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1914-18 War**

Artillery

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Title: 9th Australian Medium Trench Mortar
Battery

February 1919



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WAR DIARY

OF

9TH AUSTRALIAN
MEDIUM TRENCH
MORTAR BATTERY.
No.....
Date.....

9th Australian Medium Trench Mortar Battery.

FOR

FEBRUARY 1919

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Signature of Officer Commanding

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SEMERIES FRANCE	1 st Feb 1919		Battery installed at Semeries. The Battery's main billet consists of a two-story brick house divided into 6 rooms, 3 on the ground floor and the ^{other three} above, one of the former being used as a cook-house. The billet is clean & dry, and the men have a liberal supply of ^{clean} straw for sleeping purposes.	
	2.2.19	at above	Heavy snow fall during the last few days.	
	3.2.19	at above	Cold & frosty morning followed by clear day.	
	4.2.19	at above	do. do.	
	5.2.19	do do.	Heavy fall of snow starting about 3 p.m.	
	6.2.19	do do.	Clear day, cold wind.	
	7.2.19	do do.	Fine & clear freezing night.	
	8.2.19	do do.	do do. } and day.	
	10.2.19	do do (Pay-day)	do do.	
	11.2.19	do do.	do do. Thaw commenced.	
	12.2.19	do do.	do do. frosty morning followed by thaw.	
	13.2.19	do do.	do do.	

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Part of Unit Stores, viz - Pistols, cases & rods, also compasses handed in to S. A. Wood
to be distributed to the men in the battery.

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SEMERIES FRANCE	14.2.19		Battery in billets at Semeries	Light rain during the day
	15.2.19		do do do	do do
	16.2.19		do do do	do do
	17.2.19		do do do	do do
	18.2.19		do do do	do do
	19.2.19		do do do	Dull & cloudy day.
	20.2.19		do do do	do do
			Orders were received to-day to have all unit stores transported on the 22 nd Inst to THULLIES and there handed over to Dabob. Consequently the stores were all overhauled & packed for transport + complete lists made out -	
	21.2.19		Following in yesterday's order, a party left this morning with the stores packed on 9 L. Wagons (transport supplied by 5 th Dab.) and arriving at BEAUMONT by 3 P.M. billeted there for the night at 5 th A.D.R.W.	
			Raining cold + strong wind	
	22.2.19		Party with stores left Beaumont at 9 am, + at Thullies handed over the stores + equipment of the unit to Dabob. The party returned the same day to	
			to Brinsford at 06.00 on 21/2/19 (Semeries)	

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SEMERIES. FRANCE	22/1/19		<p>Summers, and from this day the unit ceases to exist. The personnel of the unit (1 Off + 24 OR.) become absorbed in the 1st section of the 5th D.A. Column. Any remaining records, unit receipts, etc were handed in to the Div^{nl} General Mortar Officer for disposal.</p> <p>The complete breaking up of the Battery, its absorption in another unit was a matter of the greatest regret to the majority of the personnel of the 9th Am. T. Bty. But at a beginning of general demobilisation it was accepted in the hope that it means that the return home for all is not now very far off.</p>	

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