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WAR DIARY

OF

D.A.D.V.S. 3rd Australian Division.

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| | 1.12. | 18 | Inspected Divisional Headquarters and Divisional Signal Coy. Animals in good condition | |
| | | 2nd | Inspected M.V.S. and Divisional Train at ALLERY. Animals in good condition. No. 725 Sergeant FENH MAHONY A.P. 3rd M.V.S. returned to duty from leave. | |
| | | 4th | Inspected 10th Infantry Brigade Group. Animals in good condition and well stabled. | |
| | | 5th | No. 5324 Trooper CLARKE and 2941 Trooper GARDINER despatched to A.G.B. Depot for return to Australia. (1915 men) | |
| | | 6th | Inspected 9th Infantry Brigade Group. Animals in fair condition. The following were taken on strength from BASE :- No. 1381 Trooper ADAMS H.D.M., No. 1346 Trooper ATKINSON W.L. and No. 1362 Trooper SQUIRE M.J.E. | |
| | | 8th | Inspected 3rd Pioneer Battalion. Animals in good condition and well cared for. Instructions received for Division to move to OISEMONT (Sheet DIEPPE) Captain W.B. WAKEHAM reported to 2nd Australian Division to complete establishment of that formation. | |
| | | 10th | Division moved to HUPPY AREA. Div. Headquarters to OISEMONT and Mob. Vet. Section to HUCHENNEVILLE (Sheets DIEPPE and ABBEVILLE) | |
| | | 12th | Inspected Machine Gun Battalion in new area. Advised standings to be built. | |
| | | 14th | Inspected Watering arrangements in New Area. Units watering with buckets. Advised that Troughs be built. | |
| | | 15th | The following were taken on strength on 3rd M.V.S. :- No. 7211 Trooper BUTLER F.H. No. 1358 Trooper McMILLAN C.G. and No. 1361 Trooper REEDS G.D. | |
| | | 16th | Inspected 11th Inf Brigade Group; animals in good condition. | |
| | | 18th | Inspected Div. Headquarters and Div, Signal Coy. Animals satisfactory. | |

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| | | 20th | Inspected M.V.S. Location good being close to No.14 Vet.Hospital at ABBEVILLE. Accomodation good. | |
| | | 21st | Inspected S.A.A.Section 3rd D.A.C. at SENAR PONT. animals in good condition and well stabled. | |
| | | 23rd | Inspected 9th Infantry Brigade Group .Condition good. | |
| | | 24th | No. 720 Sergeant PENHALIGON 3rd M.V.S. returned to duty from leave. | |
| | | 27th | Inspected Div. Headquarters and Div, Sig.Coy. | |
| | | 28th | Letter received from A.D.V.S. Aust.Corps referance Classification of animals A.D.C.and D. Awaiting instructions from "Q" of this Division to commence. | |
| | | 30 th | Inspected 3rd M.V.S. No.662 Sergeant LINDSAY A.W. to PARIS on leave. | |
| | | | <u>CONDITION</u> during the month has been well maintained, and despite absence of Grazing steady improvement can be noted. | |
| | | | <u>VETERINARY EQUIPMENT</u> is complete and serviceable. | |
| | | | <u>SHOEING & STAFF</u> The standard of shoeing is being well maintained and Staff good. | |
| | | | <u>REMOUNTS</u> No remounts were received during this Month. | |
| | | | <u>ANIMAL MANAGEMENT</u> has been excellent. | |
| | | | <u>FORAGE</u> has been of good quality. | |
| | | | <u>GRAZING</u> Very limited. | |

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| | | | <p style="text-align: center;">Page 3.</p> <p><u>WASTAGE</u> Evacuated:- 24 Horses and 3 Mules. Total 27.</p> <p><u>Died:-</u> Natural Causes 4 " " 2 " " 6</p> <p>Battle CasualtiesNil.....</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total Wastage 33.(includes Artillery)</p> <p><u>M.V.S.</u> Admitted 25 animals from Division and 3 strays. One animal was destroyed in M.V.S. Evacuated 21 animals from Division and 3 strays. 4 animals of Div. Artillery which were left on line of march were collected and evacuated by Corps. 5th M.V.S. evacuated 3 animals from Divisional Artillery.</p> <p><u>GENERAL</u> During period under review Divisional Artillery has formed part of the Army of Occupation and came under administration of A.D.V.S. Aust. Corps.</p> <p>In accordance with instructions received animals of all Units were inspected, for the purpose of selecting Mares suitable for breeding. A selection was made, but later instructions cancelled the selection of Mares from Australian Unit- Colonial Units.</p> <p>For period the Veterinary arrangements were carried out as follows:-</p> <p>Major L.E.Mc KENZIE D.S.O. D.A.D.V.S. <u>Div. Headquarters, Div. Sig Coy., and 11th Inf Bgde Grp.</u> Major C.N.CALLOW 3rd D.A.C. , <u>7th and 8th A.F.A.Brigades and 22nd Coy Train.</u> Captain J.M.DAVIDSON M.C. <u>10th Inf Brigade, 3rd M.Gun.Battn. 3rd Pion.Battn, and 3rd Div. Train</u> Captain J. LEGG <u>3rd M.V.S. 9th Inf Bgde Group, and S.A.A.Section 3rd D.A.C.</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Robert Benge</i> Major.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D.A.D.V.S. 3rd Australian Division.</p> <p>14/2/19.</p> | |

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WEEKLY REPORT

D.D.V.S. A.I.F.
A.D.V.S. Aust. Corps.
Headquarters 3rd Aust. Div.
War Diary
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During the week the following Units were inspected :-

- Div. Headquarters
- Div. Signal Coy.
- Abb. Vet. Section.
- 9th Inf Brigade Group.
- 10th Inf Brigade Group.

