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Signature of Officer Commanding. *J. Crepin*

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WAULSORT BELGIUM SHEET: NAMUR 1/100,000 4.K.4.5.	1st.		Snow. Training as per Syllabus.	
	2nd.		Church Parade, C of E. Perriot Hall 10 a.m.. R.C. Villiage Church 10a.m. Weather Light Snow. Strength Capt. J.S.Mackay proceeded on leave U.K.	
	3rd.		Light Snow Honors and Awards The undermentioned were awarded the Meritorious Service Medal Q.M. and Hon. Lieut. Long. G.H. MM. 1307 Sgt. Borstel. R. 8751 S.Sgt. Baird. H.H. Promotion	
	4th.		1113 T/W.O. Class.1. Jonh Gordon Hendry. MM. to be W.O. Class 1. Weather Cold.	
	5th.		Snowing. Sports Tobagonning	
	6th.		Cold weather continued. Strength. Capt. F.E.R. Biggs. rejoined from temporary detachment from 11th. A.F.A. Bde. A.I.F. Blue Light Depot established in NAMUR. Personnel supplied by this Unit.	
	7th.		Snow. Strength. Major K.M. Whiting returned from leave U.K. Capt. Clarke. A.A.D.C. reported for duty with 27th. Aust. Dental Corps. taken on attached strength.	
	8th.		Weather Cold. Strength. Capt. J.R. Williams returned from leave NICE.	
	9th.		Snow. Strength. Lt.Col. E.Culpin proceeded on leave U.K. Church Parade: C of E. Concert Hall WAULSORT 10 a.m., R.C. Villiage Church 10 a.m. Command, Major K.M. Whiting assumed command of Unit during absence of Lt. Col. E. Culpin on furlough.	
	10th.		Weather Cold. Pay. Unit paid 2 p.m.	
	11th.		Light Snow. Bathing Parade held 12th. A.I.Bde. Baths 2.p.m. Strength. Capt. T.G.Allen temporarily detached RMO. 46th. A.I.Battn.	
	12th.		Light Snow.	
	13th.		Weather Cold.	

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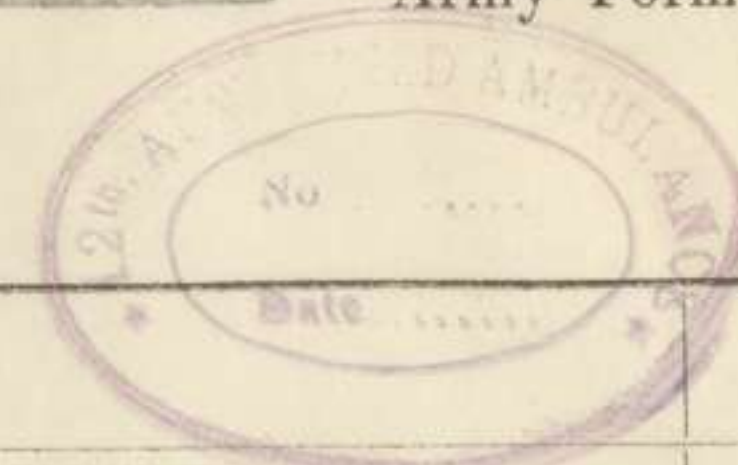
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WAULSORT	14th.		Snow.	
BELGIUM	15th.		Weather Cold.	
Sheet:	16th.		Church Parade: C of E. Concert Hall WAULSORT 10 a.m. R.C. Villiage Church 10 a.m.	
NAMUR			Strength. Capt. A.R. Hudson rejoined from temporary detachment 45th. A.I. Battn.	
1/100,000	17th.		Weather Fine.	
4.K.4.5.			Strength. Capt. A.R. Hudson and Capt. F.E.P. Piggs temporarily detached to ADMS. 5th. Aust. Div.	
	18th.		Light Rain.	
	19th.		Capt. J.S. Mackay MC. returned from leave U.K.	
	20th.		Light Rain. Bathing Parade held 3 p.m.	
	21st.		Showery. Move. Advanced Billetting Party proceeded to FLORENNES. Party consisted of Capt. J.S. Mackay MC. and 2 O.P.	
	22nd.		Move. Advanced Billetting Party proceeded to final Area GOURDINNES. Party Consisted of Capt. J. S. Mackay MC. and 2 O.Rs.	
	23rd.		Weather Dull. Unit Moved by Route March from WAULSORT to NALINNES Area in accordance with 12th. A.I. Bde. Order No. 249 Staging for the night of 23rd./24th. at FLORENNES.V	Vide Appendix No. 1.
			Billetting accomadation at FLORENNES bad owing to congestion of troops.	
	24th.		Weather dull. Move continued by Route March reaching GOURDINNE about 2 p.m. Map Location Vide Margin.	
GOURDINNES				
Sheet:	25th.		Showery. Muster Parade 10 a.m.	
NAMUR			Unit occupied in settling into new quarters. Accomadation good. Attitude of civilians exceeding friendly. No difficulty experienced in getting anything that was asked for.	
1/100,000				
Square 3F.				
	26th.		Weather dull. Routine Reveille 7.15. Breakfast 7.45. Parade 9 a.m. Dinner 12.30 Tea 4.30. Lights Out 10 p.m. Court of Inquiry President Capt. J.S. Mackay MC. Members Capt. J.R. Williams and Lt. Long. G.H. assembled to inquire into loss of two motor cycles on the night of 8th./9th. February.	
	27th.		Weather Dull. Lt. Col. E. Culpin returned from leave U.K. and assumed command.	
	28th.		Weather Dull.	

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1. Movement Order No. 64.

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MOVEMENT ORDER No. 64.

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MAJOR K.M. WHITING OFFICER COMMANDING.

12th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMB.

22nd. February, 19.



Map Reference

Sheet NAMUR 1,000,000.

INFORMATION. Reference 12th. Aust. Infantry Bde. Order No. 249, the 12th. Australian Infantry Brigade will move by March Route to Nalinnes Area, commencing 23rd. inst, staging the night at Florennes.

- (1) In accordance with the above order,
The 12th. Australian Field Ambulance less Billeting Party and Motor Transport will proceed to FLORENNES by march route on 23rd. inst.
Starting point 4 K 36 42. Time 0917.
- (2) DRESS. Full Marching Order. Water bottle will be carried filled and the unexpended portion of the days rations. No blankets will be carried by personnel.
- (3) A halt for mid-day meal will be made at 1200 to 1300.
- (4) Motor Transport will move independantly under orders of Transport Officer.

K.M. Whiting

Major,
C.C. 12th. Australian Field Ambulance.

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	5	A.D.M.S.
	6	12th. A.I. Brigade.
	7	Transport Officer.
	8	Quarter Master.