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## OBITUARY -

### **ROBERT HALL FORMAN MACINDOE**,

O.B.E., L.V.Sc. (Melb.), M.R.C.V.S., R.D.A.

Older members of the profession will regret to read of the death of Robert Hall Forman Macindoe, O.B.E., L.V.Sc. (Melb.), M.R.C.V.S., R.D.A. in Springbank Repatriation Hospital, Adelaide, on 2nd May, 1962.

Jimmy Macindoe was born on 2nd January, 1887. After obtaining the Roseworthy Diploma of Agriculture, he commenced his veterinary course at the Melbourne Veterinary College. He transferred to the Melbourne University Veterinary School, and gained his Licentiate in Veterinary Science in 1912.

Following a short period in practice at Balaklava, South Australia, he joined the staff of the Stock and Brands Department in 1913. At the outbreak of World War I, he went overseas with the 1 Australian Division Artillery Regiment. In 1917, he was appointed D.A.D.V.S. of the 4th Australian Division. He received the O.B.E. in recognition of his services.

On his return to Australia, Jimmy Macindoe rejoined the staff of the Stock and Brands Department, was appointed Deputy Chief Inspector of Stock, and Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer in 1924, following the resignation of the late Murray-Jones. Subsequent to the retirement of the late C. A. Loxton in 1944, the Stock and Brands Department was merged with the Department of Agriculture, and Jimmy became Chief Inspector of Stock and Chief Veterinary Officer in that Department. He reached retiring age on 2nd January, 1952.

Jimmy Macindoe took an active part in the formation of the South Australian Branch of the Australian Veterinary Association in 1913, and again on his return from active service. Throughout his career he took a keen interest in Association affairs.

The passing of Jimmy Macindoe removes one of the outstanding personalities of the profession. Irascible and outspoken, his fiery exchanges will long be remembered by those who worked with him. However, it was when arguing via the telephone, an instrument which he abhorred, that he really excelled. Despite his spoken word, he was ever ready to extend a helping hand to those in need.

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