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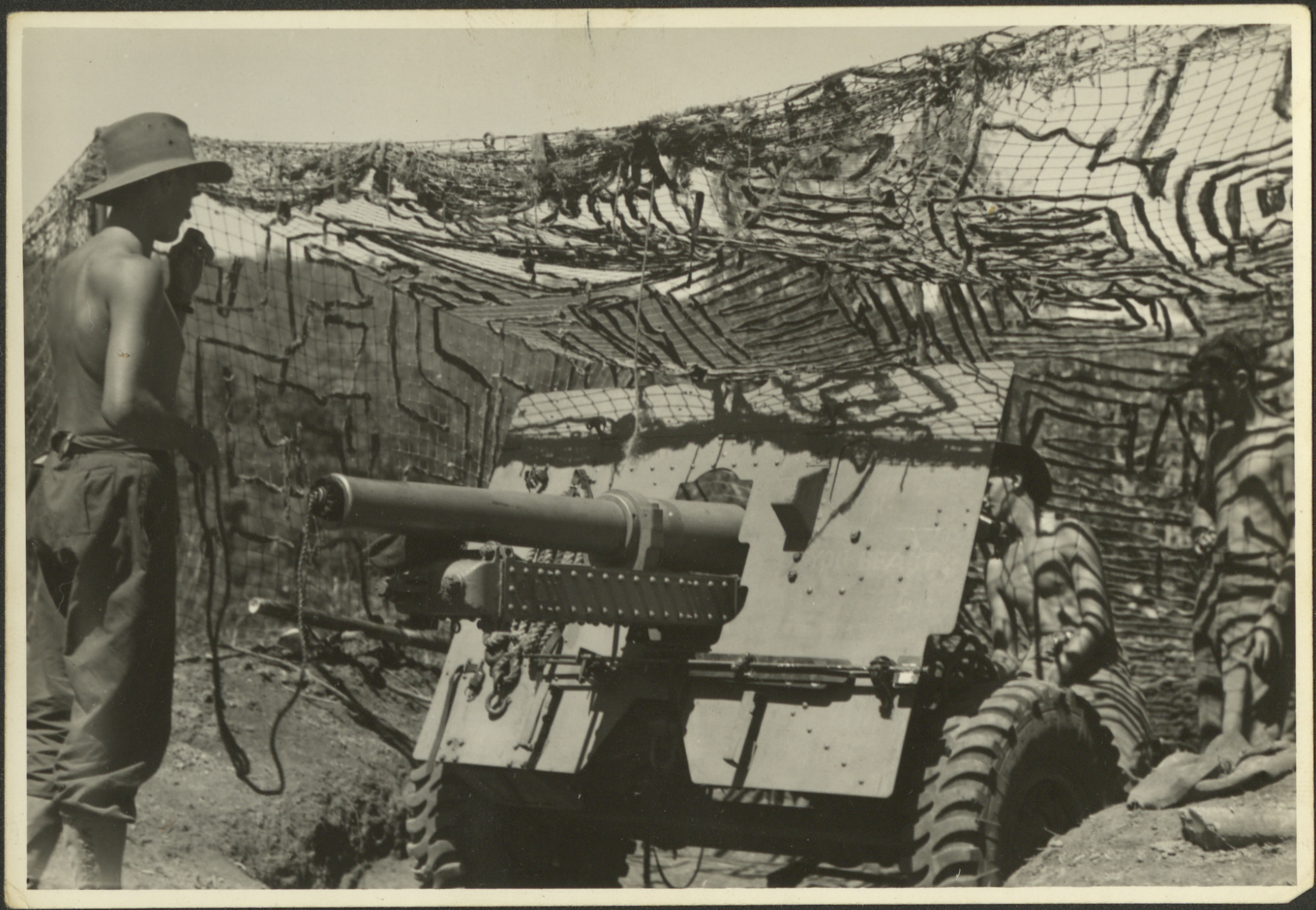

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Australian Drive In New Guinea

By a Herald War Correspondent at General MacArthur's Headquarters

In the Huon Peninsula area of New Guinea, the Australian troops, advancing in torrential rain, have reached the mouth of the Sowi River, thus completing a push of a mile from the Tunom River, and three miles north from Bonga (on the coast, east of Wareo).

On the outskirts of Kaligia, at the mouth of the Sowi River, our troops have cleared the enemy out of foxholes, dugouts and defence positions in the hills.

More than 100 enemy dead have been counted since this action.

Inland, on the Huon Peninsula, our troops report a further advance of 1½ miles north and north-west, against stiff enemy opposition.

The third Allied force advancing along the Bonga-Wareo track is now 1½ miles north-east of Wareo. Here it has linked up with our other patrols advancing from Wareo.

HORSE CAVALRY USED

A Headquarters spokesman revealed today that Australian horse cavalry has been used for the first time in the South-West Pacific area.

This unit is advancing along the floor of the Ramu Valley and has reported several skirmishes. Apparently it has been in action for some time and with marked success, as is evidenced by their advance up the Valley.

It is understood that such units are particularly suited for action in this part of country.

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are unlikely to accept this rationalisation, which they consider insufficient.—**Herald Special Service.**

Canada's Laws For Labor Peace

The Herald Special Service

VANCOUVER, Sunday.—As a result of a period of sporadic troubles, Canad

elections of shop councils in factories, and not a single wo had been admitted to Nazi in circles. Millions of Germa workers were prepared to ac against Hitler's system, exactly the Italian masses had acte against Mussolini, but they coul not do so while they had to fac armed forces.

Ottawa Agree In Post-Wa

The Herald Special Service

OTTAWA, Sunday. — By th Atlantic Charter and by the lease-lend formula all forms of discrimination in international trading are prohibited; the Allied nations have agreed that discrimination is "out." Therefore, the Ottawa Treaties of a few years ago or a substantial part of them must go, if the Atlantic Charte policy is to be made good afte the war.

Actually this is no longer a mat ter of theory. British and Unite States experts have already bee at work in Washington workin out a new tariff deal between th two countries for the post-wa period.

Their discussions involved th possibility of altering, if not re pealing, the system of so-calle Ottawa agreements.

It is impossible to make any comprehensive deal between Britain and the United States which does not impinge upon and probably destroy the present Empire preference. However, these preferences will not be considere alone. Canada will certainly no agree to complete cancellation o its preferences in Britain in th mere hope that something bette will be evolved out of the new

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The Commander and Staff of
18 Australian Infantry Brigade
thank you for your message of
Goodwill, and extend to you and
your officers all good wishes
for the coming year

To C.O.
2/4 Australian Field Regiment

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GUN CREWS' FINE WORK IN RAMU VALLEY

From AXEL OLSEN, "Argus" War Correspondent in the Ramu Valley

Outstanding work has been done by members of a 25-pounder unit in the Ramu Valley in recent weeks in dealing with Japanese mountain guns.

Gnr Ian G. Robertson, of Lake Bolac, V, was signaller at a forward observation post commanded by Lieut Ross McFarlane, of South Yarra, V, when the post was ambushed and shelled by Japanese, and telephone wires to our guns were cut. Although the Japanese were machinegunning the line, Robertson ran 100 yards under fire, and from there plugged in a telephone to one of our guns. Directing fire was not part of Robertson's duties, but he called for 5 rounds in a certain position so that infantry also cut off by the ambush could withdraw. All the time the infantry were moving out he directed fire and protected them from the enemy.

L-Bdr Ewart Leggo, of Melbourne, was at another observation post only 40 yards from Japanese. For 3 days under frequent bursts of machine-gun fire he sent fire directions to Lieut R. M. Lyall, of Royal Park, Melbourne, in command of the post, and accurately directed shells 50 yards ahead of our infantry, giving them valuable support. His officers credit him with saving the lives of some 50 men.

END OF A JAP GUN

Japanese mountain guns, which weigh about half a ton, are sometimes kept in caves or dugouts on the far side of ridges, and when ready to shoot are wheeled out on a track to the ridge top. After they have fired they are hurriedly wheeled back to their hideouts. One Japanese mountain gun was this week blown to pieces by a direct hit from one of our 25-pounders. The Japanese were ranging over what they thought were our positions, when 4 of our 25-pounders opened up. They had fired only 10 rounds when Lieut Peter Press, of Brighton, V, who was forward observation officer only 30 or 40 yards from the Japanese position, saw a shell land "right on the dot."

Crews of the 4 guns, which include Bdr Jim Lowther, of Caulfield, V; Sgt A. C. Gardner, of Cavendish, V; and his younger brother, Sgt Doug Gardner, and Sgt Jack Campbell, of Warrnambool, V, cannot decide which gun scored the "kill."

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LAW NOTICES

AFTER the expiration of 14 clear days from the publication hereof application will be made to the Supreme Court that PROBATE of the WILL, dated 23/11/1941, of LILIAN MAY MILLER, late of 117 Sternberg street, Bendigo, widow, deceased, may be granted to HERBERT FRANCIS DALY, of 7 Queen lane, Melbourne, S.C.2, public servant, the executor named in and appointed by the said will. Dated the 14th day of January one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

ALEXANDER WALLACE THOMAS, Late of Thomastown, Gentleman, Deceased.—After 14 clear days John McKimmie, formerly of Claremont avenue, Malvern, now of Epping road, Thomastown, farm salesman, and Jane McKimmie, of Epping road, Thomastown, spinster, the executor and executrix appointed by deceased's will, dated the twenty-sixth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, will APPLY to the Supreme Court of Victoria for a grant of PROBATE of the said WILL. Dated the seventeenth day of January, 1944. HOME, WILKINSON, & LOWRY, solicitors, 100 Queen street, Melbourne.

CREDITORS, next of kin, and all others having CLAIMS against the estate of JANE FERGUSON, late of Grant street, Ballarat, widow, deceased, who died on 25th October, 1943, are required to SEND PARTICULARS thereof to the executor, Walter Maddern, of Lydiard street, Ballarat, estate agent; on or before 19th February, 1943, otherwise they may be excluded when the assets are being distributed. R. J. GRIBBLE & HOLLWAY, solicitors, 22 Lydiard street south, Ballarat.

EDWARD SELLERS LAWRENCE, of 37 Holyrood Street, Hampton, Formerly a Salesman, But Late Managing Director, Deceased. — After fourteen clear days Jessie Elizabeth Lawrence, of 37 Holyrood street, Hampton, the widow and one of the next-of-kin of the deceased, and the sole beneficiary under his will (dated the 7th day of June, 1929), will APPLY to the Supreme Court for LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION of the estate of the deceased, with the will annexed, the executor appointed by the will having predeceased the testator. E. P. PRENDERGAST, solicitor, 118 Queen street, Melbourne.

ELIZABETH REBECCA HOLLOWAY, Late of 17 Marshall Street, Ivanhoe, in the State of Victoria, Widow, Deceased.—After 14 clear days William Henry Trist, of 17 Marshall street, Ivanhoe, in the said State, accountant, the executor appointed by the deceased's will, dated 11th May, 1921, will APPLY to the Supreme Court for a grant of PROBATE of the said WILL. J. V. SHALLARD, solicitor, 34 Queen street, Melbourne.

ELSPETH ROSS, Late of Mortlake, Spinster, Deceased.—After fourteen clear days John Colin McDonald, of Mortlake, grazier, the executor appointed by deceased's will, dated the twenty-seventh day of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, will APPLY to the Supreme Court of Victoria for a grant of PROBATE of the said WILL. W. L. LEE ARCHER, solicitor, Mortlake.

FREDERICA EMMA JOSEPHINE KENDALL (in the Will Called Emma Josephine Kendall), Late of 33 Cairnes Grove, Bentleigh, Widow, Deceased.—After 14 clear days Alma Pretoria Hardiman, of the same address, the executrix appointed by deceased's will, dated the 17th September, 1943, will APPLY to the Supreme Court for a grant of PROBATE of the said WILL. T. M. WILLIAMS, WATSON, & JAMES, solicitors, 16 View street, Bendigo.

FREDERICK EHRENFRIED EXNER, Late of Gladstone Road, Dandenong, in the State of Victoria, Market Gardener, Deceased.—After fourteen clear days Ehrenfried Joseph Armstrong, of 26 Haughton road, Oakleigh, in the said State, market gardener; Victor John Nash, of Bennett street, Dandenong, in the said State, drover; and Herbert August Exner, of Gladstone road, Dandenong, in the said State, market gardener, the executors appointed by deceased's will, dated the nineteenth day of March, 1941, will APPLY to the Supreme Court for a grant of PROBATE of the said WILL. VOWELL & a'BECKETT, solicitors, 140 Queen street, Melbourne.

GEORGE THOMAS ALLNUTT, Late of Centre Dandenong Road, Cheltenham, in Victoria, Market Gardener, Deceased.—After

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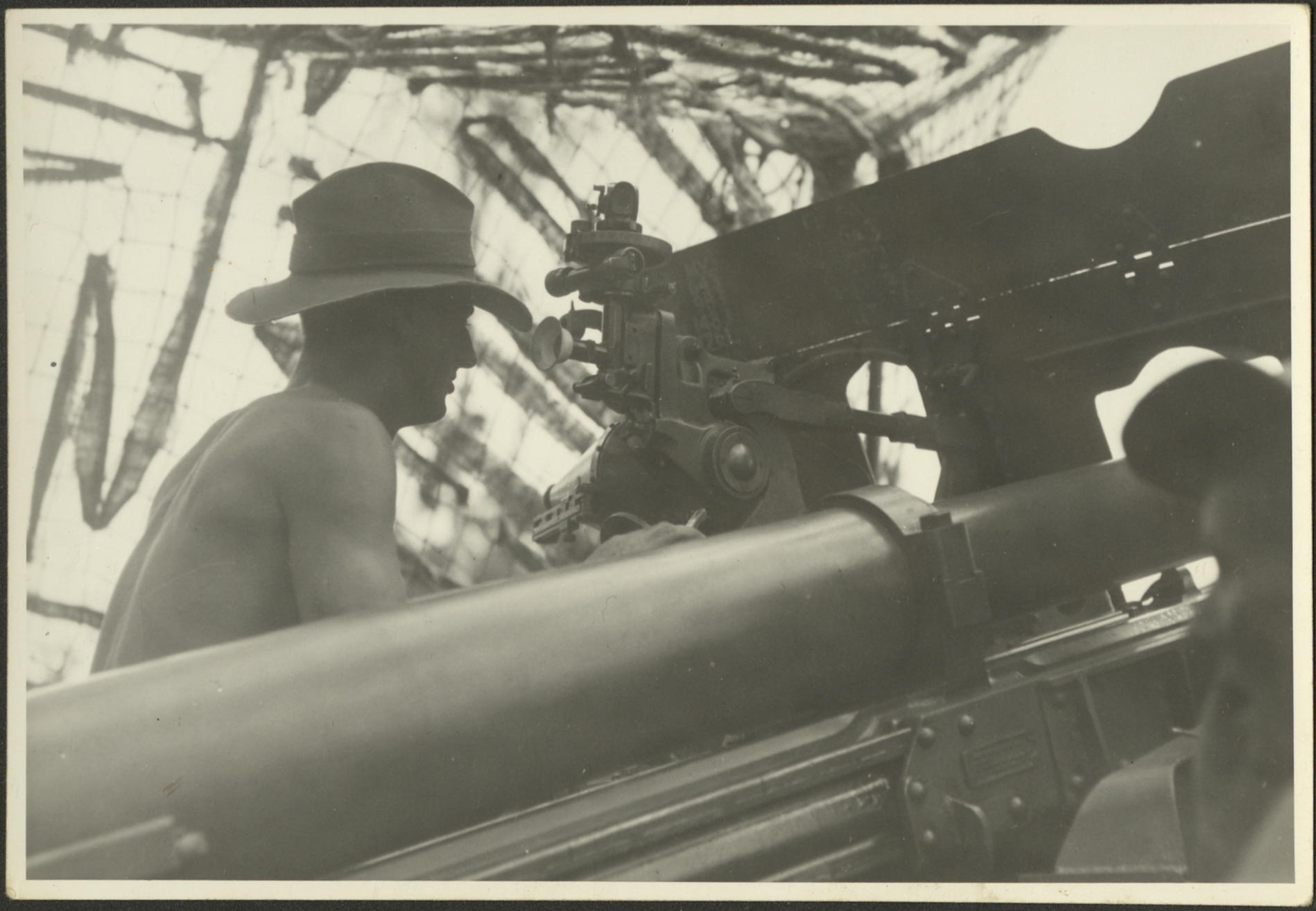

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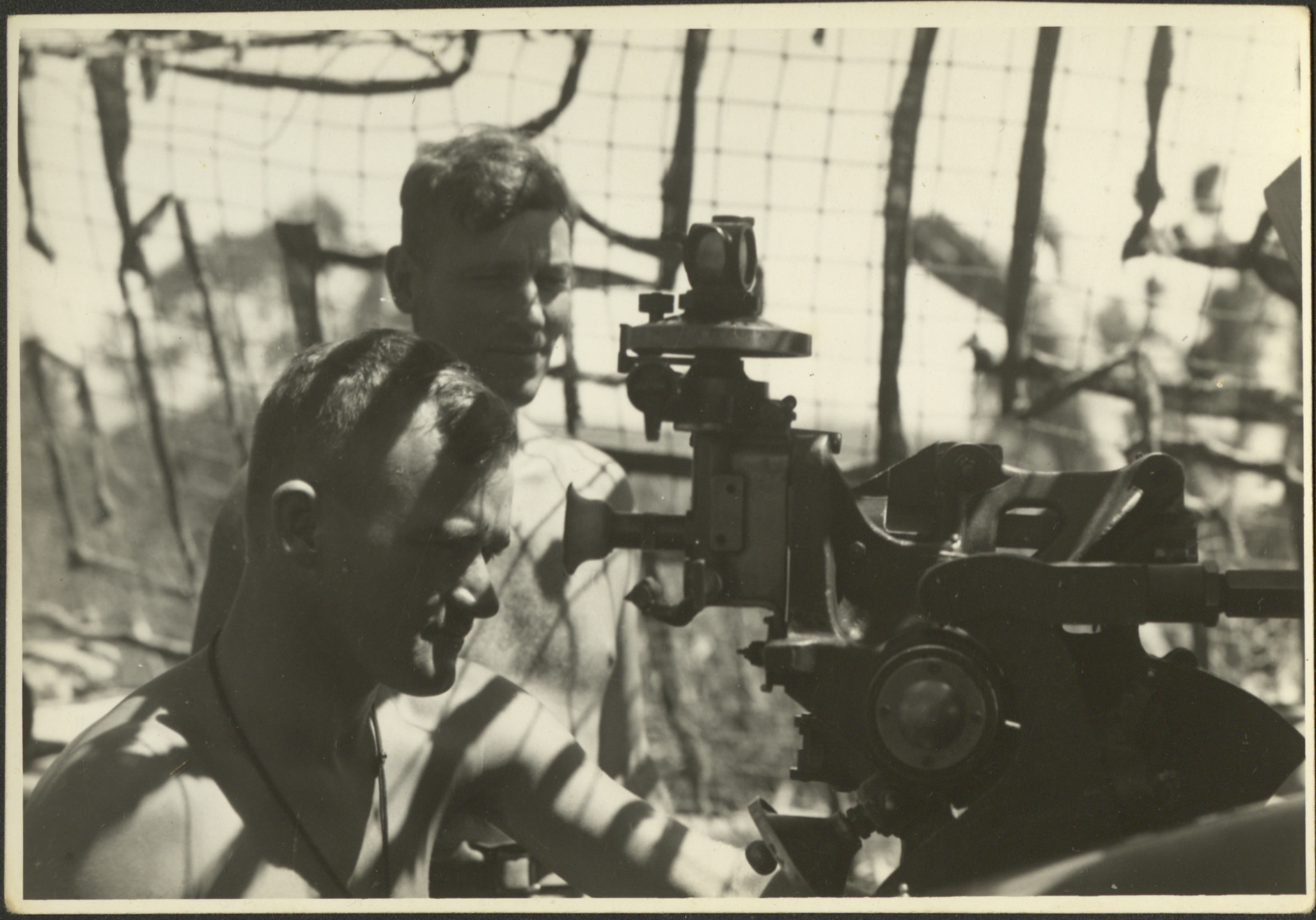

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Unit 2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt. *Date and Time.—From* JANUARY *To* 44x

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
DUMPU	1st Jan		Hard to believe that another New Year looms ahead. Major Quinton and Lieut. Col. Richardson go to Shaggy Ridge. The Ad. and B.M. are not too happy today. Yesterday one poor little Boomerang was shot down whilst trying to locate an enemy Camp for us. This makes us very sad as we do appreciate the work that they do for us. A Fortress played around the Shaggy Ridge area for a little while this morning. It later proved to be the Public Relations Officer from Div. taking photographs. Capt. Whyte reports that one of the Boomerangs actually saw the enemy gun we have now called for some Dive Bombing. Registration being carried out. 7 Div. Conert Party put on a very good show in the Div. area. Notification received of the priority of removal to Moresby 54 Bty are very near the top of the list. Lieut. Lyall, one of the 7 Bty newcomers visited the O.Ps. to familiarize himself with the scenes of action. Two long guns were sent forward to the loge to support a 2/14 Bn patrol to 5800 feature. Lieut. Faulkner accompanied this patrol. at midnight last night one round salvo was fired to usher in the New Year. A very quiet New Years day was spent by all. Platoons finished preparing their defences. Patrols nothing to report. 18 Bde. Commenced taking over from 21 Bde and 2/9 Bn replacing the 2/14 Bn in the Lakes area, and 18 Bde. H.Q. taking over from 21 Bde H.Q. in the same area. The 2/14 Bn moved up the valley to relieve one of the 25Bde Bns. Several large bags of parcels and papers arrived but unfortunately, a very small mail. Gnr Clive Foster evacuated to M.D.S.	
	2nd Jan.		Church parade in area. Visibility very bad on Shaggy Ridge area. Lieut. Col. Wade arrived at Regiment. Col. Wade intends spending a few days with us visiting the Batterys etc. At night Pictures at Divisional H.Qs. Lieut. Cooper has transferred to 54 Bty. More of the 18 Bde arrived and expect to complete change over with 21 Bde in a few days. Jap snipers still active in Shaggy area, but Mountain Gun quiet today. Inf. Patrols active, but enemy appears to be content to sit quiet in his fox holes. Test Air Shoot with Fuze 222 stopped on receipt of information from Lieut. Kelly that a 24 Bn patrol in area allotted for shoot. Party 60 strong seen at headwaters of loge moving north. Boomerangs ordered to investigate but troops found to be friendly. Lieut. Lyall takes over the 7 Bty Command Post.	
	3rd. Jan.		Lieut. Col. Wade and Major Quinton went to Village O.P. to watch the first demonstration by the Regiment using Fuze 222 with a/c observation. The pilot observed every round and was able to give correct observation as to the height of burst. After the O.P.O. first of all obtained what he thought the correct fuze length and then started raising and lowering angle of sight until a very satisfactory answer was obtained. The final group showed one impact and three air burst - 30 feet above the ground. The Pac. R. reported enemy seen in the forward area of the River O.P. so	

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DUMPU	3rd. Jan.		engaged with Arty and fired about 450 rounds. Sgt. Graham left for Tom's Post to act as F.O.O. with 2/10 Bn who have taken over from the 2/27 Bn. 18 Bde have completed change over with 21 Bde. 2/9 Bn have relieved 2/16 Bn at Shaggy Ridge and 2/12 Bn have relieved 2/14 in Bde area. Gnr. Rees was evac. this afternoon to M.D.S. Enemy still inactive our patrols continue to keep contact.	
	4th. Jan.		British Col. Jump came to the Regiment with Capt. Brookes. Capt. Brookes is going to stay with 8 Bty and inspect and find out all he can about the action and reaction of ammunition in this area. Capt. Longworth came to a conference at Regiment. Notice of first leave parties move to Moresby 54 Bty going first after small advance party. The Regimental targets are well under control. The. Adj. and I.O. to this end worked at them until 0130L. At o630hrs. a party of 6 men reported to No. 2 Strip to emplane for Moresby. A disturbance in the early hours of the morning by Gnr. Ted. Hatch, who roused the camp screaming he had a wireless battery in his bed. An examination disclosed there was not battery there at all.	
	5th. JAN.		Reinforcement Officers and 7 Bty personnel arrive and start to take over from 54 Bty: Lieut. Lyall paid a visit to Regiment to get put in the bigger picture. New Div. Policy out - no immediate offensive - only concentrated patrol work. 18 and 15 Bde. portion of, now in position Advance party for leave left this morning. Reinforcement Officers inspected by the Adjt. Preparation for Div. trace of Div. front started. A Burial service for Lieut. Feeley conducted on 4 Jan by R.C. Padre English. Lieut. Kelly represented the Regiment. 7 Bty moved in to enjoy a comfortable war. Lieut. Col. Jump R.A. of the British Military Mission visited 8 Bty area accompanied by Capt. Brookes. A number of Fuze 222 were fired for their information Jap. Gun fired a single round. W.O.11. Wilson transferred to the Provost Corp. Lieut. Brown joined Bty and took up duties as A.C.P.O. 8 Bty. Cpl Wilson left for Nadzab to relieve Sgt. Hillgrove who is to report to 8 Bty on his arrival. L.Bdr. Indian and Gnrs. Durham, Peebles, Butler and Grieves returned from Hospital today and from L.O.B. Moresby Gnrs. McMahon, Parfitt, Lieut. Brown arrived to take up duties with the Bty in the capacity of A.C.P.O.	
	6th. JAN.		C.O. arrived back from Moresby. Notice of R.H.Q. move, no leave likely for some time. Capt. Longworth and Lieut. Lyall and Maj. Gaunt to Regiment to discuss Div. Policy. Div. trace completed. Brigades changing over their companies.	

