. of the 10th Aust. Field Amb. A complete Bearer Subdivision ("C" Section) of the 10th Aust. Field Amb., without a Medical Officer, was detailed for duty with the 9th Aust. Field Amb., and left on the night of 30/9/17 for the A.D.S., The Prison, YPRES. Capt. Mansfield, with "B" Tent Subdivision, less cooks, supernumeraries and clerks, left for Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Post at The Mill, VLAMERTINGHE - H 8 a 9.9 - at 8 p.m. on 30/9/17. Capt. Mansfield was returned as the 1st N.Z. Field Ambulance had sufficient M.Os. on duty. Major Kenny, with Capt. Mansfield and 8 O.R. left at 9 p.m. on 1-10-17 to complete Tent Subdivision for Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Post.</p> <p>Wire received from D.D.M.S. II ANZAC at 8.30 p.m. to send 20 convalescent patients for duty at Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Post, Sheet 28 N.W., H 8 a 9.9, also 40 patients at Corps M.D.S., G 5 d 7.3, forthwith. Wire sent to 6th M.A.C. for transport. Wire received from A.D.M.S., 3rd Aust. Division, asking for available N.C.Os. and men as <del>stretcher</del> stretcher bearers. 1 Sgt. 5 L/Cpls. and 26 men notified as available. Today all patients able to get about have been doing light duty.</p> <p>Capt. R.M.W. Webster returned to duty from the office of D.D.M.S., II Anzac Corps, together with Ptes. Campbell I.T. and Davison R.J.</p>	<p>Appendix 1. App. 2.</p>
	2-10-17	22.00	<p>Parties left for C.M.D.S. and C.W.W.C.P. at 2 a.m. by M.A.C. Motor Ambulances. O.C. 6th M.A.C. called at C.R.S. and made arrangements for evacuations. Motor Ambulances reported yesterday to O.C., 6th M.A.C. Two Ford Ambulances and three horse Ambulances to report at 10 a.m. to-morrow to C.O. 9th Aust. Field Amb. at the Prison, Ypres. New receiving hut being erected, and reorganisation of hospital arrangements, distribution of sick, and their evacuation.</p>	App. 3.
	3-10-17.		<p>Orders received at 2 a.m. to send two Bearer Subdivisions and 2 M.Os. to report to C.O. 9th Aust. Field Amb., Prison, Ypres. Men left by motor lorries and arrived at 10 a.m. Cpts. R.G. McPhee and E.G. Glassford left at 2 p.m. for Prison, Ypres.</p> <p>66th Field Ambulance arrived at noon to take over II Anzac Corps Rest Station. As there were 1200 cases in the Station, <del>xxxxx</del> C.O. took the responsibility of clearing out to C.S.Ss., and advised Lt-Col. Bruce, incoming C.O., to get as many as possible away to their Units in the morning.</p>	

10th. Field Amb.  
A.I.F.

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HILLHOEK.	3-10-17		<p>Capt. Webster to go with "A" Nursing Sec. to Corps M.D.S., "C" Nursing Sec. to go to Corps Collecting Walking Wounded Post; C.O. to take over Corps Gas Treatment Centre and Divisional Sick Collecting Post, and to have one complete Tent Subdivision of 11th Aust. Field Ambulance. <del>Drivers Fox, Doig and McMahon.</del> Drivers Fox, Doig and McMahon reported to C.O. 9th Field Amb., The Prison, Ypres, for duty.</p>	
BR ANDHOEK.	4-10-17.	22.30	<p>At midnight on 3-4-17 the C.O., Lt-Col. PURDY, took over charge of the Corps Gas Treatment Centre and the 3rd Australian Divisional Sick Collecting Post, having with him Major Brummitt and "C" Tent Subdivision of the 11th Aust. Field Amb., together with Capt. Webster of the 10th Aust. Field Amb., "A" Tent Subdivision, Sgt. Thompson as Sgt. Steward, and W.O. Porter with Transport personnel complete, except Drivers Fox, Doig and McMahon detailed with Horse Ambulances at The Prison, Ypres. Dvr. Hopkins relieved Dvr. Doig. Sgt. McRae was returned from Corps M.D.S. to act as Cook; Pte. Anson, Clerk, from Corps Collecting Wounded Post was brought to Gas Centre and replaced by Pte. Wilson, A.E. Ptes. Anderson F., Rushton, Reeves, Jones, C.B., together with Pte. Hyde, Despatch Rider, reported to the O.C. 9th Field Amb.</p> <p>Only 10 gassed cases, none severe, were received. The D.D.M.S. visited the Gas Centre at 10 a.m., and discussed the arrangements with the C.O., and appeared satisfied therewith. Ptes. Allen G. and Harris A. were killed in action, and L/Cpl. McAlister H.M. and Bond C. wounded.</p>	
	5-10-17.	22.00	<p>Pte. Smythe A.T.B., A.M.C. Detail attached 40th Bn. wounded, also Ptes. Annett A.V. and Miller W.F., attached as A.M.C. details to 39th Bn. wounded. Pte. Williams F.R. and Pte. Sansome G.E., A.M.C. details to 40th Bn., also wounded.</p> <p>Only four gassed cases admitted from noon 4th to noon 5th. Orders for another Tent Subdivision to report to Gas Centre tomorrow. Capts. R.G. McPhee and E.G. Glassford returned from forward area.</p>	App. 4.
	6-10-17.	23.00	<p>Four gassed cases admitted from noon 5th to noon 6th, Capt. McPhee, who was sent to the A.D.S., Prison, Ypres, was sent forward to replace Major Blaubaum, R.M.O. 39th Bn., but on arrival at the front found that Major Blaubaum was not wounded as had been reported. Capt. E.G. Glassford was with Major Meehan at an A.D.S.</p>	App. 5
			<p>Pte. T. McKeon been appointed 4th Class Chaplain.</p>	

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10th. Field Amb.  
I.F.A.  
W. Webb  
Capt  
10th-001  
A.I.F.

WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BRANDHOEK.	7-10-17.	22.30	Handing over of Divisional Sick Collecting Post to the 2/2nd East Lancs. Field Ambulance of 66th Division completed. Owing to misunderstanding this relief could not be completed as intended at 11 a.m. on 6-10-17. No gassed cases held now. 25 cases and 1 Officer since midnight 3rd-4th. Raining heavily throughout morning and afternoon.	App. 6.
	8-10-17.	22.00	Raining heavily all day. Lt-Col. Purdy visited D.D.M.S. II Anzac and A.D.M.S. 3rd Division. Capt. McPhee detailed as acting O.C. 10th Australian Field Ambulance, but to remain at Headquarters at Brandhoek, while Brigade Hospital remains at 28 H 16 central, S.E. of Vlamertinghe. Capts. Reed J.S. and Millett W.L. reported for duty at Headquarters 10th Field Ambulance.	App. 7.
			Gas cases 24 hours to noon 2 Officers and 2 Other Ranks. S.Sgt. Reid B.G., L/Cpl. Hemphill J.E., Pte. Stuchberry A. and Pte. Burnage G.W., evacuated sick to C.C.S. yesterday. Ptes. Crombie C.O.S. and McBeath W. evacuated sick to C.C.S. today.	App. 8.
	9-10-17	20.00	Nothing of interest to report. Pte. S.B. Webb evacuated sick.	App. 9.
	10-10-17	22.00	Capt. McPhee, Acting O.C. 10th Aust. Field Ambulance, moved out from Brandhoek at 4 a.m., taking Capts. E.G. Glassford, J.S. Reed, and W.L. Millett, with "C" Section Nursing Subdivision and 10th Bearer Subdivision, with the 10th Brigade. Capt. McPhee and "C" Nursing Section returned at 8.30 p.m. to Brandhoek to take over the Divisional Sick Collecting Post, adjoining Corps Gas Centre, from 66th Division, at 10 a.m. tomorrow. Cars pooled by 6th M.A.C. 6 p.m.	App. 10.
			Capts. Bridge N.H. and Thomson R.M. taken on strength; but reported to C.O. 9th Aust. Field Ambulance, The Prison, Ypres.	App. 11.
			Three horse Ambulances, with Drvrs. Anderson, Dutton & McMahon, and 5 hacks, reported for duty to 9th Aust. Field Amb. at Cavalry Farm.	App. 12
	11-10-17.	22.00	Six horses and harness, with 3 drivers (Dvrs. Wilson, Bushby and Garnett) reported to C.O. 9th Field Ambulance, Potijze A.D.S. for duty with horse ambulances which were sent forward yesterday. Capt. W.L. Millett wounded in Left shoulder this night - evacuated C.C.S.	App. 13
	12-10-17.	22.00	Capt. Austin reported to C.O. 9th Field Ambulance as Transport Officer in charge of Divisional horse ambulances working from Relay Posts to A.D.S. W.O. Porter and 7 Drivers (Rankin, Parkin, Lakin, Watson, Baillie, Z eeng & Theobald) with 14 draught horses and 2 hacks, went forward to A.D.S., Potijze.	
	13-10-17.	22.00	Notification received from No. 10 C.C.S. that L/Cpl. Bull died of wounds.	
	14-10-17.	22.00	Nothing of interest to report.	

10th. Field Amb. Sheet 4.  
Lt-Col  
A.I.F.

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BRANDHOEK.	15-10-17.	22.00	Order received at 12.15 p.m. for Transport to entrain at 4.15 a.m., and Nursing sub-division to move today, with 10th Brigade. Major Kenny and "B" Section returned to Headquarters of Ambulance at Brandhoek from Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Post, and proceeded by buses at noon from Kruisstaarhoek to Blequin Rest Area. Riding Horses and Dental Officer returned from forward area.	App. 14. App. 15	
	16-10-17.	21.30.	Major C.N. Smith and Capt. E.S. Meyers reported at 6 p.m. tonight. Capt. E.G. Glassford reported back from forward area to Brandhoek after 5 days in the line, including R.M.O. 34th Battalion.	App. 16.	
	17-10-17.	22.00.	L/Cpl. Regan and Pte. Anderson F. returned from front line. Major J.B. Lewis taken on strength from 15-10-17.		
	18-10-17.	22.00.	Capt. E.S. Meyers reported to C.O. 9th Field Amb. at Potijze at 5 p.m.		
	19-10-17.	22.00.	Nothing of interest to report.		
	20-10-17.	22.00.	So far 10 horses put out of action - 5 killed and 5 evacuated. Transport all returned to Brandhoek. Major Lewis reported to 10th Field Amb. for duty from 9th Field Ambulance. Capt. Meyers also returned from Ypres.		
	21-10-17.	20.30.	Corps Gas Centre handed over to the 13th Canadian Field Ambulance at noon today. Lt-Col. Purdy resumed command of 10th Australian Field Ambulance, and Capt. Webster returned to Unit. The tents reserved for the 10th Field Ambulance for the night at Vlamertinghe were not available.	App. 17	
	22-10-17.	20.20.	The Unit, less Horse and Mechanical Transport and "B" Section Tent Subdivision, moved from Brandhoek at 5.30 a.m. under Major C.N. Smith, marching to Ypres Station to entrain for Wizernes. Mechanical Transport moved to Senlecques with Col. Purdy, Major Lewis, and Capt. Webster. Horse Transport of "A" and "C" Sections, with all riding horses, left at 9.30 a.m. from Brandhoek to join 11th Brigade transport at H 14 b 4.8 (Sheet 28) in order to move to rest area.	App. 18 App. 19 App. 20 App. 21	
	SENLECQUES.	23-10-17.	21.00	Sgt. J.M. Rohan left Unit for Officers' School at Morbecque. S.Sgt. S.A. Stanley and Sgt. Guthrie reported to Unit and taken on strength this afternoon. S/Sgt. Stahle returned from Officers' School at Morbecque, and L/Cpl. W. Ware rejoined unit from hospital. Recommendations for immediate awards close today. Transport billeted at Renescure for night.	App. 22. App. 23 App. 24

