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	July		<p>During month of July the unit remained in the same billets which we occupied two days after landing in France i.e. on the farm of H. Deschep between Steenweert Priepe and about 4 kilometres in a direct line from Roumberch.</p> <p>The work during this period was moderately heavy in all a total of 159 animals being passed through to the receiving veterinary hospitals. About 20p.c of these were shell wounds due to enemy action and included a number of horses belonging to English units (50p.c) as well as 3rd Australian Divisional animals.</p> <p>About 11pm on the 6th the billet occupied was bombed by enemy aircraft. One bomb fell about 15 yards outside a large barn in which two dozen men were sleeping and tore away a lot of woodwork yet did not injure any men. This was due to the lower half of the barn being of brickwork and fairly thick which stopped all flying pieces of metal. Seven animals hit - two killed outright, two destroyed and the others wounded one not seriously. Enemy aircraft were very active for a period of about a week from the 4th inst on and around the billet but beyond the instance recorded no other damage was done.</p> <p>During the month the section was always one or two men under strength, and this combined with the fact that five men were employed on detachment duty - four with the 11th Angac Vety Detachment and one with the 11 Angac Horse Dep.</p>	

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			<p>work of the other thereby increased.</p> <p>during the month 1 Staff Sgt being added. No 711 Sgt J.B. Mawhinny was appointed to the vacancy.</p> <p>One N.C.O evacuated sick on 11-7-17 (No 717 Cpl Lt. Foley)</p> <p>One man taken on strength - from reinforcements</p> <p>One NCO. (Lt Cpl W.B. Grayford 10825 Commissioned transferred to 3rd Battalion).</p>	

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