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DUMPU	6 Jan.		Sgt. Nunn and Gnr Lowe returned from hospital and Gnrs Hawthorne and moore arrived from our base at Nadzab. Capt. Whyte accompanied by Lieut. Col. Jump and Capt. Brookes visited Spire O.P. Our patrols contacted the Japs in the Mt. Prothero area. The paratroops from the Regiment were included in the 54 Bty leave party. A party of L.O.B. personell are expected to the Regiment during the day. Capt. Levick and other Officers toured A Troop O.P. areas. C.P. phones at 7 Bty during the morning was giving trouble. Gremlins in the switch board suggests the enthusiastic C.P.O. Lieut. ~~xxxx~~ Lyall.	
	7 Jan.		C.O. to Strip to see 54 Bty off. Adj. to recce. new R.H.Q. site with Lieut. Moodie. Targets continuing C.O. Maj. Barnes to 54 Bty C/P. 7 Bty O.Ps. established finally. Adj. with great prowess dived into the I.O.s Office and did over a rat which had inadvertently showed itself in the daylight . Two shots and the rat was dead. All the Regimental area being cleaned up - paths swept etc. R.A.A. propose taking over our site and we expect to move down towards BeBei. The C.R.A. is expected on Monday. The Adjt. found two likely areas for our H.Qs. The guns of the Batterys are gradually going through the mill at workshops these days - one goes in and another comes out - with a complete overhaul. The only thing that went wrong in this regard is that Maj. Gaunt without referring to Regiment gave the Workshops people to fire some rounds - unfortunately the rounds whizzed just over Div. H.Qs. much to their amazement. Instructions issued by the C.O. to the effect that 2000 rounds would be ferried immediately up to the Lakes position in preparation for the Kankiryo Saddle show. R.A.A. gave us 9 tents for five of ours - I think that there must be a catch in it they must be smaller or something. The idea of leaving our Camp is rather nauseating as the chaps have worked very hard and produced possibly the neatest and compact H.Qs. that we have had whilst near the front line. R.H. Q. is so different from the Batteries in the respect that it is essential that very permanent plans be made at each camp while Batteries are always tentative as they move more often - a Command Post can be moved very quickly whilst an R.H.Q. admin. block is rather a large scale business. The consoling thought	

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DUMPU	7 January		is that by the time we start getting properly established in the new area home leave will be on the way. Operational Orders No. 1 for the Kankiryo show got under way by the C.O. Three new Officers arrived at 8 Bty this afternoon and were posted as follows, Lieut. Austin to Brian O.P. Lieut. Wynne A.C.P.O. Lieut. Wood, Troop Leader D. Troop. Capt. Hume took over duties as Bty. Capt. Capt. Whyte has been posted as B.C. 7 Bty Lieut. Swanson posted to 7 Bty. Jap Mountain gun opens up in force today on Shaggy Ridge and Pimple area. It is thought that three guns were firing at one time and 81 shells were fired on the area. No. casualities were reported. Tac. R. came over shortly after the guns ceased firing and eng. sus. gun position areas. It appears that the Japs are now firing at both sides of the Pimple area and consequently making things a bit unpleasant for our forward sections and F.O.O. party. Our guns harrassed the enemy on all sectors during the day and gave them back a lot more than we received. Maj. Gaunt. ordered a Section of A Troop to Lakes position to engage targets that are now out of range of present position of guns. Capt. Stirling has taken over Spire O.P. Lethal mines have been procured for the Kumbarum position and are to be put in to operation shortly. 54 Bty left early for strip en route for civilization and change over according to new postings proceeded with. Great show in speed in moving the Section to Lakes Position. Everyone happy including Lieut. Cooper. Section at Lakes under command 8 Bty. and guns will remain there permanently. Great interest in air shoot on gun positions. Lieut. Press will probably go forward to 5800 feature with party. Will this expedition satisfy his desire for walking. 8 Bty are supplying two of their guns to replace the two A. Troop guns sent to the lakes.	
	8 January		C.O. paid a visit to 18 Bde. Another air shoot with 8 Bty and A/C. again. Again the pilot found that using smoke with super charge the results could not be relied upon at all. It has had the Pilot very worried as to why the rounds were not falling accurately. L.O. advised by I.O.	

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DUMPU	8		of the reason. C.O. fixing up further re the Kankiryo business. This show is a bright light in the forth coming week or two. Capt. Lewis Lieuts. Moodie and McDonald again recce. a new area for R.H.Q. The C.O. decided upon a spot but on further investigation it was found that it was covered by 12 foot high pitt pitt so was undesirable. The Admin. block for the new area is being planned. Troops withdrawn from Batteries to R.H.Q. to prepare new area. Major Barnes with C.O. to 18 Bde. Ammn. being ferried up to Lakes Area where there are now four guns. Two guns at Kumbarum. Two guns at BeBei. Lieut Little of the Survey Bty gave us the height of Mr. Prothero as 672665 4645'. One Section of 8 Bty moved to Lakes Position to join A Troop. The Japs have been patrolling much more actively lately and it would almost appear, that they knew or suspected of the change over taking place. We Fired about 300 rounds into their defensive areas with good effect today and the Inf. harrassed them with Mortar and M.G. fire. Capt. Stirling arrived at Shaggy O.P. and Lieut. McFarlane proceeded to Spire O.P. Capt. Brookes who is staying with /R.A.A. has been firing some H.E. from River O.P. experimenting with different types of fuzes. 21 Bde. H.Q. flew to Moresby this morning leaving only the 2/2 Pioneers and ourselves as the Brigade representatives. Sgt. Stewart, Gnrs. Lightbody, Stirling, Budd, Campbell McLeod, Turner have rejoined the Bty, they were previously attached to 7 Div. Transit Section. Bdr. Lloyd was evacuated this morning. 54 Bty settling in and having a good rest. Inspection of tents, small arms and troop areas by T.Cs. Enquired re rest area in Donadabu reveal that there is a possibility of an area being vacated by 15 Bde being available. The R.S.S. sent to recce. area and obtain particulars. Staff Capt. R.A.A. also on job. Capt. Levick registered Valley road from Marsen Right O.P. Lieut Cooper on targets from Russ. O.P. Capt. Whyte arrived down from the O.P. areas to B.H.Q. yesterday evening. With him he brought a fine collection of butterflies. It appears these butterflies interferred with firing and observation and just had to be caught. C.P. worries at 7 bty C.P. were relieved when a copy of the 15 Bde sitrep arrived. B.H.Q. look forward to this humerous interlude from now on.	

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DUMPU	9		C.O. 2/2 Mediums, Lieut. Col. Jabour, and B.M.R.A. 3 Div. Maj. Wood arrived at R.H.Q. in the evening pictures in Evening in Div. area. The Ammn. restriction has been lifted and all O.Ps. have plenty of rounds to harrass the enemy with. The Jap guns are to be more vigorously sought and if observed unlimited ammn. is to be used to put them out of action. 8 Bty B.H.Q. and C Troop are established at the Lakes and find the position much better than down on the valley floor at Kumbarum. H.F. tasks were carried out over the whole of the 18 Bde front today and 275 rounds were expended. Large numbers of Mitchells and Mauraders escorted by P.38s and Thunderbolts have been flying over the Bty going north in increasing numbers during the past week. Their objectivas have been Madang, Alexhafen and Wewak, which they have plastered to good effect. Sgt. Malcolm was evacuated today. Sgt. Radcliffe and Gnr. Archer resumed their respective duties in the Bty after an absence of about 4 months with the 7 Div. transit section. 54 Bty. receives warning order to move to Aust. No movement before 15 Jan. All unit equipment less tentage and M.T. to be taken. B.C. visits Bde. H.Q. Pictures and concerts for the men in the evenings. The rest of the Regiment envy 54 Bty. their resting period, the comforts, and their probable move from Moresby to the main land. Lieuts. Press and Woodberry with O.P. and Sgt Ward with party of twelve left D;I.D. for 5300 feature laying line. Progress report from Lieut. Press No contact made with Japs in large numbers. Capt. Whyte spent the day with 15 Bde Brig. and Officers.	
	10		R.H.Q. started the move to the new area. Settling in in progress - the area appears quite good but being at the base of the moungtina we expect to get a fair amount of rain. Now we forward all data to R.A.A. and have severed diplomatic relations with Div. C.O. still preparing for the Kankiryo show. Enemy plane was observed over our forward elements early this morning. The mountain gun of the Japs opened up and wounded two of the Inf, needless to say we searched the general area and neutralized their firing. During the day we fired over 200 rounds into the enemy defensive areas the Boomerangs were over and engaged a target with good observed results. 30 rounds fired on H.F. tasks during the night. At Moresby the 54 Bty are still going apace. The B.C. visits 25 Bde. H.Q. and is advised not to move to Bonadabu until all admin. details of move to Aust. have been completed. They still have to submit many returns to R.H.Q. which keeps the A Branch rather busy.	
	11		C.R.A. C.O. 2/2 Mediums and B.M.R.A. 3 Div. visited R.H.Q. and were very happy about the camp; L.O. settled in. C.O. and Adjt. to 18 Bde. H.Q. Brig Chiltern re the Kankiryo Saddle Show. Lieut. Lyall spent day at 8 Bty O.P. areas on a tour of inspection. The C.R.A. and party visited 7 Bty during the morning and remained for forty minutes. The 6 Div Officers were particular	

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DUMPU	11 Jan.		interested in local protection. Major Woods discussed communications and signal equipment under jungle conditions. Later Capt. Whyte and party visited B. Troop. The Bedouhin Village, to inspect local defence lay out. Sample Sitrep from 58/59 Bn. 7 Pl patrol to 625619 found six natives barely existing. No knowledge pidgin. The Jap gun fired intermittently during the morning on the Pimple area but caused no damage or casualties. Lieut. McFarlane left Shaggy Ridge to take over from Capt. Stirling at Spire O.P. Capt. Stirling has taken over the Shaggy and Pimple O.Ps. Both C. and D Troops were shot on the Jap gun positions and 50 rounds were expended The Japs opened up with the M. gun and rifle fire on the section in front of River O.P. The Japs are still showing signs of increased activity but not keen to make contact with our forward sections. A flash from the M.Gun was seen by Offr. Billington and Capt. Stirling engaged the area observing from Pimple O.P. 240 rounds H.E. were fired on Jap dug in positions, barbed wire, and gun positions. The Jap snipers are still active on the Pimple area and it does not pay to stick your head out.	
	12 Jan.		C.O: to 15 Bde again. The weather at the moment is very trying - plenty of rain and mud about. All the tents in the area are flooded so the day was spent settling in, digging drains etc. This area is not any where near as good as the last. The R.S.M. in control of the working party building fences around the administration block - it looks very effective. The moves over in relation to the Batteries has commenced. A Troop moved up to the Lake - A pleasant site with swimming faciliti es. B. Troop took over D Troop position on the Faria River at Kumbarum. 7 Btys arrival at the 8 Bty positions was celebrated with R.F. on Jap mountain gun positions during the night. All our patrols were very active throughout the area - feeling the Japs strength. As digging and hammering was heard just beyond the Pimple in enemy territory ~~it~~ the surrounding area got a good concentration of our fire. Capt. Houghton was posted to 8 Bty arriving there this morning. The road from 15 Bde to Guy's Post is to be completed and the two light guns have been taken forward between Guy's Post and 15 Bde. The enemy has rebuilt the bridges on the Bogadjim Road and shows signs of increased use. we wonder if he is bringing in reinforcements or taking them out.	
	13 Jan.		Capt. Whyte intended going up in a Wirriway to look over the locality of Shaggy Ridge but the weather was against it. It always seems to be raining here - especially at night and during the morning. C.O. and Capt. Whyte spend plenty of time together these days conferring re the Shaggy Ridge, Kankiryo and surrounding shows Sig Lay-out etc. A number to the extent of 7000 rounds may be expended. Lieut. Col. Jabour and Major Wood paid a visit to Regiment and showed much interest in the I. Office. 7 Bty is, needless to say, very pleased to be back with the	

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DUMPU	13 JAN		18 Brigade again, for two main reasons one that they are used to working with them and secondly they are now on the active front, perhaps they will now retract their remarks earlier in the piece and that is " 7 Bty settling in to a quiet war ". The Jeeps in this country do a colossal job. They are on the go from morning until night and it makes one wonder what we did with the large number which used to be on our establishment previously and although 5 Jeeps per Bty. is really not enough we have proved that you can manage with them even with the shifting of guns ammunition and camps. 6 Bty are in the process of settling in at their new position and are not too happy about it. D Troop 2 guns have taken up a position on the bank of the Ioge River and B.H.Q. are established at the rear of the Mene River, now of course in support of 15 Bde. Gnrs. White and Jensen returned from M.D.S. and Gnrs. Greeves, Partington and Hawthorn were admitted.	
	14 JAN		The C.O. visited 7 Bty position during the morning and left with Capt. Whyte for 18 Bde. During the afternoon the C.O. arrived at Lakes position with War Correspondents from the Times, Melbourne Herald, Melbourne Argus and Sydney Morning Herald. I rather fortunately heard part of the story and although all very true it was given in such a decided and graphic manner that the poor reporters nearly wore their pencils out taking down the notes. Not propaganda this time either. Of course we know that none of it will ever be published as we are 7 Aust. Div. troops who go through the rough and get no tributes but we have clear consciences!!! Capt. Whyte made his proposed trip over the Target area and observed the fall of five rounds of smoke which had been fired at a line and range produced by Lieut. Moodie, the Master of Survey, and the observation was that all the rounds fell remarkably well. Another feather in Lieut. Moodies cap. Lieut. Detheridge left for N.G.F. training School at Port Moresby to attend a School on Photo interpretation. Lieut. Detheridge deserves a break as he has been a continuous supporter of O.Ps and Guns for some time. Lieut. Agar accompanied by Gnrs. Morey, Rogers and Titmus left for 5800 feature which is further up the Ramu Valley than 8 Bty have ever had an O.P. We hope it is alright. W.O.II. Wallace the veteran of the trail took over Village O.P. just this side of the Evapia. Bdr. Seymour left for Ramu O.P. and Capt Stirling occupied Marsen O.P. Lieut. Whiting has been loaned to 7 Bty for the forthcoming show. Lieut. Agar and party had much difficulty crossing the Evapia River and not expected to reach destination until the following day. Lieut. Brown taken over D Troop guns. Our bombers and fighters very active over the whole area.	
	15 JAN		The C.O. and the new Doctor. Fairley paid a visit to Spire O.P. The C.O. and Capt. Whyte were at the O.P. at one time and a shoot was conducted. I am afraid that the Doc. must have	

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DUMPU	15 Jan.		got rather a distorted idea as to how a shoot should be carried out accurately, quickly and with the desired effect as the shoot progressed nearly half way before the C.O. realized that he was acting as O.P.O. and Capt. Whyte as the Sig, anyhow to all accounts the shoot was very successful. Lieut. McDonald, possibly one of the most active members of the Regiment again went up to the O.P. areas to have a complete check over the communications. The. B.M.R.A. Major Barnes tried to put one over Major. Gaunt by suggesting that he had not promulgated to his Officers the use of the 222 Fuze, rather fortunately Major. Gaunt got to hear of this and did Major Barnes get it. Cheers for Major Gaunt. The A.S.M. continues to get fences erected. rather rudely the Battery members come here and suggest that they make the tents look like pig pens. Arrangements were made by the I.O. for the Div. Educational Officer to visit R.H.Q. about once per week and lecture on various military subjects. The one chosen for this week is Soviet Russia which should prove very interesting. The C.O. and party arrived back feeling very tired and weary the C.O. intended going up to Brians Hill tomorrow but I think he will change his mind now. Through the night A Troop harrassed a suspected mountain gun position . B. Troop moved into position adjacent to A Troop near the lakes. Three Oscars sounded Reveille. They straffed along the valley, and the battery, that is 7 Bty, had a grand stand seat of the fireworks. unfortunately for the bodies of 8 Bty personnel the planes straffed in front of and at the back of their Battery position needless to say many bodies leapt into the surrounding slit trenches with disastrous effect.at R. H.Q. it was a different story everybody was still in bed and only had to hop out of their tents and watch open mouthed - rather fortunately it was not in any of our areas as they came in very quietly over the mountains and we were unprepared. The A.A. opened up but about a half an hour too late and then firing in a different direction The rear guard of 7 Btys. position at Kumbarum swear that they were straffed and have a bullet to prove it. Rather an interesting verified short bracket adjusted M.P.I. shoot was carried out by Lieut. Holdsworth on a Jap pill box - two direct hits were scored and as three Japs had been seen to enter the fox hole affair just before engagement it was reasonable to assume that the three are now not alive to tell the tale. Lieut. Brown was evacuated to Hospital. Lieut. Agar and party arrived at 5800 feature none the worse for the march.
	16 JAN		Lieut. Woodie who has been recuperating after a day or two in bed is now up and about. Lieut. McDonald left again for Brians Hill. He will be up to Capt. Whytes standard before long. The persistent rumours that leave is imminent is growing stronger every day. The R.Q. Store and R.A.P. have been forced to move their respective huts to a better position it has been rather	

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DUMPU	16 JAN		funny watching the Q Store moving their hordes of stuff along in the little hand cart - at least half of every load making the grade the rest in the mud. 7 Bty were up early again this morning looking for the Jap planes again - Choco's they are - of course only being here for a short while we cannot blame them. Capt. Whyte, Lieuts. Swanson and Houghton left for Brian O.P. to register the bomb line for the attack. Lieut. Austin has replaced Lieut. Brown as G.P.O. D Troop. two more guns from 8 Bty were ordered to the Lakes to support 17 Bde with the attack. which is expected to take place 21-22 Jan. Gnrs. Drew, Hoskin, Bowden Nash and Bott under L.Bdr Doxey left for Nadzab today to pick up spare guns and prepare them for transport to Moresby. Lieut. Pearson will take charge of the party at Nadzab and they will move to Moresby and establish a Camp ready to receive the remainder of the Regiment when they move from here. We hope.	
	17 JAN		Lieuts Cols. Green and Johnson C.Os of the 2/12 and 2/7 Fd. Regiments respectively with the C R A visited R/H.Q. the main time was spent in the I. Office. They intend going up to Shaggy one day. They can - every other visitor that has done this has ended up in hospital so a couple more will not matter. They told us some weird and wonderful tales about 9 Div. One of especial note was Jap was classed, on the coast, as a Third Rate Iti. We know different, and know that they have and will further learn a grim lesson for their complacency. A Regimental Committee Meeting was held mainly to tee up the payment of Razor Blades and Water Bags Accounts due to the Assn. Many bombers going towards the coast - yesterday there was an incessant Bevy of planes moving North - this strike is probably to revenge the casualties caused by the strafffing yesterday. Apparently for this straff it has now been divulged that the Jap had coordinated it, planes at all our bases at the one time and rather unfortunately they managed to hit a few chaps and cause damage to a few of our planes. Tokio Radio tonight said that there had been a Squadron of planes at these places. We possibly say the same on instances. The panic has started for the Kankiryo show. . and although the morning was rather trying with air shoots, prematures, etc this afternoon light was seen and we feel quite confident that the show will be a decided success - from our point of view anyway. Capt. Stirling arrived back at 8 Bty and his O.P. Marsen was taken over by Gnr. Knights a very promising ack. Capt. Houghton has now gone to 5800 O.P. Lieut. Burke recced a new gun position on Evapia River for D Trlip, the scheme is to get the guns withing easy range of the Jap L of C. The visibility these days is very bad and if an O.P.O. can get two targets registered in a day he is doing pretty good - this is rather disconcerting as the registration for the attack is being held up. Air craft of course are useless at the present their observation is nil. Lieut. Press, the villian of the O.P. has seen another Fox Hole we	

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DUMPU	17 JAN		did not give him a 100 rounds to do it over - even if there was a Jap in it which is rather doubtful.	
	18 JAN		Major. Smith 21/c of the 2/3 Survey Bty and a Subaltern called to be put in the picture. Padre Corrigan arrived back last night after a long sojourn at Moresby - Padre has had Malaria rather severely. The sickness rate has dropped perceptibly - it is probably because everyone is getting rather more acclimatized. Major Gaunt is getting quite worked up about his little show which is going up in the vicinity of the 5800 feature shortly after the 18 Bde attack. I wonder how the 24 Bn. will go. The rations over the past few days have improved to such an extent that we have had fresh oranges and pineapples as well as an occasional meat - this is fresh too. This morning Sgt. McDonald, and W.O.11. Dart were rather surprises at the sight of an unusual Goanna - vivid green in colour and about 3 feet long crawling or rather jumping along in front of the I. Office. These Tropic certainly produce some uncommon reptiles and things. The C.O. has decided that butterflies look much better sent home in an envelope rather than flying about in the beautiful sunshine so with the object in mind he has made unto himself a net which he uses periodically. This morning he went for a walk down to the local stream but as he had no luck he ended up by trying to catch minnows in the brook - I do not think he had any luck even with those. Bdr. Lynch, the cook gets more tempermental every day. Lieut. Moodie is a bit frightened to approach him these days. Lieut. Moodie is again off to bed - subject a cold - or is it that the Bdr. Lynch is too much for him. Only one gun is now left at Workshops and that will be out and in action for the attack. Today is D - 2 Day . D being the day of attack. The little Boomerangs were over and some registration was able to be carried out as the visibility was fair. During the Shoot Capt. Whyte acted as sig on the wireless, at one point of a shoot the Capt. did not quite hear what the Pilot said so leaving the set on send he turned to the Sig at his side and said " what did he send sig". Needless to say it went over the air for all and sundry to listen to. Watch your sig drill Capt. The bombing by Mitchells and straffing by Vultees started this morning The Jap L of C and mule track were hammered continually for about three hours. Capt. Stirling, Lieut. Burke and Lieut Dwerryhouse have been loaned to 7 Bty from 8 Bty for the show also most of their Sigs. and spare gunners . An early stick of bombs dropped ~~dropped~~ minus of the F.D.Ls. giving River O.P. some excitement. Some of the bombs were delayed action so there should be some nasty frights for the Japs early in the morning. A Troop indicated the bomb line with smoke.	
	19 JAN.		Lectures to R.H.Q. personnel and E Sec Sigs are being carried out by the I.O. and are followed very carefully. Further concentrated air strikes by Mitchells, Vultee Vengeance and Kittyhawks	

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DUMPU	19 JAN		Capt. Whyte and Capt Stirling, Lieuts. Burke and Swanson left for the O.P. areas. Message received from the Air Force to the effect that congratulations were to be accepted for the excellent indication of the bomb lines. Over 60 Liberators with a large fighter escort passed over - it was later learned that they attacked Hansa Bay.	
	20 JAN		Lieut. Cols. Green and Johnson paid another visit to R.H.Q. they intend going up Shaggy tomorrow we again wish them luck. and only hope that they make the grade but by looking at them we have our doubts. C.O. and Lieut. McDonald moved up to 18 Bde. area to assume Regimental Command from there. The first time since our entry into New Guinea 12 pounds of our own fell amongst the Inf. the cause is not yet known. Colossal numbers and varieties were conned and issued for today D. Day that is today. and the 2/10 start their advance via Camms Saddle to Faria Ridge, we have Bdr. Mooney and Lieut. Cooper as advance F.O.Os. by nightfall they were 80 yards from their objective but as they struck a heavily defended position they withdrew 200 yards for the night. On the day of the battle when we seemed to have turned the corner another shattering blow was received by 7 Bty C.P. and diplomatic relations between the F.O. and the C.P.O. were broken off. The reason being due to the strain and stress of the moment the C.P.O. did not pass information through the correct channels but ere dawn had arrived the dove of peace was once more triumphant. the 2/12 Bn. made a preliminary move by going to Cannings Saddle and remaining there the night Capt. Whyte was with them. The 7 Bty C.P. at night resembled fairy land at a Carnival. That is to say the lighting system does. For home lighting ring Sgt. White. Major Gaunt O.C. 8 Bty is very much peeved at being away from this show although most of his troops are with the fighing Bty he is not with them so he persists in plaguing the Engineers about having a road built up beyond the Evapia. According to latest reports the 18 Bde. show is going according to plan.	
	21 JAN		On the 15 Bde front all the activity is centred around the 5800 feature, wire parties and supplies are moving up continually to this O.P. which is actually a full days march from the Gun positions. The 57/60 are preparing for an attack on Orgoruna. On the 18 Bde front the morning opened up with 12 rounds plus a few charger cups landed about 17 feet from Pimple O.P. Rather fortunately Pimple O.P. has a cliff in front of it so the shells bursting did not do any damage - if the Jap decides to raise his angle of sight 5 minutes it would be rather awkward. Rather an amusing remark came from Lieut. Kilpatrick who is with the 2/9 Bn Battle H.Qs. to the effect that the enemy gun was firing at the rate of 2 rounds per minute on his O.P. We take this for what it is worth as Lieut. Kilpatrick is still in good health. Major Gaunt again visited Regiment and the Stewards laid a place for him in the Mess at lunch time knowing his propensities but for once he tricked them and did not stay. R.H.Q. area is becoming a cheap and tawdry show - every few feet	

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DUMPU	21 Jan		one is confronted with vulgar signs showing that it is the place of wee. The R.S.M. when making a round of the regimental area on a hygeine Inspection forgot to take his note book with him much to the chagrin of the Adjt. who had many faults to find. The roads in the surrounding areas a becoming very muddy these days as are the paths around R.H.Q. The idea that leave will be at hand immediately after this show is over is stronger than ever with the possibly wishful thinkers.	
	22 Jan		Sitrep from Div. made no mention, as usual about the grand Artillery Shooting. - they must take it as a matter of course our stirling efforts. 1906 rounds fired during night 21/22. C.O. asks for another 2000 rounds and achieves his ambition. 2/12 Bn. reached their Objective that is Protheros 1 and 2. Arty fire caused heavy casualties to the enemy - 2 companies now consolidating on the Knoll. On the right flank we are putting down a smoke screen so that the Inf. may extricate their wounded. Everybody at R.H.Q. very interested in the Kankiryo War. 8 Bty report that their front is very quiet and road work and general repair work is going on over most of the area. The road is now over the Evapia and a Jeep was able to get within 8 minutes of the Resevoir. New gun positions were recced for the D Troop guns, and the new position brings the Jap defences in front of 24 Bn well within range. A Road had to be built between D Troop old and new gun position and the Engineers and Inf. are now engaged on it. Capt. Houghton reported that Lieut. Agar and party had been fired on by light M.G. and Mortar Fire and requested one gun at least to support them in attack. Two guns moved from Lakes position to Evapia area and were in position by 0300 hrs. The guns were brought in to action by a bulldozer. The gunners had a pretty tough job getting their guns into position as they had to get over two fast flowing rivers. the Mene and Evapia.	
	23 Jan.		24 Reinforcements arrived and were immediately posted to Batteries. When the D Troop guns started shooting they found the range mush less than was at first thought. Gnr. Dunn who is on loan to 7 Bty was wounded by shrap. in the finger and was evacuated. Gnr. Budd was also evacuated with Malaria. Capts. Stirling and Whyte and Lieut. Burke had some excitement with the 2/12 Bn. on the 18 Bde. front and have all done excellent jobs as F.O.Os. It was in their sector that a Jap 75 mm. gun was captured and a crew of 16 killed. This party and their sigs. got quite a few souvenirs and Capt. Whyte just missed a ceremonial sword. We still have 8 Officers and about 2/3 of the gunners on loan to 7 Bty from 8 Bty. And as the O.P.O. consisted of about 75% 8 Bty Officers the Bat can rightly claim a hand in the ultimate success. A Jap war diary was captured on Shaggy Ridge and an extract from it stated that on Dec 28 a Platoon of Artillery and a 75 M.M. gun was destroyed by our Artillery. We have since ascertained that this gun and party fell to the prowess of one Capt. Whyte . Gnrs. F. Young and G Walker have returned to 8 Bty from the Kankiryo area both are off colour and very tired but would not have missed the show for the world.	

