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WAR DIARY

OF

2ND AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE

FOR

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
J. 34. a. 8. 2 BOUZENCOURT	1.9.18		Lt. Col. E.F. LIND assumed command. - Ptes. Crombie, W., Morley, R., Tyler, C.P., Burke, J., Scott, T., Ritson, J., Irwin, E. & L/Cpl. Morris A.V. wounded.	mb.S.
	2.9.18		Major E.A. CULLEN taken on strength.	mb.S.
	3.9.18		" " " posted for temp. duty as R.M.O. to 7th Bn. A.I.F. vice Capt. Barlow evacd. Gassed "W".	mb.S.
	5.9.18		Capt. Bothamley, A.J. rejoined from Temp. Attachment at 2nd San. Sec.	mb.S.
	6.9.18		" " " reported to 6th Bn. as R.M.O..	mb.S.
	7.9.18		" Hains, C.C. from temp. Attd. as R.M.O. 2nd A.F.A. Bde. "B" Section Tent Subdiv. rejoined unit from Hospice, FOULLOY.	mb.S.
	8.9.18		Major Cullen rejoined from 7th Bn. and taken on strength & posted to "A" Sec. Received instructions from 2nd Inf. Bde. A.I.F. to move off by buses to the vicinity of Clery. Arrd. destination, HALLE, 2 p.m. Personnel camped in trenches & dugouts. Horse transport moving independently, Major Davis in command of same.	mb.S.
	9.9.18		Horse transport reported in afternoon.	mb.S.
HALLE BRULE	10.9.18		Capt. McMahon from 2 A.G.H. & taken on strength.	mb.S.
	11.9.18		Ambulance proceed to BRULE. Bearer division to be under command of C.O. 3rd Aus. F. Amb, and to be held in readiness to move at 1/2-hour's notice. Major Heydon, G.A.M. to 3rd A.G.H. and taken off strength.	mb.S.
	12.9.18		Capt. Clatworthy temp. attd. 1st Aus. F. Amb.	mb.S.
	14.9.18		9 O.Ranks Bearers attd. 5th Battn.	mb.S.
			9 " " " 6th "	
			9 " " " 7th "	
			9 " " " 8th "	
	15.9.18		Capt. Jacobs, Capt. Lilley, & Capt. Hains and 37 O.Ranks reported to 3rd Aus. F. Amb. TINGCOURT. Capt. Jacobs & Capt Hains took over car-loading post at ROISEL RY. STN. Capt. Willis, C.B. 5th Dental Unit, attached.	mb.S.
	16.9.18		" Douglas, 3rd " " on leave to U.K.	mb.S.
	17.9.18		"B" Section Tent Div. proceeded to 3rd F. Amb. TINGCOURT to take over Walking Wd. Dressing Stn. from 3rd F. Amb. Ptes. Pennington, L., Simpson A. wounded	mb.S.
18.9.18		"C" Section Tent Div. proceeded to TINGCOURT Unit proceeded to MARQUAIX to open M.D.S. on 19.9.18.	mb.S.	
MARQUAIX	19.9.19		Established M.D.S. and was ready to receive at 08.00. Very few wounded coming through. Major Davis on leave to U.K.	mb.S.
	20.9.18		16 O.Ranks reported from 3 Aus. F. Amb. to assist with fatigues.	mb.S.
	21.9.18		9 O.Ranks	

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MARQUAIX	21.9.18		9 O.Ranks proceeded to 3rd Aus. Field Amb.	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	22.9.18		14 O.Ranks proceeded on 6 months furlough to Aus. Capt. Rutter, R.C. from leave to U.K.	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	23.9.18		118th Field Amb., U.S.A. marched in at 04.30. Dr. Austen, R.E. 1st A.M.T. Co. attd. Gas "W"	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	24.9.18		" " " " took over M.D.S. at 08.00. Awaiting movement orders.	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	26.9.18		Moved out of M.D.S. MARQUAIX noon, and entrained at TINCOURT 04.30. arriving at LONGPRE	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
YAUCOURT- BUSSUS	27.9.19		03.00, Train pulled up for about 1/2-hour on the journey on account of enemy aircraft dropping bombs very close. No damage to train. H.Transport proceeded by road. Ambulance detrained at LONGPRE 03.00 and marched to YAUCOURT-BUSSUS, arriving there 06.30. Personnel given hot meal on arrival. Billeted in village. Horse Transport reported correct at 6 p.m.	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	28.9.18		Opened up Brigade Rest Station for 50 patients. Leave passes to ABBEYVILLE issued.	<i>whs.</i> <i>whs.</i>
	29.9.18		2 O.Ranks "C" Section Tent Division proceeded to 2nd Bde. H.Q. to conduct Prophylactic Treatment.	
	30.9.18		---	

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COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT.

