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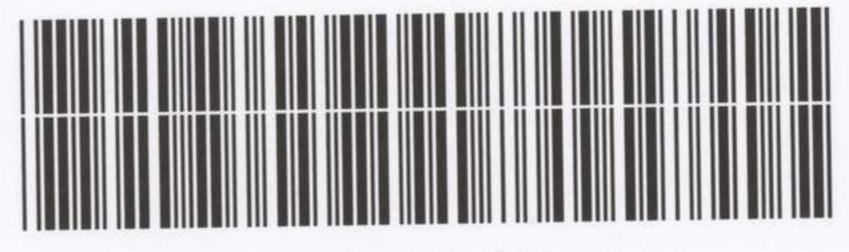
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From : S.O., A.D.S., FRANCE, attached Headquarters 1st. ANZAC,

To: D.M.S., A.I.F.,
Administrative Headquarters,
LONDON.

MONTHLY REPORT OF S.O., A.D.S., France.

l. During the past month I have carried out the undermentioned routine inspections of Australian Dental Units:-

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- A copy of my report to the A.D.M.S. 3rd. Australian Divisionin reference the work of the Dental Units attached 3rd. Australian Division was forwarded your Office on 27-10-17 (my DC. 8/1/52). As the 3rd. Australian Division is now in 1st. Anzac Corps, more coordination is possible than has hitherto been the case.
- Australian Army Brigades Field Artillery during the month for the services of one or more Dental Units have not been possible to meet. The allocation of a separate Dental Unit per Division of Artillery is very strongly urged. As a temporary expedient No. 37 and No. 24 Dental Units have been allocated to Artillery No. 37 working with the 5th. D.A.C. and No. 24 with the 6th. Australian Army Brigade Field Artillery. This policy being one of the choice of the lesser of two evils has left the 7th. Infantry Brigade without a Dental Unit. May some action be taken on my DC. 1/1/1 of 7-8-17 relating to this matter, please?

- Dental Unit No. 41 attached 1st. A.G.G.S. was asked for from 2nd. Army by the Corps Commander on 27-10-17 to work for 3rd. Australian Div. Art. which was in a rest area. This request was refused by Army and Unit 46 was detailed by the D.D.M.S. 2nd. Anzac and D.M.S. 2nd. Army. This move left the 11th. Infantry Brigade without a Dental Unit and Unit 41 is still at the 1st. A.C.G.S. with practically no work to do (sic.). The matter os sending Unit 41 to work for an Artillery Unit (the 3rd. Australian Army Brigade Field Artillery) has again been submitted from this Office to the D.A.G. A.I.F. Gopies of correspondence on this matter were forwarded your Office on 17-11-17 (my DC. 3/2/84).
- British Forces in the Field in respect to the proposed standardization of dental equipment for British, Canadian, and Australian Dental Services.
- 6. Herewith, please, nominal roll of the Australian Dental Units in France. Notification of evacuations, transfers, etc. has been forwarded your Office in each case.

H.Q. 1st. ANZAG,
November 19th. 1917.

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DENTAL REPORT, FROM 28 Oct: To 24 & Moon 1919.

STAFF OFFICER.
AUSTRALIAN DENTAL SERVICES
FRANCE.

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APPENDIX.

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STAFF OFFICES, AUSTRALIAN DENJAL SERVICES FRANCE.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

N.C. 4/2/85

D. G. M. S., British Forces in the Field.

(through D.D.M.S., 1st. ANZAC Corps).

Reference attached 3059/17 of 27-10-17 from D.D.M.S., Havre.

- 1. The need of a standardized list of dental equipment or suthoritative schedule issued by the War Office, has been felt for a considerable time.
- 2. The schedules forwarded with this file have been carefully gone through with the aid of cat alogues and reference to requisitions submitted through this Office from Australian Dental Units in France.
 - a. Exhibit A, herewith, enumerates articles shewn on schedules of which Australian Dental Units have no need at all.
 - b. Exhibit B, herewith, enumerates articles which it is desired be added to the schedules submitted.
- The Australian Dental Units working in various parts of France are divided into two classes, mobile and non-mobile. At this date seventeen Units are mobile and nine non-mobile.
 - a. The mobile Units are attached Field Ambulances,
 Divisional Ammunition Columns, Artillery Brigades, Infantry
 Brigade H.Q., etc. etc. as occasion, disposition of, and
 access to troops may warrant.
 - b. The non-mobile Units are attached Australian Casualty Clearing Stations, Australian General Hospitals, and the Australian Base Depots.
- 4. The mobility or non-mobility of a Dental Unit has a bearing on the type of equipment required in that the weight and bulk of a mobile Unit's equipment must be cut down to a minimum in view of frequent transportation and yet the general working utility of the Unit must not be harassed by lack of essentials.

