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JUNE TO
SEPTEMBER 1945

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL
ACCESS STATUS
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ORIGINAL

4 BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COMPANY

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S E C R E T

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

W A R D I A R Y

1 June to 30 June 1945

Jun 1. Initial shipping figures confirmed by signal to 1 Aust Base Sub Area. Unit stores 10 Ton DW 22 Cubic Accmn. 4 Ton DW 14 Cubic Total 14 Ton DW 36 Cubic.

Jun 2. Posted Strength 2 Offrs 36 O/Rs RAP attendances 41

Jun 3. Rest Day.

Jun 4. General rechecking of all unit and accommodation stores held.

Jun 5. Certain errors located in records. Number of packages not recorded on list left - a definite benefit in having stores rechecked.

Jun 6. Instructed all tents to be thoroughly cleaned out by removing all beds and bed boards as well as floor boards - all rubbish to be burnt. Received phone call advising of conference 1 Aust Base at 0900 hrs 7 Jun 45.

Jun 7. Attended conference at Rear 1 Aust Base and advised of movement of balance of personnel 4 Aust BPS Coy. Ship advised - all vehicles despatched to Chermside with inflammables. Landing rations. Commenced to strike all surplus tentage and pack same. Advised that personnel would stage at Kalinga by 1200 hrs 8 Jun 45.

Jun 8. Reveille 0600 hrs Breakfast 0700 hrs.
Commenced strking of all tents. Tents to RSD and Flys to Chermside All salvage material returned to Salvage. Blankets etc to RSD. All additional equipment received from EID - Commenced loading stores at 0830 hrs and completed at 1400 hrs - taken to Kalinga. Advance party sent to Kalinga at 1130 hrs - rear party arrived at Kalinga 1930 hrs. Small party returned to Redcliffe to level ground. on 9 Jun 45.

Jun 9 Capt Steanes inspected late camp site at 1200 hrs and found everything in order - very little indication that a camp ever existed there. Delivered 30 cwt non operational vehicle to 2/2 A/A Regt at Strathpines.
Lt Caldwell advised of movementof himself and 20 O/Rs by air. All arrangements made including weight of individual baggage.

Jun 10 Rest Day - raining very heavily - all stores are covered against rain. Marched Pte Mitchell to Chermside as escort for Unit vehicles. Pte Bowmaker marchedout of Unit to GDD Sydney for discharge.

Jun 11 Still raining very heavily - no further advise regarding movement. Lt Caldwell warned that his pl would go as two parties 14 and 6. Ready by 14 Jun 45.

Jun 12 Received warning order that stores (accommodation) would be received by Ship to-day.
Waited until 1700 hrs when advice received that no further stores would be received to-day. Cpl Edwards detailed as escort for Unit Stores which had to be delivered to another vessel. L cpl Kelk and Pte Laity returned from Hospital and will be available for draft.

Jun 13 Signal 1200 hrs to commence cartage to wharf of accommodation stores. Stores delivered to Brett's Wahf No 2 1500 hrs and unloaded. 1 NCO and 4 O/Rs picquet for period until stores loaded.

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Jun 14 — Check stores at wharf at 0830 and found that 3 days Landing Rations had been loaded into lower hold No 5 Hatch. Located Stevedore and had top stowage removed from hatch and landed on wharf where same was picqueted until loaded as top Stowage.
Conference at movement control Vic Barracks 1600 hrs. Final instructions given.

Jun 16 — Final parade and inspection at 0900 hrs.
Final warning order received for troops to embuss at 1230 hrs
Left Brisbane 1730 hrs.

Jun 17 — Very calm day at sea.
5 O/Rs embarked Archerfield by air en route Morotai.
On arrival at Townsville personnel taken from plane to allow Blood Blank to proceed.

Jun 18 — Arrived in Bay at Townsville 1030 hrs. Berthed 1500 hrs.
Troops taken off in 4 trains to Oonoonba Staging Camp
Camp closed - no leave granted.
5 O/Rs embarked Archerfield by air en route Morotai.

Jun 19 — Met Sgt Parker and personnel who had been taken off plane on 17 inst owing to Blood Bank going on plane.
Contacted movement control re personnel going forward. Anticipated for 20.
5 O/Rs embarked Archerfield by air en route Morotai.
5 O/Rs arrived Morotai by air ex mainland.

Jun 20 — Sgt Parker taken to drome but unable to secure seat - no movement of troops- ship not loaded.
Movement Control again contacted and promise given that personnel would move by air by 1800 hrs 21 Jun.
Lt Caldwell and 5 O/Rs embarked Archerfield by air en route Morotai.
5 O/Rs Arrived Morotai by air ex mainland.

Jun 21 — Left Oonoonba at 1235 hres Ship departed after loading 500 tons and an additional 400 troops at 1730 hrs.
Quite some trouble in allocation of mens beds - finally fixed up at 2030 hrs.
Arrived Morotai by air ex mainland.
LT CALDWELL + 5 O/RS.

Jun 22 — Sea with a slight swell - some troops down with sea sickness.
4 BPS personnel hardly affected.

Jun 23 — Fine day. L Cpl Kelk reported to hospital with ear to have daily treatment. Sea calm - everybody up on deck.
4 BPS personnel vegetable detail 1 NCO and 10 O/Rs.

Jun 24 — Fine day. Arrangements for Boxing Tournament Tuesday
£50 prize money donated by officers.
5 O/Rs embarked Townsville by air en route Morotai.
Posted strength 2 offrs 40 O/Rs.

Jun 25 — Raining - unable to see coast. L Cpl Kelk and L Cpl Fitzpatrick reported to MO - treatment for both.
4 BPS personnel vegetable detail 1 NCO 10 O/Rs.
5 O/Rs. Arrived Morotai by air ex mainland . Lt Wilkinson and 19 O/Rs embarked at Morotai for Balikpapen where they will operate as "C" Det on F plus 2.
First receipt of stores for OBOE TWO follow up received.

Jun 26 — Arrived at Biak 0630 hrs. Anchored awaiting arrival of convoy.
First round of Boxing Tournament .

Jun 27 — Semi Finals Boxing Tournament - Pte Walker BPS eliminated.
Left at 1200 hrs in Convoy.
Further issurof stores for OBOE TWO follow up received.

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Jun 28 — Finals of Boxing Tournament completed.
Tents erected to accommodate incoming personnel.

Jun 29 — Capt Steanes and 17 O/Rs disembarked Morotai ex mainland per 'SEA BARB'.
Additional stores for OBOE TWO follow up received.

Jun 30 — 3 Jeeps and Trailer unloaded from 'SEA BARB' .
During the past 10 days numerous improvements have been made to the camp area including hygiene and sanitary installations i.e. grease traps, incinerators, for burning scraps.
Coral paths have been laid down and further areas of scrub have been cleared for the erection of adm offices and tents.
Posted strength 2 offrs and 39 O/Rs/
Accommodation stores commenced to arrive from 'SEA BARB'
RAP attendances 3 personnel.

H.M.Steanes

.....Capt HQ
(H.M.Steanes Capt)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

Maj I. P. Warne-Smith O.C.

4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

4 Aust B.P.S. Coy (AIF)
7 Jul 45.

PARA 109 DUTIES

Picquet mounting 1800hrs to 0600 hrs daily.

7/7/45	- Ptes	McKinnon, Sharp, Elvey	) L Cpl Kelk
	"	Hickey, Watling, Boreham	)
8/7/45	"	Cassell, Walker, Laity	) Cpl Pearson
	"	McKenzie, Johns, Elliott	)
9/7/45	"	McKinnon, Sharp, Elvey	) Cpl Eardley
		Hickey, Hunt, Boreham	)
10/7/45	"	Watling, Cassell, Walker	) Cpl Saddington
	"	Laity, McKenzie, Johns	)
11/7/45	"	McKinnon, Sharp, Elvey	) L Cpl Kelk
	"	Hickey, Hunt, Elliott	)
12/7/45	"	Watling, Boreham, Walker	) Cpl Pearson
	"	Laity, McKenzie, Johns	)
13/7/45	"	McKinnon, Sharp, Hickey	) Cpl Eardley
	"	Hunt, Cassell, Elliott	)

PARA 110 MALARIA CONTROL

(a) The provisions of GRO 321/44 will apply.

(b) Shirts may be removed during heavy manual labour in daylight, in open areas, on the authority of an officer. When proceeding to or returning from such work, shirts will be worn.

(c) Times for sunrise and sunset inMOROTAI STAGING AREA will be:-

Sunrise - 0630 I

Sunset - 1830 I

(d) Unless necessary through operational requirements, reveille will NOT be before 0630 I hrs.

(e) Boots, gaiters, trousers and shirts will be worn. Shirt sleeves may be rolled up after sunrise until dusk, unless otherwise ordered for Dengue control.

PARA 111 PERSONAL HYGIENE

A high standard of personal hygiene is essential, The following matters will receive special attention :-

(i) Bathing in rivers, pools, creeks, streams, lakes or harbours will not be permitted except in places approved by MO.

(ii) Walking bare-footed on the bare earth is not permitted. Some form of footwear will be worn to and from showers and

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PARA 112 DRESS

(a) Comd will insist upon the neat and smart turnout of tps at all times.

(b) AMF personnel, incorrectly attired, who come under the notice of Aust Pro will be subject of report to Formation concerned.

(c) Nude bathing is prohibited west of the SABATAI RIVER.

PARA 113 AMENITIES

Received the following donations from Amenities :-

1	Monopoly
250	Envelopes
1000	Sheets of writing paper.

[signature] Capt .....OC
for (Maj I.P. Warne-Smith Maj)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

Distribution.

No 1 Copy	1 Aust Base Sub Area
2	Notice Board
3	Aust Comforts Fund
4 & 5	War Diary
6	File.

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WAR DIARY

As no information was received about forward planning and operations of this Unit and as detachments were ordered forward without consultation with O.C. 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy as to their future role, the most efficient distribution of personnel and equipment was impossible.

Up to 30 Apr 45 detachments moved or warned to move consisted of:-

HQ Personnel	-	16
Platoon	-	44 (2 Complete Platoons)

The set up of this unit for operations is :-

(a) HQ - Consisting of all technical personnel capable of operating and maintaining an installation.

(b) Pls - Consisting entirely of unskilled personnel for labour such as drum loading, filling, cleaning etc.

If OC 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy had sent the actual personnel called forward from Queensland, this unit could not have operated. It is the considered opinion of the OC 4 Aust BPS Coy that, had he not sent an increased percentage of Technical HQ personnel and necessary stores and equipment, a serious position affecting the supply of the Corps and Allied Services as a whole would have arisen.

It is hoped that in future the OC 4 Aust BPS Coy will be consulted in these matters thus precluding the repetition of the chaos which caused urgently required personnel to be sent by air for inclusion in these operations.

Plans are being made for the raising of BPS Platoons each capable of operating in a separate area, these platoons being controlled by a HQ. The composition of each detachment is being investigated accordingly.

Equipment

The WET of this unit provides sufficient technical equipment and stores for one installation.

As the unit has been called upon to operate three and possibly four installations, each of which require the same type and practically the same quantity of stores as an "A" class installation, they are necessarily deficient in many essential items and maintenance stores.

HQ 4 Aust BPS Coy has indented for these shortages and will supply detachments when stores are obtained.

However the majority of unit equip is obtainable only through Local Purchase Office from civilian oil coys. and by special manufacture. The resultant delay may easily cause the necessity of having these stores sent by air.

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SECRET
Adv LHQ
ST 730.038

Tour of duty - Mjr T.A. THORNBURN DADS (POL) Adv LHQ

ZAMBOANGA on MINDANAO
SANGA SANGA ON TAWI TAWI
31 May to 5th Jun

1. Route
The outward journey was via MALABANG (MINDANAO) to ZAMBOANGA & return via SANGA SANGA (TAWI TAWI).

2 Object of Tour

(a) Conference with GHQ sub Area Petroleum Officer of Southern Phillippines area Lt-Col MITCHELL and POL Officer of 1st TAF , RAAF Flt-Lt G. WILSON. The subject being the re-supply of bulk Av gas, Motor spirit and Automotive Diesel Fuel to ~~thm~~ all OBOE operations.

(b) Investigate the supply and distribution of Avgas and POL to RAAF squadrons based~~m~~ on the SANGA SANGA air strip.

3 Subjects of conference

(a) OBOE one operation

(i) Bulk Storage -shore
It was considered that the present bulk storage tanks that has been completed (5 X 1,000 barrel bolted tanks) plus those at present underconstruction(2X 1,000 brl bolted and 1 X 2,000 brl bolted tanks)and the use of a BC barge would be ample to cover the total Av gas requiremer of RAAF and US air Corps activities fromthe air strip according to operational plan now known. Thus the buildin of the 10,000 brl tank as outlined in op inst 99 would nc be necessary and that the suggestion be made to GHQ to cancel its construction.

(ii) Tanker jetty
The tanker jetty would be required to be extendedapprox 60 ft to allow both coastal and overseas tankers to deliver POL direct to the shore pipelines. This to be completed by 14 Jun to allow a rapid discharge of avgas tankers to cover the intensive air activity from TARAKAN for the preceeding 21 days before OBOE TWO operation. The present set up is to lighter POL from the tankers to existing jetty by barge, a slow and dangerous preceeding because of the towage available and the particularly atro fast tidal flow by the jetty and in the anchorage area.

(iii) Pipelines.
The information thatthe existing pipelines as decided upon originally had been altered to such an extent that avgas only could be delivered to the completed tanks caused some co ncern. Investigations were startdd as to the authority for this alteration and the reasons for so doing.

(iv) Re-Supply by Tankers from ZAMBOANGA.

The route of tankers from ZAMBOANGA is via TAWI TAWI. It takes 36 hours for journey from ZAMBOANGA to TAWI TAWI WHERE 24 hours is required to fill PT boat tanker and the further 20 hours to reach TARAKAN. Tankers on completion of discharge at TARAKAN are to be automatically returned to ZAMBOANGA unless coctrary instructions are signalled by Sub Area Petroleum Officer. Tankers now do not requir escort to TARAKAN.

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(b) Oboe Six Operation

(i) Bulk Shore Storage.

As outlined in Op Instr 102 appeared adequate for avgas and Motor Spirit but the ADF position was not clear. This situation to be taken up for clarification and re-supply by all concerned.

(ii) Avgas Requirements.

The consumption of avgas was estimated to be 19,000 imp gals per day for aircraft and PT boats during the period Z plus 6 to Zplus 15 and rising then to 31,000 imp gals per day for the duration of the intensive activity.

(iii) ADF Tanker Required at Farshore by Z plus 6.

Owing to US Forces not supplying sufficient bulk barges for the mounting of OBOE SIX operation from MOROTAI the slow convoy was short shipped by 3,200 barrels ADF in bulk. It was necessary then that a tanker with sufficient ADF be supplied to the far shore by Z plus 6. The sub area Perroleum Officer immediately signalled US Seventh Fleet for information as to whether a Navy tanker with adequate surplus ADF to cover this issue to Aust Forces would be present at OBOE SIX operation . Failing this source of supply he would arrange for a Y tanker to proceed from ZAMBOANGA to the far shore under escort to reach the objective area by Z plus 6. Landops would be asvised which method would be used and the tanker number. This information to be passed on by them to Aust Forces concerned.

(iv) Routing of Tankers on Discharge.

Tankers to ~~RETURN~~ return to ZAMBOANGA on discharge unless otherwise ordered by Sub Area Petroleum Officer or US Seventh Fleet. Escort is necessary from ZAMBOANGA to OBOE Six and return.

(c) OBOE two Operation.

(i) Bulk Shore Tankage.

As outlined in Op Instr 103 appeared adequate for avgas and MT spirit requirements but the ADF position was not clear and required investigation as for OBOE SIX.

(ii) Avgas Requirements.

The estimated avgas consumption for the operations as then known would be 6,000 imp gals per day for period F plus 6 to F plus 15 when the second RAAF operation objective would increase the usage to 12,000 imp gals per day. The third operational increase would occur on F plus 26 when the consumption would rise to the maximum of 34,000 imp gals per day for the intensive period. No information was available for PT boat consumption but it was anticipated that this supply would be by Navy tender.

(iii) Tankers and Barges for OBOE TWO Operation.

Avgas Tanker TY109 loaded approx 5,600 barrels now at MOROTAI.
BKO barge 37 to load approx 1,200 " (now at TACLOBAN
" " 38 " " " " " (but ETA MOROTAI 12 Jun

Motor Spirit AOG tanker SACKATONCHEE 10,000 barrels at ZAMBOANGA

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will be loaded and join the slow convoy en route.
BG barge BG1647 to load approx 2,400 barrels at present TACLOBAN but ETA MOROTAI 12 Jun.

ADF Tanker TY18 to load approx 5,600 barrels now at BIAK but ETA MOROTAI 25 Jun.

BKO barge 42 to load approx 1,200 barrels now at TACLOBAN but ETA MOROTAI 12 Jun.

(d) Rerouting of Tankers from any Operational Areas/ under Aust Comd.

Sub Area Petroleum Officer will advise the Aust Base Sub Area concerned the sailing orders and destination of any tankers partially or wholly discharged at their bulk shore installations on his receipt of their daily POL signals giving the stock positio and the ETD of the discharging tanker. In the assault period prior to the Base Sub Area taking control the above sailing orders will be advised to the AASC Command HQ on the far shore. Normally tankers will return to ZAMBOANGA on completion of discha:

(e) Tanker Manifests.

Up to the present moment on arriving at TARAKAN for re-supply and MOROTAI for mounting OBOE Operations are not carrying shipping manifests of cargo loaded. This prevents assessment of cargo los in transitas the Aust Forces have no documents of loading to gauge the actual loss. Dips or ullages are taken by Aust Forces the arrival of the Tanker at the discharge port and the cargo on board calculated at standard temperature (60°F). This is the quantity then taken on charge, any losses between the tanker and the quantity received in the shore tanks being treated normally as pumping losses. The assessment of losses of cargo in transit involve the quartermaster section of accounting of US forces and could not be cleared up while the writer was present at ZAMBOANGA. Lt-Col Mitchell is investigating and will advise in due course. For the present however he has agrred to instruct that manifests will be issued to all tankers under his direction.

(f) Availability of Bulk POL Barges for OBOE Operations.

In general the period of availability of barges for OBOE operations will be approx 30 days at the far shore and it is advisable that we plan to be ready to release some or all the barges by the expiration of that time.

(g) Barge Specifications.

No information is available by Aust Force at MOROTAI as to the specifications of tank sizes and calibrations of any US barges so it is impossible to accurately mearure the quantity of Bulk POL loaded on any barges. The Sub Area Petroleum Officer is endeavouring to obtain the required specification and charts from GHQ and will supply Landops with the information required.

(h) Supply L of C for Bulk POL in The Southern Philippines Area

The GH G4 Area Petroleum Officer reroutes overseas tankers either to LEYTE or MINDORO where they transfer required cargo to the composite tanker "SINCLAIR SUPERFLAME" of approx 100,000 gals capacity. This tanker then goes to PALAWAN or ZAMBOANGA to load smaller type tankers for distribution of bulk products to ares within the Southern Philippined Sub Area and are directe by the Sub Area Petroleum Officer at ZAMBOANGA.

The US Navy is responsible for the supply of ADF and this is usually distributed by AO,AOG or IK tanker (approx 75,000 barrel capacity.

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(j) Tankers at present in the southern Philippines sub area for di
by sub area Petroleum Officer.

SINCLAIR SUPER FLAME	(100,000 Brls)	
STONEWALL	(75,000) "	
ALBERT HILL	(83,000) "	
CHESTITIE	(15,000) "	
SACKATONCHEE	(10,000("	
METTAWEE	(10,000) "	
KALAMAZOO	(1,000 "	
PASQUATASK	(12,000 "	ADF
CHEPATCHES	(140,000 "	ADF Navy oiler)

Y9)
Y11)
Y1o9)
TY18) (5,600 Brls to 6,500 Brls)
TY35)
TY48)

Additional tankers can be called forward from GHQ if required.Barges are ordered through and by USASOSonly and they are obtainable only as authorised by GHQ via Forland.

(k) Bonddaries of GHQ sub area Petroleum Officers.

(i) GHQ area Petroleum Officer COL WRIGHT
GHQ area Petroleum Officer executive Officer COLFARNHAM USA

(ii) Southern Philippines sub area LT -COL MITCHELL (Aust Army)

MINDANAO
PALAWAN
PANAY
NEGROS
CEBU
BOHO
MINDORO
JOLO
TAWI TAWI
BORNEO

(iii) LUZON sub area Lt-Col BURES (USA)

LUZON ISLAND

(iv) LEYTE sub area Capt HARTMAN (USA)

LEYTE ISLAND

(v) NORTHERN NEW GUINEA

BIAK
NOEMFOOR
MORATAI

(vi) SOUTHERN NEW GUINEA

FINSCHHAFEN
MANUS
LAE
PORT MORESBY
MILNE BAY
NORTHERN SOLOMONS

(vii) HOLLANDIA

controlled by US Navy

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4. RAAF POL & AVGAS SUPPLY SANGA SANGA STRIP ON TAWI TAWI

The failure of the strip at TARAKAN to operate according to plan necessitated the RAAF to base 1 Kittyhawk squadron and a Beaufighter wing temporarily on TAWI TAWI. A very small force of US troops were in charge of the field which had mainly been used for transit aircraft and of course held only small reserve stocks of Avgas and MT spirit in drums.

Supplies of Avgas, Avbil and balanced POL in drums to cover this Aust force for 14 days and an airfield construction w wing for 30 days were sent in from TARAKAN. These were further augmented bysupplies from ZAMBOANGA all of which were placed in the same dispersal area. The resultant confusion of stocks could not be satisfactorily sorted out by the respective RAAF & US forces concerned.

Flt-Lt WILSON called together all parties concerned and firmly explained the basis of accountancy necessary and clarified the position.

at the present moment all supply to aircraft is from drum stock, which is emptied by a spillway to a settling tank from which it is drawn by six road tankers to refuell aircraft on the dispersal bays.

The Americans control and operate the two spillways mainly using native labour and now the RAAF and US Avgas goes over the spillways and all planes are serviced by RAAF and supplies to each force adjusted by simple acconntancy.

The six road tankers are just sufficient to efficiently supply the aircraft as yet but it was expectedthat 3 squadrons of P 38 American aircraft would be based on TAWI TAWI on approx 15 Jun. US authorities intend to use bulk Avgas if possible and are withdrawing one or two BG barges from TARAKAN, then constructing a 1 X 500 Brl bolted tank or 1 X 1,000 brl bolted tank near the strip and keeping this settling tank supplied with Avgas from the barges. It is possible to release t the barges from TARAKAN so the supply of Avgas to TAWI TAWI when bulk is installedwill be solely an American responsibility and the actual servicing of aircraft by mutual arrangement with RAAF . Any supplies of POL are to be called forward either from TARAKAN or ZAMBOANGA according to shipping and empty 44 gln drums returned to either base by back loading.

(T.A. THORNBURN) Mjr
DADS (POL)

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Subject: DETACHMENTS & OPERATIONS 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY

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MOROTAI

25 Jun 45.

D.D.S.T.
1 AUST CORPS.

Ref our memo ADX 10/7 of 30 May 45.

1. OBOE 2 is a bigger operation than was originally planned and in all probability the Unit will be called on to operate the Beach Installation (1st Pha se) simultaneously with the main Installation (2nd Phase).

The increased demands will necessitate an increase in the number of personnel to operate the installation.

2. The additional number now required at OBOE 2 will be 10 OR's - 1 Jeep and 1 ton stores to arrive by F plus 30.

3. "A" detachment was originally intended to be increased by 18 OR's but will now be built up by 8 OR's only as soon as possible.

No extra stores or vehicles are required.

4. The proposed disposition of the Coy will now be as follows:-

Coy HQ	MOROTAI	1 Off	6 OR's	Ca pt STEANES
A Det.	LABUAN	1 Off	29 OR's	Capt SOLOMON
B Det.	TARAKAN	1 Off	11 OR's	Lt YOUNG
C Det.	BALIK BAPEN	2 Off	48 OR's	Lt WILKINSON Lt CA LDWELL
		5 Off	94 OR's	(excluding OC & 1 OR)

5. It is req uested that the necessary arrangements to effect the movement of personnel as set out in paras 2 & 3 be made as soon as possible.

6. The remainder of 4 Aust B.P.S. is expected to arrive on the SS " SEA BARB" on Wed 28 Jun 45.

7. In the event of operations ceasing at TARAKAN it is requested that the Detachment be brought back to HQ MOROTAI for re-equipping, rest and re-allocation.

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.....O.C.
(I.P. WARNE-SMITH Maj)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy

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4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

MOROTAI.

25 Jun 45.

Subject: Report OBOE Six Bulk Oil Installation.

D.D.S.T.
1 AUST CORPS.

The attached report covers the construction progress and various other items in connection with B.P.S. Coy operations at OBOE SIX.

It is divided into the following paras:-

1. Construction progress,
2. Filling Points,
3. General Remarks on Construction,
4. Discharge and Routing of Tankers,
5. Barges,
6. Bulk Storage Capacity,
7. Target Dates of Bulk Oil Construction,
8. M.F.T. of B.P.S. Detachments,
9. Workboat,
10. Return of Empty 44gal Drums,
11. Refuelling of Catalinas,

A copy of memo in connection with para 8 is attached.

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(I.P. WARNE-SMITH Major)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

DIST: 3 DDST
1 Maj. Warne-Smith
1 Maj Thornburn
2 War Diary
1 File

1. CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

The erection of Tanks, repairs to Jetty, laying of Pipe Lines, Construction of Pump House, 5 Filling Points, Drum Filling Area, empty Drum Area and circuit road were all proceeding simultaneously on Jun 19.

The expected dates of completion of all stages of the Installation are as follows:-

Tank Farm.

1 x 1000 Brl Tank	A V Gas	20 JUN
1 x 1000 " "	MT 80	21 "
1 x 1000 " "	A D F	24 "
1 x 2300 " "	A V Gas	20 "
1 x 2300 " "	MT 80	20 "
1 x 2300 " "	A V Gas	26 "
1 x 2300 " "	MT 80	26 "
1 x 2300 " "	A V Gas	30 "
1 x 2300 " "	MT 80	30 "
1 x 2300 " "	MT 80	4 JUL

Jetty repairs and erection of 2 P.T. Refuelling Points and 1nc MT 80 Refuelling Point -- 22 Jun

Drum Filling Platform AV Gas & MT 80 - 26 "
Drum Filling Platform A D F - 27 "

A V Gas Road TAnker Filling Points - 21 "
MT 80 Road Tanker Filling Points - 22 "

Vehicle Refuelling Points - 22 "

The installation, including all operating requirements such as Gate Check Office, Q & Main Office, wire fencing etc should be completed by 10 Jul 45.

2. FILLING POINTS

A	Road Tanker Filling	A V Gas	-- Four4	Points
B	Road Tanker Filling	MT 80	-- Two	"
C	Road Tanker Filling	A D F	-- One	"
D	Vehicle Refilling Points		-- Five	"
E	44 Gall Drum Filling	A V Gas	-- Eight	")interchange-
F	44 Gall Drum Filling	MT 80	-- Eight	") able points
G	44 Gall Drum Filling	A D F	-- Three	"
H	P.T. Refuelling	A V Gas	-- Two	"
I	Crash & Motor Boat Refuelling	MT 80	-- One	"

N.B. I. was constructed as an addition to the original plan as Pipe Line and Fittings were available.

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3. GENERAL REMARKS ON CONSTRUCTION

A. One additional 2300 Brl Tank to the original schedule of stores is available for erection.

A site for the extra Tank was selected but the instruction to erect is, it is understood a matter for G.H.Q. direction.

B. All installation stores necessary for Stage 1 were unloaded on F plus one and F plus two days near the Tank sites and were in good order.

C. The original site selected for the Filling Areas was entirely unsuitable. It was necessary to secure portion of the docks Area in VICTORIA TOWN, for the operations.

The Tank Farm was being erected in the originally selected area.

D. The O.C. of the 14th Field Coy, the 9 CRE Works and all Engineers interested in the Bulk Oil Installation were most helpful and co-operative in meeting all the operational requirements of the 4 DPS Coy.

