

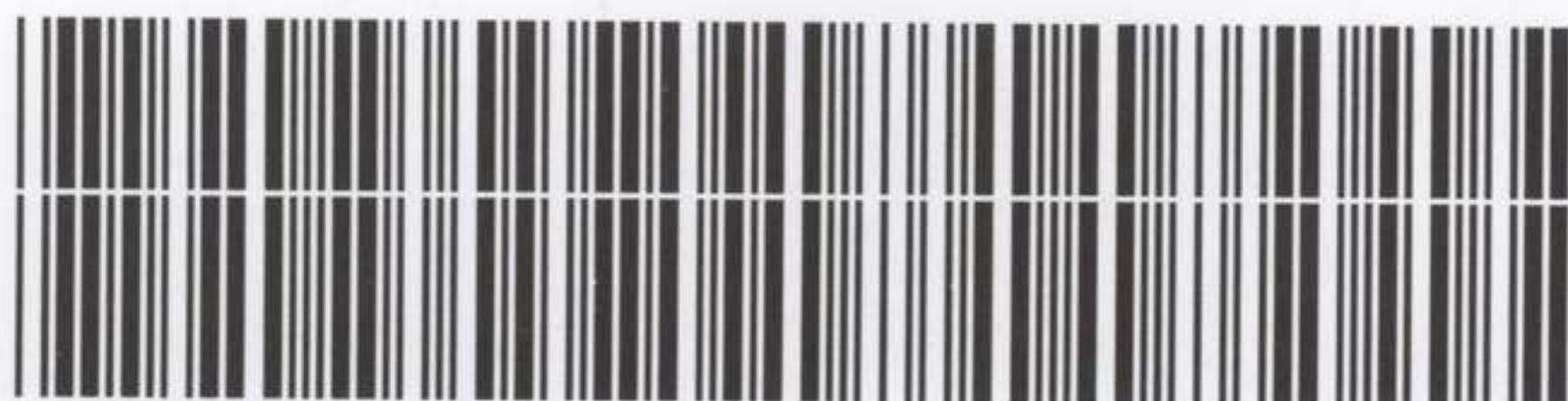
**AWM4**  
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,**  
**1914-18 War**

Medical, Dental & Nursing

**Item number:** 26/66/35

**Title:** No 2 Australian General Hospital

March 1919



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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

No 2 Australian General Hospital  
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Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Mumbers	28/2/19		Only one ward open now containing 3 members of personnel - I was closed today.
"	1/3/19		Cheque for £50 received & handed to treasurer - through Payments from Mr Mrs Muelber. Willaura Victoria for expenditure on Australian Patients.
	2/3/19		Summer time comes in at 2.30 today. Eight sisters arrived from No 2 A.C.C. Cape Stanton Cook sent to No 3 Victoria Hospital (Pulmot) Tempory - from yesterday.
	5/3/19		Six sisters proceeded to No 3 A.C.C. yesterday for duty. Only one patient now in hospital. Pte Smith a member of this unit who is seriously ill with influenza & pneumonia & is too ill to move.
	6/3/19		Packing of stores almost completed. Twenty one men to A.F. B.D. leave today for duty - they are from 1917-18 class. One is for <del>the</del> non-military employment in England & Dunt asked if leave could be granted war for a restricted period to some sisters who have not yet seen Paris & who may be recalled to England any day now. There are 40 nurses who have not yet had the opportunity of seeing Paris.
	9/3/19		Wire received from Corps stating 2 places reserved for officers of this unit for next German tour. Majors A.R. White & Macfildray selected