The chief articles of dental equipment affected are set out in the undermentioned sub-paras. which intrinsically pertain to the mobile Australian Dental Units and have no bearing whatever on the non-mobile Australian Dental Units to whom transportation, weight, and bulk of equipment are of no consideration.

- Experience has shewn that the ordinary non-folding Dental Engine frequently suffers damage from weather and constant transportation and needs renewal of parts at frequent intervals, which is not the case with the boxed travelling engine, which latter is also lighter in weight. Ash's No. 1 Travelling engine, with cable head in box, (Ash Catalogue E.5) is the article desired.
- b. CHAIR, Dental. For field service this must necessarily be a light folding article. The specimen shewn in Ash Catalogue C.17 meets all requirements.

- c. <u>Vulcanizers</u>. A Dental Unit working in the field requires a light type of vulcanizer that does fast work. The Lewis Cross-bar vulcanizer is ideal.
- d. LATHE, Dental, foot, is an article not actually required for field service provided the base and treadle wheel of a dental engine and a separate lathehead with cord be issued in lieu thereof. This is an economy in expense and equipment weight and in no way interferes with the purpose of a dental lathe. The frequency of breakage of the heavy castings of the usual type of lathe issued warrants this improvement.
- e. FLASK PRESS. This should be the smallest and lightest of patterns such as the Buffalo Dental Manufacturing Coy. have on the market.
- packing and unpacking and conveyance of dental equipment. A Dental Unit's equipment (except box engine and folding chair) can be packed into three "panniers Ordnance, equipment" as supplied to Casualty Clearing Stations.
- It will be noted in the attached exhibit A that stores required for porcelain work, gold work, and bridge work, have been eliminated as being unnecessary to the work of any Australian Dental Unit.

It is held that the aim and purpose of dentistry with the Forces in the field is to render a soldier dentally fit to serve with his Unit and to prevent his evacuation from the Unit with which he is serving on account of requiring dental treatment. A soldier CAN be required dentally fit to serve with his Unit without resorting to the elaborate and costly procedures of gold porcelain, and bridge work.

- exhibit A also eliminates articles of dental supply requiring motive power. Such articles would obviously be useless in the Field owing to lack of electric supply and their issue to Australian Units having access to electric supply is regarded as extravagant.
- 7. The issue of apparatus to Australian Dental Units for the administration of general anaesthetics is not necessary. In cases arising demanding a general anaesthetic whether at Field Ambulance, Casualty Clearing Station, General Hospital, or the Australian Base Depots the anaesthetic is administered by a Medical Officer of the Unit concerned and with apparatus not the property of the Dental Unit.

H.Q. 1st. ANZAC, November 12th. 1917. 194. L.B. Way ... Major, S.O., A.D.S., FRANCE.



EXHIBIT A.

(Articles for which demands are not made by Australian Dental Units in France and which may be eliminated from attached schedules).

SURGICAL.

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Anaesthetic, apparatus.
             gas bags.
             face pieces.
                          pads.
             tubing, I.R.
                      vulcanite.
             stop-cocks.
             cylinders.
             boxes.
             unoins.
             cases.
             mouth props.
             gags Mason.
             cylinder stands.
                               foot tap.
Antrum trephine.
       tubes.
Atomizer.
Bridge repair outfit.
Car system.
Chart examination.
Oral illuminator.
Anaesthetic, nitrous oxide.
Oxygen.
Sponge antiseptic.
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MECHANICAL.

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Backings, Steeles.
Benches, mechanical.
Bunsen, burners.
        rings.
Casting outfit air pressure.
        rings.
        cones.
        rings sand.
Fire clay furnace mufflers, repairing.
          investing.
Furnaces, electric.
          pliers.
          tongs.
          trays.
Graphite.
Gauges, plate.
        wire.
Investment material.
Lathes, electric, Ritter.
                   spares.
                   steel sleeves.
                   chucks.
                   phosphorbronze bearings.
                   brass washers.
                   felt washers.
                   tube screw.
                   carbons sq.
                           rd.
                   oilers.
                           wicks.
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EXHIBIT A. Contd.

Lead pattern. Metals, aluminium, sheets.

fusible, fusible, Precious metals. gold sheet No. 7.
wire H.R. No. 7. solder No. 3. Melattes moulding outfit. Mills flatting. Porcelain, fusing. Porcelain colouring outfits. Teeth shade guide. " facings Steeles. Tongs crucible. Tubing I.R. flexible metal. Vices, bench. hand. . hand. Weights and scales.

(Articles desired be added to attached schedules to meet demands made by Australian Dental Units in France).

SURGICAL.

Broaches, nerve, with thumb and finger-grip, (Ash Cat. G.41).

Cups polishing, I.R., (Ash Cat. E. 54).

Gloves rubber.

Hand-piece, contra angle.

Holders, bur, (Ash Cat. E. 76, No. 1).