It is considered that up to the time of departure of the writer, the Engineers had done a speedy and splendid job.

The completed Installation should be a well designed and efficient operating plant.

4. TANKER DISCHARGES AND ROUTING

The Y 35 & Y 46 Tankers arrived BRUNEI HARBOUR On the 14 Jun. They were completely discharged into Barges and P.T. Tender Ship WILLOUGHBY by the 16 Jun. Advice of discharge completion was forwarded to all concerned through the daily Tanker Data Signal.

ADDITIONAL Signals were sent through the Principal Beachmaster to the Flag-ship " ROCKY MOUNT " requesting sailing instructions for the Tankers without result.

Finally HQ 9 Div were approached and asked to send a Signal to the U.S. Navy requesting urgent movement of the vessel to ZAMBOANGA. Sailing orders were then issued for 0800 hours 23 Jun.

As the Tankers were delayed in the harbour for one week it is possible that future supplies in Bulk may be affected.

For future OBOEs it is considered that Div HQ and the Naval Control, I should be advised that all Tankers on completion of discharge are routed immediately to ZAMBOANGA unless otherwise instructed by the G.H.Q. Area Petroleum Officer.

5. BARGES

AV Gas and MO Gas Barges were filled from Y Tankers and A D F Barge from the Tanker WINOSKI.

Barges were towed by Tugs and moored to the DPS Jetty on 16 & 17 Jun and the Tugs released for other duties.

Barges held by "A" Detachment 4 DPS Coy are:-

G 22	G 26	
G 61		Filled with AV Gas
G 65	G 12	
BG 593		
G 25		Filled with MF 80 Octane

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5. BARGES (cont)

G 56 Filled with A.D.F.

The Barge G 7 containing approximately 400 Brls of A.D.F. was in original tow. On arrival at BRUNEI the Barge was filled to capacity from the WINDOSKI and handed over to 593 US Boat Btn for refuelling L.C.Ms.

The gallonage of A.D.F. on the G 7 should be sufficient to refuell L.C.Ms. for five weeks and the 593 Boat Btn will not need to call on any drumed supplies.

6. BULK STORAGE CAPACITY

A. The allottment of Tanks as set out by G.H.Q. is :-

5 x 2300	Brl	Tank	AV Gas
1 x 1000	"	"	AV Gas
4 x 2300	"	"	MT 80
1 x 1000	"	"	MT 80
1 x 1000	"	"	A.D.F.

B. Future supplies on operational demands may require an alteration to the above allocation. The Valve and Pipe Line System is being constructed so that tanks can be interchangeable to allow for this.

C. In taking into account the storage capacity the 1000 Brl AV Gas and the 1000 Brl MD Gas Tanks cannot be considered as they will be used as Settling and Gravity Feed Tanks only. Also due to to the suction of the pumps requiring about a three foot head to function The storage capacity of each of the 2300 Brl Tanks will be reduced by approximately 10,000 gallons

7. TARGET DATES OF BULK OIL CONSTRUCTION

Except in exceptional or unforeseen circumstances the above can generally be achieved -

It is quite possible that it may not be an operational necessity to commence deliveries on the days set out. The RAAF may not require AV Gas as early as anticipated or there may be surplus stocks of MT 80 in Farms etc.

If the Engineers make the Target date only objective tanks and filling points may be of a temporary nature not entirely satisfactory from an operating stand point and which may have to be considerably altered in the final set-up.

The O.C. of BPS Coy would know the stock position of AV Gas MT 80 and A.D.F. and also the requirements of the various services, RAAF, AHNY, P.T. Flotilla and the L.C.Ms.

It is therefore considered that if better construction is necessa and the various services are not in need of supplies on the Target dates that it is O.C. of 4 BPS Coys prerogative to request a delay of this date accordingly.

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8. W.E.P. EQUIPMENT OF DETACHMENTS

The equipping of Detachments to full requirements is still a difficult problem. A considerable portion of the Technical stores necessary has been supplied by RAAF otherwise the Detachments would not have been able to operate.

Attached herewith is a copy of memo forwarded to D A D O S and the indents mentioned cover the Coys main requirements.

The O i/c HQ will advise as soon as possible of any action taken by Ordnance to obtain the necessary stores.

9. WORK BOAT

The 4 BIS Coy was advised that an L.M.O. release order had been given for the issue of a work boat from the April Production. To date noadvise has been received as to its whereabouts.

At ODOB One & Six continual use had to be made of L.C.Ms for the Coy operations and the L.C.Ms were urgently required for unloading ships. At times it was difficult to obtain any sort of water transport. The workboat is an urgent necessity and it would be appreciated if steps could be taken to have one shipped immediately to HOOGLY.

10. RETURN OF EMPTY 44 GALLON DRUMS

As at 20 Jun 320 x 44 had been issued to Units from B.I.P.O.D. The total empties returned on that date were 105.

The discrepency is largely caused by Units using drums for showers, water containers etc.

It is realized that the drums are a necessity to Units - at the same time if some check is not kept on the numbers so used a shortage of empty drums for filling purposes will occur.

It is recommended that either Units are supplied with other water containers, or that additional empty drums are forwarded on follow up convoys to cover the deficiency.

11. REFUELLING OF CATALINAS

The RAAF made no arrangements for refuelling the above aircraft.

It was expected that from about the 20 Jun to 5 Jul five Catalinas would be based on ~~BRUNEI~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ HARBOUR for operations.

The refuelling of these aircraft under arrangement between 9 Div and RAAF was per medium of DUKWS and drum.

It was suggested by the BPC Coy to RAAF and 9 Div that a better arrangement would be to refuel from one of the G Barges containing AV Gas, which could be anchored anywhere in the bay and on which were the necessary pumping units and hoses.

The suggestion was not adopted at the time and further representations were made to AASC 9 Div endevour to obtain RAAF agreement to the suggestion and release the DUKWS for other work.

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4 AUST B P S COY
AUSTRALIA

25 JUN 45.

Subject: INITIAL SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE WET.

DADOS,
1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)

1. Enclosed herewith are indents for above stores.

2. WET of 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy is sufficient to supply and maintain ONE Bulk Oil Installation for four months.

3. This Coy is now operating two detachments and has had to equip a third detachment for OBOE 2 operation.

4. Operating Equipment is thus short in each detachment and as this equipment is mostly purchaseable items, it is requested that urgent attention is given to procuring same.

5. Attached is copy of memo forwarded to HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Base Sub Area on 30 JAN 45. Setting out maintenance required to operate one installation and most of the items now required are included in this list. It is possible that previous action has been taken to procure these items and that all now required may be on the way to this Area.

.....Maj/Lt
(I.P. WARNE - SMITH)
OC 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY

DISTRIBUTION.

1. DADOS 1 Aust Base Sub Area.
1. DDST 1 Aust Corps.
2. War Diary.
1. Maj Warne-Smith.
1. File.

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COPY

4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage
Coy (AIF)
In the Field
BPX 2/3

30 Jan 45.

Subject: MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS WET 1V/57/2 - BPS COY.

HQ Comd 1 Aust Base
Sub Area AASC (AIF)

1. Enclosed herewith is a Statement setting out the maintenance requirements of Technical Items, items difficult to procure and those which have abnormal consuption.

2. The statement has been prepared from statistics kept during 18 months operation of a BPS Coy in NEW GUINEA.

3. It is requested that a recommendation is made to Ordnance to take the necessary Provision Action.

4. SPECIAL STORES

(a) Paint Drum Heads, Khaki Green.
In spite of numerous memos to Ordnance this item was always in short supply in New Guinea. Our present WET entitlement of 360 gals could not be obtained from Ordnance and was bought on a local Purchase Order in Sydney.
Provision Action for Paint Drum Head, Khaki Green is very urgent, otherwise drums filled by 4 Aust BPS Coy in future operations will not be clearly branded.

(b) Stencil Brushes.
The WET Brush Stencil 1½" is entirely unsuitable for BPS Coy work. The type required is similar to a boot or hair brush, size at least 4" x 2".
The above remarks have been made in all Ordnance indents for this item but the issue is always Brushes Stencil 1½".

(c) Boots Canvas Special.
Must be used by all personnel working on Tankers of Bulk Tanks as a safety fire precaution against sparks from nails on boots. The WET for this is Shoes Canvas Gymnasium but these are not suitable in tropical climates.

Signed. I.P. WARNE-SMITH Maj
OC 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy.

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Subject:- TANKER LOADING

HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy (AIF)

MOROTAI

27 Jun 45

O.C.
"C" Detachment
4 Aust B P S Coy
OBOE 2

1. Under instructions of 1 Aust Base Sub Area HQ 4 Aust B P S Coy reported to AV Gas Jetty, MOROTAI to supervise loading of Ta nker Y 18 with A D F at 1200 hours 26 Jun 45.

2. On arrival it was found that loading had commenced at 1100 hours thus precluding 4 B P S Coy from inspecting ship's tanks completely for cleanliness and from taking the shore ta nk dips prior to loading.

3. Also due to the unava ilability of a thermometer in MOROTAI Area temperature was unable to be taken. Approximate temperature would be 80 degrees (quote Major Thornburn).

4. DADS (POL) Adv L.H.Q. instructed this Coy to take fina l ullages and compare quantity on Tanker with figures received from U.S. Area Petroleum Officer conducting the loading. He also pointed out that his only concern was that 4B P S Coy should ensure that the Tanker was fully loaded.

5. All other available data is shown in copy of Ship's Manifest and Master's Certificate of Cleanliness forwarded to "C" Detachment.

.....Adgn Comd
(T. C. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF)

Distribution

1 O.C. "C" Det 4 Aust B P S Coy
1 Major Warne-Smith
2 War Diary
1 File

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday.. 2./..6./1945.... 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) .....(Unit) 22/..45 (Serial No.)
(less Dets)

W.E...IV/.57./..2.. OFFRS..6..O.R.'s.91. OFFRS.....O.R's..5..ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL	Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinf'ts Required
W.E.									
1				Lieut.-Colonels					
			1	Majors					
2			2	Captains					
3			3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offs.					
6			6						

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) and 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.	A 6										6
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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(less Detachments) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/6/1945 (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.
Major	VX 41327	Warne-Smith	I.P.	O.C.	No	1TTD Adv HQ 1 Aust Corps	7/4/45
Captain	NX123571	Steanes	H.M.	2ic	Yes		
"	NX 32986	Solomon	E.R.	P & M	No	1 Det 4 Aust BPSCoy	11/4/45
Lieut	VX119968	Wilkinson	A.W.	Adj	No	1 Det 4 Aust BPSCoy	27/5/45
"	NX 53089	Young	G.A.E.	Pl	No	1 Det 4 Aust BPSCoy	10/3/45
"	NX 57347	Caldwell	T.C.J.	Pl	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

Date of Despatch

(H.M.Steanes Capt)

Signature of Commander

Admn Com
4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)
(less Dets)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/6/1945. ..... (Unit)

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 6 O.R's. 91 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps. W.E.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
1			1	W.Os. Class I.					
1			1	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1			1	Staff Sergeants					
4			4	Sergeants					
12		1	13	Corporals	A.A.M.C. 1 A.A.C.C. 1	1 1			
71 NR	5		66	Troopers, Privates, etc.	A.A.C.C. 3	3			
		6	6	Civilians coming as O.R.					
91 *	5	7	93 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		5 *			*

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	97 a 1 b						[redacted]	[redacted]		98
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.
58	1 Detachment 4 BPS Coy (55AASC 2AACC 1AAMC)		
2	126 A.S.H.		
1	128 A.G.H. (AACC)		

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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(less Detachments)

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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 2 / 6 /1945 .

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	-	1	
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	2	2		Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths	2	1	NR
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'n. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	1	1		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Non Spec			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								M.S.M.	1	1	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mcd.)								C.S.M	1	1	
Fitters	3	3		Driver-Operator								C.Q.M.S.	1	1	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								S/Sgt Clerk	1	1	
Fitters (Electrical)	1	1		Electricians								Sgts Gen Dut	4	4	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Gen Duties	40	30	NR
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Cpls	9	10	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpl i/c Firel		1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	3	NR	Batman	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Bat Dvr	5	4	NR
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Hygiene	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				M/C Orderly	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Water Duty	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman	-	1		Cooks				M/T Drs	3	3	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				A.A.M.C.	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.	-	12		A.A.C.C.	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	2	2					
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.	2	2		Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber	2	2		Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	7	7		CARRIED FORWARD	5	6		CARRIED FORWARD	6	17		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	96 *	98 *	

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

Date of Despatch

Admn Comd
(Signature of Commander)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)
(less Dets)

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	TRADE	W.E.	P/S	Def	Surp
Cpl	Gen Duties	12	13		1$
Ptes	H T Drs Gp3	-	12		12#

$ VX 108999

Cpl McNEE L.J.

Age 24

Med Bl

Restrictions Locomotion

Occ. prior to Enlistment Storeman

Duties General Duties

Schools Jun Ldrs 3 Weeks)
" 2 ") Pass
Explosives 2 ")

CO remarks re Posting:-

To be carried superhumary to Establishment.

Posted by Ech & Rec NSW Lof C Area as General Duties.

Received 02/1100 I
Ref No
OC
Adj QM

"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy(AIF)
23 June 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 1 June to 23 June 45.

1 June. O.C.unit and 1 O/R embarked L.S.T 560 for O.B.O.E.6.

2 June. "A" Det personnel aboard L.S.T 613 in MOROTAI harbour pending movement for O.B.O.E 6.

3 June. do

4 June do

5 June Convoy moved from MOROTAI harbour for O.B.O.E.6.

6 June In convoy

7 June In convoy

8 June In convoy

9 June In convoy

10 June O.C. and 1 O/R landed LABUAN Is O.B.O.E.6.

11 June O.C.unit, C.R.E.Works, Capt Wickens L.H.Q., reconnasance of area for Bulk Oil. Site selected for Filling Areas unsuitable. Tank Farm Area O.K.

12 June. 1 Officer and 21 O/R's disembarked LABUAN and moved to camp site on west side of Victoria Harbour. All Engineer Stores unloaded. 14 Fld Coy. R.A.E. commenced clearing areas to commence construction of tanks for Installation. Stores commenced unloading L.S.T.613. Personnel camped temporarily under capes half shelter. Application made to 9 Aust Div for additional area in Victoria Harbour section for filling areas. Arrangements by O.C Unit with "ROCKY MOUNT" for fuelling Distillate Barges from US Naval Tanker "WINOOSKI".

13 June. Arrival of slow convoy with Tanker Y35 and Y46 and 6 AVGAS, 1 MT 80 and 2 A.D.F.Barges.

14 June. All Barges dipped and taken into stock. 61823 imp galls A.D.F received into Barge from U.S.S."WINOOSKI" Air Raid alert at 2100 hrs. Second Air Raid alert at 2200 hrs. One enemy plane dropped bombs east side of Victoria township but was shot down by A.A.fire.

15 June. Tanker Y.46 discharged into Barges 165757 imp galls AVGAS. Commenced preparation of camp area and setting up of camp.

16 June. Tanker Y.35 discharged into Barges 147382 imp galls M.T 80. All Barges towed into and moored at Harrison Jetty..Arrangements made with M.B.S.O.and 9 Aust Div to have 22 L of C Sigs install telephone line and wire area for Installation phones.

17 June. Telephone line installed in Orderly Room and connected to M.B.S.O. Maintenance on Barge pumping units being carried out by Workshops personnel . Construction commenced on gravity tanks for AVGAS, MT 80 and A.D.F.

18 June. Construction on gravity tanks continuing. Commenced construction of welded bulk tanks. Pipelines from Jetty to gravity tanks being laid. Filling area being levelled and graded. Preparation being made for installation of bulk AVGAS filling points.

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19 June — Tank construction work and further clearing and levelling of Installation area continuing. Arrangements made with 47 O.B.U. R.A.A.F. to send road tankers to Installation on 21 June to haul AVGAS in bulk from Installation.

20 June. — Major I.P.Warne-Smith returned by plane to 1 Aust Corps MOROTAI. Construction of AVGAS gravity tank completed. Tank filled with water and tested for leaks and drained ready to fill with AVGAS.

21 June. — At 0310 hrs commenced pumping AVGAS from Barges to gravity tank. Average pumping rate was 18,000 galls per hour. At 0450 hrs, pumping was stopped owing to an attack in Main Beach Area by a suicide squad of Japs. The attack lasted until dawn when the enemy raiding party was wiped out. Approximately 30 enemy bodies were counted in the immediate vicinity of installation area. R.A.A.F. commenced carting bulk AVGAS in Road Tankers. All units in Beach Group Area combined to form defensive measures against enemy infiltration. An attempt at infiltration was made by the enemy through the night but failed to penetrate the outer defenses.

22 June. — Construction on welded tanks proceeding. MT 80 gravity tank completed and tested with water. Several leaks were found and were repaired late in the night. Installation construction work has been slightly interrupted each night through enemy activities. Two Japanese were located in a bombed out house neighbouring unit camp site and were killed by automatic weapon fire.

23 June. — Line to MT.V.R.P.s and points themselves installed. MT gravity tank re-tested with water and no leaks discerned. At 1100 hrs commenced pumping MT 80 from Barges to gravity tank. Pumping was stopped between hrs of 1215-1310 to clean pump filter. Tank was filled at 1435 hrs. 1 wounded Japanese discovered hiding under wreckage near camp site and was killed by rifle fire.

WEEKLY ISSUES. — AVGAS 63782 imp galls MT 80 6140 imp galls ADF. nil

STOCK BALANCES. — " 205254 " " " "227373 " " " 49990 imp galls.

WEATHER — Hot and humid with slight rain at night.

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Jun 25 1 Officer and 21 Other Ranks embarked L.S.T. 911. for OBOE two: personnel quartered on open deck.
1 x 3 ton vehicle shipped on L.S.T. 911. loaded with HQ and accommodation stores.
Stores loaded on 'Clarence S Matson' for OBOE two.
O.C. Coy and 1 Other Rank embarked L.S.T. 1018. for OBOE two.

26 L.S.T. 911. anchored in Harbour.
L.S.T. 1018. sailed with F Day convoy.

27 L.S.T. 911. still at anchor.

28 L.S.T. 911. sailed at 1500 hours for OBOE two. F Day 2.

29 At sea.

30 At sea.

Jul 1 L.S.T. 911. at sea.
F Day convoy arrived BALIKPAPEN but owing to insufficient unloading facilities O.C. did not disembark.

2 L.S.T. 1018. still off BALIKPAPEN.
L.S.T. 911. at sea.

3 O.C. disembarked L.S.T. 1018.
L.S.T. 911. arrived BALIKPAPEN and anchored off beach.
Discussion with C.A.S.C. and O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy on programme to be adopted for Bulk Oil.

4 L.S.T. 911. still at anchor.
Inspection of the two alternative sites allotted in original Key Plan of OBOE two for Bulk Oil by Lt. Col. Poole 12 CRE Works, and O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy. O.C. 4 B.P.S. not satisfied with either site and decided to make further recconnaissance of Port Area as soon as it was freed of enemy troops.
At a discussion with C.A.S.C. 7 Div O.C. suggested that original Stage 1 installation which was to be in operation by F plus 6 near SEPINGGANG Air Strip consisting of 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks Av Gas, 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks M.T. 80 and 1 x 1000 Brl Tank A.D.F. be reduced to 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks Av Gas and Delivery Points for Road Tankers only. It was pointed out that sufficient stocks of both M.T. 80 and A.D.F. in drums were on hand to cover any demands for at least 25 days, and that in view of the early capture of the Port Area it would save unnecessary labour and be more advantageous for supplies, to locate all the installation and Tank Farms in the one Central Port Area.
C.A.S.C. agreed to put the proposition to A.Q. 7th Div.

5 1 Officer and 21 Other Ranks disembarked from L.S.T. 911.
Personnel quartered at B.I.P.O.D.
Reconnaissance by Lt. Col. Poole, O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy., O.C. 21 Field Coy Engineers and Capt Wickens LAQ Engineer advisor on Bulk Oil Installation, of a site for Stage 1. Ideal site found at end of SEPINGGANG Air Strip. Map reference:- North East Borneo 1.50,000 BALIKPAPEN Sheet C 633.597.
Old Oil Jetty is to be repaired and a berth made for B.P.S. Barges.
In the afternoon a further reconnaissance by O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy and Capt Wickens LHQ, of all of Port Area for Stage 11 site. Excellent site for operational purposes and Tank Farms at, Map Reference Borneo 1.25000 BALIKPAPEN Sheet 67 x x 11 C 572.632, in Central Point of Port Area. Selected site approved by CRE 7th Div, 12 CRE Works and Commander Base Area. Part of Engineers Stores for Stage 1 being unloaded but it will be impossible to hit the target date due to their late unloading.

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Jul 6 1 Officer and 21 Other Ranks still quartered at B.I.P.O.D.
Advised by 12 CRE that Site Stage 11 held in obeyance due to possible erection of General Hospital on hill above Tank Farm.
Work commenced on Jetty and Tank Sites for Stage 1.
Further reconnaissance Stage 11 by Capt Wickens and O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy.
Rough construction details agreed on - also Camp site for Unit, allocated by 12 CRE Works and Base Commander.
Signal received from Admiral of Fleet to release Tugs towing B.P.S. Barges - This was not agreed to as no safe anchorage in the Outer Harbour for the Barges and signal to that effect sent to Admiral.
T.A½C.H. to move into camp area 7th - arrangement for 12 trucks and 50 men labour to commence moving damaged drums from operational area Stage 11.

7 Unit moved to permanent camp site. Personnel on hard rations.
O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy contacted Tanker Y 109 and made arrangements for refuelling P.T. Tender 'MOBJACK' with Av Gas.
Arrangements made with Navy to move Tanker Fleet - Y 109, Y 18 and AOG 19 and also Tugs and Barges into Inner Harbour as soon as Harbour declared safe.
Admiral of Fleet agreed to Tugs to hold Barges until Barges can be moored in Inner Harbour.
Engineer Stores for Stage 1 still only partly unloaded.
O.C. in conference with Engineers on construction dates of delivery all grades and dates of completion each Tank.
All dates depend on dates Stores unloaded, and on decision whether Stage 11 Site will be finally allocated for Bulk Oil.
Work has commenced on Stage 11, surveying etc is continuing on Stage 1.
Working party and trucks to clean up Stage 11 Area not sent.
Strength State -- 2 Officers and 22 Other Ranks.

8 Camp site came under fire of Japanese Wood-pecker gun.
Inspection of Stage 1 by Engineers and O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy.
Final details of construction agreed on.
Y 109 discharged Av Gas to 'MOBJACK'.
Working party and 12 trucks for 9th inst cancelled by O.C. on account site still lay under enemy observation and shelling Area.
O.C. advised of conference of Engineers, Base Commander and Major De Blanch of N.I.A. to see if an alternative site could be found for Stage 11.

9 O.C. conference with C.A.S.C.. Review of situation in Stage 11 and C.A.S.C. advised work on construction stopped pending decision by the various HQrs as to whether Stage 11 site will be allocated or not. Work on Stage 11 has been stopped. Four days have now been lost due to various HQrs Commands inability to make up their minds to a decision.
Reconnaissance of further areas made with Engineers and Major De Blanch.
Suggestions made to keep the present operation area and move Tank Farm Area further back in valley and allow Hospital to take hill site.
From an operational point of view O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy in disagreement with this plan.
Arrangements with Navy to move Tanker Fleet and Tugs and Barges to Inner Harbour on 10th inst.

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Jul 10 Barges towed and moored to No. 7 Pier, Inner Harbour.
Tankers moved to anchorage in Inner Harbour.
Y 109 completed discharge into B.P.S. by 1630 hours and expected to sail 1800 hours.
O.C., 21 Field Coy and Capt Wickens asked to insist that 3 x 1000 Brl Tanks for Mo Gas be placed alongside Distillate Tank. Map reference Borneo 1.25,000 BALIKPAPEN Sheet 67 xxll C. 573.619.
Advice received that this will not be agreed to and that all tanks will be placed along ridge of alternative site for Stage 11 and that two existing tanks will be rehabilitated. Map reference Borneo 1.25,000 BALIKPAPEN Sheet 67 xxll C. 577.622.
The Engineers have created serious construction problems which will delay the building programme of Bulk Oil and will retard the Target dates for issues by several days.
Arrangements made for DUKWS to unload B.P.S. Barges of
" Installation equipment and 2 LCMs to tow Av Gas Barges to SEPINGGANG Installation.
Y 18 and AOG 19 to be berthed in Inner Harbour on 11th inst. as per arrangements with Navy.
2 x 1000 Brl Tanks, Jetty and Pipelines and delivery points have been nearly completed at Stage 1.

11 SEPINGGANG visited by O.C. Coy.
Conference C.A.S.C. and Navy.
Navy did not berth AOG 19 and Y 18 in Inner Harbour but will do so tomorrow. Also Navy did not supply LCMS to tow Av Gas Barge to SEPINGGANG - Barge to be towed 12th inst.

12 Arrangements made by Y 18 to discharge into B.P.S. Av Gas Barge and discharge made PM.
AOG 19 to discharge into M.T. 80 Barge on 13th inst.
LCM towed Av Gas Barge to SEPINGGANG Stage 1 Area- rough weather and buoys as constructed by 21 Engineers not considered safe by O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy and Barge sent back to mooring in Inner Harbour.
Construction of 1 x 1000 Brl Tank Distillate Stage 11 commenced.
Testing of Stage 1 Av Gas Tanks with water carried out - several leaks but none bad.

13 Work on Jetty Stage 11 commenced.
Building of 1 x 1000 Brl Tank for A.D.F. Stage 11 commenced.
Stores for Stage 11 not yet unloaded from Stephen Benet.
Engineers report that Av Gas Tanks Stage 1 need more repair work and testing.
Engineers driving 5 sets of 2 each mooring piles at SEPINGGANG Stage 1 so safe mooring of Barge may be made.

14 Construction and repairs of Jetty Stage 11 proceeding.
Commenced work on erecting 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks for M.T. 80 Stage 11.
Engineers report Av Gas Tanks SEPINGGANG now okay and arrangements made with Navy to move Av Gas Barge at 7 AM sharp so that high tide will be met when mooring Barge at destination. Two LCMs to report at 8 AM to move other B.P.S. Barge back to back of present mooring berth so that the 'JAMES S COOK' may unload at No. 7 Pier.
Strength State 2 Officers and 22 Other Ranks plus 1 OR attached.

15. LCMs ordered from Navy arrived 9 AM Inner Harbour mooring berth instead of 7 AM. Av Gas Barge missed high tide at SEPINGGANG and due to that and non removal of Pile Driving Barge from B.P.S. mooring berth by Engineers, Barge ran aground 70 yards away from berth.

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Jul 15 Ropes attached to Jetty and attempt made to float Barge to berth at 2200 hours on the high tide. Attempt unsuccessful. Decision to try to get LCMs to tow Barge off bank at high tide 16th and at same time prepare pipes and hoses to lay floating line from Jetty if towing unsuccessful. Navy would not promise any assistance with LCMs.
Construction Stage 11 proceeding slowly but Engineers will not give any dates of completion of any Tanks or Pipelines for delivery.
Cpl Lincoln, Ptes Sloane and Calow detached to SEPINGGANG to control and issue from 2 x 35,000 gallon Tanks.

16 LCMs state impossible for Navy to tow grounded Barge AM but one LCM promised PM with Naval Officer to thoroughly inspect Barge position and berthing arrangements. Neither arrived at SEPINGGANG.
Commenced PM laying submarine pipe line from wharf to Barge in low tide.
Conference Engineers, being on Stage 11 construction. Many difficulties, and from an operational point of view Installation will not be a success.
Again pointed out to Engineers the delay slow construction is causing to Tanker AOG 19 which is still in Harbour and likely to be for some time.
Engineers Stores for Stage 11 are being unloaded.

17 O.C. at SEPINGGANG. Laying of Pipeline continuing and hoses finally connected to Barge and wharf by 1500 hours.
Pumping commenced Av Gas Tanks at 1600 hours and is successful.
Pumping ceased at dusk 1900 hours when 50,000 gallons of Av Gas received ashore.
Arrangements with Colonel Murphy for Infantry protection of Areas as enemy infiltration troops about.
Navy approached again re sailing of Y 109 but could not give anything definite.

