

13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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In the Field, 1st. June 1918.

Place	Date 1918	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ALLONVILLE	May			
	1st.		Ambulance site of WALKING WOUNDED Station in AMIENS cleared and holding party withdrawn.	
	2nd.		Reconnoitred Walking Wounded post on North Bank of the SOMME with A.D.M.S., and Major STEELE. Capts. CORBETT and HOPE reported for duty.	
	3rd.		78 Casualties passed through WALKING WOUNDED M.D.S. ("C" Section) from MONUMENT ATTACK. Capt. A.E. BROWN reported for duty.	
			A.D.M.S., No. M11/747 received at 9 p.m. Walking Wounded Station to be made on NORTH bank of the SOMME between LAMOTTE and CAMON. Major STEELE instructed to proceed with Capt. HOPE and "A" Section less Q.M. and Clerks at 9.30. a.m. on the 4th. instant. Three tents to be collected from M.D.S. and three bell tents from 12th. Aust. Field Ambulance to make posts. Punks and boats to be collected.	
	4th.		Instructions carried out. Post formed at Sheet 62D M.18.a.5.6. 3 Marquees collected from M.D.S. found to consist of one tent complete and four linings. Tent collected from AMIENS and erected with complete tent. (APPENDIX NO: 1)	1
	5th.		Warning Order received from A.D.M.S. for H.Q. and remainign Section of the Unit to move from ALLONVILLE to Sheet 62D M.5.c.1.5. 10 Bell tents to be collected from Area Commandant ALLONVILLE and three Nissen Bow huts to be transferred from LAMOTTE if possible. Huts required to form an emergency Main Dressing Station. Tents drawn and erected at site of the Camp. Nissen huts found to be unavailable. Two operating tents obtained from "C" Section at the M.D.S. WALKING WOUNDED. A.D.M.S., wire No. B.R. 59 instructing Unit to move to new site received at 6 p.m. Billets to be clear by 9 a.m. on 6th. instant.	
	6th.		Unit moved out from ALLONVILLE at 9 a.m. to new site. Personnel accommodated in tenets and shelters made from marquee linings. Transport under cover in hay sheds near by. All tents dug in.	
	7th.		D.D.M.S. Australian Corps visited Camps of the Unit. Expressed satisfaction.	
	8th.		No entry.	
M.5.c.1.5.	9th.		A picquet was placed on the BUSSY - AMIENS Road yesterday to interrogate all empty lorries proceeding towards AMIENS with a view to ascertaining the number which would be available in case of emergency to convey wounded to C.C.S. Report rendered to A.D.M.S., is attached as APPENDIX No: 2. Reply from A.D.M.S., (No. M11/757 of 10th.) and further report by this Unit also of 10th. are also attached as APPENDIX No: 2. No further reply was received.	2
Sheet 62D.	9th.		One other Rank evacuated to C.C.S. (suffering from Influenza) 9748 Pte. PARKER, A.F.	
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Form

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1918			
	May			
M.S.C.1.5.	10th.		No entry.	
	11th.		No entry.	
	12th.		No entry.	
	13th.		No entry. Capt. A.E. Brown was detailed for temporary duty as R.M.O., 46th. Aust. Inf. Batt.	
	15th.		Body of No. 6342 Pte. A.L. Bruning (a member of the Unit reported "Absent from Roll Call 9 p.m. 8th. instant) was recovered from the SOMME by Military Police. Bruning left Camp in company with two pals on the evening of the 8th. and it is presumed that he fell into the canal and was drowned. No evidence of any foul play in the shape of marks etc. on the body could be found. Death reported as "Accidental". Body buried in St. PIERRE Cemetery near AMIENS.	
	16th.		D.R.O., No. 437 received showing that the undermentioned members of the Unit had been awarded Military Medals by the Corps Commander:- No. 9740 Pte. MIDDLETON, C., No. 16229 Pte. JOHNS, H.H. No. 644 " BEALE, L.E., No. 10271 " MITCHELL, C.E.S. No. 16261 " CAMPBELL, H.A.M., No. 4748 " McLEAY, J. No. 185 Sgt. KIRKBY, O. No. 227 Sgt. HAYES, C.L.J.	
	15th.		Copies of recommendations are attached as APPENDIX NO: 3.	
	16th.		Major L.B. ELWELL, MC. reported for duty.	
			Capt. H.W. TILLING returned from 52nd. Aust. Inf. Battalion.	
			One other Rank reported for duty from Reinforcements.	
	18th/19th.		No. entries. (17th.) "B" Section relieved "C" Section at W.W.M.D.S., N.27.c.5.2.)	
	20th.		13th. Aust. Inf. Bde. moved to QUERRIEU AREA and arrangements were made for collection and evacuation of casualties.	
			A.A.M.C., Order No. 89 received at 10 a.m. "B" Section at WALKING WOUNDED M.D.S. to be relieved by 11th. Aust. Field Ambulance, and "A" Section at EMERGENCY WALKING WOUNDED M.D.S., and H.Q.'s. at EMERGENCY M.D.S. to be relieved by 9th. Field Ambulance. All reliefs to be completed by 10 a.m. on the 22nd. Advanced Parties will report to QUERRIEU by noon on 21st. and arrange to take over billets occupied by 11th. Field Ambulance.	
	21st.		Operation order No: 10 issued at 10. a.m. (Appendix No. 4.)	
	22nd.		Move to QUERRIEU completed by 10 a.m.	
QUERRIEU.	23rd.		Capt. A.E. Brown transferred to 46th. Aust. Inf. Bn. as from 13-5-1918.	
			Capt. H.W. Tilling transferred to 4th. Aust. Div. Amm. Column as from 24-5-1918.	
	24th.		No entry.	
	25th.		D. A. 491, W. 490 received showing Form C/2118/12. Military Cross to Capt. E.N.B. DOCKER, A.A.M.C. Copy of Recommendation attached as APPENDIX NO: 5.	5