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SENLECQUES.			Reinforcements S.Sgt. Foster W.J. and S.Sgt. Burke J., Dispensers, reported with	
	24-10-17	21.00.	Reinforcements. L/Cpl. W.L. Gillett, Ptes. G.T. Evans and S.B. Webb, rejoined Unit. Order for Capt. E.S. Meyers to report as R.M.O. of 41st Bn. to relieve Capt. Lawrence. C.O. visited A.D.M.S.	
	25-10-17.	18.00.	Capt. Reed J.S. relieved Capt. Graves at 3rd Divisional Reinforcement Camp, Elnes. Capt. Meyers left Unit for 41st Bn. Lt-Col. Purdy appointed acting A.D.M.S., 3rd Aust. Division, while Col. White is on leave.	
	26-10-17.	20.00	Pte. Plogman J.B., left from Lottinghen Station for II Army Cooking School at Hazebrouck. S/Sgt. Stahle left for England to attend November course Cadet Battalion. Weather wet and cold and interfering with training of unit.	
	27-10-17.	22.00	Nine reinforcements arrived from Elnes. Fine day.	
	28-10-17.	22.00	Eleven more reinforcements arrived. L/Cpl. Inglis and L/Cpl. Dines rejoined unit. Weather continues fine. Church Parade at Senlecques. Major F.T. Wheatland rejoined unit.	App. 25
	29-10-17.	22.00	Ptes. Edwards J., Barnes W.H., and Patience D. transferred to 3rd Divisional Reinforcement Camp temporarily, to replace men of 11th Field Amb.	
	30-10-17.	22.00	Nothing of note to report.	App. 26
	31-10-17.	22.00	Weather has improved - training proceeding.	App. 27

*Robt W Wheatland*  
for Lt/Col  
C.O. 10th Field Amb. A.I.F.

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Appendix I 6

S E C R E T.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Headquarters,  
29th. September, 1917,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No.17.

by

Colonel A. T. WHITE, V.D., A.D.M.S. 3rd. Australian Division

Map Reference - Sheet 28 1/40,000

1. The Third Australian Division (less Artillery) will relieve the Third Division (less Artillery) in the line East of YPRES during the period 29th. September - 1st. October, 1917. The relief is to be completed by 6.a.m. on 1st. October, 1917.
2. (a) The Divisional Front will be held by the 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade with two Battalions in the Front Line and two Battalions in Reserve. Brigade Headquarters at D.26.c.13.  
(b) The 10th. and 11th. Australian Infantry Brigades will be in the YPRES SOUTH and BRANDHOEK No.2. Areas respectively.
3. Officer Commanding 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will take over Medical arrangements in the Forward Area as follows:-
  - (a) One Tent sub-division will take over Advanced Dressing Station POTIJZE CHATEAU (I.4.a.4.2.) before midnight 29th/30th. September, 1917.
  - (b) Half Bearer division will take over RELAY POSTS as now held by 7th. Field Ambulance, before midnight 29th/30th. September, 1917.
  - (c) Two Tent sub-divisions (one of which will be "A" Section) will take over the PRISON at YPRES Advanced Dressing Station, before noon 30th. September, 1917.
  - (d) The remainder of 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will be in position by midnight 30th. September, 1917, when all posts now occupied by 7th. Field Ambulance will be taken over including :-
 

BAVARIA HOUSE	-	C.30.c.6.5.
WILDE WOOD	-	I.6.d.9.9.
RAILWAY WOOD	-	I.11.b.
SQUARE FARM	-	C.30.b.8.8.
4. Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will detail one Section of his Unit to take over Divisional Sick Post and Corps Gas Treatment Centre at BRANDHOEK (G.12.b.8.7.) Arrangements to be made between Officers Commanding concerned. Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will take over Corps Main Dressing Station at RED FARM (G.5.d.7.3.) with two Sections (one of which will be "A" Section). The Section of 11th. Australian Field Ambulance now at Corps Rest Station HILLHOEK will rejoin Unit by arrangement between Officers Commanding concerned. The Section of 10th. Australian Field Ambulance now in WINNIZELLE Area will report to Corps Rest Station HILLHOEK. Moves to be completed by 10.a.m. on 1st. October, 1917.

5. Transport of Field Ambulances will be parked as follows:-

9th. Australian Field Ambulance at Gas Treatment Centre  
BRANDHOEK G.12.b.7.7.

10th. Australian Field Ambulance at Corps Rest Station  
at HILLHOEK.

11th. Australian Field Ambulance at RED FARM (G.5.d.7.3.)

6. Officers Commanding 9th., 10th., and 11th., Australian Field Ambulances will arrange to take over all outside duties that are now being performed by outgoing Units.

7. Officers Commanding 9th., 10th., and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will hand over all Talbot Motor Cars to Officer Commanding 6th. M.A.C. before 10.a.m. on 1st. October, 1917.

8. Receipts in duplicate of all stores taken over will be forwarded to this Office.

9. Completion of Moves to be reported to this Office by wire.

10. EVACUATIONS. :-

(a) Wounded. Wounded will be brought by Field Ambulance Bearers from the Regimental Aid Posts to BAVARIA HOUSE whence they will be sent to the Advanced Dressing Station at POTIJZE CHATEAU by means of Ford Ambulance Cars. From POTIJZE CHATEAU they will be sent to the Corps Main Dressing Station at RED FARM (G.5.d.7.3.) by means of Cars from the Corps Motor Ambulance Convoy which has a cab rank at I.7.c. Officer Commanding 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will station one motor cyclist at POTIJZE CHATEAU to summons Cars from this "Cab Rank" as required.

(b) Sick. All Sick cases will be sent to the Divisional Sick Collecting Station BRANDHOEK (G.12.b.8.7.) From Divisional Sick Collecting Station, slight cases of sick will be sent to Corps Rest Station HILLHOEK.

(c) Gassed Cases. All Gassed cases will be sent to the Gas Treatment Centre at BRANDHOEK (G.12.b.7.7.)

(d) All cases for evacuation will be transferred to Casualty Clearing Station Group R.M.Y. SIDING.

11. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*Arthur J. White*

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A. D. M. S.

Third Australian Division.

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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 64

1st October 1917.

REFERENCE MAP :- HAZEBOUCK 5 a 1/100,000  
Sheet 28 N.W. Ed. 6 a 1/20,000

- INTENTION. 1. The 10th Australian Infantry Brigade will move to areas near YPRES on October 2nd.
- MOVES 2. Units will move in accordance with MOVE TABLE attached.
- DRESS 3. Marching Order, except for 37th and 38th Battalions who will wear Fighting Order and carry either blanket or greatcoat rolled in waterproof sheet. These will be dumped when Battalions moves to Assembly Point for the attack, arrangements being made by the Battalions concerned for return to Quartermaster's store.  
(less the latter )
- LOAD SPACES 4. When units leave buses or when moving along any roads E. of POPEMINGHE movement will be by platoons in file at 1 minute intervals with 5 minutes intervals between Battalions.
- BILLETS 5. 39th, 40th Battns, Trench Mortar Battery 10th M.G. Coy., will move direct to billets in VLAMERTINGHE No. 3 Area. 37th and 38th Battalions will move by bus as close as practicable to YPRES Asylum. From here march to bivouac ground E. of YPRES, head of 37th Battalion passing ASYLUM at 6 p.m.  
Care will be taken that 37th and 38th Battalions are so placed as to be as invisible as possible to aircraft especially during day of 3rd instant.
- BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS 6. Brigade Headquarters will move from its present location at WINNEZELLE at 12 Noon and will re-open at SQUARE FARM C.30.b.35.80 at the same hour.
- CABLE BUYING PARTY 7. The party at present away buying cable will march to billeting area on morning of 2nd and remain there at least till afternoon. 37th and 38th Battn members will rejoin their Battalions at ASYLUM, YPRES in time to move off at 6 p.m.
- 8. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*R. Smith* Captain  
for Major.  
Brigade Major.  
10th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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## APPENDIX. 2

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13	10th F. Coy. Eng'rs	)
14	10th F. Ambulance	)
15	868th Coy. Div. Train)	by D.L. at 3 a.m.
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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 64

MOVE TABLE October 2nd 1917.

UNIT	Embussing point	TIME	BUS DESTINATION.	MARCH TO	(Time to pass)	REMARKS
37th Battn	road junction S.E. of church at WINNEZEELE <i>(5/8 mile)</i> S. of S. in ST LAURENT.	1.45 p.m.	As near Asylum (just on west of YPRES) as is possible	Field East of YPRES about squares I.9.a.8.8.	S.P., Asylum (W. of YPRES) 6 p.m.	Lieuts. DIMSEY and KIRKBAIDIE will guide 37th and 38th Battns to bivouac ground by LED ROUTE which follows around N. of YPRES
38th "	-do-	-do-	-do-	-do-	5 mins. after tail of 37th clear of S.P.	
39th "	-do-	9.0 a.m.	VLAMERTINGHE No.3 Area H.16.Cent.	--		
40th "	-do-	-do-	-do-	--		
10th T.M. Battery (x) (less loading party)	-do-	-do-	-do-	--		(x) small party to remain behind to load lorry which will carry stores at 3 p.m. on 2nd inst.
10th M.G. Coy	-do-	-do-	-do-	--		
Bgde Hqs (Signals)	-do-	-do-	MILL COTTAGE I.5.a.2.8.	BORRY FARM D.25.b.5.9.		

APPENDIX 2

10<sup>th</sup> Aust. Inf. Brigade Order No 65. APPENDIX 3  
2<sup>nd</sup> October 1917.

Map Reference: - 1/20,000  
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BELGIUM Sheet 28 N. W.  
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INTENTION 1.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Aust. Inf. Brigade will carry out Approach March in accordance with March Table attached on a day and calculated from a zero hour both of which will be notified later.

ROUTES 2.

Routes are shown on attached tracing and will be thoroughly reconnoitred by all Officers and as many N.C.Os as possible.

TRENCH  
MORTAR  
BATTERY

3. Stokes Mortar Teams detailed to Battalions for the operation will move with the battalions under orders of C.Os of Battalions. The remainder of Trench Mortar Battery will settle in dugout in U. 29. c. just N. of Road from MILL COTT to ZONNEBEKE, reporting locality to Brigade Headquarters as soon as settled.

PRECAUTIONS 4.

Every possibility precaution must be taken to minimise possibility of casualties from shell fire and gas.

Reports 5

Reports to Brigade Headquarters at SQUARE FARM C. 30. b. 80. 90.

6.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Ramsay Captain  
Asst. Brigade Major  
10<sup>th</sup> Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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- 7. 37<sup>th</sup> Batta
- 8. 38<sup>th</sup> Batta
- 9. 39<sup>th</sup> Batta
- 10. 40<sup>th</sup> Batta
- 11. 10<sup>th</sup> Mo. G. Coy
- 12. 10<sup>th</sup> Aust. L. G. Mo. Bty.
- 13. 4<sup>th</sup> New Zealand Brigade
- 14. 7<sup>th</sup> Aust. Infantry Brigade
- 15. 10<sup>th</sup> F. Coy. Engineers
- 16. 10<sup>th</sup> F. Ambulance
- 17. 86<sup>th</sup> Div. Train
- 18. Bde Sec. Div. Sigs.
- 19. C.R.A. 3<sup>rd</sup> A.S.
- 20. C.R.E. " "
- 21. }
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- 23. }
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by D.R. at 8 pm 2/9/17.