Panners, Ordnance, equipment, as supplied to C.C.S.

Paper, bibulous, (Ash Cat. 0.33).

Pellets Cotton Wool, (Ash Cat. 0.32)

" " (Ash Catalogue 0.36, fig.1).

Plaster of Paris, for impressions, 7 lb. tins, (Ash Catalogue J.67).

Points, carborumdum (Ash Cat. E.58).

Sterilizer, syringe, Bardett's (Ash Cat. K.90).

Vase, sterilizing, (Ash Cat. D. 53).

Wheels, Carborundum, (Ash Cat. E.59).

MECHANICAL.

Brushes, nail.
Clamps, flask, (Ash Cat. L.42).
Hairpins.
Kettles, tin.
Lamps, spirit, tin.
Saucepans.
Soap.
Spanner, flask, with hammer, (Ash Catalogue L. 47).
Varnish Sandarac.
"Shellac.

MEDICAMENTS.

Codrenine.
Liquor arsenicalis.
Paste, mummifying.
Trikresol and formalin.

APPENDIX.

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D.D.M.S. D.M.S. L.of C. No. 1 Base. M.S. 1/259/17. 3059/17.

D.M.S., L. of C.

Reference your Office No. M.S. 1/259/17 for cognate correspondence relating to Dental Stores, I have been into this question with the Senior Dental Surgeon, and am impressed with the fact that there is some confusion as to what stores are necessary and available.

I think the matter could be put upon a better basis if an authoritative schedule were issued by the War Office, giving in detail the stores which are available and for which indents may be submitted.

I submit herewith a suggested schedule of pental Stores arranged under the headings of Surgical, Mechanical, and Medicaments. It has been drawn up in consultation with the Senior Dental Officer at this Base on the principle of eliminating as much as possible, patent drugs and including only the bare necessities for efficient dental work.

I think this matter should be taken up seriously and with that idea submit a schedule which it is suggested should be conformed to by Imperial, Canadian, and Australian Dentists.

Havre, 27/10/17. (sgd.) R.H.FIRTH, Col. D.D.M.S., No. 1 Base.

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D.G.M.S. D.G./R/2286/287.

D.D.M.S., Headquarters, 1st. ANZAC.

The attached copy of memo from D.D.M.S. HAVRE dated 27/10/17 which explains itself and accompanying schedules are forwarded for your information.

You will please pass to the Staff Officer, Australian Dental Services for his remarks regarding the proposal contained therein as far as the Australian Dental Services are concerned.

Please return enclosures.

(Sgd.). J.F. MARTIN, Major, for

G.H.Q., 2nd. Echelon, 6-11-17. Director General Medical Services, British Armies in France.

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S.O.A.D.S.

Passed for your comment, please.

Col. D.D.M.S. lst.ANZAC.

