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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Near RIVERY	1918 Apr 1		Admitted 2 Animals	
	2		Admitted 3 Animals. Evacuated 8 Animals to 1 st Aust VES.	
	3		Admitted 3 Animals.	
	4		Admitted 3 Animals. Evacuated 9 Animals to 1X baps VES.	
	5		No 574 Pte G. Sly. went on leave to Reading. Admitted 2 Animals.	
	6		Admitted 5 Animals.	
	7		No 4193 Sgt J. Owen (4 F.C.E) reported back from hospital for detached duty. Evacuated 8 Animals to 1X baps VES. Marched out from near Rivery at 12 Noon. Marched in at Vaire-Sous-Corbis at 4:30 PM.	
	8		Marched out from Vaire-Sous-Corbis at 8:30 AM. Marched in at (G. 30. A.) at 3 PM.	
	9		Admitted 3 Animals. No 796 Pte W.G. Cooper returned from detached duty with 1 st Aust VES. No 447 Spt L.B. Shaw posted to the 112 th How. Bty 12 (Army) Bde Aust F.A. & promoted T/Sgt.	
	10		Evacuated 3 Animals. Marched out from (G. 30. A.) at 9 AM. Marched in at (N. 18. b 5.2) near Barleux at 4 P.M.	
near Barleux	11		Admitted 1 Animal.	

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near Barlums	12/18 Sept		No 572 bpl b. Kelly went on leave to Glasgow.	
	13		No 557. Pte G. Austin resumed from leave.	
	14		Evacuated 1 Animal to 1 st Aust V.E.S. No 2474. S. Smith.	
			H. Stephenson & No 277 Pte J.E. Walsh proceeded on leave to Australia. No 557 bpl G. Austin & Pte. A.W. Kelly went to Mons as party for "Advance Post" for section.	
	15		bapt. W.S.T. Morgan, No 7320 & R. McGregor & No 5665 Dr. C.G. Greenwood returned to 26 th Coy A.A.S.C.	
	16		Admitted 14 Animals.	
	17		Admitted 16 Animals Evacuated 14 Animals to 1 st Aust V.E.S.	
	18		Admitted 7 Animals. Evacuated 16 Animals to 1 st Aust V.E.S.	
	19		Admitted 12 Animals.	
	20		No 798 Pte W.H. Riley & No 492. S. Smith. S. West transferred from Aust Veterinary Hospital & taken on strength.	
			No 507 bpl J.G. Johnstone (A.A.V.C.) from Aust Vety Hospital (Superannuated to Establishment) pending absorption.	
			Admitted 8 Animals. Evacuated 13 Animals to 1 st Aust V.E.S.	
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near Barleux	1918 Sept 21		Admitted 12 Animals.	
	22		Admitted 21 Animals. Evacuated 22 Animals to 1 st Aust V.E.S.	
	23		Evacuated 23 Animals to 1 st Aust V.E.S. No 557 Cpl. G. Austin & Pte. A.W. Kelly returned from "Advance Post" at 7 hours. No 574 Pte. b. Sly ret'd from leave.	
	24		Marched out from near Barleux at 8 AM. Marched in at La Neuville at 3 PM.	
	25		No 10059 Pte. G. A. Leer went on leave to Edinburgh. Marched out from La Neuville at 8 AM. Marched in at Picquigny at 3 PM. Good Billet. All horses under cover.	
	27		Admitted 3 Animals.	
	29		No 691 Pte. J. O'Brien went on leave to Belfast. No 507. Cpl. J. D. Johnstone promoted T/Sgt & posted with 103 rd How Bty 3 rd Army (Bde) Aust F.A.	

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	1918		Unit	Hides. Horse Mule	How disposed of	Date of Disposal	Remarks
	Sept						
	2		38 th Bty 10 th F.A. B.	1	101 st Aust VES	5-9-18	-
	4		4 th Aust M.G. Bn	1	do	5-9-18	-
	21		142 nd Hy Bty R.C. A.	1	do	22-9-18	-

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			General Remarks During the month there have been opportunities of inspecting & examining German stables and horse standings. It seems that the enemy go in more for roofed shelters for their animals than do we. Not only were there numerous large stables situated in what had been recently his back areas but roofed shelters had been provided quite close to what had been the front line. On the other hand all the lines that came under notice were in a filthy condition and anything more insanitary or with less attention to hygiene would be hard to imagine. In two cases on lines where animals had apparently been bombed the carcasses had been merely dragged off the lines & covered with manure only a few feet from the standings. There they had remained for a month or so. German horse shoes are well made & of ordinary patterns, nor do the gas-masks appear to possess any advantages over our own. It is interesting to note that they are composed largely of paper as are the head collars neck ropes &c.	

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