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Place	Date	~~Hour~~	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	24 Jan.		C.O still at 18 Bde as Regimental Command. C.O. paid a visit to Regiment in the evening. Talk of captured documents and copies being taken. ~~Still pockets of enemy to be cleaned up.~~ 15 Bde have a small show near Amuba. Lieut. Agar as F O O doing a very good job. M.G.R.A.B.R.A in areas. Our guns started firing at dawn this morning on Jap positions in front of 24 Bn and results were very good. We put down a fire plan and A Coy 24 Bn moved in to attack the position. We expended about 180 rounds on a close target and Inf. moved in and attacked and ~~after 2 hours fierce fighting captured their objective.~~ Our Arty fire was very accurate and broke down the enemy defences. Our attacking force had 1 Officer and 3 ors. killed and 6 wounded and 2 missing. The Japs had six killed and many more killed by Arty., but could ~~not be counted~~ owing to darkness. This Bn. has never had Arty support before and they are fullof praise for our F OOS and Gunners. Lieut. Col. Smith C.O. 24 Bn sent a message of congratulation to the F O O and party and also to the gunners for their fine work. especially mentioning the accuracy of the shooting. Lieut. Agar has established an O.P. on the captured position Cameron's Knoll . This places them ~~now in a position very near the Jap main L of C.~~
	25 Jan		Reinforcements sent out as line laying and carrying parties. M.G.R.A. at 18 Bde. No pictures after the promise of same. 15 Bde. ~~consolidating but 18 Bde preparing~~ for attack on last defensive position. Lieut. Burke arrived at R H Q looking like a fighting soldier and telling tales of all the Japs he had killed and how many had nearly killed him. ~~Broadcast very good~~ re the advance along the Ramu Valley. Vultee Vengeance test with smoke observation was very satisfactory. Many parcels in but no letters, the mail is very erratic these days ~~Lieut. Kilpatrick moved to 2/12 Bn.~~ The 2/9 Bn moved from Shaggy Ridge to the Prothero area. 2/10 sent out a patrol from C Coy up the Faria Valley from Main Stream, the patrol met no opposition. Found tyres of the ~~Mountain gun near the old Landslide.~~ The one known as Tgt. Q ~~5~~ 305 had been heavily shelled. Pimple, River and Tree O.Ps were closed down. Lieut. MacFarlane moved from Mortar Ridge area with C O 2/10 Bn to A Coy H Q ~~703661~~. ~~Capt. Levick with D Coy~~ 2/10 arrived at 684674. Lieut. Turton left B H Q for A Coy 2/10. Lieut. Mellor and Bdr. Sharrack returned to B H Q with souvenirs for the C P Staff. Capt. Stirling registered ~~dfire plan for the night on 4100 feature,~~ / A Troop shot D F 11 - 1040 roundswhich fell in the area as required. 8 Bty report that activity has slackened somewhat in the Bty of late, the ~~D Troop guns have been fairly busy, but the section of~~ C Troop attached to 7 Bty are having a fairly quiet time as things in that area have somewhat abated. The 15 Bde area quiet during the night and Japs made no attempt at ounter attacking. F O O Lieut. Agar having ~~trouble to establish~~ a suitable O P Cameron's Knoll to be held indefinitely.

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Unit 2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt. *Date and Time.—From* JANUARY ~~To~~ 44

Place	Date	~~Hour~~	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	26 JANUARY		Report results from Vultee show sent to R.A.A. C.O. still at 18 Brigade. Heavy concentrations on H.Q. position preparatory to an attack. The weather at the present is perfect - it is a pity that there is no sea thereabouts. The Troops at the Lakes Position are very lucky as they can have a swim between rounds firing. Three Tiger ~~Moths flying around at the one time - these little machines will~~ probably be used ad lib after the war for commercial use. The Batteries are allowing, I am afraid, the strain of War to effect their capacity for attending to minor details. 7 Bty in particular - returns are either hours or even days late. Capt. Levick left for B.H.Q. with Gnrs. Taylor A, Bills, Mitchell and Moffit. Personnel remaining at O.P. will be Lieut. Houghton as F.O.O. Bdr. Strip Sig. N.C.O. Gnrs. Campman, ~~Sullivan, Tilley Booker N.,~~ Backhouse, Litchfield, Bawden, Smith L.McD Lieut. Austin left B.H.Q. 7 Bty for 2/10 Bn. as F.O.O. Lieut. Swanson with Capt. Marshalls Company 2/9 Bn. moved towards the ~~top of the~~ 4100 feature. Capt. Stirling with B. Coy 2/12 Bn dug in below the enemy position. Lieut. Houghton ranged the four guns of C Troop onto a close target in the H.Q. area. The C.O. advised that it was the most perfect shoot he had heard and a copy of the orders will be circulated to all Officers. ~~B. Coy 2/12 patrol found two enemy dead killed by Arty fire.~~ The whole area on the Prothero Ridge and leading up to the Ridge had been ~~well platereed. The enemy position on 4100 is very well constructed~~ and is estimated to hold a large holding force. Lieut. Austin reported to 2/10 Battle H.Q. Lieut. Turton returned to his Battery and was evacuated. Lieut. Holdsworth returned to C.P. from O.P. at Wilson's Knoll. The report of the shooting carried out by Lieut. Holdsworth during ~~his short stay at the O.P is very good.~~ Lieut. Swanson conducted a shoot over the whole area bringing fire from the bottom of the position to ~~the top as close to the forward troops as possible.~~ During the night 1000 rounds were expended on Harrassing Fire. Gnrs. Walker and Gallagher were evacuated to M.D.S also Bdr. Wischusen evacuated from 7 Bty position. ~~Lieut. Brown has returned from M.D.S. and posted to D Troop.~~	

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Place	Date	~~Hour~~	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	26 JAN		Lieut. Austin has been sent to 7 Bty. Capt. Houghton has taken over as F.O.O. with the 24 Bn from Lieut. Agar who is returning to 8 Bty from Cameron's Knoll. Lieut. Burke returning to Bty from Kankiryo Saddle ~~and feeling the effects of his very strenuous time.~~ Japs are reported to have left the area around the forward sections of 24 Bn. 1 Coy intend keeping contact.	
	27 Jan.		Although plans have been set for many days for the 57/60 attack on Oroguna it has not as yet come off - I wonder if they have got stage fright. The reports from the F.O.O. with 24 Bn report that the Militia did a really good job. Capt. Whyte in control of all shooting in the area. Cross ~~observation when necessary was given~~ by Lieut. Houghton from the 2/10 Bn sector. Lieut. Kilpatrick left Kankiryo Saddle area and returned to ~~Battery area to attend a School near Brisbane lucky fellow. Lieut.~~ MacFarlane went forward to A Coy 2/10 Bn with the Bn C.O. and returned later to B. Coy. Lieut. Austin attached to D Coy. ~~Lieut. Woodberry returned to~~ B H Q and went to C Troop gun position. Harrassing Fire task on Jap position expended another 1000 rounds. Capt. Stirling with Platoon 2/12 Bn ~~moved across the saddle between Prothero 1 and 4100 feature along a good~~ track. Very quiet on 15 Bde front with the O.P.O. doing some registration of Zone. ~~Air craft recorded one target second plane unable to make~~ contact and returned to base with out shooting. Capt. Stirling, after ~~many experiences and plenty of luck returned to the Battery to take over~~ as Bty. Capt. Capt. Hume has replaced him as F.O.O.	
	28 JAN		Capt. Whyte had an enviable job of blasting all the trees off the 4100 ~~feature so that they Inf.~~ could see in attack - he used about 2000 rounds and the report of the result was excellent - as if there had been a saw ~~mill at work was the verdict of one observer.~~ Lieut. Crawford the new L.A.D. Officer arrived to take over his duties. The Doctor who has been ~~stationed at Guy's Post paid us a visit and told us that things are~~ clearing up there although there were quite a few chaps pretty sick. We seem to be inundated with Reinforcements these days, almost every day sees one or two arrive. Gnr. Smith the I. Clerk ~~paid the front line a~~	

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Unit.....2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt. *Date and Time.—From*.....JANUARY.....*To*.....44.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	JAN 28.		visit and was very surprised with the quietness that presided - of course the front line for his benefit was the most forward troop and he had arrived there during a lull in firing. The ANGAU sent us pieces of shrapnel insinuating that they had killed two of their No. 1 boys. Capt. Brooks, our friend of the Operational Research Section happened to be present and set the mind of the ANGAU representative at rest as they were pieces of a mortar bomb or something anyhow the main thing is that they were not ours. At 2200 hours Major D.C. Gaunt rang up to say that when trying to get a gun from the Evapia Gun position he had proceeded to get the gun, 2 Jeeps, and one Bulldozer hanging over an embankment. The I.O. was notified that he would act in the capacity of I.O. during the C.Os absence in the forward areas, visiting Brigade H.Q. at least 3 times a day. An R.H.A. Officer who had been watching the shooting over the past two days and especially the blasting of trees from the top of the 4100 feature , passed the remark that he had never seen the R.H.A. do such a fine job. Which is indeed praise. Signal received from General Advanced Echelon 5 Air Force to G.O.C. 7 Aust. Div. " Reference Cutthroat Operation - the fighting spirit of the division is a source of pride and inspiration to every pilot and crew that participated in the operation with you. I take great pleasure in extending my heartiest congratulations to you and your command. Village O.P. which has been in existence for such a long time has now been closed down. The 57/60 are still preparing for their attack on Oroguna. Owing to the nature of the ground and the distance we do not intend to support this attack. Our craft are still very active bombing Madang Wewak and Bogadjum and its approaches.	
	JAN 29		The C.O. left with Brig. Chiltern for a tour of the forward areas. Lieut. Kilpatrick arrived at Regiment to receive his movement orders for the School. Lieut. Lyall, C.P.O. 7 Bty - when visited this morning was found in the process of burning up all spare documents, maps etc. he stated that he was preparing for the move back to Moresby. The R.H.A. Officers. arrived and will stay with us for a few days for time to gain experience in jungle warfare for the Burma Show presumably. The Q Store	

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Place	Date	~~Hour~~	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	29 JAN		staff including Gnr. R. Todd spend their time these days looking at snaps of nude women which they have got posted up all around the walls of the Q Store. In spite of constant shelling the Japs still occupy their stronghold on 4100 feature - decided to withdraw our Troops to a safe distance to allow the bombers to bomb. Artillery covered the withdrawal and after the strike continued again to allow the forward troops to occupy their position. 15 Bde. has become active again our two guns in support fired 14 rounds on a Jap defended position. Capt. Houghton put down a screen to protect the 24 Bn. Inf in their attack and it was very successful.	
	30 JAN		The nightly pictures at various places is a great break for the chaps each night. Very quiet on both fronts only about 100 rounds fired all day. It is a delight to have the company of the English Officers, who are all well read, travelled and interesting, a decided change from the Americans. 2 guns have been condemned owing to excessive wear of the bore too many rounds fired in a short time - that will teach the powers that be not to give us all our guns at the one time. The Met. Section persist in letting their hydrogen bottles get loose giving everybody a fright. The World War news these days appears rather scattered. At last Lieut. MacFarlane has been relieved by Lieut. Forrest. Lieut. MacFarlane has done the biggest stretch at the O.P than any other Officer..	
	31 JAN		An air strike on the last remaining enemy defended position has been due for a few days but owing to bad visibility it has had to be suspended. Sgt. Rodda the most active youth of the Regiment has been worrying all and sundry to get a trip up to the O.Ps. He will probably succeed one day - as he is so persistent. Lieut. Small. Divisional Education Officer lectured all available personnel of R.H.Q. on " M ONEY " - I am afraid that the chaps had forgotten that such a thing existed as there has been no pay day for many months. Lieut. Moodie was presented with a citation and medal entitled " coloss-Hole Order of the Mugs Cross"- in the centre of the medal was a neatly drawn stretcher - surely the donors are not insinuating that Lieut. Moodie spends a great time on his back.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	31 JAN.		Lunch was served to 11 Officers outside the 7 Bty C.P. Capts. Lewis, Whyte, Lieuts. Swanson, Lyall, MacFarlane, Moodie, Jones, Press, MacDonald, Holdsworth, and Mellor. Capt. Whyte and Lieut. Lyall inspected their Battery area after an adverse report being received from R.A.A. The report was found wrong. 8 Bty have withdrawn their personnel from 7 Bty. leaving their guns behind and started to prepare for the next move either in or well out of action.	
			REPORT:-	
			This closes the most definite month in the career of the 2/4 Australian Field Regiment. They have been given a job, a difficult one to say the least of it, and every man has carried out his job with finesse, calmness, and full realization of the job on hand. The Regiment has been able to prove to all and sundry that they are the No. 1. Regiment in the A.I.F. The praise showered on us by all formations have been very gratifying but these remarks although very good only help to qualify each and every member of the Regiment feelings that they have again achieved " Success ". The training that has been carried out since our return from the Middle East has been well managed and carried out - although lots of the training has seemed futile at times this show has proved that it was all necessary - except for this basic initial training, all, I feel sure, would have been lost. More credit is due owing to the fact that we have received many Reinforcements over the past few months, including Officers and Ors, Two more days and this show will be over here and then we hope to bid adieu to Dumpu and leave behind us a feeling of happiness that at last we have been able to prove definitely and conclusively our worth. The Malaria rate has dropped to nil but the dengue rate is rather bad, apparently sicknesses go in cycles in the Tropics. The Communications, especially throughout the last operation have been admirable and at no time was there	

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Place	Date	~~HOUR~~	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DUMPU	31		Report continued:- an occasion when an O.P.O. could not get in ~~touch with his troop either~~ by lateral line or direct. The results obtained from Survey have proved very accurate and very useful. The rations again have been very good, quite an amount of fresh meat, butter and fruit available. The Clothing has not been too good but will re outfit on our return to Moresby. The Regiment as a whole is more contented now than they have been and look forward to a little leave and then back to do another job. To my mind the following personnel should and I feel sure will be ~~remembered during the Cutthroat~~ operation for their diligence, capacity for work and fulfillment of the job in hand. Lieut. Lyall. C.P.O. 7 Bty. Capt. Whyte. B.C. 7 Bty. ~~Lieut. MacFarlane. O.P.O. 8 Bty.~~ Capt. Stirling. O.P.O. 8 Bty. All Sigs throughout the Regiment in forward areas. Lt. Col. 2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt.	

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...1/...44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/1/1944. 2/4 Aust Rd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11/[illegible]/1. OFFRS. 50 O.R's. [illegible]+ OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
[illegible]	2	-	2	Majors					
[illegible]	1	-	11	Captains	1 AANC 1 AACHD	1	-	1	-
-	-	4	37	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
[illegible]	3	4	51			1	-	1	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		52	ALL OFFICERS SHOWN ON THIS RETURN								52
E.(1)			ARE "A" CLASS								
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX14000	Capt	HUME J P	MDS DUMPU	26-12-43	RTW from Hospital
VX16118	A/Lieut	WHITING J E W	MDS DUMPU	26-12-43	" " "

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX14470	A/Lieut	LANG G S	MDS DUMPU	25-12-43	Evac to MDS DUMPU - PTC

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/1/1944. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	[illegible]	[illegible]	A J	CO	Yes		
Maj	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2 i/c	Yes		
Maj	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	No	Det to 1 Aust MG Sch as Inst	
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	H Ct	[illegible]	No	DCs Course Bolsworthy	
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	No	Aus Tactical Sch - LAND	
Lieut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Lieut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes		
Lieut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	No	Det HQ 7 Aust Div - LO	
Lieut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

/ 1/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 1/194 4 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11 2D 1 OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 693 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	-	W.Os. Class I.					
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	-	-	1	NR
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
4	-	-	5	Staff Sergeants					
NR	3	-	45	Sergeants	See Back	7	-	-	NR
NR	3	-	6	Corporals	See Back	6	-	1	NR
50	52	-	471	Troopers, Privates, etc.	See Back	13	8	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*50	66	-	587	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2		26	8	2	*-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		693					[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		693
B(1)		[illegible]									
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
30	2/51 Aust LAD		
20	2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	AACC Att 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	YMCA 7 Aust Div		
5	RAAF - Mobile Met Section		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ WARWICK		
20	LOB GROUP 6 7 FD DIV(NORMDY)		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / /194

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.

		NE	PS	SURP	DEP
WO 11	A.A.C.C.(NO CATERER)	1	-	-	1
SGTS	AAPC(Postal Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAPC(Pay Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(Med Sgts)	2	2	-	-
	AACC(Sgt Cooks)	3	3	-	-
CPLS	AAOC(Bootmaker)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(Med Cpls)	3	2	-	1
	AACC(Cpl Cooks)	3	3	-	-
PTES	AACC(Cp 11 Cooks)	11	13	2	-
		26	26	2	2

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1 / 1 /1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	0	0	-
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors	2	3	1					Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	0	0	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	153	110	34	Tailors	1	1	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.	3	3	-	Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors	14	12	2	[illegible]	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	[illegible]	10	10	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker	0	0	-	Clerks				[illegible]	8	8	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				[illegible]	40	40	6
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				[illegible]	90	86	4
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				[illegible]	204	205	19
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				[illegible]	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				[illegible]	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	22	5	[illegible]	10	10	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				[illegible]	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				[illegible]	5	4	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	3	2	1				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.	6	3	3	Gun Layers	48	47	1				
CARRIED FORWARD	3	4	-	CARRIED FORWARD	12	10	3	CARRIED FORWARD	267	222	48	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	870	813	66
														*	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

1 Jan 44 .....
Date of Despatch

.....
Signature of Commander

a.w. 6m bks 3/43

SPECIALISTS OF NCO RANK - BDRS

		WH	PS	SURP	DEF
GP 11					
	Signallers	18	11	-	7
	OPAs	6	-	-	6
	BCAs	-	3	3	-
GP 111					
	Bty Surveyors	5	4	-	1
	Clerks	4	4	-	-
	Tailors	1	1	-	-
	OPOAs	6	5	-	1
		40	28	3	15

SURPLUS PERSONNEL

BDRS	-	4
COMPUTORS	-	1
AACC(Gp 11)	-	1
		6

DEFICIENT & SURPLUS PERSONNEL - SGTS

	Def	Surp
Section Sgts	5	-
Gun Sgts(Nos 1)	2	-
Survey Sgts	-	1
Transport Sgts	1	-
Signal Sgts	-	1
	8	2

W.D.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...../1/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8/1/1944 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11/87/1 OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 653 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
NR	2	-	2	Majors					
NR	1	-	11	Captains	1 AAMC 1 AACH D	1	1-	1	-
-	-	4	37	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	3	4	51			1	-	1	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		52	ALL OFFICERS SHOWN ON THIS RETURN								52
E.(1)			ARE MEMBERS OF THE AIF & "A" CLASS.								
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday...../...../194..... (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX12326	BLYTH	A J	CO	Yes		
Maj	NX 406	QUINTON	M T	2 i/c	Yes		
Maj	VX14105	GAUNT	D C	BC	Yes		
Capt	VX14104	THOMAS	J M		No	Det 1 Aust NB Sch as Instr	
Capt	VX14109	LONGWORTH	L E	BC	Yes		
Capt	VX14116	MOORHOUSE	D	LOB	Yes		
Capt	VX14125	DEMPSEY	M Gt O		No	BCs Course Holsworthy	
Capt	VX14099	HUME	J P	B/Cpt	Yes		
Capt	VX14090	LEWIS	B J H	ADJT	Yes		
Capt	VX 1058	STIRLING	C H	TC	Yes		
Capt	VX 149	WHITE	W A S	BC	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 806	BRISTOL	G L	TC	Yes		
T/Capt	NX13092	LEVICK	C C	B/Cpt	Yes		
T/Capt	NX22494	GLENNY	A E S		No	Jnr Tactical Sch - LHQ	
Lieut	VX38365	MARSDEN	E C H	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX15683	MACFARLAN	R G	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX18996	RUMLEY	R J		No	Det HQ 7 Div - Div LO	
Lieut	VX14473	SWANSTON	D L	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14465	DETHRIDGE	F S	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX39710	FAULKNER	F A	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX39725	PEARSON	J H	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	QX 739	BURKE	A E	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX35892	LYALL	R M	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70829	TURTON	K J	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	NX32953	BURT	I C	B/Cpt	Yes		
Lieut	VX35873	FORREST	A C	LOB	Yes		
Lieut	NX58522	HOODIE	A N	RSO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14458	PRESS	P H	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX59439	COOPER	J E	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX42706	CLAYTON	A C	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14447	DEERRYHOUSE	F P		No	Det NADZAB - ALO	
Lieut	NX136182	ROSS	F E H	ACPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14459	EVANS	A B	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14477	JONES	W H	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14399	AGAR	S L	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX15739	EGGERTON	W V	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX20365	McKENNEY	D	L.O.	Yes		
Lieut	VX14451	DAVENPORT	F A	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX16187	KILPATRICK	A C	~~S/Offr~~	Yes	TL	
Lieut	VX18177	STOKES	W E	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX14459	MILLS	R J	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX16353	KELLY	J T	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX16118	WHITING	J E W	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX115313	WYNN	K F D	Reinft	Yes		
Lieut	VX69859	MELLOR	A B	ACPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX82235	HOLSWORTH	R T	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	SX10399	BROWN	M V	S/Offr	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit. Initials	Date of Attachment. Posting	Nature of Attachment. With unit or not
Lieut	VX69492	WOODBERRY	R E	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX167872	WOODS	W J	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX87795	MACDONALD	W L	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX23416	AUSTIN	H J	S/Offr	Yes
Capt	QX42801	ROS	R	RMO	Yes

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Date of Despatch

[signature] Capt Lt-Col
Signature of Commander

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/ 1 /194 4 2/4 Aust Fd (Unit)

W.E. 11/ 80/ 1. OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 623 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
NR	2	-	2	Majors					
-	-	-	12	Captains	1 AAMC, 1 AAChD	1	-	1	-
-	-	5	38	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	2	5	53			1	-	1	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		54	ALL OFFICERS SHOWN ON THIS RETURN								54
E.(1)	ARE MEMBERS OF THE AIF & "A" CLASS										
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX14470	Lieut	LANG G S	Hospital	10-1-44	RTU from Hospital
VX13872	Capt	HAUGHTON W N	RAA 6 Aust Div	12-1-44	Ceased to be seconded vide 7 Div A4117 of 9 Jan
VX15739	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	MDS DUMPU	12-1-44	RTU from Hospital
SX22302	Capt	FAIRLEY J	MO 9 Aust Fd Ambulance	12-1-44	Att for duty as RMO

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX15739	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	MDS DUMPU	8-1-44	Evac to MDS DUMPU
QX42691	Capt	RCN R	2/5 Cav Commando Sqn	12-1-44	Ceased to be att as RMO.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15 Jan 44 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX12326	BLYTH	A J	CO	Yes		
Maj	NX 406	QUINTON	M T	2 i/c	Yes		
Maj	VX14105	GAUNT	D C	BC	Yes		
Capt	VX14104	THOMAS	J H		No	Det 1 Aust NB Sch as Instr	
Capt	VX13872	HAUGHTON	W H		Yes		
Capt	VX14109	LONGWORTH	L H	BC	Yes		
Capt	VX14115	MOORHOUSE	D	LOB	Yes		
Capt	VX14125	DENTRY	H St C		No	BC's Course Holsworthy	
Capt	VX14099	HUME	J P	B/Cpt	Yes		
Capt	VX14090	LEWIS	B J H	Adjt	Yes		
Capt	VX 1050	STIRLING	C H	TC	Yes		
Capt	NX 140	WHITE	W A S	BC	Yes		
T/Capt	VX 800	BRISTOL	G L	TC	Yes		
T/Capt	NX13992	LEVICK	C C	B/Cpt	Yes		
T/Capt	NX22494	GLENNY	A K S		No	Jnr Tactical Sch - LEQ	
Lieut	VX39363	HARSDEN	E C H	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX15083	MACFARLAN	R G	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX15096	MURLEY	R J		No	Det 7 Aust Div - Div LO	
Lieut	VX14473	SWANSON	D L	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14466	DETHRIDGE	F S		No	NGF Photo Interpreter's Sch	
Lieut	VX39719	FAULKNER	F A	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX39725	PEARSON	J H		No	Det NADZAB - ALO	12-1-44
Lieut	QX 739	BURKE	A E	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX36892	LYALL	H H	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70829	TURTON	N J	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	NX32953	BURT	I G	B/Cpt	Yes		
Lieut	VX35873	FORREST	A G	LOB	Yes		
Lieut	NX58522	MOODIE	A H	RSO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14458	PRESS	P H	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX50439	COOPER	J H	TC	Yes		
Lieut	VX42706	CLAYTON	A C	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14447	DWERRYHOUSE	F P	ACPO	Yes		
Lieut	NX136182	ROSS	F E H	ACPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14450	EVANS	A B	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14477	JONES	W H	GPO	Yes		
Lieut	VX14399	AGAR	S L	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX10739	HOUGHTON	W V	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX20365	McKENNEY	D	I.O.	Yes		
Lieut	VX14470	LANG	G S	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX14451	DAVENPORT	F A	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX16197	MILFATRICK	A C	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX18177	STOKES	W H	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX14459	MILLS	R J	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX16353	KELLY	J T	S/Offr	Yes		
Lieut	VX16118	WHITING	J E W	TL	Yes		
Lieut	VX115313	WYNN	K F D	Reinft	Yes		
Lieut	VX68869	MELLOR	A B	ACPO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
				Posting	With unit or not
Lieut	VX82836	HOLSWORTH	R T	S/Offr	Yes
Lieut	SX10390	BROWN	H V	S/Offr	Yes
Lieut	VX80492	WOODBERRY	R E	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX107872	WOODS	W J	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX87796	MACDONALD	W L	Reinft	Yes
Lieut	VX23416	ASTIN	H J	S/Offr	Yes
Lieut Capt	SX22302	FAIRLEY	J	RSO	Yes

✓ VX13872 Capt W H HAUGHTON should read next after VX14105 Maj D C GAUNT.

