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SURAFEND.	2.7.18		CAPT. H. R. SEDDON A.A.V.C. reported for duty with I.C. Bde. to eventually assume command of 10 th A.M.V.S. when personnel had been completed.	
			Instructions received from D.D.V.S. re. organisation of A.A.V.C. services of Brigade	Cdr
	3.7.18		(I left by evening train for MOASCAR.	Cdr Appendix 1
MOASCAR.	4.7.18		Arrived MOASCAR.	Cdr
	5.7.18		Interviewed. Headquarters, Training Camp. & arranged for supply of personnel for 10 th A.M.V.S. as per orders received.	
			16 O.R. selected from I.C. Bde Details, MOASCAR. for transfer to A.A.V.C. to complete, with available A.A.V.C. reinforcements. the necessary personnel for 10 th A.M.V.S.	Cdr
			Further arrangements could not be made until Headquarters, Training Camp received further advice from A.A.G. AIF.	
	10.7.18		Arrangements completed for full supply of personnel to proceed almost immediately to join Brigade at SURAFEND.	Cdr
SURAFEND.	12.7.18		(I reported back to Brigade.	Cdr
	19.7.18		Personnel for M.V.S. arrived from MOASCAR. CAPT. H. R. SEDDON, A.A.V.C. assumed command of 10 th A.M.V.S. from this date.	Cdr

Cdr H. R. Seddon
A.O.C. 10th A.M.V.S.

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SURAFEND.	July 19.		<p>Personnel of newly-formed 10th M.V.S. was gathered together, the composition of which was as follows the following the following being taken on the strength.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%;">No. 422</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Sgt Taylor W. (from 7th M.V.S.)</td> <td style="width: 10%;">1295</td> <td style="width: 10%;">Sgt Chalmer L. M. from A.A.V.C. Details</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No. 1188</td> <td>Sgt. Still A.A. (from 8th M.V.S.)</td> <td>1299</td> <td>Harper P. J.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2475 2248</td> <td>Ward J.T. from 14th A.L.H. (late I.C.C.)</td> <td>1303</td> <td>Jeffrey T. J.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2248</td> <td>O'Connor J.</td> <td>1306</td> <td>Mortimer H.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1302</td> <td>Ingham L.P. - A.A.V.C. Details</td> <td>1308</td> <td>Oxlade H.R.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1292</td> <td>Booth V.R.G.</td> <td>1310</td> <td>Watson I.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1294</td> <td>Carnie W.S.</td> <td>937</td> <td>Coad F.E. from 3rd Batt. I.C. Brigade.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1297</td> <td>Cope A.J.</td> <td>2455</td> <td>Hamlyn R.B.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1301</td> <td>Hood C.</td> <td>2349</td> <td>Bushby C.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1305</td> <td>Newburn W.C.</td> <td>2578</td> <td>Bradley W.E.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1309</td> <td>Peden W.S.</td> <td>2311</td> <td>Bentley W.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1311</td> <td>Weste M.O.</td> <td>2649</td> <td>Martin T.S.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1298</td> <td>Gresson G.L.</td> <td>2164</td> <td>Brand F.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1293</td> <td>Bothwell S.J.T.</td> <td>1890</td> <td>Matheson D.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1056</td> <td>Manley O.A.</td> </tr> </table> <p>From the above it will be seen that of the 29 of personnel only two had previously had experience of Mobile Veterinary Section work; two others had been doing veterinary work in the Imperial Camel Brigade (late Imperial Camel Corps): 19 were recruited from the 3rd Batt. of the Imperial Camel Brigade but had there not been employed on veterinary duties though all were selected on account of having had a good experience with horses & some had been in the Light Horse Regiments previous to joining the Imperial Camel Corps. The remainder, sixteen (16), were recent reinforcements to the A.A.V.C., & have received all their training in Australia.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>A.H. Bardo Capt A.A.V.C.</i></p>	No. 422	Sgt Taylor W. (from 7 th M.V.S.)	1295	Sgt Chalmer L. M. from A.A.V.C. Details	No. 1188	Sgt. Still A.A. (from 8 th M.V.S.)	1299	Harper P. J.	2475 2248	Ward J.T. from 14 th A.L.H. (late I.C.C.)	1303	Jeffrey T. J.	2248	O'Connor J.	1306	Mortimer H.	1302	Ingham L.P. - A.A.V.C. Details	1308	Oxlade H.R.	1292	Booth V.R.G.	1310	Watson I.A.	1294	Carnie W.S.	937	Coad F.E. from 3 rd Batt. I.C. Brigade.	1297	Cope A.J.	2455	Hamlyn R.B.	1301	Hood C.	2349	Bushby C.	1305	Newburn W.C.	2578	Bradley W.E.	1309	Peden W.S.	2311	Bentley W.	1311	Weste M.O.	2649	Martin T.S.	1298	Gresson G.L.	2164	Brand F.A.	1293	Bothwell S.J.T.	1890	Matheson D.			1056	Manley O.A.	
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SURAFEND	19.		<p>All Ordnance equipment that had been drawn was, with the personnel collected on the site for the Camp & preparations rapidly made to enable the section to commence its functions.</p> <p>The following N.C.Os were appointed - No 422 Adv TAYLOR W. to be Temp. Corporal 2248 Sgt O'CONNOR J. to be Lance Corporal 2475 Sgt WARD J.T. - - - -</p>	
			<p>Corp. Taylor, who had been during the past fortnight collecting equipment from Ordnance, was confirmed in his appointment as Quarters Master.</p>	HLL
	20.		<p>Spent in organising the Section. (Sunday)</p>	HLL
	21.		<p>Section Routine Order No. 1. by Capt H. B. Seaton, O.C. issued and a regular daily routine established.</p>	
			<p>Sgt Steel A.A. No. 1188 admitted to Hospital with dysentery - Sgt WESTE M.O. No. 1311. appointed Orderly Room Clerk.</p>	
	23.		<p>Hospital duties commenced. 9 animals admitted. Sgt INGHAM. L.P. No. 1302 promoted Lance Corporal. 3 cases admitted.</p>	HLL
			<p>Sgt WATSON. I.A. No. 1310 evacuated to Hospital with Asthma & struck off strength this Unit.</p>	HLL
	24		<p>Sgt STEEL, A.A. No. 1188 evacuated from Hospital & struck off strength this Unit. 3 cases admitted.</p>	HLL
	25.		<p>Lt Col WARD, J.T., No. 2475 promoted Temp. Corporal. Sgt BUSHBY, E.C., No. 2349, promoted Lt Corporal. 5 Animals admitted, 2 discharged.</p>	HLL