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The beginning of this month found the Ambulance still at BOUZENCOURT - a delightful spot on the bank of the Somme Canal, and is marked by the assumption of command of Unit by Lt. Col. L. F. Lind, who was previous D.A.D.M.S., 4th Aus. Div. "B" Section Tent Subdiv., in charge of myself, was still at Hospice FOULLOY, where a great deal of work was carried on in connection with sick parades and evacuation of patients to C.C.S. from all units in the far and near vicinity. On assuming command, Lt. Col. Lind at once set to work to ascertain any deficiencies in mobilisation Stores and Medical and Surgical Equipment of the Unit by causing a Board to assemble and report thereon, and to make all ranks acquainted with his methods of working. The response was, on the whole, good, and willingly undertaken by all concerned, and by 7/9/18 the Ambulance was fully prepared to accompany its new commanding officer to scenes of more activity.

On 8/9/18 we received instructions from 2nd Aus. Infy. Bde. to move off by busses ~~xx~~ ~~xx~~ to vicinity of ~~xxxxxxx~~. We embussed near HAMEL at 11 a.m. with the Brigade, and the long column of busses and char-a-bancs wound their way along the extremely dusty roads, following the course of the River Somme to vicinity of HALLE, which was reached at 2 p.m.

It had just commenced to rain, and the Unit was disembussed in an open patch of country behind an old system of trenches and barbed wire, immediately behing PERONNE, and to the south-west of the famous MONT ST. QUENTIN. Despite the meagre accommodation provided the men very quickly constructed bivouacs for themselves in the deserted trenches, and bell tents and operating tents were pitched for the officers' quarters and officers' and sergeants' messes.

The transport moved separately on morning of 8/9/18, under command of Major Davis, and despite the greasy condition of the roads on the second day of the march, made good time, and arrived on afternoon of 9th. The following afternoon three bearer squads and one runner were attached to each of the 2nd Bde. Battalions, taking with them wheeled ambulances, two stretchers per squad, blankets and shell dressings.

On 11.9.18 the Ambulance moved with its transport to a location at BRUSLE, selected the previous day by myself, only to find that it had been "jumped" by A Canadian Railway Corps. However, we were able to find room close by and soon had a very comfortable camp constituted of bivouacs for the men, and tents for Officers, Officers' and Sergeants' Messes, Medical Tent, and Q.M. Store. The Bearer Division was placed at disposal of O.C. 3rd Aus. Field Amb., then running A.D.S., and held in readiness to move at $\frac{1}{2}$ -hours notice. Meantime the detached squads has returned to the fold.

On 14.9.18 9 O.Ranks Bearers were attached each to 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Battalions, and on following day Captains JACOBS, LILLEY and HAINS and 37 O.Ranks reported to 3rd Aus. Field Amb. at TINCOURT.

For the work of the Bearers from this time onwards refer to Bearer Officer's Report by Capt. JACOBS attached.

On the afternoon of 17.9.18, in accordance with A.D.M.S. instructions, "B" Section Tent Subdivision, in charge of myself, marched out complete to set up a Walking Wounded Dressing Station in the proximity of 3rd Aus. Field Amb. at TINCOURT. On arrival the little batch of men forming the section converted, by dint of sheer diligent work, the three Swiss Cottage Tents allotted them for the purpose, into a very serviceable and neatly arranged "Walking Wounded Station." Instructions were that this station should be ready to open as soon as the 3rd Aus. Field Amb. moved forward to a new A.D.S. on 14.9.18, ~~xxxxxxx~~ as soon as the tactical situation permitted. However, the shelling was so severe in the forward area as to render this inadvisable; consequently the A.D.S. (3rd Aus. Field Amb.) did not move from TINCOURT that day and the Walking Wounded Station opened on verbal instructions from A.D.M.S.