7, 11/17

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COPY.
             SURGICAL.
Anaesthetic
              apparatus.
              gas bags.
              facepieces.
                           pads.
               tubing I.R.
                      vulcanite.
               stop-cocks.
               cylinders.
              boxes.
              unions.
               cases.
              mouth props - gags (Mason).
               Cylinder stands.
              foot tap.
Aprons.
          Rubber.
          Operators.
Articulating paper thick.
                    thin.
Atomiser.
Amalgam carriers.
        spoons.
Antrum trephine.
       tubes.
Arkansas points.
         stones.
Basins kidney enamel.
       round.
Bridge repair outfit.
Brackets table cabinets.
         stand.
         glass holder.
         spittoon.
Broaches barbed.
         square.
         round.
Brushes wire, engine.
        tooth, polishing.
Burnishers, engine.
            hand.
Burs.
              Round.
              wheel.
              inverted cone.
              fissure sq. end.
                    point.
              finishing.
              round.
              barrel.
              pear.
              flame .
              round .
     R.A.
              wheel.
              inverted cone.
              fissure sq. end.
                      point.
Caps celluloid cavity.
Card system.
Chairs Dental.
Charts examination.
Clamps :-
            Forceps.
            wool roll.
            rubber dam.
Cleavers enamel.
Cotton wool absorbment.
             rolls.
             swabs
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Crowns Dowel.
               posts.
Carborundum discs.
             points.
             wheel, stump.
Chisels, enamel, Abbots.
                  Hospital.
                  double ended.
Cement slabs.
Dappens glasses.
Dryers root.
Discs, sandpaper.
        cuttlefish.
        emery.
        sandpaper, Moore's.
        cuttlefish
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       Emery
Drills Beutlerock St.
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                    R.A.
       Gates-Glidden St.
                       R.A.
        diamond.
        spear.
Elevators Rt.
           Lt.
           St.
Engine Arm.
        Cable.
       head.
    11
        holder.
        cord.
        bit holder.
        cable sheaths.
        duplex springs.
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        oilers.
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        handpiece st.
    11
        handpiece R.A.
    11
                   washers.
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        complete.
        attachment.
        screwdriver.
        pliers.
        spanners.
Excavators spoon large rt.
                   medium Rt.
                   small Rt.
                   large. lt.
                   medium lt.
      11
                   small 1t.
 Explorers R.A.
            st.
Files flexible.
 Forceps :-
      Extracting ;
          Upper St.
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                 Bicuspids.
                 Molars Rt.
             11
                         Lt.
          Lower Hawkesbill, Molars.
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                 Roots.
       tongue.
      crown slitting.
      U. excising.
      splitting U.
       gum guillotine.
 Holders broach.
          sponge. waste.
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Holders
         wool.
         mercury.
Handles cone socket.
Impression compo :-
           trays U.
                  L.
Instrument
           pouches.
Lancets.
        scalpels.
Lamps spirit.
Matrix Lennox.
                bands.
       Ivory.
                bands.
                retainer.
Mortars.
Measures, glass, graduated.
Mandrels, Huey's.
          stem screw end.
          screw with shoulder.
          screw porte polisher.
Mirrors, mouth, tops plain.
                      magnifying.
                      handles.
Napkins Dental.
Needles Hypo.
               Mtd. St.
                     Cvd .
                Schimmels.
                          nozzles long.
                                   short.
Oral Illuminator.
Orange wood sticks.
Outfits Field (Dental).
Pestles.
Pluggers, amalgam.
Plastic filling instruments,.
                                 Special, fig. 4.
                                 Ash nickel plated.
                                 Boyd-Wallis 3.
                                 Baldwins.
                                 Spatulas 3.
Reamers Root R.A.
              St.
Rubber dam.
             frames.
            punches.
            forceps.
Scalers Howes.
        Cushings.
        Herns.
Scissors gum st.
              cvd.
Syringes :-
                Water.
                Нуро.
                Chip.
                       bulbs.
                Abcess.
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                Antrum.
                Washers.
Saliva ejector.
Salivor ejectors connections.
                  Tubes.
Separators.
Saws separating.
Silk floss.
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Spittons.

Spatulas wax.

"bone.
"Agate.

Sponges antiseptic.
Spoons, throat.
Sterilizers enamel.
"anaesthetic.

Strips Senate Abrasive.
"celluloid.
"linen.

Tweezers, college.
Tumblers, enamel.
Tape, (hanks).
Trimmers Clarences.

Baldwin.

Osleo.

MEDICAMENTS.

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Aconite tinct.
        iodine.
Adrenalin.
Acids :-
              Boric Crystal.
                    pulv.
  11
              Carbolic.
               Suphuric.
              Hydrochloric.
              Nitric.
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              Hydroflouric.
Asperin Tabs.
Alum Pulv.
Ammon. Aromat. Spt.
Amyl. Nitrite.
Alcohol absol.
Anaesthetic local:-
         Murocaine.
         Novocaine.
         Ethyl Chloride.
Anaesthetic Nitrous Oxide.
Amalgam alloy.
        copper.
Borax Pulv.
Bottles Medicament.
Cements :-
         Oxyohosphate Powder.
    11
                       Liquid.
    11
         Synthetic Powder.
    11
                    Liquid.
         Copper powder, black.
                 liquid.
                 powder, white.
                 liquid, white.
         Crown and Bridge Ames.
         Mastic.
Carbolized Resin.
            vaseline.
Chloroform pur.
            com.
Cocaine Hydo. Crystals.
        Adrenalin Tabs.
apsicum Plasters.
Caustic.
Cloves, oil of.
Cresote.
Carbo. Eugenol.
Chalk Prac.
Collodion.
Cupri. Sulphas.
Devitalizing, fibre, Arsenic.
               paste
               Cobalt.
Eucalyptus, Oil of.
Gutta-percha permanent.
               tempy.
               points.
               sheets.
Gum Trag.
Hydrogen Peroxide.
Iodoform.
   11
          guage.
Iodine Lig.
        Tinct.
Lysol.
Mercury
         Surgical.
         Com.
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Myrrh.

Oxpara.
Oxygen.
Phenate of soda.
Pot. Chlorate Tabs.
"Permang, Crystals.
"Tabs.

Salt.
Silver Nitrate.
Tannin.
Varnish Coppal, - ether.
Vaseline.
Zinc, Oxide Powder.
"Oxysulphate.

MECHANICAL.

