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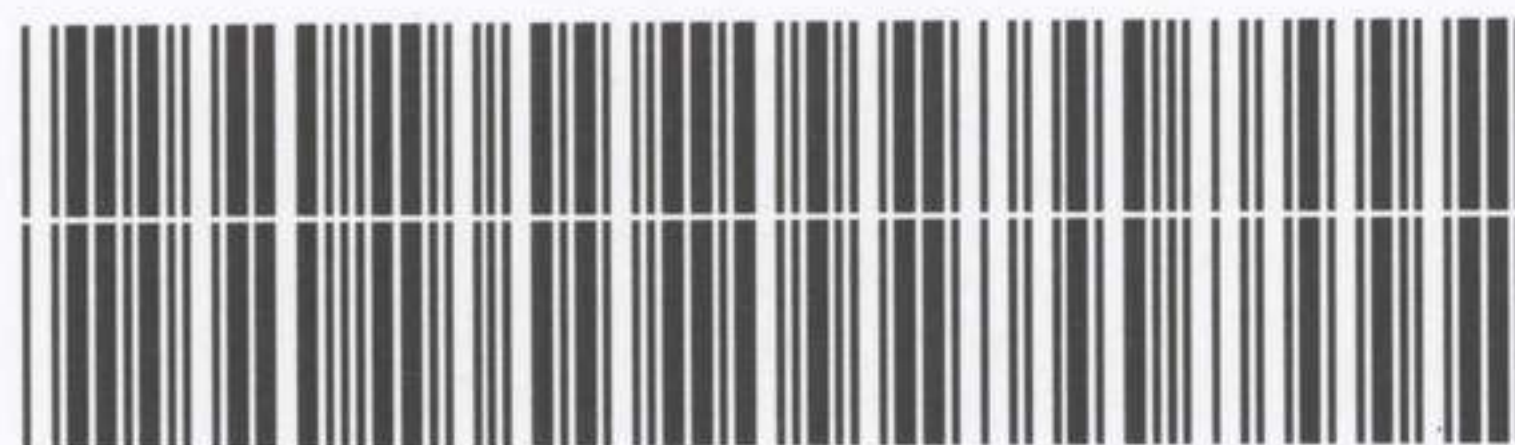
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ALBERT	2/2/17		Weekly Returns despatched to D.D.V.S. Fourth Army. 1st Aust. mobile Vet Section requested to collect animal left behind at NAHOURS by 5th aus. F.a. Bde.	
"	3/4/17		A.D.V.S. moved to "The Dingle" (X.276.67. ALBERT Combined Sheet) D.D.V.S. advised that CAPT. W. MCGREGOR and SERGT. E. M. ASHTON (no. 209) are now off strength of AAVC of this Division and belong now to Army Troops no. 476 SERGT. T. GIBSON AAVC returned from Hospital.	
THE DINGLE X.276.67.	4/2/17		AAVC Sgt. GIBBINS, attached 10th. Battery, 4th. aus. F.a. Bde, evacuated, suffering from Haemorrhoids.	
"	5/4/17		Notification received from "Q" Branch that oats ration has been temporarily reduced to $\frac{3}{4}$ of authorised scale.	
"	6/4/17		Instructions passed to OC 2nd aus. mobile Vet. Section that a special messenger must be sent on Saturday afternoons with AF B213 for week.	
"			Instruction received from D.D.V.S. (4th Army) that full nominal Rolls of whole of personnel AAVC which has served with this Division, since its inception, must be prepared and kept up to date. OC 2nd. Aust. mobile Vet. Section instructed accordingly.	