18. SEPINGGANG - Pumping ashore from Barge continuing.
Delivery Lines tested for leaks, water and rust etc.
One leaking length of pipe to be replaced.
Arrangements made for RAAF to take deliveries tomorrow the 19th.
Guard for Area not yet arrived and this again taken up with C.A.S.C. 7 Div. BPS provided a picquet for hours of darkness from men at Stage 11.
Conference again later with C.A.S.C. re Tanker delays which have become a matter for 7 Div HQrs attention.
Position is now; Navy have not sailed the Y109 and it is their responsibility.
Y 18; permission has been given to remain at BALIKPAPEN indefinitely.
AOG 19 held pending construction ashore of Tanks to take its contents, by Engineers - Can't guarantee date for completion of discharge until Engineers advise when Tanks are ready.

19 O.C. Coy., Capt Wickens and O.C. 21 Field Coy spent morning in discussions on general pipe line layout, valves etc., Stage 11.
Also construction details of Drum Filling Stand and VRPs and Road Tanker Points and roads in Area.
Final layout agreed upon although some points in Delivery System not satisfactory to O.C. 4 B.P.S. Coy.
This is not the Engineers fault but due mainly to site chosen by Div for Installation Tank Farm.
Tentative date given for completion of 3 x 1000 Brl Tanks Mo Gas - VRPs by 22nd inst.
Commenced delivery Av Gas to RAAF AM. from SEPINGGANG Stage 1.
One Tank Stage 1 leaky in several places but not bad.

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Jul 20 Temporary lighting installed at HQ - Power supplied by Engineers.

21 Strength State 3 Officers and 39 Other Ranks plus 4 Other Ranks attached.
Average daily attendance of natives -- 66
Total Issues Av Gas 180,469 Imp Galls
Total Issues Mo Gas NIL
Total Issues A D F 11,720 Imp Galls
Stock on hand Av Gas 122,841 Imp Galls
Stock on hand Mo Gas 170,041 Imp Galls
Stock on hand A D F 94,033 Imp Galls
Construction report for week attached.

22 Weather fine and hot.
Mo Gas Cargo line and 3 x 1000 Brl Tanks Mo Gas tested with water - Line leaking and Tanks weeping.
Filling line laid to VRP and fitted with six refuelling points - Air tested and all refuelling points found to be leaking.
ADF pipe lines and filling platform continued.
Construction of Jetty Head and Av Gas line to SEPINGGANG continued.

23 Weather fine and hot.
Tanker AOG 19 discharged a further 114,154 Imp Galls to 3 x 1000 Brl shore tanks. Tanks weeped badly and many leaks occurred in Cargo Line.
Construction of filling platform discontinued to allow for construction of track to VRP.
Repairs carried out on VRP outlets by B.P.S. Fitters.
Jetty construction and pipe line to SEPINGGANG continued.
Laying of ADF lines continued.

24 Air Raid 0320 hours.
Weather fine and hot.
VRP opened after 1 hour's draining to salvage Mo Gas drums, at 1530 hours - 2 points used for vehicle refuelling and 4 points for drum filling.
ADF Cargo line to Jetty completed and tank and lines tested with water - quite fair results.
ADF filling line under construction.
Site commenced for 3 x 2300 Brl Av Gas tanks and ~~1 x 1000~~
1 x 2300 Brl Mo Gas Tank.
SEPINGGANG line continued.

25 Weather fine and hot.
Issue of 44's M.T. commenced to B.I.P.O.D.
Issues commenced at vehicle refuelling points.
Issue of clothing recieved.
Air Raid warning 2000 hours.
Sleeper covering Mo Gas Cargo line (no sleeve having been installed under roadway) contained spike which traffic drove into pipe causing bad leak.
Work on filling platform continued and ADF line to Filling Platform laid - no facilities for filling yet.
3 x 1000 Brl Mo Gas Tanks wired off from roadway.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Jetty construction and pipe line to SEPINGGANG continued.

26 Air Raid 0445 hours
Mechanical Skid Loaders, having been repaired, being put to good use loading drums to B.I.P.O.D.
Actual construction of Tanks on 4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm commenced.
Mo Gas Cargo line leaking badly in two places.
Filling platform continued and shelter on same commenced.
Gate to Jetty erected and line to SEPINGGANG continued.

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JUL 27 Lt. Stanton marched-in attached for instruction on storage and issue of Bulk P.O.L.
Red Air Raid Warning 2245 hours.
Weather raining heavily.
4 x 2300 Brl Tanks Farm continued.
Filling platform and shelter continued.
Av Gas Cargo line from [redacted] Repaired 9300 Brl Tank continued.

28 Strength State 3 Officers and 36 Other Ranks.
Average daily attendance of natives 49

Total Issues Av Gas	27,071	Imp Galls
Total Issues Mo Gas	71,148	Imp Galls
Total Issues A D F	8,327	Imp Galls
Stock on hand Av Gas	96,797	Imp Galls
Stock on hand Mo Gas	211,836	Imp Galls
Stock on hand A D F	95,141	Imp Galls

Installation Construction report attached. Camp construction is well under way.
General Health of Personnel very Good.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Filling platform and shelter continued.
Jetty gate and fence completed.
Av Gas Cargo line to Jetty completed and Sepinggang continued.

29 4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Filling platform and shelter continued.
SEPINGGANG continued.
Av Gas delivery line unedr construction.

30 Weather - raining heavily.
Issue to B.I.P.O.D. being held up pending repair of roads.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Filling platform and shelter continued.
SEPINGGANG line continued.
Av Gas delivery line continued.
Bad leak in Mo Gas delivery line developed.
Wash away on Vasey Highway caused 7 vehicles carting drummed Mo Gas to B.I.P.O.D. to be returned unloaded.

31 Strength State 3 Officers and 36 Other Ranks.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Filling platform and shelter continued.
SEPINGGANG line continued.
Av Gas delivery line continued.
Mo Gas filling line drained, bad leak repaired by B.P.S.
Fitters and effots made to clear petrol floating on surface of drain beside road.
SEPINGGANG report bad leak in Av Gas Cargo line near Jetty.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

T. C. J. CALDWELL O.C.

"C" DETACHMENT 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY 'AIF'

Serial No. 4 Paras 12 - 13 2 Aug 45

12. CONTROL OF DENGUE

8. (a) Dress Discipline- since the mosquito vectors bite most frequently in the early morning, trousers, shirts, socks etc., will be put on immediately on rising. Shaving will be carried out with shirts on and sleeves rolled up. Sleeves will then be rolled down until 0830 hours. There will be no showering after 1900 hours or before 0830 hours. until further notice. A minimum of time is to be spent with the body exposed, shirts may be removed under the following circumstances only:-

(i) While actually engaged in tending fires.
(ii) Personnel working in the holds of ships.
(iii) Personnel engaged in welding inside petroleum tanks during the day only.

(b) Spraying - to be carried out at Reveille, 1700, 1900 and lights out in tent lines, immediately before meals in mess huts and hourly after 1700 hours in recreation huts until lights out. It is anticipated that adequate spraying facilities will shortly become available. In spraying, the lower half of the structure should be concentrated upon first particularly the under sides of stretchers, shelves, tables, flooring etc.

(c) Repellant - particular attention will be paid to the two-hourly use of repellant at night.

13. DAILY ROUTINE

As from 2 Aug 45 the following hours will apply :-

Reveille - 0645 hours

Breakfast - 0715 hours

DISTRIBUTION

1 HQ 7 Mix 7 Aust Base Sub Area
1 HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
2 War Diary
1 Notice Board
1 File

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NOTICES

TRADING A/C
for month ending 31/7/45

To Purchases	£ 349.40	By Sales	£265.80
" Profit - transferred to Canteen Funds a/c	10.49	" Currency Discrepancy	2.69
		" Stock at 31/7/45	91.40
	£ 359.89		£ 359.89

STATEMENT OF CANTEEN AFFAIRS
as at 31 July 45

Liabilities			Assets	
Advance from Unit Canteen	£ 212.45		Cash	£ 222.64
plus profit	10.49	£ 222.94	Stock	91.40
Advance from Members		91.10		
		£ 314.04		£ 314.04

We certify that we have audited the Canteen books of "C" Detachment 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy and have found the above statement to be a true and correct record of the position as at 31 Jul 45.

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Subject:- TANKER DISCHARGE REPORT

AOG 19

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage
Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 1/5

1 Aug 45

S & T Services
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. Tanker AOG 19 carrying MOGAS arrived and anchored off BALIKPAPEN Outer Harbour at 1800 hours 4 July 45.

2. Due to rough weather and lack of water transport contact was not made with AOG 19 till the 11 July when she entered the Inner Harbour which was declared safe for shipping on the 10th.

3. The ship carried no manifest and due to no correctly calibrated shore tanks being available, the quantity on ship, as per ullage dips was taken into stock.

4. On the 13th July 45 the tanker discharged 75,034 Imp Galls at 60° F. into barge BG 1647 moored to Oil Wharf Inner Harbour.

5. No tank storage ashore was available until the 23 July 45 when 114,154 Imp Galls at 60° were pumped to 3 x 1000 barrel tanks.

6. The balance of cargo was pumped ashore to the 3 x 1000 barrel tanks and barge BKO 37 (previously used as storage for AVGAS) on the 28 July 45, the ship sailing 1500 hours 29 July 45.

		Imp Galls	Imp Galls
7. Quantity on tanker on arrival		329,502	
Discharged Barge BG 1647	13:7:45		75,034
Discharged shore tanks	23:7:45		114,154
Discharged shore tanks & Barge	28:7:45		130,693
Issued Harbour Craft			2,469
Loss on Discharge			7,152

8. The loss of 7,152 Imp Galls was due to incorrectly calibrated charts, ship and barges, leakage from line and shore tanks on initial pumping, and to standing evaporation losses whilst ship was moored in Harbour.

9. Copies of receipts and F.44 No. 2/45 covering discrepancy are attached to distribution lots 1,2,3,4.

Distribution

1 7 Aust Base Sub Area
2 DDST ADV L H Q
3 DDST 1 Aust Corps
4 DDST L H Q
5 1st T A F RAAF
6 H Q 4 Aust BPS Coy
7 War Diary
8 File

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Subject:- WEEKLY RESUME FOR WEEK
ended 1800 hours 28 Jul 45.

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy (AIF)
In the Field
BPC 4/1

29 Jul 45

HQ
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA.

1. STOCKS

Stock of AVGAS is as follows :-

Shore tanks and lines Sepinggang	65,079
Barge B K O 38	31,718
	96,797

Stock of MOGAS is as follows :-

Shore tanks and lines	27,746
BG 1647	170,054
Drums 319 x 44	14,036
	211,836

Tanker AOG 19 140,314
(completed discharge 1700 hours -
figures not included due to tanks settling)

Stock of A D F is as follows :-

Barge BKO 42	95,141
Tanker Y 18	141,593
	236,734

2. OPERATIONS

Refuelling AVGAS at Sepinggang commenced on 19 July 45.

V R P commenced operating 25 July 45.

Drum filling and deliveries to BIPOD on 25 July 45.

3. INSTALLATION CONSTRUCTION

(i) Completed

(a) 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks AVGAS.

Location SEPINGGANG.

Bulk deliveries being made at daily average of 3,500 galls.

((b) 3 x 1000 Brl Tanks MOGAS.

Location BALIKPAPEN.

Tanks filled from AOG 19 on 23 July 45.
Delivery line to VRP's made available 1500 hours 24 July 45.
Vehicle refuelling and 44 drum filling commenced 0800 hours 25 July 45 - - - Tanks weeping and lines leaking badly.

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3. Completed (cont)

(c) 1 x 1000 Brl Tank A D F,

Location BALIKPAPEN.

Tank completed and tested.
Delivery line and Filling Points not yet available.

(ii) Under Construction

1 x 9300 Brl Tank MOGAS

1 x 2300 " " "

1 x 9300 " " AVGAS

3 x 2300 " " "

Drum filling stand for all grades.

ADF Bulk Road Tanker filling Point.

Pipe Line Pumping System BALIKPAPEN, to SEPINGGANG.
er
Tank/Jetty

Wire fences and gates at Tanks.

Pipe Line Pumping System to MANGAAR.

ADF Jetty Refuelling Point.

PT Jetty Refuelling Point.

Wire fences and gates at operating area.

Repairing Roads at filling and operating area.

shed
Stores/and Workshops for Unit Equipment, Technical Stores etc.

Gate Check Office.

Electric Lighting.

Installation Telephone System.

Drum cleaning plant.

Derrick and shelter for hoses at Jetty Head.

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Serial No. 5 Paras 5 - 11 26 Jul 45

5. ORDERLY N.C.O. mounting 1800 hours as specified:

Thu	26	Jul	45	Sgt	PARKER
Fri	27	Jul	45	L/Sgt	BIGGS
Sat	28	Jul	45	Cpl	COCKING
Sun	29	Jul	45	Cpl	CRAWFORD
Mon	30	Jul	45	Sgt	PARKER
Tue	31	Jul	45	L/Sgt	BIGGS
Wed	1	Aug	45	Cpl	COCKING

PICQUET mounting 2100 hours daily as specified:

Thu	26	Jul	45	Ptes	CAMPBELL:TRESSIDER:DOYLE:HARRIS: L/Cpl SHIELS
Fri	27	Jul	45	Ptes	SANDO:POULTON:BLACKER:L/Cpls FORSSMAN:BARRY
Sat	28	Jul	45	Ptes	PORTER:HOWSE:HARVEY:CAHILL:L/Cpl CORNELL
Sun	29	Jul	45	Ptes	NOACK:WARTON:WALKER:McCRAE:O'HALLORAN
Mon	30	Jul	45	Ptes	TUCKER:PERL:TOWERS:CAMPBELL:L/Cpl FITZPATRICK
Tue	31	Jul	45	Ptes	TRESSIDER:DOYLE:SCHILDS:O'HALLORAN:NOACK
Wed	1	Aug	45	Ptes	SANDO:POULTON:BLACKER:L/Cpls FORSSMAN:BARRY

6. SPEED LIMITS

The following speed limits will be observed in the BALIKPAPEN area:-

(a) VASEY HIGHWAY, EAST OF KLANDASAN BESAR -- 20 m.p.h.

(b) Roads other than that portion of VASEY HIGHWAY referred to in Sub para (a) of this order -- 15 m.p.h.

7. SEA BATHING

Sea bathing is permitted except within 400 yards each side of and in front of river estuaries. Bathing in rivers and streams and in the nude is prohibited.

8. DRESS - WEARING OF SHIRTS

1. As a result of an entomological survey, it has been ascertained that a definite threat of an epidemic of dengue fever exists; a number of cases have already been notified.

2. In view of the serious nature of this threat, all previous orders regarding the wearing of shirts are cancelled. Commencing forthwith, shirts will be worn by ALL personnel, at ALL times, with the exception of those personnel actually working in the holds of ships, and Unit cooks, who may wear singlets during the hours of daylight.

3. Particular attention will be paid by Unit Comds to ensure that this order is adhered to by all personnel attending mess parades and by all personnel resting in Unit lines during the hours of daylight.

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9. SMOKING

Smoking in any part of the Installation area particularly Filling Areas, Drum Dumps, Jetty and Tank Farms is strictly prohibited. It is the responsibility of all B.P.S. Coy personnel to enforce compliance of this order by all drivers and personnel entering the area, and all natives.
Disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders.

10. R.A.P.

R.A.P. hours are from 0700 hours - 0730.
No treatment other than emergency will be given during working hours unless otherwise instructed.

11. CANTEEN

Canteen hours are as follows:-

1330 to 1400 daily

1845 to 1915 daily

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1 HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)
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T Caldwell

.....O.C.
(T. C. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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Subject :- WATER SUPPLIES.

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy (AIF)
In the Field
BPC 17/7

25 Jul 45

HQ
7 Aust Base Sub Area.

Reference RO. Q.19 of 22 Jul 45.

1.	Unit Ration Strength	46
	Drivers attached	8
	Natives	70
	Total Personnel requiring water	124
2.	Water vehicles on Strength	Nil
3.	Water supplied by Unit transport	Nil

4. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Additional water is required for Fire Fighting precautions, and water points for pumping through foam generator etc., will be required as under:

Centre Filling Area	1
1000 barrel Mo Gas Farm	1
General Tank Farm Area	1
1000 barrel Distillate Area	1

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(AIF)

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Subject:- TELEPHONE SYSTEM
4Aust.B.P.S.Coy

"C" Detachment 4 Aust Bulk
Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)
In the Field
BPC 9/2

20 Jul 45

Commander,
7 Aust Base Sub Area.

Appended below are this Units requirements for phone system.

1. SEPINGANG
Det BPS Coy
One phone urgently required on RAAF Switch for general use. Later on, by approximately 2 Aug, a direct line will be required from BPS Switch BALIKPAPEN, Port Area, to Sepingang.

2. MANGARR
AIR STRIP
Continuation of the direct line from BPS Coy Port Area, through Sepingang to Manggar air strip tank by approximately 15 Aug.

3. B.P.S.Coy
BALIKPAPEN
One general phone required urgently in office and inter-communication system installed temporarily as under PM 21st inst.

(a) One telephone at Oil tank berth No.6 pier.

(b) One phone at 3 x 1000 brl tank site, both connected through a 10 line U.C. switch-board in general office.

The final set up required by 30th inst will be:-

1. x 10 line U.C. Switchboard.

5 phones and 2 Plug in Points at Tank Farms.

1 Phone at Oil Berth No 6

1 " at check office

1 " at general office

1 direct line to Sepingang and Manggar as per paras 1 & 2.

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I.P. Warne-Smith Mjr
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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War Diary

STORES

Subject:- REPORT ON LOSS

"C" Detachment 4 Aust Bulk
Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field

BPC 9/1

19 Jul 45

H Q Comd
7 Div AASC

1/ The undermentioned stores loaded on the Clarence H Matson for use by this Detachment at OBOE two have not been received, and it is requested that the case numbers together with Unit Serial No and colours be published in Force Routine Orders.

Case No.	Markings	Description of Stores	Quantity
136	92466 buff	Ronaldson & Tippett Engine complete with pump fittings.	
147	buff	Lamps Electric No.1	18
150	buff	Canvas Hose & Couplings	80 feet
319		2" Audco Valves	3
435		Penflex Fillers	18
570		Flame Suit (1) & Working Jackets	20

2/ A party of 3 men were maintained by the Unit at the Unit Stores dumps, checking on all stores as received on shore. On completion of unloading of the Clarence Matson it was found that a total of 55 cases of stores were missing. On enquiries being made it was discovered that the Engineer's had had their Unit Stores routed direct to the Base Engineers Dump without passing through the Beach Unit Stores Dump, and that a proportion of our missing stores had been forwarded there.

3/ An examination of the stores held by Base Engineers showed that several cases had been smashed open, or had been tampered with, and stores as enumerated below stolen from them.

Description of Stores	Quantity
Boots Special Rubber Soled	42 pairs
Boots A B	8 "
Boots H H	4 "
Shirts J G	6
Amenities Miscellaneous	1 Case

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

A. W. WILKINSON LIEUT O. C.

"C" DETACHMENT 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

Serial No. 2 Paras 3 - 4 19 July 45

3. ORDERLY N.C.O. mounting 1800 hours daily as specified:

Thu	19	Jul 45	L/Sgt	BINNS
Fri	20	Jul 45	Cpl	COCKING
Sat	21	Jul 45	Cpl	CRAWFORD
Sun	22	Jul 45	Sgt	PARKER
Mon	23	Jul 45	L/Sgt	Binns
Tue	24	Jul 45	Cpl	COCKING
Wed	25	Jul 45	Cpl	CRAWFORD

PICQUET mounting 2100 hours daily as specified:

Thu 19 Jul 45	Ptes	O'HALLORAN: EMRY: TUCKER: PEEL: TOWERS
Fri 20 Jul 45	L/Cpl	FITZPATRICK Ptes CAMPBELL: TRESSIDER: DOYLE: SCHILDS
Sat 21 Jul 45	L/Cpl	SHIELS Ptes HARRIS: SANDO: POULTON: BLACKER
Sun 22 Jul 45	L/Cpl	FORRSMAN: BARRY: Ptes PORTER: HOWSE: HARVEY
Mon 23 Jul 45	L/Cpl	CORNELL Ptes CAHILL: NOACK: WARTON: WALKER
Tue 24 Jul 45	Ptes	McCRAE: O'HALLORAN: EMRY: TUCKER: PEEL
Wed 25 Jul 45	Ptes	TOWERS: CAMPBELL: TRESSIDER: DOYLE: SCHILDS

4. CENSORSHIP

1/ Several instances have occurred of troops referring to Allied PW in BORNEO in private correspondence. This is most undesireable both from the point of view of jeopardising possible escape of PW and the causing of needless mental anxiety of next of kin and relatives of PW still in enemy hands.

2/ No reference whatsoever will be made in correspondence to Allied PW in the theatre of operations. Particular points in this regard cover the finding of PW effects, recovery by our troops, treatment by the enemy and any information or conjecture as to their fate or possible recovery.

3/

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

"C" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

PROMULGATED BY MAJOR I.P. WARNE-SMITH

Serial no 1 Paragraph 1 - 2 Date 9 th July 4

Para. 1. DAILY ROUTINE

Reveille	0700 Hrs
Mess	0730
Parade	0815
Morning Tea	1030
Break off	1245
Mess	1300
Parade	1400
Afternoon Tea	1545
Dismiss	1800
Mess	1830

Para. 2 DRESS

Personnel will have showered and be fully dressed with sleeves down at 1830 hrs, --- Gaiters will be worn at all times, --- Shirts may be removed during working hours only with the permission of the C.O.

.....O.C.
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4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

28145 (Serial No.)

C DET
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) (Unit)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/7/1945.

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 36 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
1			1	Sergeants	AAMC	1			
5			5	Corporals	AACC	1			
24			24	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
4			4	Civilians counting as O.R.					
36	*		36 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		2	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.P. Under 18 Years.	C.M.P. 18 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	38									38
B(1)										
B(2)										

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
1	H.Q. 4 BPS		
1	2/7 AGT. PARK		

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	CLARENCE WATSON	}	ON ROUTE
16	LST 721	}	OBOE 2

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).

C DET
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (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 14/7/1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters	2	2	
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber	1	1	
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	-

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering	3	3	
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd'rs. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters			
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners			
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.	1	1	
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	4	4	

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers			
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers			
Clerks	1	1	
Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.	-	6	-
Driver Mechanics	1	1	
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	6	12	-

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers			
Riveters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Storemen, Technical			
Tailors			
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths	1	1	
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
M.S.M.	1	1	
CQMS.	1	1	
SGTS	1	1	
CPLS.	5	5	
GEN. DUTIES	18	12	IVA
HYGIENE	1	1	
M.T. DVRS	1	1	
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
BATMAN	1	1	
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
AACC	1	1	
AAMC.	1	1	
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	38	38	.

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

14/7/45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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	WE	Posted Strength.	Surplus.
Dvrs. H.T. G.P. III	Nil.	6	6.

Posted as. Gen. Duties By Ech & Rec. NSW. L of C area

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/7/1945. C DET. (Unit)

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 36 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
2			2	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
2			2						

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.		2									2
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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C Det ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/7/1945 (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.
VX 119968	LIEUT	WILKINSON	A.W.	O.C.	Yes.		
NX 57347	"	CALDWELL	T.C.J.		No	ON ROUTE OBOE 2	

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.
MAJOR	VI 4327	WARNE-SMITH	I.P.	H.Q. 11	BPS Coy 27/5/45 Supervising letting [illegible] & operation of detachment

12/7/45
Date of Despatch

[signature] 81
Signature of Commander

a.w. 1m bks 10/44

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

CAPT. E.R. SOLOMON

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY(AIF)

Serial 5/45 Paras 22- 23 12 July 45.

22. EXTRACTS FROM G.R.O's.

154. INCOME TAX.

The provisions for exemption of military income of a member who embarks for service outside Australia are briefly set out hereunder.

(a) If a member embarks for service outside Australiaand, within the twelve months following the date of embarkation, serves outside Australia for a continuous period of 90 days or periods which aggregate not less than 180 days, then, subject to the provisions in sub-para (d) of this paragraph, income earned by him in Australia as a member of the forces is exempt from tax.

(i) for the income year prior to the income year during which he embarks.

(ii) from the commencement of the income year of embarkation to the date of embarkation; and

(iii) during the period of 90 days following the date of his resumption of duty in Australia on his return.

(b) All military income earned outside Australia is exempt from tax.

(c) A member who dies abroad or who is returned to Australia on account of injury or illness will be entitled to the same exemptions as indicated in sub-para (a) of this paragraph although he has not completed a qualifying period of service therein mentioned; and

(d) A member who serves outside Australia on ~~xxxxxxx~~ duty of a special nature or short duration, such as the voyage only, inspectional duties, etc., will be exempt from taxation in respect only of such military income as is actually earned outside Australia and will not be entitled to the exemptions mentioned in sub-para (a) of this paragraph.

SPECIAL DEDUCTIONS. The following table sets out the special deductions allowed by the Income Tax Assessments Act to a member who is engaged on full time military duties.

Amount of Income	Allowable deductions.
not exceeding £250	The whole income
£251 - £258	£146
£259 - £300	£146 less £1 for every £1 by which the income exceeds £258
£301 - £350	£104 less £1 for every £2 by which the income exceeds £300
Exceeding £350	£79 less £1 for every £3 by which the income exceeds £350

For the purpose of this table, "income" means a net income (including private income) after making all allowable deductions.

155 MEDICAL AND DENTAL TREATMENT.

(1 (a) Subject to certain conditions and exceptions set out in GRO 155/1945, a member is entitled to receive medical treatment and to be supplied with medical

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requisites necessary to render and maintain him fit for military se service and to restore him to normal health. A copy of GRO 155/1945 is available for inspection in the unit orderly room.

(b) Members on occupational LWOP are entitled to medical treatment in accordance with the provisions of LHQ memo 168085 of 4 December 1944.

2. MEDICAL TREATMENT.
Except as provided in para 3 below or in GRO 155/1945 or in LHQ Memo 168085 of 4 December 44(dealing with medical treatment of members on occupational LWOP), a member requiring medical treatment at the army expense will obtain it from an army medical unit, and will not obtain or attempt to obtain medical treatment at army expense from an area medical officer, or a civilian doctor or a public, intermediate or private hospital.

3. APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.

(a) A member requiring medical treatment at army expense will apply for it to -
(i) unit by which he is being administered; or
(ii) if that is not practicable, to the nearest army medical unit or;
(iii) if that is not practicable, the nearest RAN or RAAF medical unit; or
(iv) if that is not practicable, to the nearest area medical officer ; or
(v) if that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital ; or
(vi) if that is not practicable, to a public hospital; or
(vii) if that is not practicable to a civilian doctor,

(b) A claim for expenses incurred in obtaining medical treatment from a civilian doctor will be rejected unless it is established to the satisfaction of DDMS or ADMS of the relevant command or L of C area that it was impracticable for the member to obtain such treatment from any of the abovementioned service units, from an area medical officer, or from a repatriation or public hospital.

4. ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL.
A member requiring to be admitted to hospital will be admitted -
(a) to any army hospital
(b) if that is not practicable, to an RAAF or RAN or
(c) if that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital or
(d) if that is not practicable, to a public hospital.

5. Under special circumstances a member may be admitted to a private or intermediate hospital

6. Medical treatment and hospitalisation obtained in accordance with para 3(a) or in the proper hospital is free. All other treatment is not free and must be paid for by the member.

7. MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.
A member unable, because of sickness or injury to return from leave on the due date will send a medical certificate to the unit which released him on leave. The certificate should reach the latter unit before the expiry of the leave.

8. The certificate, signed and dated by the doctor, must include-
(a) the diagnosis of the members condition;
(b) the treatment given and/or prescribed;
(c) the time during which it is estimated by the doctor that the member will be unable to travel.

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9. A member unable to travel on the estimated RH date will forward a further medical certificate on or prior to that date to the unit which released him on leave.

