

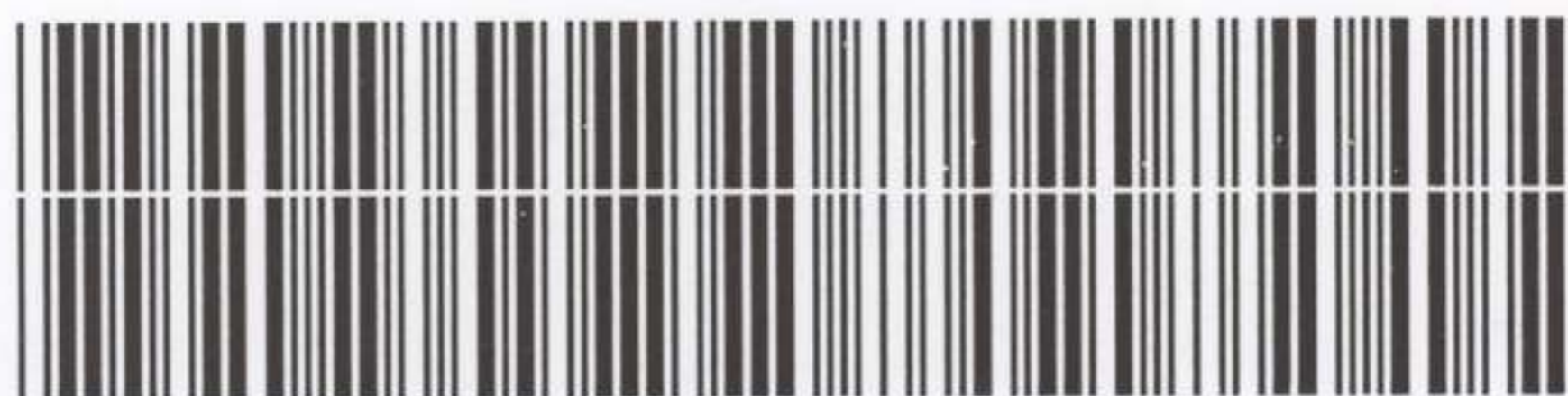
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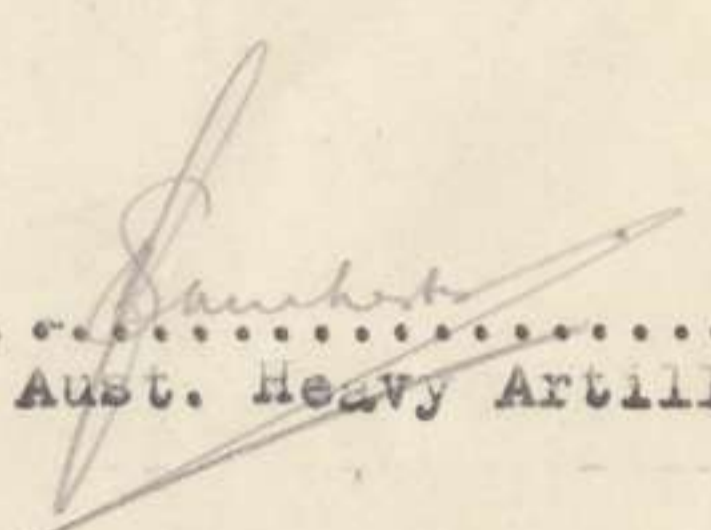
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Commanding 36th Aust. Heavy Artillery Brigade



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36TH AUSTRALIAN HEAVY ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	January 1919			
	13th		Interviewed by Corps Commander who took opportunity of thanking the Brigade Commander, Lieut-Col. J.H. HURST, for the excellent work carried out by the Brigade whilst attached to XV Corps.	
	14th		Lieut-Col. J.H. HURST proceeded to CHARLEROI to take over duties of D.A.A.G., 5th Australian Division. Before departing Colonel HURST thanked the members of Headquarters Staff for their loyal support under all conditions. Major H.C. BUNDOCK, DSO. assumed temporary command of the Brigade. Major G.E. MANCHESTER proceeded to CHARLEROI to reconnoitre the area allotted to the Brigade in the event of a transfer to that district.	
	18th		The Brigade was well represented in the XV Corps Boxing Competitions held to-day at ROUBAIX. With four representatives we carried off the Heavy, Middle and Welter-weights, but were beaten in the Light weight.	
	25th		2/Lieuts. R.A. EATON, R.W. SCOTT, A.G. BOUGHEN, W. WARREN, posted to 36th Brigade and were posted as follows :- The two former to 2nd Aust. Siege Battery, and the two latter to 1st Aust. Siege Battery.	
	27th		2/Lieut. R.A. EATON attached to Brigade Headquarters to take over duties of Signal Officer.	

