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WAR DIARY

of

8<sup>th</sup> Aust Mobile Vet Section

for

Month of June, 1919.

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OC. 8<sup>th</sup> M.V.S.

# WAR DIARY

or

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Zagazig	1 June		Leave granted to Cairo to 1 off in accordance with Bde Orders for leave prior to embarkation. Admitted 10 animals	
	2		1 off admitted to hospital, 14 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg Cairo. Admitted one animal from 15 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg.	
	3		14 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg sent in one sick animal	
	4		Weather very hot during the day, though still fairly cool at night.	
	5		St. Melitryns on leave i.e. Cairo	
	6		Bde sports and Races commenced in vicinity of camp. Weather extremely hot. Vet. Services Report submitted	app I
	7		Races & sports continued.	
	8		Weather changed to cool with slight overcast. 1 animal admitted to sick lines	
	9		1st off admitted suffering with tetanus on 4/6/19 returned cured to 15 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg.	
	10		Discharged from sick horses to Indian Vet Hospital, Rabba.	
	11		Admitted from Dismounted Train 1 animal suffering with tetanus, also 1 with injury near forelimb.	
	12		Weekly statement shows effective strength of personnel with unit 1 officer & 15 off 3 of the latter being attached men	
	13		Veterinary services report for week ending today shows 13 animals admitted, 10 evacuated, 1 cured & 2 remaining	app II
	14		24 H Horses & Races held in this vicinity.	
	15		Evacuated 8 horses & 1 mule to Indian Veterinary Hospital, Rabba. Of these cases 4 were pyria, 2 tetanus & 1 digestive	
	16		1 synthetic 1 specific	
	17		off Melitryns admitted sick to hospital	
	18		Admitted 3 horses from 10 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg & 2 from Indian Field Ambulance	
	19		A skin disease becoming very prevalent amongst animals for increased number of admissions to sick lines	
	20		Admitted 10 animals from 11 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg & 1 from Indian Field Ambulance	
	21		Evacuation of animals to Indian Vet Hospital, Rabba stopped owing to outbreak of glanders	
	22		Weekly Vet Services report shows 18 animals admitted, 9 evacuated, 4 18 remaining under treatment	app III
	23		Evacuated 12 sickly horses and 3 transport mules to No. 100 Field Vet Discharge, Mouscat.	
	24		Received from Bde Trust account the sum of 310 Pt. for comforts for personnel.	
	25		Forwarded to Staff Paymaster paybooks of all personnel of the unit for final audit prior to embarkation.	
	26		Received orders for readiness to move to Mouscat on 30/6/19. Evacuated all sick horses to No. 100 Field Discharge.	
	27		1 off rejoined from hospital. Handed over to 14 <sup>th</sup> A Lt Reg all unconsumed ratty stores.	
	28		Paper forwarded to Bde HQ. Nominal Roll of all personnel with unit for embarkation & statement.	
	29		Completed all records of animals admitted & discharged from this unit during period at Zagazig.	
	30		During the three months April May & June, 125 horses & mules were admitted to this unit & 100 of these were evacuated. 10 were returned to units cured, 1 was destroyed & 1 died.	app IV
			Moved to Mouscat to prepare for embarkation.	

*P. J. Warden*

# WAR DIARY

OF

*8<sup>th</sup> Aust. Mobile Vet. Section.*

FOR

*Month of June 1919*

## LIST OF APPENDICES.

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*R. J. Wardle Capt.*

**FIELD SERVICE.**

Army Form A. 2000. 4

Corps, etc. 8th Light Horse Regt. (V.C.)

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending 7/1/1918

Station Jaganas

Date 6/2/1918

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Convalescent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases	1	2	3		2					1	3	Animals Adm.
2. Respiratory "												
3. Circulatory "												
4. Urinary "												
5. Generative "												
6. Digestive "	2	4	6	1	3		1			1	6	Animals Adm.
7. Lymphatic "												
8. Nervous "												
9. Skin "	1	4	5		5						5	Animals Adm.
10. Locomotory "		1	1		1						1	Animals Adm.
11. Specific "												
12. Visual "		1	1		1						1	Animals Adm.
13. Injuries "	3	6	9		4					2	9	Animals Adm.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>19</u>		<u>1</u>			<u>4</u>	<u>25</u>	

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

**Present Strength of Animals :-**

Horses ... .. 4

Mules ... ..

Donkeys ... ..

Camels ... ..

Total ... .. 4

Detail of Sick, etc.	Horses.	Mules.	Donkeys.	Camels.
Admitted.....	18			
Cured.....	1			
Transferred .....	18	1		
Died.....	1			
Destroyed.....				
Missing.....				
Remaining.....	4			
<b>Totals ...</b>				

*[Signature]*  
Veterinary Officer.

