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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1st November 43 To 22nd November 43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mt Kiera	3.		Comds, staff, coy comds & equivalent offrs attended lecture at WARRAWONG HALL by Lt-Col WOLFENDEN on move of 7 div by air from PORT MORESBY to NADZAB.	
	6		25 bn & 17 bn bands participated in march at SYDNEY	
	17	0810	9 Bde Sigs less det moved out to MINNAMURRA POINT (ref KIAMA 851254) on two days exercise	
	18	1645	9 Bde Sigs returned to camp from two days exercise.	
	19		Capt MOORE Lo. went to 1 div HQ as an LO for an indefinite period	
	22		General LLOYD Lt-Col HAGUE visited HQ 9 bde	

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1st November '43 To 26 November '43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			and units and inspected the camp areas	
			and offices	
	23	1500	50% 9 Bde HQ pers moved out to ANZAC	
			RANGE for rifle practice (Table A)	
	24	1950	9 Bde HQ pers returned from ANZAC RANGE	
	25	1530	50% 9 Bde HQ pers moved out to ANZAC	
			RANGE for rifle practice (Table A)	
	25		Lt. col MORGAN returned from school and	
			resumed comd of 17bn from maj	
			LINDFIELD	
	26	2020	9 Bde HQ returned from ANZAC RANGE	
	26		9 Bde TO capt EDWARDS instructed to report	
			to HQ 1 div as A/SOMT for indefinite	
			period	

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From 26 November '13 To 30 November '13.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mt. Kiera	26		Capt SYMONDS 17th reported 9 Bde HQ as A/TO.	
	30		Throughout the month 9 Bde HQ and units have been engaged de-wiring beaches — most beaches of the south coast have been cleared of wire at this date	

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ROUTINE ORDERS — Serial No 59

PART I — Nos 399-

BY

LT-COL F HOSKING

AIM COMD 9 AUST INF BDE

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 2
AUSTRALIA.
31 Oct 43.

GENERAL STAFF

399. SCHOOLS

LHQ School of Military Intelligence - Southport No 11 Cou

NX129085 Sgt CHAMPION, W L 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q

LHQ Small Arms School - Bonegilla, No 4 (a) Course.

NX143849 Lieut HURLEY, T P 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q
NX111489 A/Sgt ELPHICK, A A 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q
NX114116 Cpl RYAN, L J 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q.

LHQ Small Arms School Bonegilla No 4 (b) Course.

NX101884 Capt MITTY, A J 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q
NX101701 Sgt HOLDSWORTH, A S 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q
NX116935 L/Sjt MOORE B J 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q
NX111670 Cpl DAVIDSON, A R 17 Aust Inf Bn Q

LHQ School of Mil Engineering (Frt) - Middle Head No 91 C

NX104278 Capt STRELTING, K A 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q

NSW L of C Area - Rosebery No 10 Course Gas Eqpt Repair & Maintenance

NX111679 S/Sgt TURNER H L 17 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) Q1

LHQ School of Mechanization - Seymour No 13 Course D & M Instructors (Wheeled Wing)

NX115306 Sgt HATFIELD, S E 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q

LHQ AAOC School - Broadmeadows, No 26 Course Unit WM

NX107792 Capt CROCKER, H G 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q

LHQ School of P & RT Frankston No 38 Course P & RT and Unarmed Combat.

NX141859 Cpl HAGERMAN, L W 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q

Aust Sig Trg Bn - Bonegilla No 1 Course Pot Instrs Course Staffs Nos 1 & 2 Regt Sig Trg Unit

NX114125 Cpl REITANO J F 1/45 Aust Inf Bn D

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400. USE OF GRENADES, HAND, JAPANESE TYPE 91

1. This grenade is in common use by the Japanese and quantities have been captured and used by our tps. Tests indicate that the grenade has certain characteristics which may lead to injury in the hands of inexperienced personnel. These characteristics are :-

(a) The delay fuse, marked 4/5 seconds, has been known to burn in much less time. Some tested fuses burned in 3 seconds.

(b) While the delay fuse is burning, a considerable quantity of black smoke is emitted through the escape hole at the base of the fuse tube, and small fragments of the delay fuse are sometimes forced out. At night or even at dusk or dawn, a definite glow from this hole can be seen.

2. The following precautions will be taken if the grenade is used

(a) it will be thrown immediately after the head has been struck,

(b) when striking the grenade, the hand will be kept well clear of the escape hole at the side of the fuse tube.

(To be republished in unit routine orders.)

401. GRENADES, No 36M - DESTRUCTION OF BLINDS.

1. Due to the possible occurence of hangfires, as a result of slow burning fuses, it is essential that an interval of fifteen minutes and not five minutes, as previously published, be allowed to elapse before action is taken to destroy blind 36 M grenades.

2. An amendment to Small Arms Training, Vol 1, Pam No 13 "Grenades" incorporating the above change to existing procedure, will be issued in the near future. In the meantime, action will be taken to ensure that this order is brought to the notice of all ranks.

ADMINISTRATION

402. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action :-

1 Aust Div ROs 507-515
Second Aust Army ROs 323-338
GROs 721-730

403. ARMOURER'S INSPECTIONS

It is apparent that armourers are NOT familiar with the proper use of Form F114. This matter was dealt with in DME Adm Instn No 76. Please ensure that all armourers in your Unit have this instn brought to their notice.

Attention is directed to Second Aust Army RO Q8/43 relating to the use of F114 where eqpt is being transferred or returned. Many cases are occuring of transfer or return of rifles and machine guns without accompanying F114s or other indication as to condition.

In the case of inspections of units on warning order to move the F114 must cover all small arms and machine guns on the WET.

The use of Circuit Inspectors Report Forms "F" and "G" is cancelled but all armourers are to make full use of "Remarks" space of Form F114 to report on condition of eqpt as revealed by their inspection.

Although the use of AA Form F16 is cancelled as a Circuit Armourers Report, stocks in hand may be utilised by inspecting armourers as convenient recording sheets.

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404. FIRE FIGHTING APPLIANCES.

All fire extinguishing appliances will be overhauled forthwith and indents submitted for shortages and replacements. Soda fire extinguishers refills are available at Camp 6 Store, BALGOWNIE, and requisitions will be submitted forthwith.

405. SELECTION OF PROVOST PERS

1. By direction of the C-in-C, every effort willbe made to obtain suitable volunteers who, subject to successful trg at LHQ PROVOST TRG SCHOOL, will be posted by 2nd Echelon to appropriate Pro Units.

2. In the near future the PM, or his representative will visit - Aust Div to select suitable pers, and only in exceptional circumstances will those pers be refused transfer to Provost Corps.

3. All pers who wish to volunteer must hand their names into Orderly Room by 4 Nov 43. Units under comd must forward applications in accordance with 1 Aust Div RO A511/43 by 5 Nov 43.

406. REGTL TRUST FUND - HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

By Balance at 26 Sep 43		£5.11.1
" Cantoen Profits		5.10.1
To Disbursements :		
Amenities Branch, HQ NSW L of C Area -		
Cricket Equipment	£4. 1.3	
1 Electric Iron	1. 2.6	
Cash Repairs to eqpt	2.18.9	
Cash purchase lime for marking Tennis Courts	7.3	
Balance at 26 Oct 43	2.11.5	
	£ 11. 1.2	£ 11. 1.2

407. PUNISHMENTS

NX110996 Pte THOMAS, G.L.	Failingto appear at a place of parade applinted by his C O	7 days
NX123346 Pte JAMESON, J.	-do-	7 days
NX139408 Pte ALLISON, R.N.	Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military discipline	Fined

(R N WILLIAMS) Capt
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde

NOTICES.

Cricket Competition

(a) Result of matches played during week commencing 25 Oct 43 :

63 Searchlights v 1/45 Bn Bs	Draw (63 SL all out 121 - 1/45 Bn did not bat - Rain)
9 Inf Bde Hq v 2/12 Fd Amb	2/12 Fd Amb forfeited to Bde HQ.
Fortress Wkshops v Drummond Bty	1st innings win for Drummond (Drummond 5 for 103 Wkshops all out 34)
658 Lt AA Bty v 1/45 Bn As	Draw (1/45 Bn 5 for 218 - Bty 1 for 18 - Rain)
17 Bn Bs v 17 Bn As	1st innings win for 17 Bn As (As men for 51, Bs all out 30)
57 Searchlights v 8 Hy AA Bty	Draw (57 SL 8 for 119, Hy AA Bty did not bat - Rain)

(b) Practice match between 9 Bde HQ and Fortress Sigs resulted in a draw. (Sigs all out 110 - Bde 2 for 33 - Rain)

(c) Roster of matches for week commencing 8 Nov (all commencing at 1330 hrs,

2/12 Fd Amb v Drummond Bty	2/12 Amb will forfeit.
1/45 Bn As v 1/45 Bn Bs	Mon 8 Nov at WARRAWONG.
9 Inf Bde HQ v 17 Bn As	Mon 8 Nov at Reid Pk Dapto.
Fortress Sigs v 8 Hy AA Bty	Wed 10 Nov at WARRAWONG.
Fortress Wkshops v 57 Searchlights	Mon 8 Nov at Coniston.
658 AA Bty v 17 Bn Bs	Mon 8 Nov at McCabe Pk.

63 Searchlights - Bye.

Swimming

Units will be advised as soon as bathing trunks and costumes are available through Amenities Service. It is anticipated that "Speedo" style trunks for men and costumes for WAAS will be obtainable within three weeks.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

Serial No.60
Nos. 408 - 418

by

Lt-Col F. HOSKING
Aust Staff

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)
Australia.

4 Oct 43.

GENERAL STAFF

nil

ADMINISTRATION

408. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for info and necessary action.

GROs 731 - 738
1 Aust Div ROs 516 - 525

409 HOSPITAL AND AMENITIES VISITING OFFICER

1. Approval has been given for the appointment of a Hospital and Amenities Visiting Officer A.M.F.

2. The Hospital and Amenities Visiting Officer will be borne on the establishment of HQ in the branch of the Adjt-General.

3. The duties of his appointment are:-

(a) To visit all AIF establishments and units.
(b) To enquire and advise on questions relating to accommodation, messing, welfare, including recreation and generally all matters affecting the comfort and well-being of soldiers.
(c) To act as a liaison officer between the Medical Service and those Branches of the Staff and other Services whose responsibilities have an incidence on the smooth functioning of the Medical Service.
(d) To submit periodical reports to the Adjt-General through Director-General Medical Services and Director of Amenities. Copies of these reports will be submitted direct to C in C.
(e) To avoid interference with the operation of the Medical Services on matters of a purely professional nature or of the executive performance of duties in the Amenities Service.
(f) To avoid executive action without prior consultation with the responsible Services and Branches concerned.

4. Lt-Col A.P.Crisp, DSO, 2/3 Field Regiment - Regimental Supernumerary has been appointed Hospital and Amenities Visiting Officer and is commencing duty forthwith.

410. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND.

By Balance at 26 Sep 43	£ 5-11- 1
" Canteen Profits	5-10- 1

over/-

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To Disbursements:

Amenities Branch HQ NSW L of C Area:

Cricket Eqpt -	£ 4 - 1 - 3
1 Electric iron	1 - 2 - 6
Cash Repairs to eqpt.	2 -18 - 9
Cash purchase of lime for marking Tennis Courts	7 -3
Balance	2 -11 - 5
	11 -1 - 2

412. PUNISHMENTS

Q104661 Pte. FAHL F. AWL from 2215 30 Oct 43 AA,15(2).
till 0620 31 Oct 43

AWL 1 day

Confined to barracks for 7 days.

(R.N.WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.
AOD

Serial No.45/43

Attached to W.3009 of 6 Nov 43

ALTERATION IN TRADESMEN & SPECIALISTS DURING THE WEEK.

DRAUGHTSMEN.

NX 135109 Cpl Percival W.L. - attending LHQ School of Mil Intell.Southport Q & posted "X" List

COOKS.

NX 124292 Pte Karnaghan J.H. evac to 113 Con Mil Hosp & posted "X" List.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / / 194 . H.Q. 9 AUST. INF. BDE. (AIF) (Unit)

AWOP - NIL
"X" LIST - 1.

W.E. 11 / 2 / 3 . OFFRS. 18 O.R's. 71 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — 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.
WE									
	1		+	BRIG *					
1				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
2	2			Majors					
6	1	1	6	Captains					
6	4	1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3	1		2	CHAPLAINS					
18	9	2	112						

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"	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.	11										11
	E.(1)	2										2
	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.
NX101567	LIEUT	OLIVER W.H.	DETACHED	31.10.43	TO LHQ GAS SCHOOL FOR COURSE
					"CHARLIE" POSTED "X" LIST

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 6 / 11 /1943 (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.
Brig	NX 1574	Potts	A.W.	Bde Comd	No	Not yet assumed duty	
Lt/T/Capt	NX 101316	Williams	R.N.	A/BM	Yes		
"	NX 76308	Moore	C.F.	IO 1	"		
"	NX 117021	Webb	R.S.	SC	No	Det HQ 2 Aust Army	30/7/43
"	NX 123352	Edwards	V.A.	TO	Yes		
"	NX 103935	Burrows	R.G.O.	BASCO	"		
"	NX 103981	Lamplough	R.H.G.	IO	"		
Lieut	NX 112660	Walton	S.J.T.	AQ	"		
"	NX 101322	Pearce	R.G.	LO 2	No	Det HQ 1 Aust Div (AIF)	27/9/43
"	NX 122765	Willis	T.	SC/L	Yes		
Chaplain	NX 34983	McDermott	P.P.	Chap	No	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	22/4/43
"	NX 220	Balmer	A.	"	"	1/45 Aust Inf Bn	25/6/43

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.
Lieut	NX 117022	Graham A.K.	17 Bn	13/7/43	A/SC
"	NX 122382	Cooper W.L.	1 Fd Hyg	3/12/42	HO pending secondment

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Date of Despatch

Capt
S.C. 9 Aust. Inf. Bde.
Signature of Commander

2,080 Pads BHS9 3/43 W.P.Co.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

H.Q. 9 AUST. INF. BDE. (AIF) ...../...../.....(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1943 .....(Unit)

LWOP – NIL
"A" LIST – 5

W.E. 11/2/3 OFFRS. 18 O.R's. 71 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — 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	1	W.Os. Class I.					
			2	W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			2	Staff Sergeants					
		2	6	Sergeants					
—	1		7	Corporals					
5	1 3 N	6	11 8	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
5 *	1 4 8	9	6 6 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 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.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	• •	TOTAL.
			~~Under 19 Years.~~	~~19 Years and over.~~							
A	56	1	1	8				[redacted]	[redacted]	-	66
B(1)	7		2								9
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.
3	2 AUST DIV POSTAL UNIT		
3	1 AUST CORPS SALVAGE UNIT		
2	"X" AUST FD SECURITY		
1	1/15 AUST INF BN		

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	MG NSW L of C AREA		
1	LNG SCHOOL OF ARMY EDUC – GLENFIELD		
1	1 AUST ARMY ADM COURSE – CABARLAH		

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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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday -6 NOV 1943.

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			
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				Saddletreemakers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				**GROUP II.**				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers	1	1		Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	-	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				NON TRADESMEN			
Electricians				Cooks	3	2	NR	Woodturners				C.S.M.	1	1	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								C.S.M.S.	1	1	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								CPT SGT	1	1	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								CPL SIG	4	5	1
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								BATMEN	13	12	1
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								DVRS MT	9	5	NR
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								CAN DUTIES	3	3	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				**GROUP III.**				**DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.**			
Fitters (M.V.)	1		1	Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				MVE DUTIES	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				CPL DVRS MT	9	6	NR
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	7	10		BATMEN DVRS	3	3	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				MED CPL MEN	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				BATMAN MESS	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	3	1	Coach Trimmers				DVR. "	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				M/C "	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				WHT DUTIES	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				**ATTACHED BY W.E.**			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics		6					
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.	1	1		Engine Hands, I.C.				SEE BACK			
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	3	-	2	CARRIED FORWARD	12	7	3	CARRIED FORWARD	19	23	3	Totals of columns Marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	71	66	5

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L. Graham Lieut Capt.
Signature of Commander
Staff Asst. Int. Bde.

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ALTERATIONS IN NON-TRADESMEN DURING THE WEEK.

ORD SIG.

NX 84687 Pte O'Sullivan F.C. rejoined unit ex LWOP & struck off "X" List

ORD DVRS MT.

NX 143961 Pte Forrester L.J. evacuated to 63 Aust Camp Hospital & posted "X" List.

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War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3003
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

48/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 NOV 1943 / /194 . 254 AUST. LAD (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/188/2 . OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 15 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

Leave without pay N/L

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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels Majors					
	1			Captains					
			1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	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.		1									1
	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.

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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254 AUST. LAD (AIF)
Unit

Army Form W.3008
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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0300 Hrs. Saturday 6 NOV 1943 / / 194 (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.
LIEUT	NX119487	LARSSON	G.B.		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.

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Date of Despatch

Geo. Larsson Lieut
Signature of Commander
O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 NOV 1943 / / 194 . 254 AUST LAD (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 188 / 2 . OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 15 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

Leave without pay N/C

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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
1	1			W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1	1		1	Staff Sergeants					
			1	Sergeants					
4	2		2	Corporals					
9		2	13	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
15 *	4	2	17 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 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.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A1	B/	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	16	1						[redacted]	[redacted]		17
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.

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.

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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254 AUST. LAD (AIF)

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 6 NOV /194 .

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			
Armament Artificer Fitter	1	NIL	NIL	Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)	1	1	—	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				Saddletreemakers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				**GROUP II.**				Sawyers				Sroremen, Techuical	1	1	—
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				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.)	1	1	—	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.)	1	1	—	Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Driver Batman	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers					—	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helic Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
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							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	4	4	—				
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.	5	9	-	Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	4	3	—	CARRIED FORWARD	9	10	—	CARRIED FORWARD	13	14	—	Totals of columns Marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	15	17 *	— *

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Signature of Commander
O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

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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 /194 .

	W E	Strength	Surplus	Reinforcements
Armament artificers				
WO II	1	—	—	NR
S/Sgt	1	1	—	
Fitter MV				
Sgt	—	1		
Cpl	1	—		NR
Electrician MV				
Cpl	1	—		NR
L/Cpl	—	1		

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 32

(Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 6 NOV 1943)

1. This summary is issued for distribution down to coys or equivalents of 9 Aust Inf Bde.

2.a. Infm marked "SECRET" will be regarded by offrs as such, and WILL NOT be communicated to any non-commissioned rank, other than key pers such as Int pers.

b. Infm marked CONFIDENTIAL will be passed on to all ranks at same time warning them each time that infm is "CONFIDENTIAL" will not be talked about to other than Army pers.

c. "GENERAL" infm will be passed on freely to all ranks.

3. Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde directs that coy comd (or equivalent) will ensure that infm under headings "CONFIDENTIAL" and "GENERAL" is conveyed to all ranks and that a short controll discussion is held concerning same.

4. Map of SWPA, issued to coys (or equivalent) is to be used in conjunction herewith. The latitude and longitude of place names which are not well known are given in the summary, to enable easy indentification.

5. Queries will be referred to unit int secs who will supply answers as promptly as possible.

R.N. Williams

(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

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1. (a) LOCATIONS (of units under cond as at 0900/3 NOV 43)

HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG 884420
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	KIAMA 782373
254 Aust LAD (AIF)	WOLLONGONG 848502
9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	" 848502
Det 1 Aust Div Postal Unit	" 848502

(b) TRG (Based on infmn received up to 1200/ 2 Oct 43

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) De-wiring MT KEIRA area, MT maintenance, educational lectures and films.
254 Aust LAD (AIF) Routine duties.
9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec Morse practice, weapon trg, MT and sig eqpt maintenance and de-wiring.
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Mortar, Tk A gun and Tk A rifle trg. de-wiring beaches.
1/45 Aust Inf Bn Offrs MMG course, PT, veh maintenance, de-wiring beaches.

