

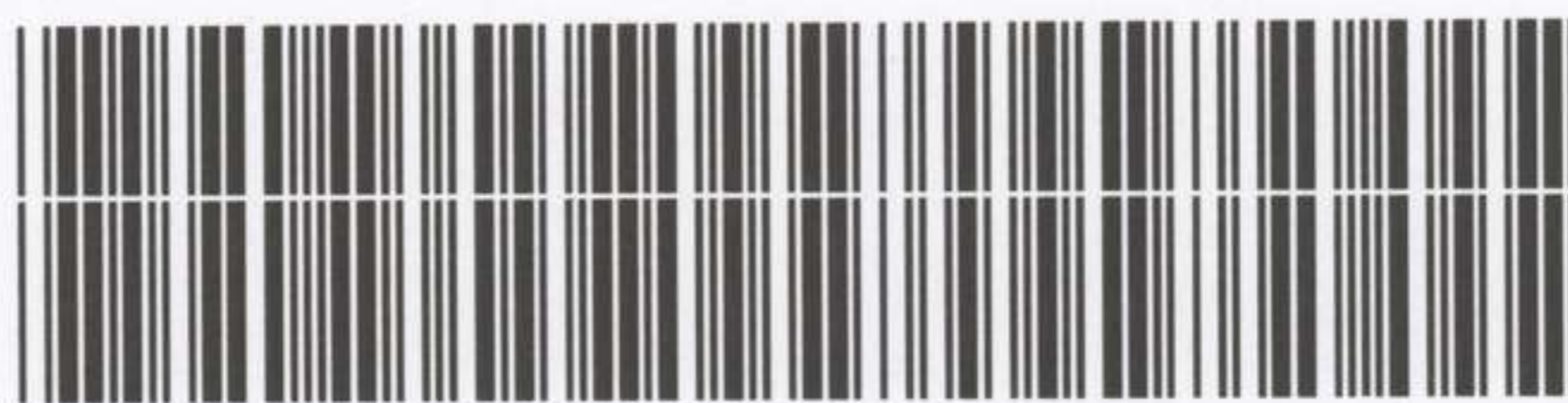
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D.A.D.V.S. A & NZ MTD DIVN

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Place	Date	Hour	VETERINARY SERVICES	Summary of Events and Information	AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MTD DIVISION.	Remarks and references to Appendices
Amman.	October.	1st.	<i>JS</i>	D.A.D.V.S. visits the supply depot at Jericho and enquires into the quality of the grain being issued. On the whole it is of good quality and it is impossible to detect some of it that may be musty, consequently there is always a risk with this class of forage.		
	Oct	2nd.	<i>JS</i>	2nd A.L.H. Bde left ^{Fax} Jericho via Jerusalem for Wadi Hanein. At Jericho the D.A.D.V.S. inspected the horses and found them looking exceptionally well.		
		3rd	<i>JS</i>	N.Z. Mtd R. Bde left for Jericho en route for Richon camping area. At Jericho and Jerusalem D.A.D.V.S. inspected the horses and found them looking well except a little low in condition. A large number of the men were evacuated suffering from Malaria consequently the brigade was left with about one man to attend to four horses.		
		4th	<i>JS</i>	Leeches are very numerous and caused great irritation to the horses' nostrils and mouths.		
		5th	<i>JS</i>	D.A.D.V.S. visits the Mob Vet sections and orders are issued for them to join their respective brigades when the latter pass through Jericho en route to Richon area.		
		6th	<i>JS</i>	The barley forage ration for the day was barley 6, gram 2, maize 1, and tibbel 12 lbs. When the 2nd A.L.H. Bde moved it had to leave 39 animals behind suffering from Laminitis but these became well in a few days and eventually travelled soundly to the Brigade. The move back was carried by stages as follows, Amman to Ghunet Mimrin thence to Jericho, to Talat ed Dum, to Jerusalem, to Latron and finally to Wadi Hanein-Richon camping areas. The 1st A.L.H. Bde and 20th Infantry Bde together with D.H.Q. remain at Amman and the 6th Mob Vet Section remain at Jericho to receive sick animals from units at Amman.		
		9th	<i>JS</i>	Horses suffering from Laminitis that were left by 2nd A.L.H. Bde have recovered and leave to join their Bde. Forage ration Barley 12 lbs, Tibben 12 lbs. Major J. Stafford evacuated sick, from N.Z.M.R. Bde.		
		10th	<i>JS</i>	All animals of Divisional Troops have been maintained with no reaction.		
		8th	<i>JS</i>	Capt. Andrews. A.A.V.C. evacuated sick suffering from malignant malaria so that Capt McNicol. A.A.V.C. is instructed to proceed to join the 1st A.L.H. B. at Amman.		
		15th	<i>JS</i>	Bot flies are very numerous at present.		
		22nd	<i>JS</i>	Capt Barry. N.Z.A.V.C. is evacuated to hospital and Capt Meade. N.Z.A.V.C. takes over duties of both the brigade and 2nd N.Z. Mob Vet Section.		
		21st-22nd	<i>JS</i>	D.A.D.V.S. proceeds from Jerusalem to Wadi Hanein and inspects the animals of the 2nd A.L.H., N.Z.M.R., and 18th R.H.A. Bde. and finds them greatly improved. Appendix 1.		
		23rd.	<i>JS</i>	A severe dust storm takes place and light rain. At Amman the rain was very heavy but light at Wadi Hanein.		
		24th	<i>JS</i>	D.A.D.V.S. is located at Desert Corps Reinforcement Camp Jerusalem where rear Chaytor's Force is temporarily located.		
		25th	<i>JS</i>	As A/Sgt G.C. Randle who was wounded by a bomb exploding is not likely to return, Sgt J.F. Prail 10th A.M.V.S. is sent for to be clerk to D.A.D.V.S.		
		31st	<i>JS</i>	The total animal casualties for the month are as follows	Died Killed & Destroyed 52. Evacuated 78. Cured. 474.	

J. Mendall Lt Col

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Report on animals of Division after recent operations.

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APPENDIX 1

25-10-18.

A.A.&Q.M.G.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

As instructed I proceeded to LUDD on the 21st inst and inspected the horses of the 2nd A.L.H. and New Zealand Bdes on the 22-10-18. I also inspected the horses of the 18th R.H.A.Bde. on the 23-10-18.

The horses of the 2nd A.L.H. Bde with few exceptions are in a very good condition and are fit for any work. Those of the New Zealand M.R. Bde are not as fat but are generally in fair condition and are improving rapidly every day.

The 18th R.H.A. Bde has just received 100 good remounts and the horses have done exceptionally well particularly those of the ammunition column.

The horses generally of this Bde are in much better condition now than before the recent operations and they are thriving & rapidly.

All the animals in the area are getting ~~are~~ a good ration and are doing well, but it is considered that if they are likely to remain in the area for any period, that a small kraal be erected for each brigade to treat the worst ~~cases~~ conditioned animals in.

Shoeing is going on as quickly as possible but there is a great shortage of smiths owing to sickness.

J. Kendall

Lieut-colonel
D.A.D.V.S.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.