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Acid Pans.
Anvils.
Articulators, Fork.
               Plain line.
Backings, Steels.
Burs, vulcanite.
                   Cylinder.
                   Wheel.
Base Plates.
Bowls, enamel, large.
Belts, lathe, Gut.
              " hooks and eyes.
Benches, Mechanical.
         blocks.
         pins.
         clamps.
Blow lamps, Seivert.
                       Nipples.
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                       Wicks.
     pipes, Fletchers.
Blow
              Mouth.
Bellows, foot.
Brushes, lathe, pumice.
                 whiting.
          file cleaning.
          Denture .
          scratch.
          steam.
          Camel hair, large.
                      small.
Bunsen Burners.
        rings.
Cabinets, teeth.
Callipers.
Card system.
Cases, denture, large.
                 small.
Casting outfit air pressure.
         rings.
         cones.
         rings sand.
 Chalk French.
 Cones felt.
       glass paper.
 Cones Dragon.
 Carborundum wheels - lathe.
 Drawing tongs.
         plates.
 Dividers.
 Files, vulcanite, rough.
                    bastard.
                    smooth.
        metal.
        rat tail.
        Riffling.
 Fire clay furnace Mufflers, repairing.
           investing.
 Flasks, vulcanising, pin.
 Furnaces, electric.
            pliers.
            tongs.
            trays.
            tin.
 Funnels
 Graphite.
 Guillotines Knife.
              Board.
 Glass paper No. 1
              No. 11.
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Glass paper No. 2.
Guages, plate.
        wire.
Hammers, rivetting.
         hand.
         swaging 7 lb.
Investment material.
Knives wax.
Ladles.
L athes, electric, Ritters.
                    spares.
                    steel sleeves.
                    Chucks.
                    Phosphorbronze bearings.
                    Brass washers.
                    Felt
                    Tube screw.
                    Carbons sq.
                            rd.
                    Oilers.
                           wicks.
Lathes, foot.
                spares.
                heads.
                chucks.
                bases.
                treadles.
                driving wheels.
                guts.
                      hooks and eyes.
                water troughs.
                polishing troughs.
Lead casting.
     pattern.
Metals base.
        tin.
       wire Victoria Metal H.R. No. 7.
             G.S.
                              do
       G.S. Plate No. 7.
        solder silver.
                tin.
                foil.
        soft metal thick.
 11
                   Medium.
                   V. Thin.
        Aluminium sheets No.
 11
        Platinoid
        Fusible.
Precious Metals :-
           Gold sheet No. 7.
                wire H.R. No. 7.
                solder No. 3.
Melottes Mouldine Outfit.
Mills Flatting.
Oil Engine.
Porcelain Fusing.
           colouring outfit.
Packers, Vulcanite.
Perforators.
             pin.
 Plaster of Paris.
         Bowls.
         Mixers.
         Knives.
         drums.
 Pins.
 Plates,
         case.
         cutting.
 Pliers,
         clasp bending.
         contouring.
          collar.
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Pliers, pin roughing and bending.
         spring fitting.
         medium pointed.
Pumice.
Presses, flask.
Rifflers.
Rouge.
Rubbers, vulcanizing.
         orange.
         black.
         pink.
         white.
         Vela.
         Repairing.
      Heaters, hot water.
Saw frames.
    fret.
Scrapers vulcanite.
Sculptors ard.
          Sa.
Shears Metal.
Scissors, rubber.
          crown.
Shellac.
Soldering blocks, asbestos.
          iron.
          tweezers.
Slabs borax.
Springs Denture Compo.
              11
                         Swivels, sets.
Stearine.
Stones, grind.
Stones, Arkansas.
Suction discs Lord's.
              Rauhes's.
Sand casting.
      seives.
Stoves, Primus.
               for vulcanizor.
               Nipples.
               Burners.
               Washers.
Teeth .
           Anterior:-
           Upper incisors pin.
           Lower
           Upper "
                           Diatoric.
           Lower
       Odd teeth. :-
           Centrals.
                      Compo. pins.
           Laterals.
           Canines.
           Centrals Platinum pins.
           Laterals
           Canines
       Posteriors :-
           Upper and lower Molars and Bicuspids. Sets of 16.
           Bicuspids Compo. pins, sets of 4.
Teeth shade guide.
Teeth cases Jap. enamel.
      facings, Steeles.
               Repair, Ash's.
Thermometers.
              slides.
Tongs #-
         Crucible.
         Flask.
Trimmers Vulcanite.
Tubing I.R.
       flexible metal.
Tweezers soldering.
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Urns, water.
Vices, bench.

" hand.
Vulcanizers.
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Fusible plugs.
Safety valves.
Blow off taps.
Pressure guage.
Syphon.
Washers.

Wax, modelling.

" bees.
" cement.

Weights and scales.

Wire binding.

" ligature.
" G.S.
" V.M.
" Platinoid.

Wheels felt.

Whiting.

Wicks, spirit lamp.

Zinc.

STAFF OFFICER, 23
AUSTRALIAN DENTAL SERVICES
FRANCE.

N.C. 2/5/1

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

From: Staff Officer, Australian Dental Services, France,

attached Headquarters 1st. ANZAC,

To: A.D.M.S.,

3rd. Australian Division.