# March Table

10<sup>th</sup> Aust. Inf. Brigade Order No 65.

Unit	Starting Point	Time head to pass I.P. so that whole may be on line by 7-1 hours	Route	Order of Companies	Remarks
37 <sup>th</sup> BN.	I.4.C.70.50, where K tracks crosses road from POTIJZE to ZILLEBEKE	Z minus 7 1/2 hours	K tracks	B, D, C, A	
38 <sup>th</sup> BN.	-do- -do-	Z minus 7 hours	K tracks	D, C, B, A.	
39 <sup>th</sup> BN.	Aylum Road junction at H.12. d. 27.40.	6.30 pm on R day	Red route through North of YPRES	B, C, D, A.	To bivouac in area used by 37 <sup>th</sup> & 38 <sup>th</sup> Bns about I. q. a. where they will remain until they move forward as detailed below. 39 <sup>th</sup> & 40 <sup>th</sup> Bns must reconnoitre bivouac ground beforehand and decide sites to use in case 37 <sup>th</sup> & 38 <sup>th</sup> Bns are still in position when they arrive.
40 <sup>th</sup> BN.	-do- -do-	7.0 pm on R day	-do- -do-	B, D, A, C.	
39 <sup>th</sup> BN.	I.4.C.70.50 where K tracks crosses road from POTIJZE to ZILLEBEKE	Z minus 6 1/2 hrs.	K tracks	B, C, D, A	
40 <sup>th</sup> BN.	-do- -do-	Z minus 6 hrs	K tracks	B, D, A, C.	

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Headquarters,

5th. October, 1917,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No.19.

by

Colonel A.T. WHITE, V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division.

(Map Reference - Sheet 28 1/40,000)

The Third Australian Division (less Artillery, Engineers & Pioneers) will be relieved by the 66th. Division by 10.a.m. on 6.10.17.

1. Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance has been detailed as Commanding Officer Corps Main Dressing Station and Officer Commanding 10th. Australian Field Ambulance has been detailed as Officer Commanding Corps Gas Centre, under orders of D.D.M.S. II ANMAC.
2. Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will detail one tent sub-division complete to report to Officer Commanding Corps Main Dressing Station (G.5.d.7.3.) before 11.a.m. on 6.10.17.
3. Officer Commanding 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will detail one tent sub-division complete to report to Officer Commanding Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Station (H.8.a.9.9.) before 11a.m. on 6.10.17.
4. Officers Commanding 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will each detail one tent sub-division complete to report to Officer Commanding Corps Gas Treatment Centre (G.12.b.7.7.) before 11.a.m. on 6.10.17.
5. 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will be relieved by 2/3rd. E. Lancs. Field Ambulance before 10.a.m. on 6.10.17.
6. One tent sub-division plus Bearer division of 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will be attached to 10th. Australian Infantry Brigade in the VLAERTINGHE No.3. Area.
7. One tent sub-division plus Bearer division of 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will be attached to 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade in the BRANDHORN No.2. Area.
8. Officers Commanding 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will arrange direct with G.O.C. of their respective Brigades relative to movements etc of personnel to be attached to Brigades, who will be under the orders of Brigade.
9. On being relieved by 2/3rd. E. Lancs Field Ambulance, the 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will be attached to 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade in the WINNEZELLE Area.

P.T.O





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APPENDIX 5. *Appendix 5*  
A.I.F. ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,  
WESTMINSTER, LONDON, S.W. 1.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"ADMINAUST. LONDON."

CABLE ADDRESS:  
"STRALIS. LONDON."

TELEPHONE:  
VICTORIA 8860 (10 LINES).

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

6<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1917

Dear Col. Purdy

You will be pleased to know that Pt. T. McKee, formerly of your Field Ambulance, has received his commission as a 4<sup>th</sup> Cl. Chaplain, having been ordained Priest on Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

He is now in England, awaiting a passage to France, where he will take up duty with the 1<sup>st</sup> A. G. H.

I was very glad to have your testimony as to his worth, and his experience in the field should be most helpful to him now.

Yours very faithfully  
J. W. Murray Senior Chaplain C. of E.

France 7-10-17

Report  
to C.O. 10<sup>th</sup> Field Ambulance  
from R. Stojati Sergeant C. Section.

Leaving Hillbrook at 6.30 p.m. on  
Sept 30<sup>th</sup> with 36 bearers.

I reported to Col. Mayne 9<sup>th</sup> Field Amb.  
at the prison camp about 9 p.m.  
About 9.30 p.m. I received orders  
through Major Layton to go forward  
and take over Iross House (relay post)  
and Bremen House (advanced R.A.P.)

I posted 16 bearers at Iross House  
and proceeded forward to Bremen  
House R.A.P. which we reached  
about 1 A.M. on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst.

Here I left 19 bearers under  
Cpl. Currington and returned  
to take charge of Iross House  
we took up duty straight away  
carrying out about ten stretcher  
cases during the early hours of  
the morning.

Colonel Mayne visited us during  
Monday and asked me to explore  
all dug outs in my vicinity  
and furnish him with report

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France <sup>Appendix 6</sup>  
7-10-17

To C.O.  
10<sup>th</sup> Australian Field Ambulance

Sir

As I was unable to get along  
to see you this morning, - being  
on duty here as orderly Sergeant  
I am sending herewith written  
report of the doings of my Section  
in the forward area between  
the date of Sept 30<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

R. Stojati  
Sgt. C. Section 10<sup>th</sup> Field Amb.

Monday

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on any suitable for an A.D.S. or  
for sheltering reserve stretcher bearers.  
The night was busy evacuating  
wounded. Tuesday and Tuesday  
night was similarly occupied  
my bearers were also occupied on  
Tuesday night delivering some  
dispatches to the different Battalions  
N.O.'s forward.

On Wednesday Major Layton arrived  
at First House taking charge of  
forward arrangements.

Sgt. O'Keefe arrived during Wednesday  
and relieved my men at Bremer House  
under Cpl. Cunningham. These men  
proceeded back to Tross where  
they rested a few hours and  
returned under different N.C.O.'s  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> Field Amb.

I carried on through the Street at  
First house with my sixteen tired  
bearers being assisted by some  
reinforcements under Sgt Noble  
and Sgt Crooks.

About mid-day I and my party  
of sixteen were relieved and  
proceeded back to Tross, having  
been continuously on duty since  
Sunday night.

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On Friday we were again recalled  
forward.

As six of my bearers were unfit for  
further duty I had them reported to  
a medical officer, and proceeded  
forward to Mitchell Farm with my  
remaining ten bearers.

Here we put in a trying night in  
the open. There being no available  
shelter for us.

We were relieved by a British  
Ambulance about 11 A.M. Saturday morning.

During the operation I regret to  
report that Private G. Allen and  
Private A. Stannis were killed while  
performing their duty and Pte C. Bond  
and 2/c N. M. Allister wounded.

Private Russell 2. C. evacuated with  
injured collar bone

" Burney G. evacuated Shell Shock

" Greenwood C. G. " Septic foot.

2/c Humphill J. T. and Cpl. Cunningham  
were severely shaken by shell bursts  
during Thursday morning and  
rendered incapable of further duty  
As Col. Hayman gave me no  
opportunity of reporting on any  
special work of my bearers  
I would like to bring under

Give special notice 2/c. McAllister N.  
 who worked consistently with  
 his deceased mate Allen and Herrie  
 carrying over a heavily shelled  
 area to First House, being  
 wounded when so occupied  
 also 2/c Watak who worked with  
 me at First House and  
 Mitchell Farm doing very valuable  
 hard work. Carrying over difficult  
 and dangerous tracks.  
 Corporal Cunningham 2/c Humphill J.S.  
 Private H. Betts, W. Bodington J.G. Humphill  
 J. Myant. A.M. Mickels, D. Oliver  
 are inseparable all doing very  
 commendable work in the  
 shelled area

A. Polyat.

P.S.

The last page of this report I handed  
 to Major Layton.

A. P.

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To C.O., 9th AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

No. 12246, Pte. BARNSE, Wesley Hugh.

On the morning of the 4th October 1917 at advanced F.A.P. (right sector), with Pte. Pass W.L., he went out under heavy shell fire to bring in a wounded man who was in a shell hole about half a mile from F.A.P. He rendered first aid and brought the wounded man back to the F.A.P.

In the afternoon he went with Regimental Stretcher-Bearers up to the front line and assisted in rendering first aid to wounded men, and also assisted in bringing two men to F.A.P. He made repeated trips under shell fire from F.A.P. to FROST HOUSE. He was in the forward area for 58 hours, continuous, and set a great example by his bravery and devotion to duty.

No. 12371, Pte. PASS, William Leslie.

On the morning of the 4th October 1917, at advanced F.A.P. (right sector), with Pte. Barnes W.H., he went out under heavy shell fire to get a wounded man who was in a shell hole about half a mile from F.A.P., and assisted in rendering first aid, and brought the wounded man to F.A.P.

During the day he rendered first aid to a number of men who were wounded on the road between F.A.P. and Frost House, and assisted to bring them to shelter during heavy shell fire.

He showed great courage and devotion to duty, and set a great example to the other men in his squad.

No. 12586, L/Cpl. PEGAN, James.

On the 4th October 1917, under heavy shell fire, he assisted to render first aid to a number of men who had been wounded along the road. He also assisted to get them into shelter during the shelling, and when it quietened down he brought them on to the Relay Post.

He carried on during the time that he was in the forward area under very trying conditions. By his coolness and disregard for personal safety, this N.C.O. set a splendid example to his men.

To-  
C. O.,  
9th AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

Forwarded.

7/10/17.

*Murdy*  
Lieut-Col.  
C.O. 10th AUST. FIELD AMBULANCE.

*all Awarded Military Medal*

*11 Army Corps R.D. 1399.*

*Robert Webster  
Capt  
to C.O.*

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In the Field, 8/10/17.

To C.O.

10th Field Amb.

I desire to bring under your notice the excellent work done by Sgt. WILSON of your Unit in last stunt. It was due to him that I was at last able to keep my R.A.P. cleared, and whenever a call for bearers came he personally supervised the despatch of them, and when any difficulty arose about numbers, went himself. I consider his conduct most praiseworthy, and an excellent example to others. I would ask nothing better than to have him attached to me.

(Sgd) W. Inglis Clark, Capt.  
R.M.O. 40th Bn.

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Extract from letter of a Stretcher-Bearer.

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8/10/17

My job was to carry wounded from the advanced area to the first aid post on the line of evacuation. It is no exaggeration to say that every inch of ground was a shell hole, or rather a quagmire of shell holes, as the weather is rainy, and the bearers sink to the knees every step, and progress very slow. Never before have I seen so many dead - in many places we had to actually walk over the bodies, and the sights were sickening. I have seen "pill boxes" full of German dead - most of the bodies jet black through the effects of our gas.

On the morning of the latest stunt we were having quite a congestion of wounded, so I mustered a party of 20 German prisoners who were coming down without guards, half dazed, and got them carrying the stretchers. They were very willing and worked well, although some were too young and too weak to do much. They were very thankful for some biscuits and cocoa I got for them at the end of the journey. You would have laughed to hear me yelling out orders to them in French, a language some of them understood.