10. Failure to forward the certificate, in accordance with paras 7 & 9, may result in the member being posted AWL and payment of allotment and dependant's allowances suspended.

11. A member on leave who obtains treatment from a civilian doctor who is not an area medical officer will send to his unit on the conclusion of the treatment a medical certificate containing the following particulars :-
(a) diagnosis of the members condition;
(b) the treatment given and/or prescribed for the member.

12. MEDICINES AND DRESSINGS. Medicines and dressings prescribed by a service medical officer, an area medical officer and a civilian doctor may be obtained free from
(a) any dispensary, or
(b) a civilian chemist, if the medical officer or doctor endorses an authority on the prescription for purchases from a civilian chemist. Otherwise the member will have to pay for them.

13. SPECTACLES. Spectacles prescribed by an army medical officer or optometrist are supplied free.

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(ii) Any GSO not below Grade 11 on Corps or Div Hq.
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(c) Subsequent to interrogation pursuant to para 10(a) of this order, the Director of Prisoners of War and Internees or, in his absence, the senior "A" Branch officer on the spot acting on his behalf, is authorised to interrogate on any matter than those referred to in para 10(a) of this order.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART.I.

Serial 5/45 Paras 22 - 23 12 July 45.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

CAPT. E.R. SOLOMON

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY(AIF)

Serial 5/45 — Paras 22- 23 — 12 July 45.

22. EXTRACTS FROM G.R.O's.

154. INCOME TAX.

The provisions for exemption of military income of a member who embarks for service outside Australia are briefly set out hereunder.

(a) If a member embarks for service outside Australiaand, within the twelve months following the date of embarkation, serves outside Australia for a continuous period of 90 days or periods which aggregate not less than 180 days, then, subject to the provisions in sub-para (d) of this paragraph, income earned by him in Australia as a member of the forces is exempt from tax.

(i) for the income year prior to the income year during which he embarks.

(ii) from the commencement of the income year of embarkation to the date of embarkation; and

(iii) during the period of 90 days following the date of his resumption of duty in Australia on his return.

(b) All military income earned outside Australia is exempt from tax.

(c) A member who dies abroad or who is returned to Australia on account of injury or illness will be entitled to the same exemptions as indicated in sub-para (a) of this paragraph although he has not completed a qualifying period of service therein mentioned; and

(d) A member who serves outside Australia on ~~xxxxxxx~~ duty of a special nature or short duration, such as the voyage only, inspectional duties, etc., will be exempt from taxation in respect only of such military income as is actually earned outside Australia and will not be entitled to the exemptions mentioned in sub-para (a) of this paragraph.

SPECIAL DEDUCTIONS. The following table sets out the special deductions allowed by the Income Tax Assessments Act to a member who is engaged on full time military duties.

Amount of Income	Allowable deductions.
not exceeding £250	The whole income
£251 - £258	£146
£259 - £300	£146 less £1 for every £1 by which the income exceeds £258
£301 - £350	£104 less £1 for every £2 by which the income exceeds £300
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For the purpose of this table, "income" means a net income (including private income) after making all allowable deductions.

155 MEDICAL AND DENTAL TREATMENT.

(1 (a) Subject to certain conditions and exceptions set out in GRO 155/1945, a member is entitled to receive medical treatment and to be supplied with medical

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155(ctd) requisites necessary to render and maintain him fit for military service and to restore him to normal health. A copy of GRO 155/1945 is available for inspection in the unit orderly room.

(b) Members on occupational LWOP are entitled to medical treatment in accordance with the provisions of LHQ memo 168085 of 4 December 1944.

2. MEDICAL TREATMENT. Except as provided in para 3 below or in GRO 155/1945 or in LHQ Memo 168085 of 4 December 44(dealing with medical treatment of members on occupational LWOP), a member requiring medical treatment at the army expense will obtain it from an army medical unit, and will not obtain or attempt to obtain medical treatment at army expense from an area medical officer, or a civilian doctor or a public, intermediate or private hospital.

3. APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.

(a) A member requiring medical treatment at army expense will apply for it to -
(i) unit by which he is being administered; or
(ii) if that is not practicable, to the nearest army medical unit or;
(iii) if that is not practicable, the nearest RAN or RAAF medical unit; or
(iv) if that is not practicable, to the nearest area medical office ; or
(v) if that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital ; or
(vi) if that is not practicable, to a public hospital; or
(vii) if that is not practicable to a civilian doctor,

(b) A claim for expenses incurred in obtaining medical treatment from a civilian doctor will be rejected unless it is established to the satisfaction of DDMS or ADMS of the relevant command or L of C area that it was impracticable for the member to obtain such treatment from any of the abovementioned service units, from an area medical officer, or from a repatriation or public hospital.

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(a) to any army ospital
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9. A member unable to travel on the estimated RH date will forward a further medical certificate on or prior to that date to the unit which released him on leave.

10. Failure to forward the certificate, in accordance with paras 7 & 9 , may result in the member being posted AWL and payment of allotment and dependant's allowances suspended.

11. A member on leave who obtains treatment from a civilian doctor who is not an area medical officer will send to his unit on the conclusion of the treatment a medical certificate containing the following particulars :-
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INTERROGATION (ctd)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. RESTRICTED

ROUTINE ORDERS PART.I.

by

CAPT. E.R.SOLOMON.

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

SERIAL 4/45 PARAS 14 to 21. 26 June 45.

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Reveille	0630	
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	1200	
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Parade	1330	
	1645	
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All Native Compounds are out of bounds to all unauthorised personnel.

18. ATEBRIN.

One Atebrin per day will be taken by all ranks prior to breakfast. Supervision of this instruction will be carried out by Orderly Sergeant.

19. CENSORSHIP.(ex 35 - paras 2 to 5)

Troops in this area may forward in mail, local currency and /or Japanese Invasion money and also mention exchange loading of pay. Green envelopes must not be used for enclosing currency and/or Japanese Invasion money. Personnel may mention the fact that they are on Active Service in North West Borneo. Exact location of area in which serving will

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19(cont) not be disclosed.

20. POSTAL FACILITIES.

All mail will be handed in by 0800 hrs each morning. Until pay is available personnel of Beach Group units may continue to use the NO STAMPS AVAILABLE concession.

21. CAMP AREA - GENERAL.

(a) TENTS
Blankets will be folded and tents left in a neat and tidy condition by 0730 hrs each morning. All rubbish will be picked up each morning in and around tent lines.

(b) WASHING.
Owing to the limited supplies of water conservation of use will be strictly observed. Washing will be done only in shower area. Personnel will not shower after 1700 hrs daily.

E.R. Solomon Capt. ....O.C.
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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF).

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(b) Guards will challenge all persons entering or leaving their patrol area.

(c) Automatic fire will not be used unless in direct contact with the enemy.

(d) Severe disciplinary action will be taken against any individual of any rank disobeying this order.

17. NATIVE COMPOUNDS.

All Native Compounds are out of bounds to all unauthorised personnel.

18. ATEBRIN.

One Atebrin per day will be taken by all ranks prior to breakfast. Supervision of this instruction will be carried out by Orderly Sergeant.

19. CENSORSHIP.(ex 35 - paras 2 to 5)

Troops in this area may forward in mail, local currency and /or Japanese Invasion money and also mention exchange loading of pay. Green envelopes must not be used for enclosing currency and/or Japanese Invasion money. Personnel may mention the fact that they are on Active Service in North West Borneo. Exact location of area in which serving will

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19(cont) not be disclosed.

20. POSTAL FACILITIES.

All mail will be handed in by 0800 hrs each morning. Until pay is available personnel of Beach Group units may continue to use the NO STAMPS AVAILABLE concession.

21. CAMP AREA - GENERAL.

(a) TENTS

Blankets will be folded and tents left in a neat and tidy condition by 0730 hrs each morning. All rubbish will be picked up each morning in and around tent lines.

(b) WASHING.

Owing to the limited supplies of water conservation of use will be strictly observed. Washing will be done only in shower area. Personnel will not shower after 1700 hrs daily.

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WAR DIARY

OF

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

VOLUME 10

PERIOD: 1 July to 31 July, 1945.

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HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

1 Jul 45 - 31 Jul 45

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1. Received ex "SEA BARB" 3 Jeeps and one Trailer. Accommodation stores commenced to be discharged from "SEA BARB" 1 NCO and 3 O/Rs detailed to sorting area to check stores on arrival.

2. Accommodation stores for OBOE TWO follow up were received from Ordnance.

3. Heavy showers during the day. Balance of accommodation stores received.

4. General camp maintenance carried out.

5. Received Warning Order that Lt Caldwell, 17 O/Rs, 1 Jeep and Trailer together with accommodation stores prepare to embark. At 1930 hrs Capt Fox, Intelligence, 1 Aust Base Sub Area called and requested I strengthen Picquet, as information to hand that a party of 100 well-armed Japs were expected to make a landing.

6. Stores, Jeep and Trailer with 2 O/Rs departed to Vehicle Staging Area, whilst Lt Caldwell and 13 O/Rs departed to Pre-embarkation Area.

7. Day fine - which enable camp improvements to be made.

8. Rest Day. Lt Caldwell and 15 O/Rs departed by L.S.T. from Morotai.

9. Received a call from CASC to discuss 1 Pl Docks Operating Coy, staging in our area, as they had no cooking facilities. A site was selected and Lt Kelynack and 15 O/Rs marched in.

10. Work commenced on enlarging shed for storage of stores etc.

11. Received signal to prepare an additional 10 O/Rs, 1 Jeep and stores for embarkation to "C" Detachment.

12. Day overcast - camp maintenance carriedout.

13. Day fine - enabling work on storage shed to progress.

14. American ACK ACK moved out from our area.

15. Received Warning Order that 3 Ton GS and Water Waggon would arrive 16 Jul 45.

16. Capt Steanes appointed Investigating Offr to investigate circumstances surrounding accident to a Driver of 2/32 Aust Tpt Pl, when using petrol to burn some damp rubbish.

17. Day fine - General camp maintenance carried out.

18. Verbal warning received at 0215 hrs that a party of 70 friendly natives were likely to land. If contacted, they were not to be fired at, but taken in charge and reported to HQ Comd 1 Aust Base Sub Area.

19. Received advice that Unit stores at Brisbane, would be loaded onto "RIVER CLARENCE".

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JUL 20. Completed work on storage shed.
Air Raid Warning given 2100 hrs - all clear sounded 2110 hrs.

21. Secured sufficient material to cement kitchen floor.
Inspection by Hygiene Sgt showed marked improvement in Camp generally.
Light showers at night.

22. Received additional Warning Order to have 10 O/Rs, 1 Jeep, 1 Ton stores available for embarkation to"C" Detachment.
Day fine.

23. General camp maintenance carried out. Day fine.

24. Vehicle and stores for "C" Det loaded onto "FRANK GILBRETH"
Day fine.

25. A large tree behind tent lines was removed, as portion had blown down during previous night and was a danger.

26. Endeavoured to secure information re two escorts left on mainland 16 Jul. No information available. Day fine.

27. 10 O/Rs for "C" Detachment embarked on "FRANK GILBRETH"
Day fine.

28. General camp maintenance. Seven fine days in succession.

29. Rest Day. Swimming parade organised. Day fine.

30. Secured use of Bulldozer and quite a lot of jungle removed from rear of tent lines. Day fine.
Air raid alert sounded 2300 hrs. All clear sounded 2310 hrs.

31. Day wet. Unable to do any camp maintenance.

During month, health of troops very good. Only a few men received treatment from RAP orderly.

H.M. Steanes

.....Capt HQ
(H.M. Steanes Capt)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage
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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

7 July 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 1 July to 7 July 45.

1 July. LOCATION : Ref Map LABUAN SOUTH BORNEO 1 : 25,000. Map ref 8131830.
Exceptionally heavy rain during night caused washaway on creek side of MT 80 gravity tank elevation. Area very muddy. Signs being painted on tanks covering : NO SMOKING and tank lines named. Also all valves being painted the representative colour of the grade. Bund walls being constructed on gravity tanks.

2 July. 8 Aust Base Sub Area took over from 9 Aust Div all units coming under their command, as from 0600 hrs.
P.O.L.Officer from 8 Aust Base Sub Area called and discussed P.O.L. accounting for the area. O.C. attended conference called by Lt. Col. Norris who outlined the responsibilities and administration of 8 Aust Base Sub Area. Heavy rain during the night caused further erosion on tank elevations. This being rectified with heavy rubble reinforcements. Construction work in tank farm and filling area continuing favourably. Tank farm pumping units being serviced and installed.

3 July. AVGAS tanks A, B, C, and cargo lines completed and ready for testing. Arrangements made to pump water through Barge BG 593 to test the three tanks. Office and "Q" store building completed and ready for use. Washing plant, A.D.F., and MT filling points nearing completion.

4 July. Water pumped through main cargo line to test AVGAS tanks A, B, and C. Test proved satisfactory. Orderly Room now in operation in Office building.
Tanker Y9 arrived LABUAN 1125 hrs and berthed at FRANKLIN Oil Wharf 1800 hrs. Commenced pumping AVGAS to G Barges 1900 hrs. Return of empty drums to installation commenced and sorting of same being carried out. Weather hot and very humid.

5 July. Tanker Y9 discharged into barges and gravity tank, 215,321 Imp galls of AVGAS at 60°F. Of this 24,617 Imp galls was delivered direct to USS WILLOUGHBY and 13,761 Imp galls was on-carried cargo owing to Tanker being unable to strip her tanks due to faulty pumps. F.79's for receipts and on-carried cargo of the tanker signed and 7 copies of each forwarded to 8 Aust B.S.A. 2 O/R's from 57 Aust B.I.P.O.D.Pl. attached for duty. Welding Pl. struck camp leaving three men attached for rations.

6 July. Major Thornburn, DDST Adv LHQ and POL Officer 8 Aust BSA called and conferred with O.C. re progress of installation and future operations.
Tanker Y9 departed FRANKLIN Wharf for harbour anchorage.
Further clearing in tank farm and filling area.
Checking Office erected and now in operation. Weather very hot and humid. Heavy rain fell during the night.

7 July. Advice received that Tanker AOG "MEDDAWEE" expected to arrive LABUAN this day with cargo of AVGAS.
Heavy rains tended to flood installation area and drainage failed to relieve the area of water pools. Drum sorting was held up for three hours during the day on account of heavy rains.

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)
14 July 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 8 to 14 July 45.

8 July. Heavy rains in the early hours of the morning. Phone advice from DAQMG that no transport to use roads before 1200 hrs, the only Jeeps for the remainder of the day.
Movement Control advised by phone that Tanker "NEDDAWEE" sighted 1000 hrs. Tanker arrived harbour 1200 hrs, with cargo AVGAS 352,077 Imp galls. Master of "NEDDAWEE" decided not to berth at Franklin wharf owing to insufficient space to manouvre his ship. This will necessitate the transfer of AVGAS from "G" barges 22, 12, 26, 65, 61 to bulk tanks A, B, and C and the filling of "G" barges in the harbour. Commenced pumping AVGAS from "G" barges to AVGAS bulk tanks at 1930 hrs.

9 July. Transfer of AVGAS in "G" barges 12, 22, 26, 61 and 65 to AVGAS bulk tanks A, B and C. Completed 1030 hrs. LCM's ordered through 9 Aust Div for 0730 hrs to ferry barges to tanker "NEDDAWEE". Discharge from tanker to barges commenced 1400 hrs. LCM's were not made available till 1300 hrs. Discharge completed 1345 hrs.
A.D.F drums were tested and found to be satisfactory. Drum sorting and drums being stencilled and stacked ready for filling. Tanks D, E, F and G filled with water. Tested and found O.K.

10 July. Remooring og barges commenced 0700 hrs and completed 1130 hrs. Installation internal telephone communications installed by 22 L of C Sigs and connected to switchboard in Orderly Room. All lines tested O.K. New direct trunk line to Base Switchboard installed and connected to switchboard.

11 July. Heavy rain during the night. Phone advice from CRE 9 Div that roads closed to all but essential Jeep traffic, namely, water and rations. AVGAS transfer pump tested. 5,500 galls pumped in 15 minutes. Movement Control approached with a view to allocation of an anchorage for petrol barges. 8 Aust B.S.A advised that drum filling and issuing will commence approx 17 - 18th inst. Proposed out-put 300 drums per day.

12 July. Application made to 8 Aust B.S.A for 27 O/R's as labour for drum filling and general installation work. Full Malarial precautions published to all ranks and all instructions implemented.

13 July. Drum sorting and stacking continuing. Drums being stencilled and stacked at rear end of filling points in preparation for filling. Indents placed with D.A.D.O.S. 8 Aust B.S.A. for red, black and white paint for stencilling drums.

14 July. Issues AVGAS 181,599. MT.80 34,647. A.D.F. 18,989.
Stock Balance
AVGAS 430,759. MT.80. 152,075. A.D.F 60,416.
Weather. Overcast and hot.
D.D.S.T Adv LHQ, OC 14 Aust Fd Coy RAE, Eqpt Officer 1st TAF RAAF and OC Det 4 Aust BPS conferred re installation of bulk tank at Air Strip LABUAN and laying of pipeline from Installation to tank.

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WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 14 to 21 July 45.

15 July. Rest Day.
D.D.S.T. Adv LHQ., Equipment Officer 1st T.A.F. R.A.A.F. called "A" Det 4 BPS Coy ehroute to MURA Is. to confer with P.T. Commander re use of Petrol barges. Work commenced on cleaning out the AVGAS barge in order to change over to A.D.F.
6 O/R's marched in from 14 Aust Wroks Coy.
Refuelling of CATALINAS commenced from this Installation.

16 July Cleaning out of AVGAS barges completed and ready to be filled with A.D.F. Installation of electric lights in Office completed. Gravity tanks topped up from welded tanks by gravitation. Approx 6,000 galls per hourx through 4" line.
Bulk road tankers being loaded at petrol points for decanting direct into 4 gallon drums by 62 Aust B.I.P.O.D. Pl.

17 July. Heavy rain during the night. Muddy condition in Installation
Installation stopped issues from 1200 hrs to 1600 hrs for connection of 4" AVGAS & MT lines to tank farm and the repairing of a leaking valve on the filling stand.
2 Aust Port Construction Coy repairing burnt out section of FRANKLIN wharf.
18 O/R's attached from 57 Aust B.I.P.O.D. Pl.

18 July. Commenced filling MT 80 into 44 gall drums. Approx 1 min 40 secs to fill a drum off a full gravity tank. The pressure decreased rapidly.
4 "G" barges of A.D.F. filled ex U.S.S. "WINOOSKI". 204,025 Imp galls at 60°F. Two barges were placed at anchorage allotted by Port Directorate and two at wharf.
Used transfer pump to clear water from 4" line.
Weather : Very hot and humid.

19. July. Commenced deliveries of 44 gall drums MT 80 to B.I.P.O.D.
Total days output 552.
D.A.D.S.T., P.O.L. Officer and O.C. conferred on the distribution of P.O.L. and in particular to V.R.P. operations.
All civilian property in unit area returned to B.B.C.A.U. as per R.O's 8 Aust Base Sub Area.

20 July. Commenced filling and delivery of A.D.F. in 44 gall drums to B.I.P.O.D.
4 X 4 Fire Tender now completely equipped. Gas-proofed electric lights installed on AVGAS and MT 80 filling platforms

21 July.

ISSUES.	AVGAS	MT.80.	A.D.F.
	75,158	67,472	48,843
Stock BALANCES.			
	357,272	85,279	215,485

8 Aust Base Sub Area advise that a small Jap party is still operating in the area. The Installation area is being guarded to prevent any infiltration.
Work proceeding on FRANKLIN wharf.
During the afternoon torrential rain caused some erosion and flooding on the Installation.
Health of all personnel is good.

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28 July 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 22 to 28 July 45.

22 July. Day of rest.

23 July. Routine Orders Part.1. Serial 6/45 promulgated.
It was brought to the notice of 8 Aust Base Sub Area that stocks of MT 80 are insufficient to cover a weeks issues. Area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA was signalled for the second time re the position but no reply has been received.
US NAVY has made application for storage of 75,000 US galls XXXXX ADF at this installation. Arrangements made to fill 1 "G" barge from LST 667 on 24/7/45.

24 July 45. One "G" barge filled with ADF from LST 667. 49,700 Imp ~~and 59,640 US gallons were received~~. were received.
Seventeen personnel from 57 Aust BIPOD Pl., and 6 personnel from 14 Aust Works Coy were returned to their respective units as insufficient accommodation was was available.
Arrangements were made through DAD Labour to supply 10 O/R's from 0600 hrsX to 1200 hrs and a new shift from 1200 hrs to 1800 hrs, also 14 O/R's from 57 Aust BIPOD Pl from 0745 to 1645 hrs.

25 July. New arrangement of labour working satisfactorily.
Washing plant commenced operation but plant did not operate successfully due to leaking and dirty lines. One motor failed owing to faulty magneto. Fitters from 14 Aust Fd Coy RAE are rectifying these faults. No reply from Area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA re forwarding supplies of MT 80. Present stock 64,399 Imp Galls.
Work completed on FRANKLIN wharf.

26 July. O.C. attended conference called by 8 Aust Base Sub Area in reference to administration of the area.
DADST, POL Officer and O.C. conferred on the method of checking VRP's and diversion of 44 gall drums stock direct to units.
Advice was received re AOG 49. E.T.A. 30 July. Cargo, AVGAS and MT 80

27 July Instituted new checking system on VRP's. Checkers are dipping every vehicle with master dipsticks.

28 July. On advice received from HQ 8 Aust Base Sub Area that tanker AOG 49 has been delayed, it has been necessayy to ration issues of MT 80 spirit to only essential transport units.

	AVGAS	MT 80	ADF.
WEEKLY ISSUES	75,711	54,387	58,514
STOCK BALANCE	280,720	30,935	205, 749

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~.

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Unit "B" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. AIF

Date and Time.—From Jul 1 1945 To Jul 31 1945

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Tarakan	Jul 1		Engineers advised tank No. 9 ready for water testing. Investigation showed some tank plates on roof not welded. Withheld pumping water until this was completed.	
	" 2		Commenced pumping water to tank No. 9 at 0915 hours.	
	3		Completed pumping water Tank No.9 0300 hours.	
	4		Side leaks in tank No.9 reported by engineers to be completely repaired leaving only the floor to be completed. Requested by engineers to pump 8' water to Tank No.9. Commenced pumping 1400 hrs, completed 1915 hrs.	
	5		Requested by 2nd Fd Coy 1930 hrs to completely fill tank No.9 in order to test bottom. Advised by Lt Brettle that derrick will be erected on jetty and PT re-fuelling points completed starting on 6 Jul. Lighting to be installed in installation and drum filling area completed.	
	6		Engineers commence work on preparing of tank bunds and drainage.	
	7		Completed filling of No.9Tank. Still shows floor leaks. Requested by engineers to empty tank so that floor can be treated with red lead.	
	8		Routine Maintenance.	
	9		Maintenance.	
	16		Testing tank No.9 Visit and inspection by DD S&T 1 Aust Corps, Col McClean.	
	24		Arrival AOG 30, 1410 hrs with approx 9,600 Barrels of Avgas, and 4,700 barrels MT 80 Commenced pumping 1415 hrs.	
	25		Departure AOG 30 1115 hrs. Issued to USS"Wachaprague" ex AOG 30, 35,000 glns Avgas. Commenced drum filling operations.	
	31		Visit to Camp Area and Installation by Brig Whitehead.	

Lt.
O.C. "B" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petrol Storage Coy.

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As no information was received about forward planning and operations of this Unit and as detachments were ordered forward without consultation with O.C. 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy as to their future role, the most efficient distribution of personnel and equipment was impossible.

Up to 30 Apr 45 detachments moved or warned to move consisted of:-

HQ Personnel - 16

Platoon - 44 (2 Complete Platoons)

The set up of this unit for operations is :-

(a) HQ - Consisting of all technical personnel capable of operating and maintaining an installation.

(b) Pls - Consisting entirely of unskilled personnel for labour such as drum loading, filling, cleaning etc.

If OC 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy had sent the actual personnel called forward from Queensland, this unit could not have operated. It is the considered opinion of the OC 4 Aust BPS Coy that, had he not sent an increased percentage of Technical HQ personnel and necessary stores and equipment, a serious position affecting the supply of the Corps and Allied Services as a whole would have arisen.

It is hoped that in future the OC 4 Aust BPS Coy will be consulted in these matters thus precluding the repetition of the chaos which caused urgently required personnel to be sent by air for inclusion in these operations.

Plans are being made for the raising of BPS Platoons each capable of operating in a separate area, these platoons being controlled by a HQ. The composition of each detachment is being investigated accordingly.

Equipment

The WET of this unit provides sufficient technical equipment and stores for one installation.

As the unit has been called upon to operate three and possibly four installations, each of which require the same type and practically the same quantity of stores as an "A" class installation, they are necessarily deficient in many essential items and maintenance stores.

HQ 4 Aust BPS Coy has indented for these shortages and will suppl detachments when stores are obtained.

However the majority of unit equip is obtainable only through Local Purchase Office from civilian oil coys. and by special manufacture. The resultant delay may easily cause the necessity of having these stores sent by air.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Maj I.P. Warne-Smith

O.C. 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

HQ 4 Aust B.P.S. Coy (AIF)
14 Jul 45

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114. DUTIES

Picquet mounting 1800 hrs to 0600 hrs daily.

14/7/45	Ptes Elvey, Watling, Walker, Boreham, Cann, Johns.	Cpl Saddington
15/7/45	Ptes McKinnon, Sharp, Hickey, Hunt, Laity, McKenzie	L Cpl Kelk
16/7/45	" Elvey, Cassell, Boreham, " Cann, Johns, Elliott	Cpl Pearson
17/7/45	" Sharp, Hunt, Watling, " Walker, Laity, McKenzie	Cpl Eardley
18/7/45	" McKinnon, Elvey, Hickey, " Cassell, Cann, Elliott	Cpl Saddington
19/7/45	" Hunt, Walker, Boreham, " Laity, McKenzie, Johns	L Cpl Kelk

115. PARADE TIMES

Reveille	0630 hrs
Breakfast	0700 hrs
Adm Parade	0800 "
Cease Morning Duty	1130 "
Lunch	1200 "
Commence Duty	1330 "
Cease Duty	1630 "
Dinner	1700 "
Lights Out	2230 "

116. CENSORSHIP

(a) Personnel in the staging area may now state that they are "in the NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES" or "on Dutch Territory".

(b) Dutch currency and Japanese invasion currency issued for the NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES may now be sent from the area

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116. CENSORSHIP

(b) Continued.

Mention may be made of exchange loading of pay.

(c) No reference will be made to the name or the type of ship or aircraft on which personnel have travelled to this area, its armament, duration or course of journey, escort vessels, number of troops or identity of other units seen or contacted, ships or aircraft sighted en route.

(d) No reference will be made to port facilities, airfields, identity of other units and numbers of troops in the area, military installations or enemy action.

(e) Personnel may describe local conditions such as climate, vegetation, fauna, proximity to the sea, provided no information is given which specifies the location more closely than is allowed under sub-para (a) above. Personnel will NOT state that they are on MOROTAI.

(f) The newspapers "TABLE TOPS" and "GUINEA GOLD" may be sent through the post.

117. REQUEST HOUR

All personnel are requested to avail themselves of the period set aside for Request Hour.
Access to an officer will be direct, without previous notification or permission to discuss any personal, Service or Educational matter. Period of Request Hour will be 1800 hrs to 1900 hrs Tuesday and Thursday each week.

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Distribution.

1 1 Aust Base Sub Area
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Maj I.P. Warne-Smith

O.C. 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

HQ 4 Aust B.P.S. Coy (AIF)
21 Jul 45

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118. DUTIES

Picquet mounting 1800 hrs to 0600 hrs daily.