Report submitted on Australian Dental Units attached 3rd. Australian Division.

1. On 24-10-17 I visited the Dental Units of your Division.

2. Dental Unit No. 46 attached 11th. Australian Field Ambulance at Oeuve-Wirquin, had not started work, it being explained that the transport had not arrived with the equipment. The Dental Officer was in Boulogne so that little could be ascertained regarding the Unit.

The 11th. Infantry Brigade being in the Oeuve-Wirquin area, should be systematically gone through by the Officer-in-charge of the Dental Unit during the next ensuing weeks. He should be instructed to arrange muster parades at suitable times with the battalions concerned or else have a definite number of men parade each day at the Dental Unit's location from each battalion of the Brigade. Ten men per battalion per day usually fully occupies a Dental Unit, as oddments requiring dental attention will usually augment the parade over the regular fourty men arranged for. This same instruction should apply to the Dental Units attached the 9th. and 10th. Field Ambulances.

It was reported to me that certain reinforcements to this and other Brigades of your Division have recently arrived in great need of Dental attention. Some such reinforcements had, I was informed, come direct from England (machine gunners) and others from the Base, Havre. I am taking the necessary steps to inform the Senior Dental Officer at the Base of this fact and to instruct him that the newly inaugurated practice of allowing drafts to leave the Base not dentally fit must cease forthwith.

As Dental Unit No. 46 is being brought up to strength by the transfer of No. 14217 S/Sgt. W.E.FLEMING from the Base, vice MOUNT evacuated and also as the Unit is temporarily augmented by the fourteen days attachment of No. 2926 Pte. W.F.YOUNG, 3rd. Pioneer Battalion, the time seems ripe to allow either the Mechanic or the Orderly to proceed on leave.

Dental Unit No. 45 attached 9th. Australian Field Ambulance at Ecuire was unpacking equipment and commencing work. The hindrances of transportation to Dental Units in the Field are quite understood and no fault is being found with the Dental Units of your Division on the matter of delay in getting to work at the juncture of my visit.

The 9th. Infantry Brigade being in the Ecuire area should also be thoroughly overhauled as suggested in para. 2 of this report. No better time exists for this procedure than when a Brigade is in rest, and the opportunity should be seized.

As Dental Unit No. 45 is augmented by the loan of No. 2384 Pte. H.S.RAISBECK, 3rd. Pioneer Battalion, who is a capable mechanic, it is suggested as being propitious for one of the personnel of the Unit being granted the privilege of leave.

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Ambulance at Senlecques was in working order. The 10th.

Infantry Brigade should also be systematically overhauled in regard to dental treatment during the ensuing weeks.

I am asking the D.A.G. A.I.F. to transfer No. 14207 S/Sgt. J.H.O. PATERSON of this Unit to the Base (vide your correspondence dated 25-9-17) on his relief by No. 2770 S/Sgt. H. HARDING. I consider, after investigation, that this change is necessary in conformity with G.R.O. 1803.

There is a Pte. HAMMON, 29th. Battalion on loan to Dental Unit No. 56. He has been working with this Unit for some considerable time. This soldier is an able Dental Mechanic and I am given to understand that he has submitted on two occasions, an application for transfer to the Australian Army Dental Corps as a Staff Sergeant Dental Mechanic. Neither of these applications have reached me. Would you please advise if any record of this man's applications is on your register, as I am particularly desirous of obtaining his transfer to the A.A.D.C. ?

This Dental Unit has No.472 Pte. H.J. WILSON, 10th. M.G. Coy. temporarily attached for fourteen days and as in the preceding cases it would seem propitious for either S/Sgt. HILL or the orderly of the Unit to proceed on leave.

The Dental Officer attached 10th. Australian Field Ambulance is in the habit of making gold fillings, gold inlays, bridges and crowns. This necessarily must involve the exchange of gold coins or else utilization of money for special stores from Red Cross or Comforts Funds which is not desirable, and its cessation forthwith is recommended. The setting aside of any funds for the purchase of special dental equipment for dental services in the field is not condoned by the D.M.S., A.I.F. All stores necessary to the work of a Dental Unit in the field are obtainable by requisition in the usual way.

Dental Units of your Division and the utilization of the Dental Unit personnel for stretcher-bearing, duties in Q.M. store, despatch-riding, looking after horse transport and horse lines, for injecting anti-tetanic serum, duties as Orderly Officer, etc. etc. during the time that your Division was in the line is submitted as being prodigal.