15 Jan 44
Date of Despatch

Lt-Col
Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/1/194 4 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11/8D/1. OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 653 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.					
NR	1	-	9	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	3	Staff Sergeants					
NR	5	-	43	Sergeants	See Back	7	-	-	-
NR	8	-	60	Corporals	See Back	6	-	1	NR
30	30	-	493	Troopers, Privates, etc.	See Back	14	3	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
30*	44	-	609*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		28	3	1	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		637	ALL PERSONNEL SHOWN ON THIS RETURN ARE "A" CLASS & AIF					[redacted]	[redacted]		637
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
61	2/51 Aust LAD		
24	2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	AACC att 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	YMCA 7 Aust Div		
3	Mobile Net Section - RAAF		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO WARWICK		
33	Adv Leave Party		
209	LOB GROUP & 54 FD BTY		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. /194

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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ATTACHED
~~XXXXXXX~~ ALLOWED BY WE

		WE	PS	SURP	DEF
WO 11					
	AACC(WO Caterer)	1	1	-	-
SGTS					
	AAPC(Pay Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAPC(Postal Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(Med Orderly)	2	2	-	-
	AACC(Sgt Cooks)	3	3	-	-
Cpls					
	AACC(Boot Repairer)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(Med Orderly)	3	2	-	1
	AACC(Cpl Cooks)	3	3	-	-
PTES					
	AACC(Op 11 Cooks)	11	14	3	-
		26	28	3	1

2/4 Aust Fd Regt Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 15 / 1 /1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	6	5	1
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors ∅	2	3	1					Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	5	5	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	153	131	22	Tailors	1	1	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.	3	3	-	Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors	14	14	-	WO 1	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	WO II	10	9	1
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks ∅	9	10	1	S/SGTS	3	3	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				SGTS	40	43	5
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				BDRS ∅	28	30	2
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Gen Duties	284	270	14
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				A/PC	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				A/APostO	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	23	4	AACC ∅	16	21	5
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAOC	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAEC	5	4	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	3	2	1				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.	6	4	2	Gun Layers ∅	48	50	2	∅			9
CARRIED FORWARD	3	4	-	CARRIED FORWARD	12	11	2	CARRIED FORWARD	267	242	29	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	670	637 *	42 *

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back. SURPLUS PERSONNEL - 1 - SEE BACK
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
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15 Jan 44
Date of Despatch

Lt-Col
Signature of Commander

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SPECIALISTS OF NCO RANK - BDRS

		WE	PS	DEF	SURP
Gp II					
	Signallers	18	12	6	-
	OPAs	6	-	6	-
	BCAs	-	3	-	3
Gp III					
	Bty Surveyors	5	5	-	-
	Clerks	4	4	-	-
	Tailors	1	1	-	-
	CPOAs	6	5	1	-
		40	30	13	3

∅ - SURPLUS PERSONNEL

Bdrs	2
Computors	1
Clerks	1
AACC(Gp II)	3
Gunlayers	2
	9

DEFICIENT AND SURPLUS NCOs - WOs & SGTS

	Def	Surp
WO II		
TSM	1	1
SGTS		
Section Sgts	5	-
Gun Sgts(Nos 1)	-	-
Survey Sgts	-	1
Transport Sgts	1	-
Signal Sgts	-	1
	6	1

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W D

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Revised Jan., 1943)

5/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/1/1944. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11/80/1 OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 653 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
NR	2	-	2	Majors					
-	-	-	12	Captains	1AANC,1AACH D	2	-	-	-
-	-	3	36	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	2	3	51			2	-	-	-

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A.		53 ALL OFFICERS SHOWN ON THIS RETURN ARE MEMBERS OF THE AIF & A CLASS									53
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX10730	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	MDS DUMPU	23-1-44	RTU - From Hosp
SX10339	Lieut	BROWN M V	" "	24-1-44	" " "
VX14459	Lieut	MILLS R J	" "	42-1-44	" " "

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX50430	Lieut	COOPER J E	MDS DUMPU	23-1-44	Evac Sick - PUO
NX13002	Capt	LEVICK C C	" "	27-1-44	" " - PUO
NX70092	Lieut	TURTON K J	" "	27-1-44	" " - PUO

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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H/Q Aust Pd Regt ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29/1/44. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	VX102[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Maj	VX 400	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Maj	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Capt	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Capt	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Det 1 Aust HD Sch as Instr	
Capt	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Capt	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	LHQ Sch Noiseworthy	
Capt	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

W-D

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

5/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29/1/1944. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 11 SD 1 OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 653 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.					
NR	1	-	9	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	3	Staff Sergeants					
-	-	-	48	Sergeants	See Back	7	-	-	-
NR	9	-	59	Corporals	See Back	6	-	1	NR
2	2	-	521	Troopers, Privates, etc.	See Back	12	1	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
2 *	12	-	641 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		26 *	1	1	- *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	667	ALL PERSONNEL SHOWN ON THIS RETURN ARE "A" CLASS & AIF					[redacted]	[redacted]		667
B(1)										
B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
50	2/51 Aust LAD		
23	2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	AACC att 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	YMCA 7 Aust Div		
3	Mobile Met Sec - RAAF		
3	3 Aust Fd Svy Bty		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO Warwick		
1	HQ 7 Aust Div		
37	Adv Leave Party		
298	LOB GP, 2 FD BTY, LAD in MORESBY AREA.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.

		WE	RE	SURP	DEF
WO 11					
	AACC(WO Caterer)	1	1	-	-
SGTS					
	AAPC(Pay Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAPC(Postal Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(RAP Sgts)	2	2	-	-
	AACC(Sgt Cooks)	3	3	-	-
CPLS					
	AABC(Boot Repairer)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(RAP Cpls)	3	2	-	1
	AACC(Cpl Cooks)	3	3	-	-
PTES					
	AACC(Cp 11 Cooks)	11	12	1	-
		26	26	1	1

2/4 Aust Fd Regt ..... Unit

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Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	6	5	1
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors	2	3	1					Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	5	6	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	183	125	28	Tailors	1	1	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.	3	3	-	Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors	14	15	1	WO 1	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	WO 11	10	9	1
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	9	10	1	S/Sgts	3	3	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts	40	40	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Bdrs	20	20	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Gen Duties			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors					284	297	13
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAPC	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAPost C	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	24	3	AAOC	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAMC	5	4	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AACC	16	15	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	3	3	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.	6	5	1	Gun Layers	40	52	4				25
CARRIED FORWARD	3	4	-	CARRIED FORWARD	12	12	1	CARRIED FORWARD	267	242	37	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	670	607 *	12 *

SURPLUS PERSONNEL - 1 + SEE BACK

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29 Jan 44 ..... *Date of Despatch*

Lt-Col ..... *Signature of Commander*

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SPECIALISTS OF NCO RANK - BDRS

		WE	PS	DEF	SURP
GP II	Signallers	18	10	8	-
	GPAs	6	1	5	-
	BCAs	-	3	-	3
GP III					
	Bty Surveyors	5	6	-	1
	Clerks	4	4	-	-
	Tailors	1	1	-	-
	GPOAs	6	5	1	-
		40	30	14	4

/ - SURPLUS PERSONNEL

Bdrs	1
Computors	1
Clerks	1
Gunlayers	4
Bty Surveyors	1
Tech Storeman	1
Gen Duties	13
AACC(Gp II)	1
	23

DEFICIENT & SURPLUS NCOs - WOs & SGTS

		DEF	SURP
WO II			
	TSM	1	-
SGTS			
	Section Sgts	5	-
	Gun Sgts(No 1)	-	6
	Survey Sgts	-	1
	Transport Sgts	1	-
	Signal Sgts	1	-
		7	7

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LT-COL A J BLYTH - COMD 2/4 AUST FD REST

INCLUDING ATTACHED - 2/51 AUST LAD AND 2/4 AUST FD REST HIS SEC

No 106 12 JAN 44

PART 1

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PART 11

1. REJOINED UNIT

VX61515	Gnr	O'GRADY P	8	28-12-43	RTU	from	Hospital
QX22098	Gnr	UNDERDOWN J A	RHQ	28-12-43	"	"	HQ ODD
VX16370	Gnr	RANSON J E	54	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX14919	Sgt	NEWCOMBE C H	8	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX23194	Gnr	ANDERSON N L	54	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX18334	Gnr	BUTLER J E	8	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX15175	WO 11	BURROWS A E	RHQ	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX16124	Gnr	LOBBAN K J C	8	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX568490	Bdr	GOLDING P S	RHQ	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX33581	Gnr	PEEBLES J E	8	28-12-43	"	"	" "
VX16380	Gnr	SAVIGE H F	54	28-12-43	"	"	" "
N442709	Gnr	GREENTREE W F	54	31-12-43	"	"	" "
NX98160	Gnr	PRATT C L H	RHQ	30-12-43	"	"	" "
VX53860	Gnr	McGILLIVRAY E P	8	29-12-43	"	"	Hospital
VX14896	Gnr	DUSTING O H	54	1-1-44	"	"	"
SX30148	Gnr	COTTON R H	54	1-1-44	"	"	"
VX56373	Gnr	KINGSTON A	8	21-144	"	"	"
VX13856	Gnr	PRICE K A	54	28-12-43	"	"	"
VX123860	Gnr	REGAN R J	RHQ	2-1-44	"	"	"
NX99470	Gnr	MEESE J W	8	4-1-44	"	"	"
NX46112	L/Bdr	ARMBRUSTER N C	8	4-1-44	"	"	"
NX92911	Gnr	RICHARDS G	54	4-1-44	"	"	"
VX21622	Gnr	McAINCH G A	54	4-1-44	"	"	"
VX43053	Gnr	BAKER R P	54	4-1-44	"	"	"
VX54361	Gnr	DORE K J L	54	3-1-44	"	"	"
VX58302	Gnr	MATHIESON A C	54	2-1-44	"	"	4 MDS
VX130984	Gnr	CARTER H W	54	2-1-44	"	"	"
VX30193	Gnr	WHITEMAN K J	RHQ	2-1-44	"	"	HQ ODD
VX23764	Gnr	KERR H F H	RHQ	2-1-44	"	"	" "
VX17391	Gnr	CAMERON R	8	2-1-44	"	"	" "
QX56710	Gnr	HORRIGAN J V	54	2-1-44	"	"	" "
VX56928	Gnr	MURRAY C H	54	2-1-44	"	"	" "
VX54948	Gnr	GRACE B W	54	2-1-44	"	"	" "
SX25230	Gnr	O'CONNELL M R	54	2-1-44	"	"	4 MDS
NX169979	Gnr	BRAN G J C	8	2-1-44	"	"	"
VX28261	Gnr	WEBSTER A J	54	6-1-44	"	"	Hospital
VX20837	Gnr	GRANT H B	54	4-1-44	"	"	HQ ODD
NX17051	Gnr	NADEN J E	54	4-1-44	"	"	" "
VX21025	Gnr	PAYNE J B	54	30-12-43	"	"	" "
VX50461	L/Bdr	RYAN M M	7	30-12-43	"	"	2/5 AGH
VX18850	Sgt	NUNN P S	8	6-1-44	"	"	Hospital
NX168820	Gnr	LOWE E R	8	6-1-44	"	"	"
NX123512	Gnr	PALMER E G	54	6-1-44	"	"	"
VX20491	Gnr	SHAW B A	54	3-1-44	"	"	HQ ODD

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NX105362	Gnr	HUMPHREYS P B	8	8-1-44	RTU from Hospital	
VX130078	Gnr	SCHNEIDER H V	8	8-1-44	" "	"
VX61200	Bdr	CAMERON E J	HHQ	7-1-44	" "	"
NX173336	Gnr	LIPMAN L E	8	7-1-44	" "	"
VX10035	Gnr	CORLETT J M	54	5-1-44	" "	NQ CMD
VX15916	Sgt	McAULIFFE E J	8	5-1-44	" "	" "
VX69706	Gnr	GILBERT A J R	8	7-1-44	" "	" "
VX10644	Gnr	BARTON J M	54	6-1-44	" "	" "
VX37717	Gnr	McADAM W H	54	6-1-44	" "	" "
SX28801	Gnr	MULRANEY L P	54	6-1-44	" "	" "
VX61779	Gnr	BUSBY M A	54	7-1-44	" "	Hospital
VX58855	Gnr	PHILLIPS E C	54	7-1-44	" "	"
VX10721	Gnr	McALPINE J C	8	11-1-44	" "	"
NX71606	Gnr	REES A W	8	11-1-44	" "	"
NX101336	Gnr	MAITLAND L R	HHQ	11-1-44	" "	"
VX61549	Gnr	KEITH D W	HHQ	11-1-44	" "	"

2. HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

VX10365	Gnr	JENSEN A H	8	29-12-43	Hvac	MES DUMPU
VX60077	Gnr	PEARSON P R	8	29-12-43	"	" " " - WIA
VX10340	Gnr	LOCK D G V	8	29-12-43	"	" " "
VX58865	Gnr	DRAPER G R	54	29-12-43	"	" " "
VX103018	Gnr	PALMER E G	54	29-12-43	"	" " "
VX58302	Gnr	HATHERDON A C	54	29-12-43	"	" " "
VX10197	Gnr	TINGAY H R	8	27-12-43	"	" " "
VX13001	Gnr	PETERS L L	HHQ	28-12-43	"	2/1 AGH
VX103019	Gnr	LAWSON B G	54	30-12-43	"	MES DUMPU
VX30049	Gnr	THOM E W	54	30-12-43	"	" "
VX14006	Gnr	DUSTING G H	54	30-12-43	"	" "
VX10196	Bdr	MACKIE C J	8	30-12-43	"	" "
VX70005	Bdr	DRAKE W R	8	30-12-43	"	" "
VX10743	Gnr	MERCHEN P H	8	30-12-43	"	" "
VX67703	Gnr	RANKIN D L	54	31-12-43	"	" "
VX30032	Gnr	CHALMERS W C	54	1-1-44	"	" "
VX10471	Gnr	FOSTER G A	8	1-1-44	"	" "
NX97575	Gnr	LEWIS J H	54	2-1-44	"	" "
VX61855	L/Sgt	DIXON K K	54	2-1-44	"	" "
NX173370	Gnr	HUGHAN S	54	2-1-44	"	" "
VX13033	Gnr	PRICE K A	54	2-1-44	"	" "
VX30369	L/Bdr	TOOLE H J	HHQ	31-12-43	"	2/6 AGH
NX71606	Gnr	REES A W	8	2-1-44	"	MES DUMPU
VX10721	Gnr	McALPINE J C	8	4-1-44	"	" "
VX30390	Gnr	DOBALDOCK J A	54	4-1-44	"	" "
VX61779	Gnr	BUSBY M A	54	3-1-44	"	" "
VX61200	Sgt	MARTIN W A	54	3-1-44	"	" "
NX172077	Gnr	PRESTON A J	54	3-1-44	"	" "
VX61741	Gnr	BURNSTAN V J	54	3-1-44	"	" "
VX61088	Gnr	PAINE J D	54	2-1-44	"	2/1 AGH
NX134170	Gnr	MORRIS D P A	7	1-1-44	"	2/6 AGH
VX30042	Gnr	WHITE K D	7	2-1-44	"	" "
VX10367	L/Bdr	GRIFFIN A G	54	4-1-44	"	" "
VX22100	Gnr	CUNNINGHAM W H	54	5-1-44	"	MES DUMPU
VX10001	Gnr	DURNELLI A L	7	6-1-44	"	" "
VX14070	Gnr	PEELER A H	54	6-1-44	"	" "
VX30043	Gnr	MARSHALL J T	8	6-1-44	"	" "
VX10304	Bdr	LLOYD C R	8	7-1-44	"	" "
VX10730	Lieut	HAUGHTON W V	7	8-1-44	"	" "
NX10035	Gnr	HATCH J S	7	8-1-44	"	" "
VX30415	Gnr	TWOMEY L A D	8	10-1-44	"	" "
VX10342	Sgt	MALCOLM A	8	8-1-44	"	" "
VX42147	Gnr	BROWN E H	7	11-1-44	"	" "

3. TRANSFER STRENGTH

VX13073	Capt	HAUGHTON W H	HHQ	18-1-44	TOS	vide 7 Div AG117
VX13804	Gnr	TELFORD W H J	HHQ	18-1-44	"	" " "
VX11254	L/Cpl	RUSH J K	8	30-12-43	"	from 8 Bde HHQ 7 Div
VX10512	Gnr	BARLEY R C	54	29-12-43	"	" 2/14 Inf Bn
VX30247	Gnr	HILLINGTON J H	8	4-1-44	"	" ADOS

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4. TRANSFERS

VX29404	Gnr	SPRY J W	54	28-12-43	To 1 Aust Water Tpt Cp
VX90755	Gnr	SMITH D A	RHQ	31-12-43	To 2/33 Inf Bn
NX132571	T/Wo11	WILSON D	8	5-1-44	To 7 Aust Div Provost C

5. DETACHED FOR DUTY

NX 406	Maj	QUINTON M T	RHQ	27-12-43	Ceased to be Det to 7
VX14432	Gnr	POLLOCK L	RHQ	27-12-43	Div LOB " " " "
VX29404	Gnr	SPRY J W	54	28-12-43	Ceased to be det to 7 D LOB CP.

6. ATTACHED FOR DUTY

NX52262	Pte	WHITE F J	AACC	31-12-43	Ceased to be att - Evac to Hospital
VX50225	Pte	BRAVE W C	AACC	4-1-44	Att for duty - RTU from
VX21405	WO 11	COMBRIDGE H C	AACC	2-1-44	Hospital " " "
VX68320	Cfn	NEWTON W W	LAD	5-1-44	Ceased to be att - Evac
VX21870	Sgt	MILLGROVE F D	LAD	10-1-44	to MDS DUMPU " "
QX42091	Capt	ROW R	AAMC	12-1-44	Ceased to be att for du

7. REVERSIONS

QX11254	L/Bdr	RUSH J K	8	30-12-43	Reverted to rank of Gnr

8. TAKE GROUPINGS

QX11254	Gnr	RUSH J K	8	30-12-43	Relinquished Gp 11 Intelligence Duties.
WX36755	Gnr	MOUCHEMORE L	8	1-1-44	Relinquished Gp 111 Gun Layer.

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BY

LT-COL A J BLYTH - COMD 2/4 AUST FD REGT

Including attached - 2/4 AUST FD REGT SIG SEC, 2/51 AUST LAD

No 107 26 JAN 44

PART I

1. INTRODUCTION OF PLANT DISEASES TO AUSTRALIA

(1) In the past years the introduction of sugar cane into Q'Land from New Guinea led to serious sugar cane diseases with the resultant losses to the growers.

(2) To prevent repetition it is essential that the present practice of sending sugar cane to the mainland shall cease.

(3) The forwarding of other plants from New Guinea to the mainland may also result in the introduction of other serious plant diseases which must be guarded against.

(4) A member will not forward or cause to be forwarded or take with him from New Guinea to the mainland, any sugar cane plant or sugar cane, or any other plant which grows in New Guinea.

(NGF A 9)

1. REJOINED UNIT PART II

Army No	Rank	Name	Bty	Date	FROM
VX15739	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	7	12-1-44	From Hospital
VX 16363	Gnr	JENSEN A H	8	12-1-44	" "
VX14470	Lieut	LANG G S	54	10-1-44	" "
VX18507	A/Sgt	D'ARCY B V	54	10-1-44	" "
VX17406	Gnr	RAE J	54	10-1-44	" "
VX160115	Gnr	DAVIS A D J	54	10-1-44	" " [illegible]
MX173376	Gnr	BUCKMAN S	54	11-1-44	" "
VX60377	Gnr	TIMMINS F R	54	11-1-44	" "
VX142307	Gnr	ANSELL J R	54	11-1-44	" "
VX58095	Sgt	SELETTO N J	54	11-1-44	" "
VX50590	Gnr	DONALDSON J A	54	12-1-44	" "
VX33535	Gnr	DUGAN E J	54	12-1-44	" "
MX172377	Gnr	BRISTOW A J	54	12-1-44	" "
VX12081	Gnr	PETERS L W	RBQ	11-1-44	" "
VX35454	Gnr	TROST C H	8	11-1-44	" "
VX72095	Bdr	DEAKIN W R	8	14-1-44	" "
VX50442	Lieut	CARROLL C	54	14-1-44	" "
VX17381	Sgt	MATTHEWS H L	54	14-1-44	" "
VX51200	Sgt	MARTIN W A	54	14-1-44	" "
VX51741	Gnr	DUNSTAN V J	54	14-1-44	" "
MX123510	Gnr	LAWSON B C	54	14-1-44	" "
MX97342	Gnr	DOUGLAS R A	54	14-1-44	" "
VX19317	Gnr	TINGAY R R	54	14-1-44	" "
VX37085	Gnr	HARRIS W L	54	15-1-44	" "
VX20034	Gnr	FLETCHER P A	8	14-1-44	" "
SX19035	Gnr	HATCH J S	7	17-1-44	" "
MX137071	Gnr	HURST J C	8	18-1-44	" "
VX16108	Sgt	CAMERON D C	7	18-1-44	" "
VX18903	L/Bdr	MARKS A J	7	18-1-44	" "

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VX20636	Gnr	JONES W J	7	10-1-44	From Hospital
NX96804	Gnr	BROUGHTON A E	54	10-1-44	" "
VX13856	Gnr	PRICE K A	54	10-1-44	" "
VX77732	Gnr	RANKIN D L	54	10-1-44	" "
VX16367	Gnr	GRIFFIN A G	54	10-1-44	" "
VX21255	L/Sgt	DIXON K K	54	10-1-44	" "
VX34932	Gnr	CHALMERS W G	54	17-1-44	" "
VX10991	Gnr	DONNELLY A L	54	17-1-44	" "
VX4732	Gnr	SCOTT H G	54	17-1-44	" "
VX16346	Gnr	McLEAN L W	54	17-1-44	" "
VX17549	Gnr	CAMPS J	54	17-1-44	" "
VX63046	Gnr	McNALLY A P	54	17-1-44	" "
VX13767	Gnr	SIMPSON A T	54	17-1-44	" "
NX61211	Gnr	GIG E E	54	17-1-44	" "
VX22186	Gnr	CUMMINGHAM W H	54	17-1-44	" "
VX22260	L/Bdr	TOOLE H J	RHQ	17-1-44	" "
VX2349	Gnr	SHERBROOK B J	RHQ	19-1-44	" "
VX16356	Sgt	BRUNEAU A D	S	17-1-44	" "
VX47099	Gnr	CONDON E	S	17-1-44	" "
VX10204	Bdr	LLOYD C H	S	20-1-44	" "
QX41502	Gnr	HAWTHORNE R A	S	20-1-44	" "
VX37340	Gnr	SANDERS H R	S	17-1-44	" "
VX10842	Bdr	SAMPSON D P	RHQ	19-1-44	" "
VX21004	Gnr	O'DONOGHUE J F	S	19-1-44	" "
VX21246	Bdr	APPLEBY W T	S	19-1-44	" "
VX70554	Gnr	GUERY C B	S	19-1-44	" "
VX4147	Gnr	BROWN E H	7	21-1-44	" "
VX38801	Gnr	LETCHER P J	7	21-1-44	" "
VX58563	Gnr	WRIGHTER C	7	21-1-44	" "
VX10940	Gnr	DELANEY R R W	7	22-1-44	" "
VX19006	Gnr	SULLIVAN R E	7	22-1-44	" "
VX16342	Sgt	MALCOLM A	S	22-1-44	" "
VX10361	Gnr	MALCOLM P	S	22-1-44	" "
VX67362	Gnr	GRIFFEN C	S	22-1-44	" "
VX21705	L/Sgt	O'NEILL T V	54	20-1-44	From LHQ SHE
VX10367	Sgt	CAIL H V	54	21-1-44	From Hospital
VX50078	Gnr	HODGETTS I C	54	21-1-44	" "
VX16034	Sgt	CARTER R C	S	19-1-44	" "
VX50127	Gnr	FIPPS J C	S	19-1-44	" "
VX61167	Gnr	TWOOMEY L A D	S	19-1-44	" "
NX147954	Gnr	HILL J	S	19-1-44	" "
VX21348	Gnr	MURPHY W E	S	20-1-44	" "
VX16349	Gnr	LOCK S G V	S	20-1-44	From HQ CDD
NX131490	Gnr	HOCHAM D P	7	20-1-44	" " "
VX16471	Gnr	FOSTER C A	S	23-1-44	From Hospital
VX15730	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	7	23-1-44	" "
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VX21101	Sgt	WARD C H	7	23-1-44	" "
VX17011	Gnr	RAVEN H H	7	23-1-44	" "
VX50784	Gnr	BLACK J P	7	23-1-44	" "
SX10309	Lieut	BROWN H V	S	24-1-44	" "
VX14459	Lieut	MILLS R J	7	24-1-44	" "
VX17009	Gnr	KELLY G T	7	24-1-44	" "
VX50482	Gnr	McCULLOCH A L	7	24-1-44	" "
VX19682	Gnr	WISNIEWSKI P K	7	24-1-44	" "
QX37108	Gnr	BROOKS H B	7	24-1-44	" "
VX10450	L/Bdr	HOBART W H	54	23-1-44	" "
QX6752	A/Sgt	LETHBRIDGE J R	54	24-1-44	" "
VX52365	Gnr	DRAPER G H	54	24-1-44	" "
VX10961	Gnr	TURNER T R	7	25-1-44	" "
QX37249	Gnr	BURKE P T	7	25-1-44	" "
NX29910	Gnr	ALDRIDGE T P	7	25-1-44	" "

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VX67354	Gnr	TAYLOR J J	54	6-1-44	From 2/4 Aust Fd Amb
QX49141	Gnr	O'BRIEN S W	RHQ	23-1-44	" 1 Aust ARD
NX150102	Gnr	HEENAN C P	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "
VX21453	Gnr	KIDNEY H E	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "
QX60630	Gnr	WHELLER G E	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "
NX25078	Gnr	WATTS H W	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "
QX67429	Gnr	POLSON E J	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "

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2. [illegible] - TAKEN ON (CHIT)

QX[illegible]	Gnr	BUTLER J A	RHQ	23-1-44	From 1 Aust HQ	
[illegible]	Gnr	CROSBIE C W	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
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VX[illegible]	Gnr	McINTYRE L J	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	NEWTON D H	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	POLLARD J A	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	RICHARDS G	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	STEWART F	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	THOMPSON A J	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	WARD R W	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	WEBSTER R V	RHQ	23-1-44	" " "	

3. HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

VX[illegible]	Gnr	SAUNDERS H R	G	31-12-43	To Hospital	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	ROBOT J C	G	12-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Sgt	CAMERON D O	7	12-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	UNSWORTH C	7	12-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	HARRIS W L	54	6-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	PORTER W G	54	6-1-44	"	
QX[illegible]	A/Sgt	LETHBRIDGE J M	54	6-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	EDWARDS C J	54	6-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Sgt	WARD C M	7	16-1-44	"	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	ALDRIDGE T H	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	WIDELESKI P K	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	BARTLEY L F	7	15-1-44	"	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	BRIDGE H B	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	L/Bdr	HARDY A J	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	JUDD V J	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	LAWLOR P J	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	GRIVER C	6	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	PARTRIDGE C W	6	14-1-44	"	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	HAWTHORNE R A	6	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	MALCOLM P	6	14-1-44	"	
NX[illegible]	Lieut	BROWN H V	6	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	L/Bdr	BROOK P C	7	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	MIDDLETON L W	7	16-1-44	"	
QX[illegible]	Gnr	BURER P T	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	McCULLOCH A L	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	REILLY J D	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	TURNER T H	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	RAVEN H W	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	SULLIVAN R H	7	16-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	PRENDERGAST R P	54	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	KINDALL G A	54	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	PENDLEBURY P	54	14-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	WILLIAMS R A	54	15-1-44	"	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	WEBB A G	54	15-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Lieut	MILLS R J	7	17-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Lieut	HOUGHTON W V	7	17-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	KELLY G T	7	17-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	BLACK J P	7	17-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	MACRAE P A	7	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	McCOLL A S	7	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	A/Bdr	HOUGHTON E	7	18-1-44	"	W.A.
VX[illegible]	L/Bdr	DOODY J	7	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	BURKE P M	7	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	DENGLEHOLE H D	7	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	COLEMAN W J	6	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	STILLING W D	6	18-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	HARRIS W L	54	17-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Sgt	CARLISLE W J	6	20-1-44	"	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	HUDSON E F	6	20-1-44	"	
NX[illegible]	Gnr	HALE E G	7	20-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	DELAHUNT R R W	7	20-1-44	"	
VX[illegible]	Gnr	HAUGEN E F	7	20-1-44	"	

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3. HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS (CONT)

VX14480	Sgt	TRIVELLION F C	7	20-1-44	To Hospital
VX32349	Gnr	NUGENT P L	54	19-1-44	" "
VX33345	Gnr	BETTERIDGE L C	54	19-1-44	" "
VX130182	Lieut	ROSS F E H	54	19-1-44	" "
VX33420	Gnr	TODD R J	REQ	21-1-44	" "
VX34417	Gnr	SCOULLAR D L	REQ	21-1-44	" "
VX19906	Gnr	CROSSLE K G G	7	21-1-44	" "
VX30635	Gnr	DAVIS J C A	7	22-1-44	" "
VX19137	Gnr	TINGAY E R	54	21-1-44	" "
VX21705	L/Sgt	O'NEILL T W	54	21-1-44	" "
VX31779	Gnr	BUSBY M A	54	21-1-44	" "
VX30439	Lieut	COOPER J E	7	23-1-44	" "
VX34154	Gnr	CARTER G S	7	23-1-44	" "
VX32903	Gnr	TOOMEY H W	7	23-1-44	" "
VX30874	Gnr	WATSON W D	8	23-1-44	" "
VX32619	Gnr	GLEESON H J G	8	24-1-44	" "
VX13194	L/Bdr	LORENZ T F	7	24-1-44	" "
VX30266	Gnr	NEWLANDS T	7	24-1-44	" "
VX123329	Gnr	EKRIGHT R W	54	23-1-44	" "
VX32129	Gnr	RAYMENT W A	54	23-1-44	" "
VX34361	Gnr	DORE K J L	54	23-1-44	" "
VX31103	Gnr	DUNN G T	8	23-1-44	" " WIA.
VX30313	Gnr	CABLE E	7	24-1-44	" "
VX30326	Gnr	McFARLANE C	7	25-1-44	" "
VX31303	Gnr	STEVENS R L	7	25-1-44	" "
VX37032	Gnr	MARTIGAN C H	8	25-1-44	" "
VX21809	Gnr	BUDD J A	8	25-1-44	" "

4. TRANSFERS

VX10901	Bdr	ALBERT L	54	18-1-44	To Coastal Arty NGF
VX21173	L/Sgt	BENNETT G L	7	6-1-44	To NGF Sch of Sigs as Instr
VX13605	Gnr	HOSKINS C E	7	18-1-44	To ANGAU
VX17410	L/Bdr	BEST J R	8	18-1-44	To NC GDD for discharge to Industry.

