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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Presles.	1919 Jan. 1.		Received 2 m's greetings from A.D.T.S. Corps. To A.D.T.S. recommending transfers of nos. 1199 Pte Hall, J. B. and 2135 Pte. Flett J. P. of the 1st A.M.V.S. with nos. 1009 Pte. Mehegan and 3373 Pte Hook. A. A. of the 2nd A.M.V.S.	
Presles	2nd		Received notice of case of mange from D.A.H.R. and wrote instructions accordingly. Wrote D.V.E.S. asking for loan of Kemp's gear for use in connection with educational classes.	
Presles.	3rd		To A.D.T.S. Aus Corps. A2000, Monthly Return animals evacuated from Colonial Units, Weekly Mange State, Weekly Tet Report. Received instructions re the classification of animals prior to demobilization. To D.I.V.S. A.I.F. A2000 and weekly Tet Report.	
Presles.	4th		To H.Q. Aus Div. Weekly Tet Report. and recommended application for discharge in England To A.D.V.S. Corps Horse Recovery Form III. To A.D.T.S. Corps reporting case of mange. To Belgian Mission instructing re case of civilian mange.	

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Presles	Jan 4		To M.V.S. re suggested change in the type of float wheels. Evacuation notices to 1 st A.F.A. Bde. 2 nd A.F.A. Bde. 1 st D.A.C. 2 nd Field Amb. and 3 rd Field Amb. 2 nd F.I. Bde. From Capt. Robson re case of Mangle.	
Presles	5		To D.H.Q. Quarterly return salvage and A.F.B. 213.	
Presles	6		To 14 Coy F.F.S.C. for corroboration of receipt of Area Commandant. Fremont. To A.D.V.S. Aust Corps. Remount Census. To D.D.P. 4 th Army allotment of stray animals. The Veterinary Board commenced classification of horses in the Division. Total classified. 118.	
Presles	7		To D.H.Q. recommending Sgt. Bush for mention in dispatches. To A.D.V.S. Aust. Corps. Nominal Rolls of Personnel. ditto to D.D.V.S. F.I.F. From 3 rd Bde re classification of animals. From 3 rd Field Amb. re Evacuation notices. Total animals classified by Veterinary Board to date 248.	
Presles	8		Evacuation notices to Div. Artillery. 3 rd Field Amb. 2 nd F.I. Bde., Div. Train, and Pion Bn. Total number of animals classified by Veterinary board to date 439	

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Bresles	1919 Jan 9		<p>From A.D.V.S. AUS Corps correspondence re L.D. left at Pongean noted and returned. From Horse adviser. Corps. re Remount Board. From A.D.V.S. re return animals evacuated from Colonial Units. From Belg. Mission re case mange at Haginelle.</p> <p>Total number animals classified by Veterinary Board 439 Major Macindoe V.O. etc. 3rd Army Brigade A.F.A. evacuated hospital scabies. Capt Robson giving vet attention to 3rd A.F.A. Bgs.</p>	
Bresles	10th		<p>Forwarded to H.Q. 1st Aus Div. suggestions re the organization of Veterinary Service of a division for post bellum army. From H.Q. 1st Aus Div. diagrams re Farmery and animal management for educational classes. Distributed to units in the Division. To Capt Robson to value horse on charge 102 How Battery with regard to an application of civilian to purchase same. To A.D.V.S. Corps return of animals evacuated from Colonial units.</p> <p>Total number animals classified to date 698</p>	
Bresles	11		<p>To A.D.V.S. Corps 172000. Weekly Vet Rept. mange State. Horse Recovery Form III.</p> <p>From A.D.V.S. " approval of transfers of Ptes Hall & Flett. AMVS advised.</p> <p>Total number animals classified to date 831.</p>	

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Presles	Jan 12		To Horse Adviser and "Q" Aust. Corps. Return of animals by classes and Groups. Total number of animals classified by Veterinary Board 1033. Total number of animals Grouped by Remount Board 341	
Presles	13		To D.A.H.Q. Ref. animal belonging to D.F.C. Total number animals classified by Veterinary Board to date 1294 " " " Grouped Remount " " " 602	
Presles	14		From Camp Commandant 1 st Aust. Div. re Farmer Mc Nicol. " F.M.V.S. re wheels motor float. Total number of animals Classified by Veterinary Board to date 1493 " " " Grouped Remount " " " 976	
Presles	15		Evacuation Notices to 1 st A.I. Bde, 2 nd A.I. Bde + D.F.H.Q. Total number of animals Classified by Veterinary Board to date 1779 " " " Grouped Remount " " " 1262	
Presles	16		Q. Corps & Horse Adviser. Return of animals by classes and Groups. Ples Hall J.B. No 1199 and J.B. Flett. No. 2135. Taken on strength 9 th M.V.S. No 480 Pte. Holohan L. proceeded to U.K. 75 days furlough. Total number of animals Classified by Veterinary Board to date 1788 " " " Grouped Remount " " " 1567	