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Wimmerah	10/3/19		Phone message received at 11-45 am on 8th inst from Ordnance Benelope that when transport could be arranged equipment may be sent to Bassinoubet - Handing in of Ordnance Equipment Commenced today at 8 am - Stores are being taken to Wimmerah RY Station & put on to trucks - Interim receipts are obtained from Ordnance there - They are then taken by Railway to Benelope -																																		
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Wormieux	12/3/19		Ten Sisters left this morning for England for demobilisation - They are now to go at the rate of ten daily until they have all gone. Following message was phoned to D.A.P.F. 3rd Echelon on 9th inst - Personnel remaining for demob are 1914 - NCOs 6 - men 5 - 1915. NCOs 26 - men 46 - 1916 NCOs 3 - men 32 - 1917 NCOs - men 32 - 1918. NCOs - men 2.	
	13/3/19		Handing in proceeding smoothly - Ten more sisters left -	
	14/3/19		Word from London that No 77 Dental Unit is to be demobilised - Thirty civilians arrived and are accommodated in mess huts & mess cookhouse handed over to them - They <del>are</del> have been sent here <del>from</del> by G.H.Q. to effect alterations in connection with the accommodation of branches of Quilts department G.H.Q. (Salvage etc) who will take over when this unit moves out -	
	15/3/19		Ten more nurses left - 250 beds + mattresses are being left by order from G.H.Q. - Ten more sisters left -	
	16/3/19		- DO - DO - After church parade. Two parties moved to Wormieux + Loughborough Cemeteries respectively (Consisting of Officers, Sisters, W.D.s. NCOs + men) & placed wreaths on the graves of Lt Col Flashman, Captain Diller + Pte Owen Ford as a last tribute before leaving France - The flowers were bought from unit funds & made into two wreaths + a cross by the sisters of the unit - A short service was held at each graveside Padre Hayden + Baird officiated -	

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Munster	17/3/19		Unit dance held in the evening from 6.30 to 10.30 - as a final farewell to friends + members of the unit.
			Ten more sisters left. Standing in of Red Cross stores commenced.
	18/3/19		Donation stores still continues - Same Baird left for 2nd Tunnelling Coy. Captains Morrison, Proctor, Dawson + Stanton Cook left for 3rd A.G.H.
	19/3/19		Ten more sisters left. Matron Gray + new arriving sisters left for England.
	20/3/19		Pte H.W.D. Smith was evacuated on 15th inst. to No. 111 Stationary Hospital - suffering from severe ulcers. He was the last patient we had + was kept here as long as possible, so that he could be nursed by our own sisters - He has been too ill to move until 15th inst. - One matron has left money behind to buy extras for him, if required.
			Captain Murray arrived on 16th inst. from London for purpose of assisting in demobilisation as we are short of Q.M. + Q.W.S. - (both evacuated ill). He has found that all orders regarding handing in have been completed with + that handing in was well advanced - application has been made for his return to London as he has much work to do there. Orders by wire were received last night from D.A.A.G. 3rd Echelon to send personnel to 3rd A.G.H. or Stable. Officers will move under orders from the D.G.M.S. The 1914-15 men will go to Home tomorrow. The 1917-18 men will go to No. 3 A.G.H. Officers will go on Monday 24th inst. leaving A + B Cadets.

R.B. Huxtable

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Amurind	20/3/19		Col. Hurstable will leave for London tomorrow owing to serious illness of child on special leave. Major Fitz Hill will assume command.	
	21/3/19		Col Hurstable proceeded on special leave to VK. Major Fitz Hill actg. O.C.	
			65 Other Ranks proceeded to A.G.B.D. Havre for repatriation. 23 other Ranks with INCO escort proceeded to No 3 A.G.H. NCO to report to.	
			A.G.B.D. Strength Remained 9 officers & 33 OR.	
	22/3/19		Handing over of stores continuing. Count of baggage held on departure of surgical & medical stores forwarded via Boulogne.	
	23/3/19		Even more on leave in Paris reported back -	
	24/3/19		Capt Storey, A.A.M.C. DS. & Major Hayden, C.F. proceeded to U.K.	
	25/3/19		26 OR to A.G.B.D. Havre - Major J.P. Kelly, Capt C.A. Vase, Capt W.T. Bushman Capt J.H.F. Murray proceeded to VK. Camp handed over to G.H.Q. receipts obtained	
	26/3/19		2 OR to A.G.B.D. 3 OR to No 3 A.G.H. 1 OR on leave in Paris. Count of baggage in ordnance deficiencies	
	27/3/19		Capt B & Capt Aspinall & Capt Collins proceeded to VK via Boulogne.	