2. OPERATIONS (Based on infm received at HQ Second Aust Army up to 1800 hrs 25 Oct 43)

AUSTRALIA.

Sea : A possible enemy submarine was reported to be 55 miles North by East of CAIRNS (QUEENSLAND) on 20 Oct 43.

SOLOMONS

Land : Further evidence has been received of enemy intentions to evacuate CHOISEUL ISLAND. It was reported that 3000 Japs had assembled in NW tip of the island and were preparing for movement. Barge sightings in the area indicate that the evacuation to BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND is now in progress.

Air : There were no enemy operations other than light interception throughout the SOLOMONS area between 18 and 25 Oct. On the other hand the Allied air offensive against the enemy bases in CHOISEUL and BUIN- FAISI areas continued relentlessly. Altogether 713 sorties were executed as compared with 426 of the last week. The heaviest raid was directed against KARA and KAHILI on 22 Oct when 225 aircraft bombed and strafed the airfields.

NEW IRELAND-NEW BRITAIN

Sea : Three convoys, totalling at least 5-60,000 tons of merchant shipping (19 ships), 2 destroyers and 2 escort vessels, moved out of the SWPA through NEW IRELAND waters between 21-22 Oct.
A partial coverage of RABAUL HARBOUR on 19 Oct revealed 22 naval vessels (incl 2 heavy cruisers not previously sighted) and 23 merchant vessels totalling 123,500 tons. This tonnage represents a decrease of 15,000 tons on the previous sighting on 15 Oct.

Air : Two further heavy Allied raids have been directed against RABAUL, one on 18 Oct and the other on 23 Oct. 51 Mitchells comprised the first strike and 49 Liberators escorted by 82 Lightnings, comprised the second. In all 106 enemy A/C were destroyed, a freighter transport of 5500-7500 tons, and a corvette were sunk during these raids.

CAPE HOSKINS, CAPE GLOUCESTER and GASMATA also received attention.

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A total of 12 strikes were directed against shipping in the NEW BRITAIN-NEW IRELAND area. As a result of these attacks a destroyer, 35 barges and 1/700 ton vessel were destroyed.

NEW GUINEA

FINSCHHAFEN

Land :

KATIKA AREA

Operations are now centred around KATIKA; the enemy's strong offensive action, and his attempt to land reinforcements at the mouth of the SONG RIVER , indicates that his intention is to strengthen his forces and oppose all Allied advances in the area.

Supplies have apparently been reaching the WAREO, PALANKO, SATELBERG area via the track AGO-ZAGAHEMI- WAREO-SATELBERG as the attack on KATIKA was mounted from the WAREO-PALANKO area. On 17 Oct the enemy had occupied the high ground West of KATIKA and commenced infiltration through our positions in the vicinity of KATIKA and by 18 Oct had reached the coast in the general area SIKI RIVER beach and River mouth. His subsequent attempts to drive Northward towards the mouth of the SONG RIVER were frustrated and on night 21/22 oct he withdrew to his original position on high ground West of KATIKA. Several enemy attempts to regain lost ground were repulsed with heavy losses.

Quite likely the enemy intention was to establish a beachhead in the SIKI-SONG RIVER area to enable supplies and reinforcements to be brought in to support the considerable force operating in the SATELBERG-KATIKA areas. Known Jap losses in the KATIKA area alone since 17 Oct were 510 killed.

SATELBERG AREA

Enemy forces have maintained their positions west of the track in the vicinity of KUMAWA (approximately 1½ miles south SATELBERG). Active patrolling continues.

DUMPU AREA

Allied activity has been confined to active patrolling west and SW of BOGADJIM road and the maintenance of contact with enemy disposed on high ground 7½ miles North of DUMPU. Protecting the approach to YOKOPOI roadhead of BOGADJIM road and positions approximately 4 miles north and NE of KUMBARUM.

Since occupation of KALAPIT on 19 Sep enemy known killed to 17 Oct numbered 479.

Increased activity by MT and the establishment of staging camps has been reported along the BOGADJIM road indicating the enemy's intention of strengthening his outer defences protecting BOGADJIM. It is apparent that the enemy has profited by the lesson learned at LAE where his forces were confined within a small perimeter surrounding LAE proper. Allied air attacks caused extensive damage and heavy Jap casualties as a result of this concentration.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA

Land : The reported Jap occupation of JAPERO (56 miles SE KAUKENAU) an his occupational move towards AGATZ (138 miles East by South KAUKENAU) is the first forward move the enemy has made in this area for some time. It may presage an intensification of ground activity in this area and a general movement towards MERAUKE.

GENERAL

The result of the heavy allied raids on RABAUL has been a quickening in the enemy air effort. It is only natural that he views

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Allied intention with some anxiety. His retaliatory raids have been strong in comparison with previous efforts and daring in as much as three of them were executed in daylight. These efforts have, however, been very expensive.

The sighting of 4 new strips on HALMAHERA appears to confirm a possibility of the development of a shorter and less exposed air transport route from the PHILLIPINES to WEWAK. A suggested course from a captured document was DAVAO-HALMAHERA-JEFMAN-WAKDE-HOLLANDIA-WEWAK. There is however a gap between DAVAO and HALMAHERA, JEFMAN and WAKDE. It may be that the enemy will further develop NABIRE as a staging link in this chain.

Between 17 Aug and 22 Oct Allied A/C destroyed a reported 1291 enemy A/C. A conservative estimate of Jap first line A/C production is 750 planes per month. If this figure is correct the enemy has all but expended his production over the two month period.

The Allied raids on RABAUL on 18 and 23 Oct once again are the highlights of the weeks operations. The strike was effected in bad weather and without fighter escort. Portions of the force did not reach the target area and bombed CAPE HOSKINS, CAPE GLOUCESTER and SIO.

(Second Aust Army Int Review No.79)

GENERAL

US Jap Army Unit in Action

The first US Jap Army unit composed of Americans of Jap descent has had its baptism of fire as part of the US Fifth Army. The soldiers are mainly from HAWAII and many are volunteers. They say they would rather be fighting Japs than Germans, but concede that service in EUROPE is "more practicable" because "there cannot be any confusion here".

(1 Aust Div Int Summary No.28)

Japanese Aircraft.

Further amendments to previously published information on Jap A/C are attached as Appx "A".

Summary No.24 contains infm on Type 99 Navy D/B VAL. Remove and dest areas of fire, sketch, line drawings and infm data sheets and insert n areas of fire, sketch, line drawings and data sheets.

Summary No.22. contains infm on Type 0 Mk 1 SSF ZEKE. Remove and des line drawings and infm data sheets and insert new line drawings and data sheets.

Classification of Aircraft SWPA

The following notes explain the system of classification of aircraft used by the US Army and Naval Air Forces.

US Army Air Force A/C of the USAAF are classified according to type and basic design. The type is indicated by a letter, the model by a number. Types are as follows:-

P. Pursuit A/C (Fighters)
B. Bomber A/C
A. Attack Bomber
O. Observation A/C
F. Photographic A/C
C. Transport A/C
L. Liaison A/C

The number following the letter indicates the particular design, any letter following this number indicates a modification in the design.

For example, P40 indicates the Curtiss series of fighters; P40E is the "Kittyhawk"; P40F the "Warhawk"; aircraft of similar basic design, but with slight modification as for instance, the use of the Packard built "Merlin" engine instead of the "Alison" engine.

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Aircraft in op in SWPA includes:-

P38 Lightning (photographic version known as F4 and F5A)
P39 (P400) Airacobra
P40 E Kittyhawk
P40 F Warhawk
P47 Thunderbolt
P51 Mustang (Apache)

B17 Flying Fortress
B24 Liberator
B25 Mitchell
B26 Marauder
B34 Venture

A20 Boston(Havoc) also known as A26, P70
A24 Dauntless
A29 Hudson
A31 Vultee Vengeance
A34 Bermuda (Buccaneer)

C46 Commando
C47,48, 49, 53, Skytrain (Dakota)
C56, 59 Lodestar)
C87 Liberator) Transport versions.

L- Vigilant
L4B Piper Grasshopper

United States Naval Air Forces

In the case of aircraft of the USNAF, a different system of classification is used. The first letter of the designation shows the type of A/C. These types are:-

F. Fleet fighter
B. Bomber
PB. Patrol Bomber (long range recde)
SB Scout Bomber)
TB Torpedo Bomber) Either may include dive bombers
SO)
OS) Scout observation.

The various A/C manufacturers are each given a code letter. These code letters are:-

A. Brewster
B. Boeing
C. Curtiss
D. Douglass
F. Grumman
M. Martin
O. Lockheed
U. Vought Sikorsky
Y. Consolidated.

These letters in conjunction with the type letters indicate the particular A/C. Thus, the PBM is the "Mariner", a patrol bomber designed and built by Martin.

The insertion of a figure between the type and maker indicates the model or design. For example, the first Consolidated patrol bomber adopted by the Navy was the Catalina. This is designated the PBY. The second Consolidated patrol bomber was the "Coronado". This is known as PB2Y, or in other words, the second patrol bomber designed by Consolidated to be taken into service. The PB4Y is the Navy's "Liberator" designation.

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A figure following the above groups indicates a variation of the origin basic sign. Examples of these are the "Catalina" classes as the PBY5, "Wildcat", F4F4.

A/C in ops in SWPA include:-

F4F	Wildcat (Martlet)
F6F	Hellcat
F4U	Corsair (if built by Brewster - F3A)
F2A	Buffalo
B25	Marauder
BD	Boston
PBY	Catalina
PB2Y	Coronado
PB4Y	Liberater
PBO	Hudson
PBJ	Mitchell
PBM	Mariner
SBD	Dauntless
SB2U	Vindicator (Chesapeake)
SB2A	Buccaneer (Bermuda)
TBF	Avenger
TBV	Vultee Vengeance
OS2U	Kingfisher
SOC	Seagull

7. ENEMY ARMS AND EQUIPMENT.

Small Arms Ammunition - Jap use of Explosive Bullets.

During a recent Allied patrol down the BUMBU RIVER, contact was made wit the enemy and our men were engaged by LMGs, rifles and grenades. Their fire was returned and an American Corporal, who was a member of the pat fell to the ground severly wounded and contact was lost.

The Corporal died almost immediately and it was found that he had been killed by a bullet which entered his back and tore a gaping hole our of stomach approximately the size of a man's hand. The bullet was recovered from that part of the stomach which was blown away and a description is produced herewith for info.

The part of the projectile recovered is 1 1/16" in length overall and has a steel tube 3/4" long and 7/32" indiameter at its widest part fitting longitudenally into and within 5/16" of base. The base of the projectile is 9/32" in diameter and has a circular recess 5/32" in diameter which appears to be a precussion cap but has not been struck and therefore may be quite solid. The forward end of the steel cylinder is tapered 1/8" fro the end and decreased from 7/32" to 5/32", forming what might have been a shelf or projection for an explosive envelope or fuze cap. The body at th base of the projectile is partly bevelled and the jacketting appears to be of heavily gilded cupro-nickel which has peeled back on impact, similar in appearance to a partly skinned banana, leaving the steel tube exposed. The tube contained no explosive content consequently analysis was impossible and it is not known whether this projectile is HE or incendiary Observing. It is considered possible, however, for the latter type to cause similar wounds on impact to the HE bullet, but until a complete round and cartrid case are recovered, a full report cannot be produced.

The attention and co-operation of all troops is therefore drawn to and requested in an effort to collect sufficient of this ammn for examination and testing.

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PEP TABLETS - USE OF BENZEDRINE.

Information received indicates that the Jap are using "refreshing tabs" either benzedrine or caffeine - in their medical kit.

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The Brisitsh Light Army in the Middle East tested the value of benzedine. Two squads each of 60 men were tested over a period of 55 hours, during which the men were not allowed to sleep. One squad received an initial dose of 10 milligrams and subsequent doses of 5 milligrams at intervals of 4½ hrs. The other squad was given tabs containing no benzedine, both squads were engaged in general tests including rifle shooting, trench digging, mental tests, community singing and a 7 mile march.

Benzedine removed most of the symptons of fatigue and a striking improvement in the physical effort required for marching was noted. No.1 Squad marched with a snap and zest, noticeably absent in No.2. Squad. No.1. squad won by 11 minutes, the entire gain being made on the last 3½ mls.

Results:-

(a) Benzedrine helped materially to kee; men awake after many hours without sleep
(b) Benzedrine removed most of the symptons of fatigue.
(c) Benzedrine did not increase thirst nor did it cause greater water consumption. It did however, give rise to a dry sensation or a metallic taste in the mouth. It produced no obivious disturbances of urinary excretion or sweating.

On conclusion of the test, two thirds of the Squad No.1. slept 5 hours or less beforeawakening. Two-thirds of Squad No.2. slept 13 hrs or more before awakening to catch the leave train. No complaints of sleepiness were received from Squad No.1.

Sleep after the use of benzedrine is lighter, but sleep itself is not prevented. There was no evidence of subsequent undue fatigue among the officers and men of Squad of No.1., when contacted later. Each man expressed the opinion that the tablets had removed the desire to sleep, as well as reducing or eliminating the sensation of fatigue. After the initial dose of 10 milligrams, a proportion of the men experienced a shaky feeling which however quickly passed off, and it is proable that the initial dose is larger than necessary.

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SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP

Unit Security Officer

Security reports from various areas and formations have indicated that in innumerable cases, the Unit Security Offr, usually the 2 i/c, has had at time of movement, battle or during training period, too many other duties to fulfill, with the result that security training has been unintentionally relegated to the background.

It is suggested that units evolve a system whereby the Security Offr be given authority to delegate the actual security duties and training to junior offrs, but that the unit's security still remain the responsibility of the appointed senior offr.

In this regard FS personnel are always on hand to assist and advise these Offrs.

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Franking

A check was recently made in a Bde Area within this DIV by an AIF Censorship Section during which 403 franked letters were examined. The OC reported that the censoring of the mail by the franking offrs was good. Numerous exfisions had already been made by the franking offrs which made it appear that the units concerned require more security training in order that the tps realise the necessity for refraining from mentioning censorable matter.
Franking Offrs can co-operate with the Unit Security Offr by advising him in general terms of the breeches made by his men and the USO should then attempt to correct these breaches by security education in lectures. Franking Offrs, however, must scrupulously avoid discussion of any private matter contained in the letters.

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CENSORSHIP

The "safe hand" method - Evasion of Unit Censorship.

Evasion of Unit Censorship has become prevalent in NEW GUINEA by the meth of handing letters and souvenirs to -

(a) Soldiers going on leave to the mainland.
(b) Aircraft crews
(c) Merchant seamen.

with a request that they either post them in a civilian post office or box or personnally deliver them to the addressees.

This particular "Safe Hand" method of evasion, as practised by individual troops, is obviously very difficult to detect. However the number of such letters eventually examined by Base Censorship gives some ideas of the extent of the practice, and also of its seriousness.

The peculiar danger of the personal delivery method is the fact that the soldier, confident his letter will be read only by the addressee is likely to disclose very vital information.

He is likely to be more circumspect if his letter is to be posted in a civilian post box, since he proably knows that this practice is not "fool proof".

However, the self evident dangers in both methods of evasion are accentuated when the communication is from forward areas.

Good and sympathetic franking and periodical informal talks which graphically paint the picture of "Bad Security", is the only answer to the "Safe Hand" method.

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Appendix "A".

CONSCRIPTION OF NON-JAPANESE NATIONALS FOR THE ARMY

FORMOSA

It was officially announced from TOKYO on 23 Sep, during a news service for home consumption, that conscription of Formosan subjects would come into effect during 1945, on the anniversary of JAPAN'S [illegible]mation of th island.

Previously in 1941, Formosans were graciously given permission to Volun for service in labour units such as the "TAKASAGO Volunteer Labour Cor, which presumably was recruited from the TAKASAGO tribe of Formosan aborigines and which subsequently served in PHILIPPINE IS and NEW GUI

The chief point of interest to us is that FORMOSA, with its population o 6,000,000 half of which are males, should be able to provide sufficient manpower for at least five divisions.

It may be significant that according to the "Official Gasette" of JAPAN dated Aug 41, FORMOSA has been divided into three districts namely:-

TAINAN TAIHOKU and KARENKO

These districts are subdivded into "Conscription Areas" as follows:-

District	Conscription Area
TAINAN	TAINAN PROVINCE
"	TAKAO "
"	HOKU "
TAIHOKU	TAIHOKU "
"	TAICHU "
"	SHINCHIKU "
KARENKO	KARENKO "
"	TAITO "

This organisation appears to be suitable as a basis for three depot divisions with eight regimental areas.

KOREA

In Feb 38 the Imperial Government issued an order permitting Koreans to serve voluntarily in the Japanese Army and later, on 9 May 42, conscription was introduced. It is reported that eligible Koreans were ca upon to register during 1942 for service as from 1943.

The "Official Gasette" referred to in paragraph 1 divides KOREA into tw districts only, as against FORMOSA'S three but the Korean districts incl a total of thirteen provinces.
It is difficult to estimate the number of potential divisions which coul be raised from KOREA, with its population of 24,000,000(1941) but no do a limiting factor would be the Japanese distrust of Koreans, who, gener speaking, are not pro-japanese; a large armed force of Koreans congregat in KOREA would constitute a permanent threat of revolt against the Japa opression and for this reason it is considered that Korean divisions are not likely to number more than four or so for many years to come.

B CLASS DIVISIONS: It is generally agreed that the Jap army includes bo A and B class divisions and at least one prisoner has stated that 20 Div was a B Class div and as such was brought to NEW GUINEA for road and aer drome construction purposes.
It is not improbable that all divs recruited from KOREA and FORMOSA woul be graded B Class, at least until such time as they had proved throughly trustworthy both as regards loyalty to the Emperor, and as efficient fighting troops.

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APPX B

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	LAT.		LONG.	
	Deg.	Min.	Deg.	Min.
SOLOMONS				
GIZO IS	8	04	156	49
POPORANG IS	7	05	155	55
NEW BRITIAN				
CAPE HOSKINS	5	26	150	33
NEW GUINEA				
AGO	6	41	147	09
BONGA	6	25	147	49
BUANG	7	05	146	50
DAUMONIA	5	40	145	50
KATIKA	6	28	147	52
KESAWAI I	5	42	145	38
KESAWAI II	5	44	145	40
KESAWAI III	5	46	145	39
KUMBARUM	5	50	145	49
MASANGKOO	6	26	147	44
PALANKO	6	27	147	45
SATELBURG	6	27	147	45
SONG RIVER	6	26	147	46
WAREO	6	24	147	45
ZAGAHEMI	6	18	147	37
NW SECTOR				
BABO	2	33	133	26
BIRA	2	08	132	09
FAK-FAK	2	56	132	18

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"Z E K E"
TYPE O Mk 1. SSF

N A V Y

Originally Manufactured by: Mitsubishi.

Also Manufactured by: Nakajima

Crew: One.

Engines: One Nakajima Sakae 12, 14 cyl., twin row, radial, rated approximately 955 hp at 14,000 ft.

Dimensions: Wing Span 39'4" Length 29'7" Height 9'6"

	Empty	Normal	Full Military Load
Weights:	3,790 lbs	----	6,050 - 6,400 lbs

Maximum Speed: 345 mph at 16,000 ft. (Maximum emergency).

Rate of Climb: 2,800 ft per minute.

Service Ceiling: 38,000 ft.