H. B. Seaton
 Capt RMC.

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SURAFEND	26		No. 2248 Tpr O'CONNOR, J. admitted to & evacuated from A.C. F. A. 5' back off strength 1 animal admitted, 2 discharged.	All
	27		9 animals admitted, 1 discharged, 1 died.	All
	28		No. 1298 Tpr GRESSON, G. L. promoted Lt. Col. while acting as Senior dresser. Vice INGHAM. No. 1997 Tpr CRANE, T. H. 15 th ALHR attached for duty. 1668 Tpr THOMSON, J. 14 th A.L.H.R. attached for duty.	
			Remounts - 15 Rides & 4 Draughts (Mules) received. Some appear a bit light for troop work but compared with the animals received by other units today, ours are a very fair draft. The	All
	29		1 Horse taken on strength from B.H.Q., 1 animal admitted, 2 discharged.	
	30		Admissions 1. Discharged Evacuated to 2 nd Field Coy Detachment, L.D.D. 2 horses	All
	31		From today mounted drill at 1430 has been added to the parade. Consolidated A. 2000 showing Hospital duties for month prepared	All
			Type page 8 as marked.	vid appendix 2

A. H. Leason
Capt.
Q. C. M. S. M. S. Mobile Vety. Sect. A. I. F.

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Major Robin A.A.V.C.

July 1st 1918

10th Machine Gun Section

Appendix I

SURPEND

For your information & necessary action.
Please proceed to M095092
to obtain the necessary personnel for the 10th
Machine Gun Section from Camel
detail & A.A.V.C. reinforcements.
Please return attached & also a nominal
roll of men on your return.

Leapt Seddon is proceeding to
SURPEND immediately, as O.C. of the
Section, so that when you have
completed the formation of the Section
you will make arrangements to hand
over to him. Your appointment as B.V.O.
of the Imperial Mounted Brigade has
been approved of from the above
date.

(Sgd) J. KENDALL, Lieut Colonel

A.D.V.S. A.I.F. in Egypt.

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Appendix 2

FIELD SERVICE.

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Corps, etc. 10th Aust Mobile Vety Section

Consolidated

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the month ending

31st July 1918

Station SURAFEND

Date 1-8-18

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transfrd. to Convalescent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS. (Nature of Cases to be stated.)
1. General Diseases		5	5		1		1			3	5	Dyspepsia of Abdomen 1
2. Respiratory												
3. Circulatory												
4. Urinary												
5. Generative												
6. Digestive		8	8	4						4	8	Colic 4 Worms 1 Abnormalities Teeth 3
7. Lymphatic		1	1							1	1	Lymphangitis 1
8. Nervous												
9. Skin												
10. Locomotory		3	3		1					2	3	Rheumatism 2 Splints 1
11. Specific												
12. Visual												
13. Injuries		18	18	2						16	18	
TOTAL		35	35	6	2		1			26	35	

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

Present Strength of Animals:—

Horses	40
Mules	7
Total	47

A. H. ...
Veterinary Officer.

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O. C. 10th. Aust. Mobile Vety. Sect. A. I. F.

Star Sergeants and Sergeants					
Corporals		
Privates	....	....	....
Farrier Q.M.S., S.Sjts. and Sjts.					
Corporal Shoeing Smiths					
Shoeing Smiths	....	....	....
Saddler Corporals	....	....	....
Corporals	....	....	....
TOTAL	....	....	....

VETERINARY OFFICERS OF FORMATIONS OR HOSPITALS.

Rank	Name	Charge	Rank	Name	Charge

CONTAGIOUS DISEASE. (Remarks as to action taken) :—

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Appendix 2.

DETAILS of Present STRENGTH,

1st M.V.S.				Remaining under Treatment			
Horses		Mules		Horses		Mules	
R	P	D		R	P	D	
17				14	3	6	
			4				3
Total 21.				Total 26.			

A. H. Benson
 Capt.
 D. C. 10th. Aust. Mobile Vety. Sect. A. I. R.