During the past ten months such procedures have never at any time been undertaken with Dental Corps personnel in 1st. Anzac Corps to my own knowledge. That the B.E.F. is by no means adequately supplied with dental services will be readily admitted and conceding that at the time above referred to the 3rd. Division Infantry Brigades were not accessible for dental treatment, there were a number of places in the rear where troops were congregated and where your Dental Units would have been able to render much needed service, examples - Poperinghe, 3rd. Australian Div. Amm. Coln. horse lines, 3rd. Div. Reinforcement Camp, etc. etc. Moreover, the fact that your Dental Units may have been working for the time being, for troops not of the 3rd. Australian Division is immaterial. I frankly hope that in future cases when your Division is engaged, that your Dental Units will be allocated to spote where they may continue their Army purpose. If you wish any assistance in allocating your Dental Units in such circumstances I am willingly at your disposal in finding suitable troop areas.

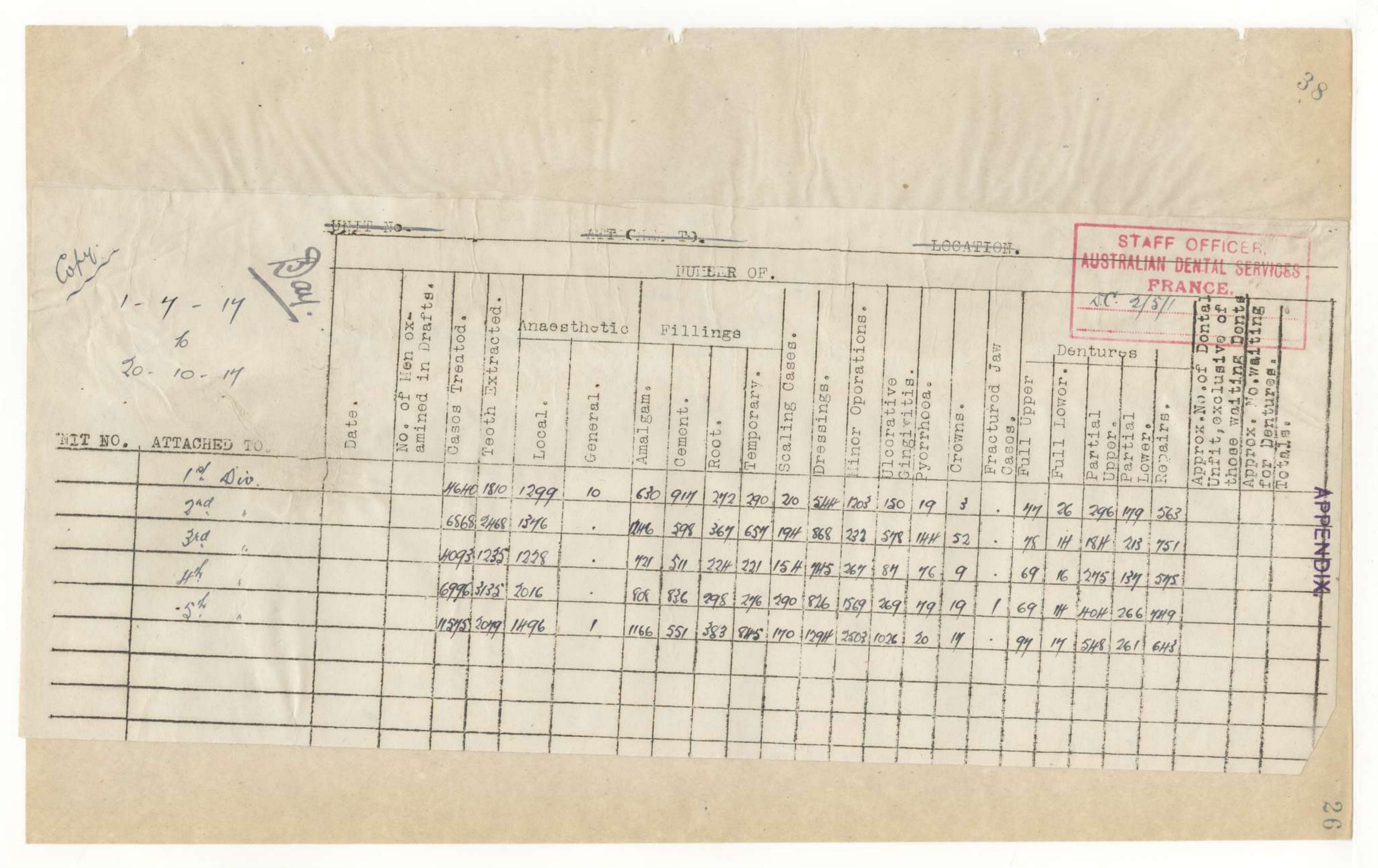
- The attached tables shewing work done by Australian Dental Units attached Divisions for a period 1-7-17 to 20-10-17 are submitted as being of interest.
- 7. I have asked the D.A.G. A.I.F. to sanction the loan of

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Aust. Dental Unit No. 41 attached 1st. A.C.C.S. to the 3rd. Aust. Div. Arty. and have warned the Officer-in-charge of this Dental Unit of the map location advised in your wire of 25-10-17. As soon as the Dental Unit gets contact with your Artillery, I will enquire into work presenting etc. and advise you of any suggestions I wish to put forward.