The other tents were arranged in line parallel to road, with ammunition boxes filled with earth collected in G.S. Waggon from

a dump in the hollow below, arranged round the sides, to serve at the same time as seats and as revettement. Patients entered at one end into the first tent where all the clerking was done; thence they passed to second tent where they were dressed; and finally to 3rd tent, where hot drinks in form of cocoa and milk and coffee and milk were given them with biscuits and cigarettes, a buffet having been built of sheet iron for the purpose. Guides were posted at entrance and exit of station onto road, the former to stop cars and lorries bringing down walking wounded and help them into clerking tent, the latter to check them into char-a-bancs to proceed to C.C.S. The whole station ran without a hitch and the walking wounded were dealt with without any delay. Casualties coming through were light.

The same morning early "C" Section Tent Sub Div. proceeded to Tincourt so as to be ready to take over a small hospital marque from 3rd Aus. Field Amb. and run it concurrently with "B" Section. but owing to the change in arrangements their services were not called upon.

Later on in the afternoon of the 18.9.18 in accordance with A.D.M.S. wire AM/153 D/18.9.18 4.50 p.m., the remainder of the Unit still at ~~MAXXIXX~~ BRUSLE, moved to MARQUAIX to form a Main Dressing Station by 8 a.m. the next morning. "C" Section Tent Subdivision moved independently, and arrived first, at about 8 p.m. "B" Section Tent Subdivision remained at TINCOURT till the following morning, (19.9.18, when it packed up and struck tents and then proceeded to join the main body, arriving at MARQUAIX at 10 a.m.

Here again the whole of the three Tent Subdivisions, for there were few bearers with us then, worked hard in order to open the M.D.S. at the specified time. This was accomplished in the following manner:- "A" Section Tent Subdivision opened up in a building which had been somewhat renovated by the Engineers previously with the object of its becoming an A.D.S. for the 3rd Aus. Field Amb, while "C" Section erected a temporary Walking Wounded Station in bell tents until such time as "B" Section could erect a more permanent W.W. Station in the shape of two Swiss Cottage Tents laced together along one side. This was accomplished by "B" Section by 1 p.m. that afternoon. The third or Waiting Tent was replaced in this case by a shed which having been renovated and whitewashed served admirably as a buffet and waiting-room. Here again char-a-bancs were the means of evacuating W.W. cases to C.C.S.

Cars bringing down stretcher cases from the A.D.S. entered by one gate into a courtyard in front of the M.D.S. and passed out by another. Stretcher squads were on duty in front to off-load cars on arrival, inside to load up M.A.C. cars, of which there were eight attached, and which ran in and out on a complete circuit behind the station and quite distinct from the former. There is little doubt that this system, namely, the walking wounded and stretcher cases being kept entirely apart, complete circuits for incoming and outgoing cars respectively.

Work at the M.D.S. was at no time heavy, as casualties were generally light.

The 1st Aus. Div. Resuscitation Team were installed in an outhouse in the courtyard and did much valuable work. One cannot help but admit the wisdom of the institution of such teams and that they are instrumental in saving life.

118th Field Amb. U.S.A. marched in to MARQUAIX at 04.30 on the 23.9.18, and were followed later by their transport. They took over from us at 08.00 the next day. The following two days, during which we were waiting orders, the Officers and N.C.O's. gave the Yanks every assistance and much advice, for which they were very grateful, and I am afraid greatly needed.

In accordance with Divisional Administrative Instructions re move to LONG area, on the 25.9.18 an advanced party consisting of one water-cart and one cook's vehicle with stores, etc., entrained at LA CHAPELLETTE near PERONNE, with the rest of the 2nd Brigade group of transport proceeding by rail, late in the evening.

The H. Transport, other than the above, proceeded by road on the morning of 25.9.18 as detailed in Transport Officer's report attached.

On the same day Capt LILLEY went ahead in an Ambulance Car to select billets.

The main body of the Ambulance marched out of the M.D.S. at MARQUAIX at noon 26.9.18 to entrain for its billeting area - AILLY-LE-HAUT, CLOCHER sub area.

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We entrained at TINCOURT with our Brigade at 04.00, arriving at LONGPRE at 03.00 27.9.18, tired, cold, and hungry, only to be faced with a march of six miles on an empty stomach, and a very big hill to climb on the way. The train was pulled up for half an hour on account of enemy aircraft dropping bombs very close. Happily no damage was done to the train which was an exceptionally long one.