The work at night is terrible. I was with a party for two hours lost in the mud, with no idea of direction except that afforded by the Very lights. Floundering in the mud - You can imagine what it was like when I tell you we came across a "Tommy" Officer sunk down to the armpits and calling for help, and we had to lever him out of the mud with pieces of wood under his arms.



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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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Headquarters,  
8th. October, 1917,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No. 20.

by

Colonel. Arthur T. WHITE, V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division

( Map Reference - Sheet 28. 1/40,000.)

1. The Third Australian Division will attack on "A" Day with 9th. and 10th. Australian Infantry Brigades, the 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade being in reserve.
2. The 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade will move into tents to be available West of FROZENBERG on 9th. instant. One Tent sub-division plus Bearer Division of 11th. Aust. Field Ambulance plus transport will accompany the Brigade.
3. From the commencement of the March all cases of Wounded and Sick will be sent through the nearest Dressing Station, no records being kept except :-
  - (1) Cases which have been dressed, given A.T.S. and returned to duty.
  - (2) Cases of deaths.
 In these cases particulars on A.F. 321C, will be taken and forwarded to C.M.D.S. for entry in A.&D. Books.
4. On 10th. instant, the 9th. and 10th. Australian Infantry Brigades will move into tents West of FROZENBERG accompanied by 9th. Australian Field Ambulance and 10th. Australian Field Ambulance (One tent sub-division and Bearer Division) plus Transport of each Unit. Records to be kept as mentioned in para:3. of this Order.
5. On the night of the 10th. instant, the 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade will take over the line. The 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will take charge of the medical arrangements in the Forward Area. Detail to be notified later.
6. The arrangements for the evacuation of casualties will be as detailed in my Y.M.17/10/3 of 2nd. instant "Scheme of Evacuation of Wounded during Ypres Battle".
7. Locations of A.D.S., Relay Posts, R.A.P.'s etc. will be notified later.
8. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*Arthur T. White*

COLONEL.  
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10th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 69

9th Oct. 1917.

MAP REFERENCE:- BELGIUM and part FRANCE Edition 3 Sheet 28  
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- INTENTION 1. The 10th Aust. Inf. Bde. will move from hutments about H.16. Central to a bivouac area W. of FAEZENBERG on 10th October preparatory to an attack on "A" day in accordance with Order No.68
- MOVES 2. The Movement will take place in accordance with the attached March Table.
- EQUIPMENT 3. Troops will move in Fighting Order, carrying 2 days rations and wearing greatcoats. These greatcoats will be dumped before leaving the bivouac area and Quartermaster's must arrange to collect and store them under cover during the fighting.
- TRANSPORT 4. Each Battalion will take its cookers and water carts which will move in rear of their own units and must be cleared from road at bivouac area. Reconnaissance must be made on 9th instant. When Battalions branch from the road on to "K" track in I.3.d. transport will continue along ZONNEBEKE road to destination.
- TENTAGE 5. Tents or shelters will be provided in the bivouac. Instructions will be issued later as to whether these will be left pitched during the day time.
- PRE-CAUTIONS 6. Precautions are to be taken against observation by enemy aircraft while in bivouac.
- REPORTS 7. Reports will be sent to present location of Bgde Hq's - H.16.Central.
- 8. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*Major*

Major.  
Brigade Major.  
10th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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TENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

MARCH TABLE - 10th OCT. 1917

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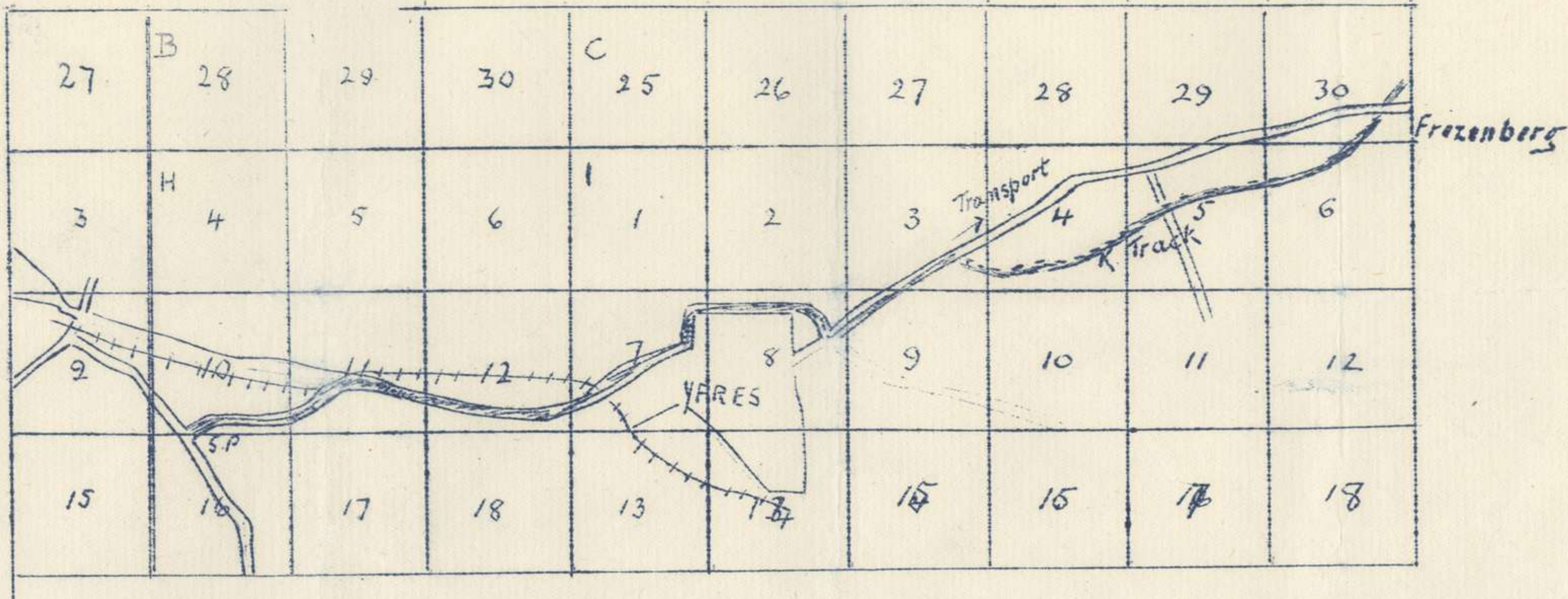
UNIT	Starting Point	Time to pass S. P.	ROUTE	REMARKS
37th Bttn	Junction VLAMERTINGHE-KRUISSTRAAT HOEK Rd .and road leading from R.10.c.4.0. to GOLDFISH CHATEAU	6.20 a.m.	N.E. to VLAMERTINGHE - YPRES Rd past prison and following road to N. of YPRES joining YPRES-ZONIEBEKE Rd 300 yards East of Meningate - thence along above road to I.S.d.5.5. and thence along K.track to bivouac <del>head</del> ground W. of FRENZENBERG Ridge (see Appendix "A" attached)	One minute interval to be kept between platoons, between Companies, and between Battn and its transport. 2 minutes between Battalions.  Rear of Trench Mortar Battery must be clear of YPRES by 9.50 a. m. so as to allow 25rd A.M.C.Coy. to clear by 10 a. m.
39th Bttn	-do-	6.47 a. m.	-do-	
40th Bttn	-do-	7.24 a. m.	-do-	
38th Bttn	-do-	8. 1 a. m.	-do-	
10th M.G. Coy.	-do-	8.28 a. m.	-do-	
10th T.M. Battery	-do-	8.37 a. m.	-do-	The usual halts from 10 mins before clock hour to the hour are to be kept.

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10<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Brigade Order No 69.  
Appendix A.

Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 1917.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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Headquarters,

9th. October, 1917,

YPRIS BATTLE - PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS  
FOR EVACUATION OF WOUNDED.

Y.M. 17/10/8.

The following information relative to Medical arrangements during forthcoming Offensive Operations is forwarded for the information and guidance of all concerned.:-

1. As soon as a Regimental Medical Officer has the position of his Regimental Aid Post fixed, he will at once notify the Officer Commanding the Field Ambulance in the line, in writing the exact Map location, of the Post, if possible sending a guide to conduct a party of stretcherbearers to the spot.

Once the communication is established the Field Ambulance is responsible for clearing and keeping touch with the Post.

Bearers will be detailed by Officer Commanding the Field Ambulance in the line as soon as this written request is sent.

Should the Regimental Medical Officer move his Regimental Aid Post forward, he will at once notify the exact position to the Ambulance and he will leave one man at the old Regimental Aid Post, who knows the position of the new Regimental Aid Post, to act as guide.

2. Regimental Medical Officers will at once indent on 9th. Australian Field Ambulance for medical and surgical stores to equip the Regimental Aid Post.

Regimental Medical Officers will draw ten extra stretchers and twenty extra blankets to equip the twenty reserve stretcher bearers.

Regimental Medical Officers will be responsible that these are conveyed to Regimental Aid Posts.

All stores, stretchers, blankets etc, required in addition to above will be drawn through the Advanced Dressing Station, and will be delivered to the Regimental Aid Post by Ambulance stretcher bearers.

Reserve of stretchers, blankets, dressings, splints, etc. will be kept at the Advanced Dressing Station and all Relay Posts, and obtained on demand.

The provision of water at Regimental Aid Posts is a Battalion matter and the Ambulance should not be called upon to supply this.

Regimental Medical Officers should, if possible, get into personal touch with the Medical Officer in charge of the Forward Area, whose position will be notified to Regimental Medical Officers.

## 2. (continued).

It is probable that an Advanced Dressing Station will be established in the vicinity of BAVARIA HOUSE or BREMEN HOUSE, and Relay Posts at ALMA ( for Right Sector) and BOURDEAUX FARM ( for Left Sector), at each of the latter places a Medical Officer will be established to control the evacuations.

## 3. The following points are important :-

- (a) That Regimental Aid Posts should be established early.
- (b) That communication with Ambulance should be established early.
- (c) That all messages sent should be in writing and should show the time at which they were sent.
- (d) That any breakdown in communications should be at once reported to the Ambulance.
- (e) That a runner from the Ambulance should be stationed at the Regimental Aid Post.
- (f) That the position of the Advanced Dressing Station, Relay Posts and of Officers controlling bearer division should be known to Regimental Medical Officers.
- (g) That a large reserve of stretchers, blankets, dressings etc, should be kept at the Advanced Dressing Station and Relay Posts.
- (h) That probable requirements in blankets, stretchers, and medical equipment, be notified as early as possible and before the stock in hand is exhausted.

*Arthur G. White*

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Headquarters,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER 10th. October, 1917,  
No. 21. in continuation of Order No. 20.

by

Colonel Arthur T. White, V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division.

(Map Reference - Sheet 28 1/40,000.)