C. B. H. M. M. -

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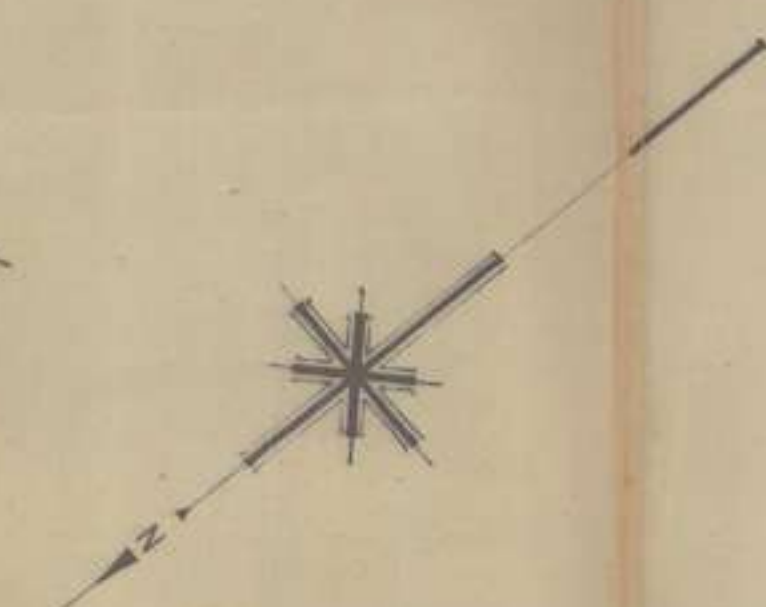
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London Hill.	28/3/19.		<p>Cadre B. arrived Victoria yesterday after a rough passage from Boulogne. Twenty two cases of records arrived safely &amp; were stored in the cloak room. The cadre then dispersed to find lodgings with orders to report to O/C cadre at Horseferry road.</p> <p>Reported D.M.S. a 17. Set over Lt/Cpl. Kynock &amp; two Johnsons granted leave -</p> <p>Major G. Hill. Capt. W. J. Collins D.S.O. &amp; Capt. F. A. Geever. W/O Watkins Sgt. Hill &amp; Pte Platt. were attached to records in order to get final indent &amp; receipt in order &amp; hand over. Capt. A. E. Aspinall was granted education to Dublin.</p> <p>This completes the war diary of No 2 Australian General Hospital. The Cadre being taken on strength at administrative HQ. The Hospital cease to exist. R.I.P.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">G. Hill Major</p> <p style="text-align: right;">act. dt. 29/3/19.</p>	

**BOULOGNE BASE WIMEREUX. N°2 AUSTRALIAN  
GENERAL HOSPITAL.**

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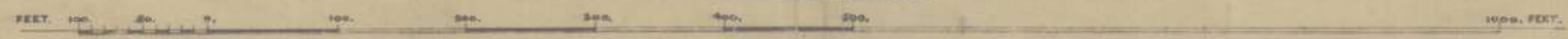
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- WATER SUPPLY DRAWN THUS:  
 W.T. - WATER TANK  
 S.C. - STOP COCK  
 S.P. - STAND PIPE

N° 14 STATIONARY HOSPITAL.

N° 8 STATIONARY HOSPITAL.

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*J.C. Boyle*  
 23 9/18 MAJOR, R.E.  
 D.O.R.E. (North)