5. SCHOOLS & COURSES

VX14436	Lieut	DETERIDGE F S	8	14-1-44	To NGF Photo Interpreter's Sch
NX24757	Gnr	EDWARD P G	REQ	14-1-44	" " " " "

6. ATTACHED FOR DUTY

SX22302	Capt	FAIRLEY J	AACC	12-1-44	Att for duty as RMO
VX20214	Cfn	SHALDERS F W	LAD	13-1-44	Ceased to be att - Evac Hosp
NX22262	Pte	WHITE T J	AACC	12-1-44	Att for duty - RTU from Hosp
VX17322	L/Cpl	HOLNESS A	AACC	14-1-44	Att for duty - " " "
VX20214	Cfn	SHALDERS F W	LAD	27-1-44	" " " - " " "
VX20909	Pte	BURGER F H	AACC	19-1-44	Ceased to be att - Evac Hosp
NX97579	Pte	ATKINS H R	19-1-44	LAD	" " " - " "
VX20834	Sgt	BLOOMFIELD R F	AACC	17-1-44	" " " - " "

7. CONFIRMATION OF RANK

VX16408	A/WO11	WALLACE E A A	8	12-1-44	Rank of WO 11 Confirmed

8. PUNISHMENTS

VX21991 Gnr ROWE R A 8 16-1-44 Offence: WOAS Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A. 40 In that he in the field on 15 Jan 44 did use obscene language contrary to AHR & O 334 (a).

Award: Fined 40/- by Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

VX43426 Gnr SLATTERY J REQ 16-1-44 Offence: WOAS Using insubordinate language to his superior officer A.A. 3(2). In that he in the field when asked by Lieut A B BOODIE if he had any complaints to make answered in an insolent manner "I will see them at Regt".

Award: Fined 5/- by Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

[signature] Capt
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 1 / 194 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

W.E. 1 / 2D / 1 . OFFRS. 50 O.R's. 653 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 26 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.	XXXXXXXXXXXX	1	-	XXXXXXXXXXXX	-
NR	1	-	9	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	1	-	-	-
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-	-	-	3	Staff Sergeants					
NR	7	-	41	Sergeants	See Back	7	-	-	-
NR	7	-	61	Corporals	See Back	6	-	1	NR
35	35	-	488	Troopers, Privates, etc.	See Back	13	2	-	-
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
35 *	50	-	603 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		27 *	2	1	- *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	630 ALL PERSONNEL SHOWN ON							[redacted]	[redacted]		630
B(1)	THIS RETURN ARE "A" CLASS & AIF.										
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
35	2/51 Aust LAD		
25	2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	AACC att 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		
1	YMCA 7 Aust Div		
3	RAAF + Mobile Met Sec		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO WARWICK		
228	LOB GP & 54 FD BTY(MORESBY)		
38	ADV LEAVE PARTY(MORESBY)		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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ATTACHED / ALLOWED BY W.E.

		WE	PS	SURP	DEF
WO II					
	AACC(WO CATERER)	1	1	-	-
SGTS					
	AAPC(Postal Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAPC(Pay Sgt)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(RAP SGTS)	2	2	-	-
	AACC(SGT COOKS)	3	3	-	-
CPLS					
	AAOC(BOOT REP/ARMR)	1	1	-	-
	AAMC(MED ORDERLIES)	3	2	-	1
	AACC(CPL COOKS)	3	3	-	-
PTES					
	AACC(OP II COOKS)	11	13	2	-
		26	27	2	1

2/4 Aust Fd Regt ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8/ 1 /1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants	6	6	-
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors	2	3	1					Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	6	4	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	133	110	30	Tailors	1	1	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.	3	3	-	Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erecters			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors	14	15	2	[illegible]	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	[illegible]	10	9	1
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	9	10	1	[illegible]	3	3	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				[illegible]	40	47	7
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				[illegible]	29	33	4
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				General Duties	204	200	4
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				[illegible]	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				[illegible]	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	10	6	[illegible]	18	20	2
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				[illegible]	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				[illegible]	5	4	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	3	2	1				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.	6	4	2	Gun Layers	45	45	3				
CARRIED FORWARD	3	4	-	CARRIED FORWARD	12	11	2	CARRIED FORWARD	267	218	51	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	670	630	45
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SURPLUS PERSONNEL SEE BACK

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(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
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8 Jan 44 ..... *Date of Despatch*

..... Lt-Col *Signature of Commander*

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SPECIALISTS OF NCO RANK - BDRS

		WE	PS	SURP	DEF
GP 11					
	Signallers	18	12	-	6
	OPAs	6	-	-	6
	BCAs	-	3	3	-
GP 111					
	Bty Surveyors	5	4	-	1
	Clerks	4	4	-	-
	Tailors	1	1	-	-
	CPOAs	6	5	-	1
		40	29	3	14

∅ - SURPLUS PERSONNEL

General Duties	- 4
Bdrs	- 4
Computors	- 1
CLERKS	- 1
AACC(Gp 11)	- 2
	12

DEFICIENT & SURPLUS NCOs - WOs & SGTS

		DEF	SURP
WO 11			
	TSM	1	-
SGTS			
	Section Sgts	5	-
	Gun Sgts(Nos 1)	3	-
	Survey Sgts	-	1
	Transport Sgts	1	-
	Signal Sgts	-	1
		9	2

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LT-COL A J BLYTH - COMD 2/4 AUST FD REST

INCLUDING ATTACHED - 2/4 AUST FD RESTSIG SEC - 2/31 AUST LAD

No 108 5 FEB 44

PART 1

1. NUDE BATHING - MORESBY AREA

1. Nude bathing or swimming in the MORESBY AREA is forbidden.

(Extract NGF Order A389/43

2. TRAFFIC IN CIGARETTES TOBACCO AND CIGARETTE PAPERS

1. A member will not, except to the extent that his duty requires him to do so, sell, exchange, or part with the possession of, any cigarettes, tobacco, or cigarette papers, for money or alcoholic liquor, or for any goods articles or things whatsoever.

2. A member will not, except in the course of his duty or where he has been given specific authority by his CO personally, be aboard any ship, vessel, or water craft of any kind, between 1700 and 0800 hrs.

3. SERVING HOURS - HOSPITALS (Extract NGF Order A415/43)

1. Visitors will be permitted to see patients at hospitals only between 1400 - 1600 hrs and 1900 - 2030 hrs daily.

2. Permission to see patients will, in all cases, be first obtained from the Sister i/c Ward.

(Extract NGF Order A443/43)

4. RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC THROUGH HOSPITAL LINES

1. A member of the AMF will not be present at any cinema show or other entertainment at 2/1 or 2/5 ASH unless he is:-

(a) A member of the staff of or attached to the hospital concerned.

(b) A patient in such hospital.

(c) An invited guest of a member of the staff of that hospital.

5. MOTOR TRANSPORT

1. ALL vehicles will have a sticker prominently displayed showing maximum speed of 20 mph.

2. No officer shall drive any mechanical vehicle except:-

(a) When under instruction.
(b) To maintain his efficiency as a driver.
(c) When operationally necessary.
(d) When no driver is available.
(e) To rest the driver.

3. No mechanical vehicle will be left unattended.

4. Four(4) personnel ONLY including driver will be carried in jeeps.

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6. MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS

1. Will still continue as already ordered except that one atebrin tablet will be taken daily for six days of the week.

2. Atebrin will be taken on a parade and under the supervision of an MCO officer, or Warrant Officer.

7. PISTOLS

1. All pistols will be returned to RQM through Bty 4 Stores by 1830 hrs 5 Feb 44.

2. They will be re-issued to sub-units on application prior to a move.

3. No personnel will carry pistols without carrying at the same time, written permission of the CO to do so.

8. TIMETABLE

1.

REVEILLE	-	0700 hrs.
Parade	-	0730 hrs.
Sick Parade	-	Immediately after roll call.
Mess Parade	-	0800 hrs.
Parade	-	0900 hrs.
Mess Parade	-	1200 hrs.
Parade	-	1330 hrs.
Mess Parade	-	1700 hrs.
Duties Mount	-	1730 hrs.
RETREAT	-	1800 hrs.
First Post	-	2130 hrs.
Last Post	-	2200 hrs.
Lights Out	-	2215 hrs.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

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9 Jan 44.

18 AUST INF BDE OP INSTN NO.20

Ref maps 1/25000 Series DUMPU, KUMBARUM, PAIPA.

1. The instn defines the immediate op policy within 18 Aust Inf Bde.

2. 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn is under comd.
7 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt is in support.

ROLE OF 18 AUST INF BDE

3. (a) Hold the line of localities TOMS POST - JOHNS KNOLL - SHAGGY RIDGE - LAKE HILL - BRIANS HILL - HERALD HILL, and counter any infiltration through these localities.

(b) Gain control of the area fwd of these localities by active patrolling. By raids and harassing tactics ensure that no major Jap withdrawal takes place undetected.

(c) Occupy MINTJIM - FARIA DIVIDE and the high ground to the north and south of it as the adm situation permits.

(d) Maintain one bn as a div reserve.

METHOD

4. This will be carried out by:
(a) Holding in strength the present line of FDL'S with three bns fwd.

(b) Active patrolling on the whole front combined with local raids and harassing tactics on the right flank.

(c) An attack on the KANKIRYO SADDLE by the reserve bn combined with diversions by the right and centre bns.

5. BNDYS

See Trace Z attached.

6. RIGHT BN

Tps. 2/10 Aust Inf Bn.
Tasks. (a) Hold the line of localities TOMS POST - GRASSY PATCH 722637 - RIVER OP 705637 and counter any infiltration through these localities.

(b) Carry out aggressive patrolling and minor raids fwd of GRASSY PATCH and RIVER OP. With this in view, establish a coy locality in vicinity of SEARLS PEAK 722647 and generally ensure that no major Jap withdrawal on this flank takes place undetected.

(c) Patrol NE from TOMS POST to discover any movement on the slopes of HIGH RIDGE running NE from square 7464.

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7. To enable it to carry out these tasks 2/10 Aust Inf Bn is relieved of responsibility for KUMBARUM - SAMS POST area, and, subject to establishing a coy locality across MAIN STREAM, may reduce the garrison at TOMS POST to NOT less than one pl.

8. CENTRE BN.

Tps. 2/9 Aust Inf Bn.
Tasks (a) Hold the present line of localities PLATEAU 703628 - SHAGGY RIDGE - McCOULLOUGHS' RIDGE 688613.

(b) Maintain contact with enemy on SHAGGY RIDGE.

(c) Consider plans for further progress along SHAGGY RIDGE.

9. LEFT BN.

Tps. 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn.
Tasks (a) Hold the present line of localities LAKE HILL 685602 - BRIANS HILL - HERALD HILL.

(b) Patrol the area GAYTONS HILL 6663 - CANNINGS SADDLE 6565. In view of para 9 (a) details of proposed patrols will be submitted to this HQ for approval.

(c) Be prepared to provide protective dets in the CANNING SADDLE and LANGS JUNC areas to cover the establishment of a fwd sup base and generally co-operate as required with 2/12 Aust Inf Bn in any op on the left flank.

10. RESERVE BN.

Tps. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn.
Role. Div and Bde reserve.
Tasks (a) Prepare plan for the capture of KANKIRYO SADDLE via the upper MENE R valley. Outline plan incl air and arty support desired. Main aim requirements should be submitted to this HQ by 11 Jan.

(b) Maintain a pl standing patrol at SAMS POST.

(c) Patrol right flank of bde area, particularly along spur north from SAMS POST.

(d) Provide working parties demanded by CRE to assist in the construction of Jeep rd to GUYS POST.

11. PRISONERS OF WAR.

All units will make every effort to capture PW's.

12. SECURITY.

(a) Every precaution will be taken to avoid indicating increased activity in LANGS JUNC - CANNING SADDLE area.

(b) All comds will ensure that personnel in fwd areas or on patrols have no documents in their possession which may be of value to the enemy or identify their units.

(c) The enemy are known to be using native agents in this area. Any native on whom the slightest suspicion falls will be held for questioning by ANGAU. Natives wearing red lap laps will be arrested immediately.

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(d) No colour patches will be worn in the div area.

13. IMPROVEMENTS TO TRACKS AND ACCOMODATION.

All units will continually improve the standard of tracks and accomodation in their areas. Separate instns have been issued defining special unit responsibilities.

ADM

14. Issued separately.

INTERCOMN.

15. Units will maintain L/T and W/T to all posts.

ACK.

acked 10/1415L 2 Mar

Signed at 091700L

Major,
BM 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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Subject: 2/4 AUST FD REGT O.O. No 2 — **MOST SECRET**

Ref Map:- 1/25000 - PAIPA
1/25000 - KUMBARUM

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
15 Jan 44
MS44/56/3B

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INFORMATION

ENEMY - Hold Mt PROTHERO feature.

OWN TPS- Hold ground from feature 5800 to SHAGGY RIDGE, both incl.

INTENTION

2/4 Aust Fd Regt will support 2/12 Aust Inf Bn in the attack on Mt PROTHERO.

METHOD

1. **OUTLINE PLAN**

The intention will be carried out in four(4) phasis:-

Phase 1. Capture of B 1. 645675
Phase 2. Capture of B 2. 673664
Phase 3. Exploitation towards SHAGGY RIDGE
Phase 4. Capture of high ground NORTH of KANKINYO

2. **ARTY PLAN**

(a) **Troops Participating** :-

7 Fd Bty - LAKES Posn - 7 Long Guns.
8 Fd Bty - LAKES Posn - 2 Long Guns.
- SADDLE " - 2 Short Guns.

cancelled by O.O No 3 18/1/44.

(b) **Control**

Control will be by BC 7 Fd Bty, Capt W A S WHYTE, who will co-ordinate Fire Tasks on the ground and will move with Bn Comd throughout the attack.

(c) **FOO Parties**

Will move with Coys as under:-

No 1 Party - Lieut D L SWANSON with C Coy.
No 2 Party - Lieut F F DWERRYHOUSE with A Coy.
No 3 Party - Lieut W V HOUGHTON with B Coy as reserve FOO controlled by BC.

(d) **Intercomm**

BC - To each FOO - (i) Line
- (ii) R/T No 108 Mk 3
- To Guns - (i) Line to each Tp.
- (ii) R/T No 11.

FOO's Line direct to guns.
R/T No 108 Mk 3 to No 11 sets.

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(e) Arty Fire Plan

Phase 1. Start Line to B 1. (a) Time programme of concentration on spur from start line to B 1. (b) Sec concentration on B 1 during this programme.

Phase 2. On B 2. Concentrations on B 2 Ridge as directed by BC.

General Continuous covering fire to the Bn throughout the attack controlled by FOO's with each Coy.

For Phase 1 programmes on Spur will be on the basis of an Infantry advance of 100^{x} in 5 mins, and will consist of 100^{x} lifts rate 3.

This may be varied as directed by BC on the ground. Puzos 322 will be available for tasks requiring their use.

(f) Registration

All guns will be shot in on 14 Jan 44 by guns already in position, other guns will test on D - 1.

(g) Arty R

No 4 Sqn RAAF will have Arty/R available throughout. Two (2) Light guns at SHERLE POST will be available to answer air calls at all times.

(h) Survey

Survey of the following points will be available by 2000 hrs 13 Jan 44:-

(i) Bottom of Spur.
(ii) Elbow of Spur.
(iii) B 1.
(iv) B 2.

Survey trace of area of operations will be issued as appendix "A" on completion of survey.

(i) Liaison

Capt W A S WHYTE will remain with Bn Cond from 14 Jan 44 until completion of operation.

(j) Recce

(a) Capt W A S WHYTE will report to No 2 Strip at 0600 hrs 13 Jan 44 and will fly over target area.

(b) Lieut D L SWANSON will report to Adjt 2/12 Bn at SHERLE HILL at 1800 hrs 12 Jan 44 and accompany him on a ground recce.

3. ADMIN

Notified seperately.

4. ZERO

Notified verbally.

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WAR DIARY
APPX C
2/16 Aust Inf Bn
10 Jan 44

Report on Individual and supporting sections
Attack on Shaggy Ridge
27/28 Dec 43...

EXTRACT:-

There is one arm of the services which helped as much as any other to give the men confidence when going into action. This was the Artillery. Particularly the personnel of the 8th. and 54 Btys who were supporting us. The accuracy of their shooting seldom failed to claim the admiration of all troops and was indeed an added stimulus no doubt due to the close cooperation of the F.O.O. and C.P. Their Admin and Intercomm. seemed uncanny, and it was probably this state of things that enabled them to do with their barrages that which denied the Japs all change of lining an automatic weapon along the axis of our advance; which was never more than three abreast and usually a one man front.

Individually the actions of Major Gaunt, O.C. 8 Bty and F.O.Os. Lieuts. Pearson, MacFarlane and Dethridge and Sigs. Gnr. Minchin, Gnr. Remfrey Bdr Bellairs Gnr Walker O.P.A. to Lieut. Dethridge Bdr. Deakin. were particularly noticeable. Major Gaunt seized every opportunity to go forward and study the problems of Coy Comds in relation to Arty, Lieut. Pearson moved forward with the leading platoon on the attack on Shaggy Ridge and was always in a position to see what was happening and with untiring efforts of Arty Sigs. Gnr. Minchin, Gnr Remfrey, Gnr. Borthwick, Gnr. Barlow, Gnr. Peterson he was able to establish a fwd. O.P. in the smallest lapse of time. Lieut. Dethridge went forward and continued the good work on the second day. Lieut. MacFarlane carried on operations at rear O.P. whilst other F.O.O. was moving Fwd. These Officers were always cool and cheerful and afforded Coy Comds. absolute cooperation.

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APPENDIX 'A'

CANNING'S SADDLE - PROTHERO

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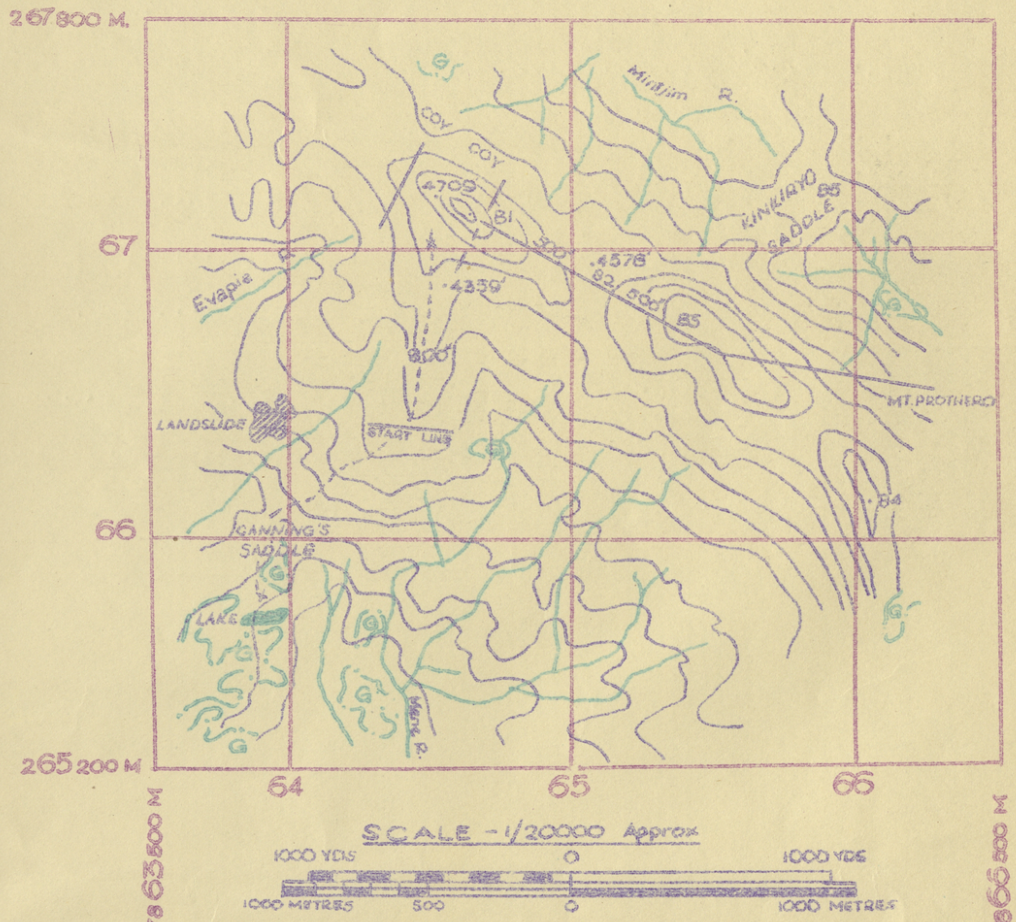

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LEGEND

PATROL TRACKS

GRASS CLEARINGS

Subject: 2/4 AUST FD REGT OPERATION ORDER No 3 — MOST SECRET

Ref Map :- KUKBAKUN 1/25000 — COPY No. 7

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
18 Jan 44
44/56/3D

1. This order to be read in conjunction with 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Operation Order No 2.

2. INFORMATION

(a) Enemy — Are active in area 705646

(b) Own Tps — Hold SHAGGY RIDGE and SOUTH bank of main stream.

3. INTENTION

(a) Phase 1 — 2/4 Aust Fd Regt will support 2/10 Aust Inf Bn in the attack on the enemy position on D day.

(b) Phase 2 — 2/4 Aust Fd Regt will support 2/12 Aust Inf Bn in attack on PROTHERO on D + 1 day.

4. METHOD

(a) Phase 2 — Already covered by 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Operation Order No 2.

(b) Phase 1 (i) Outline Plan - The intention will be carried out by producing a series of concentrations as shown in appendix "A", which may be varied by observation.

(ii) Troops Participating

7 Fd Bty - LAKES Posn - 8 Long Guns
8 Fd Bty - SADDLE Posn - 2 Long Guns)
- 2 Short Guns)

This applies also to para 2 (a) of Operation Order No 2 which is cancelled.

(iii) Control - Control will be by Lieut R G MACFARLAN, who will remain with Bn Comd on GRASSY PATCH throughout the attack and co-ordinate fire tasks as required.

(iv) FOO Parties - Will move with Coys as under :-

No 1 Party - Lieut J E COOPER with C Coy
No 2 Party - Lieut R J MILLS and Bdr MOONEY with D Coy.
No 3 Party - Lieut R G MACFARLAN at Bn HQ

(v) Intercomm

BG - To each FOO - (1) Line. (2) R/T 108 Mk
- To Guns - (1) Line. (2) R/T No 11. (3) V/T from GRASSY to SPIRE.

FOOs - Line direct to guns.
R/T No 108 Mk 3 to No 11 sets.

(vi) Arty Fire Plan

(a) The fire plan will consist of a series of concentrations which may be varied by observation and fired as requested by Bn Comd. Areas are shown on appendix "A" and will be registered complete by 1800 hrs 17 Jan 44.

