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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

5th Aust Mob Vet Section

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>DRANOUTRE (Belgium)</i>			<i>Summary of work for month Feb 1918</i>	<i>app. I</i>

*Roos, [unclear]
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General survey of the work of the month; There was a considerable increase in the number of animals passing through the Section owing to the prevalence of Mange in some units of the Division and in Army Artillery Brigades.

Of diseases other than Mange and Ophthalmia there was a decrease. Cases of Ulcerative Cellulitis were rare, the majority of animals affected with this disease having now been evacuated to the Base. Necrotic Dermatitis is almost unknown owing to the excellent conditions most animals are living under. Cases of Debility are extremely rare.

During the month the personnel of the Unit changed considerably, T/Cpl Barrett was posted to the 49th Battery with the rank of Vety sergt., A/Sgt Dargin after a fortnight's duty in the 14th Inf Bde was posted to the 51st Battery. Tpr Goedecke, for family reasons- was sent to England for return to Australia.

Six reinforcements from the Base were taken on the strength of the Unit.

Evacuation of animals; The entraining point for this Unit is now Ouderdonk where animals are evacuated to the Base through the 3rd Corps Mob Vety Detachment. This arrangement does away with the road trip to ST OMER - and the consequent absence of men acting as conducting Party- for periods of five days.

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