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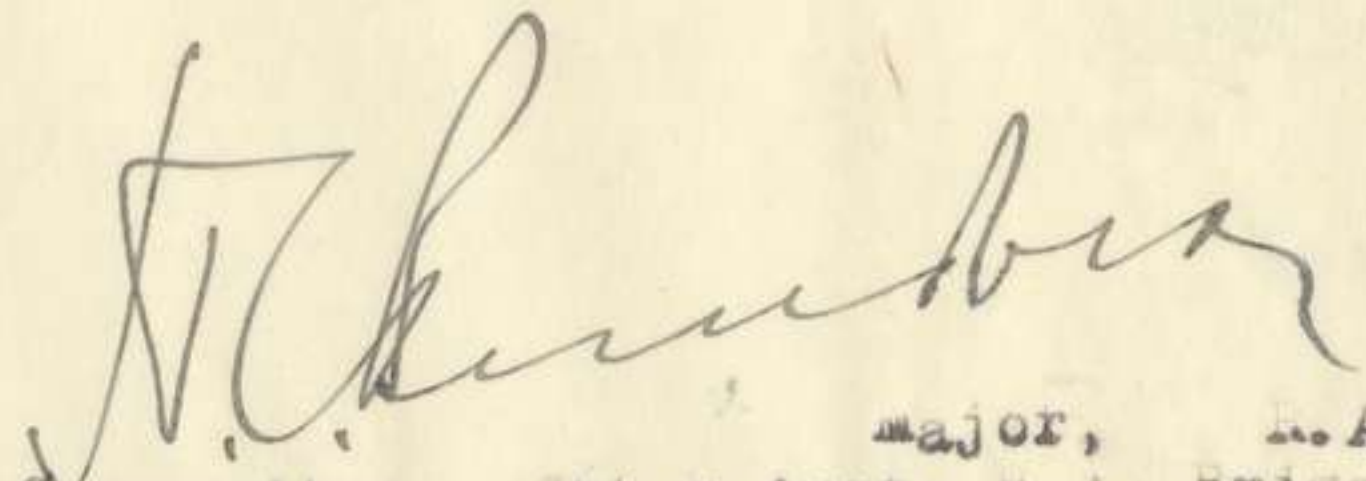
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	January		<p>A Party of two Officers and 40 Other Ranks proceeded on a two days tour to OSTEND, ZEEBRUGGE and BRUGES.</p> <p>A party of 5 Officers made a tour of three days to OSTEND, ZEEBRUGGE, BRUGES, GHENT, BRUSSELS, and WATERLOO.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">                       Major, H.A.A.                      Commanding 20th Aust. H.A. Brigade.                 </p>	

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The month of January has been marked by the very few happenings other than the every day routine duties.

The 1915 men have been in the throes of excitement, expecting to receive demobilisation orders any day, but they were disappointed, and up till January 31st not one man had been demobilised from the Brigade.

The health of all ranks has been excellent.

The rations have not been up to the usual standards, but these have been supplemented by generous grants from the Regimental Funds, and in consequence the food has been good and plentiful.

The ration of coal has been very small, barely sufficient for cooking purposes, but by sending out fatigue parties to devastated areas, sufficient fuel has been provided to warm the billets and class rooms.

Sport during the early part of the month was very dead owing to the Imperial Units postponing and forfeiting matches.

Frost and snow during the latter days definitely put a stop to all out-door sports.

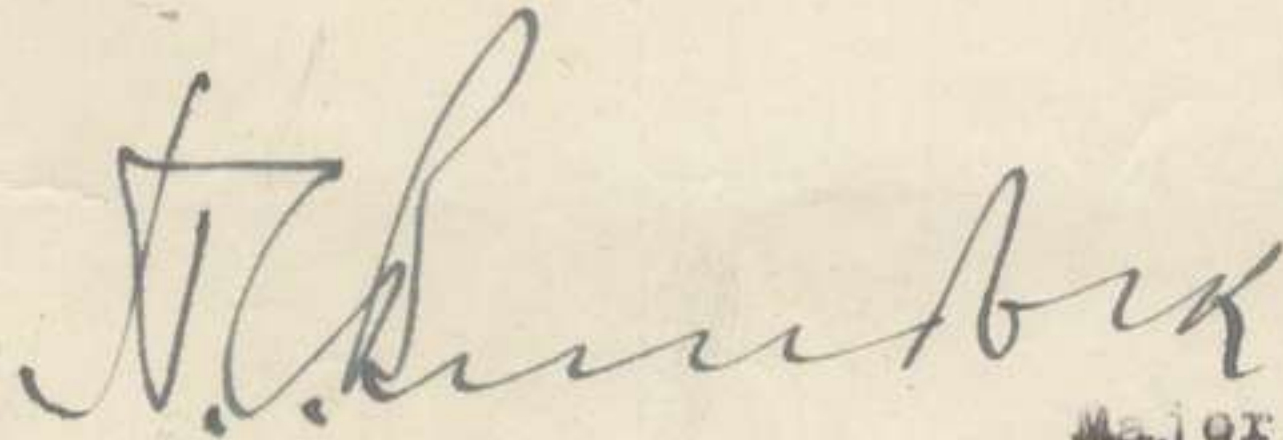
The Brigade Concert Party (Australian ZIZ ZAGS) toured COURTRAI, WATTRELOS and LANNOY during the month, and created a very favourable impression in all towns.

The Education has proceeded on satisfactory lines. The shortage of text books has proved a handicap to the instructors, for with them, advanced classes could be formed.

The elementary and French Classes are well attended.

Full advantage is being taken of the opportunities offered by the Imperial and A.I.F. Authorities for men to gain or increase their knowledge of various professions and trades.

Numerous applications have been submitted for Non Military Employment pending demobilisation, but owing to this Unit being detached from Australian Corps, these seem to have been overlooked.



Major, R.A.A.  
Commanding 50th Aust. H.A. Brigade.