**PERSONNEL OF A. V. C. UNITS**

**AND A. V. C. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO UNITS.**

			Veterinary Officers of Formations or Hospitals.		
STAFF.	Effective.	Non-Effective <i>Detached</i>	Rank.	Name.	Charge.
BRITISH.	Officers.....	1			
	W. Officers.....				
	S. Sergts.....				
	Sergeants.....	1			
	Corporals.....	2			
	Privates.....	8			
	Farr. Q.M.S....	1			
	Farr. S. Sgts....				
	Farr. Sgts.....				
	S. S. Corpls.....				
	S. Smiths.....				
	Saddl. Sgts.....				
Saddl. Cpls.....					
Saddlers.....					
<i>Totals</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>3</i>			
INDIAN.	Vet. Assist'ts....				
	Vet. Duffadars...				
	Salutries.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Sowars.....				
	Pub. Followers..				
Nalbands.....					
EGYPTIAN.	Officers.....				
	Jemadars.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Saddlers.....				
	Clippers.....				
	Temurgies.....				
	Bash Reis.....				
	Reis.....				
Syces.....					
ATTACHED.	<i>Privates</i>	<i>1</i>			
		<i>2</i>			

**CONTAGIOUS DISEASES. Remarks as to action taken.**

Admitted.....	
Cured.....	
Transferred.....	
Dead.....	
Destroyed.....	
Missing.....	
Remaining.....	
<i>Totals</i>	<i>10</i>

Veterinary Officers.

# FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form A. 2000. 5

Corps, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> A.C. 24<sup>th</sup> Bn. 2<sup>nd</sup> Div. A.S.M.

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending Friday

Station Zogayay Date 13/6/19

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Convalescent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases	1		1		1						1	Animals Admitted Horses 1
2. Respiratory "												9 <sup>th</sup> 2/12 2
3. Circulatory "												10 2 14 6
4. Urinary "												10 1 14 2
5. Generative "												14 1 14 12 1
6. Digestive "	1	2	3	1	2						3	Animals Evacuated 10 1/4 3
7. Lymphatic "		2	2		1					1	2	14 3 15 2
8. Nervous "												Totals 10
9. Skin "												Animals Cured 10 1/4 1
10. Locomotory "		2	2		1					1	2	Animals Remaining 9 1/4 2
11. Specific "		1	1							1	1	14 1 14 2
12. Visual "												14 1 14 1
13. Injuries "	2	6	8		5					3	8	Totals 5-1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>					<b>6</b>	<b>17</b>	

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

**Present Strength of Animals :-**

Horses ... ..	5
Mules ... ..	1
Donkeys... ..	
Camels ... ..	
Total ...	<u>6</u>

Detail of Sick, etc.	Horses.	Mules.	Donkeys.	Camels.
Admitted.....	12	1		
Cured.....	1			
Transferred .....	10			
Died .....				
Destroyed.....				
Missing .....				
Remaining.....	5	1		
<b>Totals ...</b>				

*[Signature]*  
Veterinary Officer.



**PERSONNEL OF A. V. C. UNITS  
AND A. V. C. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO UNITS.**

			Veterinary Officers of Formations or Hospitals.		
STAFF.	Effective.	Non-Effective	Rank.	Name.	Charge.
BRITISH.	Officers.....				
	W. Officers.....				
	S. Sergts.....				
	Sergeants.....	1			
	Corporals.....	2	1	T. [unclear] / Staff	
	Privates.....	8	1		
	Farr. Q.M.S....	1			
	Farr. S. Sgts....				
	Farr. Sgts.....				
	S. S. Corpls....				
	S. Smiths.....				
	Saddl. Sgts....				
	Saddl. Cpls....				
Saddlers.....	13	2			
INDIAN.	Vet. Assist'ts....				
	Vet. Duffadars...				
	Salutries.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Sowars.....				
	Pub. F'ollowers..				
Nalbands.....					
EGYPTIAN.	Officers.....				
	Jemadars.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Saddlers.....				
	Clippers.....				
	Temurgies.....				
	Bash Reis.....				
	Reis.....				
Syces.....					
ATTACHED.	Privates	2	10		
		1	9		
			<b>CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.</b> Remarks as to action taken.		

Veterinary Officers.