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(b) Each concentration when ordered will be for 5 mins, rate 4 and may be repeated at call.

(c) General - Continuous covering fire to Coys as requested controlled by FOO's.

5. Arty/R - No 4 Sqn RAAF will have Arty/R available throughout, and C Troop will be available to answer air calls at all times.

6. Air Coop - Guns will indicate bomb line 11B and 11A with smoke when requested.

7. Admin - Notified seperately.

8. Sigs - Notified verbally.

9. ACK.

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(B J R LEWIS)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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APPENDIX "A"

TARGET No	DESCRIPTION(TOPO)	TARGET
B 11.	TOP PARIA RIDGE	Def Post - 2 Bunkers Etc.
B 11a.	SHOULDER PARIA RIDGE	Def Post - 3 Bunkers Etc.
B 11b.	PARIA SPUR	Def Post.
B 11d.	CANNS SADDLE	Possible Locality.
B 11c.	AREA BETWEEN - B 11 - B 11a.	Defended Post.
B 5.	LANDSLIDE	Suspected Mountain Gun.

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2/4 Fd Regt

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12 Jan 44

15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 1

Ref Maps: 1 in to 1 ml MT KUBARI
DUMPU
URIGINA
MT OTTO

2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt.
Received 1700 hrs 13/1/44
File 44/156/16

INFORMATION

1. Topography

(a) The following features are named for ease of reference:

(i) MENE HILL - area 6258
(ii) THE GAP - area from MENE RIVER at 621592 North-West to vicinity 612605.
(iii) IOGE FEATURE - area 6060 - 5959.
(iv) THOMPSONS RIDGE - area from 592618 running West along ridge to 570623.
(v) LANDSLIDE HILL - area 5563.

See Appendix A attached.

2. Enemy

(a) Owing to the threat of our progressive landings along NORTH COAST of the HUON PENINSULA, it is considered likely that the enemy may attempt to withdraw his main forces from the 7 Aust Div front, leaving only covering troops.

(b) Enemy estimated strengths are:

(i) KANKIRYO - SHAGGY RIDGE area approximately 3000 including one bn of infantry.
(ii) ORGURUNA - MATALOI area: approximately 1000.

3. Own Troops

(a) The main role of 7 Aust Div remains:-

(i) To prevent enemy penetration in the RAMU-MARKHAM VALLEY area from MADANG.
(ii) The protection of the GUSAP airfield.
(iii) The protection of RADAR installations at BENA, GAROKA, DUMPU, GURUF and BUNDI.

In addition to these tasks the division will create the impression of offensive operations against BOGADJIM ROAD by vigourous local minor offensive action. No major force will be committed.

(b) 18 Aust Inf Bde in area TOMS POST - JOHNS KNOLL - SHAGGY RIDGE - HERALD HILL are holding the right bde area of the divisional front.

(c) 15 Aust Inf Bde with under comd 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn is the left bde.
8 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt is in support of 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(d) Inter Brigade Boundary

BEBEI 660553 - HERALD HILL area 6360 all inclusive - KANKIRYO 6965 all inclusive to 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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(c) Air

(i) Air support is available on application to this HQ.
(ii) Tac R is available on application.

INTENTION

4. 15 Aust Inf Bde will:

(a) Hold the IOGE - MENE RIVER area delaying from the EVAPIA RIVER any enemy advance up the RAMU VALLEY.

(b) By active patrolling to the SOLU RIVER ensure that no large scale enemy movement takes place in the area between the SOLU and EVAPIA RIVERS.

(c) Deny to the enemy with active patrolling FEATURE 5800, (URIGINA) 562677) and FEATURE 5500, (DUMPU 635632.)

METHOD

5. This will be carried out by:

(a) holding line of localities from MENE HILL - IOGE FEATURE - RAMU RIVER.

(b) preparing four bn localities in the areas:

(i) MENE HILL
(ii) THE GAP
(iii) IOGE FEATURE from square 6160 South West to area 600600.
(iv) IOGE RIVER area from 600600 South West to incl main road to RAMU RIVER.

(c) holding bn out-post locality with one bn in area: THOMPSONS RIDGE - LANDSLIDE HILL - EVAPIA RIVER vicinity 548628 - DID vicinity 554612.

(d) active patrolling forward from:

(i) feature 5500 (632630)
(ii) feature 5800 (560675)
(iii) EVAPIA RIVER at 548628 forward to SOLU RIVER.

6. Outpost Locality

(a) Unit: 24 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Area: as per para 5 (c) above.

(c) Tasks:

(i) to hold area allotted till ordered by this HQ to withdraw into bde reserve.
(ii) to deny enemy with active patrolling:
feature 5800
area between SOLU and EVAPIA RIVERS
(iii) to prepare bn position in area allotted.

Ioge feature position

(a) Unit: 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Area: IOGE Feature

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(c) Tasks:

(i) to recce and p repare a bn position on IOGE FEATURE from 6160 to area 6060.
(ii) to recce and prepare a second bn position from area 6060 to RAMU RIVER.
(iii) to be prepared to occupy either (i) or (ii) above on orders from this HQ.

8. Reserve Bn

(a) Unit: 57/60 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Area: MENE HILL

(c) Tasks:

(i) to recce and prepare a bn position on THE GAP.
(ii) to recce and prepare a bn position on MENE HILL.
(iii) on orders from this HQ to occupy one of the following bn positions:
MENE HILL
THE GAP
IOGE FEATURE
IOGE RIVER area

9. 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn

(a) Area: MENE HILL

(b) Tasks:

(i) to deny enemy feature 5500 by active patrolling.
(ii) Bde reserve.
(iii) assist 57/60 Aust Inf Bn in construction of MENE HILL defences. CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn to arrange tasks.

10. Artillery

(a) 8 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt is in support of 15 Aust Inf Bde. In emergency all guns 2/4 Aust Fd Regt may give support on bde front.

(b) Trace of tasks already registered is attached as Appendix B.

Arty officer is available to units to point out on the ground or fire any of those tasks.

11. Tk A

Bn Tk A Pl will be sited:

(a) for defence against AFVs in the RAMU VALLEY.

(b) for use of HE against enemy ground troops.

12. Engineers

(a) Application for engineer assistance or advice will be made to this HQ.

13. Policy for Defence

(a) The final holding position is on the IOGE - MENE Line and

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the Bde will be prepared to defeat the enemy on this line. The outpost bn on the EVAPIA RIVER line may be able to force a decision on the enemy and in any case will not withdraw unless ordered by HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde. However offensive patrolling will be carried out to deny the enemy the opportunity of attacking our defensive positions in strength.

(b) Bn defensive localities down to see posts will be developed to the stage of well constructed positions.

(c) Prepare co-ordinated fire plan on bn fronts and linking inter-bn boundaries - the responsibility being from right to left. Fire plans to include arcs of fire and fixed lines for LMGs and MMGs; DF and SOS tasks for 3-Inch Mortars and Arty.

(d) Wire and other obstacles erected to close gaps and protect defended localities.

(e) Remove spoil from diggings and camouflage positions.

(f) The communications system will be constructed in depth from the EVAPIA RIVER to MENE HILL. All localities CPs and HQs will be linked and adequate alternatives arranged. Bde Sig Officer is responsible for co-ordination.

(g) Units will submit enlargements showing information as set out in sub-paras(b), (c), (d), (f) above by 19 Jan 44.

(h) On warning by this HQ to occupy defensive areas, units will build up to 7 days all reserves of ammunition, rations, water anti-malarial and scrub typhus repellants.

14. Works Priority

(a) Weapon pits - spoil removed, pits camouflaged.

(b) Clear fields of fire.

(c) Range marks erected.

(d) Establish and construct CPs and HQs.

(e) Erect wire and other obstacles.

(f) Ammunition and ration bays.

(g) Track construction and improvement.

(h) Sleeping bays.

(i) Communication trenches.

(j) Alternative positions constructed.

15. Track Improvement

(a) Lateral and fore and aft tracks will be constructed and improved to link up defended localities.

(b) Jeep tracks will be constructed where possible to all coy positions.

(c) Signposts All tracks will be signposted giving direction and time to next position.

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16. Sketches

(a) Sketches and traces will be prepared of all positions.

(b) Bns will maintain a file containing a copy of all matters appertaining to the defences.

(c) Copies of traces and sketches for coy and bn positions will be submitted to this HQ.

(d) (i) Each unit to prepare an enlargement of bn locality scale ~~1:5000~~ 1 : 5280
(ii) one copy will be kept in the unit and one copy forwarded to this HQ.

17. Routine

(a) All units and sub-units whether in defensive localities or in bivouac will carry out inspection parades daily.

(b) A high standard of unit and personal discipline will be set at all times.

(c) Bn and Coy comds are frequently to carry out inspections of their commands. Pl comds will invariably conduct daily inspections.

(d) To familiarise troops with conduct of defensive operations sub-unit will discuss with troops defence as set out in ISL Chap X. / comds

18. PW

All units will make every effort to capture PW.

19. Security

(a) All commanders will ensure that personnel in forward areas or patrols have no documents in their possession which may be of value to the enemy or identify their units.

(b) The enemy are known to be using native agents in this area. Any native on whom the slightest suspicion falls should be held for questioning by ANGAU. Natives wearing red lap laps should be immediately arrested.

(c) No colour patches will be worn in the divisional area.

ADMINISTRATION

20. To be issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

21. Bde HQ is at 608565.

22. L/T

(a) L/T Communication to Bn HQ from Bde HQ.

(b) L/T from Bn to coys.

(c) All lines to be built well clear of tracks and cable will NOT be left lying on the ground.

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(d) Alternative L/T to each coy locality.

(e) Lateral lines to be laid to provide alternative line communication.

(f) All lines to be used in fixed defences will be labelled where necessary at track crossings and terminals with one inch square tin labels.

23. V/S

(a) V/S stations sited for all localities.

(b) Advantage will be taken of the high ground to use V/S as alternative means of communication.

24. W/T

(a) II set link from Bde HQ to each Bn HQ.

(b) 208 or 108 links from Bn to coys.

(c) Application will be made to Bde Sig Officer for SCR 536 sets for isolated pls.

25. Patrols

(a) L/T will be laid behind all patrols.

(b) Application will be made to Bde Sig Officer for assault wire, SCR 536 and 108 sets for patrols.

(c) Additional runners will be taken on patrols when other methods are likely to fail.

26. Runners

Routes for runners will be reconnoitred to provide alternative means of communication in defensive localities.

27. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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B. H. Travers.
Major
BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

Time of signature: 2310 hrs.

Method of issue: Sigs

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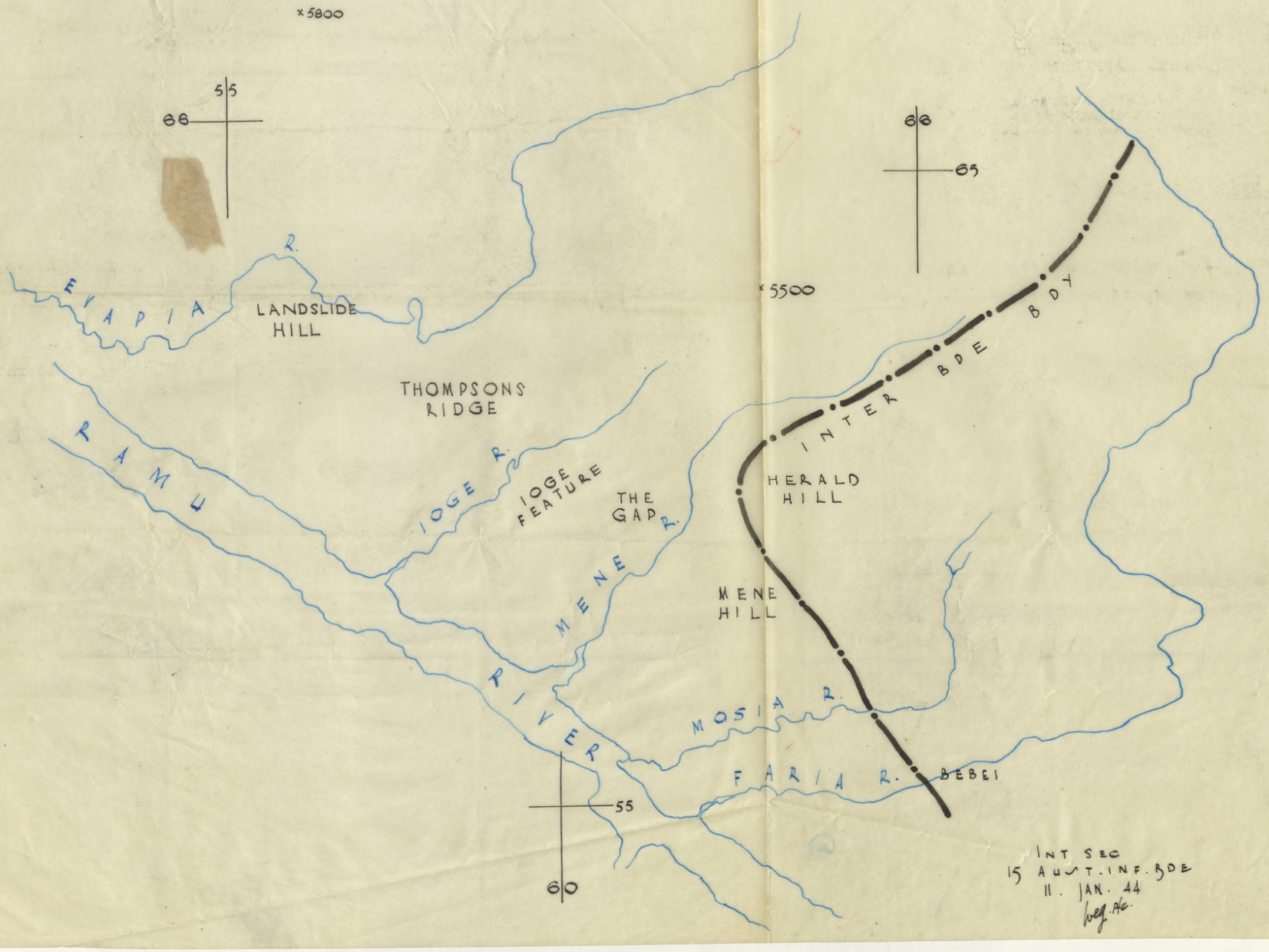
TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES

To be superimposed over:- 1 inch to 1 mile MT KUBARI
DUMPU
URIGINA
MT OTTO



INT SEC
15 AUST. INF. BDE
11. JAN. 44

Subject : RE-ALLOCATION OF BTYS TO BDES

SECRET

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
11 Jan 44
44/BC/4

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div
7 Fd Bty
8 Fd Bty
18 Aust Inf Bde)
15 Aust Inf Bde) For information
Pilo

1.

(a) 7 Fd Bty will support 18 Aust Inf Bde.
8 Fd Bty will support 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) In order to implement this policy Btys will interchange positions, move to be completed by 1500 hrs 14 Jan 44.

2. METHOD

(a) There will be no move of guns, ammo or sig wire.

(b) Movement of small stores and other equipment will be by mutual arrangement.

(c) 7 Bty OPOs and OP Sigs will move forthwith to 8 Bty, 7 Bty OPs remaining manned by OPAs. When 7 Bty OPOs are "in the picture" 8 Bty O Parties complete will move to 7 Bty OPs, and receive "15 Bde front picture" from OPAs 7 Bty who will then join their own respective O Parties.

(d) BTY CP's

ACPO of each Bty will report to CPO of the other Bty by 1400 hrs 12 Jan 44 and will prepare to take over the CP. OPOAs will be similarly exchanged.

(e) GUNS

Gun coverers will be exchanged by 1400 hrs 12 Jan 44 and will hand over the guns on arrival of their Nos 1.

(f) AMM

Bty Captains will together make a personal physical check of the ammo at each Bty posn, and satisfy themselves that the number of rounds on each position agrees with the current ammo return.

(g) All other exchanges will be by mutual arrangement.

(h) RHQ will be notified of completion of move by the submission by signal of a complete new location statement.

3. TROOP POSITIONS

B Tp	-	KUMBARUM	-	2 Long Guns
A Tp	-	LAKES	-	4 Long Guns
C Tp	-	IDGI	-	2 Long Guns 2 Short Guns)

Capt
(B J H LEWIS)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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7 Bty ci Tp 4 Gun Fuls

7 Bty B Tp 3 or 4 Guns
E Lakes.

C Tp 2 Long Guns
N. LAKES

D Tp Gun Saddle

8 Bty 2 Gun Short:

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2/4 Aust Fd Regt
7 Jan 44

ROLE

(a) 7 Fd Bty will support 18 Aust Inf Bde, 8 Fd Bty will support 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) Continue registration of "M" targets.

(c) support with maximum fire power any operation which may be undertaken by 18 Aust Inf Bde in MINTJIM - FARIA Divide.

(d) vigorous harassing fire on all located enemy posns.

(e) continue field works in defensive posns.

(f) OPs established per Ops Instn D/9 of 17 Dec 43 will be maintained.

METHOD

Troop Posns will be organised as under by 1600 hours 8 Jan 44:-

(a) (i)	"D" Tp	-	2 Guns	-	KUMBARUM
(ii)	"C" Tp	-	4 Guns	-	LAKES
(iii)	"A" Tp	-	2 Guns	-	BEBBI
(iv)	"B" Tp	-	2 Guns (Short)	-	IOGIA

(b) To carry out "C" above "A" & "B" Tps will be moved forward to prepared posns in area SADDLE - GUYS POST when ordered, also an extra two guns may be available.

(c) HF programmes will include all known enemy areas observed by FOOs and by Air Co-op. Special attention being paid to suspected mountain gun posns.

(d) Amm restriction is lifted, BCs will control expenditure in the spirit of good value for rounds fired. Any FOO who locates mountain gun posn will treat as accuracy target with unlimited amm and will engage until destroyed.

(e) "D" Tp responsible for all Arty/R shoots - Code for Tp CHRIS.

(f) FOOs will accompany fighting patrols as required by Bde Comd.

SURVEY

(a) Continuation of deducing co-ordinates of all "M" targets on Regtl Grid.

(b) Fixation of troop posns SADDLE - GUYS POST.

LIAISON

Arty LOs at Bde HQ and at HQ of each Inf Bn.

TRAINING

The four reinforcement officers, who are on one month's probation, will each be placed under an experienced officer at OPs, Tp Comd Posts and Bty Comd Post, and given every opportunity to improve their standard by personal tuition over a period of three weeks.

Lt-Col
(A J BLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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s to armament manufacture, of which Germany is short.

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HQ 7 Aust Div
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Subject: TRAINING POLICY

23 Jan 44

TO ALL COMMANDING OFFICERS

1 There is no indication of the next operational task of the division and I, therefore, do not propose to issue at present any training instructions.

Our operations in the present campaign have convinced me that our training on the Tablelands prior to coming here was on the soundest lines and produced results which, to me, have been a great source of pleasure and which, I am sure, have been the same to you.

2 Whatever form our next operation may take, I feel convinced that it will be in an undeveloped country and, that being so, I wish training to be directed towards that end. I believe that well trained infantry, who use their feet and their brains can make rapid progress against the JAP with a minimum of heavy supporting weapons. I therefore wish this to be considered and practised during training, but, at the same time, we must not find ourselves in the position where we are incapable of making the best use of supporting weapons when they are available. For that reason, study of this problem and occasional exercises to practice it will be carried out.

3 I believe that, when they can be used, Matilda Tanks can be decisive and, pending the opportunity for actual practice with Army Tank Units, I wish commanders to consider the problems and technique involved. Any discussions that can be had with members of 9 Aust Div should be a help in this respect.

4 Doubtless, there are many lessons which we have all learned as a result of recent operations, and these will be incorporated in your training. A lesson that the JAP has certainly taught us is the effectiveness of small arms fire against low-flying aircraft. During the last two or three weeks we have, unfortunately, lost two Boomerangs, with their pilots, and a third pilot was badly wounded. In addition, almost every day one of our Army Co-operation aircraft has been rendered unserviceable by reason of bullet holes. I wish this fact to be brought to the notice of troops and adequate practice in the engagement of low-flying aircraft carried out.

5 In this connection, we have suffered very little from JAP aircraft and artillery during the present campaign. Whilst I do not believe that, when fighting the JAP anywhere in the SWPA, we shall be subjected to severe and sustained air attacks and artillery bombardments, it should be stressed on all ranks that we might, very reasonably, expect more than we have had this time.

C. Vasey
Maj-Gen
GOC 7 Aust Div

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BMRA 7 Aust Div
24 Jan 44

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Subject: REINFORCEMENT TRAINING SYALLABUS - 23/29 JAN 44

44/75/4.

RHQ 2/4 Aust Fd Regt
23 Jan 44

Date	0900 - 0930	0940 - 1030	1040 - 1200	1330 - 1420	1430 - 1600	1600 - 1630
23 Jan 44			CLEAN AREA & ERECT TENTS			
24 Jan 44	Address by Adj Inspection of area & arms.	Talk on the Regt - History of etc - RSM.	First Aid Medical Lecture - Sgt HARVEY.	Tactical Situation - I.O.	Lecture on discipline Powers of a CO - RSM	Bath Parade
25 Jan 44	Inspection of all arms. Kit Inspection.	Rifle Drill RSM.	Guard Mounting, Picquets etc RSM.		ROUTE MAR CH MARCHING ORDER	Foot Inspection Bath parade.
26 Jan 44	Inspection of arms & area.	Map Reading Bdr BOLGER.	S.A.T. RSM.	Rifle Drill R S M.	Hill Climb Sgt RODDA.	Foot Inspection Bath parade.
27 Jan 44	Inspection of all arms & eqpt.	Bren Character -istics. Des- cription, parts etc - Gnr UNDERDOWN,	Safety precautions S.A.	Bren Stoppages - Safety Precautions. Gnr UNDERDOWN.	Range Practice	Bath parade.
28 Jan 44	Inspection of all arms & area.		ALL DAY ROUTE MARCH - HARD RATIONS Sgt RODDA - Bdr CARNEGIE			Foot Inspection Bath parade
29 Jan 44	Inspection of all arms & area.	Maintenance	Adjt's Inspection	MAKE & MEND		Bath parade.

WO 1
(H T HARWOOD)
RSM 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

For Week Ending 2359 hrs Fri 28 / 1 /43. 44

UNIT 7 Bty. 8 Bty. R.H.Q and Att. LOCATION Dumpu. Map Ref.

STRENGTH: Offrs. OR'S Total

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REINFORCEMENTS * (a) From "X-List" Physical standard

RECEIVED (b) Others Physical standard

	Total Attendances at RAP		Total Personnel Treated		Total New Sick		Total Evacuated		Total Light Duties		Total NO Duties	
	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's
DYSENTERY	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
DIARRHOEA	1	8	1	8	1	8	–	–	–	–	1	7
URTI	–	3	–	3	–	3	–	–	–	1	–	–
PUO	3	23	–	–	3	23	3	23	–	–	–	–
TINEA	–	10	–	10	–	7	–	–	–	–	–	–
OTHER SKIN DISEASES	2	75	2	75	2	58	–	–	–	–	–	–
BATTLE CASUALTIES												
ACCIDENTS												
†												
OTHER DISEASES	–	31	–	31	–	24	–	4	–	–	–	1
TOTAL	6	150	3	127	6	123	3	27	–	1	1	8

‡ AVERAGE DAILY SICK RATE Per Cent. : Offrs. OR's. All Ranks

§ RMO's REMARKS ON HEALTH OF UNIT—

General Physical Condition of Personnel Good.

Severity of Work or Training Hard.

General

NOTES : * If reinforcements from a malarious or otherwise infected area, RMO to state in Appendix "A."

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RMO's REPORT*

622 — N.G. Press Unit — 9/43/10M

1. STORES (Details of stores requisitioned but not obtained to be attached as Appendix "B".)

(a) MEDICAL :

Expendable ..... Satisfactory

Non Expendable ..... "

(b) EXPENSE STORES :

Ordnance ..... Satisfactory

A.A.S.C. ..... "

(c) MALARIA CONTROL STORES :

Ordnance ..... Satisfactory

A.A.S.C. ..... "

2. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personal Protection (Good, Fair, or Bad).

Nets ..... Good. Atebrin ..... Good Clothes ..... Good. Repellent ..... Good.

(b) Larval Control ..... Pools etc under observation.

(c) Adult Destruction ..... Spraying of tents with hand and bomb sprays.

(d) General Comments .....

3. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO ..... Nil.

4. RATIONS ..... Good.

5. TRANSPORT ..... Difficult.

Improvements have been carried out at the Lakes position remainder satisfactory

J. N. Bransgrove. H/361.

(Signed) ..... for R.M.O.

Unit ..... 4th Fld. Regt.

...g scope of this form to be attached as Appendix "A."

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UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt.
Received 1020 hrs 24/1/43
File 44/51/44.

For Week Ending 2359 hrs Fri 21 / 1 /43.

UNIT 2-8 Bty: R.H.Q. & B.A. LOCATION DUMPU. Map Ref.

STRENGTH: Offrs. OR'S. Total.

REINFORCEMENTS * (a) From "X-List" Physical standard.

RECEIVED (b) Others Physical standard.

	Total Attendances at RAP		Total Personnel Treated		Total New Sick		Total Evacuated		Total Light Duties		Total NO Duties	
	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's	Offrs.	OR's
DYSENTERY	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
DIARRHOEA	2	8	2	8	2	8	—	—	—	—	1	4
URTI	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
PUO	3	34	—	—	3	34	3	34	—	—	—	—
TINEA	1	9	1	9	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER SKIN DISEASES	1	43	1	43	1	23	—	—	—	—	—	2
BATTLE CASUALTIES												
ACCIDENTS												
†												
OTHER DISEASES	—	12	—	12	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	1
TOTAL	8	107	5	73	8	81	3	34	—	—	2	8

‡ AVERAGE DAILY SICK RATE Per Cent. : Offrs. OR's. All Ranks.

§ RMO's REMARKS ON HEALTH OF UNIT—

General Physical Condition of Personnel. Good.

Severity of Work or Training. Heavy. Intermittently Severe

General

NOTES : * If reinforcements from a malarious or otherwise infected area, RMO to state in Appendix "A."

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RMO's REPORT*

622 — N.G. Press Unit — 9/43/10M

1. STORES (Details of stores requisitioned but not obtained to be attached as Appendix "B".)

(a) MEDICAL :

Expendable ..... Satisfactory

Non Expendable ..... "

(b) EXPENSE STORES :

Ordnance ..... Satisfactory

A.A.S.C. ..... "

(c) MALARIA CONTROL STORES :

Ordnance ..... Satisfactory

A.A.S.C. ..... "

2. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personal Protection (Good, Fair, or Bad).

