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WAR DIARY

OF

7th Australian L. T. M. Battery

FOR

December. 1918

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field.	Dec 1 st 1918	-	Inspection by H.M. The King at MAROILLES near AVESNES.	
	2 nd to 16 th		Training consisting principally of smartening up drill, route marches and recreational training was carried out during this period.	
	17 th		Battery commenced its four days' march to the MARCINELLE AREA near CHARLEROI. Moved by march route today from LE GRAND FAYT. to ROPSIES (near BEAUFORT). appendix 1.	
	18 th		Battery continued its march to COUSORÉ append. 2.	
	19 th		Battery continued its march to THUIN. Append. 3.	
	20 th		Battery completed its march, reaching MARCINELLE at 1300. where it and the 28 th Bn were tendered a civic reception. Append. 4.	tendered
	21-23.		Light Training, principally Recreational.	
	24.		Presentation of medals by H.R.H. Prince of Wales on 27 th Batt. Parade Ground at MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE.	
	25 th		Battery held its first Christmas Dinner, which was a great success. Menus were printed as souvenirs - see attached.	
	26 th		Boxing Day.	

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In the Field	Dec 27 th - 31 st	1918	<p>Light Training, principally Recreational.</p> <p>During the month under review, the health of the troops has been excellent.</p> <p>On the four Days' march from LE GRANDE FAYT to MARCINELLE no man fell out, although the weather conditions were very trying.</p>	
			<p>A Brand, Capt.</p> <p>O.C. 7th <u>A.L.T.M. B.</u></p>	

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No	Subject
1.	Move to ROPSIES, near BEAUFORT.
2.	Move to COUSOLRE.
3.	Move to THUIN.
4.	Move to MARCINELLE.
5.	Battery Souvenir Money Card.

F Brand, Capt.

O.C. 7th A.L.T.M.B.

7th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery

Order n^o 43.

Reference Map, sheets. VALENCIENNES. 1/100,000

" NAMUR. 1/100,000.

Dec. 16th 1918.

1. The 7th A.I. Brigade Group will move by march route to MARCINELLE AREA - The move will commence on the 17th inst and be completed on the 20th inst.
2. For the purpose of the move, the 7th A.I. Bde Group will consist of; -
 - 7th A.I. Bde
 - 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn.
 - HQ. Section, 2nd Aust. Div Signal Coy.
 - HQ. 2nd Aust. Div. Trains.
 - 17th Coy. A.S.C.
 - 1/3rd S.A.A. Section D.A.C.
 - 7th Aust. Field. Ambulance.
3. The Headquarters of 2nd Aust Div. Trains and 1/3rd S.A.A. Section D.A.C. will be attached to 17th Coy A.S.C. for purposes of the move.
4. On 17th inst. the 7th A.L.T.M.B. will move to BEAUFORT via CARTIGNIES, DOMPIERRE, DOURLERS, & ECLAIBES. - Transport will move with Unit.
5. Advance parties have been sent ahead for billeting and the Unit will be met in ECLAIBES and guided to its billet.
6. Baggage; All Officers valises will be dumped at the Bde Q.M. Store not later than 0630.

- 6. Blankets Blankets will be collected and neatly rolled in bundles of 10, plainly labelled and must be ready for loading on to motor lorry at 0600.
- 7. Sanitation. All billets must be left in a clean & sanitary condition. Lieut WATTS will remain behind with a few men, to see that this is done - he will then follow on.
- 8. Dress. Full marching order, less blankets, in accordance with specimen marching order demonstrated recently.
- 9. Routine.

Reveille	05.30.
Breakfast	06.00.
Move off.	07.15.

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O.C. 7th A.L.T.M.B.

Append 2.