1. The 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will take over the Posts at present held by the 2/3rd. East Lancs. Field Ambulance. Relief to be arranged direct between Officers Commanding concerned. Relief to be completed before 10.a.m. on 11.10.17.
2. Act/Officer Commanding 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will detail One Tent sub-division ~~(less one Medical Officer)~~ to take over the Divisional Sick Collecting Post at BRANDHORN (G.12.b.8.7) now occupied by an Ambulance of 6th. Division. Relief to be completed by 10.a.m. on 11.10.17. *see wire 10/9/17 YMI/79*
3. Bearer Divisions of 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances with two Officers each, and Tent sub-division of 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will come under the orders of the Officer Commanding 9th. Australian Field Ambulance at 6.p.m. on 10.10.17.
4. TRANSPORT. Act/Officers Commanding 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will send all Ford Motor Ambulances, Horse Ambulances and wheeled stretchers to report to Officer Commanding 9th. Australian Field Ambulance before 6.p.m. on 10.10.17 at the PRISON YPRES. Remainder of Transport will be parked with respective Brigade Transport in Brigade Area, East of YPRES.
5. At 6.p.m. on 10.10.17, all Talbot Motor Ambulances will report to Officer Commanding 6th. M.A.C. for duty.
6. Quartermasters of 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will arrange rations for their Units as at present and will hand over rations for their personnel in the Forward Area to Quartermaster of 9th. Australian Field Ambulance daily, by arrangement with Officer Commanding 9th. Australian Field Ambulance.
7. LOCATIONS. Locations of R.A.P.'s, Relay Posts and Dressing Stations will be notified later.
8. EVACUATIONS. Horses Ambulances and Ford Motor Ambulances will be sent forward along the road towards ZONNEBEKE as far as possible.
9. Duplicate receipts for stores taken over to be forwarded to this Office.
10. Report of completion of moves to be notified to this Office.
11. A C K N O W L E D G E.

*Arthur T. White* COLONEL. A. D. M. S.



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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Headquarters,

10th. October, 1917,

SCHEME OF EVACUATION OF WOUNDED DURING YPRES BATTLE

in continuation of YM.17/10/3 of 2.10.17 & 3.10.17.

YM. 17/10/9.

(Map Reference - Sheet E8. 1/40,000.)

1. ROUTES OF EVACUATION. Routes of evacuation of casualties from 10.a.m. on 11th. October, 1917, will be as follows :-

From Regimental Aid Posts through Relay Posts at :-

LEVI HOUSE - D.21.a.6.3.

and MITCHELLS FARM - D.20.c.2.2.

to FROST HOUSE (D.25.a.7.2.) thence by Horse Ambulance or Ford Motor Ambulance to Advanced Dressing Station at POTIJZE (I.4.a.8.2.) or in the event of the A.D.S. POTIJZE being destroyed, casualties will be evacuated to Advanced Dressing Station Prison YPRES, thence to C.M.D.S. at (G.5.d.7.3.)

Walking Wounded will be directed to BAVARIA HOUSE (C.30.c.6.5.) and from there transferred to Light Railway to the Corps Walking Wounded Collecting Post The Mill, VLAMERTINGHE (H.8.a.9.9.)

If train is not available, Walking Wounded will be directed to MILL COT Divisional Walking Wounded Collecting Post (I.5.a.1.7) and from there they will be conveyed by Motor Busses to The Mill, VLAMERTINGHE.

Horse Ambulances will be pushed as far forward as possible, and if able to go as far as ZONNEBEKE Station cases will be carried along road to LEVI COTTAGE (D.21.a.6.3.) thence to A.D.S. POTIJZE.

LEVI COTTAGE will be well equipped with stretchers, blankets, dressings, splints, comforts etc., for use in forward area. At this Post the Medical Officer in charge of the Forward Area will be stationed and will arrange for dumps of stretchers etc forward of this Post when the tactical situation allows.

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10<sup>th</sup> Aust. F. Amb.

I am outwiring Captain AUSTIN to you under instructions from the R.D.M.S., 3<sup>rd</sup> Aust. Div. as the Staff Officer for Dental Services is about to visit the Division.

Capt. AUSTIN has done excellent work during his tour of duty, & I desire to convey to you my appreciation of his good services.

15/10/17

W. H. H. H. H.

4pm.

C.O. 9<sup>th</sup> Aust. F. Amb.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

COPY No. <sup>5</sup>.....

Headquarters,  
15th. October 1917.

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No 22.

by

Colonel Arthur T. White V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division.

(Map Reference - Sheet 28 1/40,000.)  
& HAZEBROUCK 5a 1/100,000.

The 10th. Australian Infantry Brigade will move into the BLECQUIN Area on 15.10.1917.

1. Acting Officer Commanding 10th. Australian Field Ambulance will detail one tent sub-division complete with section transport to accompany the Brigade.

2. Transport vehicles as follow :-

- 2 G.S. Wagons
- 1 Limber
- 1 Water Cart

must be at the Station VLAMERTINGHE not later than 4.15 a.m. 15.10.1917 to be conveyed by train to the new area.

3. Remainder of personnel should report at midday at H 30 d 3.3. (Sheet 28) where they will embuss.

Two Talbot Motor Ambulances will accompany the column.

4. For the purpose of this move personnel will proceed under the orders of the G.O.C. 10th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Headquarters,  
16th. October, 1917,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No. 23.

by

Colonel Arthur T. White, V. D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division.  
(Map Reference sheets 20.1/40,000 & HAZEBROUCK Sa.)

1. The 148th. Brigade of the 49th. Division will relieve the 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade in the line on the night of 17th/18th. October, 1917. The 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade will continue to be in support.
2. The 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade on being relieved will move back en route for the CAMPAGNE-LEZ BOULONNAIS Area in accordance with detailed instructions to be issued later.
3. The 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade will be accompanied by one Tent sub-division of 9th. Australian Field Ambulance with Dental Officer and Staff and section Transport complete. Two Talbot Motor Ambulances will accompany the column.
4. On arrival in new Area a Field Hospital and "Blue Light" Room will be opened. All cases of mild sickness will be held in Hospital. Cases for evacuation will be sent to Hospitals as detailed in my M. 32/15 of 22.8.17.
5. For the purpose of this move personnel will proceed under the orders of the G.O.C. 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade.
6. A C K N O W L E D G E.

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Headquarters,

19th. October, 1917,

A.A.M.C. OPERATION ORDER No. 24.

By

Colonel Arthur T. White, V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Australian Division.( Map Reference - Sheets 28 and Hazebrouck )

1. The 4th. Canadian Division will relieve the Third Australian Division (less Artillery and one Brigade) by 10.a.m. on 22nd. October, 1917, when command will pass to the G.O.C. 4th. Canadian Division.
2. The 9th. Australian Field Ambulance plus one Tent sub-division of 11th. Australian Field Ambulance at BAVARIA HOUSE plus Bearer Divisions of 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will be relieved in the line by 11th. Canadian Field Ambulance. Details of relief to be arranged between Officers Commanding concerned.  
Relief to be complete before 10.a.m. on 21st. October, 1917.  
All Transport belonging to 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances (except Mechanical Transport ) will be returned to Units before 12 noon on 20th. October, 1917.  
On relief 9th. Australian Field Ambulance will accompany 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade to Rest Area and will move under orders of G.C.C. 9th. Australian Infantry Brigade.
3. Officer Commanding Corps Main Dressing Station and Tent sub-division of 11th. Australian Field Ambulance stationed there will be relieved by 13th. Canadian Field Ambulance.  
Details of relief to be arranged between Officers Commanding concerned.  
Relief to be completed by midnight 21st. October, 1917.
4. Officer Commanding Corps Gas Centre and Tent sub-divisions of 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances and Officer Commanding Divisional Sick Collecting Station and Tent sub-division of the 10th. Australian Field will be relieved by 13th. Canadian Field Ambulance.  
Details of relief to be arranged between Officers Commanding concerned.  
Relief to be completed by midnight 21st. October, 1917.
5. 10th. Australian Field Ambulance and 11th. Australian Field Ambulance on relief will be accommodated in the VLAMERTINGHE Area ( H.16.c.9.1. ).  
Acting Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will be responsible for the evacuation of sick and wounded from the 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade.
6. At midnight on 21st. October, 1917, Lieut.-Colonel DOWNEY and Lieut.-Colonel PURDY will assume command of their respective Ambulances

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- 7. At midnight on 21st. October, 1917, all Mechanical Transport now with the 6th. M.A.C. will be relieved. On relief Transport will report back to their respective Units.
- 8. On 22nd. October, 1917, the 10th. and 11th. Australian Field Ambulances will proceed to the Rest Area under the orders of the G.O.C. 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade. Lieut.-Colonel DOWNY, Officer Commanding 11th. Australian Field Ambulance will be in command of A.A.M.C. proceeding.
- 9. Duplicate receipts of stores etc. handed over will be forwarded to this Office.
- 10. Completion of moves to be reported to this Office.
- 11. A C K N O W L E D G E.

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A.P.M.S. MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2

In continuation of OPERATION ORDER No. 24

Reference Map - Sheet 5A, HABBROUCK.

Reference Administrative Order No. 16 dated 19-10-17.

1. Movements of Field Ambulances to BLECQUIN AREA will be in accordance with attached Tables.  
 (a). 9th Aust. Field Ambulance - Schedule "A".  
 (b). 10th do - do "B".  
 (c). 11th do - do "C".

2. Troops will report at entraining stations personnel 1 Hour and transport 3 hours before the advertised time of departure of the train. All baggage and stores in excess of that carried on baggage wagons will be taken by lorry or horse transport to the entraining station at least three hours prior to trains starting time and loaded on rails.

3. Billeting parties will proceed to their new Areas in advance.

4. SURPLUS STORES. Every effort should be made to return to Salvage all unnecessary stores.

Soiled underwear will be returned to Salvage at once by all Units except the 11th Australian Infantry Brigade and Units coming out of the line night 21/22nd October, 1917.

In the Case of the 11th Aust. Infantry Brigade and Units coming out of the line, the soiled underwear will be sorted and handed over to the O.C. Salvage Company at 11th Australian Infantry Brigade Headquarters, H.16.c.8.3.

5. AREA STORES. All area stores special trench and other stores tents and shelters held by Units will be handed over to incoming Brigades at camps where they now stand. Ammunition and special stores at Divisional and Brigade Dumps will be transferred on relief.

Certificates required by M17/12/1 of 16th October will be furnished on arrival in new Area.

6. D.A.D.O.S. STORE. D.A.D.O.S. Store will be established at REMILLY WIRQUIN on 21st instant.

7. SUPPLIES. Railhead will change from DEWAARTSHOEK to LUMBRES for Division, less Artillery, on 22nd October, and after that date refilling points will be :-

9th Infantry Brigade	-	LE MESSIL BOUTRY.
10th do	-	BLECQUIN
11th do	-	REMILLY WIRQUIN



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8. Units will as far as possible move in to Areas previously occupied by them.

On arrival in new Area Field Ambulances will establish Field Hospitals and Blue Light Tents.

Medical arrangements will be as detailed in my M32/15 dated 14/22nd August, 1917.

9. Locations of Headquarters of Units to be reported to this Office immediately on ARRIVAL.
10. A.D.M.S. Office will close at RAMPARTS, south of MENIN GATE at 10 a.m. 22nd October and open at the same hour and date at FAUQUENBERGUES.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.