R A N G E

	Range in Statute Miles	Cruising Speed	Bombs (Max)	Fuel Imp. Gal.	Fuel US Gal
Max. Bombs	650	260	Sometimes	120	145
Normal	1250	170	carries small	120	145
Max. Fuel	1870	170	AA bombs or 2 x 60 kg. under wing.	200	241

Radio: W/T carried. Radio compass generally carried. Provisions made for R/T; usually not carried, but may be.

Armament: 2 x 20 mm cannon in wing (one each wing) outboard airscrew arc. Muzzle velocity 2000 ft per second; 2 x 7.7 mm. mgs. upper cowling firing through airscrew. Muzzle velocity 2400 ft per second.

Armour: Nil.

Ammunition: 60 rds. per 20 mm. cannon (may carry 100 rounds each). 600 rds. per 7.7 mm. mg.

Vulnerability: Tanks are not self-sealing. Structural weakness near the end of cockpit enclosure. Wing in one piece riveted to fuselage. Oxygen equipment carried.

Remarks: Models operating from land bases are approximately 5 miles per hour faster because of absence of arresting gear weight and drag. A ZEKE with a Model 21 engine installed is thought to be in operation. This, if true, would increase the speed approximately 15 mph.

Tactical Data: 7.7 mm. mgs. can be fired without cannon, but 20 mm. cannon must be fired in conjunction with 7.7 mm. mgs. This aircraft has a high rate of climb and is extremely manoeuvrable. It favors climbing tactics, but can dive at high speeds. Aircraft is lightly constructed, but strongly and well built. Ailerons are abnormally large and the rate of roll at low speeds is extremely high. However, the ailerons forces increase excessively with airspeed, and above 230 mph. indicated, the airplane is very difficult to roll. At speeds above 288 mph. it is almost impossible to manoeuvre the airplane laterally. At moderate to high speeds the rate of roll to the right is definitely lower than to the left due to relative control forces.

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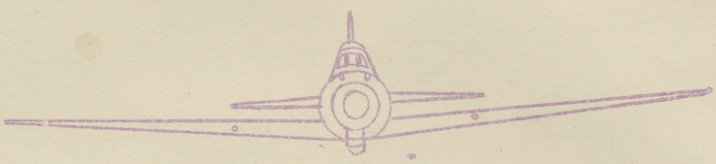

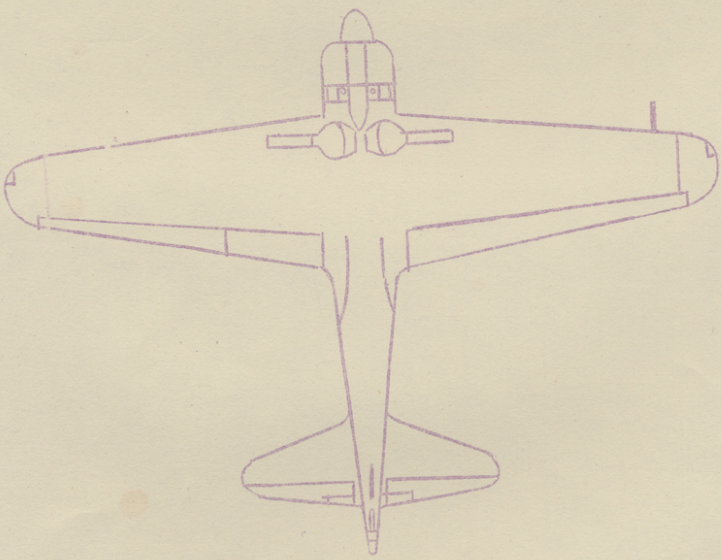

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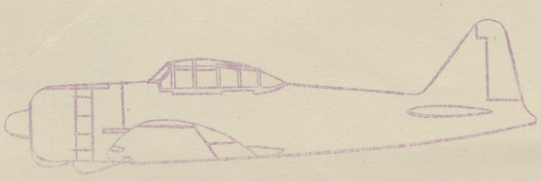

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TYPE 99.D/B

Originally manufactured by: Aichi

Also manufactured by:

Crew: Two

Engine: One Kinsei (Goldstar) 44, 14 cylinder, two-row, air-cooled radial, rated 990 horsepower at 13,000 ft.

Dimensions: Span, Span 47'7" Length 32'5" Height 13'0"

	Empty	Full military load	Max. fuel
Weights:	5,900 lbs	8,070 lbs	

Maximum Speed: 240 miles per hour at 13,000 ft.

Rate of Climb:

Service Ceiling: 26,000 ft.

R A N G E

	Range in Statute Miles	Cruising Speed	Bombs	Fuel Imp.Gal.	Fuel US Gal.
Max.Cruise	450	204	550 lbs	135	162
Normal	875	190	814 "	225	271
Extra Fuel	1035	190	550 "	260	313
Extra Fuel	1320	140	Nil	260	313

Radio: Two-way W/T

Armour: Nil

Armament: 2 x 7.7 mm machine-guns, top forward cowling synchronised through airscrew.
1 x 7.7 mm machine-gun, flexible, in rear cockpit.

Ammunition:

Vulnerability: Tanks are not self-sealing.

Remarks: Later model possibly has more powerful engine. A type 99 Mark 2 version of this aircraft is known to exist.

Tactical Data:

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TYPE 99 Mk 2 D/B

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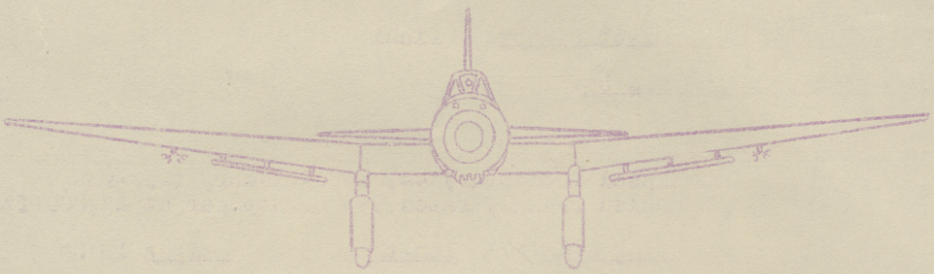

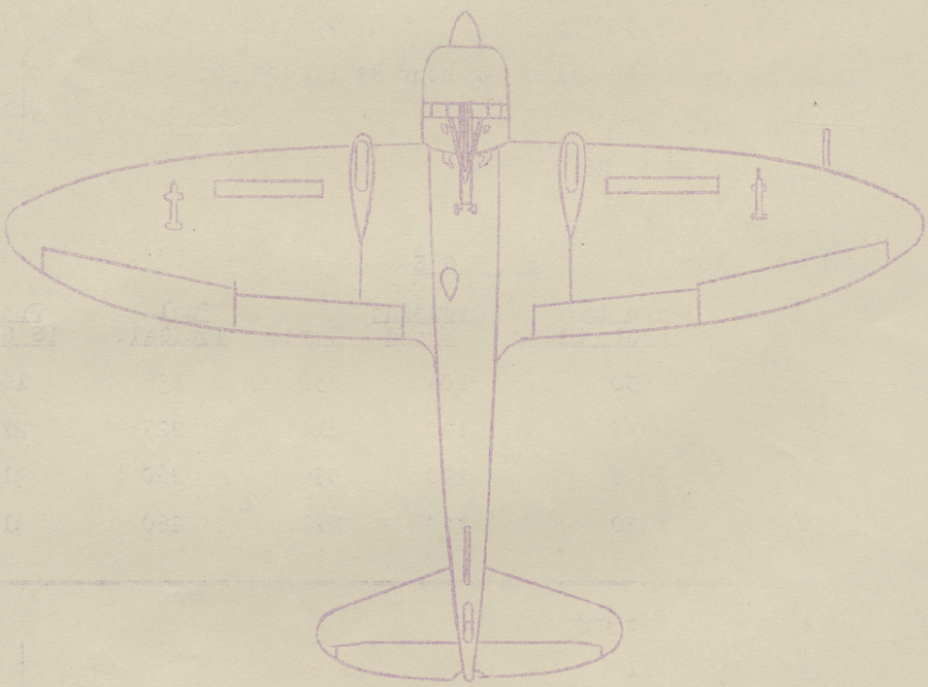

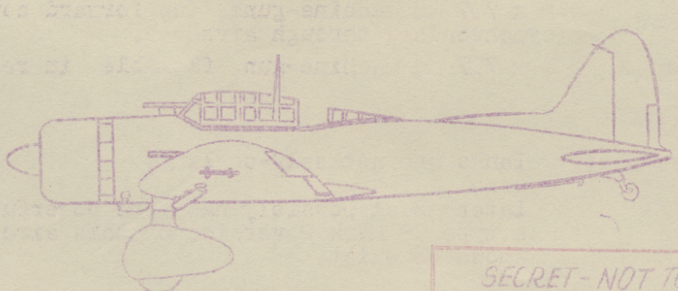

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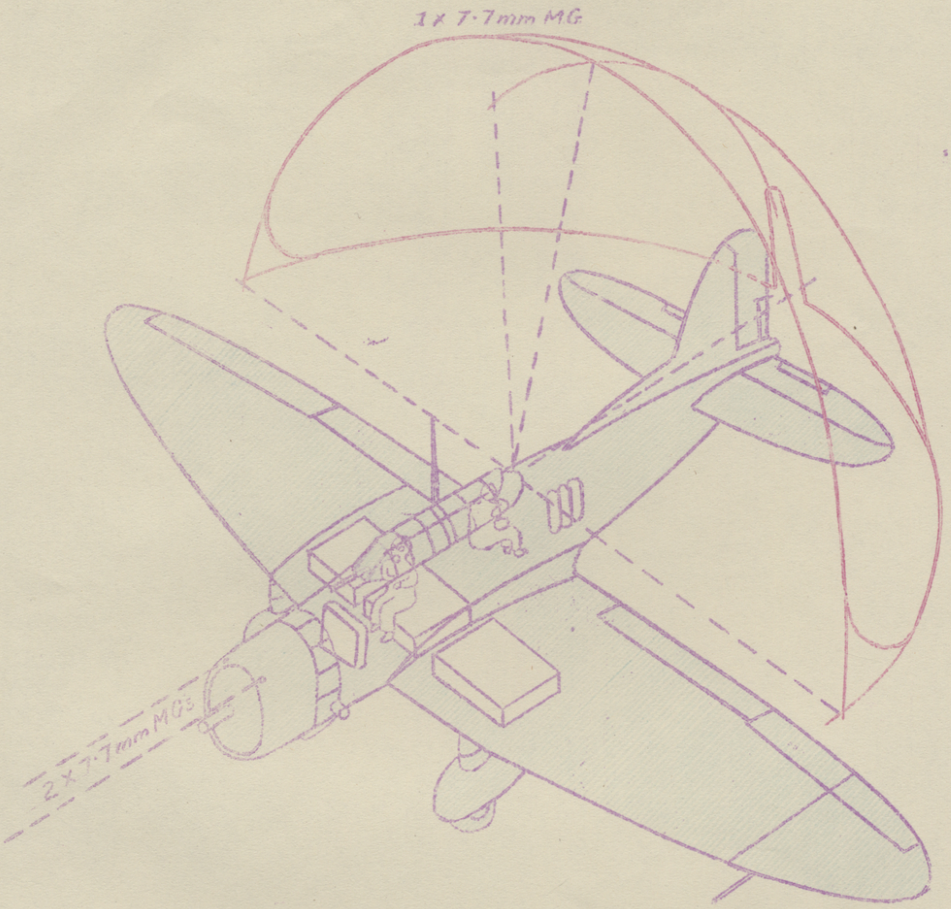

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NOTICES.

War Diary

Cricket Competition

(a) Results of matches played during week commencing 8 NOV 43 :

2/12 Fd Amb
V
Drummond Bty — Drummond won on a forfeit.

1/45 Bn A's
V
1/45 Bn B's — Outright win for A's (A's 1st innings, 9 for 2nd winnings 1 for 24. B's 1st innings all o 81, 2nd innings all out 118)

9 Inf Bde H
V
17 Bn A's — Outright win for 17 Bn A's (17 Bn 4 for 10 9 Bde 1st innings all out 81 2nd innings all o 19).

Fortress Sigs
V
8 Hy AA Bty — 1st innings win for 8 Hy AA Bty. (8 Hy AA Bt 1st innings all out 86. Sigs 1st innings all out 73)

Fortress Wkshops
V
57 Searchlights — Outright win for Searchlights (Searchlight 6 for 166. Wkshops 1st innings all out 53, 2nd innings all out 36.)

658 Lt AA Bty
V
17 Bn B's — 1st innings win for 17 Bn B's (1t Bn B's 1st innings all out 129, 2nd innings 4 for 100. AA Bty 1st innings all out 128.)

(b) Point Score as at 13 Nov 43 was as follows :-

Team	Games Played.	Points.	Team	Games Played	Point
1/45 Bn A's	7	46	17 Bn B's	7	28
17 Bn A's	6	42	57 AASL Bty	6	21
Drummond	6	42	1/45 Bn B's	6	20
63 AASL Bty	5	35	658 Lt AA	6	18
Bde H	6	32	Frt Sigs	6	14
8 Hy AA Bty	7	24	Frt Wkshops	7	7

(c) Roster of matches for week commencing 22 NOV 43 (all starting at 1330 hrs).

63 Searchlights
V
1/45 Bn A's — Mon 22 Nov at No 1 Showground.

Drummond Bty
V
17 Bn A's — Mon 22 Nov at Reid Pk Dapto.

2/12 Fd Amb
V
57 Searchlights — 2/12 Fd Amb will forfeit.

1/45 Bn B's
V
17 Bn B's — Mon 22 Nov at Warrawong.

9 Inf Bde HQ
V
658 Lt AA Bty — Mon 22 Nov at Coniston

Frt Sigs
V
Frt Wkshops — Mon 22 Nov at McCabe Pk.

8 Hy AA Bty - Bye.

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Sandshoes

1. Advice has been received from LHQ stating that, due to the acute rubber shortage, the sale of sandshoes by Amenities is to cease.

2. Even the embarkation issue of sandshoes has ceased for the same reason, and DADOS (Clothing) LHQ has advised that present stocks of sandshoes are very limited and that issues of these stocks are, for obvious reasons, made only to hospital ships and hospitals, and then only in special cases.

Liquor Supplies for Messes and Unit Canteens.

Commencing Mon 27 Sep 43, Messes and Unit Canteens drawing supplies ex our Issuing Point No 11, WOLLONGONG, will have the alternative of obtaining draught and bottled beer direct from the Brewery in addition to drawing stocks held on hand at the Issuing Point.

Beer drawn direct from the Brewery will be fresher than supplies drawn from stock at Issuing Points. Prices will be more favourable to Messes than for supplies drawn from Issuing Point stocks, and compare as follows :-

	By Direct Rail	Ex Issuing Point 11, W'gon
Ale	17.4 doz net	£1. 0.6 less 7½% - 19.0
Lager	18.1 " "	1. 1.5 less 7½% - 19.10
Stout	18.2 " "	1. 1.6 less 7½% - 19.11
1 x 5	1.13.8 ea net	1.19.11less 7½% - 1.16.11
1 x 9	2.16.5 " "	3. 7.2 less 7½% - 3. 2.2
1 x 10	3.2.7 " "	3.14.7 less 7½% - 3. 9.0
1 x 18	5. 7.3 " "	6. 7.7 less 7½% - 5.18.0

Prices for supplies ordered direct from the Brewery by Unit Canteens will be the same as ex Issuing Point stocks.

Messes or Unit Canteens desiring to obtain supplies direct from the Brewery will place requisitions for quantities they require with Issuing Point 11 Wollongong on Monday of each week. Goods requisitioned for will be paid for at the time the requisition is lodged, and the invoice will be issued to the Mess representative. The order to Brewery to supply the goods requisitioned for by the Mess or Unit Canteen will be issued to the Brewery by the Issuing Point, particulars of the order being telephoned to the Brewery on Monday afternoon with instructions to rail the goods addressed to the Mess by Goods Rail to Wollongong.

Direct supplies from the Brewery for Messes and Unit Canteens will arrive at Goods Rail Wollongong each Wednesday morning. It will be the responsibility of Messes and Unit Canteens to arrange to collect their orders ex Goods Rail Wollongong on the day it arrives there.

Footballs

In view of the fact that football bladders may NOT be obtainable next season, Unit Sports Offrs should ensure that every care is taken to preserve those now in stock. Likewise, football covers should be kept greased and stored away from damp.

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NOTICES.

Cricket Competition.

(a) Results of matches played during week commencing 1 Nov 43:-

63 Searchlights v 2/12 Aust Fd Amb) Searchlights won on a forfeit.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde v Drummond Bty) 1st innings win for Drummond (Drummond 1st innings 4 for 199. Bde 1st innings all out 114, 2nd innings 6 for 43).

Fortress Sigs v 1/45 Aust Inf Bn A's) 1st innings win for 1/45 Bn(1/45 Bn 4 for 167. Sigs all out 74).

Fortress Wkshops v 17 Aust Inf Bn A's) Outright win for 17 Bn (17 Bn 1st innings 6 for 186. Wkshops 1st innings all out 13, 2nd innings all out 25)

658 Lt AA Bty v 8 Hy AA Bty) 1st innings win for 8 Hy AA Bty(8 Hy AA Bty 8 for 183. 658 Lt AA Bty all out 154).

17 Aust Inf Bn B's v 57 Aust AASL) 1st innings win for 17 Bn B's (17 Bn 1st innings all out 150. Searchlight 1st innings all out 148.)

(b) Roster of matches for week commencing 15 Nov 43 (all starti at 1330 hrs):-

63 AASL v Drummond Bty at McCabe Park, Mon 15th Nov.

2/12 Fd Amb v 17 Bn A's - 2/12 Amb will forfeit.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn B's v 8 Hy AA Bty at No.1. Showgrou Wollongong, Mon 15th Nov 43.

HQ 9 Bde v 57 AASL at Reid Park, Dapto, Mon 15 Nov 43.

Fortress Sigs v 17 Bn B's at Coniston, Mon 15th Nov 43.

Fortress Wkshops v 658 LT AA Bty at Warrawong, Mon 15t

1/45 Aust Inf Bn A's - Bye.

(c) It is to be regretted that on occassions a team has arrived late at the appointed ground. Whilst it is not yet consider necessary to introduce a penalty for this breach, the questi of doing so is under review by the Adjudication Committee.

(d) Any Unit requiring sporting equipment is requested to communicate by telephone with Amenities Branch, HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF). HQ Second Aust Army now insists that all F59's for sporting gear must show the balance of Regtl. Funds in hand as well as the strength of the Unit.

(e) Units will be advised as soon as bathing trunks and costume are available.

(f) The only sandshoes at the present obtainable are in sizes other than 7's and 8's - Price 6/4.

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War Diary

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SECRET

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 33

(Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 9 NOV 1943)

1. This summary is issued for distribution down to coys or equivalents of 9 Aust Inf Bde.

2.a. Infm marked "SECRET" will be regarded by offrs as such, and WILL NOT be communicated to any non-commissioned rank, other than key pers such as Int pers.

b. Infm marked CONFIDENTIAL will be passed on to all ranks at the same time warning them each time that infm is "CONFIDENTIAL" & will not be talked about to other than Army pers.

c. "GENERAL" infm will be passed on freely to all ranks.

3. Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde directs that coy comd (or equivalent) will ensure that infm under headings "CONFIDENTIAL" and "GENERAL" is conveyed to all ranks and that a short controlled discussion is held concerning same.

4. Map of SWPA, issued to coys (or equivalent) is to be used in conjunction herewith. The latitude and longitude of place names which are not well known are given in the summary, to enable easy identification.

5. Queries will be referred to unit int secs who will supply answers as promptly as possible.

(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

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1. (a) LOCATIONS (of Units under comd as at 0900/10 NOV43)

HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG	884420
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	KIAMA	782373
254 Aust LAD (AIF)	WOLLONGONG	848502
9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	848502
det 1 Aust Div Postal Unit	"	848502

(b) TRG. (based on infm received up to 1200/5 Nov 43)

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

De-wiring, MT maintenance, educational lectures Vis trg.