8. I had hoped to report to you personally regarding the matters cited in this report, after my inspections, but owing to three breakdowns with my car, a course had to be set for St. Omer for repairs.

H.Q. 1st. ANZAC, October 26th. 1917. s.o., A.D.S., FRANCE.



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NOMINAL ROLL OF AUSTRALIAN DENTAL UNITS IN FRANCE.

Dental Unit	Officer-in-charge.	Rank.	No.	s/sgt.	No.	Orderly.	Locati	on.
18	SCHOLES L.R.	Capt.	10437 144	BLACKWELL C.D.T. BEARD L.	768 6112	THOMAS W.E. COTTERILL C.M.	lst. Aust.	Field Ambce.
3	PONSFORD C.R.	11	9116 6218	BARTON C.R. ALFORD L.E.	1549	PONSFORD R.L.	2nd.	do
5	BLOGG K.V.	11	9528 3703	MCKENZIE C.S. MURRAY A.	2625	RAMSAY R.	3rd.	do
19	FINLAY G.	11	13217 1834	COOK W.A. DALGARNO G.E.	1433	SCOTT D.	4th.	do
22	HARBECK L.	11	6233 14038	PEACOCK J.W.E. FRENCH C.H.	9007	GODDARD E.	5th.	do
4	POTTINGER H.W.	11	3263 8168	RAY V.E. BURNS H.D.	8636	BAILEY W.R.	6th.	do
24	FRASER R.	"	3594 137	ANDREA J.E. DeSAXE N.D.	3982	BOWERING V.H.	7th.	APPENDIX. do
2	RILEY E.B.D.	11	15814 1820	INGRAM L. TULLOH C.A.	6670	WYNTER F.G.	8th.	do
45	BENNETT G.B.	11	10661	SMEDLEY E.H. GODFERY E.A.	10663	DRUCE R.E.	9th.	do
56	AUSTIN D.	"	12407	PATTERSON H.J. HILL B.A.	12409	McINNES J.T.	10th.	do
46	TAUNTON H.C.D.	11	13454 14217	HEATH A.L. FLEMING W.E.	13458	COOK E.T.	11th.	do Any Mai joset
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27	MELDRUM F.	Capt.	14221 10665	DOREIAN A.C. HARROLD V.N.	9788	MCKINLEY W.A.	12th. Aust. Fd. Amb.
34	FORSTER F.R.	***	10664	RICKEY W.T. TUCKER C.H.A.	13323	MILDERN E.E.	13th. do
32			1418 7334	COLLINS W.A.I. DAVIS C.E.			14th. do
23			14224 14225	RALSTON W. CASH H.R.	1095	ARMSTRONG E.	15th. do
41	SATCHELL G.K.	***	72 243 2649	CHISHOLM A.J. WHETTON P. DADLEY O.			lst. A.C.C.S.
29	LOCKHART N.E.	11	256 7367	IBBOTSON A.V. PIKE J.D.	7384	WALTON H.	2nd. A.C.C.S.
37	RUSSELL K.	11	1466 289	CROME H.F. MORRISON A.	6282	DEMPSTER W.	5th. Aus. Div. Amm. Col.
17	HENDERSON A.R.P.	11	1437	GREGG B. ADAMS J.	8046	BLOOMFIELD L.A.	2nd. A.G.H.
10	VERNON R.E.	11	1374 10438	JONES E.W. RICHARDSON H.E.	652	BOUTCHER J.	3rd. A.G.H.
1.1	MOLLE E.F.	tf .	1670 14058	McGRATH T.M. NEATE C.B.			4th. Aust. Div. Art.
44	CAULFIELD W.E.G.	tf	2451 14220 2452	SNELLING J.M. BELL C. SNELLING W.F.	1622	BLOOM L.	A.G.B.D. A.G.B.

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35	HEATLEY C.P.	Capt.	15543 2770 6284 128	HYDE A.S. HARDING H. HARRIS E.R. MCSHERRY G.P.	562	THOMPSON M.J.	A.G.B.D.
59	TERRY C.H.	11	323 1502 264	JOHNSTON T.E. LIVOCK E.J. SUTTON C.U.A.	9042	IRELAND F.	do
1	WILCOX S.E.	17	1670 8866 7934	PROVE E.H. ALLEN L.H. STRATFORD C.R.		FLETCHER A.G.R.	do

IN HOSPITAL.

Capt. ROBERTS G.N. ex Dental Unit No. 23.

11 a.m. November 19th. 1917.

L. B. Day Maja.
So. R. D. Fanu.

PENDIX.