**FIELD SERVICE.**

Army Form A. 2000. 6

Corps, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> Ant. Mobil. Vety Section

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending \_\_\_\_\_

Station Jayajay Date 20-5-19

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Convalescent Horse D. pot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases		2	2							2	2	Animals Admitted Horses Mules
2. Respiratory "												10 A.M. 2 123 Comb 2 Div Train 2 11 A.M. 9 1
3. Circulatory "												Total 13 3 Animals Examined
4. Urinary "												9 A.M. 2 10 1
5. Generative "												14 1 101 7 in Train 4
6. Digestive "		3	3		1					2	3	4/10 Bronchitis 1
7. Lymphatic "	1		1		1						1	F. Rate 8 17
8. Nervous "												
9. Skin "		5	5							5	5	Animals Remaining
10. Locomotory "	1	2	3		2					1	3	10 A.M. 2 123 1 and 1 1 2
11. Specific "	1	2	3		1					2		11 A.M. 9 1 Totals 12 3
12. Visual "												
13. Injuries "	3	4	7		4					3	7	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>		<b>9</b>					<b>15</b>	<b>24</b>	

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

**Present Strength of Animals :-**

Horses ... ..	12
Mules ... ..	3
Donkeys ... ..	
Camels ... ..	
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>15</b>

Detail of Sick, etc.	Horses.	Mules.	Donkeys.	Camels.
Admitted.....	10	2		
Cured.....				
Transferred <i>Sick</i> .....	8	1		
Died.....				
Destroyed.....				
Missing.....				
Remaining.....	12	3		
<b>Totals ...</b>				

*[Signature]*  
Veterinary Officer.

**PERSONNEL OF A. V. C. UNITS  
AND A. V. C. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO UNITS.**

			Veterinary Officers of Formations or Hospitals.																		
STAFF.	Effective.	Non-Effective	Rank.	Name.	Charge.																
BRITISH.	Officers.....	1																			
	W. Officers.....																				
	S. Sergrts.....																				
	Sergeants.....	1	1	To Education Staff																	
	Corporals.....	2	1	To Staff																	
	Privates.....	8																			
	Farr. Q.M.S....	1																			
	Farr. S. Sgts....																				
	Farr. Sgts.....																				
	S. S. Corpls....																				
	S. Smiths.....																				
	Saddl. Sgts....																				
Saddl. Cpls....																					
Saddlers.....																					
<i>Totals</i>																					
	13	2																			
INDIAN.	Vet. Assist'ts....																				
	Vet. Duffadars...																				
	Salutries.....																				
	Clerks.....																				
	Sowars.....																				
	Pub. Followers..																				
Nalbands.....																					
EGYPTIAN.	Officers.....																				
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	Saddlers.....																				
	Clippers.....																				
	Temurgies.....																				
	Bash Reis.....																				
	Reis.....																				
Syces.....																					
ATTACHED.	Privates.....	1	9																		
	".....	2	10																		
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Died.....																					
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Veterinary Officers.

**FIELD SERVICE.**

Corps, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> Aust. Mobile Vet. Section

RETURN of Sick and Injured Animals during the week ending \_\_\_\_\_

Station Juzayiq Date 27-6-19

	In last Return	Admitted Since	TOTAL	*Cured	Transferred Sick	Transferred to Convalescent Horse Depot	Died	Destroyed	Cast and Sold	Remaining under Treatment	TOTAL	REMARKS (Nature of Cases to be stated)
1. General Diseases	2		2		2						2	<u>Animals Admitted</u> <u>Horses Mules</u> <u>9 A.H. 2</u>
2. Respiratory "		1	1					1			1	<u>10</u> <u>14</u> <u>3 B.H. 1</u>
3. Circulatory "												<u>Arch 70 Rifles 1</u>
4. Urinary "												<u>2 H. 75 G.S. 1</u>
5. Generative "												<u>4/100 Granules 1</u> <u>Total 4</u>
6. Digestive "	2		2	2							2	<u>Animals Examined</u> <u>10 A.H. 3</u>
7. Lymphatic "												<u>9</u> <u>11</u> <u>4/100 Granules 1</u>
8. Nervous "												<u>123 T. Kill 1</u> <u>2 H. 75 G.S. 1</u>
9. Skin "	5	2	7	1	6						7	<u>3 B.H. 1</u> <u>Arch 70 Rifles 1</u>
10. Locomotory "	1	1	2		2						2	<u>Totals 15</u>
11. Specific "	2		2		2						2	<u>Animals Examined</u> <u>4 A.H. 3</u>
12. Visual "												
13. Injuries "	3	4	7		7						7	<u>Animals Destroyed</u> <u>Arch 70 Rifles 1</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>			<b>1</b>			<b>23</b>	

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

**Present Strength of Animals :-**

Detail of Sick, etc.	Horses.	Mules.	Donkeys.	Camels.
Admitted.....	7			
Cured.....	3			
Transferred <u>Sick</u> .....	5	4		
Died.....				
Destroyed.....	1			
Missing.....				
Remaining.....				
<b>Totals ...</b>				

Horses ... ..  
 Mules ... ..  
 Donkeys... ..  
 Camels ... ..  
 Total ... Nil

*J. J. Warden*  
 Veterinary Officer.