254 Aust LAD (AIF)

Routine Duties.

9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

Morse practice, weapon trg, MT and sig eqpt maintenance and de-wiring.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

De-wiring beaches.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn

De-wiring beaches, gas lecture, educational films and lectures.

2. OPERATIONS (Based on infm received at HQ Second Aust Army up to 1800/ 1 Nov 43) SECRET.

GENERAL

Estimates of enemy strength in NEW GUINEA have been revised and show a considerable increase in the HUON PENINSULA Area.

Enemy shipping sightings along the coasts of NEW BRITAIN point to greater activity than previously observed.

In the SOLOMONS, the Allies have landed on TREASURY ISLAND, and CHOISEUL ISLAND. (A late report announces an Allied landing on BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND on 1 Nov .)

ENEMY STRENGTHS

Enemy strength in the SIO - SATTELBERG areas is estimated between 8,000 and 9,700 troops after reported killed have been deducted. With reinforcement probably continuing the figure may be higher.

Estimates dated 27 Oct, assess enemy air strength in the SWPA at 717 A/C - the lowest figure since May last.

PROGRESS OF OPS

In the SIKI RIVER Area the enemy has been forced to yield ground but there are signs that he is digging in. In the SATTELBERG Area Allied patrols are probing for enemy positions. The enemy dropped supplies to his troops in the SATTELBERG "forward area", notwithstanding the manpower he apparently has available to move supplies from coastal supply points.

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Enemy sea activity around NEW BRITAIN has increased significantly. It appears that both stores and personnel have been moved to reinforce Western NEW BRITAIN and quite possibly such movements include reinforcements for the enemy HUON Coast forces across the VITIAZ STRAIT.

Allied landings on TREASURY ISLAND and CHOISEUL ISLAND and then on BOUGAINVILLE represent two steps forward of respectively some 60 and 75 miles, and places Allied troops within approximately 45 miles of the main Jap base at BUIN FAISI (BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND).

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7. ENEMY ARMS & EQUIPMENT.

1. JAP A/C

The ninth of a series of appendices containing infm on enemy A/C is att as an appx, the plane being the Hap type 96 Mk IV MB "NELL".

2. JAP 75mm MOBILE A/A GUN TYPE 88

The following information has been extracted from a captured Japanese document :

1. Characteristics of Gun

(a) General

Muzzle velocity	2360 feet per second.
Increase of muzzle velocity for each 1° rise in temperature	: 2 ft 9½ ins
Increase of muzzle velocity for each 1% decrease in weight of projectile :	4 ft 7 ins.
Maximum altitude	: 29,000 ft
Maximum ground range	: 15,100 yds
Rate of fire	: 20 rounds per minute.
Maximum fuze setting	: 30 seconds.

(b) Barrel

Calibre	: 75 mm (2.95 ins)
Overall length (Muzzle to breech)	: 10ft 10.4 ins
Rifling (uniform RIGHT hand twist decreasing towards the muzzle)	: Angle of inclination 7°
Weight of barrel (with breech)	: 1063 lbs

(c) Gun Carriage

Width of track (space between tyre centres)	: 5 ft 4 ins

Height of axle above ground (in firing position)	: 5 ft 1 in.
Weight of gun cradle	: 522½ lbs
Weight of gun carriage, slide and base	: 3728 lbs
Elevation	: 0° to 85°
Traverse	: 360°
Normal amount of recoil Firing angle 0° to 50° firing angle 50° - 85°	: 4'7" - 1'11½" : 1'11½"

(d) Recoil and Counter Recoil Mechanism

Type of Liquid	: Anti-freeze, light lubricating oil
Amount of Liquid	: 6.7 pints
Normal initial pressure of air chamber	: 209.5 lbs - 220.5 lbs

(e) Laying Gear

Smallest graduation of: horizontal scale	10 mils (1/640th of circumference)
Smallest graduation of : fanshaped scale	(firing angle : 17.778 mils (1°)) (Elevation : 100 metres (328'3"))
Smallest graduation of : telescope mounting	(Horizontal : 2 mils 1/3200th of circumference (Vertical : 2 mils 1/3200th of circumference)).
Smallest graduation of: clinometer	1.111 mils(1/16 of degree)

Photographs of the gun are attached as Appendix "A". Further particulars of this gun appear in recently issued "JAPANESE EQUIPMENT".

3. JAP TYPE 89 GRENADE DISCHARGER BOMB HE

The following data has been extracted from a report ona firing test conducted with the type "89" Grenade Discharger. The full report will be published at a later date.

(i) Condition of Test

Ammunition	: Type "89" grenade discharger bombs.
Elevation	: 45° determined by clinometer and maintained by sand bag rest.
Range	: Maximum
Wind	: Varying from rear, approx 10 mph but NOT at constant angle.
Aiming	: Sight fixed on barrel of discharger

(ii) Accuracy and Maximum range

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Round	Range (Yards)	Deflection from line RIGHT	LEFT	Time of Flight (Seconds)
1	708	25 yds		13
2	670	22 yds		12½
3	770	5 yds		13¾
4	677	28 yds		13

Average range : 707 yds

Beaten Zone : 100 x 23 yards (erratic influence of wind a factor)

(iii) Fragmentation

Owing to lack of suitable facilities and shortage of ammunition it was NOT possible to obtain a complete indication of fragmentation effect.

Holes made in ground varied from 3 to 6 inches in depth, by 12 inches in diameter. Ground was reasonably hard and dry.

Fragments were of a jagged nature, of sizes ranging from 3 x 2 inches down to less than ½ inch square.

A few remained in or near the holes but the greater number appeared to rise high in the air in a parabolic curve, pieces being found 60 yards distant.

The blast effect extended over a radius of about 4 feet around point of burst.

It is considered that the casualty effect probably would be NOT great and the effective radius of the bomb rather limited.

See also "JAPANESE EQUIPMENT" page 13
9 Aust Inf Bde Int Summary No 1 Page 16.
Supplement to Second Aust Army Review No.50.

SECURITY

Relations between OWN and AMERICAN troops

Prior to the entry of JAPAN into the war and still under the shadow of the heroic but tragic withdrawal from DUNKIRK with its tremendous losses of men and vital war equipment, AMERICA was a non-belligerent, but was helping us with every material assistance in her power. War equipment of every type was flowing from AMERICA to our far flung fronts, GREAT BRITAIN, the MIDDLE EAST, our Pacific possessions and CHINA, helping the democratic peoples of the world to stave off the evil forces which were attempting to dominate our ideals and way of living.

The Nazi-Russian Non-Agression Pact was suddenly broken by treachery and sorely needed war materials of every description were diverted to a new battle front.

The Japanese, seeing that we had our hands full in other fields, overwhelmed our forces by surprise and sheer weight of well trained fanatical soldiers and mass produced equipment, bringing the war to our very doorstep.

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Bloated with initial victories in MANCHUKUO and CHINA, suddenly by an Act of premeditated treachery, JAPAN brought AMERICA into the war.

PEARL HARBOUR was attacked on 7 Dec 41, and devastated, a powerful section of the American Pacific Fleet was destroyed in less than an hour, 2,343 offrs and men killed, 1,272 wounded and 960 were missing. Eight battle ships were seriously damaged, three cruisers, two destroyers, a seaplane tender and repair ship were damaged. An air force of 80 Navy and 97 Air planes were destroyed before they could get into the air. From behind palls of heavy smoke, ack ack guns blazed atplanesthey couldn'tsee, their crews died firing their guns to the last. This act immediately brought AMERICA into the war as an open belligerent.

Convoys of ships miraculously appeared in our ports shortly after these happenings, laden with troops and equipment so sorely needed. American planes were seen in our sky, Did this not give us a big uplift and time must not allow us to forget thesehappenings. We had been strained almost to breaking point by so many a hard fought month of reverses. This was indeed a great relief and the beginning of our offensive.

Amongst our forces there is room only for friendship, gratitude and co-operation. We are out to defeat our common enemy in the minimum of time. We cannot allow petty grievances to lower our esprit de corps. If the "Sons of Nippon" can help us to fall out, they will keep on doing so and they will be able to rub their filthy hands with glee and feel satisfaction knowing that their stupid childlike propaganda has caused dissension in the Allied Camp.

Officers and NCO's should promote comradeship and co-operation between our own and American forces. Encouragement and appreciation are very human emotions and, as many noble Americans have given their lives for our mutual ideals, are they not worthy of praise? Camaraderie is renowned among fighting men, let us have it at all times.

AUSTRALIA has NOT been ravished and this is due to a large extent to the assistance rendered by AMERICA.

Anti-American chatter should be checked at every opportunity and subversive elements which have NO place in the structure of our Army should be instantly dealt with in no uncertain manner.

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Importance of Identifications.

(a) If anyone should ask what is the object of risking men's lives for the sake of gaining identifications, the final offensive which broke through to TUNIS should provide the answer for all time. The selection of the point for the mainthrust was based largely on our knowledge -

(i) That two battalions opposing us here were weak and not of the first quality;

(ii) That the main TUNIS road was on inter-divisional boundary, and

(iii) Thatthe immediate reserves had just been transferred to another part of the front.

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The casualties saved to our forces by this knowledge, which was gained entirely by identifications and by familiarity with German units, cannot be overestimated.

(b) Information concerning forthcoming operations was withheld from the men until two days before D day. Our projects were less liable to leak out through indiscreet talking (for there were few people outside their own ranks with whom Guardsmen could converse) than through intelligent observation of our movements by the enemy, and information taken to him by Arab spies. Vast harbours of dummy tanks were devised to mislead the enemy, and divisions were concentrated for an assault as far back as possible. The success of these measures may be judged from the fact that after our break-through by two infantry divisions, followed by two armoured divisions, on a front of 4,000 yards, the enemy admitted that he had expected the blow to fall several miles to the South.

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GENERAL

Rocket HE AT M6 A1

The following information was obtained while visiting a US Army demonstration shoot of M6 A1 Rocket fired from a Launcher Rocket 2.36 ML. The US Army could not supply details of the Rocket and the undermentioned remarks are taken only from observation and may vary slightly from printed details when obtainable.

General.

This Rocket is designed to damage or penetrate the armour of hostile AFV. It is fired from a "BAZOOKA" or Launcher, which is a tube open at each end. At the back of the Launcher a spring clip engages in notches in the tail fins of the Rocket when loaded for firing. Approximately in the middle of the Launcher is a wooden stock and in this are two dry cell batteries, one for firing and one spare. The stock is held against the shoulder when firing. Forward of the stock is the trigger and trigger guard. The trigger, when squeezed, completes the circuit. The rear sight is an aperture and the front has three fixed blades for 100, 200 and 300 yards. For the Rocket to function it is necessary to hit the vehicle, therfore the range is limited. The most effective range is up to 100 yards.

Description

The overall length of the Rocket is 21.5 inches and the diameter is 2.36 inches. It comprises of two main portions :

(i) The body and cap
(ii) The fuze and tail assembly.

(a) Body and Cap

The body is a metal bell-shaped container, the mouth of which is fitted with a cone-shaped liner, which forms a hollow in the HE filling. Indented to the mouth of the body is a Ballistic Cap of high CRH. The dome of the body is bored and screwthreaded to receive the fuze and tail portion. The filling is TNT.

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(b) Fuze and Tail

The fuze is built into the tail portion being separated from the propellant by a solid block or pressure plate. The fuze is bored to receive the graze pellet, creep spring, detonator holder, magazine and magazine holder. The fuze is of the impact action type. The safety arrangements consist of a safety pin and a creep spring. The safety pin is removed prior to loading.

The pellet with needle embedded is in a recess in the base of the fuze. The detonator holder, which is bored centrally, is screwed into position after the creep spring has been placed over the needle. The detonator is placed in the recess of the detonator holder. A disc is then placed over the detonator and holder. The fuze magazine holder and magazine filling are then screwed into the fuze body.

The remainder of the tail portion is bored to make a chamber for the propellant.

The six fins are fixed to the collar which screws onto the tail portion. The two wires, used for ignition, are attached to the fins. The collar is bored and tapers to a small hole, in which the ignitor is fitted.

Action

On firing, the acceleration of the Rocket causes the pellet to "set-back". During flight there is a tendency for the pellet to creep forward owing to deceleration of the rocket due to air resistance, but such movement is prevented by the creep spring. On impact the pellet overcomes the creep spring and impinges the detonator.

Note :

The cup-shaped recess in the Rocket filling is designed to focus or concentrate the detonation on impact to give a punching effect. The propellant and ignitor composition are not known at present and information cannot be obtained.

Packing

The Rockets are painted Olive Drab with the following stencilled on the body :

ROCKET HE AT M6 A1.
LOT G1 1-14A 3-43

The Rockets are in fibre containers, M87, and are packed in a wooden package. Gross weight is 127.5 lbs.

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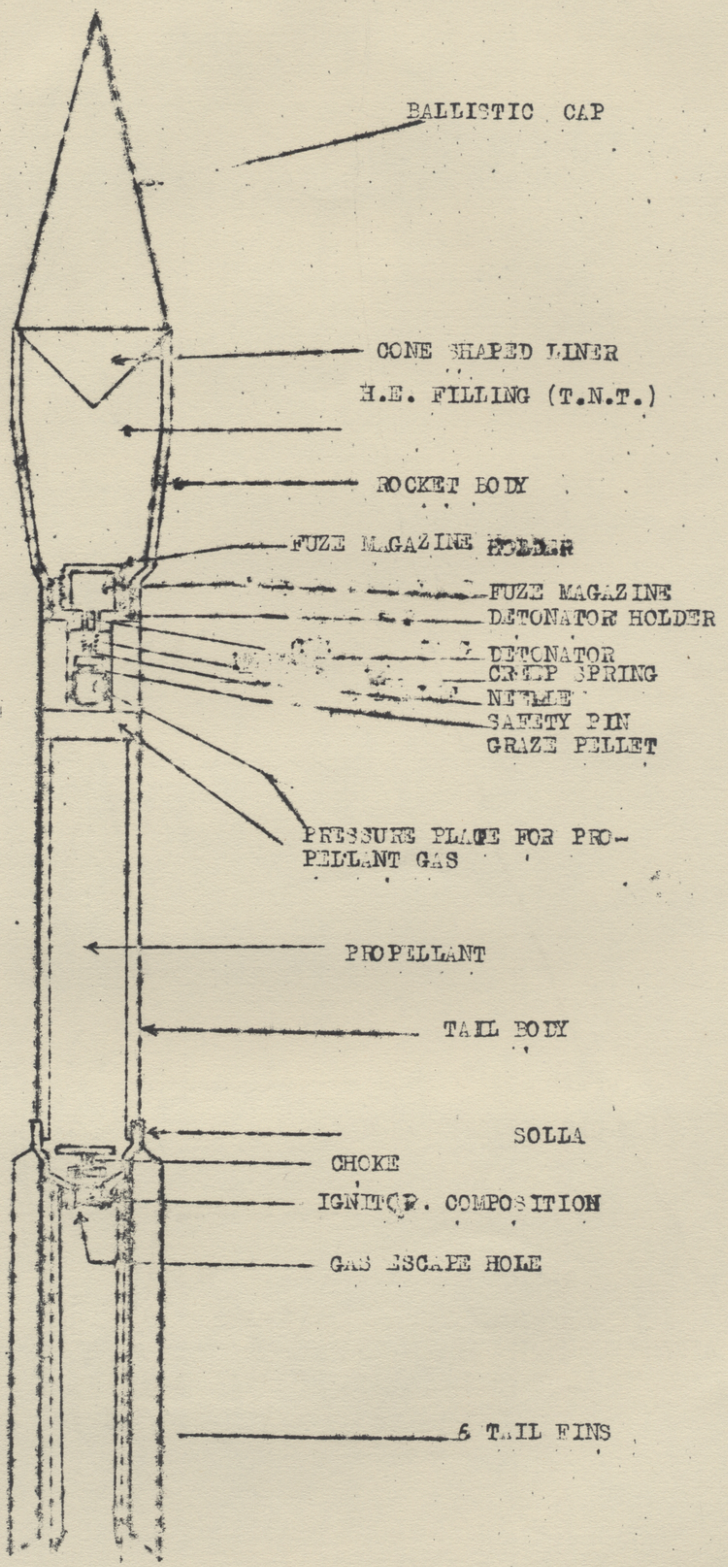
ROCKET H.E. A.T. M6 A1.



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SECRET Not to be
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"N E L L"

Type 96 MK 1V M/B

ARMY AND NAVY

Originally Manufactured by: Mitsubishi

Also manufactured by: Nakajima

Crew: Four to seven

Engines: 2 Mitsubishi, 14 cylinder, twin-row air-cooled radials developing 1000 hp each at 10,000

Dimensions: Wing Span 82'0" Length 54'0" Height 12'6"

	Empty	Normal	Full Military Load
Weights:	10,610 lbs	17,150 lbs	20,396 lbs

Maximum Speed: 230 miles per hour at 10,000 ft.

Rate of Climb:

Service Ceiling: 27,000 ft.

RANGE

	Range in Statute Miles	Cruising Speed	Bombs (Max)	Fuel Imp Gal	Fuel US Gal
Max Bombs	1000	190	2200	490	590
Normal	1700	180	1000	780	940
Max Fuel	2700	160	nil	1155	1392

Radio: Two-way W/T and radio compass. May use R/T.

