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Senior Presbyterian Chaplain's  
(Australian)

WAR DIARY

Rev W F Shannon

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>July 1919 &amp; August 1919.</p> <p>Chaplain Rev. Fred J. Paton sailed for Australia per "Takada" on 18<sup>th</sup> July, and by the end of the month had got as far as Port Said. A Cinema was being run on the voyage and amusements kept up in full swing; concert parties, orchestra, band, magic lantern, &amp;c.; a ship's paper was run on amusing lines; Diggers Parliament; a sports Committee kept things humming. Chaplain Paton was, as usual, busy, with visits to Hospital, Church Parades, Bible classes, Communion. <del>But</del> conversation with the men is a great means of work for good. The O.C. Col. Keligan has done a great deal for the men and they were quite happy all the way. It is said to be one of the best conducted <del>trips</del> lots of men that have gone back to Australia.</p> <p>Senior Chaplain Rev W. F. Shannon (HQ London), returned from leave on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, and during July and August visited Detention barracks at Lewis three times, and also Kitchener Hospital Brighton twice, and Warrington Hospital once. Chaplains McQueen and Fred J. Paton and Holt (Voyage out) and Miller (Voyage out) sailed for Australia during July.</p>	