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THE DINGLE X.27.6.6.7.	8/24/17		No. 266 Sglt. S.W. McLEAN, attached 104th Bty. 4th. Aus. F.a. Bde. on leave. No. 53 H. BRETHERRICK " 13th " 5th " " " " " " " " " "	
			ADVS drew £28/10/2 from Field Cashier, 2nd Aus. Div. being amount advised by Staff Paymaster, who instructed that same was a donation received from Australia by DDVS - A.97 to be expended on AAVC personnel of this Division in seasonal comforts. 1/2 of this amount handed to OC 2nd Aus. Mobile Vet. Section for expending	
"	9/2/17		DDVS - A.97 advised that no. 217 SERGT. P. THOMPSON, attached 17th Bty. 6th. Aus. F.a. Bde. has been evacuated and replaced by no. 224 Sglt. H.V. DEVENPORT. Report passed to DDVS - A.97. regarding A.I.C. Sglt. GIBBINS being incompetent.	
			Meeting of all Veterinary Officers of Division at office of ADVS. Weekly Returns compiled and despatched to DDVS Fourth Army, letter attached to AFA 2000 for week ending 8/2/17 regarding (a) 8 cases of STOMATITIS CONTAGIOSA have been reported to date of which 5 are completely cured. 3 remaining cases include 2 original ones, now nearly cured and one healing satisfactorily. - All cases occurred in 2nd Aus. Mobile Vet. Section. (b) 10 animals have been killed by enemy aeroplane bombs during week, and (c) 29 cases of Colic	

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X 276.07 ALBERT SHEET			reported - Cause being investigated.	
"	10/2/17		Received from 1st ANZAC "Q" through 2nd Aus Div. "Q" that veterinary attendance for 2nd Cheshire Regiment at X.276.75. (ALBERT SHEET). Vet. attendance arranged - CAPT. R.A. DOWLING instructed to attend.	
			Recommendation passed to CRA. Division that as MANGE is prevalent in & spreading in 105th. Battery, all animals of that unit be clipped immediately - This has the approval of GOC Division.	
			No. 476 Sergt. T. GIBSON AMVC reported back from Hospital and posted to 10th Battery, vice GIBBINS evacuated.	
			From DDVS 4th Army, that a new pattern of Gas Helmets for Horses has been approved, but will not be ready for issue till March -	
			Further orders will be issued regarding same.	
"	11/2/17		Notification received from DDVS 4th Army, that evacuations in moderation, by Rail, may now be resumed; notification to same effect received through Q Branch.	
"	12/4/17		NO. 243 PTE. F.W. ELLIS, 2nd Aus mobile Vet. Section, returned from Hospital and resumed duty.	

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Y 27 ALBERT Hill	12/4/17		No. 209. PTE. G. F. HULL, 2nd Aust. Mob. Vet. Section Evacuated - V.D.H. slight.	
"	13/4/17		wagon lines of 11th and 10th Batteries heavily shelled about 4pm - 22 animals killed and 20 wounded - lines to be moved.	
"	14/4/17		A.D.V.S. attended Conference at office of D.D.V.S. 4th Army at QUERRIEU. Roster of units to receive. Issue of Brain forwarded to S.S.O. of Division	
"	15/4/17		Case under administration of D.D.V.S. 5th Army at 10 am. Instructions received from D.D.V.S. 5th Army regarding precautions to be taken respecting MANFE: (a) the clipping of animals in affected units, (b) washing of affected animals and (c) Dipping Bath to be erected in each Corps area. Location of this office and that of 2nd Aust. M.V.S. wired to D.D.V.S. (5)	
"	16/4/17		Recommendation on AF. 3121 forwarded to D.D.A. + 2nd Aust. Division, regarding NO. 27 Sergt. J. COINERTY - AAVC attached 11th Battery, 4th Aust. F.A. Bde. - Recommended for D.C.M. for bravery on 13/4/17 when wagon, lines were shelled (see entry on 13/4/17)	
			Meeting of Veterinary Officers of Division at this office. Weekly Returns forwarded to D.D.V.S. 5th Army, also accompanying letter re (a) all the cases of Debility which were destroyed were worn-out animals and not worth further treatment, (b) re cases of STOMATITIS CONTAGIOSA - all occurred in 2nd Aust. Mobile Vet. Section; 3 cases remaining for treatment,	