Armour: Nil

Armament: 2 x 7.7 mm machine-guns fixed forward from nose
1 x 7.7 mm or 1 x 20 mm cannon in dorsal position (one out of every three carries the cannon in this position)
1 x 7.7 mm in each side blister
1 x 7.7 mm machine-gun in belly
1 x 7.7 mm machine-gun in tail

Ammunition: 300 rounds each for 7.7 mm machine-guns
60 rounds for 20 mm cannon

Vulnerability: No self-sealing tanks

Remarks: May be used as a torpedo bomber. Would carry 1 x 1760 lb torpedo in place of 2200 lb bombs

Tactical Data:

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TYPE 96 M/B

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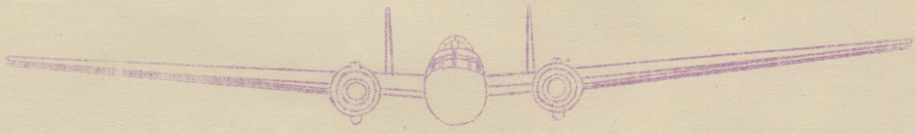

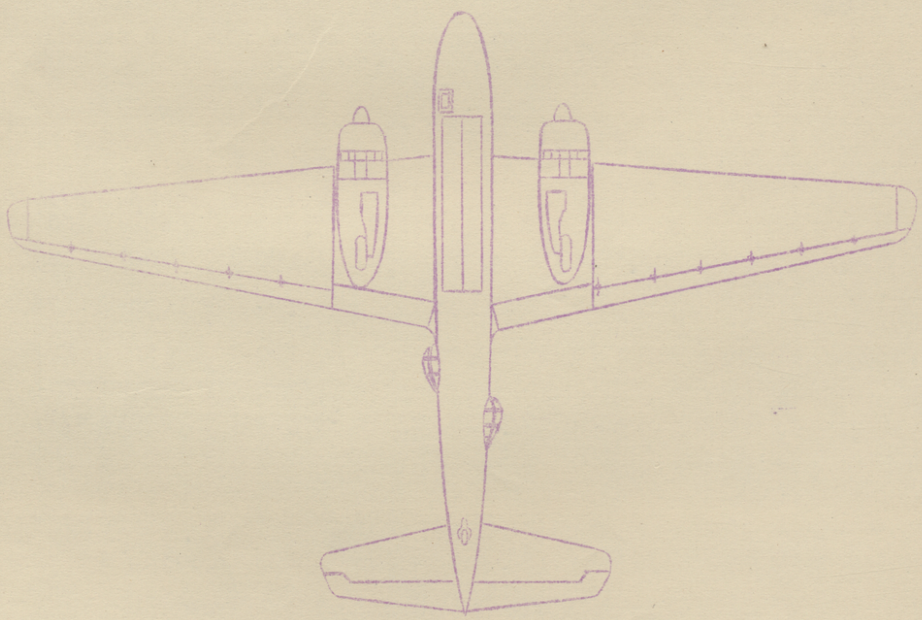

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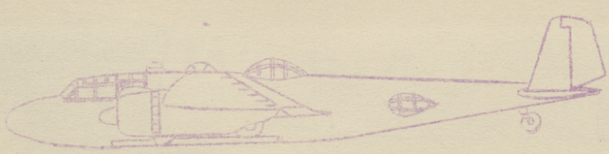

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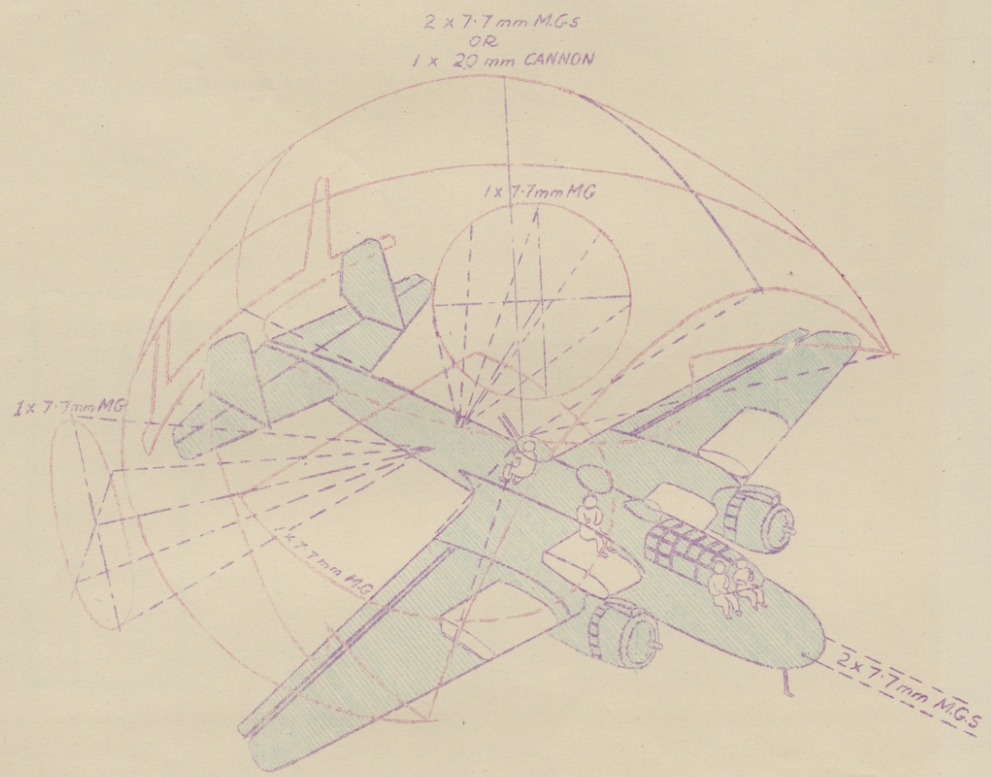

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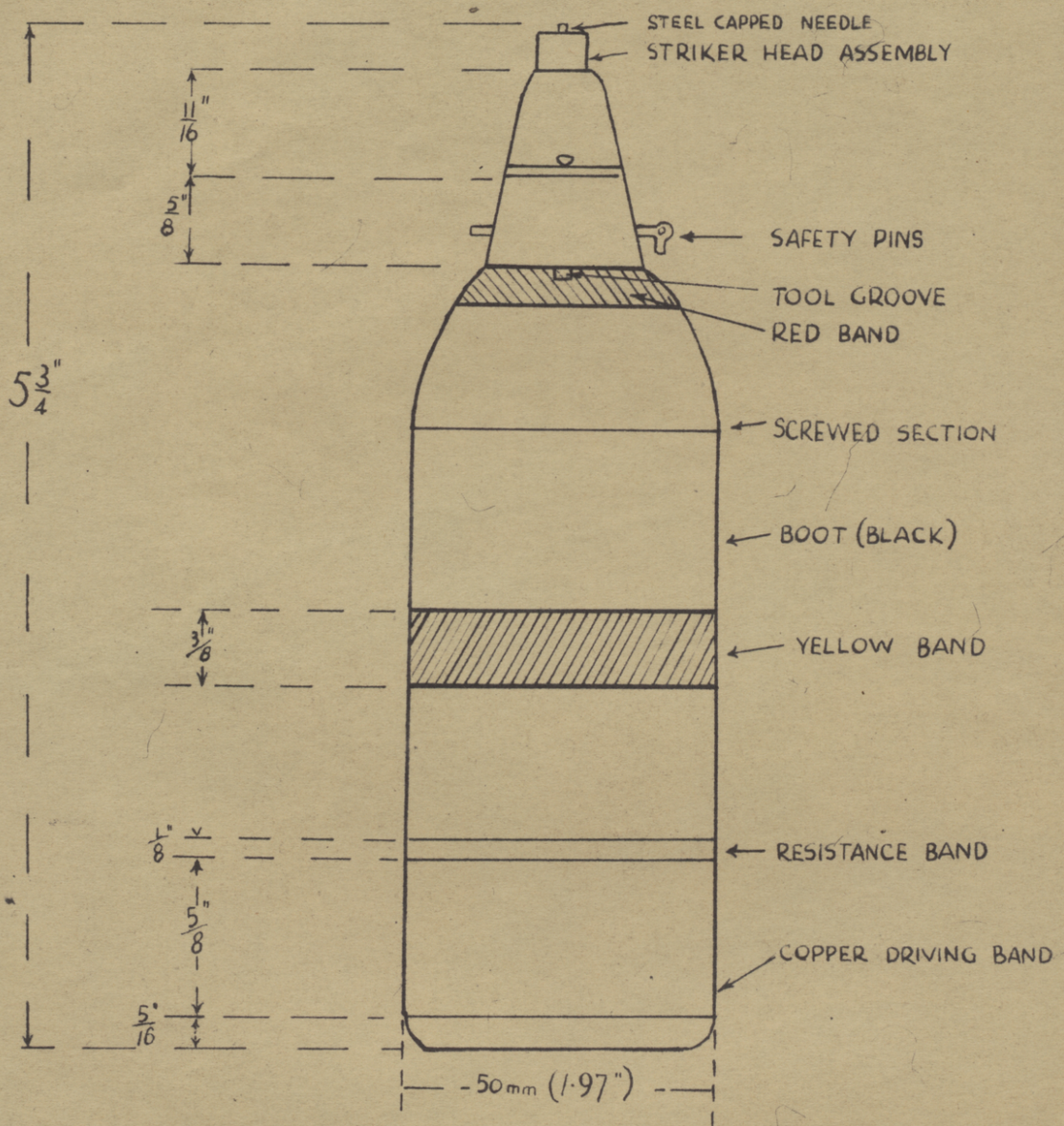

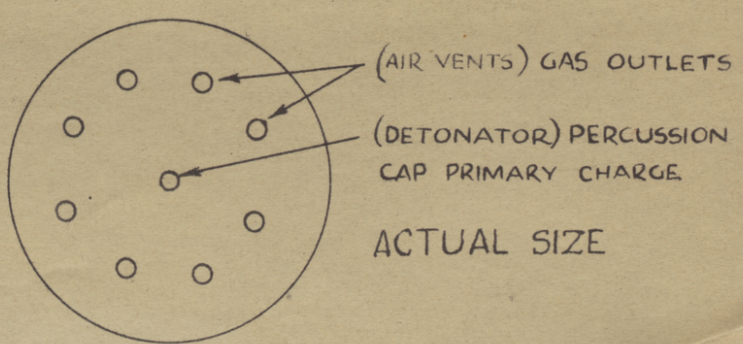

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JAPANESE 75MM MOBILE A/A GUN

TYPE 88

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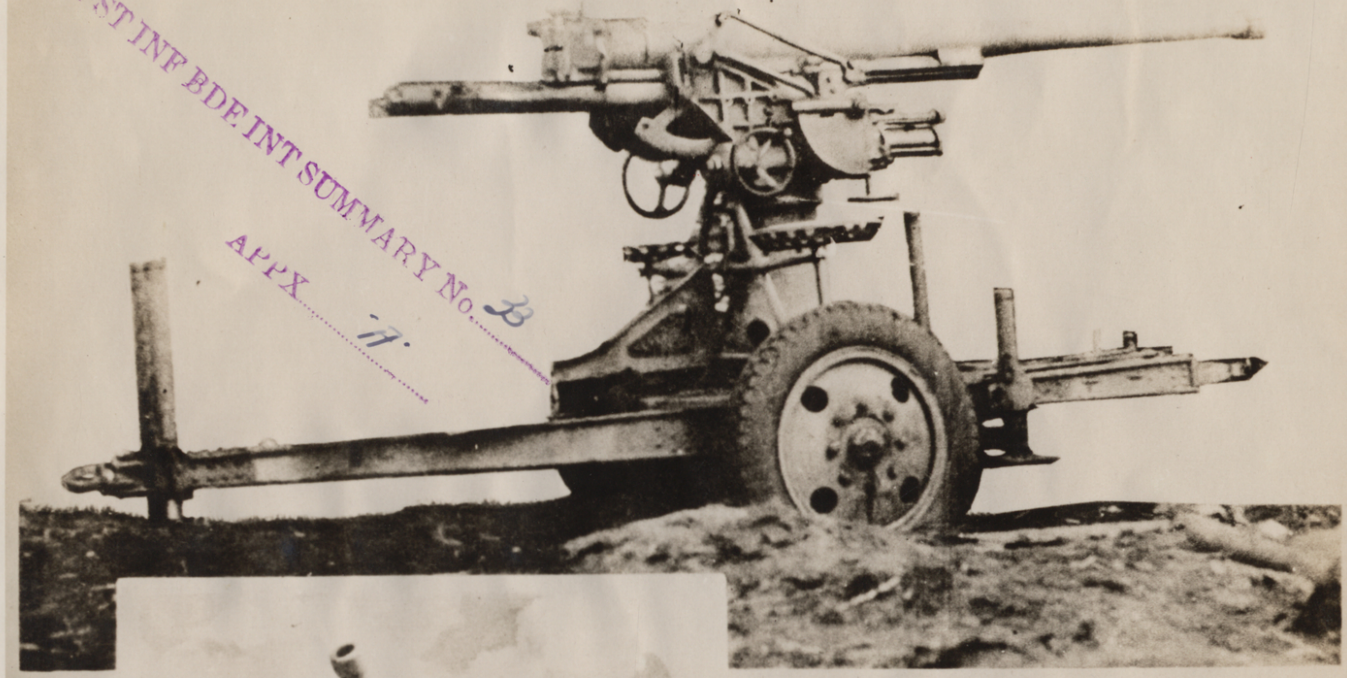

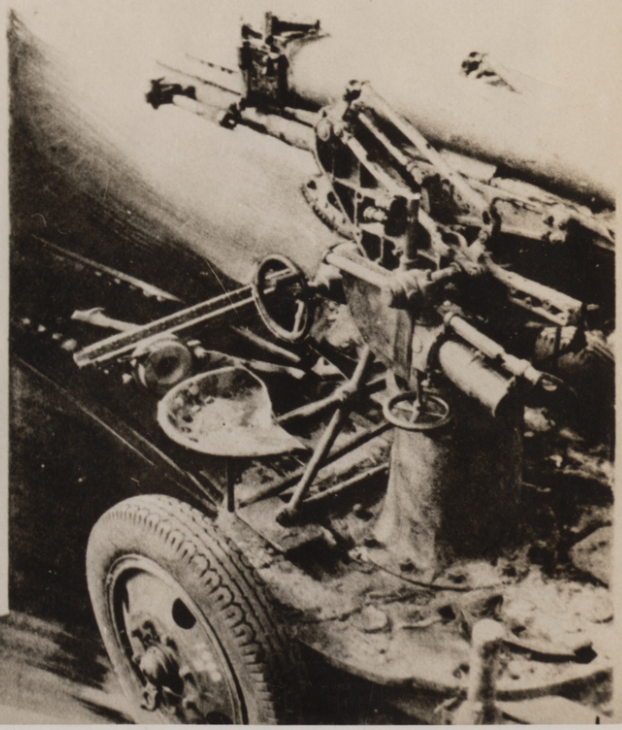

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

Part 1. Serial No.61.
Nos. 413 - 419.

by

Lt-Col F. HOSKING

ADM COMD HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(A
Australia.

9 Aust Inf Bde. 11 Nov 43.

GENERAL STAFF.

413. SCHOOLS.

Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School - Seymour

No.67 Course MR & FS Wing 19 Sep - 16 Oct

Qual. - NX129087 Cpl. RICHARDS R.L. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF

Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School - Seymour.

NX111447 S/Sjt. HARMEY E.W. 17 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) Q.
NX126224 Sjt. O'SULLIVAN D.J. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q.

414. LHQ SCHOOLS - SELECTION OF STUDENTS.

Students are being returned from LHQ Schools because they have not possession of the qualifications set out in the Joining Instructions for the course concerned. In a recent Course the proportion of such students was so high that LHQ cancelled the course concerned and transferred the students to a more elementary Course.

Units will ensure that students nominated by them to attend Schools and Courses have all the qualifications required by the Joining Instructions for the Course.

415. 1 AUST DIV TRG SCHOOL

1 Aust Div Trg School has been reopened for Special A & Q Wings in conjunction with Second Aust Army Jnr Tactical Scho and is located at STUDLEY PARK - NARELLAN NSW.

The official Postal address will be:-

A and Q Wings
Second Aust Army Jnr Tactical School
STUDLEY PARK
NARELLAN
NSW.

Administration.

416. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following Routine Orders have been issued for infm and necessary action.

G.Os 101 - 107

417. CONSERVATION OF COAL.

Coal is required for the generation of 80% of Australia's electricity supply, so that every light burning unnecessarily results in a wastage of coal. It is the duty of all ranks to switch off all lights which are not actually inuse for some specific purpose. Orderly Offrs and NCOs should maintain a constant vigil against the unnecessary use of electric light.

418. PREVENTION OF FIRES.

Attention is directed to the necessity for increased fire precautions during the summer months.

COs of Units will ensure that:-

(a) All grass and undergrowth in the vicinity of camp areas is kept cut.
(b) Fire Orders are read to all ranks once a week and that they are understood.
(c) Fire fighting equipment is sufficient and maintained in good order.
(d) Fire picquets are regularly practised in their duties.
(e) Troops are trained and organised to combat bush fires in accordance with GRO A630 of 4 Dec 42.
(f) A copy of Standing Orders for Fire Service, Aust, together with amendments, is in their possession.

Second Aust Army Routine Orders Q.3./43 and Q.55/43 are here cancelled.

(To be republished in Unit ROs)

419. REMITTANCES FROM MEMBERS

1. The attention of all ranks is drawn to the arrangements which exist for a member to send a remittance of cash or undrawn pay to any person resident in Australia or to another member (wherever serving).

2. These arrangements provide that remittances may be made through Army channels by members who are serving in localities where money orders or banking facilities for remittances are not available with reasonable convenience.

3. Remittances through Army channels are effected by the member completing a remittance form (WF 131 or WF 131a) and handing the form to the pay sergeant or paymaster, together with the cash (in the case of a remittance of cash) or the member's paybook(for entry of the debit in the case of a remittance of undrawn pay).

4. A member sending a remittance should take particular care to see that full details are clearly and legibly set out on the remittance form. This applies especially to the name and address of the person to whom the remittance is to be sent.

5. The member will ensure that he obtains a receipt from the pay sergeant or paymaster for any cash handed over.

(To be republished in Unit ROs)

R.N.Williams

(R.N.WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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ADM COMD
9 AUST INF BDE

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)
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21 Nov 43.

GENERAL STAFF

420. SCHOOLS

LHQ School of Arty Tk A - PUCKAPUNYAL
No.2. Course for NCOs of RAA, INF MOTOR and CAV Units 30 Aug - 1 Oct.

NX 122767 Cpl. Martin L.I. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn 9.

ADMINISTRATION

421. ROUTINE ORDERS

The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for infm and necessary action.

GROs	750 - 764
SAA ROs	363 - 371
1 Aust Div ROs	526 - 538

422. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

1. The following Court Martial result is promulgated for information.

2. A soldier was tried by DCM at Canterbury on 18 Oct 43 on a charge of stealing property belinging to a person subject to Military Law, namely a wallet, the property of a comrade. The Court found the accused guilty of the charge and sentenced him to be imprisoned with hard labour for three months. The finding and sentence have been duly confirmed and the sentence will be served in a civil gaol.

3. The above paragraph is to be republished in Unit ROs and the attention of tps is to be drawn to the seriousness of this type of offence.

423. FLANNELLETTE CLEANING 4 x 2

1. Allpersonnel equipped with rifles will be issued with flannelette cleaning 4 x 2 before proceeding on movt.

2. This will overcome difficulties experienced in maintaining rifles in first class order during movt of tps, as reported by Draft Conducting Officers.

424. LIBRARY BOOKS

The attached list of books is missing from the Educational Library. Units and all tps are requested to make every endeavour to locate the books and return to Orderly Rooms when

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424 LIBRARY BOOKS contd

they will be collected by the Bde Educational Serjeant.

Lt Williams

for {R.N.WILLIAMS} Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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NOTICES.

AAES :- BOOKS TO BE COLLECTED.

No.	Name	Author	Value
32D 5	Tanks Advance	Beckles G	7/6
32D 11	My England	Shanks E	8/6
32D 12	This is the life	Wisberg & Waters	10/6
32D 13	My Life	J. Batten	8/6
32D 16	Deadline	Lazarett P	8/6
32D 26	Bulletin Book of Humorous Recitations		1/3
32D 28	Steadfast	Murdoch W.	5/-
32D 30	Grim Glory	Mant G	2/-
32D 31	Sanity Island	Alington A	8/6
32D 40	Hang my wreath	Mason Van W	7/6
14J 3	Future of the Nations	Carr E.H.	1/9
14J 7	Bright Pavilions	Walpole H	4/-
14J 19	In search of England	Norton H.V.	14/6
14J 27	In Russia Now	Cetrine W	5/9
14J 28	Free and Easy Land	Clune F	3/6
14J 34	Gerald: A Portrait	Daphne du Maurier	5/9
15J 1	Concerning You and Me	McRae C	4/6
15J 11	White Peacock	Lawrence D.H.	4/6
15J 13	Memories & Portraits	Stevenson R.L.	3/6
15J 14	Night Flight	St. Exupery	-
15J 17	Failure of a Mission	Henderson N	3/6
15J 33	I bought a Mountain	Firbank T.	9/6
15J 34	Majic Bow	Komrott M	11/6
15J 3	Why Freedom Matters	Angell N	10/-
14J 14	All Hands	Tomlinson H.M	7/6
14J 9	New Decalogue of Science	Wiggam E	6/-
14J 24	Heroes of the Fighting RAF	Gubble L.R.	6/6

Cricket Competition.

(a) Owing to the condition of the wickets and to the inclemancy of the weather during the week commencing 15 Nov 43 matches scheduled for that week were postponed until week commencin 22 Nov 43.