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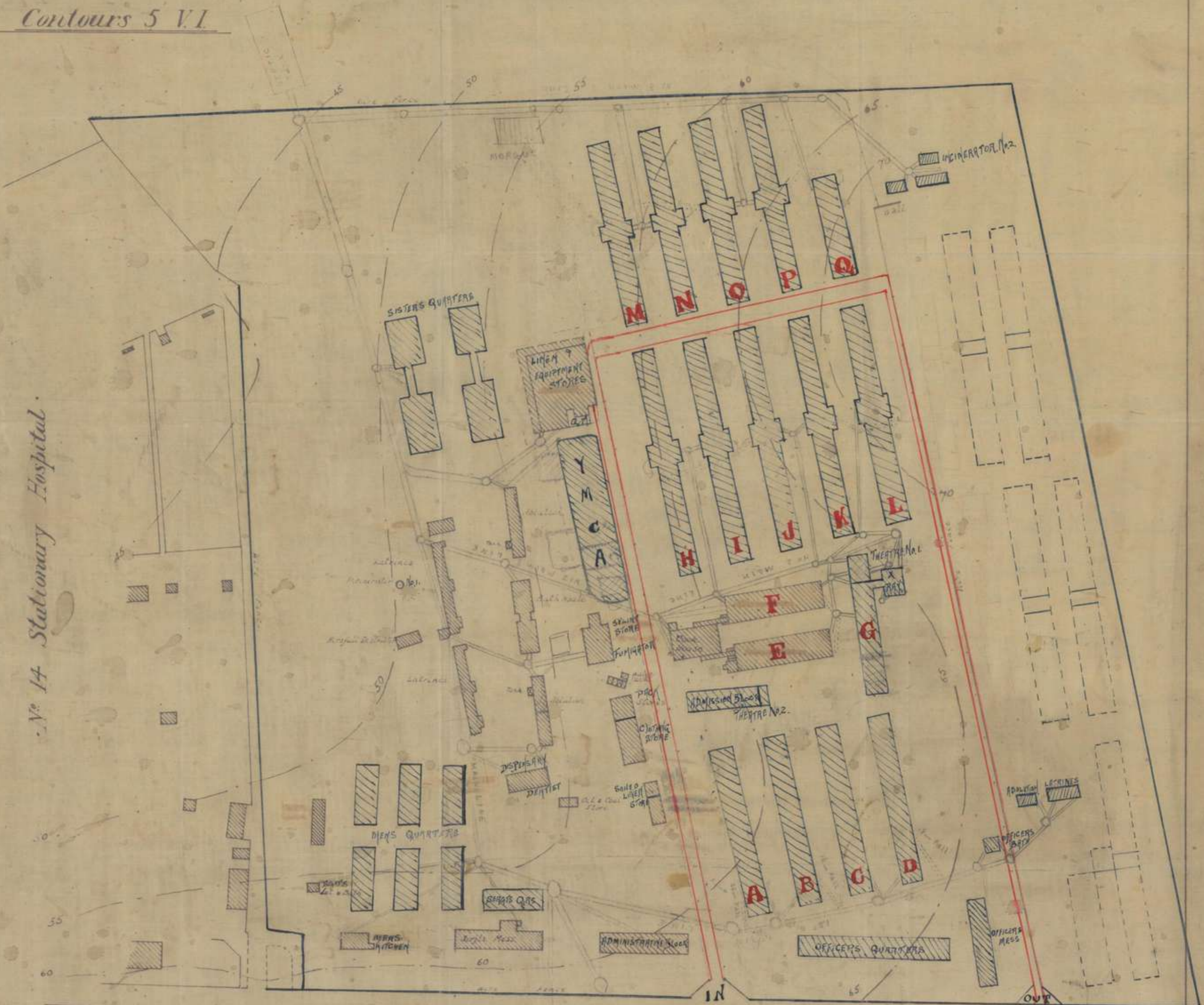
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*N° 14 Stationary Hospital*



*Lieut. Col. R.E.  
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No. 2 AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

WAR DIARY.

MONTH OF MARCH 1919.

and Appendices.

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1	Confid. Report by O.C. to DDMS. Boulogne March 1919.
2	Statement of Admissions & Discharges March 1919.
3	Copy of Orders "Outbreak of Fire" No. 2 A.G.H.
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Wimereux.  
2.4.19.