7th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery.Order No 44Reference Maps Sheet VALENCIENNES 1/100,000
" NAMUR. 1/100,000. Dec. 17th 1918

1. The 2nd day's march of the 7th A.L.T.M.B. to the MARCINELLE AREA. will take place tomorrow.
2. The 7th A.L.T.M.B. will move to COUSOLRÉ via DAMOUSIES, OBRECHIES, QUIEVELON, AIBES. Transport will move with Unit.
3. Advance parties have been sent ahead for billeting & the unit will be met at COUSOLRÉ station on the AIBES-COUSOLRE road and guided to its billets.
4. Baggage Officers kits will be dumped in front of billet No 220 by 0830.
Blankets. Blankets rolled as usual will be dumped at Q.M. Store by 07.30.
5. Sanitation. Lieut M. J. FOSTER. will be responsible that billets are left in a clean & sanitary condition.
6. Dress. Same as for move today
7. Routine. Breakfast. 0700.
Fall in, 0845.

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7th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery.Order, No. 45.

Reference Maps. Sheet VALENCIENNES. 1/100,000

" NAMUR. 1/100,000.

Dec. 18th 1918

1. The 3rd day's march of the 7th A.L.T.M. Bde to the MARCINELLE AREA. will take place tomorrow.
2. The 7th A.L.T.M. Bty will move to THUIN via BOUSIGNIES - LEERS ET FOSTEAU - THUIN. Transport will move with Unit.
3. Advance parties have been sent ahead for billeting and the Unit will be met on the LOBBES - BEAUMONT ROAD where that road forks with road to THUIN at HEULEN, and guided to its billet.
4. Baggage. Officers kits will be dumped at Officers Mess at 0745.
Blankets. Blankets will be rolled as usual and dumped at Q.M. Store by 0730.
5. Sanitation. Lieut G.J. ROGBER will be responsible that billets are left in a clean & sanitary condition.
6. Dress. Same as for move today.
7. Routine. Breakfast. 0630.
Move Out. 0800.

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Append. 4.

7th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery.

Order N^o 46.

Reference Maps. Sheet VALENCIENNES 1/100,000
" NAMUR. 1/100,000 Dec. 19th 1918

1. The 4th days march of the 7th A. I. Brigade to the MARCINELLE AREA. will take place tomorrow.
2. The 7th A. L. T. M. Bty will move to MARCINELLE via GOZEE.
Transport will move with the Unit.
3. Advance parties have been sent ahead for billeting and the Unit will be met at BOMEREE STATION where MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE - BEAUMONT Road forks with MARCINELLE - BEAUMONT Road, and guided to its billets.
4. Baggage Officers kits will be dumped at Transport lines at 0830.
Blankets. Blankets rolled as usual will be dumped at QM Store at 0830.
5. Sanitation. Lieut F. A. D. WATTS. will be responsible that billets are left in a clean & sanitary condition
6. Dress. Same as for move today.
7. Routine. Breakfast. 0730.
Move Out. 0845.

F. Brand, Capt.

O.C. 7th A. L. T. M. B.

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Charleroi

Menu

♫ Xmas ♫

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BATTLES

Pozières.
 Flers.
 Malt Trench.
 Lagnicourt.
 Bullecourt.
 Menin Road.
 Zonnebeke.
 Broodseinde Ridge.
 Passchendaele Ridge.
 Morlancourt.
 Hamel.
 Villers Bretonneux July 18.
 " " Aug. 8.
 Vauvillers.
 Somme Advance.
 Mont St-Quentin.
 Beaufort.

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7TH. A. L. T. M. B.

MENU

Xmas

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Menu

HORS D'ŒUVRES

FISH

SOMBRE - BREAM

JOINTS

ROAST PORK APPLE SAUCE

ROAST BEEF ROAST MUTTON

POULTRY

TURKEY GOOSE

YORK-HAM

VEGETABLES

POTATOES, BRUSSELS SPROUTS

GREEN PEAS CABBAGE

SWEETS

PLUM, PUDDING AND, BRANDY SAUCE

TRIFLE BLANC MANGE

PRESERVED FRUITS

WHISKY

WINE

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TOASTS

THE KING

C. O. & OFFICERS

Pte MURRAY.

Capt. F. BRAND.

N. C. O's & MEN

Capt. BRAND.

Sgt. L. COX.