(b) Matches listed for Mon 22 Nov will thus be played on Mon 29 Nov. Roster of such games was issued on 14 Nov 43.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 34

(Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 24 Nov 43)

1. This summary is issued for distribution down to coys or equivalents of 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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5. Queries will be referred to unit int secs who will supply answers as promptly as possible.

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(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

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1. (a) LOCATIONS (of units under comd as at 0900/23 Nov 43).

HQ 1/17 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG	884420
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	KIAMA	782373
HQ 254 Aust LAD (AIF)	WOLLONGONG	848502
9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	848502
Det 1 Aust Div Postal Unit	"	848502

(b) ETC (based on infm received up to 1200/20 Nov 43).

H.Q. 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

M.T. maintenance, educational lectures and routine duties.

254 Aust L.A.D. (AIF)

Servicing of 17 Aust Inf Bn vehs.

9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

Two day W/T and cable exercise in MINAMURRA Area, Morse Morse practice, MT and sig eqpt maintenance.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Beach de-wiring, MT and carr maintenance, educational lectures and routine duties.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

Beach de-wiring, educational lectures, MT and carr maintenance, discussions on SWPA.

2. OPS (Based on infm received at HQ Second Aust Army up to 1800/15 Nov 43).

General.

Both the enemy and our own land activity in NEW GUINEA and on BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND for the past week, have consisted largely of patrolling and probing for infm.

The enemy is making a strong effort to build up A/C strength in the NEW BRITAIN - NEW IRELAND Area.

Enemy Strengths.

Movement of tps eastwards from MADANG is thought to be continuing.

Enemy fighter A/C strength is being built up again (particularly in the RABAUL Area) and estimates of enemy strength have risen in the week by 41 A/C to a total of 812 A/C in the SWPA on 12 Nov.

In the light of the losses (reported by Adv LHQ) for the week ended 12 Nov totalling some 307 A/C (excl probables), the Jap appears to be extending himself to protect this area where he is so heavily committed. These losses would incl A/C from Jap carriers and ships.

Progress of Ops.

In the FINSCHHAFEN - SATELBERG Area there have been a few patrol clashes but both sides appear to be probing for location of defensive posns and watching traffic along the L of C. Opportunity targets have been engaged by our arty.

In the RAMU VALLEY, the enemy has made his first air raid on our fwd fighter strip possibly with the intention of denying us fighter cover for our A/C operating in the MADANG - WEWAK Area.

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Allied air raids on ALEXISHAFEN would set back any enemy plans being developed in this area.

On BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND no enemy drive has yet been developed against our bridgehead at TORAKINA.

Enemy shipping movements in the RABAUL Area continue on what is probably a larger scale than necessary for normal supply, even allowing for the arrival of additional forces.

Small ships and barges only have been reported from the BOUGAINVILLE Area where a total of 113 barges were sighted on one day. No doubt, barges sighted at BUIN are used for traffic to CHOISEUL ISLAND. Many barges would also be in hideouts around the coast for use in the L of C for the (estimated) 30,000 Japs on BOUGAINVILLE and CHOISEUL ISLANDS.

4. ENEMY TACTICS METHODS AND HABITS.

Attached as Appendix A is a summary of infm gathered relating to Jap Raiding Parties.

Electrically Charged Wire Entanglements.

Among entries in an undated captured document was a ref to "Notes on electrically charged wire entanglements 1000, 2000 volts". From the disjointed entries it would seem that the Japs have experimented to some extent with this form of def, and may, at some future date, employ charged lines in the field.

Technically, the idea is sound in regard to rear installations, and may even be an effective counter against wire cutting and harassing patrols - however its use against a large scale offensive is not practicable because it can be easily neutralized by shorting the circuit of power.

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Use of Barrage Balloons SWPA.

During the Allied raidon RABAUL 23 Oct, 2 barrage balloons were over by destroyers in SIMPSON HARBOUR. This is the second report of barrage balloons in this theatre of war.

At least 1 barrage balloon over each motor vessel was sighted by attacking Allied A/C on 2 Sep in WEWAK HARBOUR.

Photos taken of these balloons revealed that they were land based and NOT ship borne. The altitudes of the balloons were estimated at from 500 to 1000 feet.

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ENEMY WAR EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS.

A discussion on an illustration of armament on Jap Barges is attached as Appendix B.

16. SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP.

SECURITY.

A FIELD SECURITY SECTION AIRBORNE - OPERATIONS AT NADZAB, LAE AND MARKHAM AND RAMU VALLEYS.

The innovation of transporting FS pers by air has great possibilities, particularly in ensuring the safe and speedy delivery of important captured documents and eqpt.

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One FS det was flown to TSILI TSILI and from there marched with a Bn 50 miles overland to NADZAB / irstrip. Six sacks of enemy documents were collected there, and a FS NCO proceeded by plane to PORT MORESBY where these documents were handed over

A further Det was flown to NADZAB and searched the plantation Areas, bringing in, inter alia, a Japanese W/T set complete.

At a later stage in the ops, a FS det was flown from NADZAB to KAIAPIT, and from both KAIAPIT and WANKON pers were flown back to NADZAB with captured enemy documents. The NCO from WANKON was back on the following day - this journey normally takes approx seven days overland.

Captured Enemy Documents.

Identifications obtained from enemy dead, together with documents found in enemy huts at NARAKAPOR, were taken to an interpreter at Brigade. A note, written by a wounded Japanese officer, was translated within four hours of its capture - an instance of the speed with which such documents were handled.

Units co-operated whole-heartedly in the search for documents and eqpt buried by the enemy, and tps made good use of the space for name and address on identification labels supplied. One result of this co-operation was the finding of an enemy op order which supplied vital infm regarding the evacuation of LAE.

As all jeeps were being used to evacuate the wounded, FS pers on one occasion carried three sacks of captured documents a distance of five miles to Bde HQ.

Material.

AA guns and amn, found to be intact, were reported to Bde HQ and large quantities of medical sups, discovered in hide-outs, were reported to ADMS.

Prisoners of War.

FS pers captured four of the enemy, and throughout the ops, acted as escort for other prisoners taken.

Operations in RAMU VALLEY Area.

During the adv to GUSAP RIVER, WANKON and along the RAMU, villages were searched and documents found returned to Bde.

An FS NCO attached to one Bn, brought back to Bde-a PW, a large sack of captured documents and a complete enemy W/T set. Transport for the return of prisoners, documents and eqpt to Div was made available through the co-operation of the AASC ration train and Signals.

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LOOSE TALK.

A recently captured enemy document discloses that an Allied PW stated during an interrogation by the Japanese:-

> "Two or three weeks ago, I heard the Medical Colonel of a Hospital in Northern Australia tell a patient that it appeared as if the "X" Division were in BUNA".

Here is a direct example of how the infm disclosed in careless talk by a senior, did in fact reach the enemy.

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ENEMY COUNTER ESPIONAGE METHODS.

The following extract from a document captured in the SOLOMONS discloses the extent to which even comparatively small Jap units (eg A/A units) go, when issuing security instructions:-

"19 Fd A/A Unit Counter Espionage Measures.

1. Station guards and keep vigilant watch at each position.

2. Concerning 5th Columnists raids and infiltration, watch with special care and endeavour to secure infm from natives of infiltration from enemy subs, by parachute, or by air transportation, etc.

3. Keep strict watch over activities of neutral and particularly Axis nationals, as well as those of hostile Chinese.

4. Give guidance to the natives, mainly to [illegible] maintain friendliness towards us, and do not fail to take precautions against activities of native enemy sympathisers.

5. At each locality when enemy propoganda leaflets are spread by air, watch for any minute change in condition and keep rumours strictly under control.

6. Under prescribed staff supervision, the burning of [illegible], original stencils and waste paper should be carried out without fail. These materials should not, under any circumstances, be scattered about and lost."

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DESTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS IN EMERGENCIES.

B Echelon Area of a fwd unit was recently over-run by the Japanese. Later, when this area was recaptured by our forces, FS Opers assisted patrols to recover documents which had not been destroyed when our withdrawal was effected.

Several documents recovered concerned previous ops in NEW GUINEA, and distribution lists were an indication of our OOB in the Area.

Unit files should be regularly checked to eliminate documents of no further operational value. If this practice is followed, the few documents retained may be speedily destroyed in any emergency.

Translation of a captured Japanese document disclosed that an Australian Major's diary, operation orders etc captured by the Japanese, contained the following information:-

"The enemy which attacked BOBDUBI was an Australian Inf Bn (specified). Its aim was to occupy the high hill of BOBDUBI, and so control the KOMIATUM Road. The organization of the Bn is four Inf Coys, some trench mortar TAI, and some MG TAI. The same Bn is attached to the 15th Bde (which is attached to the 3rd Div). There is one independent coy in the HOTE Area, and No 4 Coy of the 24th Inf Bn is at KOMIATUM. After gathering at MISSIM, that Bn will open an attack at BOBDUBI. During the attack comm in open spaces is by signal shots (fired from trench mortars)."

Another captured enemy document discloses that a pamphlet found on the body of another Australian offr contained, inter alia, notes on the Allied methods of enciphering map refs.

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Appendix A.

1. A study of Jap tactics in NEW GUINEA points to his greater use of raiding parties.

The organisation of these parties varies according to the task allotted, but by their very nature, they have many points in common. Details of organisation are attached.

2. Records show that the following type of raiding parties have been raided from time to time.

Raiding Parties	For raiding into Enemy Territory.
Hand to hand assault parties.	For penetrating enemy's front line by direct assault.
Special fire point assault parties.	For attacking and neutralizing fortified positions, such as pill-boxes.
Close combat parties	A suicidal squad to protect some definite objective to the last man, such as a withdrawel.
Demolition(or obstacle) parties	For removing of obstacles, such as wire entanglements or demolition of artillery.
Tank fighting parties	For direct assault of tanks.

Frequent reference in Jap Manuals to "Special Assault Trg" makes it evident that Jap tps are given appropriate basic and special trg to carry out the above tasks.

3. The forms in which we have actually met such parties in NEW GUINEA include:-

Assaults to destroy our artillery at SANANANDA and LAKE SALUS Areas.

Attempted demolition of ammunition dump at LAKE SALUS Area and supply dumps in the BUNA Area.

Raids on Allied food dumps by Jap parties sent out with little or no rations. (NOTE:- The Japs are quite aware how badly Allied food dumps are normally guarded.)

4. Trg of Jap personnel is upon similar lines to our "Commando" trg. Preparation prior to movement includes study of objective, and location of targets by flash spotting and range finding. A big point is the "secret" approach after "route" study, and continual recce.

FLYING COLUMNS

5. The Jap BETSUDOTAI - a "Detached Force" or "FLYING COLUMN" is a Unit which has no direct connection with the Main Force and which operates independently and is therefore detailed with special duties.

It may comprise Inf, Cav, AFV's, Med Arty, Sigs etc for the purpose of attacks at some considerable distance from the Main Force in order to disrupt or delay enemy L of C etc.

6. The Japs realise that selection of the right type of Comd, courage and endurance in the men, and suitable equipment, amn, explosives, rations and money are important factors. In fact, their literature stresses that these matters are essential to success.

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7. Terrain would normally limit the field of ops for a BETSUD OTAI but it is reasonable to assume that the BETSUDOTAI could be organised to operate in much the same way as the Allied party commanded by Brig. WINGATE did in BURMA recently. Points in Jap teachings are set out in the following paragraphs.

8. Duties of the Flying Column.

(a) To threaten the enemy flanks and rear.

(b) To harass and disrupt enemy rear communications by destroying roads, railway bridges etc.

(c) To occupy important and advanced positions prior to the movement of the Main Force.

(d) To carry out surprise attacks in and on unexpected localities.

(e) Ambush

(f) To assist the Main Force when it is in a dangerous position.

(g) To carry out special reconnaissances and raids.

9. The Advance.

The Flying Column receives an op instn. The Comd is responsible to create the plan, to accomplish its tasks (including route, adm details etc) and will pass his plans to his subordinate commanders so far as consistent with secrecy to enable proper in[illegible]n of the men.

Surprise may be achieved by:-

(a) Spreading of false rumours.
(b) Leaving one place openly and arriving at the next secretly.
(c) Forced marches.
(d) Avoiding superior forces and taking advantage of inferior forces.
(e) Making use of infm from local inhabitants or agents.

On the march, avoid roads, and travel by night whenever possible and particularly when nearing the enemy.

While billeting avoid thickly inhabited areas and use isolated houses or groups of houses. Picket the billeting area and cut off the inhabitants line of communications.

In the case of any enemy attack resist only long enough to cut off the engagement and successfully withdraw.

10. Action.

The Flying Column may rely on.

(a) A surprise attack.
(b) An ambush.

In case the attack fails, an assembly point must be prearranged.

11. For Raiding.

(a) Take advantage of times when the enemy may relax precautions, eg. - in darkness, storm, fog, at meal times, or when exhausted.

(b) Take advantage of terrain - eg defiles, steep tracks forests.

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(c) Avoid enemy outposts, patrols or sentries or capture them without firing.

(d) If discovered before reaching the objective, push home the attack with allowing the enemy time to prepare to resist. If, however his preparations are already made, withdraw and plan another assault at leisure.

12. For an ambush

(a) Take advantage of any relaxation in enemy precautions and of difficult terrain.

(b) Reconnoitre enemy's line of advance and expected time of arrival at ambush position.

(c) Positions chosen must allow enemy no time to meet the attack. The positions should be on the flank of the enemy's line of march.

(d) [illegible] and perfect battle procedure is essential [illegible]

(e) A large number of sentries and partols may give away the position to the enemy andit is therefore advisable that the comd carry out his own observations.

(f) Enemy scouts should be allowed to pass, so that a sudden assault can be made on the amin body.

13. Decoy

One Unit may be detailed to decoy the enemy towards our main body. As soon as the main body appears, the decoy tps will charge to the attack.

14. Destruction of L of C

The main objectives will be railways, telegraph lines, bridges and storehouses. To destroy these objectives, demolition parties are divided into working tps and covering tps. The covering tps provide protection on the quarter which attack is expected while the working tps swiftly carry out their demolition work. As soon as a demolition party has completed its tasks it will withdraw, preferably in a direction different from its line of advance.

Railway trains may conveniently be stopped by firing a few rounds of shellfire into the locomotive. In the absence of artillery, destroy the track or place heavy objects on the rails.

In destroying railways, ops must be so timed that the enemy has no time to make a recce before the arrival of the train.

When attacking lines of Communication on waterways, a high point on the bank or a curve of the river should first be taken and any escort troops be driven off so leaving the barges to be dealt with by the Demolition Party.
(Condensed from Jap Tactics Bulletins Nos 1 and 2)

The similarity of the points in Jap teaching on this subject to [illegible] is obvious

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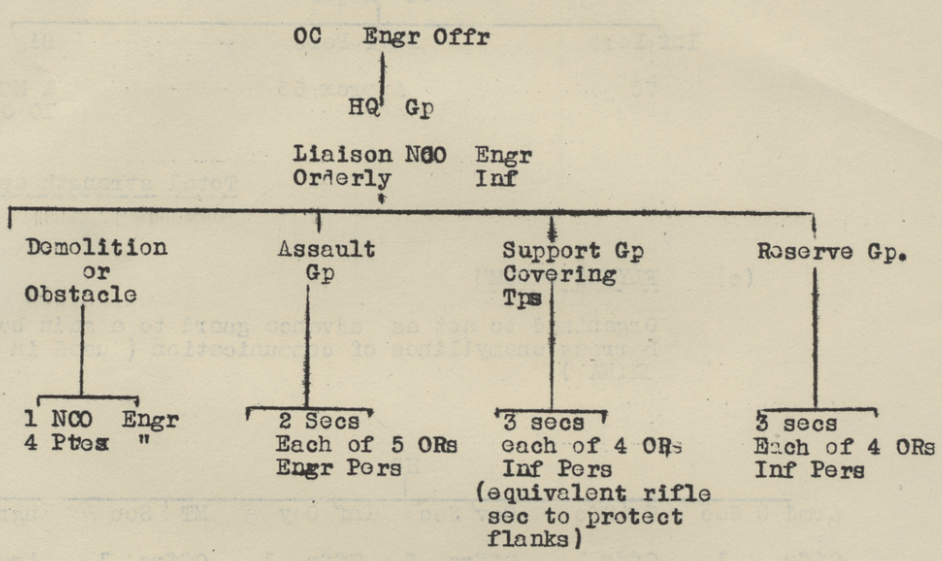
ORGANISATION OF JAP RAIDING PARTIES

(a) RAIDING (DEMOLITION) PARTY

Organised to destroy 4 Allied guns.



Strength:-		
Offr:		1
ORs:	Engr	17
	Inf	25
	Total	43

Equipment:

For demolition - For one artillery piece.
- (i) Hand Grenades - three tied together
- (ii) Armour rupturing bombs 2
- (iii) Explosives - 2 or 3 (ignition tube & slow burning fuze included).
- (iv) Matches or a lighter(moisture proof arrangement necessary)
- (v) Pick or hammer
- (vi) Smoke Candles
- (vii) KESSOKU (Hand Grenade type 91)

Personnel - Ammunition will be according to regulation but it is preferable that the men be lightly equipped. It is necessary that each man carries three or more hand grenades.

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(b) RAIDING PARTY

Organised to destroy artillery ammn dump - LAKE SALUS area.

OC Major

Inf Pers	Engr Pers	Sig Sec
75	Approx 65	1 NCo 10 ORs

Total strength approx 150

(c) FLYING COLUMN

Organised to act as advance guard to a main body or to harrass enemy lines of communication (used in ops in CHINA)

HQ

Armd C Sec	Tk Sec	Cav Sec	Inf Coy	MT Sec	Engr Sec
Offr 1 ORs 25 4 Armd C 1 MC	Offr 1 ORs 30 3 tks 1 MC (not always included)	Offrs 5 ORs 165 4 tps Cav	Offr 3 ORs 189 3 Pls Inf	Offrs 1 ORs 30 15 Cars	Strength not known

Signals and Medical Secs
Strength not known.

APPENDIX B

CRITICISM AS THE RESULT OF JAP ARMS INSPECTION. EXTRACT FROM CAPTURED JAP DOCUMENT.

The following extracts point to the troubles experienced by the Japs in New Guinea and the personal element involved in the care of eqpt.

"Previously, at the time of the WAU operations, an inspection of coy arms was carried out. Due to their marked deterioration attention was called to the care and maintenance thereof aswell as to the inspection of their functions so that there would be no reason for regret when used in an emergency. Recently, there was a severe warning from the regtl comd in regard to the maintenance and care of arms and ammo. I, Coy Comd, at the time earnestly requested the staff and all to give serious consideration to the respect and care of their arms in order that the wishes of the authorities would be observed.

However, when the present inspection of Coy arms carried out to see to what extent this had been complied with, it was found that although an effort had been made, the desired standard has not been attained. This is really regretable. This is evidence that the staff and subordinates are lacking in seriousness and slackening in morale, and that it requires increased attention. Do everything throughly, fired by an enthusiasm for correctness Make a positive effort.

The points which were found unsatisfactory as a result of the inspection were pointed out in detail at the time. However, they will be summarized here and used for future reference:-

1. Generally speaking, the cleaning is rough and the consideration given to the smaller details is not thorough. It has beenproved that the correct method for cleaning cannot be complied with if cleaning tools are not used. The parts which are impossible to clean without cleaning tools are the important parts. The life and efficiency of the arms really depend upon the care given to these parts. For this reason, the inspecting officers pay special attention to these parts.

2. Care and Points of Defect of the Following.

(i) Model 30 Bayonet.

(a) The care of the blade and the bayonet spring stud is generally bad.

(b) Loose bayonet spring studs must be repaired.

(ii) Model 38 Inf Rifle.