Nets Good Atebrin Good Clothes Good Repellent Good.

(b) Larval Control ..... Pools under supervision and have been sprayed.

(c) Adult Destruction ..... With hand and bomb sprays in tents etc.

(d) General Comments ..... Conditions generally satisfactory, batteries visited, and instructions given.

3. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO ..... Nil.

4. RATIONS ..... Good.

5. TRANSPORT ..... Difficult to obtain.

6. HYGIENE ..... Satisfactory.

(Signed) G. N. Kransgrove A/SGT for R.M.O.

Unit Date: 24/1/44.

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UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

7 Bty. 8 Bty. Att. Sigs.

For Week Ending 2359 hrs Fri 14/ 1 /43

UNIT 2/4 Aust. Fld. Regt. LOCATION DUMBO 2/4 Aust. Map Ref.

Received 1100 hrs 17/1/43

File 44/51/4

STRENGTH: Offrs. OR'S. Total.

REINFORCEMENTS * (a) From "X-List" Physical standard A1

RECEIVED (b) Others Physical standard

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DYSENTERY	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
DIARRHOEA	1	4	1	4	1	4	–	–	–	–	1	2
URTI	–	2	–	2	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	2
PUO	–	16	–	–	–	16	–	16	–	–	–	–
TINEA	1	18	1	18	1	9	–	–	–	–	–	–
OTHER SKIN DISEASES	–	87	–	87	–	66	–	1	–	–	–	1
BATTLE CASUALTIES												
ACCIDENTS												
†												
OTHER DISEASES	1	65	1	65	1	59	1	1	–	–	–	3
TOTAL	3	192	3	176	3	156	1	18	–	–	1	8

‡ AVERAGE DAILY SICK RATE Per Cent. : Offrs. OR's. All Ranks.

§ RMO's REMARKS ON HEALTH OF UNIT—

General Physical Condition of Personnel Good.

Severity of Work or Training Intermittently severe.

General Standard of health generally improving

NOTES : * If reinforcements from a malarious or otherwise infected area, RMO to state in Appendix "A."

† To be used only on instructions from DDMS or ADMS.

‡ To be computed in Offices of DDMS or ADMS.

§ Any special report exceeding scope of this form to be attached as Appendix "A."

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RMO's REPORT*

622 — N.G. Press Unit — 9/43/10M

1. STORES (Details of stores requisitioned but not obtained to be attached as Appendix "B".)

(a) MEDICAL :

Expendable ..... Being obtained satisfactorily

Non Expendable .....

(b) EXPENSE STORES :

Ordnance ..... Adequate

A.A.S.C. ..... Adequate.

(c) MALARIA CONTROL STORES :

Ordnance ..... Satisfactory

A.A.S.C. ..... Satisfactory

2. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personal Protection (Good, Fair, or Bad).

Nets Good Atebrin Good Clothes Good Repellent Fair

(b) Larval Control ..... Nil

(c) Adult Destruction ..... Spraying of huts, tents etc

(d) General Comments ..... Very little breeding found. Few adult mosquitos observed in this area.

3. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO ..... Nil.

4. RATIONS ..... Good.

5. TRANSPORT ..... Reasonable

6. HYGIENE ..... Near camp area occupied this week and hygiene layout is complete.

(Signed) ..... J. Fairley, Capt

Unit ..... 2/4 Aust. Fd. Reg

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Subject: WEEKLY SURVEY REPORT

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
7 Jan 44
43/70/64P

HQ RAA NGF
HQ RAA 7 Aust Div

Ref HQ RAA NGF 9335 of 21 Nov 43. The following is a report on the survey carried out in the DUMPU Area for the week ending 8 Jan 44.

1. 2/4 AUST FD REGT SVY SECTION

Fixation of Pimple on Shaggy Ridge. Theodolite resection with heights by Director. Point is indicated on attached photo.

Co-Ords :- E 7866045.2 N 262729.0 Ht 4763' Astrofix Grid.

2. 1 SECTION 2/6 AUST FD SVY BTY

Arty maps covering RIVI River, TUNGKUAT River, BURA River and GUSAP Airfield Areas. Copy of each map and co-ordinate list attached.

3. 2 SECTION 3 AUST FD SVY BTY

Nil return.

Lt-Col
(A J BLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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CO-ORDINATE LIST

Points fixed by triangulation from astrofix [illegible] by 2/6 Aust Fd Svy Bty, 28 Dec 43.

STATION	E.	N.	HT.
6/345	7845772.2	270260.1	200'
6/346	7846432.1	268732.6	473'
6/347	7861954	231925	2085'
6/348	7856977	240540	1575'
6/349	7856878.6	234300.0	1174'
6/350	7853977.0	231863	1062'
Wind Sock No 5 Strip	7850329	231926	1270'
Flag on Tower	7853497	229955	-
Topo 1	7856171.8	230564.9	1120'
Camp Beacon	7854065.2	231859.7	1062'

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Subject: WEEKLY SURVEY REPORT

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
16 Jan 44
~~43/70/648~~ J
44/70/1A

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div

1. The following survey work has been carried out in the DUMPU Area during week ending 15 Jan 44 by 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Survey Section.

2. Oblique photograph attached shows the surveyed points mentioned below.

3.

		E	N	HT
(a)	Director re-section at PINES North corner of pine copse. (Marked "A")	7865778	259705	3393'
(b)	Director re-section at top of grassy knoll. (Marked "B")	7866126	259439	-

4. Fixation of Targets by Director Trisection

(a)	Point on dog leg spur leading to high feature approx 1000 m NW of PROTHERO (Marked "C")	7863242	265872	4353'
(b)	Point on NW of high feature mentioned in 4(a). (Marked "D")	7863204	266156	4709'
(c)	Point on saddle between PROTHERO and high feature. (Marked "E")	7863734	265932	4570'
(d)	Point just north of PROTHERO (Marked "F")	7864119	266082	4760'

Lt-Col
(A J BLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2019.366.336

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2/4 Aust Fd Regt
16 Jan 44
43/70/640

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(A J BLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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Subject: Survey Report

R.S.O.
2/4 Aust Fd Regt
15 Jan 44

The Adjutant
2/4 Aust Fd Regt

Sir,

The following survey work has been carried out in the DUMPU area during the week ending 15 Jan 44 by the Survey Section, 2/4 Aust Fd Regt.

1 Director resection at PINES, northern corner of pine copse (Marked A on attached Photograph)

E 7865778 N259705 Ht 3393'

2 Director resection at top of Grassy Knoll (B)

E 7866126 N 259 439

3 Fixation of targets

a Point on deg-leg ~~apex~~ leading to high feature approx. 1000 m N.W. of PROTHERO. E 7863242 N265872 Ht 4353' (C)

b Point on N.W. end of high feature mentioned in 3a

E 7863204 N266156 Ht 4709' (D)

c Point on saddle between PROTHERO and high feature

E 7863734 N265932 Ht 4570' (E)

d Point slightly north of PROTHERO

E 7864119 N 266082 Ht 4760' (F)

These points were fixed by director thiesection

4 Fixation of troop positions.

A.N. Woodie Lieut
R.S.O. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt.

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Subject: SURVEY REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 29 JAN 44

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
28 Jan 44
44/70/1B

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div

The following work has been carried by the Regtl Survey Section during the past week.

1. Fixation of Japanese mountain gun position on MT PROTHERO 1. The position is at the top of the re-entrant just right of position D in the photograph attached to Survey report of 15 Jan 44.

Co-ordinates are:- E 7863308 N 266092 Ht 4556'

These were obtained through a director resection.

2. Intersection of trees on northern ridge of Minjim Valley. These points would not be identified on an aerial photograph, but give the general line of the ridge.

Co-ordinates are:-1. E 7864362 N 267750 Ht 4425'
2. E 7864720 N 267143 Ht 4545'
3. E 7863665 N 268320 Ht 4360'

3. Fixation of troop positions at:-

(a) Lake Saddle - E 7867504 N 259140 Ht 2081'

(b) Evapia River - E 7853409 N 260727 Ht 548'

(c) Yogia DID - E 7854053 N 259507 Ht 528'

Lt-Col
(A J [illegible])
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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2/4 Aust Fd Regt
28 Jan 44
44/70/1B

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[signature] Capt
for Lt-Col
(A J BLYTH) AOD
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

Subject: SURVEY

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
Jan 44
44/70/3

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div

1. The following is a suggested series of work for survey:-

(1) Erect a beacon at ORRs Beacon 660627, now indicated by a pole 6 feet high.

(2) More accurate fixation of ORRs Beacon.

(3) Re-erection of Beacon at TOPPER 614626.

(4) From fixation of HELWIG and MT OTTO by 3 Aust Fd Svy Bty, produce correct heights for all points in Divisional Area.

(5) Clearing of PROTHERO 1 and erection of Beacon.

(6) Fixation of PROTHERO 1.

(7) Erection of Beacon on 5800 feature.

(8) Fixation of Beacon on 5800 feature.

Lt-Col
(A J HLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2019.366.336

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Jan 44
44/70/3

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(7) Erection of Beacon on 5300 feature.

(8) Fixation of Beacon on 5300 feature.

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Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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2/4 Aust. Fd. Regt.
Received 1800 hrs 6/1/44
File 44/49/1

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div
5025
6 Jan 44

2/4 AUST FD REGT
11 AUST LT AA BTY

The following letter has been received :-

" 1. During my recent visit to Moresby, I had an interview with General Macarthur. He expressed to me his pleasure and admiration of the work done by units of this Div in the capture of LAE and subsequent operations in the MARKHAM and RAMU valleys. He was particularly impressed by the speed and vigour which characterised all our actions. I informed him that with the excellent Comds and troops under my command I was confident that, after rest and refitting, we would carry out, just as successfully, any other task given us.

2. General Macarthur asked that his message be conveyed to the troops, and I would like you to do so.

3. My only regret in regard to the operation is that it did not give scope for the employment of the whole Div.

(Sgd) G A VASEY Maj-Gen
GOC 7 Aust Div "

J W Barr Maj
BMRA 7 Aust Div

Ok.
copies to btys
Jr

OKs
File

Hq.ANGAU,
7 Aus. Div. DUMPU.
27 Jan. 44.

"I" Officer,
2/4 Fd. Regt, RAA.

I. Sending herewith metal fragments found on S. bank Ramu (MR Mt. Otto Sheet I:63360, 5359). Fragments and crater near ~~two~~ bodies two natives.

2. Could you inform me whether these fragments are shell or bomb splinters? It is thought that the natives were caught~~i~~ during Arty ranging practice on Dec. 27 last.

D.M.Fienberg.
(D.M.Fienberg) Capt.
A.D.O.

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Subject: METAL FRAGMENTS

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
28 Jan 44
44/49/7 J

HQ ANGAU
HQ 7 Aust Div

1. Attached as appendix "A" is a report by Capt F G BROOKS of the Operational Research Section.

2. Enclosed also is a splinter from a 25 Pr HE shell for comparison.

Lt-Col
(A J HLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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FRAGMENTS RECOVERED AT SOUTH BANK RAMU RIVER.

(Map Ref MT OTTO Sheet 1:63360 5359)

The fragments consist of low grade mixed metal, probably "scrap" which gives clear indication that they are not from a service projectile.

The characteristics of the fragments are not those usually associated with service projectiles, nor is the groove for the driving band recognised.

There is little doubt that the fragments are from a shell of field calibre of approximately 3 inches.

These fragments are definitely not from a 25 Pr HE Shell.

[illegible] Capt
att Operational Research Sec.

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Subject: MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL

MOST SECRET

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
3 Jan 44
44/32/1E

8 Fd Bty
54 Fd Bty
File

1. 54 FD BTY On receipt of order to move the following action will be taken as regards personnel:-

U/M Reinfts will remain in area and be reposted to 7 Fd Bty:-

NX125373	Gnr	EMERSON C.K.	QX27555	Gnr	PRATT E.J.
NX173376	Gnr	BUCKMAN S.J.	NX172577	Gnr	BRISTOW A.J.
NX92011	Gnr	RICHARDS C.	NX172537	Gnr	HALE E.C.
QX55710	Gnr	MORRIGAN J.V.	NX142379	Gnr	HADER A.
QX56788	Gnr	ROBINS M.A.	N442709	Gnr	GREENTREE W.
VX141029	Gnr	GRUTZNER R.W.	NX99434	Gnr	WILSON J.E.P.
VX101901	Bdr	ALBERT L.S.	NX97075	Gnr	LEES J.H.
NX179115	Gnr	DAVIS A.D.	NX98181	Gnr	GAUNSON A.
SX19036	Gnr	HATCH J.S.			

2. 8 FD BTY On receipt of order to move the following action will be taken:- U/M personnel will move immediately to 54 Fd Bty for onward movement to Mopesby with them. 54 Fd Bty will compile emplaning tables and be responsible for move of 8 Fd Bty personnel.

PARATROOP PERSONNEL

VX14571	Sgt	THOMPSON A.J.
QX5705	Gnr	DEGDIE K.C.
VX16351	Gnr	KENNEDY C.C.
VX19025	L/Bdr	SWAISH V.H.
VX35620	L/Bdr	LAURIE W.D.
VX50127	Gnr	LEDGERWOOD W.J.

RELIEVING LOB GROUP

QX24078	Sgt	HAMILTON C.G.
VX21243	Bdr	RENDER G.E.
NX71606	Bdr	REES A.W.
NX123823	Gnr	MURRAY R.I.
VX18037	Bdr	ROWE J.H.
WX36755	Gnr	MOUCHEMORE L.
SX4040	Gnr	MEHRTENS R.S.
VX17825	Gnr	DUKE J.S.
VX33207	Pte	HARRISON P.P.(AACC)

Capt
(B J H LEWIS)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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Subject: MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
Jan 44
44/52/1E

54 Fd Bty

1. Ref this HQ 44/52/1E of 3 Jan 44, delete all personnel shown in para 1 and insert:-

NX125373	Gnr	EMERSON C K
QX55788	Gnr	ROBINS M A
NX172537	Gnr	HALE E C
N442709	Gnr	GREENTREE W
VX141029	Gnr	GRUETZNER R.W.
SX19635	Gnr	HATCH J S
VX69512	Gnr	BESLEY R C
NX170329	Gnr	MITCHELL G N
QX28819	Gnr	HIRST E D
QX27555	Gnr	PRATT E.J.
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NX142379	Gnr	MADER A
NX99434	Gnr	MILSON J E P
NX98181	Gnr	GAUNSON A
VX20909	Pte	BURGEN F H
NX136443	Gnr	FOLEY L R
QX28900	Gnr	BARRETT P M
NX92911	Gnr	RICHARDS C

Capt
(B J H LEWIS)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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Subject: MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL — MOST SECRET

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
3 Jan 44
44/52/1E

8 Fd Bty
54 Fd Bty
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~~VX101901~~	~~Bdr~~	~~ALBERT L.S.~~	NX97075	Gnr	LEES J.H.
~~NX179116~~	~~Gnr~~	~~DAVIS A.D.~~	NX98181	Gnr	GAUNSON A.
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Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

Additional to Para. 1.

VX69512 Gnr Lesley R.C.
NX136443 " Foley L.R.
~~NX70709~~ " ~~Greenhalgh W.~~
NX170329 " Mitchell G.N.
~~VX20840 " Donaldson G.A.~~
~~QX28900~~ " Barnett P.M.
~~QX28819~~ " Wrist E.D.
NX 92911 " Richards C.

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2/4 Aust Tpt Regt - RHQ Advance Party

W.O. II	A.E.	Burrows
Bdr.	P.S.	Golding
Bdr.	C.F.	Christensen
L/Bdr.	I.A.	Shepherd
Gnr.	L.	Pollock
Gnr.	J.S.	Cooke
Mcg.	M.J.	Quinton

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NOMINAL ROLL 2/4 AUST FD REGT ADVANCE PARTY LEAVE PERSONNEL

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
5 Jan 44

QUEENSLAND - PERSONNEL

Army No	Rank	Name	Destination	Address
VX31925	Gnr	SCHILLING A.N.	BRISBANE	34 Bradshaw St WOOLOOWIN
QX5365	Gnr	GILLOWAY R.	KALBAR Q'Land	KALBAR Q'LAND
QX10319	Gnr	OLE W.H.	CAMBOOYA	Via TOOWOOMBA
QX11254	Gnr	RUSH J.K.	TOWNSVILLE	3 Leichardt St Stanton Hill TOWNSVILLE
QX12930	Gnr	KIDD W.	Pie Creek	GYMPIE Q'Land
QX13142	Gnr	FIELD H.J.	MACKAY	Box 139 MACKAY Q'Land
QX19950	Gnr	BARLOW P.L.	MEANDARRA	Via DALBY Q'Land
QX41573	Gnr	KING W.R.	CAIRNS	276 McLeod St CAIRNES
QX51775	Bdr	PRATTEN R.J.	KILCOY	KILCOY Q'Land
VX16337	Bdr	CHRISTENSEN C.F.	NAMBOUR	Arundel Ave Nambour
VX15175	WO 11	BURROWS A E		

NEW SOUTH WALES - PERSONNEL

NX 406	Maj	QUINTON M T	SYDNEY	58 Nicholson St STRATHFIELD.
NX46112	L/Bdr	ARMBRUSTER N C	MEERSCHAMVALE	Via WARDELL NSW
NX55595	S/Sgt	ROBINS B.V.	CRONULLA	Ischia St CRONULLA
NX98330	Gnr	BULL J.P.	SYDNEY	158 Milton St ASHFIELD
NX117264	Gnr	HALLAHAN M J	SYDNEY	10 Fletcher St BONDI
VX16114	Gnr	EAGLES J.E.	ALBURY	426 Macauley St ALBURY
VX16133	Sgt	CHANDLER A.J.	JUNEE	Box 2 JUNEE.

VICTORIAN - PERSONNEL

VX 896	Capt	BRISTOL G L	MELBOURNE	C.T.A. MELBOURNE
VX11868	S/Sgt	McKENNA J A	HUNTER	HUNTER Vic
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VX14896	Gnr	DUSTING G H	MELBOURNE	50 Auburn Cres HAWTHORN
VX15173	WO 11	JACOBS M.A.	MELBOURNE	81 Miller St Nth Fitzroy
VX16360	Pte	PURDY D J	MAFFRA	MAFFRA Vic.
VX16879	Gnr	PRIOR J H	MELBOURNE	21 Killarra Ave CAMBERWELL
VX17410	L/Bdr	BEST J R	TOORA	TOORA Vic
VX17895	WO 11	ANDERSON P R	MELBOURNE	22 Hawthorn Glen HAWTHORN
VX20487	Gnr	KETTLE T A	COLAC	COLAC Vic
VX21848	Sgt	RODDA W A	LANGWARRIN	LANGWARRIN Vic
VX34017	Gnr	WAGLAND J A	MELBOURNE	14 Yule St FOOTSCRAY
VX37721	L/Bdr	SHEPHERD I H G	RED CLIFFS	P.O. RED CLIFFS
VX52040	Gnr	STANNARD J W	MERINO	MERINO Vic
VX54866	L/Sgt	BURSTON F T R	BALLARAT	205 Mill St BALLARAT
VX56190	Gnr	MITCHELL A J	MELBOURNE	48 Alexander St Middle Footscray
VX568490	Bdr	GOLDING P S	MELBOURNE	12 Derby Rd Caulfield
VX61895	Gnr	COOKE J S	MELBOURNE	10 Williams St Upper Ferntree Gully
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VX123199	Bdr	TURNER C J	MELBOURNE	20 Victoria St Box Hill

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN - PERSONNEL

SX3788	Gnr	BOWMAN K W	ADELAIDE	Secombe Rd SEACLIFFE
SX4955	Gnr	BRADDOCK D J	GLADSTONE	GLADSTONE S.A.
SX30176	Gnr	BRADTBERG C H	NARACOORTE	Box 262 NARACOORTE
VX14432	Gnr	POLLOCK L	ADELAIDE	Cedar Ave Royal Park

Capt
(B J H LEWIS)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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EMPLANING TABLE (Weight Sheet)

Unit. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt (Advance Party)

Plane Ser No.....

Date. 5 Jan 44...

Plane.....

PERSONNEL (NOT TO EXCEED 20)

Ser No.	Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Weight(lbs)
1				
2	VX896	Capt	BRISTOL C.L.	
3	VX20437	Gnr	KETTLE T.A.	
4	VX98330	Gnr	BULL J.P.	
5	VX15173	WO 11	JACOBS M.A.	
6	NX56695	S/Sgt	ROBBINS R.V.	
7	VX21843	Sgt	RODDA W.A.	
8	QX5177	Bdr	PRATTEN R.J.	
9	VX123199	Bdr	TURNER C.J.	
10	QX41573	Gnr	KING W.R.	
11	QX5365	Gnr	GILLAWAY R.	
12	QX12930	Gnr	KIDD W.	
13	QX10319	Gnr	OLE W.H.	
14	QX13142	Gnr	FIELD H.J.	
15	QX11254	Gnr	RUSH J.K.	
16	NX117264	Gnr	HALLAHAN M.T.	
17	NX46112	L/Bdr	ARMBRUSTER H.C.	
18	VX16360	Cfn	PURDY D.J.	
19	VX17410	L/Bdr	BEST J.R.	
20	VX56190	Gnr	MITCHELL A.J.	
			TOTAL	4750

STORES AND EQUIPMENT (NOT CARRIED ON THE MAN)

Ser No.	Description	Weight(lbs)
1		
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	TOTAL	
	GRAND TOTAL	4750

TOTAL WEIGHT MUST NOT EXCEED 5000 LBS

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EMPLANING TABLE (Weight Sheet)

Unit 2/4 Aust Fd Regt(Advance Party)

Plane Ser No.....

Date 5 Jan 44

Plane.....

PERSONNEL (NOT TO EXCEED 20)

Ser No.	Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Weight(lbs)
	NX406	Maj	QUINTON M.T.	
1	VX16337	Bdr	CHRISTENSEN C.F.	
2	VX33721	L/Bdr	SHEPHERD L.H.G.	
3	VX14432	Gnr	POLLOCK L.	
4	VX61895	Gnr	COOKE J.S.	
5	VX17895	WO 11	ANDERSON P.R.	
6	VX11868	S/Sgt	McKENNA J.A.	
7	VX54866	L/Sgt	BURSTON F.T.R.	
8	VX16133	L/Sgt	CHANDLER A.J.	
9	VX14485	Bdr	FRANCOME L.M.	
10	VX16879	Gnr	PRIOR J.H.	
11	VX16114	Gnr	EAGLES J.E.	
12	SX4955	Gnr	BRADDOCK D.J.	
13	SX3788	Gnr	BOWMAN K.W.	
14	SX30176	Gnr	BRADTBERG C.A.	
15	VX14896	Gnr	DUSTING G.H.	
16	VX52040	Gnr	STANNARD J.W.	
17	VX34017	Gnr	WAGLAND J.A.	
18	VX31925	Pte	SCHILLING A.N.	
19				
20				
			TOTAL	4750

STORES AND EQUIPMENT (NOT CARRIED ON THE MAN)

Ser No.	Description	Weight(lbs)
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	TOTAL	4750
	GRAND TOTAL	

TOTAL WEIGHT MUST NOT EXCEED 5000 LBS

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Advance Personnel.