*G. J. Hill*

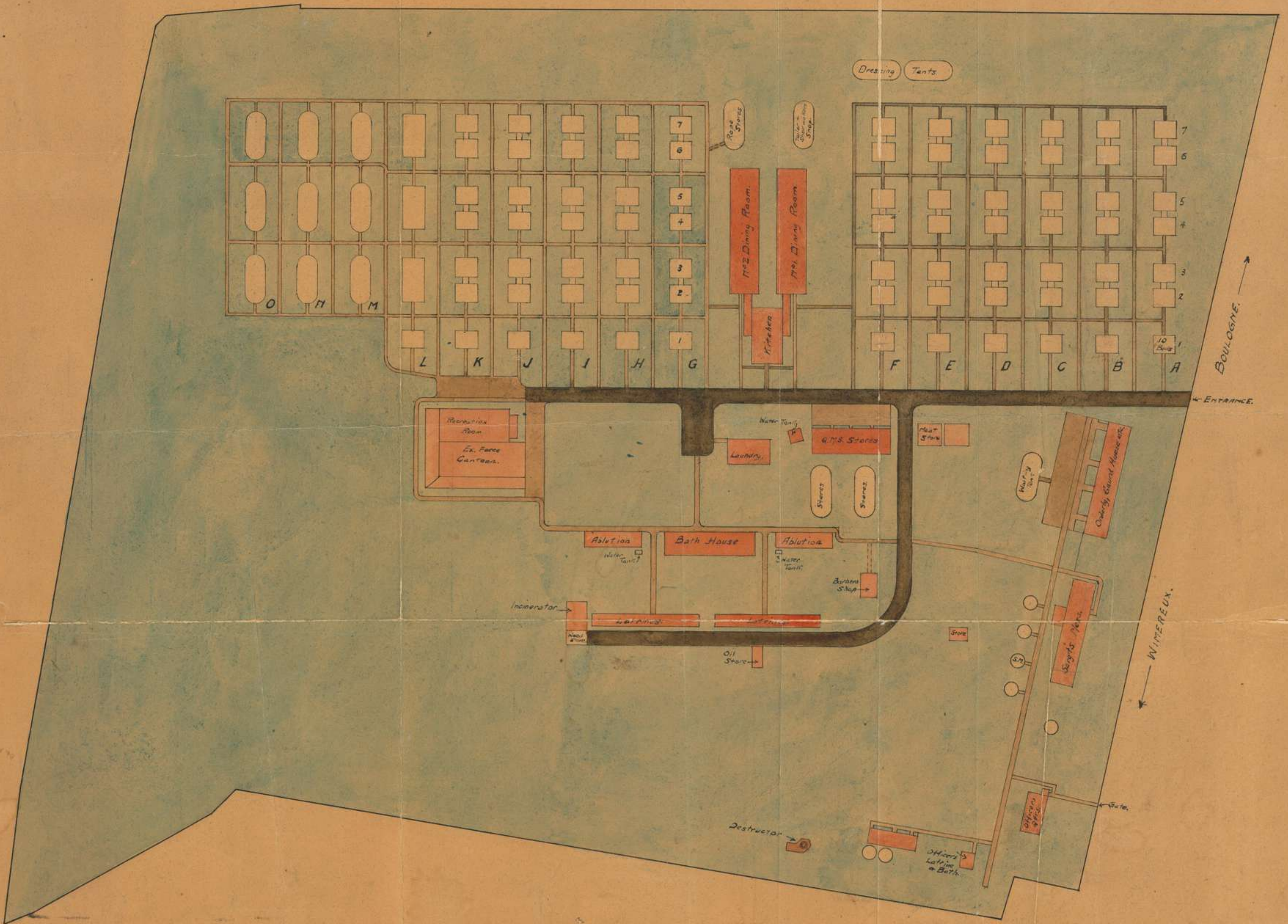
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Actg. O.C. No. 2 Aust. Gen. Hospital.