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Presles	1919 Jan 17		<p>To Base Vet Stores & Indent to nos 45-8. No 1009 Pte McEgahan G. transferred to 2nd A.M.V.S. from 1st A.M.V.S. No 481 Sgt D Aust. A, no 2802 Pte Campbell W. and 3466 Pte Wellington W. proceeded to Australia. Struck off strength M.V.S. Evacuations from M.V.S. temporarily stopped. Total number animals classified by Vet Board 1997 " " " " Grouped " Remt. " 1751</p>	
Presles	18th		<p>To AD V.S. Corps A2000 Weekly Vet. Report. Weekly Vet Report. Mangle State Horse recovery form III To AD V.S. A2000 Weekly Vet Report. No 2210 Dvr Wheeler A. T. and no 1815 Pte Ridgeway S struck off strength AMVS proceeded to Australia. Total number of animals classified by Veterinary Board 2426 " " " " Grouped " Remount " 2180.</p>	
Presles	19th		<p>To H.Q. 1st Aus Div. Vet Rept. and aff. 213. Evac notices to DAH.Q. 1st PIONEER Bn. Div Train and 2nd Fld Amblee. Lost and found return DDR HWAARMY. Total number of animals classified by Veterinary Board 2426 " " " " Grouped " Remount " 2180</p>	
Presles	20th		<p>Capt Bell. A.A.V.C. evacuated hospital appendicitis asked A.D.V.S. for relief. Total number animals classified by Veterinary Board 2449 " " " " Grouped " Remount " 2602.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Brestles</i>	<i>1919 JAN 21.</i>		<i>To A.M.V.S. instructions to collect a horse at Morialme Total number animals classified by Vet Board 3170 " " " Grouped " Remount " 3123</i>	
<i>Brestles</i>	<i>22.</i>		<i>To DOR 4th Army. Stray Animal Return Total number animals classified by Vet. Board 3584 " " " Grouped. " Remount " 3535</i>	

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6	Summary of animals treated during period 26.12.18. to 30.1.19.
7	Nominal Roll of 1st. Australian Mobile Vety. Section and Officers & Sgts. A.A.V.C.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Weekly Veterinary R^{pt}port week ending 3rd. January 1919.

Nothing of note during the past week.

Educational schemes for those desirous of instruction on matters connected with post war work with horses are in progress.

Lectures being arranged from V.O.s. and Transport Officers dealing with this subject.

The classification of horses and mules for demobilization purposes will commence on the 5th, January and will be hurried along.

The condition of animals in the Division is good.

Stanley Hildes

Major,

D.A.D.V.S.

1st. Australian Division.

Weekly Veterinary Report.

Week ending 9/1/19-

Veterinary Officers of the Division are all engaged on classification of animals for repatriation.

A few cases of Mange have occurred in the Division. These have been evacuated to M.V.S. Infection is believed to have occurred from premises occupied, though these were all disinfected previous to occupation.

The general condition of animals is excellent.

Stanley H. H. H.

Major,

D.A.D.V.S.
1st. Australian Division.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Weekly Veterinary report

Week ending 16th. January 1919.

The V.Os. of the Division have been busily employed during the past week on the Veterinary Board Classifying animals for Demobilization. Up to date 1788 animals have been Classified as follows:-

A.Class 360. B.Class 692. C.Class 698. D.Class 38. Total 1788

Mange amongst the civilian animals is a serious menace in this Area and energetic steps are being taken to prevent contageion.

The M.V.S. is holding all animals at present owing to the V.E.S. being overstocked and inability to get rid of animals to Base.

Thefts of animals in this Area are difficult to control.

The condition of all animals of the Division is very good.

Stanley Hatcher

Major,

D.A.D.V.S.

1st, Australian Division.

Weekly Veterinary Report.

Week Ending 24/1/19-

During the week all Veterinary Officers of the Division have been employed on Veterinary Boards classifying animals for Demobilization and Malleining Y. and Z. animals.

The first draft of 200 animals Z. class, were sent off from 3rd. Army Brigade.

Practically all animals have been boarded, except 2 Companies of A.A.S.C. The task has taxed the Veterinary service as at present I have only 3 Officers. Major Macinlee and Capt. Bell having been evacuated to base hospital.

The difficulty of classifying animals has been to get sufficient animals of Y. and Z. class, as so many are good types.