21/7/45	Ptes	Hickey, Walker, Boreham	) Cpl Eardley
	"	McKenzie, Johns, Elliott	)
22/7/45	"	McKinnon, Elvey, Hunt	) Cpl Saddington
	"	Watling, Cassell, Laity	)
23/7/45	"	Sharp, Hickey, Walker	) L Cpl Kelk
	"	Boreham, Cann, McKenzie	)
24/7/45	"	Hunt, Watling, Cassell	) Cpl Pearson
	"	Laity, Johns, Elliott	)
25/7/45	"	McKinnon, Sharp, Elvey	) Cpl Eardley
	"	Walker, Boreham, Cann	)
26/7/45	"	Hickey, Hunt, Laity	) Cpl Saddington
	"	McKenzie, Johns, Elliott	)
27/7/45	"	McKinnon, Sharp, Elvey	) L Cpl Kelk
	"	Watling, Cassell, Cann	)

119. AMENITIES

All personnel received an issue of shaving, toilet and washing soap, toothpaste and boot polish - a gift from the A.C.F.

120. REQUEST HOUR

All personnel are requested to avail themselves of the period set aside for Request Hour.
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(I.P. WARNE-SMITH MAJ)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART. 1.

by

CAPT. E. R. SOLOMON.

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

Serial 6/45 Paras 24 - 41 23 July 45.

24. AIR RAID WARNINGS

As from 1800I 1 July 45 the following system of warnings will apply.

Air Raid Warning:

Three red tracer rounds will be fired at single shot from 40 mm AA gun

All Clear :

One red tracer round will be fired.

25. DESPATCH OF PLANTS TO AUSTRALIA.

(i) A member of the AIF will NOT send or take with him from areas outside AUSTRALIA to the mainland any plant which grows or any bulb, seed or cutting from such plant.

(ii) Permission will be granted for the despatch of such articles, to herbaria or scientific bodies as approved by the Director General of Health (Quarantine Section-Plant) CANBERRA.

(iii) Cocoanuts will not be accepted for transmission by post to any address.

26. SALUTING.

The standard of saluting throughout the area continues to be poor. C.O's will give this matter their personal and immediate attention.

It is the responsibility and duty of all Officers to ensure that the correct compliments are paid by all ranks at all times.

27. DEALINGS WITH NATIVES.

(i) Natives for the most part are Mohammedans. Their customs and their womenfolk will be respected. Dealings with Natives will be friendly but not familiar. All soldiers will be acquainted with the "Borneo Book For Servicemen"

(ii) Except in operations all Native Compounds and Native Villages are OUT OF BOUNDS to all troops except members of B.B.C.A.U. and others expressly authorised to enter them.

28. DESTRUCTION AND LOOTING OF CIVILIAN PROPERTY.

(i) Looting, pillaging and unnecessary destruction of Civilian property is strictly forbidden. These will be treated as offences.

(ii) Except for operational reasons no civilian building will be demolished without authority of H.Q. 8 Aust Base Sub Area. The rubble of buildings that have been demolished as a result of operations will be removed by the Unit in occupation of the area or (9 CRE(Works)

(iii) No existing electric poles, or any other utilities are to be removed from their respective sites or used for any purpose.

(iv) Unnecessary and unauthorised cutting down of rubber trees and cocoanut palms is forbidden. Under no circumstances will betel nut palms be cut down for timber. Betel nut palms are valued highly by the Natives as a food with definite medicinal properties.

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29. PREVENTION OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS(BILHARZIA) (BLADDER DISEASE)

(i) It has been noticed that troops are bathing and washing clothes in unsterilized water despite the many orders issued to the contrary.

(ii) With a view to preventing the above, which is a chronoc disease, the following orders will be strictly adhered to.

(a) Troops will not bathe, wash clothes or clean their teeth or drink or handle unsterilized water.

(b) All water for human use whatever must first be sterilized bu superchlorination for one hour, or if this is not possible, by boiling.

(c) The sterilising tablets of the outfit, individual, water sterilization will render water safe after one hour's exposure to the prescribed dosage

(iii) C.O's and O.C's unitsare requested to ensure strict compliance with each of the provisions of the above orders.

30. MALARIA CONTROL

The hours of sunset and sunrise for the purpose of GRO 321/44 are prescribed as follows :-

Sunrise 0700 hrs.

Sunset 1900 hrs.

(i) GRO 321/44 will be complied with in all respects.

C.O's and O.C's will post on Unit notice board and read out on a full unit parade once each month all relevant extracts from GRO 321/44 . The first of such readings will take place on or before 23 July 45.

Offenders against Malaria Control regulations will be charged and a serious view will be taken. In this regard attention is directed to MP & O para 558.

Disciplinary action will be taken against C.O's or OIC's of members offending Malaria Control regulations.

31. DOGS.

(i) Units are forbidden to keep dogs as mascots or pets in 8 Aust Base Sub Area.

(ii) All dogs held by units will be shot and buried forthwith.

(iii) 2/3 Aust L of C Provost Coy personnel will likewise shoot all stray dogs in military areas and will arrange for their burial in a site selected by 8 Aust Base Sub Area.

(iv) Dogs may be retained by the civilian population but only provided they remain in a civilian area allotted by this HQ in conjunction with BBCAU.

32. CENSORSHIP AND SECURITY.

(i) "PLATYPUS" NEWS SHEET.

The news-sheet "PLATYPUS" being produced daily by HQ 9 Aust Div may be posted in private correspondence to AUSTRALIA. commencing with the issue published 7 July 45.

(ii) PAYMENT FOR JAPANESE HEADS.

It has been reported that reference has been made in correspondence that payment is allegedly being made for enemy heads being brought in by Natives. This NOT a fact. No Head Toll has been paid to Natives by any Allied Unit in BORNEO and any reference to this falsehood in letters is forbidden.

(iii) PARCELS.

Parcels are being despatched without the inclusion of a slip of paper bearing the full name and full official address of the sender. GRO 371/44 lays down that such a slip be included in all parcels, and senders jeopardize delivery of their parcels by not fulfilling this condition.

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33. WEARING OF BATHING TRUNKS.

(i) Owing to the large numbers of personnel of AANS and AAMWS at present stationed and to be stationed on LABUAN Island it is necessary for all personnel bathing on this Island to wear bathing trunks or shorts.

(ii) Action will be taken to ensure that all personnel bathing on this Island wear suitable bathing trunks or shorts as from this date.

34. UNIT LATRINES - BEACH AREA.

(i) HQ 2/106 Aust Gen Tpt Coy has erected Latrines on beach in vicinity DUKW Pointm for convenience of personnel in that Unit.

(ii) These Latrine are clearly marked "HQ 2/106 Gen Tpt Coy" personnel only" and are out of bounds to all other perzonnel.

35. NOTICES

Church Services will be held each Sunday at times and places appearing below.:-

SERVICE	TIME	LOCATION.
R.C.Servive - MASS	0900 1930	Church near Canteen North Road.
	0745~~2/2~~ 1815	2/2 Aust Inf Tps W/shps CUSA Chapel Tent MACARTHUR ROAD.near Water Point.
Protestaht Services.	0830	4 Aust Army Tps Coy Cr PLAIN & PANGANG Rds.
	0830	173 F.O.D.
	0900	60 Aust Corps Fd Park.
	1000 1030	2/26 Aust Supp Depot Pl. CUSA Tent- MACARTHUR Rd. Near water point.

36. CENSORSHIP-FORWARDING OF PROHIBITED MATTER BY POST.

(i) The following articles must NOT be transmitted by any means including parcels post.:

(a) LOOT : Silks, ornaments, etc.,the property of enemy or civilians.

(b) CANTEEN GOODS : Purchaed from AMF, RAN or US Canteens.

(c) ENEMY DOCUMENTS : Including diaries, orders Maps etc..

(d) ENEMY EQUIPMENT : Unless passed by GS or FS(EE) as not required for further examination.

(e) OFFICIAL DOCUMNETS. : Including memoranda, instructions, maps etc..

(f) CIVIL DOCUMENTS. : Belonging to Enemy or Allied Civil Administrations or issued by them.

(g) PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS. : Whether issued by Enemy or by Australian or Allied Forces or Authordties.

(h) PERISHABLE OR INCORRECTLY PACKED GOODS : Similar regulations obtain as in Civil Postal Service. For instance, fruit cannot be transmitted. Fragile articles incorrectly packed are not acceptable, for instance a walking stick wrapped in brown paper would not be accepted.

(i) PLANTS AND SEEDS. : These are prohibited for the reason that it is not desired to bring new plant diseases into AUSTRALIA. Cocoanuts can NOT be transmitted by post because they leak and damage other mail matter.

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37. PHOTO FILM.

Exposed but undeveloped film will be sent to KODAK (Aust) PTY LTD for printing and developing. The person for whom the photos are intended must be notified of this action and take delivery direct from KODAK.

38 FOREIGN CURRENCY.

The following currency may be transmitted without restriction.

(a) Straits Settlement Currency.
(b) Netherlands East Indies Currency
(c) Japanese Invasion Currency.

39. INCLUSION OF NAMES OF SENDERS.

Parcels submitted for transmission by Army Post must indicate clearly the number, rank, name and Unit of sender, firstly on the outside wrapping of the parcel and also a slip of paper endorsed with the parcelled goods.

40. LEAVE.

(i) Numerous applications for compassionate leave and emergency leave have been received at this HQ supported by insufficient statement of the ground on which the application is based. In some cases only telegrams sent by civilians have been produced and those not through normal channels.
(ii) In cases where investigation appears to be warranted, such investigation will be instituted with Units direct with LHQ L of C Areas under the provisions of GRO 598/43 para 33.
(iii) Reports of Investigation, recommendation by LHQ L of C rea and application for leave will then be submitted to this HQ together with the recommendation of member's O.C or CaO.
(iv) Leave on compassionate or emergency grounds from this Area will only be granted in exceptional circumstances e.g. when young children are or may be left without home or guardian or otherwise seriously prejudiced.
(v) The serious illness or death of wife or parent will not normally be considered as sufficient grounds for the grant of leave unless there are further grounds for warranting leave.
(vi) It is pointed out that this area is remote from Australia, and that in many cases the crisis has passed before the member is advised through civilian channels. In other cases the crisis will have passed by the time the member reaches home in the event of leave being granted.

41. WASHING OF VEHICLES IN SALT WATER.

It has been noticed that some drivers are washing their vehicles in sea water. Salt water has strong corrosive action on metals including vehicle transmission and brake systems. This practice will cease immediately.

E R Solomon Capt
.....O.C.
(E.R.Solomon, Capt.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy.(AIF)

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Copy for War Diary

SUBJECT :PROGRESS REPORT NO1
"A" Detachment

HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Co
MORATAI
BP
9/7/45

O.C. "A" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy

Ref your report of the 24 th June

1 ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDANCE

a. All official correspondance, such as figures, reports etc. will be addressed to:-

HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy MORATAI

b. Confidential and personnel correspondance for the O.C. of Coy. only will be addressed:-

O.C. HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy and marked

" Confidential for O.C. only"

2 BARGES

a. Pumps on G Barges
Please advise if trouble occures equally when pumping ADF as with AVGAS. Information has been received that G Barges pumps operate without seizing on ADF but seize fairly frequently with AVGAS.

b. Calibration chart BG Barge
Please advise any check calibrations, to the inch or foot, made of gallonage.

3 CALIBRATION CHARTS-1000 BRL & 2,300 BRL

The calibration chart for the 1,000 Brl tanks was not attached to report, will you forward another copy as soon as possible also a calibration chart for 2,300 brl tank.

4 RE SUPPLY AND COMMITTMENTS OF "ADF"

This matter has been taken up with area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA . He advises , unofficially, that we will be able to retain some of the G bargesix indefinitely for storage of ADF. In your daily tanker data signal advise total consumption daily of ADF which is to include the LCM's supply. Advice will also be given to you of ~~Monthly~~ RESERVE of ADF in drums required to be kept at BIPOD. You should be able to work out the Army consumption rate by now and this together with the no of drums to be held in reserve should give you your drum ~~fillin~~ FILLING programme.
If no tanker supply coming forward get a resupply from any U.S. Naval tanker coming to Harbour and which can spare any.

As long as barges are kept the addittional 2,300 brl tank will no be required for ADF, However the matter of this tank and whether to erect or not was taken up with L H Q and doubtless advice will be received by engineers in due course.

5 V.R.P.S.

These are a new departure for Aust Army. It may be as well to "SELL" the idea to Units. The more trucks passing through V.R.P.S. the less drum filling for B.P.S. To Do.

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5 W.R.P.S. Cont.

Will you advise HQ the number of trucks issued daily, also any complaints Unit's may have against this method or reason for not drawing. In the mean time a personal contact with O.C. of DUKW Unit's etc. may give more business.

6 ADDITTIONAL PERSONNEL

It was the intention to send forward an addittional 17 OR's to "A" Detachment. Due to increase in the size of operations of "C" Detachment the extra allotted to "A" will be reduced to 8 personnel.

If no details received yet by you of names and time of departure write HQ for the information.

.....O.C.
I.P. Warne-Smith Major
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AI

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Subject: DISCREPANCIES ACCOMMODATION STORES

Ex "SEA BARB"

HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy (AIF)

BP 18/10
7 Jul 45.

1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)

1. Attached herewith find particulars of packages which were n short delivered to Unit stores Sorting Area, belonging to this unit.

2. The tables FS and rations are not causing any concern as we can manage without them if they are not located.

3. In respect to cooking utensils, we are unable to use the Fowler stove without the baking dishes and the other items are essential.

4. Whilst vessel was being unloaded an NCO was on suty at the wharf also one NCO and 4 men were stationed at Unit Stores Sorting Area.

5. Each package as it arrived was checked in with Master List and checked out again when being loaded for delivery to unit as well as being again checked at unit. All checks agree showing a shortage of 9 packages which never arrived at Sorting Area.

6. Every effort has been made to locate these packages by inspecting Ship's hold and wharf, Sorting Area, as well as contacting 11 Aust Movement Conbrol Group.

7. Every case was marked with 3 buff bars, 92466 - S2 and the particular number of the case.

8. No package was received by this unit having any other markings than those mentioned in para 7.

H.M. Steanes

.....HQ Capt
(H.M. Steanes Capt)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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SCHEDULE

Particulars packages lost ex "SEA BARB"

Package Nos

41,47,68.	3 Tables FS
562	Cooking utensils as follows : 6 Dishes Baking (Fowler type) 2 Boilers (7 Gal) 2 " " 2 Pans steel , Steel Tinned Aust 6 Ladles 6 Spoons Serving.
800,802,813,818,819.	Rations.

[signature]
4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2.45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7../7../1945 HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 17./.7./.2... OFFRS. 2 O.R.'s 7. OFFRS. ... O.R.'s 1. ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL	Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinf'ts Required
WE									
				Lieut.-Colonels					
1			1	Majors					
1			1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offs.					
2			2						

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) and E(2).

DETAIL		A.L.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.	A	2				-					2
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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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7../7../ 1945... (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	2 Army Number	3 Surname	4 Initials	5 Posting	6 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Maj	VX 41527	Warne-Smith	I.P.	OC	No	Det 1 Aust Corps	21/6/45
Capt	NX123571	Steanes	H.M.	2 ic	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

6/7/45
Date of Despatch

H M Steanes Capt
Signature of Commander
HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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"A"	DETACHMENT	OBOE	SIX	1 Officer
"B"	"	"	ONE	1 Officer
"C"	"	"	TWO	1 Officer
"C"	"	"	TWO	1 Officer en Route

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

2 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 /194 45. HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 7 + OFFRS. O.R's. 1 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

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

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A	7						[redacted]	[redacted]		~~7~~
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.
1	1 Aust Corps		

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 7 /7 /194 5 .

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	1	1		Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
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.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mcd.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Bat Dvr	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				Batman	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Gen Duty Cpll	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				" " Pte	3	2	NR
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.				AACC	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				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				CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	6	7 *	*

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

6/7/45
Date of Despatch

[redacted]
Signature of Commander

HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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War Establishment

	WE	PS
H Q	8	7
"A" Det	29	29
"B" "	11	11
"C" "	48	48

Deficiency in WE isn one AACC member required this HQ for despatch to Detachment.

"A" Detachment	OBOE	SIX	29
"B" "	OBOE	ONE	11
"C" "	OBOE	TWO	48

Follow up For "C" Detachment (en Route)

Allotment	Names
Gen Dut Sgts	Sgt Parker
" " Ptes	O'Halloran
"	Shiels
"	Cahill
"	Poulton
"	Doyle
"	Tressider
"	Harvey
"	Fitzpatrick
"	Emry
"	McCrae
"	Barry
"	Howse
"	Noack
"	Campbell
Batman Dr Pte	Cornell
Water Duty "	Towers

Follow Up For "A" Detachment

Allotment	Names
Gen Dut Sgts	Sgt Graham
" " Cpls	Cpl Edwards
" " Ptes	Pte Mitchell:
"	Watling
"	Walker C
"	Kelk
Blacksmith	Laity
Drivers M T	Elliott

Follow up For "C" Detachment

Allotment	Names
Gen Dut Cpls	Cpl Eardley
"	Baddington
"	
" " Ptes	Pte McKenzie
"	Cassell
"	Sharp
"	Boreham
"	McCaffrey
"	Watson
"	Cann
Electrical Fitter	" McKinnon

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WAR DIARY

OF

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

VOLUME 11

PERIOD: 1 August to 31 August, 1945.

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WAR DIARY

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

1 August 45 - 31 August 45

AUG 1. Heavy rain during day - no work carried out.

2. Again heavy rain experienced during the day.

3. Warning Order received to prepare 8 O/Rs for Labuan.
Unit Strength 1 & 13. RAP attendances NIL

4. Day fine - camp maintenance carried on.

5. Rest Day - swimming parade arranged to Sabatai.

6. Pte Walker admitted to 2/9 AGH with skin complaint.
Captured Jap Hospital Ship arrived in Harbour.
Day fine.

7. Day fine - camp maintenance carried on.

8. 3 Ton 4x4 CVT technically inspected - Class II.
Inspection by Catering Supervisor who was very satisfied with food storage, kitchen and area.

9. Movement Control contacted regarding information on Cpl Edwards and Pte Mitchell who were left on mainland with Unit stores. No information available.

10. Hygiene inspection of camp - 93% recorded. - Unit Strength 1 O/R 12 O/Rs
RAP attendances 3

11. New Orderly Room, made from salvage timber, completed.
Major Warne-Smith and L Cpl Longmore returned from Operations at Balikpapan. Day fine.

12. Received signal to march 8 O/Rs to GDD for embarkation to "A" Detachment, Labuan.
Showers during the day.

13. Pte Walker returned from 2/9 AGH.
Received issue of half-yearly hampers from ACF for all personnel.
Day fine.

14. 7 O/Rs marched out to GDD for embarkation to Labuan, reducing strength at HQ to 2 Offrs and 7 O/Rs. Day fine.

15. At 0800 hrs received news over air that Japan had accepted terms of Allies.
Major Warne-Smith, OC Coy, marched out to GDD for embarkation to Vic L of C for Discharge.
Capt H.M. Steanes - Administering Command.
Day fine.

16. One bottle beer donated by Amenities to all ranks to celebrate peace announcement. Day fine.

17. Advice received that 1 Aust Base Sub Area moved out and Unit now under Adv LHQ. STRENGTH 2 Offrs & 7 O/Rs - RAP attendances 4
3 Ton water waggon technically inspected - Class I. Day fine.

18. Received authority for 7 O/Rs to return from GDD until transport available so that work can be carried out in camp alterations.
Day fine.

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WAR DIARY

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

1 August 45 - 31 August 45

AUG 19. Day fine - camp maintenance carried out.

20. Mobile Library from Education Service recalled all books as they were marching out of area. Day fine.

21. Day fine. Camp maintenance carried out.

22. Day fine. Fourth successive fine day- camp maintenance carried out.

23. Heavy rain during day - no work carried out.

24. No information available as to location of Unit stores or escorts. Day fine. Camp Hygiene 93%.
Strength 1 Offr and 14 O/Rs. Total RAP attendances 10.

25. Day fine. Gracie Fields arrived in areaen route to Borneo.

26. Movement Control called 7 O/Rs for Labuan forward urgently as transport was available. Day fine.

27. Day fine. Camp maintenance carried out.

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29. Lt Kelynack and 14 O/Rs marched out from area to RAAF DID.
Gracie Fields returned to give first of two concerts to troops stationed at Morotai. Concert was packed by enthusiastic audience.
During a storm in the afternoon a large tree near kitchen was blown down missing kitchen by a few feet and an O'Possum and young were found in hollow of trunk.

30. Advice received that Unit stores were due to arrive on "RIVER CLARENCE". No information regarding escort.
Gracie Fields gave second concert receiving a great ovation from some 10,000 members of the services. Day fine.

31. Day fine. Camp maintenance carried out.

H.M. Steanes

.....Adm Comd
(H.M. Steanes Capt)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF)

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~.

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(Adap ed.)

(Erase heading not required.)

Unit "B" Det 4 Aust BPS Coy *Date and Time.—From* 1 Aug 45 *To* 31 Aug 45.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Tarakan	Aug 1.		Advised by HQ AASC Barge BG 596 to be made ready for towing to Zamboanga.	
			Warned HQ, AASC of acute Mogas shortage.	
	3		Mogas Stock 2849 gallons.	
	4		Ceased issuing Mogas from vehicle filling points - Stock 2536 gallons. All issues are now being made from BIPOD P1.	
	7		Advised by HQ, AASC tanker departed Zamboanga carrying 3892 barrels Mogas. Informed by HQ, AASC Mogas storage may be increased by converting 2x1000 & 1x2000 bbl tanks from Avgas to Mogas storage.	
	9		Visit by LHQ Depot Inspector. C.R.E. 1 Aust Corps checked Mogas pipe lines and asked if it were known that further Mogas storage was to be made by tank conversion.	
	10		Arrival of Tanker TY 15 containing Mogas 1930 hrs. Boarded tanker 1930 in the stream. Unable to berth till next day owing to darkness.	
	11		Tanker TY 15 berthed. Commenced discharge Mogas. Commenced drum filling 1300 hrs.	
	12		Tank TY 15 discharging. Drum filling.	
	13		TY 15 completed discharge 1345 hrs. Arrival of tug 1400 hrs for towing of Barge BG 596. Plans made by CO to sail midday 15th.	
	14		TY 15 sailed 0700 hrs.	
	15		News of Japanese surrender received.	
	16		Proclaimed holiday by HQ 26 Inf Bde.	
	17		Holiday. Fuelling YOG 19 Barge for USS "Wachaprague" Avgas.	
	18		Completed fuelling YOG 19 Avgas. Issued 98,000 gallons.	
	19-31.		Routine Maintenance etc.	

Lt.
O.C. "B" Det 4 Aust BPS Coy.

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WAR

DIARY OF

"C" DETACHMENT 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM

STORAGE COY 'AIF'

From 1 AUGUST 45 to 31 AUGUST 45

Volume No. 2.

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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF)

Aug 1

4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Filling Platform and shelter continued.
Sepinggang line continued and pumping station for delivery to Sepinggang commenced.
Further washaways on Vasey Highway again necessitated unloading of vehicles returned, unable to get through to B.I.P.O.D.
Delivery line for P.T. Av Gas and LCM - ADF completed to Jetty Gate.
Repaired 9300 Brl Av Gas Tank, tested with water - result was satisfactory.

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4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continuing.
Filling Platform and shelter continued. Boarding of floor commenced.
Sepinggang line continued.

3

Filling Platform and shelter continued - boarding of floor in progress.
Sepinggang line continued and connection to existing cargo line at Sepinggang made.
Pumping commenced from AOG 17 to repaired 9300 Brl Tank of Av Gas at 0845 hours and after large leak in line being found pumping was stopped and recommenced at 1005 hours.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.
Complaints received from LCM's re quality of ADF in barge - tested and found to be contaminated.

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Strength State 2 Officers 47 Other Ranks
plus 2 Officers 5 Other Ranks
Average daily attendance of Natives 48
Filling Platform continued, shelter thereon being completed.
Sepinggang line continued.
Pumping from AOG 17 ceased at 1445 hours.
Pumping from Y 18 started to ADF [redacted] 1000x[redacted] Brl Bolted Tank at 1740 hours and ceased at 2230 hours.
Tank found to be in good condition and lines fairly satisfactory.
P.T. refuelling line air tested and found to be leaking badly.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued.

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Sepinggang line completed.
Filling Platform completed.
Serious leaks found in P.T. refuelling line and fixed by B.P.S. fitters.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm continued - welding finished and roofing under construction.
Pumping station completed and pumps and motors handed over to B.P.S. Coy.

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Issuing commenced of Av Gas to P.T's and ADF to LCM's from refuelling line at Jetty.
4 x 2300 Brl Tanks now completely welded and roofed.
Sepinggang line completed and tested with water.
ADF filling line filled from 1000 Brl tank and found to be leaking badly. Line drained to allow for repairing.
Check Hut erected.

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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

Aug 7 Filling commenced on new drum filling platform.
Cracked flange on ADF filling line repaired.
Pumping commenced to Sepinggang; serious leaks developed in lines and pumping ceased with 12,000 gallons in the line - no Av Gas reaching Sepinggang Tanks. Av Gas Tanks at Sepinggang handed over to RAAF.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank commenced.

8 Work commenced on Drum Washing Plant.
4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farms continued.
1 x 9300 Brl Mo Gas Tank expected to be completed by 9th August.
Tanker Y 109 with 5000 Brls Mo Gas arrived.
1 x 2300 Brl Tank for ADF continued.

9 4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm completed. Connection of pipes only requirement to put same in use.
1 x 9300 Brl Tank for Mo Gas completed and is expected to be used 10th August.
Pumped a further 34000 gallons Av Gas to RAAF Tanks at Sepinggang.
Leak occurred in P.T. refuelling line and pumping was delayed half an hour to allow for repairs.
Washing plant construction continued,
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.

10 Pipe line system installed to connect 4 x 2300 Brl Tank Farm.
Y 109 discharged cargo to Mo Gas 9300 Brl repaired Mo Gas Tank completing discharge at 2300 hours.
Construction of washing plant continued.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.
Fencing of operating area commenced.

11 Strength State 2 Officers 46 Other Ranks
plus 2 Officers 2 Other Ranks
Average daily attendances of Natives 49
1 x 2300 Brl Mo Gas Tank tested with water with quite satisfactory results.
Construction of washing plant continued.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.
Fencing of area and internal road making continued.

12 BG 1647 pumped 45,000 gallons Mo Gas to Tanks No 2 & 4 after failing to pump to Tank No 10.
Construction of washing plant continued.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.
Fencing of area and internal road making continued.
Construction of MT & ADF Bulk Filling Point continued.

13 BG 1647 pumped 42,000 gallons to new 2300 Brl Mo Gas Tank No 8, pumping ceasing at 2050 hours to allow pump to cool.
Construction of washing plant completed but alterations still needed before operating.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.
Fencing of area and raod construction continued.
Construction of ADF and Mo Gas Bulk Filling Point continued.

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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF)

Aug 14 BG 1647 pumped 30,000 gallons to No 3 Tank (1000 Brl Mo Gas Tank) - barge now empty.
1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank continued.
Fencing of area and road construction continued.
Construction of ADF and Mo Gas Bulk Filling Point completed.
30,000 gallons Av Gas pumped to Sepinggang.
A cessation in pumping was caused as valve in line at Klandsan River had been closed.

15 1 x 2300 Brl ADF Tank Completed.
Fencing of area completed - gates still to be swung.
Mo Gas and ADF Bulk Filling Points in operation.
3 x 2300 Brl Av Gas Tanks tested with water and leaks repaired.
Conference at 7 Aust Base Sub Area between RAE, RAAF and 4 B.P.S. Coy - decided resposibility of maintenance of pipeline to Sepinggang to be RAE. Written instructions to this effect are to follow.

16 BKO 38 pumped 52,000 gallons of Av Gas to new 2300 Brl Tank No 7.
Y 18 discharged cargo to 1000 Brl ADF Tank and new 2300 Brl ADF Tank.
Y 18 then pumped water to clear cargo lines to Av Gas and Mo Gas tanks.

17 Stand built round Mo Gas and ADF Bulk Filling Point.
Gates erected at entrance and exit of operating area.
Contaminated ADF in barge BKO 42 equalised by distribution of half to barge BG 1647.
Lighting of installation commenced.

18 Strength State 2 Officers 47 Other Ranks
plus 1 Officer
Daily attendances of Natives 50
Barges cleared of BPS equipment and made ready for towing.
Further repairs made to leaks in Av Gas 2 x 2300 Brl Tanks Nos 5 and 6.
Drum Washing Plant given trial and although containing several faults will be used when Drum Draining Rack is constructed.
Lighting of installation continued.