(a) Bolt (there are some which have become rusty, especially the inner parts of the bolt such a the main spring and catch spring.)
(b) Insufficient care of the rear sight.
(c) Improper care of the chamber(especially the
(d) Few pay proper attention to the magazine plate spring.
(e) Only a few give proper care tothe sling.
(f) The muzzle and cleaning rods are in general satisfactorily cared for.

(iii) LMG

(a) The function of all pieces is good.
(b) Care is generally good, but pieces which have been brought in contact with salt water have not yet been taken care of properly. They must be taken down and cleaned throughly every day.

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(In the future another inspection will be carried out).

(c) Insufficient care of supplementary articles (especially the arm bag and the magazine bag).

(d) There are a number of items which require individual repair.

(e) In the tropics, the gas cylinder lock should be taken down only to the extent deemed necessary.

(iv) Heavy Grenade Thrower

(a) Functioning and care is generally good, but in most instances the care of spare parts and supplementary articles is unsatisfactory.
(b) Care given the interior of the arm bag is unsatisfactory.
(c) Care given the arm is good.

(v) Arm

(a) Care given to all types of arm is generally good.
(b) Paper boxes which were repaired to keep out dampness and dust were satisfactory.
(c) Old paper boxes if not inspected periodically, will at times expose contents to rust. (After inspecting and cleaning, they should again be made airtight)

(vi) Leather Eqpt.

(a) Care given is generally good, but there are many items which require individual repair.
(b) The proverb ("a stitch in time saves nine") gives a complete explanation.

(vii) Glasses (T.N. Field Glasses)

(a) The efficiency has in general deteriorated.
(b) It is important that great care be taken to place them where they will avoid extreme heat.
(c) It is important that they do not get wet.
(d) If they become wet they should be wiped(dried) immediately.

3. In the tropics, if care is not given to arms, rust will form on the steel, the leather will rot, and glasses will become cloudy. It requires special attention.

4. Patients entering hospitals will carry their arms with them, but the arms belonging to the KIA (sick) are being held in custody by the coy (squad). The care given them is entirely satisfactory. The arms belonging to patients confined to beds should also be given proper consideration.

The results of the inspection given above are not satisfactory as yet. Arms are particularly valuable in view of the present state, when we stand face to face with the enemy to guard the foremost front line of the Great East ASIA War. No matter how much we anticipate victory in one blow, nothing can be done without weapons in good condition. The soldiers of the past considered the sword the soul, and the horse the treasure. In keeping with this spirit, while on the battlefield always give loving care and respect to arms and be expectant of success in carrying the responsibility of this burden.

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APPENDIX 'A'
I AUST DIV WEEKLY
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
NO.100.

'T O N Y'

Type 3, SCF

A R M Y

Originally Manufactured by: Kawasaki.

Crew: One.

Engines: One Kawasaki Type Two 12 cylinder liquid cooled, 60° "V" type fuel injection engine.

Dimensions: Wing Span 38' Length 27' Height

Maximum Speed: 355 m.p.h. at 15,000'.

Rate of Climb: 3,000' per minute.

Service Ceiling: 36,000 '.

RANGE

	Range in Statute Miles	Cruising Speed	Bombs (Max.)	Fuel Imp.Gal.	Fuel U.S.Gal.
Maximum Bombs			1000 lbs.		
Normal					
Max Fuel					

Radio: W/T and R/T.

Armour: 10.3 mm. armour plate behind pilot.

Armament: 2 x 12.7 mm. mgs. synchronised.
2 x 7.7 mm. mgs. fixed, one in each wing, with alternative 20 mm. cannons possible.

Ammunition: 350 rds. for each 12.7 mm. mg.
500 rds. for each 7.7 mm. mg.

Remarks: Fuel tanks are ineffective self-sealing type. Two large wing racks suitable for carrying either jettisonable fuel tanks or bombs, are located outside the airscrew arc.

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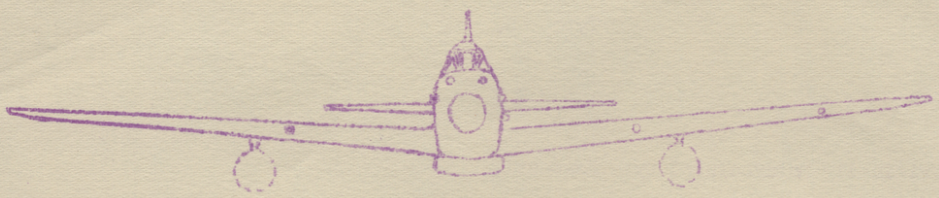

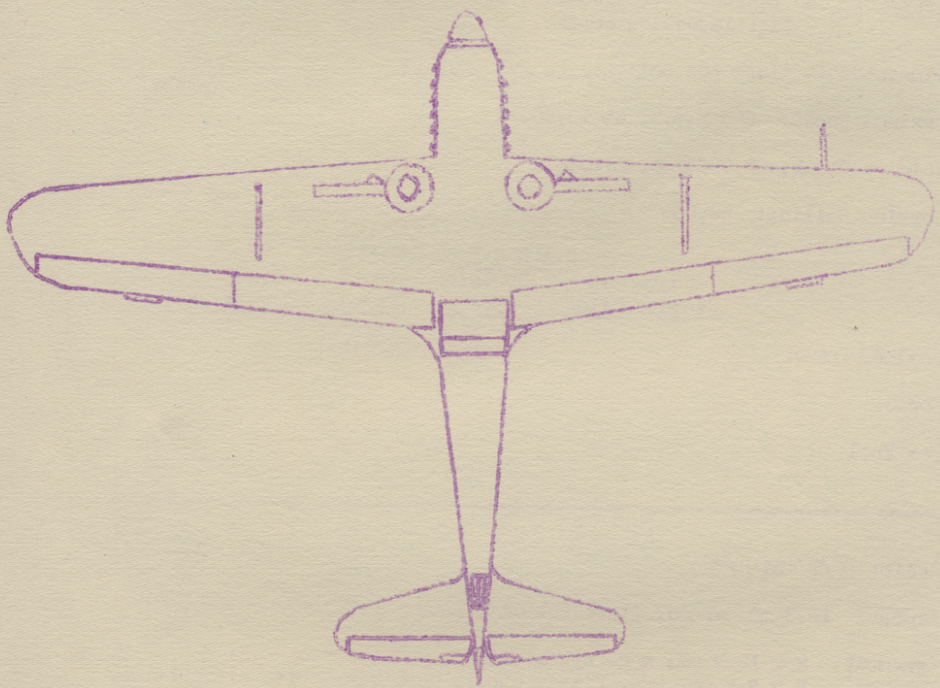

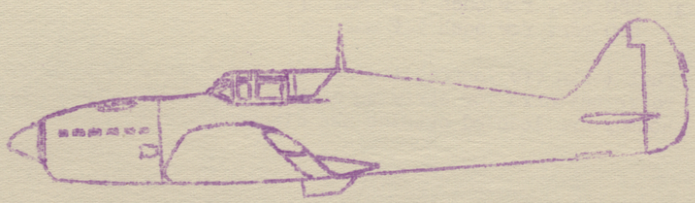

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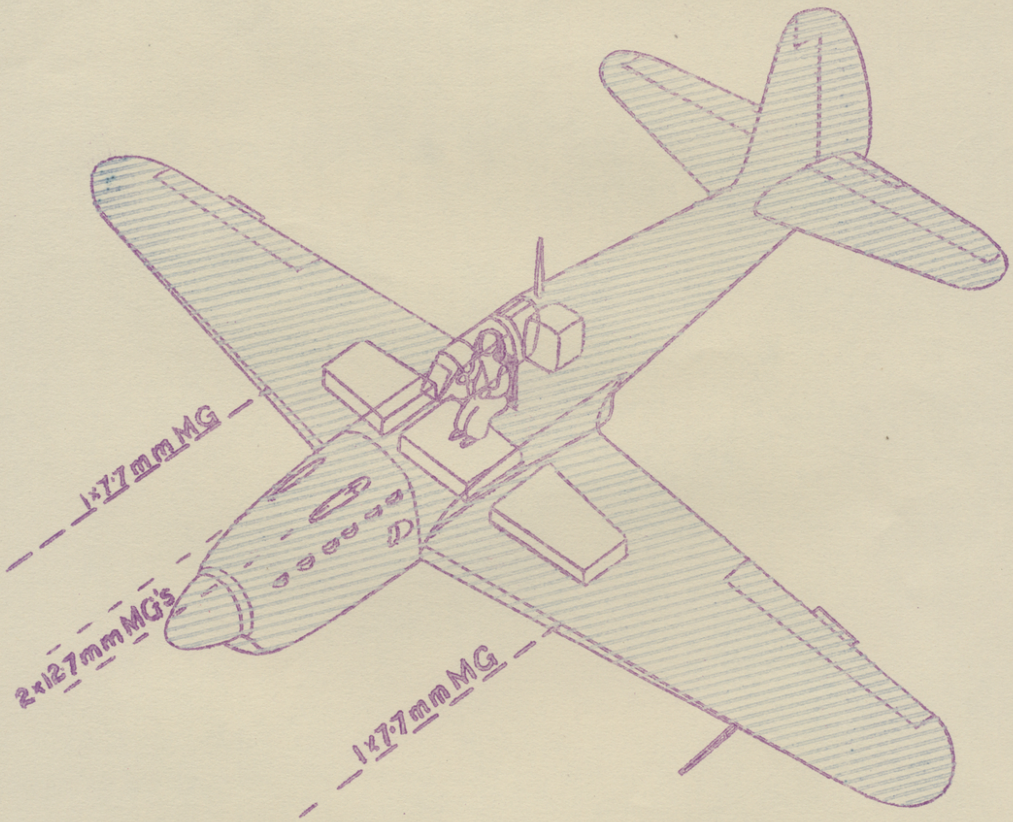

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GENERAL STAFF.

425. SCHOOLS.

NSW L of C AREA - RSD, ROSEBERY RACECOURSE.
No.12 Course - Gas Eqpt Repairer and Maint.
1 - 6 Nov 43.

NX111683 Cpl. Nalder G.S. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Ql.
NX 82897 Cpl. Ellsmore R.D. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Ql.

SECOND AUST ARMY POSTAL SCHOOL - No.3. COURSE
POSTAL ORDERLIES REFRESHER 1 - 7 Nov.

NX114191 Sjt. RIGG W.J. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q.
NX114196 Sjt. JACKMAN K.W. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn Q.

SECOND AUST ARMY HYGIENE SCHOOL - MALARIA WING.
No.4. COURSE - 25 OCT - 5 NOV 43.

NX111674 Cpl. Vincent V.K. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Q.
NX124334 Cpl. Anderson R.A. " " " Q.

426. UNIT CENSORSHIP - PERMISSIBLE INFM IN COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Attention is directed to the following extract from LHQ Field Censorship Instruction No.4. of 30 Jun 43.

"A soldier whose postal address is "Australia" is not permitted to mention the name of any town or place at or near which he is stationed or is visiting on duty. However, if on leave, he may mention his visit to any city in Australia provided it is South of Latitude 25 deg. He shall not indicate directly or indirectly how far he is stationed from that city."

2. Members of the AMF in units under comd 9 Aust Inf Bde may state in communications that they are stationed in NSW but not refer to the name of the locality unless the place name forms part of the authorised postal address of the Unit.

3. Descriptions of things seen and places visited on leave, may be mentioned provided they do not convey infm that may be of use to the enemy and that in all other respects censorship instructions are complied with.

ADMINISTRATION.

427 ROUTINE ORDERS.
The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for infm and necessary action.

GROs 776 - 782 1 Div ROs 549 - 563.
SAAROs 372 - 380

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428. PERS WITH SEAFARING OR MARINE ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE.

1. Personnel with seafaring or ma rine engineering expe ience are urgently required for the operation and maintenance of small craft.

2. Units will submit returns of all personnel (up to and including the rank of Capt.) who possess any of the following qualifications.

i. Certificates of competency as masters, officers engineers for foreign going, coastal or harbour cra
ii. Yachtmaster certificates or navigational qualif cations equivalent to that standard.
iii. Thorough knowledge of the operation and mainten of diesel, petrol or steam marine engines on small craft.
iv. Seafaring experience or experience in handling small craft which would qualify them as deckhands or engineroom hands.

3. The returns containing the following particulars:-

i. Army Number, rank, name and unit.
ii. Age and med Class.
iii. Particulars of the certificate or certificates held, or other qualifications or experience.

4. Returns from Units and applications by personnel of HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) must reach these HQ by 18 Dec

429. MECHANICAL VHES - SPLIT WHEELS.

1. Units are not ensuring that the nuts of bolts holding together the halves of split wheels are at all times painte red.
2. Attention is drawn to the danger to personnel in the event of these nuts being loosened before the tyre is completely deflated.
3. Units will ensure that all drivers are warned of the danger and that these nuts are painted red.

430. CHIROPODISTS.

1. The return set out in Second Aust Army HQ A280/42 is to reach these HQ by 8 Dec 43.

Lt Gillis Lieut
for (P.N.WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde. AOL

War Diary

SECRET 2/732

COPY No. 8

9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 35

(Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 29 NOV 1943

1. This summary is issued for distribution down to coys or equivalents of 9 Aust Inf Bde.

2.a. Infm marked "SECRET" will be regarded by offrs as such, and WILL NOT be communicated to any non-commissioned rank, other than key pers such as Int pers.

b. Infm marked CONFIDENTIAL will be passed on to all ranks at same time warning them each time that infm is "CONFIDENTIAL" will not be talked about to other than Army pers.

c. "GENERAL" infm will be passed on freely to all ranks.

3. Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde directs that coy comd (or equivalent) will ensure that infm under headings "CONFIDENTIAL" and "GENERAL" is conveyed to all ranks and that a short controll discussion is held concerning same.

4. Map of SWPA, issued to coys (or equivalent) is to be used in conjunction herewith. The latitude and longitude of place names which are not well known are given in the summary, to enable easy indentification.

5. Queries will be referred to unit int secs who will supply answers as promptly as possible.

R.N. Williams
(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

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1. (a) LOCATIONS of Units under comd as at 290900L Nov 43.

HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG	884420
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	KWAMA	782373
HQ 254 Aust LAD (AIF)	WOLLONGONG	848502
HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	848502
Det 1 Aust Div Postal Unit	"	848502

(b) TRG (Based on infm received up to 271200L Nov 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Range practices, MT Maintenance, Educ Lectures, and Routine Duties.

254 Aust LAD (AIF)

Servicing 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) vehs and Range practices.

9 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.

Range practices, MT and Sig Eqpt Maintenance, Maintenance WT communications from ANZAC RANGE to BDE HQ during the Range Practices.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

De-wiring MULLET CK and STANWELL PARK areas.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn

Beach de-wiring, security and A/C recognition lectures and routine duties.

2. OPS. (Based on infm received at HQ Second Aust Army up to 221800L Nov 43.)

General

Allied advances have taken place -

(a) in the FINSCHHAFEN - SATELBERG Area
(b) in the EMPRESS AUGUSTA BAY bridgehead on BOUGAINVILLE IS.
(c) in the PACIFIC, where US forces have landed in GILBERT IS. (late report).

Enemy Strength

Enemy Strength in NEW GUINEA forward of SIO is estimated at 8,500 after allowing for all casualties to 17 Nov. Estimates of enemy strength of A/C in SWPA dated 19 Nov, total 781 A/C, a figure slightly greater than a week earlier as the enemy has replaced his recent losses.

Progress of Ops.

On the HUON PENINSULA a forceful Allied drive is developing. Pressing forward on the approaches of SATELBERG (particularly from the South) our forces are gradually reducing the Jap defences which are disposed in depth along the tracks. Australian tanks (Matildas) are furnishing effective support in extremely difficult "tank country".

Our 25 pounders are playing a prominent part in the ops. It will be interesting to see whether the free use of arty by the Allies will cause the reappearance of Jap TEISHIN TAI (Raiding Parties) whose special role is to seek out and endeavour to destroy our guns.

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Our forces pushing Northward parallel to the coast have cut tracks which hitherto have served the Japs as Supply routes from BONGA via WAREO. However, this channel may not be the Jap's last resource. There is reason to suspect that he has been building up supplies in villages to the West of SATELBERG.

The turnover of shipping in the RABAUL Area has fallen considerably, which may indicate that large scale enemy troop movements in the NE Area, are completed. For detail dispersion the Jap is likely to use barbes of his Shipping Engineer organisation.

On BOUGAINVILLE IS, the Jap ground forces are making extension of the Allied bridgehead very tedious, but progress is being made. No major attack has yet developed. The Allies are maintaining complete air superiority and keeping enemy airfields neutralized. Enemy installations and stores are being destroyed, and troop concentrations broken by Allied air attacks.

Topographical.

The Gilbert Is are situated approx 1400 miles from TRUK, KAVIENG and RABAUL, and 1000 miles from BOUGAINVILLE IS. The most important of the GILBERT IS being:-

(1) TARAWA (COOK) IS:(Occupied by the enemy 28 Sep 43)
(2) ABEMAMA(APAMAMA):(" " " 28 Sep 43)
(3) MAKIN IS(TARITARI):(" " " 7 Dec 41)

TARAWA(COOK) IS: consists of a chain of long narrow islets located on a triangular shaped reef. The eastern and south sides have islets along their entire lengths. The islands are partially wooded with coconut trees and are covered with dense undergrowth.
The Main reef extends ¾ mile westward and 1½ miles Northward of the Western extremity of BIRITU (BETIO IS, where there are three hummocks, which, from a distance, appear as separate islands.

ABEMAMA(APAMAMA): is 13 miles long by 5 miles wide. The Govt station is at TEBANGITUA.

MAKIN IS (TARITARI): is approx 16 miles ong.- The South eastern side of the atoll has a break about 3/4 mile wide at TANIMARKI village.
Anchorages are off the Southern side of the atoll westeard of Flink Pt and inside the Lagoon.

TARAWA(COOK) IS: TARAWA is the port of entry and main centre of the Group. The lagoon has one entrance and could be used as a base for seaplane recce extending from East of MARSHALL IS to south of OCEAN and NAURU IS.

The GILBERT IS have been used extensively by the Jap as S/P bases. Submarines also are known to harbour there. On 19 Nov 43 Allied forces landed at TARAWA and MAKIN IS i the GILBERT GROUP. It is also reported that landings have been made on the island of ABEMAMA (APAMAMA). Prior to the Allied landing, Jap bases in the GILBERT AND MARSHALL IS were subjected to air attacks for 7 consecutive days.

The re-occupation of these islands by Allied forces is a step toward the enemy base at TRUK and makes a breach i in his island perimeter.

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ENEMY WAR EQPT AND MATERIAL.

Jap Tanks at RABAUL.

During the Allied strike at RABAUL on 2 Nov, some excellent low level oblique photographic shots were made, some of which revealed a number of enemy tanks.

There appears to be about 12 tanks in the open kunai covered areas immediately N of SULPHUR CK. The tanks are well dispersed about this area and much track activity shows that they have been using the area fairly extensively. No doubt the proximity of the motor repair depot would explain this.

Other tanks were also seen in shelters in the actual town area of RABAUL. It is impossible from photographs to give more than a minimum figure of the number of tanks present but at least 16 have been definitely seen.

Twelve tanks are dispersed around the open field immediately N of SULPHUR CK. The tanks are possibly 9 ton Jap medium. There appear to be a 37 MM gun in the turret and a machine gun forward on the left side of the hull. The turret is low and round, with a lid on top to the rear. There are 2 hatches, one on either side of the turret. The air intake is located left and on top of the hull. The suspension appears to be the Carden-Lloyd type, with 4 bogies and 2 support rollers on a side. The rear wheel appears to touch the ground and may be a trailing idler. There is at rear right what may be an oversize exhaust, but details are not sufficiently clear for certain indentification. A number of the tanks are covered or camouflaged.