**PERSONNEL OF A. V. C. UNITS  
AND A. V. C. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO UNITS.**

STAFF.	Effective.	Non-Effective	Veterinary Officers of Formations or Hospitals.		
			Rank.	Name.	Charge.
BRITISH.	Officers.....				
	W. Officers.....				
	S. Sergts.....				
	Sergeants.....	1	1		
	Corporals.....	4	1		
	Privates.....	8			
	Farr. Q.M.S....	1			
	Farr. S. Sgts....				
	Farr. Sgts.....				
	S. S. Corppls....				
	S. Smiths.....				
	Saddl. Sgts.....				
	Saddl. Cpls.....				
Saddlers.....					
INDIAN.	Vet. Assist'ts....	13	2		
	Vet. Duffadars...				
	Salutries.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Sowars.....				
	Pub. Followers..				
Nalbands.....					
EGYPTIAN.	Officers.....				
	Jemadars.....				
	Clerks.....				
	Saddlers.....				
	Clippers.....				
	Temurgies.....				
	Bash Reis.....				
	Reis.....				
Syces.....					
ATTACHED.	Privates.....	1			
		2			

**CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.**

Remarks as to action taken.

Admitted.....	
Cured.....	
Transferred.....	
Died.....	
Destroyed.....	
Missing.....	
Remaining.....	
Totals.....	

Veterinary Officers.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
		June		
		1	1 Cpl granted leave to Cairo in accordance with Bde orders for leave prior to embarkation. Admitted 10 animals	
		2	Pvt. Bradley admitted to 14 <sup>th</sup> Bde. Cairo with pyrexia. Admitted 1 animal from 10 A/L/12g	
		3	Admitted 7 animals from 14 <sup>th</sup> Bde. 10 A/L/12g	
		4	Weather very hot during the day though still fairly cool at night.	
		5	Sgt. A. Metcalf on leave to Cairo	
		6	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lt. G. G. G. and Races commenced in vicinity of Zegazig. Weather extremely hot. Vets Services Report prepared	app. I
		7	Races & G. G. continued.	
		8	Weather much cooler with slight breeze. 1 animal admitted to sick lines.	
		9	Boy holding admitted suffering with colic, returned cured to 15 <sup>th</sup> Bde. 10 A/L/12g	
		10	Evacuated ten sick horses Indian Veterinary Hospital Belbeis	
		11	Admitted from 14 <sup>th</sup> Bde. 1 animal suffering with tetanus and 1 with injury. 21 horses	
		12	Veterinary Services Report effective strength of personnel with Unit 1 Cpl + 16 ORs, 3 of the latter being attached men.	app. II
		13	Veterinary Services Report for day shows 13 animals admitted, 10 evacuated, sick, 1 cured and 6 remaining	
		14	10 A/L/12g Sports & Races held in vicinity of Zegazig	
		15	Evacuated 8 horses & 1 mule to Indian Veterinary Hospital Belbeis. Of these cases four were injuries, two locomotory, one digestive and lambs one specific	
		16	Sgt. Meldrum sick to hospital	
		17	Admitted to horses from 10 <sup>th</sup> Bde & 2 from Indian Field Ambulance	
		18	Evacuated 12 sick horses by coming day operations amongst animals	
		19	Admitted 10 animals from 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde. 1 from Indian Field Ambulance. Weather again exceptionally cool	
		20	Evacuation of animals to Indian Veterinary Hospital stopped owing to outbreak of glanders amongst animals there	app. III
		21	Weekly Vets Services Report shows 18 animals admitted, 19 evacuated & 15 remaining for treatment	
		22	Sgt. Metcalf returned unit & 10 A/L/12g	
		23	Evacuated 12 sick horses and 3 transport mules to No. 1 Field Vets Detach. Moascar	
		24	Received from Bde Trust account card of 2	
		25	Forwarded to Staff Sgt. Major paybooks of all personnel of the Unit for final audit prior to embarkation	
		26	Received orders to be on readiness to move to Moascar on 30.6.1918. Evacuated all sick horses (3 horses & 1 mule) to No. 1 Field Vets Detach. Moascar	app. IV
		27	1 Cpl returned from hospital. Received and unconsumed Vets Stores to 14 <sup>th</sup> Bde. Forwarded weekly Vets Services Report	
		28	Prepared & forwarded to Bde Reg. Animal Roll of all personnel with Unit for complete arrangements for embarkation	
		29	Completed all records of animals admitted & despatched during the period at Zegazig	
			During the three months April 27 <sup>th</sup> & June 13 <sup>th</sup> horses & mules were admitted to the sections of these 113 were evacuated, 10 were returned to units cured, 1 was destroyed & 1 died.	
		30	Moved to Moascar to prepare for embarkation	