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13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

APPENDIX NO: 1.

A.D.M.S.,

4th. Australian Division:

Reference your No. M11/747 of 3rd. instant -
"A" Section of this Unit, less Q.M., and Clerical Staff, marched
to M.18.a.5.6. (Sheet 62D) this morning. Major Steele, MC.,
and Capt. Hope are in charge of the Section.

Major Steele collected tentage from 12th. Aust.
Field Ambulance. Three tents collected turned out to be
one tent complete, plus three linings.

The Marquee taken over at "Walking Wounded M.D.S."
Amiens was also collected from Major Morlet. Two marquees
and three bell tents have, therefore, been erected.

Equipment is ready to open as soon as instructions
are received.

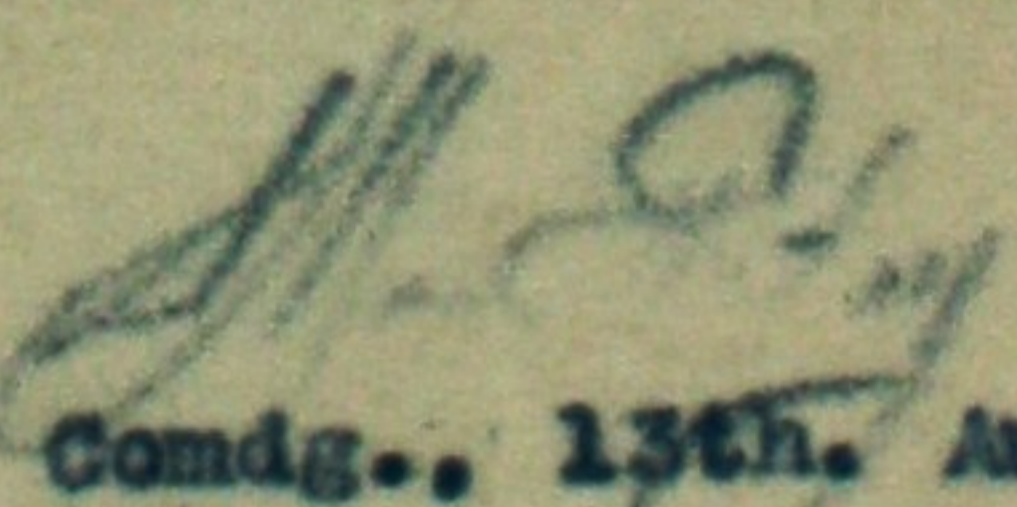
One Horse ambulance wagon has been withdrawn from
Major Morlet and posted with Major Steele.

D.A.D.M.S., 4th. Australian Division informed me
that he would obtain authority from A.P.M. and French Mission
to collect boats and punts. As there are numbers of troops
in the vicinity and armed guard is required to keep these
punts when collected.

The region of the cross roads at M.5.d. is practic-
ally all under crop, but an embussing point could be made at
any point on the road.

With reference to the site at M.18.a.5.6. - will
this be a Main Dressing Station for walking wounded or stretcher
cases please?

8 p.m.
4/5/1918.


Comdg., 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance.

Lient. Colonel.

Copies to war Diary (3)

COPY:

APPENDIX NO: 2.