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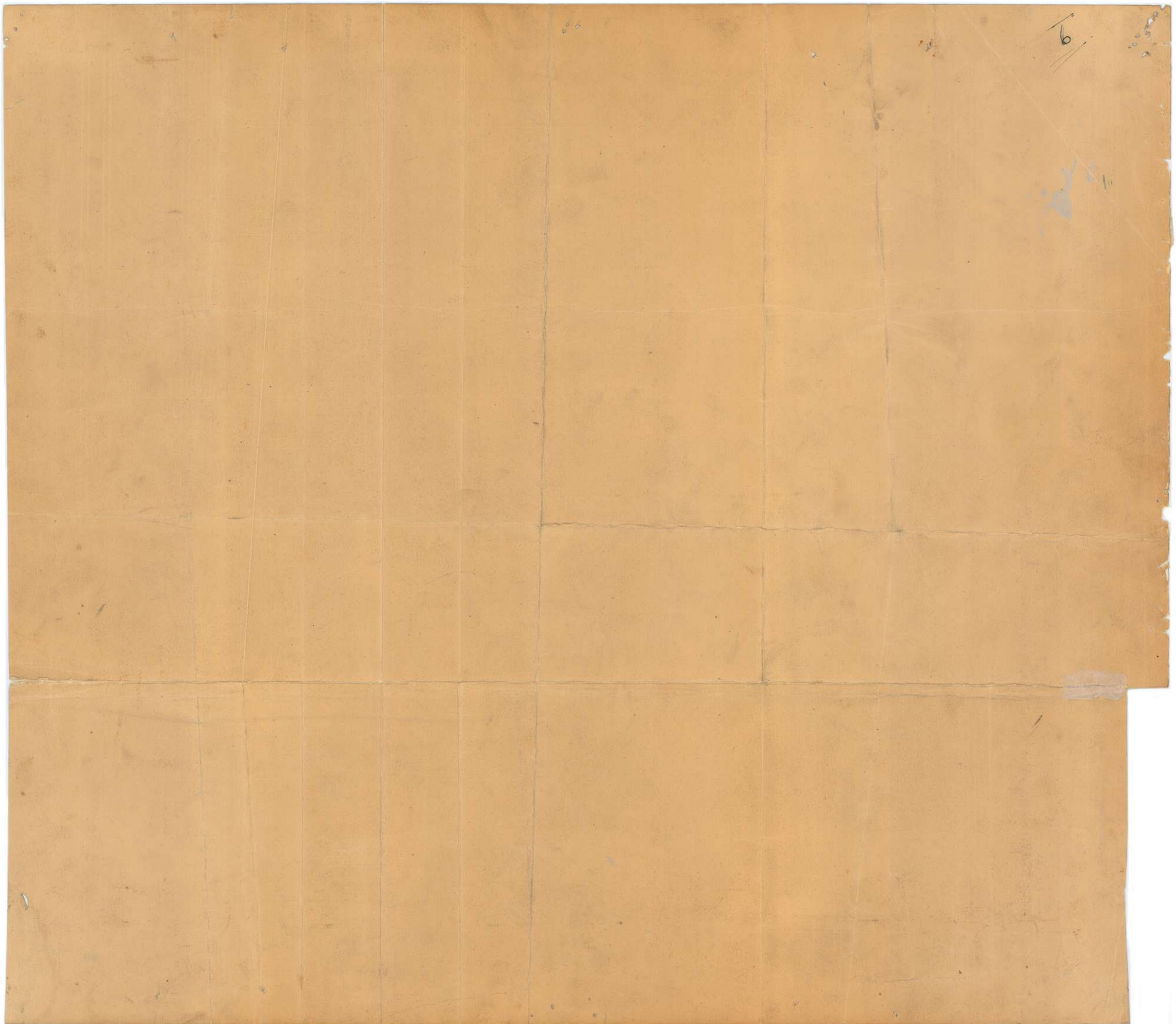
# N<sup>o</sup> 5 CONVALESCENT CAMP, WIMEREUX.

*Converted into a General Hospital for 1500-1700 beds for 2<sup>nd</sup> Antwerp General Hospital*



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No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

Confidential report on principal Medical Occurrences at No. 2 A.G.H. for week ending 1.3.19.

<u>Admissions.</u>	Nil.
<u>Discharges.</u>	15.
<u>Remainder.</u>	3 - including two members of the personnel, one of whom is too ill, with influenza, to move.

Report on progress of demobilisation was forwarded on 28th Ultimo. There is nothing further to report.

*R.B.H.*

Colonel,

Wimereux.  
1.3.19.

O.C. No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

D. D. M. S.,  
Boulogne.

Confidential report on principal Medical Occurrences at No. 2 A.G.H. for week ending 8.3.19.

Demobilisation report was delivered to your office this morning. There is nothing further to report.

*R.B. Huclible*

Colonel,

Wimereux.  
8.3.19.

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D. D. M. S.,  
Boulogne.