19 2 x 2300 Brl Av Gas Tanks proclaimed as fit for filling - Nos 5 and 6.
Transfer of Mo Gas made from 9300 Brl Tank to 2 x 1000 Brl Tanks (Nos 2 & 3).
Lights operating at VRP and drum filling platform.

20 Construction of road in operating area continued.
Transfer of Mo Gas made from 9300 Brl Tank to 1 x 1000 Brl Tank (NO 4).
Dirty Mo Gas pumped from drums, after settling, to No 4 Tank.

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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF)

Aug 21 Reconnaissance made S. Sup O. 7 Div of 4 B.P.S. area with a view to shifting 66 B.I.P.O.D. Pln's., operations to this area.
Construction of Hose shelter at Jetty commenced.
Wiring for domestic lighting commenced.
576 x 44 gallon drums Mo Gas issued to 58 B.I.P.O.D. Pln., at night.

22 Temporary Drum Draining Rack constructed by B.P.S. personnel pending RAE building of Rack.
Drum Washing commenced - one washing machine satisfactory and the other's use discontinued due to excessive leaks.
Direct telephone line to Sepinggang installed.
Hose shelter at Jetty continued.

23 Further decking laid on drum filling platform to allow sorting and inspection when drums leave drum washing plant.
Av Gas pumped to RAAF at Sepinggang.
Hose shelter at Jetty continued.
Construction of Drum Draining Rack commenced.
Painting of pipelines commenced.
450 x 44 gallon drums Mo Gas issued to 58 B.I.P.O.D. at night.

24 B.P.S. personnel constructed temporary 4 gallon filling point to provide for filling order for off shore shipment.
Hose shelter at Jetty continued.
Construction of Drum Draining Rack continued.
Painting of pipelines continued.
Lights operating in Kitchen and Men's Mess Hut.

25 Hose shelter at Jetty continued.
Painting of pipelines continued.
Construction of Drum Draining Rack continued.
Repairs made by RAE to leaking Drum Washing plant but were unsuccessful.
Strength State 2 Officers 46 Other Ranks
Average daily attendances of Natives 49
630 x 44 gallon drums Mo Gas issued to 58 B.I.P.O.D. Pln., at night.

~~26~~ Painting of pipelines continued.
27 Construction of Drum Draining Rack completed.
Road construction in operating area continued.
Painting of Tanks continued.
Lighting completed throughout domestic building.
468 x 44 gallon drums Mo Gas issued to 58 B.I.P.O.D. Pln., at night.

~~27~~ Painting of pipelines continued.
26 ~~Construction of Drum Draining Rack continued.~~
Leaking Drum Washing Plant repaired.
Road construction in operating area continued.
Painting of tanks commenced.

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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF).

Aug 28 Painting of pipelines and tanks continued.
Road construction in operating area continued.
Light installed at Gate Check Office.
676 x 44 gallon drums of Mo Gas sent to 58 B.I.P.O.D.

29 Painting of pipelines and tanks continued.
Road construction in operating area continued.

30 Construction wire fence around pump house commenced.
Filling 4 Gln Drums.

31 Strength State 2 Officers & 46 OR's
Average daily attendance of Natives 48
Stock on hand AVGAS 133,128 MOGAS 103,571 ADF126,616
Issues for MonthAVGAS 329,799 MOGAS 388,874 ADF 99,605
No Natives arrived Queen Wilhelmina's birthday. Issueing V.R.P. Bulk and drums only.

GENERAL

Health of personnel is very good.

Rations have been sufficient- quality improving.

Morale of personnel very poor, due to cessation of hostilities.

T. C. J. Caldwell

.....O/C.
(T. C. J. CALDWELLL Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storge Coy 'AIF'

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"A" Det
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

4 August 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 29 July to 4 August 45.

29 July. A fire occurred at the checking gate at the installation at at approx 1145 hrs when a DUKW loaded with 18 X 44 gall drums AVGAS caught on fire. Unit check office and contents were completely burnt. This was the only damage sustained by the installation.
The DUKW was towed to a place of safety but suffered extensive material damage before the fire was extinguished with foam fire fighting equipment.

July 30. Stocks of MT 80 spirit are very low and it has been advised that replenishment of supplies will not be available until 4 Aug., consequently rationing of issues has become necessary and only essential consumers are being supplied.
Heavy rain fell at night.
All fire fighting equipment used on 29 July was refilled.
All equipment tested and permanent fire crews given given a course of instruction, in fire drill and use use of all equipment.

July 31. Course of instruction on fire fighting continued. Drum Washing plant has been operating but considerable trouble has been experienced with one ROSEBERY motor, thereby decreasing the output of plant to 60 drums per day.
A fresh water supply through 4" pipeline has been installed through installation and on to Oil Wharf.
Lieut. Col. Barrett Comd. 8 B.S.A., inspected installation.

August 1 MT stocks have diminished rapidly even under rationing and further efforts to completely drain welded tanks of spirit were carried out successfully and satisfactorily. All available MT 80 is now stored in gravity tank and supplies should cover a further two days restricted issues.
Installation now open only between the hours of 0700 hrs and 1700 hrs daily, by arrangements with 8 Aust Base Sub Area.

August 2. 8 Aust Base Sub Area advised a further cut of MT 80 spirit.
AVGAS for bulk waggons refuelling point now being pumped direct from welded tanks when required. Gravity tank only used for jetty refuelling.
Very heavy rain during the night.

August 3. Road closed to all traffic by order of CRE.
14 Aust Fd Coy RAE working on tank elevations. Concrete troughs have now been placed around all tanks to overcome erosion caused by rain.
Further maintenance on wash plant and increased coverage over engines. Shed erected on jetty for wharf and fire fighting equipment. Hose shed still to be erected by 14 Fd Coy.

August 4. AOG Tanker "KALAMAZOO" arrived LABUAN harbour 0900hrs.
Port Directorate US Navy could not supply soundings of FRANKLIN Oil wharf and the Captain refused to berth his ship.
D.A.D.S.T., O.C. Det Movement Control and O.C. 4 BPS Coy conferred on shortage of motor spirit and decided to fill one "G" barge of MT 80 from "KALAMAZOO" to relieve the shortage

Weekly Issues	AVGAS	MT 80	ADF
	98,385	27,005	19,435
Stock Balance	181,330	4,508	185,999

E.R. Solomon Capt ..... O.C.
(E.R.Solomon, Capt)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
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4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF)

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF)

11 August 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 5 August to 11 August 45.

5 August — Tanker "KALAMAZOO" berthed FRANKLIN Wharf 0930 hrs and completed discharge 1800 hrs. AVGAS 170,204 and MT 80 170,625 Imp Galls at 60°F.
Very heavy rain during the night caused muddy conditions and roads closed to all but essential traffic.

6 August — Roads close to all but essential traffic. V.R.P circuit breaking up badly owing to rain and heavy traffic.
Commenced filling MT 80 into drums for delivery to B.I.P.O.D.
Restrictions still apply to MT 80 as there is no assurance of further supplies.
Washing plant still not satisfactory. Magneto of one motor faulty and vibration causes lines to leak.

7 August. — Information to hand that further supplies of MT 80 are coming forward. Restrictions immediately lifted. US. NAVY Port Directorate supplied the average daily requirements of water for ships of their Task Group. 16,000 gallons. The Engineers have been notified .
Major Pinniger investigating officer for the fire which occurred on 29 July, called and took statements from all witnesses.

8 August — The planking of the floor of the Washing Plant is in progress. This has become necessary owing to the muddy conditions caused by recent heavy rains.
Lock up shed have now been erected over all pumps and motors in the installation.

9 August — All personnel issued with clothing coupons.
All welded tanks now have concrete drains around their base and this has successfully retarded erosion caused by rainfall.

10 August — The unit representative attented Amenities meeting called by 8 Aust Base Sub Area.
Increased facilities installed on the jetty for AVGAS.
All craft in this area now draw fresh water supplies from FRANKLIN Oil Jetty.
Additional covers have been added to Mess Hut and a Canteen has been erected.

11 August — Weekly Issues : AVGAS 103,074 MT 156473 ADF 47,965
Stock Balance : AVGAS 251,825 MT 21,001 ADF 139,106
The health of all personnel is excellent.
Weather : Very hot and humid and generally heavy thunderx storms at night.

E R Solomon Capt .....O.C.
(E. R. Solomon Capt.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storagge

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WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 12 to 18 August 45.

13 August — Tanker Y9 berthed FRANKLIN wharf 1100 hrs. Discharge commenced 1125 hrs and was completed at 1820 hrs. Shore receipts 215,942 Imp galls MT 80 at 60°. On-carried cargo 5,525 Imp galls owing to the ship's pumps being unable to completely strip the tanks. Heavy rain during evening.

14 Ausust — Tanker moored at Oil Wharf undergoing repairs pending sailing orders from NAVY. 12,000 Imp galls A.D.F. received ex USS "HAWK-BILL" into barges. This oil contained approx 2,000 galls of water which had to be removed from the barge with a hand pump prior to oil being pumped ashore.
Heavy rain during evening.

15 August — The V.R.P. road circuit is now under repairs by 14 Aust Fd Coy RAE. The area has been filled and graded to overcome muddy conditions. A representative from the US NAVY called re A.D.F. held by us on their behalf. Present stocks of A.D.F are 107,000 but we could only make available approx 50,000 galls. This is due to the disposition of the stock.
Heavy rain fell during evening.

16 August. — Flooring in Wash Shed has now been completed and further work being done on V.R.P. circuit. O.C. Detachment notified 8 Aust Base Sub Area of the A.D.F. stocks. All A.D.F. barges are being stripped completely to the gravity tanks.
Heavy rain fell during the evening.

17 August — A section of line in V.R.P. developed a slight leak and was immediately replaced.
Extremely heavy rain fell during the night.

18 August. — Weekly Issues :

	AVGAS	MT 80	A.D.F.
	101,947	37,388	74,347

Stock Balances :

	149,878	199,558	76,759

8 Aust Base Sub Area restricted the issue of A.D.F. to certain craft of the US NAVY and several A.M.F. craft. All other issues to be drawn from B.I.P.O.D. in 44 gall drums.
Exceptionally heavy rain fell all day and all roads closed to all but essential transport.
A farewell message was received from Major I.P. Warne-Smith on the eve of his departure for Australia.

E R Solomon Capt
.....O.C.
(E. R. SOLOMON , CAPT.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF)

25 August 45.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 19 to 25 August 45.

19 August 45. Day of rest.

20 August 45 Half of detachment personnel on two days stand down in accordance with 9 Div instruction to celebrate VP Day. The filling area was regraded and is now in good order. Capt. E. R. Solomon O.C. Det applied for discharge under the five year plan.

21 August 45 Construction commenced on shelter for fire tender and equipment in filling area.
Special issue of Two bottles of beer to celebrate VP Day.

22 August 45 Construction commenced on shelter for fire equipment and hoses on Franklin wharf.
US Army Tug took delivery of Barge BG.593

23 August 45 Shelter on Franklin Wharf completed. Exceptionally high tides causing flooding in Installation and camp area. Standard type water hydrants are being installed at suitable points in Installation for use of fire equipment.

24 August 45 Fuel on L.C.M. Barge checked by O.C. Det for contamination. C.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div called and conferred with O.C. re stocks of A.D.F. Tanker "KALAMAZOO" with a cargo of AVGAS arrived LABUAN harbour 2000 hrs and anchored in bay.

25 August 45 1 O/R evacuated to 2/4 A.G.H with dermatitis. "KALAMAZOO" berthed FRANKLIN wharf at 1230 hrs on full tide. The shore tank capacity being limited it was necessary to fill three "G" barges. This was done prior to pumping ashore. The US NAVY signalled requesting a "G" barge to off-load approx 20,000 US galls A.D.F. from PCE 842. The barge was immediately despatched for this job.

	AVGAS	MT 80	A.D.F.
Weekly Issues	65,009	65,094	33,732
Stock Balance	86,620	134,352	42,348

The health of personnel is satisfactory.

Weather : Very hot and humid but very little rain during the week.

E.R.Solomon Capt .....O.C.
(E.R.Solomon , Capt)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

6 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 /194 5. HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 7 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 1 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.
WE				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
				Sergeants					
1			1	Corporals					
6			6	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC 1	1			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
7	*		7 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		1	1 *		*

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

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

Detail		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	8						[redacted]	[redacted]		8
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.
1	1 Aust Corps		

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).

HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (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 4 /8 /1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. 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	1	1		Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
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.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mcl.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				~~Bat Dvr~~	~~1~~	~~1~~	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				~~Batman~~	~~1~~	~~1~~	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				~~Gen Dty Cp~~	~~1~~	~~1~~	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				~~" " Pte~~	~~3~~	~~3~~	
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.				AACC	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				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				CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	8	8	*

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

9 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

A.M. Lawe Capt
Signature of Commander
for 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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WAR ESTABLISHMENT

	WE	PS
H.Q.	8	8
"A" Det OBOE SIX	29	29
"B" Det OBOE ONE	11	11
"C" Det OBOE TWO	48	48

Follow Up For "A" Detachment Still At Morotai.

ALLOTMENT	NAMES
Gen Dty Sgt	Sgt Graham
" " Cpl	Cpl Edwards
" " Ptes	Pte Mitchell
	" Watling
	" Walker
	" Kelk
	" Laity
	" Elliott

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 /194 5. HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV / 57 / 2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 7 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 1 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				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
1			1	Majors					
1			1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
2			2						

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.		2									2
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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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).

HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 /8 /1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Major	VX 41327	Warne-Smith	I.P.	O.C.	No	Det 1 Aust Corps	21/6/45
Capt	NX 123571	Steanes	H.M.	2i/c	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.

3 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

H M Steanes Capt
Signature of Commander
for 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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RESTRICTED War Diary

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Nos 121 - 130

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

MAJ I.P. WARNE-SMITH

O.C. 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

HQ 4 Aust B.P.S. Coy (AIF)
4 Aug 45

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121. IDENTITY DISCS

Identity discs will be worn by all personnel at all times in the following manner:-
The No1 (Hexagonal) disc, will be suspended around the neck beneath the shirt, by 32 inches of cord, and the No. 2 (Round) disc will hang 3 inches below No 1 disc, the two discs being joined together by 6" cord.
Neglect to wear identity discs will be treated as a breach of discipline.

122. PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC ON ROADS

The use of the main traffic routes by Australian troops moving on foot from their camps to nearby entertainments at night is causing a serious traffic problem. The danger of accidents is obvious, and MT drivers are being placed under severe strain by reason of this pedestrian traffic. COs and OsC will instruct their troops that use of main roads by personnel walking to entertainments must be reduced to a minimum, and instruct troops to walk facing oncoming traffic.
Failure to observe this order recently resulted in a fatal injury to a member of the Forces.
Unit commanders will ensure that members are advised of the importance of strict adherence to this order.
Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

123. FIRING OF WEAPONS

Numerous instances have been brought to notice of members making use of ammunition for other than recognised service purposes.
In addition to the potential danger of injury to personnel from the indiscriminate firing of small arms, ammunition stocks required for operational use are thereby depleted.
No practice firing of any weapons will take place in this area on other than authorised ranges. Indiscriminate discharge of weapons, as distinct from Training practices, will not be permitted.
Units desiring to conduct firing practices will communicate with HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area concerning the arrangement of XXX suitable areas and times.

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FIRING OF WEAPONS (Continued)

Any further breaches will result in severe disciplinary action being taken against offenders.

124. SPEEDING

The offence of drivers exceeding the speed limits as laid down in HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area RO 280 is becomeing very prevalent. Attention of all ranks is to be drawn to this offence and strong measures taken to deal with all offenders.
The excuse of vehicles having no speedo or speedos not registering correctly, will, under no circumstances, be accepted.
In an endeavour to make it quite plain to drivers the maximum speed limit of every vehicle, a sticker will be prepared and attached to the windscreen as per the following pro-forma.-

The maximum speed of this vehicle
is 20 miles per hour
When speedo reads 20 MPH, the
maximum speed is reached and
WILL NOT BE EXCEEDED

In certain areas, such as Docks or when passing Hospitals, the speed limit is still further reduced, and drivers will obey the speed limit signs clearly displayed.
Wksps will check vehicles to see that speedos are registering correctly and will mark correction, if any, on windscreen sticker.
The speed limit showing is the maximum under normal driving conditions and is not an authority to drive at that speed on roads with rough or wet surfaces or where traffic is congested.
A marked improvement is expected immediately and all Officers and NCOs will watch for breaches of this instruction and immediately take corrective action.

125. DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCE FOR CHILDREN OVER 16 YEARS OF AGE RECEIVING FULL TIME EDUCATION

Approval has been given for continuing the payment of dependants allowance in respect of children dependent upon a member after they have reached the age of 16 until they are 18 years of age if they are receiving full - time education at a school or university.
The approval will take effect on and from 11 Jul 45 and will apply to children who have reached the age of 16 years at that date or who subsequently attain that age. Payment will be subject to the conditions of War Financial Regulations.
As regards children who have not yet reached the age of 16 years, the DFO paying the allotment will advise the allottee of the extension now notified some time prior to each child attaining the age of 16 years and the allottee will be invited to make application for payment if applicable.
Any member whose children have already attained the age of 16 years and who are entitled to receive dependants allowance in accordance with this approval should arrange for his allottee to make application to the DFO paying his allotment.

126. HYGIENE ROUTINE

Attention of all personnel is again directed to copy of standardised Hygiene Routine, placed on Unit Notice Board, particularly Para "A" referring to dress.
The reference to dusk means 1830 hrs.

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127. KITCHEN WATER TANK

Under no circumstances will personnel fill, buckets, water bottles or wash any utensils with water from this Tank.
The water is required for kitchen use only.
Disciplinary action will be taken against any personnel, other than kitchen personnel on duty, using this tank.
Kitchen personnel will use this water for kitchen use only and not to wash with.
Fresh water is supplied daily to water drums from which drinking and washing water will be drawn.

128. TENTS & LINES

Attention of all personnel is again directed to the following:-
Tent flaps will be rolled up each morning, unless otherwise ordered.
Mosquito nets will be rolled up at head of stretcher until 1830 hrs daily.
Blankets will be folded, placed at head of bed, with equipment placed on top of blankets and not under stretcher.

129. WASHING

All boiling and washing of clothes will be carried out in area allocated near showers.
Clothes will NOT be hung around ropes and rails of tents - they will be hung out on lines at rear of tents.
Where possible, bath towels will be hung out in sun to dry instead of being left damp in the tents.

130. EDUCATIONAL

Elementary education in English and Arithmetic etc. for educationally retarded personnel, will be arranged as required.
Personnel anxious to avail themselves of this service, can do so during request hour each week.

.....O.C.
(I.P. WARNE-SMITH MAJOR)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

Distribution.

1. I Aust Base Sub Area
1. Docks Operating
1. Notice Board
2. War Diary ✓
1. File

4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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WAR DIARY

HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

1 September 45 - 30 September 45

SEP 1. Strength 1 Offr and 14 O/R's. RAP attendance 9.
Received 1 Badinton Set from ACF.
Interviewed Lt Col Cowles at LHQ re personnel.
Received advice that Unit stores were arriving on 'RIVER CLARENCE' - due to berth 2/9/45.
GDD and Movement Control advise that 7 O/Rs listed for Labuan were not required as RTU movements were cancelled.
Day fine.

2. Rest Day - day fine.
'RIVER CLARENCE' berthed 1000 hrs and commenced discharging at 1800 hrs.

3. Showers during the day.
Received 6 O/Rs for labour in receiving unit stores which commenced to arrive ex 'RIVER CLARENCE'
Application lodged for air travel for self and 1 O/R to Borneo on tour of inspection.
Application lodged HQ Comd for Cpl Edwards and Pte Mitchell to come by air from mainland.
Arrangements made for 1 x 3 ton truck to travel to pictures each night.
BPS supply picquets Mon & Wed, also driver. HQ Comd supply driver and picquet other nights.

4. During the day showers were experienced.
7 O/Rs reported for duty sorting Unit stores.
1 x 3 ton water waggon loaned to HQ Comd.
Stores ex 'RIVER CLARENCE' still arriving - 2 truck loads.
Received signal from "C" Detachment for audco valve grease urgently. Contacted 172 FOD 1800 hrs.

5. Day overcast - no rain.
Received signal that Pte Tickner's mother seriously ill.
Proposed tour of inspection recommended by CASC HQ Comd.

6. Day fine.
Received additional stores from 'RIVER CLARENCE'.
Sgt Graham admitted to 2/5 AGH - bronchitis.

7. Day fine.
List of stores received ex 'RIVER CLARENCE'.
No word re movement of 7 O/Rs to Labuan.
Hygiene report of inspection - 94%.

8. Strength 1 Offr and 8 O/Rs. RAP attendances 8.
Day fine.
Received Warning Order that personnel for Labuan would embark 'RIVER CLARENCE' on 9/9/45 at 0700 hrs.
Sgt Graham was not included in draft and although applicatbn was made for his inclusion and Hospital would discharge him GDD would not include him on the Nominal Roll.

9. Peace Treaty signed at Morotai by Lt Gen Tishima in charge of Japs on Celebes (2nd Army)
Day fine. 6 O/Rs embarked for Labuan.

10. Day fine. Maj Thornburn called for estimated no. of personnel required to operate Tank Farm at Morotai.

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HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

1 September 45 - 30 September 45

SEP 11. Day overcast.
Arrangements made with 2/1 MAC W/shops to have unit vehicles G4'd on 13, 14 and 19 of each month.
Secured supply of rubber boots.
" " " audco valve grease.

12. Day fine.
Capt Osman reported at LHQ

13. Received visit from Maj ThornburnDAS Pol LHQ and Capt Osman.
Received advice that Work Boat available for issue on 14 Sep 45.
3 Ton vehicle G4'd - Class I

14. Day fine.
Received delivery of Work Boat AM 1722.
Secured operators from 2/101 W/shops.
Jeep G4 - Class I Hygiene Inspection 93%.

15. Strength 1 Offr and 7 O/Rs. RAP attendances NIL
Day fine.

16. Day fine.
Day of organised recreation for personnel by taking trip in Work Boat as a trial spin.
Boat performed admirably - very enjoyable day spent.

17. Day fine. Completed checking of Unit stores.
Pte Brooks marched in from GDD as replacement on WE deficiency.
On doing top overhaul of Lister Blackstone engine it was found that connecting rod was broken.

18. Day fine. Endeavored to secure new parts for Lister Motor.
Attended conference LHQ and requested to organise formation of 3 Aust B.P.S. Coy personnel assembling at Morotai to take over installation from USA Forces.

19. Visit of A A Education on 20 Sep 45 on Post War Schemes.
Day fine - Pay day.
Visited LHQ Capt Mathews re replacement 5 KVA Engine.
Same to be evacuated to RSD and re-indent for new one.
Inspected US Tank Farm with Lt Col Summerfield, Maj Leader and Capt Schwartz.

20. Day overcast - Contacted Maj Meyer 93 Div HQ US Army who approved of selected site for camp.
Advice received that LHQ conference being held 0900 hrs 21 Sep for decision on taking over US Bulk Storage.
Received signal from "A" Det stating that Capt E.R. Solomon marched out to GDD, Labuan for discharge under 5 Year Plan.
Lt Alexander marched into 4 BPS for duty.

21. Day fine. L Cpl Longmore marched out to 2/9 AGH.
Inspected Bulk Storage US Army and made inventory of equipment.
Advised by Lt Col Summerfield that Unit be prepared to move out at 12 hrs notice to new site (1200 hrs).
Attended conference 1600 hrs CASC - decided to erect camp at 14.2 17.1 then move balance of personnel.
Ready for operating on 1 Oct 45.

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HQ 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

1 September 45 - 30 September 45

SEP 22. Strength 1 Offr and 8 O/Rs. RAP attendances 3
Day fine. Lt Col Summerfield visited new camp site.
Spent all day securing approval for material on behalf of 3 Aust B.P.S. Coy.
Received signal HQ Comd to have HQ 4 B.P.S. Coy out at new site by 1600 hrs 24/9/45.

23. Selected 24 personnel at ARD for 3 B.P.S. Coy.
Day fine.

24. Commenced buliding camp at new site for 3 B.P.S. Coy.
Trouble experienced securing material for prep room. Men bedded down.
Received a message to call on CRE at 0900 hrs 25/9/45.

25. Interviewed CRE re maintenance of Tank Farm. Arrangements made that Engineers do 2nd Ech repairs.
All personnel 4 B.P.S. moved to new site with exception of 2 O/Rs who remained to guard stores in shed.
Attended conference 1 Aust Base Sub Area on Sporting and general amenities.

26. Placed order for 5 phones with Sigs.
Secured issue of soap, toothpaste and boot polish from ACF also writing material.
Capt Solomon arrived en route to mainland.

27. Day fine. Contacted 101 Army Troops for compressor.
3 personnel spent day at installation in order to learn the operation of the Tank Farm.
Cpl Edwards arrived by air from mainland.

28. Day fine. Camp construction.

29. Strength 1 Offr and 9 O/Rs. RAP attendances NIL
Completed Demob papers.
6 additional personnel arrived. Day fine.

30. Day fine. Rest Day and organised picnic.
4 O/Rs ex Sydney for 3 B.P.S. arrived by air 1500 hrs.

H.M. Steanes

.....Adm Comd
(H.M. Steanes Capt)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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Serial No 31/45
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

CAPT H.M. STEARES

Adm Comd 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

HQ 4 Aust B.P.S. Coy (AIF)
1 Sep 45

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131. SEA BATHING

Bathing in the nude is prohibited - boots or shoes will be worn on all occasions. Particular attention will be paid by all personnel to the "Out of Bounds" notices on the various beaches.

132. TRAFFICKING IN LIQUOR, CIGARETTES

1. A member will not, except to the extent that duty requires him to do so, buy, other than through unit canteen, sell, exchange or part with the possession of any cigarettes, tobacco, cigarette papers or alcoholic liquor, for money, goods or any article whatsoever.

2. Reports have recently been received which indicate that units are permitting US personnel to enter unit lines and Aust camp areas. This is facilitating trading and trafficking in liquor, and all units will take action to prevent entry of US personnel to unit lines and Aust camp areas, except when on duty in that unit or as guests of a member of the unit.

3. Except as required in the course of duty, no member shall take out of his own camp area, whether by vehicle or otherwise, any beer, spirits, wine or other alcoholic liquor, unless with the written permission of his CO.

133. FOURTH VICTORY LOAN

1. The Fourth Victory Loan of £85,000,000 cash will open for subscription on 25 Sep 45 and close not later than 31 Oct 45.

2. Arrangements have been made for paymasters and unit pay representatives to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the AMF who desire to invest their savings in the loan.

Particulars of Loan:

3. Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10 or a multiple of £10.

4. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for £10, £50, £100, £500, and £1,000.

5. Inscribed Stock may be purchased at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100.

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4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

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Particulars of Loan(cont)

6. Interest is payble at 2½% per annum if invested for five years and at 3½% per annum if invested for sixteen years, and will be credited half-yearly to a member's savings bank account or current account, if desired.

7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation but not to any income tax under the law of a state. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2/- in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from state taxation.

8. Any bank nominated by a member will, if requested, hold the bonds in safe custody.

Procedure for lodging applications

9. Application forms will be available from paymasters and unit pay representatives and are required to be completed in duplicate. An applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer.

10. Sufficient credit must be available in the member's pay book to cover the amount he or she desires to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

11. Cash may be accepted in payment of a loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the pay book to establish the necessary credit and a pay sergeant's or cash office receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.

12. Deposits on account of loan subscriptions will not be accepted. Where members desire to subscribe by instalments, the procedure set out in CRO F 303/44 will be observed. Supplies of "Bank Advice of Service Allotment" forms (vide appendix to CRO F 303/44) will be availble from paymasters.

13. The Commonwealth will forward to a member an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.

General

14. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any bank will arrange this for a member, if desired.

134. CAMP HYGIENE

Owing to the small number of personnel at HQ, it is requested that personnel place all refuse in containers provided for same.