We arrived finally at our destination - YAUCOURT-BUSSUS at about 06.30, where we found a hot meal awaiting us prepared by the Advance Party. Troops were then billeted in barns in the village, and slept soundly till the afternoon.

The Horse Transport, with Capt. RUTTER in charge, arrived safe and sound at 18.00, that day, after a heavy journey.

On the following day a BRIGADE REST STATION was opened up with accommodation for 50 patients, in a large barn in the village.

Leave was granted freely to neighbouring villages and to ABBEVILLE to the extent of 10% of strength.

(Sgd.) M. G. SUTTON, Major,
A/C.O. 2nd Australian Field Ambulance.

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Q.M's REPORT.

The movements of the unit have been many and varied, during the month of September, but they have in no way interferred with the rationing of the men in the usual manner.

Dumps have been established from time to time with in reasonable distance of the unit access, and rations have been quite upto the standard both in quality and quantity. Naturally fat returns have not been so good as previous months- on account of so many moves having taken place.

Ordnance stores have been supplied from time to time on demand, no difficulty being experienced in making up the shortages.

Repair work both in the bootmaker's shop and the tailor's has been carried on wherever possible, but one can't help recommending that one of each of the former be added to the establishment of the personnel of a Field Ambulance.

Salvage returns have been well maintained until coming to the rest area, where naturally this part of the work more or less ceases.

Clean clothing has been obtained and the men bathed and changed several times during the month.

Routine work from day to day with nothing of paramount importance to record.

(Sgd) R. C. RUTTER, Capt. Q.M.
 2nd Aus. Field Ambulance.

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HORSED TRANSPORT REPORT.

HORSES. General Condition. Good.
Evacuations. One heavy draught evacuated with Synovitis Kneec.
Sick. One light draught suffering from Chronic
 Dermatitis.
Work done. This has been more than heavy. The long road trip
 being, BOUZENCOURT to HALLE. Thence BRUSLE thence
 MARQUAIX, thence 3 days road trip to present situation at
 YAUCOURT-BUSSUS. The weather was mostly raining, but the
 roads good. The horses stood the work well, except that
 the cold rain causes local outbreaks of sweat boils
 under collars and saddles.

HARNESS. This is in good working condition, but needs a
 lot of scrubbing and polishing - the stitching is rotting
 in many places - due to age.

FODDER. This has been of good quality, and rations al-
 ways kept up.

PERSONNEL. Grazing has not been so plentiful as last month.
 On account of the return to AUSTRALIA of 13
 Horse Drivers it has been difficult to keep up the
 usual high standard of grooming and general stable
 efficiency - but the new drivers are keen and no doubt
 will soon make good.

VEHICLES. Spare parts are all well up to Establishment.
 There is one Water Cart at present at I.O.M. for condem-
 nation on account of worn axles.

(Signed) T. Earles Davis, Major.,
 Transport Officer.
 2nd Aust Field Amb.

BEARER OFFICERS REPORT.

10.9.18.

At HALLE, the Bearer Division, 2nd Australian Field Ambulance was placed under the command of C.O. 3rd Aus. Field Ambulance but still remained with its own Unit.

O.C. Bearer Division..... Capt. H.S. JACOBS.
Officers... Capt. HAINS, C.C., and Capt. LILLEY.

11.9.18.

Moved with Ambulance to BRUSLE via PERONNE. 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde. in reserve.

15.9.18.

Moved Bearer Division to A.D.S. at TINCOURT, under command of C.O. 3rd Aus. Field Amb.

Reserve Bearers remained at TINCOURT under Capt. Lilley, - Capt Jacobs and Capt Hains took over car-loading post of 1st Aus. Field Amb. at ROISEL RY. STN. at 18.30.

Two Battalions of 2nd Inf. Bde. took over line and two car-loading posts were similarly taken over and contact made with bearers attached to respective battalions.

5th Battn. R.A.P. at ROISEL RY. STN. in support.

18.9.18.

At 5.20 a.m. zero hour, 1st and 3rd Brigades went through 2nd and advanced. Cars of 1st Field Amb. and 3rd Field Amb. assisted in clearing and subsequently formed loading posts further forward. Bearers still remaining with Battalions.

20.9.18.