M.11/757.

O.C.,

13th. Aust. Field Ambulance:

Reference your No. 8/324 of 9-5-1918 -

This Division is now Southern Sector and we are to clear to 5 and 47th. C.C.S., CROUY - see Medical Arrangements Fourth Army Operations 23 forwarded you this morning. Empty Lorries proceeding to Parks near AILLY can be loaded with walking wounded and written orders given to driver to take such cases to C.C.S. at CROUY.

If necessity arises, I will try and get extra busses. In normal times it would be simpler to clear your W.W. by Motor Ambulance direct to CROUY, holding patients until a car load has been collected.

(Sgd.) A. H. MOSELEY, Colonel.
A.D.M.S., 4th. Australian Divisio

10/5/1918., 1 p.m.



13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

APPENDIX NO. 2.

13th AUSTRALIAN

FIELD AMBULANCE.

4th AUS. DIVISION.

No.

Date

A.D.M.S.,

4th. Australian Division:

A picquet was placed on the BUSSY Road in front of Headquarters of this Unit from 10.45 a.m. to 7. 30. p.m. on 8-5-1918 and from 7.45 a.m. to 2. 5. p.m. on 9-5-1918, and all empty lorries proceeding in the direction of AMIENS were interrogated. Results are as follows:-

166 Lorries passed.

16	were	proceeding	to	AILLY sur SOMME.		Chiefly 4th. & 5th.
13	"	"	"	St. SAVEUR		Aust. Div. M.T. Coy.
13	"	"	"	POULAINVILLE		Chiefly 4th. A.D.M.T.
7	"	"	"	FLESSELLES.		" 3rd. A.D.M.T.
8	"	"	"	VIGNACOURT		" H.A. Lorries.
2	"	"	"	PERNOIS.		5th. Aust. D.M.T. Co.

Other lorries were proceeding in directions away from the line of evacuation to VIGNACOURT and PERNOIS.

In 4th. Australian Divisional Medical Arrangements dated 8th. May 1918 these Headquarters are to be an Embussing Point for Walking Wounded.

May authority be given please:-

1. To clear Walking Wounded to Station of 3rd. Aust. Division in FLESSELLES.
2. To send empty lorries of 4th. Aust. Div. M.T. Company returning to AILLY-sur-SOMME, St. SAVEUR and POULAINVILLE on to VIGNACOURT and PERNOIS with walking wounded in case of necessity.
3. To send empty lorries of 5th. Aust. Div. M.T. Company proceeding to St. SAVEUR to VIGNACOURT under the same circumstances.

The supply of empty lorries proceeding to FLESSELLES and VIGNACOURT may appear ample to deal with any ordinary emergency, but these lorries appear to pass chiefly in convoys about twice a day.

Failing the above arrangements, could arrangements be made please, to clear walking wounded from AILLY-sur-SOMME and St. SAVEUR to C.C.S.?

6 p.m.
9-5-1918.

M. P. L.
Lieut. Colonel.
Comdg., 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance.

13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

APPENDIX NO: 2.

8/4324.

A.D.M.S.,

4th. Australian Division:

Reference your No. M11/757 of even date - these Headquarters at present hold no busses and only two Sunbeam Cars and one Ford Car of the Unit Mechanical Transport.

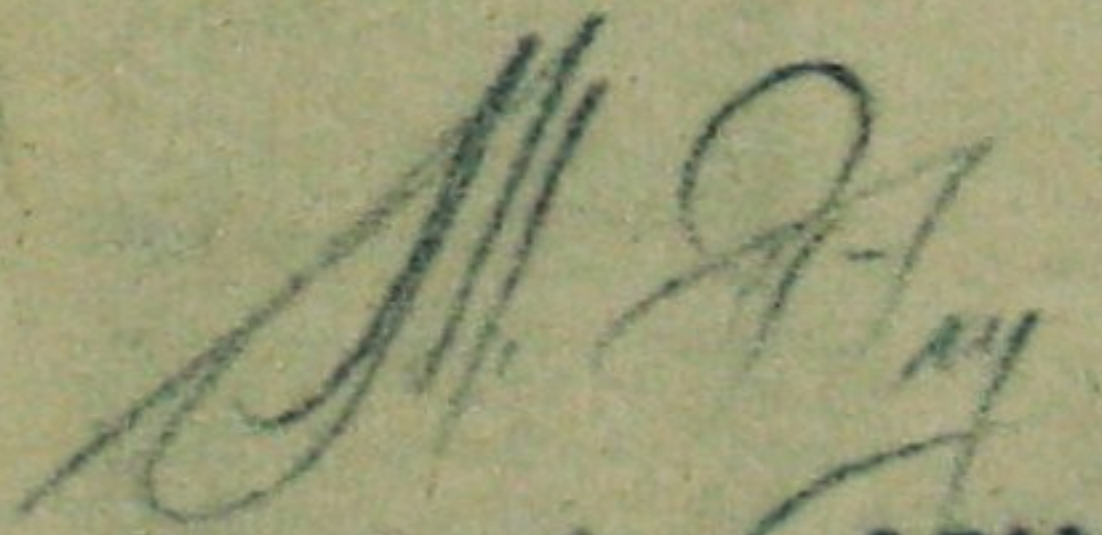
The Walking Wounded M.D.S. ("C" Section) at present clears only one or two car loads of sick and Walking Wounded per day. They hold one Sunbeam car, one Horse Ambulance wagon of the Unit Transport and three busses. Five busses, I understand, are held in reserve at M.D.S., St. ACHEUL.