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Schedule "A"

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ENTRAINING TIME-TABLE

9th Australian Field Ambulance

Serial No.	Date	Entraining Station	Commence Entraining	Depart	Arrive WIERNES	Remarks
1.	21st October	YERES	7.30 a.m.	8.45 a.m.	11.43 a.m.	Personnel Train
3.	do	VLANBERTINGHE	6.30 p.m.	9.25 p.m.	12.13 a.m.	Transport Train

TACTICAL TRAINS - PERSONNEL

Serial No.	Date	Unit	Officers	Other Ranks
1	21st October	9th FIELD AMBULANCE	8	169

Second T.O. Train - October, 21st 1917

TRANSPORT

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel		R.	Animals		Vehicles		Axles
		Off.	O.R.		D.	Pack	4-wh.	2-wh.	
3	9th Field Ambulance								
	Horses Riding	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Water Carts	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	1
	Wagons Limb. G.S.	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	4

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Schedules "B" AND "C"

ENTRAINING TIME-TABLE

UNIT	PERSONNEL Off. O.R.	Serial No.	Date	Entraining Station	Commence Entraining	Depart	Arrive WILMERTON	Remarks
10th Fld Amb.	8 177	4	22/10/17	YPRES	7.30 a.m.	8.45 a.m.	11.43 a.m.	Personnel Train
11th do	6 171							

10th Fld Amb )	TRANSPORT as under	6	22/10/17	VLAAMERTINGHE	6.30 p.m.	9.25 p.m.	12.13 a.m.	Transport Train
11th do )								

Serial No.	UNIT	Personnel		Animals			Vehicles		
		Off.	O.R.	R.	D.	Pack	4-wh	2-wh	axles
6	10th Field Amb.	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
	11th do	1	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Carts Water	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	1
	Wagons Limb. O.S.	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	4

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION **SECRET**

HEADQUARTERS  
20th October, 1917



To  
 O.C. 9th Aust. Field Amb.  
 10th do  
 11th do  
 Hdqrs. 9th Infantry Bde. )  
 10th do ) For information  
 11th do )

Fifteen Tents will be available tonight at YPRES SOUTH AREA (H.16.c.9.1.) for personnel of Ambulances in the Forward Area on relief. Officer Commanding 9th Aus. Field Amb. will detail a party of ~~xxx~~ five men to take over these Tents from Staff Captain 9th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

On night 21/22nd Twenty Tents will be available in same Area - 10~~th~~ for 10th Field Amb. and 10 for 11th Field Amb. Officers Commanding 10th and 11th Field Ambulances will each detail a party of five men to take over these tents from Staff Captain 11th Aust. Infantry Brigade. (H.16.c.9.1.).

Infantry men now with Officer Commanding 9th Aust. Field Amb. will be returned as follows :-  
 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. to Staff Capt 9th Inf. Bde. To-night  
 11th do to do 11th do tomorrow  
 at (H.16.c.9.1.) Until tomorrow they will remain under orders of A/O.C. 11th Field Amb.

*men of* 10th Aust. Infantry Bde. will be attached to 10th Field Amb until arrival in new Area when they will be handed over to 10th Inf. Bde

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A.D.M.S.

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A.P.M.S. MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2

In continuation of OPERATION ORDER No. 24

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 10th do - BLEQUIN  
 11th do - REMILLY WIRQUIN

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8. Units will as far as possible move in to Areas previously occupied by them.

On arrival in new Area Field Ambulances will establish Field Hospitals and Blue Light Tents.

Medical arrangements will be as detailed in my M32/15 dated 14/22nd August, 1917.

9. Locations of Headquarters of Units to be reported to this Office immediately on ARRIVAL.
10. A.D.M.S. Office will close at RAMPARTS, South of MENIN GATE at 10 a.m. 22nd October and open at the same hour and date at FAUQUEMBERQUES.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE.



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9th AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE.OPERATION ORDER. Maps- HAZEBROUCK 5a.  
SHEET 28.

1. INTENTION:- The 9th Australian Field Ambulance, plus One Tent Sub-Division of the 11th Australian Field Ambulance at BAVARIA HOUSE, plus Bearer Sub-Divisions of the 10th and 11th Australian Field Ambulances, will be relieved in the line by the 11th Canadian Field Ambulance. Relief to be completed before 10 a.m. 21st October, 1917.  
On relief the 9th Australian Field Ambulance will accompany the 9th Australian Infantry Brigade to Rest Area
2. DETAIL of RELIEF:-  
The Bearer Divisions in the forward area will be relieved during the evening of 20th October, and on relief will return to PRISON, YPRES. Tent Sub-Division of 11th Aust. Field Ambulance will be relieved by Tent Sub-Division of 11th Canadian Field Ambulance on the evening of 20th inst. and will return to the PRISON.  
"A" Section, Tent Sub-Division of the 9th Australian Field Ambulance at POTIJZE, will be relieved by Tent Sub-Division of 11th Canadian Field Ambulance by 6 p.m. on 20th inst. and will return to the PRISON.  
"C" Section, Tent Sub-Division, of the 9th Australian Field Ambulance will be relieved by the 11th Canadian Field Ambulance by 6 a.m. on the 21st inst.  
The Transport of the 10th and 11th Australian Field Ambulances will be despatched to their own Units by noon on the 20th inst.  
"Talbot" and "Ford" cars in forward area will be relieved by incoming Unit by 6 p.m. on the 20th inst. and will report to PRISON.
3. ROUTE:-  
The Unit will proceed to the BLEQUIN area by train on 21st inst, less Transport which will proceed by road.  
The following transport will proceed by train:-  
Riding Horses- 6. Water Cart -1, Limbered G.S. Wagons- 2, and 2 Horses for Water Cart and 4 Horses for Limbers, accompanied by 6 Other Ranks for Riding Horses, 2 Other Ranks for Water Cart, and 4 Other Ranks for Limbers.  
Transport will entrain at VLAMERTINGHE, at 6.30 p.m. on 21st inst. and depart at 9.25 p.m., arriving at WIZERNES at 12.13 a.m.  
Q.M. will arrange that as much excess equipment and baggage as possible is loaded on the Transport train.
4. MECHANICAL TRANSPORT:- Motor Ambulances will move off at *a time to be arranged*
5. PERSONNEL:- Personnel of the 9th Australian Field Ambulance will entrain at YPRES at 7.30 a.m. on the 21st inst. and depart at 8.45 a.m., arriving at WIZERNES at 11.32 a.m.
6. ROUTINE FOR DAY:-
- |           |      |      |
|-----------|------|------|
| REVEILLE  | 5    | a.m. |
| BREAKFAST | 5.45 | a.m. |
| FALL IN   | 6.30 | a.m. |
| MOVE OFF  | 6.45 | a.m. |
7. DRESS:- Marching Order, Waterproof Sheets and Blankets. Iron Rations and 24 hours Rations will be carried on each man. Water bottles to be filled overnight.
8. LOADING OF WAGONS:- All available wagons will be loaded and ready to move off, less one Water Cart and two Limbered Wagons, one of which will be the Cooks' Cart.  
They will move off ~~at~~ under orders to be issued later.  
The Water Cart and 2 Limbered Wagons will report to R.T.O., VLAMERTINGHE, at 6.30 p.m. 21st inst.,  
Q.M. will arrange with Section Commanders to detail 6 reliable men to form the party to accompany riding horses. These men will include two men of the staff baggage party and will include two men of the Q.M. Staff.

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The Q.M. will arrange that this party and the two Limbered Waggon convey all excess stores to the train, load them on the train, accompany the train, and act as guard at WIZERNES until the excess stores are picked up by the Unit.

9. COMMAND:- At 8 p.m. on the 20th inst. Major BRUMMITT, Acting C.O. 11th Australian Field Ambulance, will assume command of the Bearers of the 11th Australian Field Ambulance attached, and of the Infantry men of the 11th Infantry Brigade. He will also temporarily assume command of the 10th Aust. Field Ambulance bearers, and men of 10th Australian Infantry Brigade attached, and will hand them over to the Acting C.O. of the 10th Australian Field Ambulance on the 21st inst.

*W. H. M. M. M.*  
 .....Lt. Col.,  
 C.O., 9th Australian Field Ambulance.

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|          | 16. A.D.M.S.                                      |
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22.10.17

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10<sup>th</sup> Australian Field Amb

Sir

I wish to specially call to your notice for good work during the forward operations at Ypres between Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

- S/Lt. Walsh Thomas 710 -
- S/Lt. McAllister Henry -
- Pte. Nugent John - 12362
- " Andrews John " 12237
- " Betts Henry " 13032
- " Hemphill Geoffrey - 12314
- " Bodington Noel - 13055
- " Oliver David - 6576
- " Nickel Alan - 16717

I have placed them in order of merit. They all did, both collecting of wounded fallen on the roads, and heavy carrying over shelled tracks

A. Holgate  
Sgt. 'C' Section  
10<sup>th</sup> Field Amb.

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C. D.  
10<sup>th</sup> Field Amb.

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MARCH ROUTE TABLE - SURPLUS TRANSPORT.

Serial No.,	Unit	Date	From	To	Route	Remarks.
4.	<u>Surplus Transport.</u> 11th. Aust. Inf. Bde. 3rd. Div. Engrs. 9th. Field Ambulance.	21st.	Divisional Area	HECKE Area	RENINGHELST-ABEELE	To clear H.14.b.4.8. by 11.30.a.m. Column will march under orders of Senior Officers appointed by 11th. Inf. Bde. and will rendezvous at above point.
5.	Serial No.4.	22nd.	HECKE Area	RENESCURE Area	CAESTRE-HONDECHEM-STAPLE.	Not to enter CAESTRE before 9.30.a.m.
6.	Serial No.4.	23rd.	RENESCURE Area	BLEQUIN Area	WIZERNES	
7.	<u>Surplus Transport</u> 10th. M.G. Coy. 11th. do. 23rd. do. 10th. Field Ambulance. 11th. Field Ambulance.	22nd.	Divisional Area	HECKE Area	RENINGHELST-ABEELE	To clear H.14.b.4.8. by 11.30.a.m. Column will march under Senior M.G. Officer and will rendezvous at the above point.
8.	Serial No.7.	23rd.	HECKE Area	RENESCURE Area	CAESTRE-HONDECHEM-STAPLE.	
9.	Serial No.7.	24th.	RENESCURE Area	BLEQUIN Area	WIZERNES.	

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Schedule "A"

ENTRAINING TIME-TABLE

9th Australian Field Ambulance

Serial No.	Date	Entraining Station	Commence Entraining	Depart	Arrive WIZERNES	Remarks
1.	21st October	YPRES	7.30 a.m.	8.45 a.m.	11.43 a.m.	Personnel Train
3.	do	VLAMERTINGHE	6.30 p.m.	9.25 p.m.	12.13 a.m.	Transport Train

TACTICAL TRAINS - PERSONNEL

Serial No.	Date	Unit	Officers	Other Ranks
1	21st October	9th FIELD AMBULANCE	8	169

Second T.O. Train - October, 21st 1917

TRANSPORT

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel		R.	Animals		Vehicles		Axles
		Off.	O.R.		D.	Pack	4-wh.	2-wh.	
3	9th Field Ambulance								
	Horses Riding	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Water Carts	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	1
	Wagens Limb. G.S.	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	4

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By LIEUT. COL. J. S. PURDY. D.S.O. C.O.

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97. LAUDATORY.  
A.D.M.S.  
3rd Aus.Div.

Colonel Arthur T. WHITE./ V.D., A.D.M.S. Third Aust. Division, states under date 23rd October 1917.,

" I wish to express my appreciation of the work, courage and endurance of all under my Command during the recent operations and at the same <sup>time</sup> desire to express my grief for the loss of so many brave men who so gallantly laid down their lives in their endeavour to succour the wounded.

I fully realise the magnificent spirit that pervades all ranks in doing their duty and feel certain that the people of Australia/ will understand the immense sacrifice made."

C.O.

I wish to record my appreciation of the excellent self-sacrificing service of Captain R.G. McPHEE during the recent operations when he acted as O.C. 10th Aust. Field Ambulance 10th October 1917 to 21st October 1917, during the time I was commanding the Corps Gas Centre.

The Services of Captain ~~SM~~ WEBSTER as Gas Treatment Specialist were especially commendable as also was the work of "A" Section Tent-Sub-division, special mention being made in connection therewith of the splendid service rendered by No.12446 I/Cpl. S.R.YOUNG.