God Save The King

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7th AL TMB

PRESENT

Capt. F. Brand	Lieut. A. H. Stewart. D. C. M.
Lieut. G. J. Rodger	" F. A. D. Watts
" W. L. Miller	" M. J. Forter
Qm. S. Davis W. H.	CPL Quinn D.G
Sgt. Cox L. D.	" Hall. J.
" Mc Evoy. M. D. C. M.	" Le Bhers W. G. MM.
" Evans W. R.	" Lipscombe G. W. MM
Cpl. Haines N. C. R. MM.	L. CPL Ellis A. J.
" Ryan. W. J.	" Jones C. N.
" Egert W.	" Crisp S.
Pte Atkin F.	PTE Hodgson. G.
" Bennett G. M.	" Humphrey E. W.
" Buchan C.	" Hamilton. D. J.
" Brouse A. E.	" Horner R.
" Bartlett T.	" Haines. R. E.
" Boardman A. R.	" Jones. C. J. J.
" Benton W. H. A.	" Knight. J.
" Bassett F.	" Keaney W. J.
" Blackford J.	" Lawler A.
" Burnett O.	" Lanyon T. L.
" Carman M. S.	" Little J.
" Cunningham H.	" Lewis E. A.
" Culley E. L.	" Moore J. P. J.
" Clark C. H.	" Murray A. H.
" Corbett C. W.	" Mc Kenzie J.
" Davis B.	" Morrison J.
" Dalziell A. J.	" Mitchell G. W.
" Davie RM.	" Padey B. C.
" Dunk E. C.	" Perrett P. M.
" Downsborough A. E.	" Glew W.
" Elliott WJ.	Dvr. Quarrel F.
" Fowler G. V. N.	Pte. Reedman EW.
" Gaffel R. W.	" Robin TA.
" Graves R. H.	" Stillman KD.
" Gray H. E.	" Stiles W.
" Scandrett J. T.	Pte Tiver N. G.
" Stubbs HR.	" Thornton P. G.
" Turvey J. W.	" Tomlinson A.
" Royan DR.	Dvr. Tucker W. H.
" Royes G.	Pte. Willis W. T.

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Killed In Action.

Lieut. Bateman H. P.	Lieut. Murdoch W.
Cpl. Morton B. J.	Cpl. O'Connor T. G.
" Pellew C.	" Whiley W. T.
Pte Broome H.	Pte O'Loughlin P. J.
" Mc Cullough LM.	" Wilson F.
" Mc Grath M.	" Reid M.
" Markey P.	" Smith R.
" Jones EJ.	" Harrison P.
" Clayton E.	" Carter T.
" Hughes EW.	" Jarvis T.
" Cable J. T.	" Lawson G. T.
" Furner GL.	" Phillis I. E.
" Gill T. M.	" Walter W. C. C.

Accidently Killed

Cpl. Chorlton O.

Died-of=Wounds.

Cpl. Mc Auliffe D. MM. Pte Gow F.

Wounded-(Incapacitated)

Lieut. Douglas W.	PTE. Lent. W.
SG. T. Henderson. A.	" Gabbes. A.
CPL. Kirkham. O. C.	" Hale. W. W. A.
" Mitchell. J.	" Haidle. F.
PTE Roberts. W.	" Ingram. A. J.
" Verick. W.	" Mapstone. P. J.
" Knaggs. R.	" Richardson. H.
" Green. H.	" Barnes. H.
" Ballantyne. G. W.	" Moulds. H. J.
" Collins. G.	" Matthews. V. C.
" Young. E. C.	" Jameson. V.
" Tutin. J.	" Marquess. F. V.
" Habaff. T.	" Griffiths. T. M. M.
" Fulford. J.	

Accidently-Wounded.(Incapacitated)

SGT. Powell. L. PTE. Brown S. P.

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Invalided.

Lieut. N. Graham M. C.
Pte Turner G.
" Dickson A. K.
" Clements A. J.
" Fogarty F.
" Cadd C. A.
" Cornwall J. H.
" Cornish H.
" Stevens J.

Pte Ross R.
« Blavins G.
« Bradford H. C.
« Crouch F.
« Brown W. H.
» Congdon F. H.
» Leary F. C.
» Slater F.
» Mckee J.
» Fielding G. A.

Prisoners-Of-War.

CPL Roberts R. MM.

Pte Ridley W. D. M. M.