Stanley Wilton

Major,

D.A.D.V.S.

1st. Australian Division.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Weekly Veterinary Report

Week ending 30th. January 1919.

The Veterinary and Remount Board have completed the classification of all animals in the Division. The figures for the latter are as follows:- X Class 1456. Y Class 1208. Z Class 1639. D Class 55. Total. 4357.

For the former:-

A Class 875. B Class 1834. C Class 1593.

D Class 55. Total 4357.

The condition of all animals is good and in many cases is very good.

Clipped animals are in ^{condition} better than those lately clipped.

There are many cases of mange amongst the civilian animals in this area, but notwithstanding warnings to civil authorities through the Belgian Mission these animals appear to be allowed to work on roads and in towns, without any disability as far as penalty goes.

Major Macindoe 3rd, A.F.A.Bde. and Capt Bell 1st, Inf. Bde. are still casualties.

The case of Influenza ~~in~~ 3rd, A.I. Bde. appears to be an isolated case of the non contagious variety.

Major,

D.A.D.W.S.

1st. Australian Division.

Summary of animals treated during the month
FIELD SERVICE. Army Form A. 2000.

Corps, etc. FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending 31/1/19
 Station FIELD. Date 31/1/19

HORSES.

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Con- valescent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases	9	9	18		12					6	18	
2. Respiratory "	9	4	13	3			2			8	13	
3. Circulatory "	4											
4. Urinary "	1		1		1						1	
5. Generative "												
6. Digestive "	5	3	8	1			2	1		4	8	
7. Lymphatic "	10	6	16	4	1					11	16	
8. Nervous "	4	4	8	3	1			1		3	8	
9. Skin "	41	50	91	16	24					51	91	
10. Locomotory "	6	9	15	2	8		1			4	15	
11. Specific "	61	34	95	26	11		1			57	95	
12. Visual "	7	11	18	2	10					6	18	
13. Injuries	273	109	382	82	19			5		276	382	
14. Other causes		6	6		6						6	
TOTAL	426	245	671	139	103		6	7		426	671	

* Number transferred cured to Remount Depots to be also noted in column of Remarks.

Present Strength of Animals :—Horses _____
 Mules _____
 Total _____

Samuel H. White
 Veterinary Officer.

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RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending 31/1/19

MULES. Station FIELD Date 31/1/19

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Con- valascent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases	4		4	1						3	4	
2. Respiratory "												
3. Circulatory "												
4. Urinary "												
5. Generative "												
6. Digestive "												
7. Lymphatic "	5	1	6		1					5	6	
8. Nervous "		3	3	3							3	
9. Skin "												
10. Locomotory "	1		1							1	1	
11. Specific "		3	3	3							3	
12. Visual "	2	1	3		1					2	3	
13. Injuries	25	7	32	6	4					22	32	
14 Other causes		4	4		4						4	
TOTAL	37	19	56	13	10					33	56	

* Number transferred cured to Remount Depots to be also noted in column of Remarks.

Present Strength of Animals :—Horses _____

Mules _____

Total _____

Henry White M.V.
 Veterinary Officer.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

NOMINAL ROLL of A.A.V.C.

OFFICERS and SERGEANTS.

Major, S. Fletcher. M.C. D.A.D.V.S.
 Capt. H.S. Lucas. O.C.Ist. A.M.V.S.
 Capt. J. Robson. Ist. & 2nd. A.F.A.Bdes.
 Capt. E.J. Lukey. Divisional Train.

No.	Rank	Name	Unit
200	Sgt,	Hull G.F.	3rd. A.I.Bde.
532	"	Wilson T.R.	6th. Baty. A.F.A.
783	"	Cook A.	S.A.A.Sect. D.A.C.
557	"	Collet A	Ist. A.I.Bde.
3381	"	Gilmour J.P.	2nd. A.I.Bde. Sect. A.A.S.C.
184	"	Doyle R.H.	Ist. Sect. D.A.C.
1008	"	Gothard W.M.	4th Baty. A.F.A.
549	"	Trihey R.F.	3rd. Baty A.F.A.
3503	"	Thompson W.D.	Ist. Baty. A.F.A.
888	"	Whimfield M.W.	2nd. Baty A.F.A.
735	"	Monohan J?T?	10Ist. Baty A.F.A.
1964	"	Nugent A.C.	102nd. Baty. A.F.A.
734	"	Potter S.E.	5th. Baty A.F.A.
59228	T/Sgt.	Barron W.J.	2nd. A.I.Bde.
1350	"	Gunn R.W.	M.G.Battalion.

Stanley Fletcher
 Major,

D.A.D.V.S.

Ist. Australian Division.