A commendatory notice has already been forwarded to the O.C. 11th Australian Field Ambulance commending the work of "C" Section Tent Sub-division at the Corps Gas Centre and more especially mentioning the excellent service of Captain J.G.SWENEY, Sergeant PORTER and Lance Corporal BLACKMAN.

The work of the Quartermaster's department under the ~~xxx~~able supervision of Captain H.M.MAUGHAN and the capable assistance of No.12412 Sgt.J.O.THOMPSON, and No.12366 Private T.W.O'HARA., was worthy of high praise.

O.C. Corps.  
Walking Wounded  
Collecting Post.

Lieut.Col. H.J. McLEAN-O.C. Corps W.W.Post writing on 15th October 1917, states :-

" In connection with "B" Tent Sub-Division, I wish to express my appreciation of the excellent work that they have all done while on/duty at this post, in particular I wish to bring to your notice the valuable help rendered by Major J.P. KENNY and No.12391 Sgt. J.M.ROHAN."

C.O.

In connection with the work of No.12391 Sergeant J.M.ROHAN, as C.O. of the 10th Aus. Fld. Amb. I wish to specially record my appreciation of the excellent service he has rendered whilst occupying the post of Sergeant Clerk to "B" Section since its inception until his departure on 23rd October 1917 to attend the Second Army Officer's Training School; Sergeant ROHAN by his conscientious devotion to duty and his unfailing cheerfulness at all times, even under the most trying circumstances has been a tower of strength to the Unit. His capacity as an Accountant has been of special service to me in connection with the keeping of Regimental Records and Accounts, on behalf of the 10th Aus. Fld. Amb. I assure him that he carries with him the good-will of every Officer, and Man of the Unit and we shall all look forward to him having a successful and honoured career.

C.O.

Whilst it is difficult for me to speak in terms of fulsome flattery of the work ~~ex~~ of the Officers, N.C.Os and Men in the forward Area during recent operations I have been assured that all ranks fully maintained the previous reputation of the Ambulance. The willingness with which they undertook work of a most arduous (character

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C.O.

character under most trying conditions as to mud and rain, combined with the high degree of courage and endurance which was displayed, has called forth high commendation from those in high authority.

Whilst regretting the sad loss the Ambulance has sustained by the death in action of eight of our comrades, I feel sure that their noble sacrifice has not been in vain and that those of us that remain will endeavour to live up to the high standard which they showed. I specially wish to mention the conscientious devotion to duty and courage which has been shown on all occasions by the Stretcher Bearers.

In the distribution of honours it is impossible that every deed of daring-do and gallantry should meet with just recognition. I trust therefore that it will be recognised that what honours come to this Unit are not only a record of individual gallantry and conduct but have been won in common by many comrades whose names may not have been specially mentioned.

I wish especially to commend No. 12388 Pte. V.E.S. REID for his gallant conduct in the SYPREZ sector, as well as on previous occasions, more especially during the Battle of MESSINES and in the later operations whilst the Ambulance held the A.D.S. at KANDAHAR.

On behalf of the Unit I wish to express our regret of the death of Captain F.B. METCALFE who, although he was but a short time with this Unit showed a high spirit of courage more especially in the second MESSINES operations and by his cheerfulness and good comradeship endeared himself to all.

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98. STRUCK OFF  
STRENGTH.

Captain E.S. MEYERS struck off Strength from 25.10.17 on being posted as R.M.O. 41st Battalion. A.I.F. No. 12357 Private K.J. MITCHELL struck off strength, from date - transferred to 3rd D.S.C. (M.T.).

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TAKEN ON  
STRENGTH.

Major F.T. WHEATLAND having rejoined Unit is taken on strength and reposted as O.C. "C" Section, vice Major C.N. SMITH, transferred temporarily to "A" Section.

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100. POSTINGS.

No. 12436 Sergeant A.M. WILSON transferred from Sgt. general Duty to act as Sergeant Steward "B" Section. Ex 12434 L/Sergeant WILLMAN, T.L., transferred to "E" Section as Wagon Orderly Corporal and to act as General Duty Sergeant, vice WILSON.

12440 L/Cpl. C.P. WOOD to be Temporary Corporal (Cpl. A.M. COWPER, evacuated Wounded) and to be Orderly Corporal "A" Section.

12242 L/Cpl. BAKER, H.J.E., to be Temporary Corporal (vice Corporal V.G. BURSTON, evacuated Wounded) and detached to A.M.C. Detail 37th Battalion. A.I.

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APPOINTMENTS.

In consideration of special services in the following appointments are made:-

"A" Section.	12277	Pte. DAWSON, W.	to be	L/Corporal.
	12371	" PASS, W.L.	to be	do
	13048	" PRICE, F.G.	to be	do
"B" Section.	12331	" JOHNSTONE, B.E.	"	do
	12325	" FOED, A.B.	"	do
	14054	" MUIR, F.H.	"	do
	293	" OWEN, H.O.	"	do
	13047	" *PEARSE, E.P.	"	do
"C" Section.	12243	" BANNISTER, O.V.	"	do
	13033	" BODINGTON, R.W.	"	do
	12363	" NUGENT, J.A.	"	do

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102. DISCIPLINE.

Appointments to date from 28.10.1917. Officers, N.C.Os. and Men are specially asked while the Unit is out of the line to make every endeavour to improve the discipline of the Ambulance. Without adequate and strict discipline a Unit cannot reach the highest standard of excellence, and out of consideration

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102. DISCIPLINE. to the memory of those who have fallen, it behoves  
(contd.) :: every man to do his best in honour of the Unit.
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107. DRESS. Ribbons denoting decorations, chevrons, and colours  
must always be worn.  
Belts must be worn when on duty and outside 200  
yards of cross roads SENELECQUES and outside Billeting  
area CAMPAGNETTE.
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104. ORDERLY ROOM. Orderly Room will be held at 9.30 a.m. at SENELECQUES  
29.10.17.  
The following will attend :-  
No.12231 W.O. N. A. PORTER.  
No.12293 Sergeant R.G.FISHWICK.
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105. EXAMINATION OF MEN. In accordance with A.D.M.S. Circular 159, the  
A.D.M.S. following Officers will inspect the Sections to-day.  
CIRCULAR 159. "A" Section. Major C.N.SMITH.  
"B" Section. Captain R.G.McPHEE.  
"C" Section. Captain E.G.GLASSFORD.  
Time to be arranged by Officers concerned.
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106. D.R.O. 314. Reference A.I.F. Order No.713 of 22.6.1917.  
para 1486. Two Vacancies exist in the Australian Postal Corps  
EXTRACT. for this Division. Applications will be submitted  
to this Office for Transmission to D.A.D.P.S.  
II Anzac., by 3 p.m. 29.10.17.
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107. FIRE ORDERS. Attention is drawn to Fire Orders which are posted in  
conspicuous places.
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108. CONCEALMENT OF (who is suffering from)  
VENEREAL DISEASE. A Soldier ~~xxx~~ Venereal Disease or has reason to  
believe that he is suffering therefrom must report  
himself sick forthwith. Concealment of Venereal  
Disease will be dealt with under Section 11 of the  
Army Act.
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109. UNIT BARBERS AND UNIT No.12456 Pte. LONGDEN.R.P., and No.17353Pte.  
BOOTMAKER. McCONCHIE.O.R. to be Unit Barbers.  
No.12385 Pte. B.H.E.REEVES. to be Unit Bootmaker.  
These men will attend all parades and their hours of  
work will be arranged by O.C.Sections, and for the  
present will be paid 5 francs per week.
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110. TAKEN ON STRENGTH AND POSTINGS TO SECTIONS.  
The following reinforcements and personnel rejoin-  
ing Unit, have been taken on strength and posted to  
Sections as follows:- "B" Section.  
"A" Section. ~~XX~~
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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2910 S. Sgt. Stanley. S.A. | 12326 L/C. Inglis. H. J. |
| 17567 Pte. Pritchard. A.H. | 12362 " DINES. C.F.      |
| 17568 " Pigeon. P.R.       | 17697 Pte. Richmond. F.  |
| 17557 " Gilbert. R.        | 17245 " Robertson. W.    |
| 17640 " Russell. R.        | 17147 " O'Neill. J.H.    |
| 12456 " Longden. R.P.      | 16181 " Chalmers. J.     |
| 17243 " Pursall. G.H.      | 17628 " Jones. A.E.      |
| 14487 " Harber. G.T.       | 17353 " McConchie. O.R.  |
| 16429 " Dunstan. H.D.      | 16362 " Tamlyn. J.H.     |
| 563 " Holman. R.           | 17572 " Russell. W.K.    |
| 17441 " Robinson. R.H.     | 17571 " Rubie. O.S.      |
| 17991 " Davis. L.          | 17201 " Wade. B.J.S.     |
| 17992 " Elliott. T.        | 18419 " Peake. E.        |
| 17724 " Gennoe. R.H.       | 17420 " Reynolds. R.F.   |
|                            | 17148 " Pitman. H.A.     |
|                            | 17408 " Coombe. A.K.     |
|                            | 16156 " Frost. R.F.G.    |
|                            | 8908 " Fraser. R.        |
|                            | 14558 " Spencer. W.G.    |
|                            | 10212 " Swift. W.H.      |

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 110. TAKEN ON STRENGTH  
 & POSTING TO SECT.

"C" Section.  
 12302 L/Cpl. Gillett. W.L.  
 12425 Pte. Webb. S.B.  
 12289 " Evans, G.  
 16087 " Webb, H.D.  
 6520 " Hamilton. J.  
 16236 " Parham, H.E.J.  
 16177 " Walters, J.E.H.  
 575 " Cottew, L.  
 4843 " Dale. W.R.  
 8162 " Bridges, V.O.  
 17238 " Robertson. C.B.  
 17202 " White. N.Z.  
 13438 " Harrison. W.A.  
 17731 " Strickland. T.W.  
 17728 " Milson. E.J.  
 17993 " Grove. R.C.  
 16385 S/Sgt. Burke. J.  
 436 n Sgt. Guthrie. E.

4406 S/Sgt. Foster. W.J. has been allotted to  
 "B" Section vice S.Sgt. Hartigan, E.P., transferred  
 to "A" Section. from date.

12350 Sgt. W.R. Munn transferred to "B" Section  
 from date.

October 28th 1917.

Lieut. Col.  
 C.O. 10th Australian Field Ambulance.

NOTICE.

The Y.M.C.A. is erecting a large Marquee at SENLECQUES  
 for the convenience of the troops.  
 Provision will be made for reading, writing, games,  
 concerts, etc., and the Divisional Pterrots will give a  
 concert twice weekly - at 2 p.m., on Wednesday and Saturdays,  
 commencing next Wednesday.



10th AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE.LIST OF CASUALTIES SUSTAINED DURING YPRES BATTLE  
SEPTR./OCTR. 1917.KILLED IN ACTION.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Date.	
<del>44844</del>				
12234	Pte.	ALLEN, G.	4-10-17.	
12324	"	HARRIS, A.	4-10-17.	
14654	"	ABBOTT, H.E.	11-10-17.	(att. 39th Bn.)
12352	"	McINTYRE, G.J.	12-10-17.	
12349	"	MUDIE, L.C.	12-10-17.	
12380	"	PHILLIPS, J.A.	12-10-17.	
12458	L/Cpl.	GROAT, J.L.	15-10-17.	

DIED OF WOUNDS.