CONDITION. in all Units very satisfactory.

WATERING arrangements satisfactory.

STANDINGS are kept sanitary and dry, and are mostly under cover.

FORAGE good.

SHORING is being kept up to standard.

PERSONNEL No. 725 Sgt MAHOY A.P. returned to duty from leave 2/12/18.
 No. 720 " FINLAYSON G.H. proceeded on leave to Eng. 5/12/18.
 No. 5384 Trooper CLERKE W.B.) Detached to A.S. Base Depot
 No. 2941 " GARDNER R.W.) on 5/12/18 as "B" Class
 Personnel in accordance with
 L.A.G. A.I.F. No. 19/1223 of
 22/11/18.
 No. 1361 Trooper ADAMS H.D.M.) Taken on strength from
 No. 1346 " ATKINSON W.L.) Base 6.12.18.
 No. 1362 " SQUIRE E.J.R.)

M.V.S. Admitted 5 animals from Division and 2 strays, all of which were evacuated.

| | <u>STRENGTH</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Establishment | 1. 20 |
| Present strength | 1. 17. |
| To Complete | 3 0.00. |

L. G. McHenry
Major.
D.A.D.V.S. 3rd Aust. Division.

Div. Headquarters
December 6th 1918.



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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WEEKLY 000 REPORT



D.D.V.S. A.I.F.
A.D.V.S. Aust. Corps.
Headquarters 3rd Aust. Div.
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During the week the following Units were inspected :-

- Div. Headquarters
- Sub. Vet. Section.
- Pioneer Battalion.
- M. Gun Battalion.
- Divisional Train.
- 11th Inf Brigade.

GENERAL. On 10th Inst Division moved from HALLENGOURT Area to OISEMONT.

CONDITION in all Units is very satisfactory.

WATERING in last area was satisfactory. New Area not yet inspected

STANDINGS in HALLENGOURT are were sanitary and dry and mostly under cover. New area not yet inspected.

FORAGE Good.

SHORING is being kept up to standard.

PERSONNEL Captain W.R.B. WARRHAM reported for duty with 3rd D.A.C. from 2 Aust. Division, on 8th inst.

Advice has been received from Vet. Hospital CALAIS to effect that 3 men have been dispatched to 3rd M.V.S. to complete establishment.

M.V.S. Evacuated 9 animals from Division and 111 from other Formations. One animals was destroyed in M.V.S.--Fract Tibia-

| | <u>STRENGTH</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Establishment | 1. 20 |
| Present Strength | 1. 17 |
| | ----- |
| To Complete | 3 O.Bs. |

Major.
D.D.V.S. 3rd Aust. Division.

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WEEKLY 000 REPORT

D.D.V.S., A.I.F.
A.D.V.S. Aust. Corps.
Headquarters 3rd Aust. Div.
War Diary.
File.

During the week the following Units were inspected :-

- Div. Headquarters
- Div. Signal Coy.
- Mob. Vet. Section.
- 11th Inf Brigade Group.

CONDITION in all Units is good.

WASHING in new area is being carried out mostly by means of buckets.
Advise ~~that~~ ^{that} troughs be erected in different Unit areas.

FORAGE is satisfactory.

SHORING Standard is being well maintained.

STABLING Most animals are in good stables.

PERSONNEL The following arrived on 15th inst from Base and were taken on strength of 3rd Mob. Vet. Section, to complete Establishment

| | | | |
|----------|---------|--------|------|
| No. 7212 | Creoper | BUTLER | F.H. |
| No. 1358 | " | MILLAN | C.G. |
| No. 1361 | " | RENDS | G.D. |

M. V. S. Evacuated three animals from Division. Nil from other Formations. No strays were admitted.

Div. Headquarters
December 20th 1918.

G. H. Keizer
D.A.D.V.S. 3rd Aust. Division. Major.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WEEKLY 000 REPORT



D.D.V.S., A.I.F.
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During the week the following Units were inspected :-

Divisional Headquarters
Divisional Sig. Coy.
Mob. Vet. Section.
S.A.A. Section.
10th Inf Brigade Group.

CONDITION. in all Units is good.

WATERING Arrangements satisfactory.

FORAGE is satisfactory.

SHOOLING standard is being well maintained.

STANDINGS. Most animals are in good stables.

PERSONNEL. No. 719 Driver MACLAUGHLIN, F. returned to duty from leave 20/12/18. Extension granted in London.

No. 662 Sergeant LINDSAY A.W. To Paris on leave from 27th inst.

M. V. S. Evacuated 4 animals from Division .Nil from other Formations. No Strays were admitted.

Div. Headquarters
Dec. 27th 1918.

J. H. K. R. Major.
D.A.D.V.S. 3rd Aust. Division.