135. AMENITIES

A supply of magazines was received from Canteens Service.
A.C.F. supplied two new games which will be received by members of the Unit.
All personnel received Half-Yearly Hampers from A.C.F.

H.M. Steanes

.....Adm Comd
(H.M. Steanes Capt)
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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NOTICE

TRADING TRANSACTIONS

	Dr	Amount			Cr	Amount	
Aug 1	Stock	76	93	Aug 31	Sales	256	99
31	Purchases	194	07	31	Stock on Hand	39	78
	Breakages		76				
	Profit	25	01				
Total		296	77			296	77

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 31/8/45

	Liabilities				Assets		
Aug 1	Cash Advance A/c	82	08	Aug 31	Cash on Hand	67	31
	Profit	25	01	" 31	Stock	39	78
TOTALS		107	09			107	09

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 / 9 / 1945. HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV / 57 / 2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 1 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 1 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.				
WE	Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
					*					
					*					
1	NR	1			Lieut.-Colonels					
1				-	Majors					
				1	Captains					
					Lieutenants					
					Quarter-masters					
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
2		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.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)											
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/9/1945 (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.
CAPT	NX 123571	STEANES	H.M.	Adm Comt	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.

Date of Despatch

H Steanes Capt
Signature of Commander

HQ 4 Aust. Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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War Diary

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

10/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/9/1945. HQ 4 Aust Base Petroleum Stor Coy (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV/57/2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 7 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 1 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.
W.E.				W.Os. Class I.	W.E.				
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
				Sergeants					
1			1	Corporals					
6 NR	1		5	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC 1	1			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
7 *	1		6*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	1	1*			*

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

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

Detail		C.M.F.								
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	A 7						[redacted]	[redacted]		7
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.
1	"A" Det OBOE 6		

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 1 / 9 /1945 .

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	1	1		Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
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.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Bat Dr	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Batman	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				Gen Dut			
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Cpls	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Ptes	3	2	NR
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				AACC	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				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				CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	8	* 7	* NR

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

31 Aug 45.
Date of Despatch

Adm Comd
Signature of Commander
HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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WAR ESTABLISHMENT.

	W.E.	P.S.
H.Q.	8	7
"A" Detachment	29	29
"B" "	11	11
"C" "	48	48

Follow up for "A" Detachment staging at GDD for onward movement to OBOE SIX.

ALLOTMENT	NAMES
Gen Dut Sgt	Sgt Graham
" " Ptes	Pte Watling
	" Elliott
	" Laty
	" Walker C
	" Kalk
	" Caun

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF)
8 September 45

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 2 Sept to 8 Sept 45.

2 Sept — Day of rest

3 Sept — One "G" barge of ADF fitted up to refuel LCM's of 41 Aust Landing Craft Coy. Personnel to work the barge were supplied by the abovecompany. These personnel to be trained in the operation and maintenance of the barge by oue workshops staff.

4 Sept — Officers of the Australian Navy conferred with OC re storage ~~difficulties~~ facilities for furnace oil. The matter was referred to 8 Aust Base and 9 Aust Div

5 Sept. — Notification received from ZAMBOANGA that no supplies of MT.80 were available. 8 Aust Base imposed further restrictions, namely, O.C's Jeeps, essential AASC transport, water and ration vehicles. All MT bulk tanks are being stripped to a "G" barge preparatory to pumping to gravity tank

6 Sept — All MT tanks now stripped to "G" barge. Order received from 9 Aust Div to blend AVGAS with MT 80 to augment stocks. Blend to be 75% MT 80 and 25% AVGAS. Approx 8,000 Imp galls of AVGAS pumped to MT gravity tank.

7 Sept — The American P.O.L.Officer requested that we take over all stocks of ADF held by them except 12,500 Imp galls which was to remain in their barge. Approx 21,000 Imp galls was transferred to our tanks.

8 Sept.

	AVGAS	MT.80	A.D.F.
Weekly Issues :	100,228	50,595	74,078
Stock Balances :	241,007	36,708	129,974

1 OR evacuated to 2/4 A.G.H. suffering from Tinea.
Health of personnel satisfactory.
Weather : Very hot and humid and very heavy rain during the week.

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E.R. Solomon Capt .....O.C.
(E. R. SOLOMON CAPT.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

& 15 September. 1945 .

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 9 Sept. to 15 Sept. 45.

9 Sept. Day of rest

10 Sept. Instructions received from 8 Base that six of the eight "G" type barges at this installation were to bemade ready to move. Of the two remaining barges one was US Navy A.D.F. reserved stock and the other for ~~xxxxx~~ American L.C.M refuelling barge.

11 Sept. All stocks held in the six barges have been pumped to shore tanks Equipment on the barges checked and they are now ready for movement.

12 Sept. At approx 0900 hrs a DUKW burst into flames as it was leaving FRANKLIN Oil Jetty with a load of AVGAS. Foam was immediately sprayed on the fire and it was extinguished within a few minutes of outbreak. One man was injured.
"D" tank allotted to A.D.F.storage and 6" line installed from junction to "D" tank. Line tested satisfactorily.

13 Sept. Maj. Rosenthal, fire enquiry officer, called and collected evidence of the fire at FRANKLIN Oil Wharf.
Tanker "KALAMAZOO" arrived LABUAN harbour at 1000 hrs but waited on full tide to berth at FRANKLIN Oil Jetty at 1625 hrs.
Cargo approximately 9,800 bls (US) MOGAS.

14 Sept. Tank storage at LABUAN is insufficient to take entire cargo off "KALAMAZOO" and it has been necessary to fill approx 1500 X 44 gall drums of MT 80. Tanker completed discharge at 1620 hrs and left wharf at 1715 hrs and is anchored in the harbour pending movement orders from US NAVY.
Tanker discharged 338,640 Imp galls MT 80 at 60°F.
An instruction from 8 Base 1 "G" barge was loaded with 30,000 Imp galls AVGAS to refuel USS "WILLOUGHBY"

15 Sept. USS "WILLOUGHBY" refuelled with 27,522 Imp galls AVGAS and 15,706 Imp galls A.D.F.(A.D.F ex US NAVY reserve stock)

WEEKLY ISSUES	AVGAS	MT.80	A.D.F.
	89,761	112,655	69,288
STOCK BALANCES.			
	150,348	263,372	59,390

Helath of all personnel satisfactory.
Weather very hot and humid but very little rain during the week.

E R Solomon Capt. O.C.
(E. R. SOLOMON CAPT.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

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"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy(AIF)

22 September 1945.

WAR DIARY REPORT - PERIOD 16 to 22 Sept. 45.

16 Sept. Day of Rest
6 O/Rs marched in from GDD. These personnel arrived on "RIVER CLARENCE" from HQ 4 B.P.S. Coy MOROTAI.

17 Sept. Repairs being effected to AVGAS bulk refuelling points

18 Sept. Capt. Solomon marched out to 1 Aust Details Depot for onward movement to N.S.W 1 of C Area for discharge under 5/2 year plan.
Lieut Alaxander marched in from HQ 8 Aust Base Sub Area as acting O.C.

19 Sept. Supplies of A.D.F. are exhausted. Through negotiations with the Americans it has been arranged to pump ashore approximately 5,000 gallons (Imp) from their LCM barge.

20 Sept. 6,256 Imp galls A.D.F. received ex US ARMY barge. This oil has been reserved for use of Aust L.C.Ms.

21 Sept. Supplies of A.D.F received ~~from~~ for US ~~ARMY~~ NAVY are now exhausted.
Pte. Whelan was discharged from 2/4 A.G.H. and returned to unit.

22 Sept. By arrangements with US ARMY permission has been granted to refuel Aust L.C.Ms from their A.D.F. barge. The installation of flood lighting has now been completed to FRANKLIN Oil Jetty.

WEEKLY ISSUES	AVGAS	MT 80	A.D.F.
	66,081	60,483	58,656
STOCK BALANCES.	81,663	202,968	7,070

No further A.D.F. can be drawn from the tanks.
An inspection of the installation was made by Col Easterbrook D.D.S.T. Adv LHQ, and party.
Health of all personnel satisfactory
Weather very hot and humid but little rain during the week,

A J Alexander Lt.
.....for O.C.
(A. J. ALEXANDER LIEUT.)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form C.2118.
(Adap ed.)

Unit "B" Det 4 BPS Coy *Date and Time.—From* 1 Sep 45 *To* 30 Sep 45.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TARAKAN	1 Sep 45		Stocks balance Avgas 71,867 Galls MT 80 49720 Galls.	
	5		Commenced filling 44 gla drums with MT 80 for BIPOD supplies - 227 being filled.	
	6		An additional 53 drums MT filled for BIPOD Pl.	
	8		Week-end Stock Avgas 52814 Gall. MT 80 33762 Galls. Issues Avgas 14710 Galls MT 80 20212 Galls.	
	9		Rest Day except for personnel on duty at filling points.	
	12		Filling of 44's MT 80 for BIPOD again undertaken, 150 being the quantity set for the day.	
	14		An additional 100 x 44's MT 80 filled.	
	15		Stocks of Avgas at week-ending 15 - 36985gls MT 80 - 16487 gls. Issues Avgas 15400 gls MT 80 17735 gls.	
	16		Rest Day except for duty personnel.	
	17		Maintenance in general.	
	22		Issues of Avgas ceased, the remaining quantity of petrol in tanks being too low to gravitate. MT 80 Stocks also low - 10119 gls only remaining.	
	23		Permission received to pump Avgas from Barge moored at Oil Jetty into Storage tanks.	
	24		Pump faulty, cannot pump required petrol into tanks. Engineers from 123 Bde W/shops working on pump.	
	28		1 Offr & 6 OR's of this Det attended parade at Bowl theatre for an address be Bde Comd.	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted.)

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Unit "B" Det 4 BPS Coy *Date and Time.—From* 1 Sep 45 *To* 30 Sep 45.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TARAKAN	29 Sep 45		Pump tried again after repairs, still unable to left petrol into storage tanks.	
	30.		Arrangements made between Det and Port Director to have Barge shifted from oil jetty to Pontoon Wharf where Avgas could be pumped into bulk wagons direct, This could be managed with ease as less pressure on pump being required to lift petrol - Operation to begin 1 Oct. 1 Off & 7 OR's attended official opening and Dedication at Tarakan War Cemetry.	

Lt.
O.C. "B" Det 4 Bulk Pet Storage Coy.

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WAR DIARY OF "C" DET From 1st to 30th SEP 45

Sep 1 Strength State - 2 Officers 46 Other Ranks
Average daily attendance of Natives 48.
Health of Unit personnel - good.

2 Day of Rest

3 At a conference held at 7 Aust Base Sub Area re further supply of spirit, it was learned that no immediate supplies would be made available.

4 Advice received MT 80 to be rationed to 40% of each Units issues for the week ending 31st August 45.
An issue was made to the U.S. PT Tender 'MOBJACK' of 38,000 U.S. Gallons Av Gas.
Unit VRP closed down at 2359 hours.

5 A transfer of 29,920 Imperial Gallons was to the RAAF Bulk Tanks at Seppinggang.
All Mo Gas lines drained into Number 2 Tank.

6 Individual issues except to PT Base (Av Gas) and US Forces (ADF) ceased.
All remaining Av Gas pumped to No. 7 Tank.

7 All stocks of drumed spirit transferred to 66 B.I.P.O.D. who will in future control issues from the B.P.S. Area.

8 Strength State - 2 Officers 44 Other Ranks
Daily average attendance of natives 49
Health of Unit Personnel - good.

9 Day of Rest
Final issue of 1400 Imperial Gallons Av Gas made to P. T. Boats.

10 Filled 44's and 4 gallon drums to enable expected Tanker to discharge its cargo.
Av Gas in the P.T. Line drained to enable repairs to be carried out.
No Natives due to Mohommedan Holy Day.

11 A transfer of 9706 Imperial Gallons Av Gas was made to RAAF Bulk Tanks at Seppinggang.

12 L.C.Ts refuelling till 0100 hours, receiving at total of 1500 Imperial Gallons of ADF.
Stocks of ADF are now exhausted.

13 Tanker AOG 19 arrived BalikPapan Inner Harbour with a cargo of Mo Gas.
Commenced discharging cargo into shore tanks at 1730 hours.
Pumping ceased at 2200 hours at request of Captain AOG 19.

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Sep 14 Pumping commenced again to shore tanks at 0830 hours.
Total discharge of cargo completed by 1930 hours.
Imperial Gallons received - 312,561.
Water pumped to Seppinggang to clear Delivery line of Av Gas. RAAF received 13,000 Imperial Gallons of spirit in Bulk Tanks.

15 Strength State - 2 Officers 45 Other Ranks
Attached for duty 1 OR.
Daily average attendance of Natives 48.

16 Day of Rest.

17 Tanker Y 18 carrying a cargo of ADF arrived Balik Papan Inner Harbour.

18 Y 18 commenced discharging at 1500 hours and ceased for night at 1905 hours.

19 Y 18 started pumping again at 0815 hours and the pumps broke down at 1130 hours.
The Tanker has still to discharge 73,216 Imperial Gallons.

20 Ships Engineers advise that pumps on Y 18 would be out of order indefinitely.

21 Balance of 3000 x 44 Mo Gas drums filled for reserve stocks.

22 Strength State - 2 Officers 45 Other Ranks
Daily averageaattendance of Natives 49
450 x 44 gallon drums filled with ADF for reserve stocks.
7 L.C.Ts refuelled exhausting supply of ADF held in shore tanks.

23 Day of Rest.

24 Usual Routine carried out.

25 Tanker AOG 30 arrived Balik Papan carrying a cargo of Av Gas at 1700 hours.
Commenced pumping to shore tanks at 1820 hours and ceased for night at 2200 hours.
51,000 Imperial Gallons pumped from Tanker to shore tank No. 7.

26 AOG 30 commenced pumping at 0900 hours to shore tanks Nos 5 and 6.
A transfer of 41,000 Imperial Gallons Av Gas was made to Bulk Tanks at Seppinggang.

27 AOG 30 completed discharge at 1755 Hours.
Y 18 berthed again and carried out repairs during the night - estimated time of commencing discharge is 1200 hours on the 28th.

28 Y 18 commenced pumping again and closed for night at 1800 hours.

29 Strength State - 2 Officers 46 Other Ranks
Daily average attendance of Natives 48
Y 18 completed discharging her cargo at 2000 hours.

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Sep 30 A transfer of 49,000 Imperial Gallons Av Gas was made to RAAF Bulk Tanks at Seppinggang.

GENERAL

Health of personnel very good.

Rations have been sufficient and have improved.

Morale still poor.

Caldwell

.....O.C.
(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
(AIF(

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART.I.

BY

CAPT. E. R. SOLOMON

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

Serial 7/45 Paras 42 to 57 1 Sept.45

42. VENEREAL DISEASE.

(i) Intercourse with women in Borneo is forbidden.

(ii) Many of these women are suffering from venereal disease of a virulent kind and proctection cannot be guaranteed.

(iii) The fact that a soldier develops venereal disease in this area will be taken as prima facie evidence of disobedience of this instruction.

43. RELATIONSHIP OF TROOPS WITH CIVIL POPULATION

(i) It is imperative that all ranks maintain the most friendly relations with the civilian population, and any violence, bad behaviour or other acts, as a result of which natives are adversely affected, will be regarded seriously and severe disciplinary action taken against the member or members concerned. It is essential that all troops impress the natives favourably in every possible way.

(ii) All ranks will ensure that native religious observance is respected at all times. The majority of the native population are Mohammedans, particularly in the Brunei area and religion plays a major part in their lives. It is therefore encumbant on all ranks to respect the local religious customs as far as practicable.

(iii) It is customary for native women in BRUNEI BAY area to be married at a very early age. Consequently it will be impressed on all ranks that any misbehaviour will cause dissention.

(iv) The following will be strictly observed.

(a) Troops will contact the civilian population only when absolutely necessary for the purpose of their duties.

(b) Troops will not enter native villages, dwellings or gardens except in performance of their duties.

(c) The unnecessary discharge of any weapons near native labourers, villages or dwellings is strictly prohibited.

Fraternising with natives is strictly prohibited. This particularly applies to giving of "lifts" to natives in military transport.

(v) CAMP AREAS.

No native will be permitted within the bounds of any camp area, dump or military installation of any kind, unless on duty duly authorised when they will be permitted to remain only for such time as is necessary for completion for such duty. Under no circumstances will any native be permitted in the vicinity of any military kitchen, mess hall or coffee stall, or be employed as a servant by any unit officer or other rank.

(vi) TRADING WITH NATIVES.

(a) Unit or individuals will not contact natives in connection with the purchase and supply of fish and dairy produce etc.

(b) Instances have been reported to this Hq that individuals are demanding and seizing fish and produce from the natives. This practice will cease forthwith and severe disciplinary action will be taken against offenders

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122. 44 CENSORSHIP.

Troops may now mention that they are on LABUAN or in the BRUNEI BAY area in private correspondence. NO other place names or locations other than the above may be disclosed.

123. 45 MISUSE OF FIELD CABLE.

It has been noticed that field sig cable is being used for many unauthorised purposes(clothes lines, erection of shelters etc.).

Due to the wide dispersal of forces in the present area this offence becomes all the more serious.

The practice of using cable for ~~any~~ any but its normal use, will cease. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

124 46 MALARIA.

Ten cases of Malaria have been reported during the week ending 20 July 45. Two of these have been personnel under command 8 Aust Base Sub Area and are listed hereunder :

VX 146227 Spr SIMMONDS G. 18 Aust Fd Coy - BT
NX 97900 Dvr MARSHALL J. 2/30 Aust Tpt Pl - MT

It will be observed that both BT and MT types of Malaria occurred. The infection of the MT Malaria case has undoubtedly taken place in the last six weeks and it is almost certain that BT infection has taken place within the same period.

Enquiries are being held and will be held into all cases of Malaria, and where the evidence indicates, disciplinary action will be instuted against any CO, other officer or other rank.

47 INDISCRIMINATE LIGHTING OF FIRES.

Cases have occurred where fires which have been lit for the purpose of destroying rubbish etc., have also destroyed valuable trees. This has been particularly noticed in cocoanut groves and banana plantations where the heat from the fire made to burn rubbish has resulted in the scorching of the foliage high up in the trees with consequent lasting damage to the palms. Rubbish will not be burnt or other fires lit where damage to flora will result.

48. IMPROPER USE OF AUST UNIFORM.

Cases have been reported of natives wearing Aust uniforms which they stated when questioned had been obtained from members of the AMF.

On no consideration will military personnel give, trade or barter rations or supplies with native personnel. All personnel are instructed that they will give food to natives as this is provided through normal channels. Disobedience of this order will be severely punished.

49 INFLAMMABLE FLUIDS

Fatal accidents have been caused by petrol and other inflammablr fluids being used for lighting or boosting fires.

This practice will cease and under no circumstances will inflammable fluids be used for this purpose.

50. AIRGRAPH SERVICE - DISCONTINUANCE OF.

In consequence of the falling off in the airgraph traffic coupled with the increased aircraft accommodation now becoming available for he carriage of overseas mail it has been decimded to discontinue the airgraph services. No airgraph letters will be accepted after 31 July.

51.

51. USE OF EXPLOSIVES IN WATERS OF BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

Onem of the principal sources of food for natives in British North Borneo in the coastal areas is fish and in many localities fishing is the main industry.

The use of explosives of any kind for this purpose of obtai ning fish has serious effects. often of a permanent nature, owing to the destruction of large numbers of small fish and the fact that normal breeding and the breeding grounds are abandoned.

All ranks will a preciate the serious effects that will result as far as the native population is concerned if the use of explosives to obtain fish is permitted. Therefore the use of explosives of any description whatsoever is prohibited for the purpose of obtaining fish or any other purpose whatever other than actual action with enemy, in the water and streams of British Borneo.

Severe disciplinary will be taken for breaches of this order.

52 CARELESS DRIVING - DAMAGE TO ROAD ALIGNMENT AND DRAINS.

Road alignment and drains are being constantly damaged by the careless driving of MT. In this area the serviceability of roads depend on the preservation of drains and damage to drains imposes further strain on the Engineer services. Units under command 8 Aust Base Sub Area will take immediate steps to ensure that there is an improvement in the standard of road discipline. Standing orders for Drivers of Mechanical Vehicles and the follo ing additional orders will be strictly enforced.

(a) Vehicles will be driven at all times in such a manner as will ensure that they do not encroach on road alignment

(b) On narrow roads in approaching on-coming traffic and road making machines, vehicles will halt till a path is available that will permit passing without encroachment on the road alignment.

(c) At night vehicles fitted with dimmers will dim their lights in a proaching on-coming traffic

The bogging of vehicles on road alignment and in drains will be taken as prima facie evidence of neglect on the part of the driver.

Disciplinary action will be taken against drivers guilty of any breach of the above orders.

53 PROHIBITED ARTICLES.

The following is a list of articles which will NOT be accepted for post in parcels or letters;

FILMS. Exposed undeveloped film ~~xx~~ other ~~xxxx~~ than film of unit official photographers.

PLANTS. Plants, shrubs, cuttings, bulbs, seeds and cocoanuts are prohibited for medical reasons. Exception is granted only for supply to Herbaria or scientific bodies subject to approval of Doctor General of Health(Quarantine Section Plant - Canberra)

MILITARY EQUIPMENT.
Any article issued by or belonging to the Commonwealth or Allied forces.

CANTEEN AND A.C.F. GOODS.
Any articles sold, distributed or supplied by Aust Army or Allied Forces Canteen services or Australian Comforts Fund. The inclusion of canteen goods, particularly

53 PROHIBITED ARTICLES(continued)
cigarettes has been prevalent recently and in most cases sender's particulars have been insufficient to trace the owner.

LOOT.
Any items of local money or enemy origin which may be of use to the civil authorities for the rehabilitation of the territory. The most common breach in this category is the inclusion of cloth.
It is stressed that full military address must be included on a slip of paper in all parcels.

54 FOREIGN CURRENCY.
The export of Straits Settlement currency and postage stamps is prohibited.

55 ANTI-MITE PRECAUTIONS
Full anti-mite precautions will be carried out. Two cases of scrub typhus have occurred recently amongst the civil population on LABUAN. The dangers of entering native houses and fraternising with natives is again stressed.

56. CUTTING OF BAMBOO.
The indiscriminate cutting ob bamboo on LABUAN will cease. Bamboo is extensively used as a building material by the natives and consequently the limited supply on the island must be conserved to the greatest extent possible.

57 ORDER OF THE DAY.BY GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAMEY GBE KCB CMG DSO ED
The JAPANESE have surrendered. Our long and arduous struggle has ended in complete victory. The climax has come at a time when all six divisions are fighting strenuously each on its own area in the far flung battle line. No divisions amongst the allies have contributed more to the downfall of our enemies than ours. Our General officers and our commanders and staff of all grades, our regimental officers, our warrant and non commissioned officers have led you unfalteringly to victory. Under their guidance our troops have been forged into a magnificent army to the pride and glory of Australia. We have fought through the burning days and freezing nights of the desert. We have fought through the ooze and sweat of the tropic jungles. We have defeated the Italian and the German and we would have destroyed completely the JAPANESE before us. We will go to our homes having done our part in ensuring freedom for all people . We will not forget the freedom for which we have fought so long and so successfully and so let us stand together in the future years to ensure it remains the crowning heritage of the Australian people and above all we give thanks to the Almighty and crowning mercy that marks for all people the total downfall of tyranny.

E. R. Solomon Capt. O.C.
(E. R. SOLOMON CAPT.)
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ROUTINE ORDERS PART.I.

BY

CAPT. E. R. SOLOMON.

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

Serial 8/45 Paras 58 to 66 11 Sept.45.

58. VEHICLES IN VICINITY OF HOSPITALS.

Patients in hospital are being unduly disturbed at night by vehicles accellerating and changing down and generally making far more noise than is necessary. Some of these vehicles have had their silencers removed.

It will be emphasised to drivers and visitors to hospitals that by taking care not to make excessive noise they can contribute to the comfort of the patients.

Units camped adjacent to hospitals or using roads in the vicinity will pay particular attention to this matter.

Silencers will NOT be removed from vehicles.

59. ENGINES, SPARK IGNITION - FIRE HAZARD.

Attention to all ranks is drawn to the danger of priming petrol engines by pouring liquid petrol into induction manifold. In addition to this practice being harmful to cylinder bores, piston rings and valves guides etc., grave fire risk is involved which has in the past been responsible for loss of life, loss of valuable equipment and painful injuries to personnel.

The introduction of petrol into the inlet manifold of a petrol engine by removing the air cleaner and pouring the petrol through the carburettor air intakes will only be resorted to as an emergency.

Not more than approx one tablespoonful of petrol will be introduced by this method.

Under no circumstances will any attempt be made to start the engine until the air cleaner has been replaced.

60. CORRECT USE OF AAF G2 (WORK TICKET)

8 ust Base Sub Area Ro.24 is repeated.

(1) driver when driving a vehicle on duty will always have in his possession his work ticket.(AAF G2) and must produce same on demand of a superior officer or a member of the Aust Army Provost Corps.

(2) At all time the form G2 will be set out in full detail giving:

(a) Place of reporting(name of Unit etc)
(b) Time of departure
(c) Nature of duty(number of personnel or description and weight of load.)
(d) Place of commencement of ~~duty~~ journey
(e) Place of termination of journey
(f) Time of arrival
(g) Signature of passenger on completion of journey.

(3) In compliance with the entry required in para 2 sub para(C) such entries as"unit administrative duties" and "Unit duties L BUAN" will not be recognised,as being adequate, and specific tasks will be detailed.

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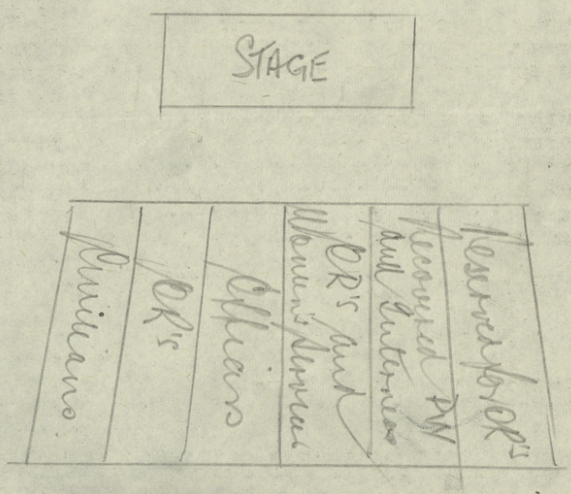
61. ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS OR BEVERAGES.

The possession or consumtion by AMF personnel in British Borneo of alcoholic spirits or beverages other than ACS supplies is prohibited. Any such alcoholic spirits or beverages found in possession of personnel will be confiscated and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

62. RESERVATION OF SEATING ACCOMMODATION CONCERTS ETC.

1. The following instructions regarding the reservation of seating areas for officers, WO and NCOs, ORs Women's Services et etcattending concerts etc(incl cinemas) in 9 Aust Div Area will be implemented.
   (a) Reserved areas will be clearly marked, preferably roped off and policed.
   (b) Reserved areas will be based strictly on a pro-rata basis in accordance with known strengths of personnel for which they are being reserved.
   (c) The frontage allocated to each reserved area will be approximately in accordance with the relative strength of the personnel for whose use the area is reserved
2. The following sets out in diagramatic form only the method by which the above principles will be implemented.



63. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - CRUDE AND SYNTHETIC TYRES.

1. This order will be read in conjunction withGRO 0.167/44

2. Tyres in use in the field are now both of synthetic and crude construction and, as tyres of synthetic construction are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber, their introduction into the service has made it more imperative than ever that all instructions for care and maintenance of pneumatic tyres be strictly observed

3. All concerned will, therefore :-
   (i) exercise the utmost care to avoid to avoid all forms of tyre abuse, the principal of which are -
   overloading
   under inflation
   incorrect fitting of tyres
   harsh braking
   fierce acceleration

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speeds exceeding those laid down in GRO Q.340/1944
driving over obstruction and other cause of severe impact.
(ii) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly.
(iii) ensure that tyres are changed around periodically in accordance with current instruction.
(iv) Remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maintenance.
(v) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stage for recapping and
(vi) submit damaged tyres for repair without delay

4. Formations and units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occurr.

5. Clause (v) and (vi) of para 3 above may be waived on the special authority of formation commanders in the assault and early developmental stages in new operational areas, during the period in which replacement or repair is not practicable nor expedient or in which replacements tyre and repair facilities are not immediatley available. In such cases, worn or damaged tyres may, if considered necessary be run to destruction.