4351	L/Cpl.	BULL R.C.	13-10-17.	
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WOUNDED.

4339	Pte.	ADAMS, V.R.	26-9-17.	
12266	"	WILLIAMS, H.G.	"	
12358	L/Cpl.	McALISTER, H.M.	4-10-17.	
16650	Pte.	SANSOME, G.E.	5-10-17.	(att. 40th Bn.)
12249	"	BOND, C.	4-10-17.	
15870	"	BURNAGE, G.W.	6-10-17.	
16668	"	SMYTHE, A.T.B.	5-10-17.	(att. 40th Bn.)
13032	"	BETTS, H.	11-10-17.	
14309	"	CUMMING, P.S.	11-10-17.	
4359	Cpl.	COWPER, A.M.	12-10-17.	
4353	Pte.	CAMERON, G.	12-10-17.	
12295	Pte.	FRASER, W.A.	12-10-17.	
4413	"	KEMMIS, T.S.D?	12-10-17.	
<del>42352</del>				
16232	"	McKENZIE, M.A.	12-10-17.	(att. 40th Bn.)
1351	"	MILLER W.F.	4-10-17.	(att. 39th Bn.)
	Capt.	MILLET, W.L.	12-10-17.	
14945	Pte.	RULE, R.L.	11-10-17.	(att. 39th Bn.)
12414	"	TICEHURST, H.W. H.C.	12-10-17.	
1127	Cpl.	BURSTON, V.G.	13-10-17.	(att. 37th Bn.)
12413	Pte.	TICEHURST, B.W.	14-10-17.	
11487	"	Mitchell, M.V.	14-10-17.	(att. 38th Bn.)
12306	"	SMITH, L.C.	14-10-17.	do.
12253	"	BROAD, W.J.	15-10-17.	
13047	"	PEARSE, E.P.	16-10-17.	Retd. to duty.
12284	"	DUCKETT, R.E.	17-10-17.	
1035	"	DAVES, C.C.	16-10-17.	
	Capt.	THOMSON, R.M.	17-10-17.	
12424	L/Cpl.	WATSON, C.C.	18-10-17.	
12362	"	DINES, C.F.	18-10-17.	
12332	Pte.	JONES, C.B.	21-10-17.	
14573	Pte.	GILLIGAN, W.R.	18-10-17.	
12432	"	WILLIAMS, F.R.	5-10-17.	(att. 40th Bn.)
12239	"	ANNETT, A.V.	4-10-17.	(att. 39th Bn.)
12354	"	McKINLEY, E.D.	12-10-17.	

DIED - ACCIDENTAL INJURY.

Capt.	METCALFE, F.B.	6-10-17.
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## List of Reinforcements taken on strength during October 1917,

2910	S/Sgt.	Stanley S.A.	17419	Pte.	Peake L.
16385	"	Burke J.	17420	"	Reynolds R.F.
4406	"	Foster W.J.	17148	"	Pitman H.A.
17567	Pte.	Pritchard A.H.	17408	"	Coombe A.K.
17639	"	Powell N.V.	16156	"	Frost R.F.G.
17568	"	Pidgeon P.E.	8908	"	Fraser R.
17557	"	Gilbert R.	14558	"	Spencer W.G.
17640	"	Russell R.	10212	"	Swift W.H.
12456	"	Longden R.P.	<del>12302</del>	"	
17243	"	Pursall G.H.	16087	"	Webb H.D.
14487	"	Harber G.T.	6520	"	Hamilton J.
16429	"	Dunstan H.D.	16236	"	Parham H.E.J.
563	"	Holman R.	16177	"	Walters J.E.H.
17441	"	Robinson R.H.	575	"	Cottew L.
17991	"	Davis L.	4843	"	Dale W.R.
17992	"	Elliott T.	8162	"	Bridges V.O.
17724	"	Gemoe R.H.	17238	"	Robertson C.B.
17697 <del>12326</del>	"	Richmond F.	17202	"	White N.Z.
17245	"	Robertson W.	13438	"	Harrison W.A.
17147	"	O'Neill J.H.	17731	"	Strickland T.W.
16181	"	Chalmers J.	17728	"	Milson E.J.
17628	"	Jones A.E.	17993	"	Grove R.C.
17353	"	McConchie O.R.	436	Sgt.	Guthrie E.
16362	"	Tamlyn J.H.			
17572	"	Russell W.K.			
17571	"	Rubie O.S.			
17201	"	Wade B.J.S.			

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# WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE-SUMMARY:

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BRANDHOEK. Sheet 28 G 12 b 7.7	4-10-17	22.30	<p>At midnight on 3/4/17 the C.O., Lt-Col. PURDY, D.S.O., took over charge of the Corps Gas Treatment Centre and the 3rd Aust. Divisional Sick Collecting Post, having with him Major Brummitt and "C" Tent Subdivision of the 11th Aust. Field Ambulance, together with Capt. Webster of the 10th Aust. Field Ambulance, "A" Tent Subdivision, Sgt. Thompson as Sgt. Steward, and W.O. Porter with Transport personnel complete, except Drvrs. Fox, Doig, and McMahon detailed with Horse Ambulances at The Prison, Ypres. Dvr. Hopkins relieved Dvr. Doig. Sgt. McRae was returned from Corps M.D.S. to act as cook; Pte. Anson, Clerk, from Corps Collecting Wounded Post was brought to Gas Centre and replaced by Pte. Wilson A.E.</p>	
	5-10-17	22.00	<p>Only 10 gassed cases, none severe, were received. The D.D.M.S. visited the Gas Centre at 10 a.m., and discussed the arrangements with the C.O., and appeared satisfied therewith. Only four gassed cases admitted from noon 4th to noon 5th. Orders for another Tent Subdivision to report to Gas Centre tomorrow.</p>	
	6-10-17.	23.00	<p>Four gassed cases admitted from noon 5th to noon 6th.</p>	
	7-10-17.	22.30	<p>No gassed cases held now. 25 cases and 1 Officer since midnight 3rd-4th. Raining heavily throughout morning and afternoon.</p>	
	8-10-17.	22.00	<p>Raining heavily all day. Lt. Col. Purdy visited D.D.M.S. II Anzac and A.D.M.S. 3rd Aust. Division. Capt. McPhee detailed as acting O.C. 10th Australian Field Ambulance, but to remain at Headquarters at Brandhoek, while Brigade Hospital remains at Sheet 28 H 16 central, S.E. of Vlamertinghe.</p>	
	9-10-17.	20.00	<p>Gassed cases 24 hours to noon - 2 Officers and 2 Other Ranks. Nothing of interest to report.</p>	
	10-10-17.	20.00.	<p>No gassed cases admitted today. Weather very wet and wintry.</p>	
	11-10-17.	21.00.	<p>One gassed case (slight) received this evening.</p>	
	12-10-17.	23.00	<p>Gassed cases increased after midday. The shell gas was mostly mustard variety. Cases were exposed during during night of 11th/12th and early morning. New Zealand troops suffered most, and stretcher bearers were conspicuous.</p>	
	13-10-17.	22.00	<p>For 24 hours to noon gassed cases totalled 92 and 1 Officer - the 3rd Aust. Division 27 and New Zealand Division 46. Some cases were exposed during this morning or late last night, but the majority were from night of 11th/12th, and presented mostly slight eye signs and blistering of limbs and body.</p>	
	14-10-17	22.00	<p>More gassed cases received - mostly blistered.</p>	

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# WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BRANDHOEK. Sheet 28	15-10-17.		Rush of gassed cases this afternoon - 68 since noon. 16 casualties from bombing raid treated here this evening 6.30 p.m.	Appendix 1. (Report)
G 12 b 7.7	16-10-17.	21.00	Steady flow of gassed cases today - one died of phosgene poisoning. Capt. Thomson R.M. of 10th Field Ambulance gassed.	
	17-10-17.	21.30	Steady stream of cases again today.	
	18-10-17.	22.00	Gassed cases still continuing to come in regularly.	
	19-10-17.	22.00	More gassed cases being received - 86 being treated <del>SINCE</del> from noon 18th to noon 19th. Nature of cases more severe - mostly chest symptoms - one death this afternoon.	
	21-10-17.	22.30	Corps Gas Centre handed over to the 13th Canadian Field Ambulance at noon today.	
	20.30.		Lt-Col. Purdy resumed command of 10th Aust. Field Ambulance, and Capt. Webster returned to duty. Capt. Sweeney and "C" Tent Subdivision of 11th Aust. Field Ambulance were returned to their Unit.	

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REPORT from Corps Gas Centre - From notes by Capt. R.M.W. Webster and Capt. J. Sweeney.

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From 4-10-17 to 14-10-17.  
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Cases admitted during period - 8 Officers and 208 Other Ranks. As far as could be gathered, the majority of these cases were due to the new mustard gas variety. Most of these cases were admitted during the 48 hours following midday of the 12th. The first rush came in 9 to 20 hours after exposure to the gas which was sent over on the night of 11th/12th, before the jumping off time on the 12th. These cases had the usual signs and symptoms.

- EYES. Conjunctivitis, photophobia, lachrymation, ecchymosis. The more severe cases had oedema of the lids, with severe pain and blistering.
- NOSE. Burning, irritation and rhinorrhoea - loss of smell not very noticeable.
- THROAT. Feeling of dryness and burning, with injection of the mucous membrane of the pharynx in some cases; pain down the trachea, irritable cough associated with nausea and the vomiting of greenish mucus, leaving a disagreeable taste in the mouth.
- CHEST. About 30% complained of sternal pain; a few cases showed rales in the chest. Only 2 cases showed slight respiratory embarrassment and required oxygen.
- PULSE. Usually slow to normal.

There were a few cases of blistering, but the majority with skin blistering were admitted between 24 to 48 hours after exposure to the gas.

DISTRIBUTION OF BLISTERS ON THE SKIN. Scalp, face, neck and hands (with a history of direct spattering from the burst of a shell in close proximity), buttocks, inner side of thighs, in front of knees, scrotum and penis (2 severe cases).

SKIN IRRITATION. Various stages from redness to formation of small to huge blisters. One case presented skin irritation very like a general disseminated urticaria, with a history of a shell bursting very close to him.

The description of the smell given was - "garlic", "oniony", "musky". One man labelled "gas lachrymatory" described a sweetish odour.

The majority of the cases were not severe, and 2 were returned to duty after treatment.

TREATMENT.

ROUTINE. Eyes were washed and irrigated with soda bicarbonate solution - 1 drachm to the pint - and instilled with pure petroleum drops. Throat was sprayed with alkaline solution. Patient stripped of clothes and washed all over with a solution of soda bicarbonate, particular attention being paid to sites of selection, skin dried, and patches of redness smeared with vaseline. The large blisters were drained and dressed with 1% picric acid (except where large areas were involved vaseline was used. Patient put into clean pyjamas and warmth applied by blankets, and hot water bottles if indicated. Oxygen was only used in 2 cases.

Many of the latest cases admitted were suffering from wet and sodden feet, and the usual treatment was adopted for these.

No. of Cases from Noon 14th to Noon 15th October 1917.  
1 Officer and 51 O.R.

Most of these cases were affected by shell gas attack about 11 a.m. on the 14th and were admitted before midnight, with a preliminary respiratory tract inflammation. One of these cases detained overnight complained of severe pain in the eyes, and vomited a large quantity of mucous, at first green, but later becoming very dark, almost black.

The total number of Cases is made up as follows:-

<u>3rd Aust.</u>	<u>New Zealand.</u>	<u>Corps Troops.</u>	<u>Miscellaneous.</u>
<u>O. O.R.</u>	<u>O. O.R.</u>	<u>O. O.R.</u>	<u>O. O.R.</u>
- 70	5 126	2 36 x	2 27

x Most of these were from the Corps Artillery.





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APPENDIX