8 Fd Bty

NO	RANK	NAME	NEXT OF KIN	DESTINATION.
VX15173.	WO.ii	JACOBS. MA.	MRS. F. JACKSON 81 MILLER ST. NTH. FITZROY. VIC (SISTER)	MELB VIC
NX55595. 2	S/SGT.	ROBINS. BV.	MRS. E. ROBINS WOODSTOKE ISCHIA ST. CRONULLA. NSW. (MOTHER).	CRONULLA NSW
Qx51775. 9	BDR.	PRATTEN. R.J.	(WIFE) MRS. R.J. PRATTEN. KILKOY. QLD.	KILCOY Q/LAND
VX.123199.	BDR.	TURNER. C J.	(WIFE) MRS. C. J. TURNER. 20. VICTORIA ST. BOX HILL	BOX HILL VIC
Qx41573. 8	GNR.	KING. W.R.	(WIFE) MRS. W.R. KING. 276. McLEOD ST. CAIRNS. QLD.	CAIRNS NTH QLD.
QX5365. 1	GNR.	GILLOWAY. R.	(MOTHER) MRS. E. GILLOWAY "CARRINGTON" VIA KALBAR. QLD.	KALBAR QLD.
Qx12930. 5	GNR.	KIDD. W.	(FATHER) G.H. KIDD PIE CREEK. GYMPIE QLD.	GYMPIE
Qx10319. 2	GNR.	OLE. W. H.	FATHER. J.T. OLE CAMBOOYA VIA. TOOWOOMBA. QLD.	CAMBOOYA VIA. TOOWOOMBA QLD
Qx13142. 6	GNR.	FIELD. H. J.	(FATHER) MR. G. FIELD BOX 159. MACKAY QLD.	MACKAY QLD
Qx.11254. 3	GNR.	RUSH. J. K.	MOTHER. MRS. M. RUSH 3 LEICHHARDT ST. STANTON HILL TOWNSVILLE.	TOWNSVILLE
NX.117264. 3 ~~4~~	GNR.	HALLAHAN. M. J.	(FATHER) MR. D.J. HALLAHAN. 10 FLETCHER ST. BONDI. NSW.	BONDI SYDNEY NSW
NX.46112. 2	L/Bar.	ARMBRUSTER. N.C.	FATHRR. MR. W. L ARMBRUSTER. MEERSCHAN VALE VIA. WARDELL. N.S.W.	MEERSCHAM VALE NSW
VX 16360.	GNR	PURDY. D.J.		
VX. 17410.	L/BDR	BEST. J.R.	MAFFRA VIC TOORA VIC	MAFFRA VIC TOORA VIC
VX.56190.	GNR.	MITCHELL. A.J.	MOTHER. MRS. A. MITCHELL 48. ALEXANDER ST. MIDDLE FOOTSCRAY. VIC.	FOOTSCRAY VIC
VX21848	S/t	Rodda W.A.	Wife Mrs WA Rodda Glenarra LANGWARRIN VIC.	LANGWARRIN VIC
QX 19[illegible] 16	Gn	BARLOW. P.L.	Father. Mr. A.E. Barlow [illegible] TOOWOOMBA.	MEANDARRA VIA. DALBY QLD

J. Pearson Lieut

2/4 AUST FD REGT 7 AUST DIV LEAVE PARTY - NOMINAL ROLL

2/4 Aust Fd Regt

VICTORIAN PERSONNEL

Army No	Rank	Name	Destination	Address	Kitbags Stored at
VX 896	Capt	G L BRISTOL	MELBOURNE	C.T.A. MELBOURNE	WARWICK
VX11868	S/Sgt	McKENNA J A	HUNTER	HUNTER	"
VX14896	Gnr	DUSTING G H	MELBOURNE	50 Auburn Cres HAWTHORN	"
VX15173	WOII	M A JACOBS	MELBOURNE	81 Miller St NTH FITZROY	"
VX16360	Gnr	FURDY D J	MAFFRA	MAFFRA	"
VX16879	Gnr	PRIOR J H	MELBOURNE	21 Killarra Ave CAMBERWELL	"
VX17410	L/Bdr	BEST J R	TOORA	TOORA	"
VX17895	WOII	ANDERSON P R	MELBOURNE	22 Hawthorn Glen HAWTHORN	"
VX20487	Gnr	KETTLE T A	COLAC	COLAC	"
VX21848	Sgt	RODDA W A	LANGWARRIN	LANGWARRIN	"
VX34017	Gnr	WAGLAND J A	MELBOURNE	14 Yule St FOOTSCRAY	"
VX37721	L/Bdr	SHEPHERD I H G	RED CLIFFS	Post Office REDCLIFFS	"
VX52040	Gnr	STANYARD J W	MERINO	MERINO	"
VX54866	L/Sgt	BURSTON F T R	BALLARAT	205 Mill St BALLARAT	"
VX56190	Gnr	MITCHELL A J	MELBOURNE	48 Alexander St MIDDLE F'SCH'Y	"

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Army No	Rank	Name		Destination	Address	Kitbags Stored at
VX56849	Bdr	GOLDING	P S	MELBOURNE	12 Derby Road CAULFIELD EAST	WARWICK
VX61895	Gnr	COOKE	J S	MELBOURNE	10 Williams St UPPER FERNTREE GULLY	"
VX123199	Bdr	TURNER	C J	MELBOURNE	20 Victoria St BOX HILL	"

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NOMINAL ROLL 2/4 AUST FD REGT 7 AUST DIV LEAVE PARTY

NEW SOUTH WALES PERSONNEL. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

Army No	Rank	Name	Destination	Address	Kitbags Stored at
NX 406	Maj	M T QUINTON	SYDNEY	58 Nicholson St STRATHFIELD	WARWICK
NX46112	L/Bdr	ARMBRUSTER N C	MEERSCHAM-VALE	MEERSCHAMVALE via WARDELL	"
NX55595	S/Sgt	ROBINS B V	CRONULLA	Ischia St CRONULLA	"
NX98330	Gnr	BULL J P	SYDNEY	158 Milton St ASHFIELD	Nil
NX117264	Gnr	HALLAHAN M J	SYDNEY	10 Fletcher St BONDI	WARWICK
VX16114	Gnr	EAGLES J E	ALBURY	426 Macauley St ALBURY	"
VX16133	L/Sgt	CHANDLER A J	JUNEE	Box 2 JUNEE	"

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NOMINAL ROLL 2/4 AUST FD REGT 7 AUST DIV LEAVE PARTY

2/4 Aust. Fd Regt

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PERSONNEL

Army No	Rank	Name		Destination	Address	Kitbags Stored at
SX 3788	Gnr	BOWMAN	K W	ADELAIDE	Secombe Rd SEACLIFFE	WARWICK
SX 4955	Gnr	BRADDOCK	D J	GLADSTONE	GLADSTONE	"
SX30176	Gnr	BRADTBERG	C H	NARACOORTE	Box 262 NARACOORTE	"
VX14432	Gnr	POLLOCK	L	ADELAIDE	Cedar Ave ROYAL PARKE	"

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NOMINAL ROLL 2/4 AUST FD REGT 7 AUST DIV LEAVE PARTY.

2/4 Aust Fd Regt

QUEENSLAND PERSONNEL

Army No	Rank	Name	Destination	Address	Kitbags Stored at
VX31925	Gnr	SCHILLING A E	BRISBANE	34 Bradshaw St WOOLOOWIN	WARWICK
QX 5365	Gnr	GILLOWAY R	KALBAR	KALBAR Q'Land	"
QX10319	Gnr	OLE W H	CAMBOOYA	CAMBOOYA via TOOWOOMBA	"
QX11254	Gnr	RUSH J K	TOWNSVILLE	3 Leichardt St Stanton Hill TOWNSVILLE	"
QX12930	Gnr	KIDD W	PIN CREEK	PIN CREEK GYMPIE	"
QX13142	Gnr	FIELD H J	MACKAY	Box 139 MACKAY	"
QX19950	Gnr	BARLOW P L	MYANDARRA	MYANDARRA via DALBY	"
QX14573	Gnr	KING W R	CAIRNS	276 McLeod St CAIRNS	"
QX15775	Bdr	PRATTEN R J	KILCOY	KILCOY	"
VX16337	Bdr	CHRISTENSEN C F	HAMBOUR	Arundel Ave HAMBOUR	"
VX15175	WO11	BURROWS A E	BRISBANE	7 Lilian St GRANGE BRISBANE	"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE. SECRET.

Subject: INSTRUCTIONS FOR LEAVE PARTY

7 AUST DIV.
Jan 44.

REF: A 4100.

APPROVAL FOR LEAVE.

1. A quota for leave has been allotted to this formation and the allotment to units is set out in Appendix "A".

DESIGNATION OF PARTY.

2. Party will be known as 7 AUST DIV Leave Party. The term Advance Leave Party will NOT be used.

DURATION OF LEAVE.

3. Subject to any amendment which may be issued by higher authority, personnel proceeding on leave will be granted 24 days recreation leave or such lesser period to which the individual is entitled; however personnel who have not yet accumulated 24 days leave may be granted the difference between present entitlement and 24 days in anticipation of period of accumulation being completed pursuant to GRO 598/43 para 27.

CONCENTRATION OF PARTY.

4. Personnel to proceed on leave will remain in unit lines until further notice. Prior to movement party will concentrate at NG DETAILS DEPOT or at 7 AUST DIV LOB GP depending on instructions received from NGF. Personnel are placed on 24 hours notice for concentration.

COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION OF PARTY.

5. NX 55952 Major E.S. OWENS BM 21 Aust Inf Bde is appointed O.C. Leave Party. He will maintain close liaison with "A" Branch NGF and NG DETAILS DEPOT for instructions for concentration, movement, and administrative matters generally.

PROCEDURE.

6. The following instructions will apply:-

(i) Units will ensure that suitable Draft Conducting Officers and NCOs are appointed. These officers and NCOs will make themselves familiar with the relevant provisions of GROs A 596 and A 598 of '43.

(ii) Units will prepare forthwith nominal rolls in triplicate by states of destination and these rolls will be kept up to date and available upon immediate demand. Rolls will include the following particulars:- Army No, Rank, Name, Unit, Address whilst on leave, and last known location of kit.

(iii) These rolls if not called for earlier, will accompany unit parties on concentration and will be consolidated by NG DETAILS DEPOT prior to embarkation.

(iv) Combined travel warrant and leave passes (Forms HL1 for officers and HL2 for other ranks) will be prepared by NG DETAILS DEPOT or by O.C. Leave Party on instructions from NG DETAILS DEPOT upon concentration.

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FOOD COUPONS ETC.

7. Necessary coupons will be issued by NG DETAILS DEPOT on concentration or by O.C. Leave party on instructions from NG DETAILS DEPOT.

PAY AND SUBSISTENCE.

8. A maximum amount of £5 will be paid on the Island to personnel proceeding on leave and additional amounts may be drawn at LTD state of destination. Intermideate payments will not be made.

9. Subsistence will be paid at NG DETAILS DEPOT or by O.C. Leave Party on instructions from NG DETAILS DEPOT prior to embarkation.

MEDICAL.

10. It is anticipated that normal Sea Amb Tpt and other medical facilities will be available to all leave ships. Subject to further instructions being received, units will ensure that personnel proceeding on leave take all necessary suppressive malarial measures in accordance with all relevant provisions of GRO 404/43. Necessary issues of atebrin tablets will be made by NG DETAILS DEPOT or O.C. Leave Party on instructions from NG DETAILS DEPOT. Subsequent supplies of atebrin over and above the quantities issued prior to embarkation may be obtained in L of C Areas in AUSTRALIA.

KITS.

11. Prior to embarkation copies of embarkation rolls are forwarded by NG DETAILS DEPOT to the L of C Areas concerned and one copy to Qld L of C Area and it is anticipated that members kits will be available on arrival in AUSTRALIA.

ACCELERATED TRAVEL FOR KEY PERSONNEL.

12. Application has been made to NGF for accelerated travel for key personnel in accordance with the provisions of GRO 598/43 para xvii. Particulars of personnel for whom accelerated travel has been requested are shown in Appendix "B". Advice of NGF approval or otherwise will be [illegible] in due course.

RE-ASSEMBLY.

13. Location for re-assembly is at present unknown. Instructions will be issued either prior to embarkation or on the mainland prior to commencement of leave.

SECURITY.

14. Approval has been granted by NGF for members of the leave party only to refer in correspondence to leave having been approved.

15. NO reference to units having left the forward area will be made or any indication given that leave for units is pending. Any reference must relate solely to the member.

Lt.Col.
AA & QMG 7 AUST DIV.

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Copies to:-

NGF
NG DETAILS DEPOT
7 Aust Div LOB Gp
O.C. Leave Party
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APPENDIX "A"

to

HQ 7 AUST DIV "INSTRUCTIONS FOR LEAVE" - A 4100.

LEAVE PARTY.

Unit.	Offrs.	ORs.
HQ 7 AUST DIV	5	30
HQ 21 AUST INF BDE	3	7
21 Bde Sig Sec	1	12
2/14 AUST INF BN	7	33
2/16 AUST INF BN	9	31
2/27 AUST INF BN	7	33
HQ 25 AUST INF BDE	1	9
2/25 AUST INF BN	7	33
2/31 AUST INF BN	9	31
2/33 AUST INF BN	6	34
25 BDE SIG SEC	1	12
HQRAE 7 AUST DIV	1	3
2/5 AUST FD COY	1	5
2/6 AUST FD COY	1	5
53 AUST FD PK COY	1	4
2/4 AUST FD AMB	2	20
2/6 AUST FD AMB	2	20
2/4 AUST FD REGT	2	38
SIGS 7 AUST DIV	3	37
HQ COMD AASC 7 AUST DIV	1	2
TOTAL	70	399

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APPENDIX "B"

to

HQ 7 AUST DIV "INSTRUCTIONS FOR LEAVE" - A 4100.

Officers for whom accelerated travel has been requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name.	Unit and posting.
QX 6378	Lt.Col	R.H. MARSON.	2/25 Bn. C.O.
WX 1565	Maj	H A SOLOMON	HQ 7 Aust Div. DAAG.
NX 55592	Maj	E S OWENS	HQ 21 Bde. BM.
QX 6010	Maj	J H BYRNE	2/31 Bn. 2 i/c.
NX 12539	Maj	D C McDOUGALL	2/33 Bn. Sen Coy Comd.
VX 46749	Maj	S FOX	AASC 7 Div. S Sup O.
WX 3254	Capt	J K MURDOCH	HQ 7 Aust Div DAQMG (L)
NX 51088	Capt	W.T. PRENTICE	HQ 25 Bde. S.C.
SX 2997	Capt	P H G GEDDES	HQ 21 Bde. S.C.
WX 2748	Capt	A J PROSSER	2/16 Bn. Adjt.
WX 335	Capt	G W BENNETT	2/33 Bn. Adjt.
NX 127268	Lieut	H R GOODE	2/27 Bn. A/Adjt.
VX 17954	Lieut	R H THOMPSON	2/14 Bn. A/Adjt.
NX 12713	Capt	E O MEWS	HQ 7 Aust Div. Adjt.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN

OUT

No. of Groups
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ 25 AUST INF BDE

FROM 54 FD BTY

Originator's Number: DM 92

Date: 5

In Reply to Number: —

MOVEMENT	ORDER	ACK			

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN * (EXCEPT) BY ANY MEANS: ( ) WIRELESS

SIGNATURE.....

* ORIGINATOR MAY DELETE "EXCEPT" AND INSERT "INCLUDING."

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS.

SIGNATURE Meerhouse Capt

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN: 050940L

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MOST SECRET

21 AUST INF BDE

Copy No.....

Jan 44

21 AUST INF BDE ADM ORDER No 1

MOVEMENT OF 21 AUST INF BDE GP TO MAINLAND

To be read in conjunction with this HQ instructions for compilation of forms and returns necessary for embarkation, of 27 Jan 44. NO warning order has yet been received to move. When a warning order is received Units will render to this HQ, details in accordance with CRO G518/43.

1. ACCOMMODATION STORES

(a) All stores to be taken as per scale A, less tentage and hydra-burners.

(b) Cooking gear as part of accomodation stores to be taken will NOT be necessary on ships for purposes of providing meals.

2. WAR EQUIPMENT - CONTROLLED AND NON-CONTROLLED STORES

As far as possible war equipment deficiencies as submitted on E2 extracts recently, will be made up before leaving NEW GUINEA. Ordnance have arranged for those stores not supplied, to be made available immediately on arrival on the mainland.

3. BLANKETS

One to be carried on the man.
Two to be carried in BULK.
Units to build up to THREE blankets per man. Indent for same to be submitted this HQ.

4. RATIONS

(a) Carried on the man : One day emergency
One day hard

~~(b) Carried in Unit bulk : One day hard~~

Units to indent through normal AASC channels when notified.

5. AMMUNITION

(a) 10 rounds to be carried on the man.
1 OSMG mag per gun.
1 Bren mag per gun.

(b) Unit first line ammunition as per WET will be carried.
Units will submit indents for ammunition requirements to be carried on the man.

6. DRESS

Hats K.F. - Green shirt - Green trousers - anklets web - boots.

7. EQUIPMENT ON THE MAN

Web equipment - personal weapons - personal gear - mosquito net and blanket. Where controlled stores are a personal issue they will be carried on the ma

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8. CANTEEN STORES 14 days mount.

Surplus canteen stores can be disposed of by returning to Canteen Issuing Point and obtaining credit for amount returned. There will be NO canteen stores available on the ship.

9. ENGINEER STORES

Surplus engineer stores to be returned to engineer dump ~~12 MILE~~ when advised.

10. SECURITY

FSS visit area.

Units will ensure that unit serial number is showing on crates etc and NOT unit name.

11. NGF ORDERS

Units will ensure return of NGF Orders as per NGF A289 of 12 July 43. Orders will be returned to this HQ on receipt of movement order. ✓

12. SALVAGE

All surplus and salvageable items will be returned to 7 AUST DIV Salvage Dump.

13. CRATES AND CASES

Units will arrange for suitable heavy crates etc for unit stores. Timber can be obtained on indent (Engineer Stores Demand). Indents to this HQ. All crates, cases and baggage to be branded with unit serial number and colour identification. ✓

14. AIR DEFENCE ON SHIP

Will be advised on receipt of warning order. NONE

15. SHIPS' STAFFS

Will be advised on receipt of warning order. OC Tpo adjt QM.

16. CERTIFICATES DP1 A & Q

These certificates for the purpose of this move are NOT required.

17. MEDICAL

24 atebrin tab

Will be advised on receipt of warning order.

18. WORKING PARTIES FOR EMBARKATION

Working parties are NOT required for purposes of embarkation. Units will ensure, however, that TWO personnel ride on each truck of unit equipment and check the loading of equipment into ships, (loading will be carried out by Docks Op Coy).

19. TENT SHELTER HALVES

Tent shelter halves will be issued to units; to be carried in UNIT BULK and NOT issued to the man.

[illegible] Capt
SC 21 Aust Inf Bde

(Distribution as over)

44/52/14

MOST SECRET

MOVEMENT 25 AUST INF BDE GROUP

The following Units will move from NEW GUINEA to the MAINLAND under the following arrangements:-

1. **GROUP 1**
By MV KANIMBLA from MORESBY approximately 8 Feb 44 direct to BRISBANE.

GROUP 2
By MV CANBERRA from MORESBY approximately 15 Feb 44 to TOWNSVILLE. Movement to be through GDD MURRAY BARRACKS. Details re movement to GDD will be advised by 21 Aust Inf Bde.

GROUP 3
By MV ORMISTON from MORESBY approximately 22 Feb 44 to TOWNSVILLE. Movement controlled by 21 Aust Inf Bde.

2. **COMMAND**
The following Units will come under command 21 Aust Inf Bde on 8 Feb 44.

54 Fd Bty
2/6 Aust Fd Coy
2/117 Bde Wkshops
2/117 Ord Fd Park
6 Pl 2/2 ASDC
10 Pl 2/2 ASDC
B Pl 2/153 Gen Tpt Coy

3. **PERSONNEL EX HOSPITAL**
Unit personnel ex hospital who arrive after unit has departed will be assembled in the 7 Aust Div Rest Camp and arrangements for their return to the mainland will be made by 21 Aust Inf Bde.

4. **COMMAND DURING VOYAGE - GROUP 1**

OC Troops	Lt-Col COTTON MC	2/33 Aust Inf Bn
Ship's Adjt	Capt MULES	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde
Ship's QM	Lieut LOW	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde

5. **TRANSPORT**
Transport for personnel and stores for Group 1 will be supplied to units by this HQ. Times to be notified later.

6. **WHARF CONTROL**
Personnel are checked on the ship at two points:-

(a) going on to the wharf
(b) going on to the ship.

It is suggested that each soldier be given his Nominal Roll serial number and that trucks be loaded in that sequence. This ensures easy handling at the wharf-side.

Capt
SC 25 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution
2/25 Aust Inf Bn - 2/33 Aust Inf Bn - 54 Fd Bty - 2/6 Fd Coy - 2/4 Fd Amb - 2/117 Bde Wkshops - 2/117 Ord Fd Park - 6 Pl 2/2 ASDC - 10 Pl 2/2 ASDC - B Pl 153 Gen Tpt - 7 Aust Div Lt-Col COTTON - HQ - SC - 21 Aust Inf Bde - Capt MULES - Lieut LOW - File - War Diary.

Retd

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GROUP 1

	Officers	ORs
HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde	6	132
25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	1	37
8 Pl 2/1 HQ Guard Regt	1	43
315 LAD	1	17
2/25 Aust Inf Bn	24	695
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	32	725
2/4 Aust Fd Amb	7	183
	72	1846

GROUP 2

2/6 Fd Coy	6	289

GROUP 3

2/6 Fd Coy		13
54 Fd Bty	10	191
2/117 Bde Wkshops	2	114
2/117 Ord Fd Park	1	12
6 Pl 2/2 ASDC	2	32
10 Pl 2/2 ASDC	1	35
B Pl 153 Gen Tpt	2	124
	18	521

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Subject: POSTING OF OFFICERS - 2/4 AUST FD REGT

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
8 Jan 44
43/57/142C

HQ RAA 7 Aust Div

1. Herewith Posting of Officers of 2/4 Aust Fd Regt.

CO	Lt-Col	A J BLYTH
2i/c		
Adjt	Capt	B J H LEWIS
RQM		
RSO	Lieut	A N MOODIE
IO	Lieut	D McKENNEY
LO 1		
LO 11		

7 Fd Bty

BC	Capt	W A S WHYTE
Bty Capt	Capt	C C LEVICK
GPO	Lieut	R M LYALL
ACPO	Lieut	A B MELLOR

8 Fd Bty

Maj	D C GAUNT	
Capt	J P HUME	
Lieut	J N PEARSON	

54 Fd Bty

Capt	L E LONGWORTH	
Lieut	I C BURT	
Lieut	A C CLAYTON	
Lieut	F E H ROSS	

	"A" Tp	"B" Tp	"C" Tp	"D" Tp	"E" Tp	"F" Tp
TC	Lieut J E COOPER	Lieut P H PRESS	Lieut R G MACFARLAN	Capt C H STIRLING	Capt G L BRISTOL	Lieut E C MARSDEN
GPO	Lieut D L SWANSON	Lieut W H JONES	Lieut P S DETHRIDGE	Lieut A E BURKE	Lieut F A FAULKNER	Lieut A B EVANS
TL	Lieut R J MILLS	Lieut A C KILPATRICK	Lieut J E W WHITING	Lieut S L AGAR	Lieut W E STOKES	Lieut C CARROLL
Sec Offr	Lieut W V HOUGHTON	Lieut K J TURTON	Lieut H J AUSTIN	Lieut M V BROWN	Lieut G S LANG	Lieut J T KELLY
Sec Offr	Lieut R T HOLSWORTH					

Reinforcement Officer Learners - Lieut W L MACDONALD - Lieut R E WOODBERRY - Lieut W J WOODS - Lieut K F D WYNN

L.O.B. - Maj M T QUINTON
- Capt D MOORHOUSE
- Lieut A G FORREST

LEAVE - Convalescent - Maj A G OGLETHORPE
- Compassionate - Lieut F A DAVENPORT

SCHOOLS - Capt H ST O DENTRY
- Capt A E S GLENNY

DETACHED NADZAB - 7 DIV LO - Lieut F P DWERRYHOUSE

NOTE:- Four(4) new Reinforcement Officers are shown in Troop Postings. The four(4) shown as learners will be attached to experienced officers and will undergo one month's training with them as OPO, GPO, ACPO & CPO Learners.

Lt-Col
(A J BLYTH)
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

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A. I. F. Form A33a

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2/4 Aust Fd Regt *Regiment or Corps.*

RECOMMENDATION for the promotion of

Army or Personal No.	Rank	SURNAME (Block Caps)	OTHER NAMES (Block Caps)
VX14402	LIEUT	HENRY	Russell Leslie

to the rank of Captain Substantive / Temporary

1. *Date of appointment or enlistment in the A.I.F.* 1. 5 May 1940
2. *Date of appointment or promotion to present rank* 2. 25 Jul 1940
3. *Date of birth* 3. 21 November 1915
4. *Will any officer of unit be superseded if promotion is approved? If so, names of officers concerned and reasons for supersession to be briefly stated on reverse side of Form. It will be certified that the officers proposed to be superseded have been informed of the reason.* 4.
5. *Unit and appointment to which the officer will be posted on promotion.* 5. To remain Seconded as Asst Proof Officer CMA Branch.

RECOMMENDATION OF COMMANDING OFFICER

I recommend the above named officer for substantive / temporary *promotion to fill the vacancy caused by* To remain Seconded as Asst Proof Officer CMA Branch

and I recommend that the promotion be dated from 3 Aug 1943

The date on which the vacancy occurred was 3 Aug 1943

Date

Lt-Col
Signature of Commanding Officer ([illegible])
Comd 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

I Concur

Date *Signature of Brigade, etc., Commander*

Recommendation of Divisional Commander

Date *G. O. C.* *Division*

Decision Promulgated *A.I.F. (M.E.) List*

Decision of G. O. C., A. I. F. (M.E.)

Date

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STATEMENT OF SERVICES - VX14402 Lieut R L HENRY

25 July	1940	- Commissioned Lieut
20 October	1940	- Embarked for M.E.
24 March	1942	- Disembarked from M.E.
Campaigns		- SYRIA - 8 Jun 1941 - 11 July 1941.
Secondments		- As Asst Proof Officer CMA's Branch 17 January 1943.

A. I. F. Form A33a

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2/4 Aust Fd Regt *Regiment or Corps.*

RECOMMENDATION for the promotion of

Army or Personal No.	Rank	SURNAME (Block Caps)	OTHER NAMES (Block Caps)
VX39363	LIEUT	HAMILTON	Distace Culham Hudson

to the rank of Captain — Substantive / Temporary

1. *Date of appointment or enlistment in the A.I.F.* — 1. 11 January 1941
2. *Date of appointment or promotion to present rank* — 2. 14 May 1942, 2 Aust Bde)
3. *Date of birth* — 3. 9 March 1918
4. *Will any officer of unit be superseded if promotion is approved? If so, names of officers concerned and reasons for supersession to be briefly stated on reverse side of Form. It will be certified that the officers proposed to be superseded have been informed of the reason.* — 4.
5. *Unit and appointment to which the officer will be posted on promotion.* — 5. 2/4 Aust Fd Regt Troop Commander

RECOMMENDATION OF COMMANDING OFFICER

I recommend the above named officer for substantive / temporary *promotion to fill the vacancy caused by* Secondment of VX14101 Capt G.B. PELTON as Instructor, Naval Bombardment, Flinders Naval Depot, 3 Aug 43 vide extract from C-in-C List No 152

and I recommend that the promotion be dated from 6 Aug 1943

The date on which the vacancy occurred was 6 Aug 1943

Date .....

Lt-Col
Signature of Commanding Officer
Cond 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

I Concur

Date ..... *Signature of Brigade, etc., Commander*

Recommendation of Divisional Commander

Date .....

G. O. C. ..... *Division*

Decision Promulgated *A.I.F. (M.E.) List* .....

Decision of G.O.C., A.I.F. (M.E.)

Date .....

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STATEMENT OF SERVICE - VX39363 LIEUT R.C.E. MARSDEN

11	January 1941	- Enlisted AIF (Lieut)
5	February 1941	- Embarked for M.E.
25	March 1941	- Disembarked from M.E.
7	April 1941	- Posted to 2/4 Aust Fd Regt
	Campaigns	- SYRIA - 8 June 1941 - 11 July 1941
30	July 1943	- Embarked for New Guinea

2/4 Aust Fd Regt
23 Jan 44

44/57/18.

AGNEDA - M.G.R.A. & B.R.A.

1. OFFICERS:- Maj M T QUINTON (CO will see CRA re this offr).
Capt W N HAUGHTON (File attached).
Capt G B PELTON (File attached).
Capt J P WILSON (File attached).
Capt J F SCOTT (File attached). Ref Maj RICKARD.
Lieut E J KING (File attached).
Lieut T E PAIGE (File attached).

REINFTS :- File attached.

2. Colored Smoke.

3. COMNS :- 108 Mk 3 R/T proved themselves OK will be glad to have them on WE as portable set, but require 9 per Bty.

4. PERSONNEL:- Increase in WE of officers for Jungle Division. 50 is insufficient - Strongly recommend increase to 70, reason:- One Regt has to be prepared to support 3 Bdes and have OPs established over whole Divisional front. This number may sound excessive but I have given this a lot of thought. Also recommend an increase in ORs.

REINFTS ORs:- They require recruit tng on joining the Regt, Regt has no opportunity to do this in OPS. Suggest reinfts being carried surplus to WE for training.

5. FLYING OPs

6. Staff allotted to I.O. essential, requires at least one Bdr and one Gnr.

7. Theodolites are on WE but have never seen them, could they be at least put on loan to all Regts while in operations. Would greatly assist in bigger plan of survey, grid control incl mapping.

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