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X. 27. 6. 17. ALBERT Street	16/4/17		of which 2 are nearly cured, and the third is healing satisfactorily. (C) Mangle is on increase, though number evacuated this week is larger this week on account of all evacuations by rail having been suspended for some time.	
"	17/4/17		4 Pairs of unsewable dressing scissors returned to NO. 3. Advanced Veterinary Stores by Registered Post, accompanied by indent to replace same. Instructions received from D.D.V.S. 5th Army re sharpeners for Stewart's Clipping machines - one will be issued shortly to A.D.V.S. for loan to units requiring same, and one to be issued to 2nd Aus mobile Vet Section.	
"	18/4/17		Instructions received from D.D.V.S. 5th Army that A.D.V.S. will ensure that 2nd Aus mobile Vet Section has good supply of Sulphur Sub. and Chloride of lime, for preparation of calcium Sulphide solution. Indent submitted to NO. 1. A.B.V.S. for 112 lbs. of Sulphur Sub.	
"	19/4/17		No. 220 Sergt. H. CHARLTON A.A.V.C. evacuated - Venereal Disease. Instructions received from D.D.V.S. 5th Army that Copies of Evacuation Rolls are not required in future by that office but immediately after evacuating, the OC D.V.S. will wire to D.D.V.S. 5th Army as to (a) Total number evacuated and (b) number of animals belonging to this Division.	



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X27667 ALBERT Shed.	19/4/17		Notification received from CRA Division that all animals of 105th Battery have been clipped, in accordance with instructions.	
"	20/4/17		NO. 25 Sergt. H. H. HATTON AAVC reported for duty to 2nd Aus. mobile Vet. Section, via WELLS transferred to 6th. Aus. Inf Bde. NO. 249 Sergt. C. EWANS AAVC reported for duty to 6th. Aus. Inf Bde. via HATTON transferred.	
"	21/4/17		Recommendation passed to Q Branch that as cases of MANGE have occurred in 5th. Aus. Field ambulance, all animals of that unit be clipped, the clipping to be carried out by Divisional train with Power Clippers. Approval given by DADA for 1 Soyers Store for 2nd Aus. mobile Vet. Section for preparation of Calcium Sulphide Solution for MANGE.	
"	22/4/17		NO. 869 PTE. V. B. ATKINSON, 2nd Aus. mobile Vet Section, evacuated - Chancre. Instructions issued to Div. train through Q Branch that all animals of 5th. Field Ambulance will be clipped by their power machine. DRO 1309 Published: Units desirous of having men trained in Cold Sholing at School of Farriery, ABBEVILLE, will forward names to ADVS. Notification received from DAVIS APT that the DADA has been requested	

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127667.	24/4/17		to forward NO 28 Sergt. G.E. SIMPSON, to replace SERGT. CHATLIN Evacuated.	
	23/4/17		Instructions received from D.D.V.S. - A 27 that whenever location of this animal, notification must be sent to that office.	
			Endents for 112 lbs. lime submitted to Dis. Train (for 2nd Aus. mob Vet Section, to use in preparation of Calcium sulphide Solution.	
			Meeting of Veterinary Officers at this office.	
			Weekly Returns despatched to D.D.V.S. 5th Army also letter regarding (a) mange (b) Stomatitis & (c) Animals destroyed.	
"	24/4/17		Request forwarded to D.D.V.S. - A 27 for 3 reinforcements to be forwarded to replace evacuations from 2nd Aus. mobile Vet. Section.	
	25/4/17		Wire sent to all veterinary Officers of Division that in view of probable advance all animals unfit to travel will be sent to 2nd Aus. mobile Vet Section immediately.	
"	27/4/17		Copy of Circular "Precautions re infection of horses at water troughs" (5th Army Q 87/142) Received. Copy passed to O.C. 2nd Aus. M.V.S.	
"	28/4/17		From D.D.V.S. (5) requesting opinion as to advisability of reducing number of "R" horses in M.V.S. - Replied that it is considered undesirable to reduce same at present as at any time unit may be required to operate as a mobile unit.	

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Lt. Col. *[Signature]*
A.D.V.S. 2ND AUST. DIV.