The M.D.S. St. ACHEUL also holds M.A.C. Cars proceeding to C.C.S. with stretcher cases. I beg to suggest that in normal times "C" Section at the M.D.S. Walking Wounded clear their cases to M.D.S. St. ACHEUL to be sandwiched on M.A.C. Cars proceeding to C.C.S. with stretcher cases.

In the event of heavy casualties, may a ruling be given please, whether busses at M.D.S., St. ACHEUL are under orders of H.Q. of this Unit and if so, may instructions be given regarding their distribution on circuits viz., between the M.D.S. and these Headquarters, and between H.Q. and C.C.S. respectively?

It has further been suggested that the present M.D.S. W.W. be converted into an Advanced Dressing Station. Are there any further instructions in this matter please?

3.45. p.m.
10/5/1918.


Lieut. Colonel.
Comdg., 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance.

SECRET:

13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

Copy No.....

APPENDIX NO: 4.

OPERATION ORDER NO: 10.

by

Lieut. Colonel H. R. FRY., D. S. O.,

Commanding 13th. Australian Field Ambulance:

Reference Map ALIENS, 17. 1/100,000

in accordance with 4th. Aust. Div. A.A.M.C.
Order No. 89 dated 20th. May 1918:-

1. "B" Section, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance will be relieved by "B" Section, 11th. Aust. Field Ambulance at Walking Wounded M.R.S. North of ELISY on 21st. instant. Relief to be completed by 2 p.m. Tents pitched at this Station will be handed over to the relieving Unit. On relief "B" Section, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance will march to Billets in QUERRIEU.
2. Major L.G. Tassie with an advance party from Headquarters, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance will report to a representative of 11th. Aust. Field Ambulance at QUERRIEU at 11 a.m. on 21st. instant, and take over billets from that Unit and also tentage equivalent to those handed over to 11th. Aust. Field Ambulance by "B" Section, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance.
3. "A" Section, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance will march out from Emergency Walking Wounded Station, West of LANOTTE at 9 a.m. on the 22nd. instant and proceed to QUERRIEU via LANOTTE and overland track to ALBERT ROAD.
4. Headquarters and "C" Section, 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance will march out from Emergency Main Dressing Station, North of CANON at 9 a.m. on 22nd. instant and proceed to QUERRIEU via PETIT CANON. An officer and one other rank will remain at each site to hand over to 9th. Aust. Field Ambulance.
5. Mobilization Equipment only will be carried. Extra Tentage will be handed over to relieving Unit with the exception of three bell tents of 12th. Aust. Field Ambulance with "A" Section. These latter tents will be returned to 12th. Aust. Field Ambulance RIVERY on the morning of the 22nd. instant.
6. Receipts will be obtained for all stores handed over.

Issued at 10 a.m.
21st. May 1918.

M. P. Fry
Lieut. Colonel.
Comdg., 13th. Aust. Field Ambulance.

D I S T R I B U T I O N :

Copy No. 1.	A.D.M.S., 4th. Aust. Div.	7.	O.C., 9th. Aust. F. Amb.
2.	H.Q., 13th. A.I. Brigade.	8.	O.C., 11th. " " "
3.	O.C., 13th. A.F. Amb. "B" Sec.	9.	Town Major QUERRIEU.
4.	O.C., "C" Sec., 13th. A.F. Amb.	10.	Orderly Room.
5.	O/I/c, "A" Sec	11.	War Diary.
6.	Q.M., 13th. Aust. F. Amb.	12.	War Diary.
		13.	War Diary.