Actually there seems some doubt about the question of designation of the tanks. Reports refer to the tanks as "possibly medium" Info here, would seem to indicate that the tanks are light. However no definite statement can be made as yet.

All available published material shows no tank resembling this type. Further enquiries are in progress.

Comment: There have been other reports recently of the presence of tankettes near MALAPAU Plantation.

Jap Amn unsafe to handle.

The following info has been received from Ordnance Int, Advance Echelon, Fifth Air Force, and is repeated for general inf.

In recent weeks, many injuries have been received by individuals tampering with complete rounds of Jap High Explosive or Incendiary amn.

In the majority of these cases, the detonation could have been avoided if unauthorised pers had not tried to investigate the shells. However, there are at least 2 types of Jap Amn which require such a small amount of heat to ignite their incendiary compositions that they have been know to explode and ignite in their magazines or when lying in the open. These 2 types of amn are:

(a) 20 mm HE/I (airplane cannon)
(b) 7.92 mm I (airplane M/G)

The 20 mm HE/I is easily recognizable by its greenish yellow body and brass nose fuze. The body may be plain yellow or may have either one or two white bands. It may

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be found in the 20 mm drum magazine, lying around loose in captured areas, or in its original packing cases.

The 7.29 mm Incendiary has a red marking on the cannelure. It may be found loose, in packing boxes, or in the saddle type drum magazine.

In captured areas, this amn is a serious hazard. It must be kept clear of all other amn prior to shipment or disposal. It should be kept in the shade, and not be exposed to any heat as it will readily ignite and explode. If some of the amn starts to smoke or explode, the remainder should be drowned in the deepest water available without delay.

Individuals holding complete rounds of this type of amn in their possession should dispose of them immediately in the interest of safety.

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16. SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP.

Aust Fd Security in the Amphibious Ops at LAE AND FINSCHHAFEN.

The FS Sec which participated in the recent amphibious ops at LAE embarked in sub-secs with the attacking tps. The main body of the Sec was delayed in arrival by enemy air activity and suffered four casualties as a result.

Preparation.

Whilst awaiting movement from the Base the Sec continued to train for the projected op and carried out a programme of lectures to tps on security topics. By the time the movement began, tps were well informed as to the function of Fd Security during ops, and the assistance and co-operation they could give FS pers.

Planning

It was known that, in action, the Bdes would be widely separated, that communications would be limited and that the main landing party would not arrive until the beach-head had been established. Arrangements were made to send detachments of two NCOs, with each of the Bdes, and have the balance of the Sec rema in with Div HQ. The Sec was fortunately dispersed on s on six different vessels.
An instn as to the duties of FS, compiled by G111(1) of Div, was sent to all units.

During the attack.

Dets with Bdes returned captured documents and eqpt to Div HQ. When not brought in by Detachment pers themselves, they were sent back with DRLS and LOs and Sec HQ notified of despatch.

The long trips over difficult terrain imposed a severe physical strain on personnel. Had independent transport been available, much undue delay in getting documents and eqpt back could have been avoided.

Pers at Div HQ sorted and classified captured documents which were then labelled and carried to the beach-head.

FS at Div also carried safe-hand mail for delivery to ships officers assisted interrogators and maintained liaison with MLO and MDC.

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Capture of LAE:

Following upon the occupation of LAE, a Security recce was made of the town area by OC and members of the Sec.

Personnel were then redistributed to enable the 2 i/c Sec and two NCOs to be allotted to security duties in the township area until relieved by another FS Sec.

The Area Comd placed guards on Naval Wkshops, Air Strip and other installations, whilst FS Det collected and deposited captured documents and equipment at a central point.

Prisoners of War

A record of particulars was kept by FS of prisoners of war captured in these ops who, after interrogation, were tagged and handed over to DAPM with appropriate papers for onward movement.

Documents

Before the commencement of ops, General Staff directed that all units would ensure that tps were fully aware of the value of captured documents to Int.

The responce by tps was excellent.

Ten bags and two parcels of documents have been despatched by air in addition to documents previously despatched by sea.

"Booby Trapped" Documents.

In search for buried documents it was found that the enemy had evolved a type of "Booby-trap" for use in the holes in which the documents were buried. The following is a description of the trap:-

"A partially filled in hole containing three haversacks full of documents was found. On one side and at the bottom of the hole was a mortar bomb, with fuse cap removed A pin was placed so as to vause an explosion if it were struck when digging to remove the haversacks."

Translators - FS Liaison.

So many documents were recovered in LAE by FS and tpsthat it was not possible to send all back to Div, as part of the journey had to be made on barges. Accordingly arrangements were made for the services of a translator on the spot.

For the la nding at FINSCHHAFEN a similar arrangement was evolved, and the quantities of documents and equipment recovered there to date has been considerably greater than in the op against LAE. A FS Det and translator went forward with the landing force with instns that captured documents were first to be purused by the translator and later despatched to the rear by the best available means.

One NCO remained at Div HQ for clerical duties and to handle documents still coming in from patrols.

Pers at Bde HQ assisted the translators. All documents considered likely to be important were translated in full and the translations were recorded by FS and passed to IO. At the same time a log was kept by FS containing all reference to units found in documents.

Eqpt.

Appropriate authorities were notified as to the locations of Naval, Army and Air Force eqpt abandoned by the enemy.

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Port Control.

Small ships arriving in LAE Harbour were boarded by Offrs controlling Port Area, accompanied by FS pers. Ships' Masters were handed an instn prohibiting all personnel of merchant ships, both military and civilain, from coming ahsore. Notice to this effect willalso be erected in the Port Area.

A system of panelling ships is being introduced on lines similar to the system in op in other island ports.

Airport Control.

The air strip is to be fenced, and all traffic will use a guarded entrance. Access to the area will be prohibited except on presentation of a permit.

Topographical

An overlay of LAE sheet was prepared showing positions of all former enemy defences and installiations and dumps, together with locations of all units then in the area. This proved of great value and FS Det was able to give immediate infm to ma ny offrs arriving on special duties.

Security lesson learned.

Tps of all units have co-operated whole-heartedly in sending back captured documents and eqpt. Numerous requests have since been received from them for details of the infm contained in such captured documents. and letters.

G111(I) proposed to outline this propostion at a forthcoming conference of IOs who can then promulgate to tps such of the instns as can be passed back.

Itis expected that this action will increase the enthusiasm of tps for the collection of captured documents.

Functions of FS

During discussions, reference was made by Bde IOs to the work of FS dets during battle, and suggestions have been made for improving their effectiveness. It was evident that some slight misconception existed as to the extent of the role of FS.

G111(I) has again drawn attention to the instruction previously issued by Div setting out the functions of FS personnel in ops.

SECURITY OF INFM.

(1) Diaries and Personal Documents in Forward Areas.

Attention has previously been drawn to the danger of tps taking diaries and other personal documents into forward areas.

That the Jap place great value on the acquisition of these articles is shown by the following extract from a recently captured enemy document.

> "There are articles on abandoned enemy dead and they are to be searched immediately afterbattle, and the things they possess, particularly documents diaries and maps, which have very great value, collected.
>
> Although all Units have already considered the collection of this profitable material, in general, lower units have not given it their full

Only abandoned weapons and provisons are being collected, and the collection of the most valuable intelligence material is being sadly neglected, and thus, if the high ranking offrs pay attention to this point, and if possible, it may be necessary to detail one section of a reserve unit to collect such material.

Captured ordnance and material, except that having to be used immediately by front line units, must, according to regulations be sent back, and although it may not be possible at the time, some measure for its preservation is to be planned, so that it may be put to immediate and complete use by the capturing unit in the future."

The vital importance of collecting all diaries and other personal papers from all tps before going forward is again stressed.

(2) Marked Maps.

A Jap Map, attached to a recently captured document, disclosed the identity and disposition of Australian Units in that particular area.

From the amount of infm shown, it is reasonable to assume that the enemy had captured a map from our forces which bore markings showing all our unit positions in the area.

All tps must be instructed, and frequently reminded thatwhen a map is taken into action, any markings thereon should be restricted to those only absolutely necessary and should NOT indicate any formations or units in rear areas.

(3) Destruction of Envelopes - Inward mail.

The are occupied by an Aust Inf Coy was checked after the Coy had moved, and nothing detrimental to Security was found.

It is concluded thatone of the main reasons for this is that this unit has made it a desciplinary offence for personnel to retain envelopes from inward mail. All envelopes should be destroyed immediately after mail is delivered.

Security Circular for Os C Movements.

In an attempt to offset the duplicayion of effort, this Sec has prepared the following list of Security suggestions. It is handed personnally to Unit Os C and Os C trains by the NCO covering the movement. Several points it mentions have not been generally known.

MAKE YOUR MOVE A SECURITY MOVE.
SUGGESTIONS TO ASSIST YOU DURING UNIT MOVEMENT.

1. Limit knowledge of date, route and destination to those who must know.

2. Ensure that nothing is left behind at the camp site that will reveal unit identity or particulars of movement.

3. Remove colour patches, unit veh and baggage signs. Removal constitutes a constant reminder to tps that THEIR movement is SECRET.

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4. Are you fully conversant with "Standing Orders for Movement" ?
e.g. SECURITY (page 63 para.10) : Tps will not be permitted to send telegrams or letters or make phone calls at intermediate points during movement.

5. Warn tps of the danger of civilian contracts en route. You may havecivilains travelling with you. Segregrate them. They are not security-minded. Beware of souvenir hunters.

6. See that members of patriotic and philanthrapic assocs. do not accept mail or messages for forwarding on behalf of tps taking part in the movement.

7. Appoint a Security Offr, or NCO, for each Carriage with instns that he report to you on arrival at destination.

8. Watch for amil thrown out of windows or handed to civilians and travellers on passing trains - some may find its way to the enemy.

9. Consider the advisability of picquetting phone boxes and civil post offices at staging camps and stopping places en route.

10. Do your tps realise the dangers attendant upon scribbling in carriages, urinals etc.

11. If the train is a military train have the unit designation and destim tion labels removed from carriages.

13. Ticket collectors will examine your bulk attants,don't let them see your Mob.3. or Movement Orders.

YOUR MOVEMENT IS IMPORTANT - ESPECIALLY TO THE ENEMY!

(Sjt. J. SMITH) , of Field Security, is anxious to co-operate fully in assisting and advising you regarding security during your move.

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Security Precautions at Recent Proposed Movement.

On receipt of a warning order a meeting of COs was called, and they were infmd of the text of the order, but instructed that no disclosure of the infm contained there was permitted, even to offrs.

It was decided thatthe best solution of the security problem was to complete arrangements as early as possible, and let the tps make their own deductions. [illegible] movetwas probable [illegible] uture was a natural deduction, but none of the personnel knew the date, destim tion or embarkation point. Even senior offrs were confused and admitted that they knew nothing. Security was further assisted by a delay in the proposed movement, so that most of the preparations were completed well in advance.

A censorship check carried out when the preparations were at an advanced stage, produced excellent results, justifying the above policy. All-Unit security offrs were contacted by FS p FS pers and problem likely to arise during the move were discussed.

Although this move has since been cancelled, the security precautions already taken will assist should a move be planned for a later date, and in the meantime, it is proposed th prohibit the use of telephones periodically as a cloak for the time

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when the actual move takes place.

How to show an Identity Card.

Notes have frequently been published on how to check an identity card. Here is the reverse of the medal - how to show it - It applies particularly to those who place themselves in the "senior Officer" or "official" group.

Go up to the sentry hoping your pass will be checked, not hoping it will not. Hand it to him with a pleasant air, open at the right place. Don't stand there tapping your foot on the ground, fumbling in your papers, radiating annoyance. If he offers to let you by on seeing that you are about to take your card from your pocket, non't be put offm show it to him.

When visiting stange offrs, don't always wait to be asked Produce the card as if you know your interviewer was going to ask for it. This will encourage the timid and educate the careless.

Censorship.

Certain troops in letters have referred to "very interesting articles" which have appeared in "SALT" and in Australian daily newspapers, quoting the date, page and column, but not the subject of the article.

Investigation revealed thatthese articles were news correspondents reports on given areas, and the reference in the letter is to indicate the location of the writer.

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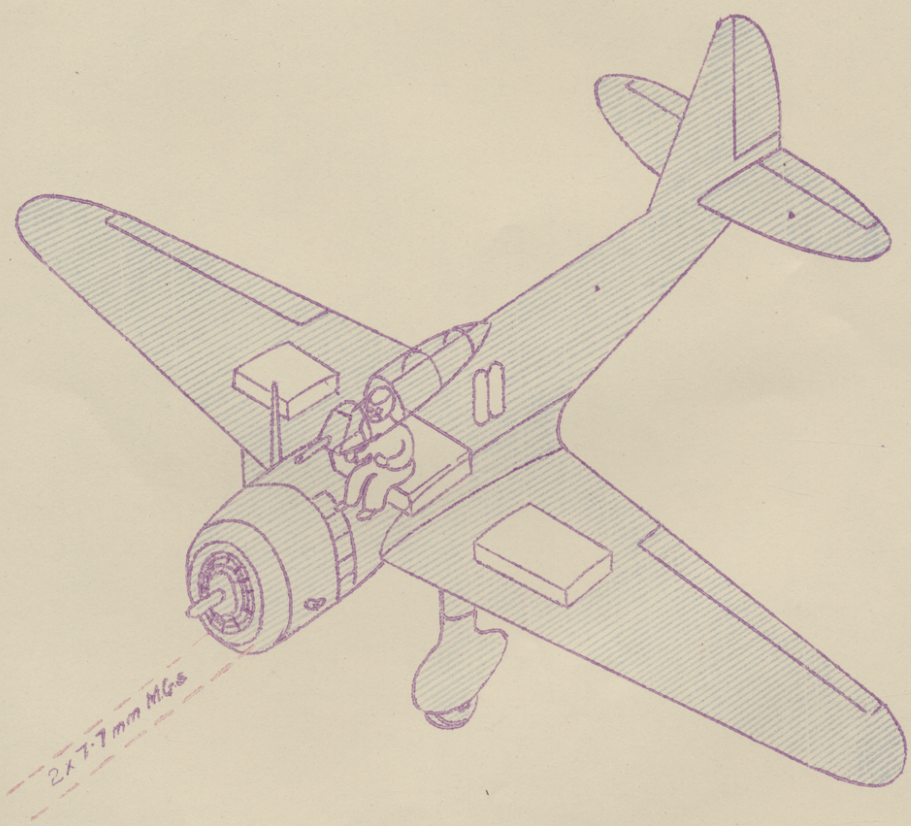

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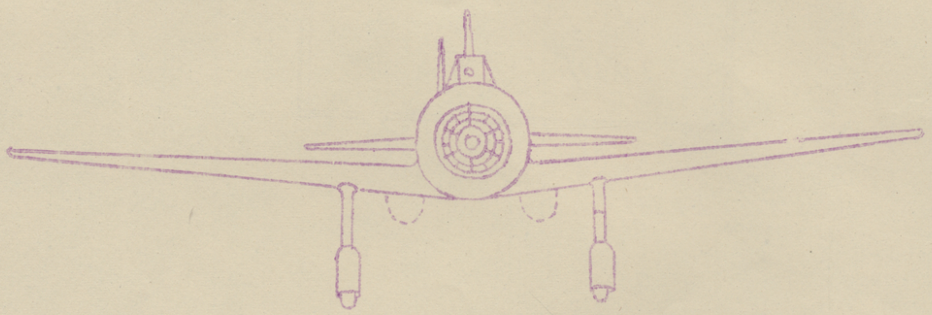

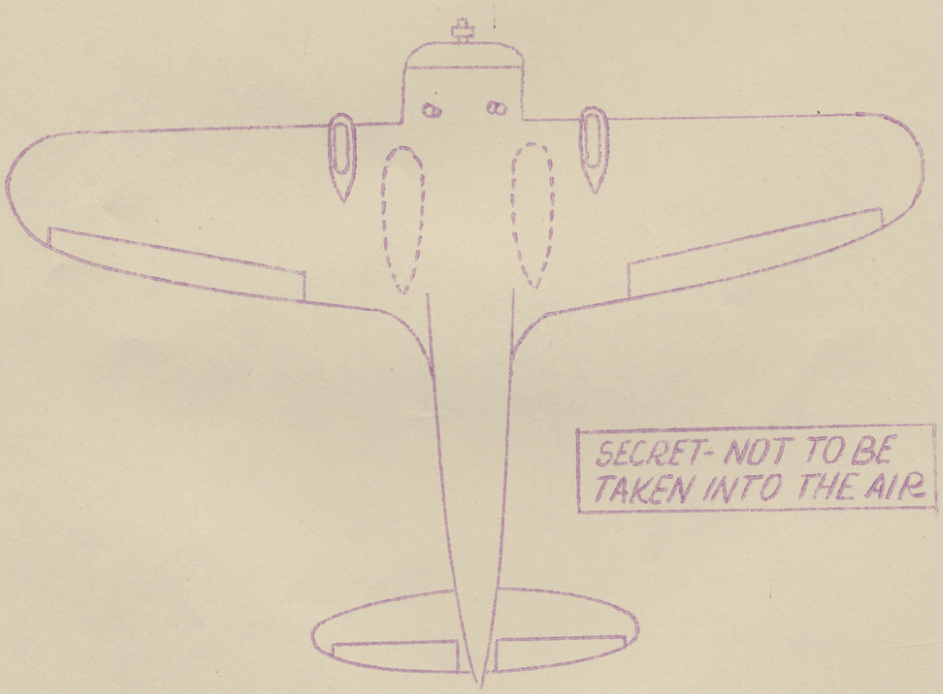

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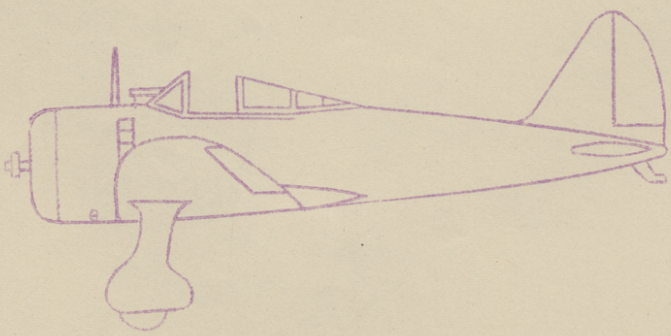

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NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO THE AIR. APPENDIX 'A'.

1 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.101.

N A T E

Type 97 F

ARMY & NAVY

Originally manufactured by: Nakajima

Also Manufactured by: Kawasaki and Mitsubishi

Crew: One

Engine: One Nakajima Hikari, 9 cylinder, radial air cooled, rated 800 horsepower at 13,000 ft.

Dimensions: Wing Span 35'7" Length 24'4" Height 8'0"

	Empty	Normal	Full Military Load
Weights:	3,250 lbs.	4,400 lbs.	5,000 lbs.

Maximum Speed: 280 miles per hour at 13,000 ft.

Rate of Climb: 2,800 ft per minute at 13,000 ft and rated power.

Service Ceiling: 31,000 ft (at 4,100 lbs weight and rated power).

	RANGE				
	Range in Statute Miles	Cruising Speed	Bombs (Max.)	Fuel Imp Gal	Fuel U.S.Gal
Max Bombs					
Normal	460	233	Nil	67	80
Max Fuel	800	200	Nil	134	161

Radio: Usually not carried. Two-way R/T sometimes used.

Armour: Nil.

Armament: 2 x 7.7 mm machine-guns.

Ammunition: 1,000 rounds per gun.

Vulnerability: Tanks are not self-sealing. Main fuel tank under pilot's seat, one tank in each wing root and two auxiliary tanks may be carried on wing inboard of oleo struts.

Remarks: Provision for camera installation.

Tactical Data: High rate of climb and extremely manoeuvrable.

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