Confidential report on the principal Medical Occurrences  
at No. 2 A.G.H. for week ending 15.3.19.  
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The one patient remaining has sufficiently improved to enable him to be transferred to No. 14 Stationary Hospital to-day.

Demobilisation report is forwarded herewith.

There is nothing of special interest to report.

Thirty civilian workmen reported last night under authority G.H. 3rd Echelon and material is being received daily from G.H. 3.

*R. B. Huxtable*  
Colonel,

C.O. No. 2 Aust. General Hospital.

Bimereux.  
15.3.19.

*Diary*

No. 2 Australian General Hospital.  
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D. D. M. S.,  
Boulogne.

Confidential report on principal Medical Occurrences at  
No. 2 A.G.H. for week ending 22.3.19.  
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Colonel R. B. Huxtable, Officer Commanding, proceeded on special leave to England on the 21st instant.

One man reported from Paris (Special Leave) on the 22nd instant and was transferred to No. 7 General Hospital (V. D.)

Demobilisation report herewith.

There is nothing further of special interest to report.

*G. J. Hill*

Major,

Actg. C.O. No. 2 Aust. General Hospital.

Bimereux.  
22.3.19.



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No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

Admissions	1.3.19.	nil
Discharges	1.3.19.	nil
Patients in Hospital		1.
Empty Beds.		Nil.
Beds out of action.		1499.
Patients classified		Nil.
Evacuations.		Nil.

No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

Admissions	2.3.19.	Nil.
Discharges	2.3.19.	Nil.
Patients in Hospital.		1.
Empty Beds.		Nil.
Beds out of action.		1499.
Patients Classified,	Nil.	
Evacuations,	Nil.	

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Admissions 3.3.19. NIL.  
Discharges 3.3.19. NIL.  
Patients in Hospital 1.  
Empty Beds. NIL.  
Beds out of Action 1499  
Patients Classified NIL.  
Evacuations NIL. -----

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No. 2 Australian General Hospital.

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Admissions 4.3.19. Nil.  
Discharges 4.3.19. NIL.  
Patients in Hospital. 1.  
Beds out of action 1499.  
Patients classified NIL. -----  
Evacuations. NIL. -----

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Admissions to 12.3.19 Nil.  
Discharges to 12.3.19 1.  
One patient transferred sick 14 Staty. Hospital,  
12.3.19.  
This clears the Hospital.

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OUTBREAK OF FIRE  
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1. Immediately an outbreak of fire occurs, the bugler will sound the fire alarm repeatedly for six minutes, N.C.O.'s will blow the whistle alarm (when a gong or bell is available it will be sounded rapidly and continuously for six minutes by the picquet on duty).

2. All N.C.O.s and men (A.M.C.) other than ward orderlies (who will remain in their wards) will fall in on the main roadway of Camp opposite the Cookhouse immediately on hearing the alarm.

3. The Orderly Officer (or in his absence the Orderly Medical Officer) will then take steps to utilise those on parade for the purpose of putting out the fire with fire buckets or chemical extinguishers etc.

4. Should a fire occur in the Ward, the Nurses, Ward orderlies and patients able to assist will at once remove the helpless patient to safety, all other patients will stay in their wards but should it appear to the Officer in charge that the adjoining Wards are in danger they will be struck as soon as all patients have been removed.

5. All Sisters and Ward orderlies on duty must stand by their patients in their respective wards.

6. Should the Officer in charge think it necessary he will telephone to Boulogne Fire Station 19 Rue De Pipots.

7. Immediately the fire is extinguished the Orderly Officer will make a full report to the Officer Commanding.

8. Complete order should prevail in carrying out the several duties as any undue excitement and disorder will only tend to prevent the quick suppression of the fire and help to defeat the object which is to be obtained.

9. All Officers, N.C.O.s and men are directed to make themselves acquainted with the positions of fire buckets and with the method of using the fire extinguishers so that they can immediately use such in an outbreak of fire.

Fire Drill will be held ~~ex~~regularly.

A squad of men will be selected, trained and definite duties assigned to them under these orders in case of fire.

Signed J.B. McLean Lt. Col.

O.C. No 2. Australian General Hospital.