Place de Brouckers; German 150mm short, Bruxelles, Belgium gun

While in Brussels, Belgium in 1919 with the Army of Occupation, Captain James Hughes photographed his friend Lewis de Mayer leaning on a German 150mm long gun (howitzer) in the Place de Brouckere. James C. Hughes, as part of the 35th Division, left Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and traveled to Hoboken, New Jersey, where he boarded the troop ship "Ceramic" on May 18, 1918. Hughes arrived in Liverpool, England, on June 1, 1918 and then landed at Le Havre, France, on June 9, 1918. Hughes fought in the battles of St. Michael and the Meuse-Argonne. He was at Verdun on Armistice Day, November 11, 1918. He took no photos of the actual fighting. He did take many photographs after the war as part of the Army of Occupation until he left France on July 18, 1919. A full biography of James Clark Hughes is available at the link below to Kansapedia.

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