~~2nd Australian Field Amb. joined A.D.S. at MARQUAIX~~
Two squads of bearers from each battalion recalled but were sent back again same night. Capt. Jacobs and Capt. Hains returned to 2nd Aus. Field Ambulance.

21.9.18.

Capt Jacobs took over car-loading post at HARGICOURT clearing for 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde. Placed 3 squads of bearers in relay with 6th Battalion, and used bearers at R.A.P. of 7th Battn as loading party. Casualties very light. During the period 15th - 18th inclusive, before the advance, the town of ROISEL and the railway station were subjected to fairly heavy shelling - H.E. shrapnel and in the early hours of the morning gas shell, mustard and lacrymatory.

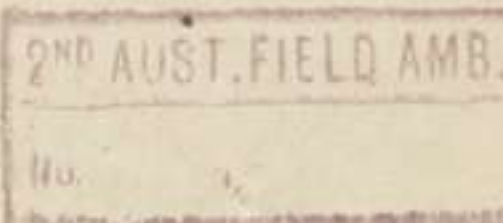
The casualties from the line battalions were extremely light most of the casualties coming through the post at ROISEL Ry. Stn. and being from Artillery, Engineer and Labor Units in the near vicinity. The ambulance cars in running through the town to and from the loading posts often had narrow escapes from bursting shells. In the first hour or so following the attack on the 18th, many casualties from the left battalion came through the same post at ROISEL, they being unable to ~~XX~~ locate the new R.A.P.s or loading posts of the 1st Field Amb.

In period following in ROISEL, there was no shelling to speak of. At HARGICOURT post the casualties in the period 21st - 24th were extremely light considering the amount of shelling in this area. This was continuous and heavy consisting of H.E., shrapnel and a large amount of gas shells, mustard and lacrymatory. The majority of casualties occurred during the relief by 2nd Bde. on night of 21st inst.

On night of 24th inst., relief by American troops, casualties were conspicuously light.

The bearers at HARGICOURT did most excellent work, those from left battalion having to carry through town itself and a distance of ~~ab~~ about 1400 yards, it being quite impossible to establish a relay post to that battalion.

(Sgd.) H.S. JACOBS, Capt.
2nd Aus. Field Amb.

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SPECIAL MOVEMENT ORDER By Lt. Col. E.F. LIND. C.O.
24.9.18

In accordance with 2nd Aus. Infy. Bde. Order No. 131 of 24.9.18
1. Horse Transport (less Cooks' Cart and 1 Water Cart) will
move to new area on 25.9.18, under command of Capt. Rutter, will
march in rear of Bde. group H.T. O.C., Lieut. Jardine.

2. Starting Point for Bde. group H.T. (5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Battns,
2nd M.G. Coy., 2nd Fld. Co., 2nd Fld. Amb.) 620/ J.33.A. 2.O. at
9 a.m. 25.9.18.

3. Supply vehicles will not accompany ~~XXXX~~ H.T.

4. Stages - 25th/26th CERISY; 26th/27th VAUX-EN-AMIENOIS.

5. Supplies - Churches at places mentioned above.

6. Routine -

Reveille	05.30
Breakfast	06.15
Move-off	07.30

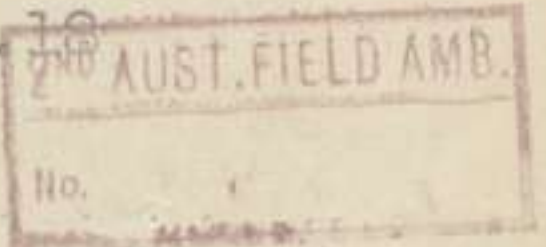
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(Sgd) FRANK LIND, Lt. Col.
C.O. 2nd Aus. Field Amb.

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Reference Sheet 62D.APPENDIX NO. 6

- In accordance with ADMS. 1st Aus. Div. P 105/103, of 6.9.18.
- (1) "B" Tent Subdiv. complete, with attached personnel of this Unit will rejoin Unit H.Q. location J.3.4.a.8.2. by route march, moving off from Hospice FOULLOY at 5.30 p.m. 7.9.18.
 - (2) All patients will be evacuated or returned to duty before move, and Station closed.
 - (3) Movement to be with mob. stores complete.
 - (4) Station Stores (less 22 Soyer Stoves to be carried) will be returned to 3rd MAC. Dump BRAY.
 - (5) On ~~completion~~ completion of evacuation, car of 1st Aus. Field Amb. will rejoin unit.
 - (6) Any demand for extra transport (paras 2 and 4) will reach this office early.
 - (7) Certificate of cleanliness will be obtained from Town Major FOULLOY and forwarded to this office.
 - (8) O.C. "B" Section acknowledge.

(Sgd) FRANK LIND, Lt.Col.
C.O. 2nd Aus. Field Amb.

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ORDER NO. 3.

APPENDIX No. 7

Reference Sheet 62 c 1/40,000



In accordance with 1st Aus. Div. A.A.M.C. Order No. 49 d/9.9.18

1. PERSONNEL.

(a) Bearer Division (A.A.M.C. S.O. VI. para 2) less 3 horse Amb. waggons will be detailed for duty with 2nd Aus. Infy. Bde. as from 6.00 p.m. 10.9.18 under command of Capt. H.S. JACOBS.

(b) 2 squads (4 men each) and 1 runner will report to 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Battns. each at 8.00 p.m. 10.9.18.

(c) Balance of Bearer Division will move with 2nd Aus. Field Amb. to new area, and will be held in readiness to evacuate Brigade - to move at half hour notice.

(d) Personnel will move in "Fighting Order" with one blanket and W.P. sheet. Each squad will carry two stretchers, 2 blankets, and 16 shell dressings.

(e) Wheeled stretchers will accompany bearer division, but will be at the disposal of 3rd Aus. F. Amb.

2. TRANSPORT.

3 Sunbeam cars will report for duty to 3rd Aus. Field Amb. at MARQUAIX K.15.c.1.8 at 8.00 p.m. 10.9.18.

3 horse ambulance waggons will be held in readiness to report to 3rd Aus. Field Amb. under instructions from this office.

3. RATIONS.

Detached personnel will be rationed by this Unit.

4. COMMAND.

At 6.00 a.m. 11.9.18 the command of Bearer Division will pass to O.C. 3rd Aus. Field Amb.

issued at 5 p.m. 10.9.18.

(Sgd) FRANK LIND, Lt. Col.
Commanding 2nd Aus. Field Ambulance

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COPY OF WIRE TO

C.O. 2nd Australian Field Ambulance.

Senders No...153 A.M. 18.9.18.

Arrange to open M.D.S. at MARQUAIX by 8 a.m. to-morrow morning (19th) a.a.a. W.W.D.S. will be transferred from TINCOURT to MARQUAIX, also at the same time and will be administered by you. a.a.a. Gas Centre will remain at BUIRE and Resusciation Team will report to you at MARQUAIX for duty. a.a.a. Capt. McMahon will return to his Unit by 8 a.m. to-morrow. a.a.a. add. 2nd Aus. Rept 1st Aus. F. Amb.

From A.D.M.S. 1st Aus. Div.

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ORDER No. 2.

In accordance with 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde. Order No. 226 of 6.9.18 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde Group will move by bus from HAMEL area to vicinity of CLERY or BUSSU on 8th inst.

Transport of Unit will move independently, following transport of 1st Aus. Pioneer Battalion, and will be in position at P.4.d.2.5. at 7.15 a.m. Route - MORCOURT-PROYART-CHUIGNES-CAPPY-FRISE-FEUVILLERES H.9 H.10 → CLERY to billeting area, to be clear of MORCOURT by 10 a.m. Distance of 150 yards will be maintained between units. Transport will be broken into 3 parts with 30 yards between groups. Horses will be watered between CAPPY-FRISE.

ROUTINE.

1.	<u>Personnel.</u>	Reveille	6.30 a.m.	
		Breakfast	7.30 "	
		Parade	8.30 "	(marching order)
	<u>Transport</u>	Reveille	5.00 "	
		Breakfast	6.00 "	
		Move Off	7.00 "	

2. Capt. C.C. HAINS, and Sergt. LIGHTBODY will report to Lieut. ANDREWATHA, at embussing point at 9.30 a.m. with unit Embussing State.

3. Loading of transport will be completed by 9 a.m. on 7.9.18.

4. Major T. R. E. DAVIS will be in command of transport.

5. Orderly Officer will arrange for 2 cars to leave at 6.30 a.m. on 8.9.18 to collect Battalion Sick. Evacuations to PROYART GROUP C.C.S's

(Sgd.) FRANK LIND, Lt.Col.
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