64. VISITING HOURS AT AUST GEN HOSPITALS

Visiting hours are as follows :-

(a) 2/4 AUST GEN HOSP.	Daily	1500 to 1700 hrs 1900 to 2030 hrs
(b) 2/6 AUST GEN HOSP	Daily	1900 to 2000 hrs
	Wed Sun	1500 to 1630 hrs

65. TELEPHONE CALLS - GEN HOSP.

1. The large number of telephone calls for private conversation is over burdening the limited lines available to Gen Hosps., in the area and is interfering with the conduct of normal business.

2. Private telephone calls to hospitals will only be made during the following hours :
(a) 1230 hrs to 1400 hrs
(b) after 2000 hrs.

3. Operators must have been instructed not to connect private calls during times other than those specified above.

66. CENSORSHIP.
1. Unit censorship is suspended as from 7 Sept 45.

(a) The suspension of unit censorship does NOT mean that a member of the AMF may disclose information which is in the security classification of TOP SECRET, SECRET AND CONFIDENTIAL or such information in the RESTRICTED category as may NOT be disclosed to the public.

(b) The following provisions of GRO 371/44 will continue to apply.

PART.A. INTRODUCTION.
Interpretation:-
(a) for the purposes of this order-
"Australia" means the Commonwealth of Australia, The Territory of Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
"communication" means any letter, registered letter,

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Letter card, field service post-card, green envelope, newspaper, parcel, packer or telegram.

Member means a member of the Australian Military Forces.

"Prohibited information" means any Naval, Military or Air Force information which has not been published and which may be directly or indirectly of use to the enemy if received by him.

(b) The provisions of this order will not apply to any communication prepared or despatched by a member in the course of his duty.

(c) Part B of this order deals with security and will be observed by all members at all times.

Part C sets out the type of information which must NOT be written and the type of article which must NOT be enclosed in communication and will be observed by all members at all times.

PART.B- Security.

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(ii) Security of Information.

A member will not communicate any prohibited information except for the purpose of carrying out his duty. A breach of this provision is also a breach under the Defence ct 1903-1941, punishable by a fine or imprisonment or both.

(iii) DIARIES ND NOTEBOOKS.

(a) A member will not send through the post and diary or notebook.

(b) The CO of each unit will ensure that all diaries and notebooks are collected by an officer appointed for the purpose.

(i) Before any movement by sea or (except within the Commonwealth of Australia) air.

(ii) Whenever contact with the enemy is imminent

(iii) On 31st Dec of each year and at such times as notified in information or L of C Area Routine Orders.

(c) Diaries and notebooks will be sent by units to the nearest detachment of 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or to the nearest Base Censor. All such diaries and notebooks will be clearly marked as such and will bear the regimental number name and rank and unit of the owner. After examination they will be sent by Det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or Base Censor to Echelon and Records of the L of C area of enlistment of the owner of the diary or notebook for storage and safe custody.

(d) A similar procedure will be followed for disposal of official notebooks kept by officers and other ranks containing technical notes or records of details connected with their duties, notes of army schools etc, (except to the extent to which other official unit arrangements for the safe custody of such notebooks are made with approval of the formation concerned)

(e) Diaries and notebooks may be returned to the owner on application to Echelon and Records of the L of C Area of the members enlistment, after return to Australia, provided that such diaries and notebooks have been approved by OC Det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy or Base Censor for release. If such diaries and notebooks are not approved for release, they will not be returned until after the termination of hostilities.

(f) No member will carry with him when returning to the C'wealth of Aust or send, deal with or dispose of any diary or notebook except in accordance with the provisions of this order.

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PART C - CENSORSHIP.

(iv) A member will not post or send and communication containing any prohibited information. In particular, reference shall not be made to any of the following matters.

(a) strength of any organization of our own or Allied forces(including naval and air forces) or reference to their morale.

(b) location of any naval, military or air force unit or detachment except

(i) to the extent to which the official address of the unit includes the name of the location..

(ii) that, in a communication to an address in Australia a member of the C'wealth of Aust may say, subject to any restrictions imposed by a formation of the L of C Area say that he is in a state of the C'wealth or in the Northern Territory, but he may not give any indication of his actual location in that state or territory

(iii) that, in communication to an address in Aust, a member may say, subject to any restrictions imposed by a formation or L of C Area, say that he is in Australia or a Pacific Island but he may not give any indication of the state in Australia or which Island in the Pacific.

(iv) that, in a communication to an address in Aust , a member in the Territory of Papua or the Mandated Territory of New Guinea or Dutch New Guinea may, subject to any restrictions imposed by a formation or L of C Area say that he is in such territory or country.

(c) armament or equipment of any kind

(d) plans or forecasts of orders for current, future or cancelled operations or movements, whether known, rumoured or surmised

(e) state of maintenance services(including any reference to reserves)

(f) Casualty figures before publication

(g) Criticism and statements which may bring into disrepture our forces or thoseof our Allies.

(v) PROHIBITED ARTICLES.

member will not, save in the course of his duty include in a communication -

(a) any document or equipment captured from the enemy or found in places occupied by the enemy, or any documane containing information about the enemy other than documents or equipment stamped with a War Souvenir Stamp, signed by an authorised officer certifying that the article is not required by Intelligence. In this regard the attention of all members is directed to GRO G473/1943

(b) official documents, including Intelligence summaries orders, maps etc.,

(c) official documents belonging to the civil authorities in allied or enemy territory .

(d) Propaganda leaflets, whether issued by the enemy or by Australian or allied forces or authorities.

(vi) CODES AND CIPHERS.

A member will not post or send any communication containing:-

(a) any writing which bears any meaning other than that contained on the face of it.

(b) any instruction or request to use any means of secretly conveying receiving or recording any information or to use any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

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(c) Any writing,mark, sign ot thing secretly conveying or recording information
(d) any code, cipher, shorthand or any writing,mark or sign of any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

(e) The namesof casualties among Allied PW will NOT be disclosed until it is reasonably certain that next of kin have been informed by records. The co-operation of all ranks is requested particularly in this regard in order to prevent any further distress being suffered by next of kin.

(d) It will be appreciated that Base Censorship and the censorship of parcels will continue

(e) Breaches of National Security Regulations and of this order are an offence against Military Law, and the abolition of Unit censorship merely places an obligation of honour upon all ranks.

(f) Unit Censor stamp will continue to be used in order to obtain concession rates in postage.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART.I.

BY

LIEUT A. J. ALEXANDER.

OFFICER ADMINISTRATING COMMAND

"A" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY (AIF)

Serial 9/45 Paras 67 to 73 21 Sept. 45.

67. RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF CAMERAS

The restrictions on the use of cameras by members in operational areas is now lifted.

Many articles of equipment and installations are however still on the secret list and are likely to remain so. The list of such equipment is as yet unavailable but as a general guide, any item which has appear in press photographs or is known to have been captured by the enemy would not be considered a prohibited subject. Installations such as RADAR will not be photographed except by official photographers.

Exposed films will continue to be sent only to authorised agencies for processing.

68. CORRECT CHANNELS OF COMMAND

Several instances have arisen of units and sub units of arms and services operating in an area of responsibility of a formation or unit, receiving orders direct from parent HQ on matters calling for action by the HQ of the formation or unit responsible for the area.

This is a direct contravention of principles of command laid down in FSRs Vol.1.and the expressed policy of the G.O.C 9 Aust Div and will cease immediately.

Comds of Arms and Heads of Services will take necessary implementing action on this instruction and units responsible for specific areas as detailed by this HQ will report by signal any future breaches of this instruction giving breif relavant details.

69. PROHIBITION OF ENTRY OF ANIMALS INTO AUSTRALIA

ustralia is at present free from many of the animal and bird diseases which are prevalent in some of the foreign countries and adjacent Islands where Australian forces have been deployed and the introduction of such diseases to Australia would be a national calamity.

G.R.O. 53/45 covers the prohibition of the return of all animals, birds and reptiles, including those on unit WE and the enforcement of its provision is the responsibility of every Officer and NCO particularly ESOs ATCs COs and OCs Troops.

Small animals, birds or reptiles can be concealed in kits and special vigilence of all Officers and NCOs is necessary to prevent the evasion of the Quarantine Regulations. Any animals, birds or reptiles discovered after embarkation will be destroyed immediately.

70. VEHICLES CROSSING AIRSTRIP.

It has been brought to notice that army vehicles have been crossing Airstrip at LABUAN AIRFIELD. Units will ensure that this practice is discontinued. Disciplinary action will be taken should there be any breach of this order.

71. BOMB DISPOSAL

Personnel having any knowledge of the whereabouts of any Jap bombs etc in the Base Sub Area will advise this HQ giving details as to location (map ref) and quantity in order that disposal of same may be effected at the earliest convenience.

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72. CONTROL OF VISITORS AT 9 AUST DIV PW & I RECEPTION CAMP

Only those personnel in possession of an official pass will be permitted to enter 9 Aust Div PW and I Reception Camp. Official passes will be issued only by HQ 9 Aust Div and 9 Aust Div PW & I Reception Camp.

73 ELECTRIC POWER MAINS

Electric Power Mains are in course of Installation throughout the Base Area.

Those mains already installed in NORTH and RIFLE RANGE RDS are now highly charged with electricity.

All ranks are instructed to take all precautions against coming in contact with these power mains.

NOTICE : LOSS OF MAIL : MELBOURNE - DARWIN : DESPATCH 14/9/45

Advice is to hand that all Victorian, Western Australian and South Australian mail in the above despatch was jettisoned. The aircraft developed engine trouble and it was necessary to dispose of all freight to permit its return to Darwin.

.....for O.C.
(A.J. ALEXANDER LIEUT)
"A" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

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Serial No. 8 Paras 28 - 29 4 Sep 45

NOTICES

TRADING A/C
for monthending 31/8/45

Stock (as at 1 Aug 45	f 91.40	Sales	f 728.12
Purchases	716.10	Profit on currency	2.18
Profit (transferred to Canteen Funds a/c)	39.91	Stock as at 31 Aug 45	117.11
	f 847.41		f 847.41

STATEMENT OF CANTEEN AFFAIRS
as at 31 Aug 45

Liabilities			Assets	
Canteen Funds a/c Balance	f 206.45		Cash	f 89.34
			Stock	117.11
plus profits for July	10.49			
" " August	39.91			
	256.85			
Transfer to Regt Funds a/c	50.40	f 206.45		
		f 206.45		f 206.45

We certify that we have audited the Canteen books of "C" Detachment 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy and have found the above statement to be a true and correct record of the position as at 31 Aug 45.

A.C. Nightingale
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J.E. Tressider
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by

T. C. J. CAMPBELL LIEUT O. C.

"C" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM (TURNER COY 'AIF'

Serial No. 8 Paras 28 - 29 5 SEP 45

28 RE-ESTABLISHMENT LEAVE GRANTED ON DISCHARGE

1. Following is text of Landforces AG 65304 of 25 Aug 45:

"Re-establishment leave has been approved for members of the AMF in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Re-establishment and Employment Act 1945 operating from 15 August 1945 inclusive. This provides for leave or pay in lieu of leave to members immediately prior to discharge unless such discharge is in the opinion of the prescribed authority other than honourable discharge. Where the member has been engaged on war service for a period of not less than six months period of leave thirty days. In any other case fifteen days. For this purpose discharge includes a member who has ceased to be engaged on war service. Other than honourable discharge is ceasing to be employed on continuous full time duty for any of the reasons referred to in CRO 46/45. Prescribed authority for the foregoing purpose is the authority authorising discharge under AMR and O 255 or in the case of officers the Adjutant General. Re-establishment leave is in addition to all other leave entitlements authorised in Part XXI of CRO 598/45 and unless the member is for some reason required by the Army to take the period of re-establishment leave or portion thereof as leave such member will be granted pay in lieu of his credit of re-establishment leave. Appropriate entries regarding the credit of and debit in respect of grant of leave or pay in lieu of re-establishment leave is to be recorded in a members AB 63 and A/F A65. In view of the foregoing the provisions of CRO 71/45 and LHQ Circular 40826 of 27 Mar 45 relative to postponement of discharge in repatriation cases are cancelled. Members whose discharge have been defferred for repatriation purposes to become effective after 14 Aug 45 will be discharged immediately and pay in lieu of re-establishment leave of either thirty or fifteen days duration calculated as above will be made available to them. This signal is to be implemented immediately and will be quoted as the revelant authority for the grant of re-establishment leave or pay in lieu thereof pending promulgation of amendments to existing CROs and administrative instuctions which may be effected."

2. It is emphasised that the accrediting of this leave is the responsibility of the L of C finalising discharge.

89 JAPANESE PW: ARMY POLICY CONCERNING TREATMENT

The following instructions will be observed in the treatment of Japanese prisoners.

1. Allied personnel will adopt a correct and stern attitude but there will be no harsh treatment.

2. No allied personnel will salute or return the salute of Japanese.

3. Disobedience or truculence will not be tolerated. Immediate action will be taken in the event of open resistance, attack, or attempts to escape.

4. There will be no fraternising.

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1 HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
2 War Diary
1 Notice Board
1 File

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"C" DETACHMENT 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY 'AIF'

Serial No.9 Paras 30 - 31 13 Sep 45

30 NUDE BATHING

(a) It has been reported that personnel are contravening instructions issued in HQ 7 Aust Base Sub Area RO A4 of 28 Jul 45, by bathing in the nude.

(b) Disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

31 GAMBLING

(a) Immediate action will be taken to close all organised centres of gambling in the area and inform all personnel that gambling is prohibited

(b) Disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

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Serial No 9 Para 32 24 Sep 45

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RECEIVED AT "C" DET 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY A.I.F.

BALIKPAPAN EX AOG 30 Between 24/9/45 and 27/9/45

VOLUME OF SPIRIT RECEIVED IN IMPERIAL GALLONS CORRECTED TO 60°

308,998

VOLUME OF SPIRIT RECEIVED IN U. S. GALLONS CORRECTED TO 60°

370,797

SPECIFIC GRAVITY AT 60° ON WHICH CALCULATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

·728

TEMPERATURE OF SPIRIT AT TIME OF MEASUREMENT

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BALIKPAPAN

28/9/45

CERTIFICATE OF EMPTINESS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ALL TANKS OF U. S. ACC 30 HAVE BEEN INSPECTED AND FOUND EMPTY.

.....O.C.

(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)

"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

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RECEIVED AT "C" DET.CEMENT 4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY A I F

BALIKPAPAN EX Y 18 BETWEEN 17/9/45 and 29/9/45

VOLUME OF SPIRIT RECEIVED IN IMPERIAL GALLONS CORRECTED TO 60°

128,298

VOLUME OF SPIRIT RECEIVED IN U.S. GALLONS CORRECTED TO 60°

153,997

SPECIFIC GRAVITY AT 60° ON WHICH CALCULATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

.757

TEMPERATURE OF SPIRIT AT TIME OF MEASUREMENT

92°

.....O.C.
T.C.J. Caldwell Lt.
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy

"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
Balikpapan
29/9/45

CERTIFICATE OF EMPTINESS

This is to certify that all tanks of U S Y 18 have been inspected and found empty.

.....O.C.
T.C.J. Caldwell Lt.
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy A.I.F.

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

Subject :- TANKER DISCHARGE

AOC 30

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 1/7

30 Sep 45

D.A.D.S.T.
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

Tanker AOC 30 arrived in BALIKPAPAN Harbour on the 25th Sep 45 with a cargo of Av Gas.

Discharge commenced on the 25th at 1745 hrs and was completed at 1725 hours on the 27th Sep 45.

The Tanker sailed on the 28/9/45.

Copies of receipts and certificates of emptiness are attached to distribution lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 9.

DISTRIBUTION

1 7 Aust Base Sub Area
2 DADST Adv LHQ
3 DBST 1 Aust Corps
4 DST LHQ
5 1st TAF RAAF
6 HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
7 War Diary
8 File
9 Area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA

J Caldwell

.....Lt. O.C.
(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

Subject :- TANKER DISCHARGE

Y 18

"C" DETACHMENT
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 1/7

30 Sep 45

D.A.D.S.T.
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

Tanker Y 18 arrived in BALIKPAPAN Harbour with a cargo of A.D.F. on the 17th Sep 45.

Discharge commenced on the 17th but was held up and finnally stopped at 1205 hours on the 18th owing to a break down in the ships pumps.

The Tanker left the wharf and anchored in the Harbour to allow the ACQ 30 to berth and discharge.

With the repair of the pumps, discharge of the balance of the cargo was completed at 2000 hours on the 29th.

The Tanker sailed on the 30/9/45.

Copies of receipts and certificate of emptiness are attached to distribution lots 1, 2, 3, 4 & 9.

DISTRIBUTION

1 7 Aust Base Sub Area
2 DADST Adv LHQ
3 DADST 1 Aust Corps
4 DST LHQ
5 1st TAF RAAF
6 HQ 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
7 War Diary
8 File
9 Area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA

Caldwell
.....
(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

Subject :- WEEKLY RESUME

Week ending 29/9/45

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum &
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
EPO 4/1

29/9/45

Headquarters
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. STOCKS

Stock of AV GAS is as follows :-

	Imp Galls
Shore Tanks	278,868
BKO 32	2,614
	274,682

Stock of MO GAS is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	69,874
Pipelines	1,536
	71,410

Stock of A. D. F. is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	8,062
Barge (Contaminated)	89,133
	97,195

2. OPERATIONS

The following are the total issues for the week :-

AV GAS	41,034
MO GAS	56,400
A D F	41,887
DIESEL	14,120

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3. INSTALLATION CONSTRUCTION

(i) Further Construction Completed -

Nil.

(ii) Under Construction -

Wire Fences and Gates at Tanks
Repairing Roads at Filling & Operating Areas
Shelter at Jetty for Hoses
Electric Lighting
Painting of Pipelines and Tanks
Containing Bunds around Tanks
Repairing Roadway to Nos. 9 & 10 Tanks

(iii) To Be Constructed -

Pipeline Pumping System to Mongpar
Derrick at Jetty Head

.....O.C.
(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

Subject :- REPORT OF INSTALLATION

BALIKPAPAN

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 9/5

29 Sep 45

DADOT
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. The following summary of constructional and maintenance requirements has been compiled for your information and action where considered necessary by you. The report is supplementary to our BPC 9/5 of 6 Sep 45.

2. (1) TANK FARM NO. 1 - consisting of A.D.F. Storage Tanks numbers 1 and 11.

(a) Both Tanks have shown several minor leaks at welds and seams.

(b) Both Tanks are endangered by continual soil erosion from the cliff at rear of Tanks.

(2) TANK FARM NO. 2 - consisting of 1000 Brl Bolted Mo Gas Tanks numbers 2, 3 and 4.

(a) Due to inside of Tanks not being painted, rust scale is accumulating on bottom and sides of Tanks where contact with salt water has been made.

(b) Small concentrations of sludge are apparent on Tank floor.

(c) Original paint on sides of Tanks is peeling and rust is occurring.

(d) Bolted seams are unsatisfactory and several small leaks have occurred.

(e) Number 2 Tank has a slight tilt, due to soil erosion.

(2A) ACTION TO BE TAKEN

(a) All tanks require cleaning, scraping and painting both inside and outside.

(b) Although little can be done to stop the leaks continual caulking will be carried out.

(3) TANK FARM NO. 3 - consisting of 2300 Brl Av Gas Tanks numbers 5, 6 and 7 and Mo Gas Tank No. 8.

(a) Due to erosion of sand foundations number 6 Tank has developed a bad list with consequent reduction in storage capacity.

(b) Insides of Tanks have not been painted.

(c) Entire Tank Farm requires protective wire fence around it.

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(4) TANK FARM NO. 4 - consisting of 9300 Brl No. 9 Av Gas and No. 10 Mo Gas Tanks.

(a) Both these Tanks were originally constructed and used as water Tanks by the previous administration and considerable rehabilitation by engineers was required before they were serviceable. Work carried out by the engineers included welding approximately 500 patches over shrapnel holes and spring rivets, construction of roofs and the chipping and scraping of rust and bitumen coating from bottom and walls of tanks. At the present time the tanks represent our main storage capacity of the installation and to ensure that an uncontaminated spirit is stored in them the following work is necessary.

(i) Cleaning of sludge from bottom of tank.

(ii) Cleaning and scraping of rust and bitumen from sides of tank.

(iii) Painting of inside of tank to prevent any further corrosion where water contacts tank shell.

(iv) The removal of two 44 gallon drums from inside No. 9 Tank.

(v) The erection of a protective wire gate across road leading up to Tanks

(5) TANK FARMS - GENERAL :

At present to allow for expansion of spirit and gas in pipelines by-passes have been fitted to the following Tanks.
No. 1 Tank for expansion in ADF lines.
No. 4 Tank to allow for expansion in 1000 Brl Tanks, pipelines.
No. 9 and 10 Tanks to allow for expansion of all pipe lines leading to and from the 2300 Brl Tank Farm and the 9300 Brl Tank Farm.

Owing to the nature of their construction the expansion pressure of spirit in the lines is greater than the existing pipelines can stand, yet is sufficient to force the spirit through the by-pass into the tanks. An instance in this occurred on the 28th inst when a reclaimed 6" pipeline containing Mo Gas leading to No. 10 Tank burst, through expansion in the line, despite a by-pass having been fitted to No. 10 Tank.

Further it is recommended that additional by-passes be constructed at Numbers 7 and 8 Tanks.

(6) PIPELINES - consisting of 4" and 6" lines victaulic, supplemented where possible with reclaimed 6" and 8" welded and threaded lines.

(a) There is a shortage of isolating valves on filling lines.

(b) A percentage of present valves as installed:

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(6) PIPELINES (cont)

(b) (i) Cannot be locked and therefore are not secure from irresponsible persons.

(ii) Require cleaning and polishing due to tropic proofing not being thoroughly removed before being installed, and to deposits of sludge and rust in valve seat from pipelines.

(iii) Require greasing with petrol resisting grease a quantity of which has just come to hand. This work will be completed within several days.

(c) Considerable internal rusting of pipelines particularly reclaimed lines is occurring.

(d) Numerous small weeps have appeared at victaulic couplings and will become worse as time passes. The rubbers in the couplings require replacing.

(e) Levelling and raising of supports under particular lengths of line to enable scraping and painting underneath portion to prevent increase of rust.

(f) Many lengths of pipelines are lying under silt in drains and require considerable labour to be kept free.

(7) OPERATING AREA

(a) Grading of Main circuit road at entrance gate.

(b) Raising of pipelines from drains and painting of same.

(c) Caulking of leaks in welds of overhead filling lines - attempts have been made by engineers to stop these weeps with little success.

(d) Due to heavy rains small sections of the filling platform have begun to wash away, and will need attention.

(e) Installation of water interceptors on Av Gas and Mo Gas filling lines.

(8) JETTY

(a) Construction of derrick for connection of hoses ship to shore.

(b) Completion of hose shed.

(c) Anchoring of valves and supporting of lines on solid wooden blocks.

(d) Caulking of weld leaks.

(e) Additional bollard for mooring of LCMs during refuelling.

(f) Removal of existing shed.

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(9) BARGE) Consisting of 3 BKO type barges and 1 BC barge loaded with contaminated ADF.

These barges are moored alongside No. 7 Jetty. Maintenance at present is confined to inspections of mooring ropes which can ~~only~~ only be carried out at low tide owing to the catwalk having been destroyed by fire.

Port Construction personnel are shifting piles from this Jetty and the barges stand in danger from falling piles and also impede the job of carting same. It is recommended that the barges be disposed of immediately.

(10) LIGHTING - reference our BPC 9/2 of 26 Jul to 12 CRE.

(a) Required at Jetty Head.

(b) Required at Pump House.

(c) Increased lighting required at drum platform. It is believed that a shortage of vapour proof fittings has delayed completion of the above.

(11) TELEPHONE SYSTEM

The telephone system was installed by base signals personnel. Delay in operations has frequently occurred due to non operation of equipment, and constant repairs by signals personnel have been necessary. It is not considered possible to improve this situation.

3. ~~(10)~~ It will be realised that the work outlined above will take considerable time and also severely tax the strength of the limited number of trained maintenance personnel of this Unit.

A proportion of the work would be unnecessary if the installation is not to be in operation over an indefinite period. However if the installation is required for resupply of occupation forces action will be taken as follows :-

(a) Training of additional personnel in installation maintenance.

(b) Provisional action to obtain resupply of necessary operational stores and equipment.

Caldwell Lt.

(T. J. Caldwell, Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

Subject:- WEEKLY RESUME

Week ending 22/9/45

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 4/1

23 Sep 45

Headquarters
7 Aust Base Sub Area

1. STOCKS

Stock of AVGAS is as follows :-

	Imp Galls
Shore Tanks	135
BKO 38	2,314
Pipelines	4,847
	7,296

Stock of MOGAS is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	9
Pipelines	124,683
	3,191
	127,883

Stock of A D F is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	59,439
Barge (Contaminated)	89,133
Pipelines	3,788
	152,360

2. OPERATIONS

The following are the issues for the week :-

AV GAS	Bulk	NIL
MO GAS	3,496 x 44) 2,590 x 4) 50 gins BULK)	164,284
A D F	Bulk 325 x 44)	23,341
DIESEL	Bulk 445 x 44)	20,792

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3. INSTALLATION CONSTRUCTION

(i) Further construction completed :-

Nil.

(ii) Under Construction :-

Wire fences and gates at tanks

Repairing roads at Filling and Operating Areas

Shelter at Jetty for Hoses

Electric Lighting

Painting of Pipelines and Tanks

Containing Bunds around tanks

Repairing roadway to No. 9 & 10 Tanks

(iii) To be Constructed :-

Pipeline pumping system to Manggaar

Derrick at Jetty Head.

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(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

SUBJECT : TANKER DISCHARGE
AOG 19

"C" DETACHMENT
4 AUST BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY
IN THE FIELD
BPC 1/7
16/9/45

D.A.D.S.T.
7 Base sub-Area

Tanker AOG 19 arrived and anchored in Balikpapan horbour on the 13/9/45 with a cargo of MO-GAS.

Discharge commenced at 1730 hrs on the 13/9/45 and completed at 1800 hrs on the 14/9/45.

The Tanker sailed at 1600 hrs on the 15/9/45.

Copies of receipts and certificate of emptiness are attached to distribution lots 1,2,3,4, & 9.

T.C.J. Caldwell Lt.
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy.

DISTRIBUTION:-

1 & Aust Base Sub-Area
2 DADST Adv LHQ
3 DADST 1 Aust CORPS
4 DST LHQ
5 1st TAF RAAF
6 HQ 4 Aust BPS Coy
7 War Diary
8 File
9 Area Petroleum Officer ZAMBOANGA

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Subject:- WEEKLY RESUME

Week ending 15/9/45

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 4/1

15/9/45

Headquarters
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1 STOCKS

Stock of Av Gas is as follows :-

	Imp Galls
Shore Tanks	270
BKO 58	2,314
Pipelines	4,847
	7,431

Stock of Mo Gas is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	292,537
Pipelines	2,102
	294,639

Stock of A D F is as follows :-

Shore Tanks	4,441
Barge	89,133 (contaminated)
Pipelines	3,788
	97,362

2 OPERATIONS

The following are the issues for the week :-

AV-GAS	Bulk	11,121
MO-GAS	543 x 44) 713 x 4)	26,744
A D F	Bulk	10,659
DIESEL	Bulk	100
	214 x 44	9,416
		9,516

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3 INSTALLATION CONSTRUCTION

(i) Further construction completed :-

Drainage from sludge cocks at Tanks

(ii) Under Construction :-

Wire Fences and Gates at Tanks

Repairing Roads at Filling & Operating Areas

Shelter at Jetty Head for Hoses

Electric Lighting

Painting of Pipelines and Tanks

(iii) To be Constructed :-

Pipeline pumping System to Manggaar

Derrick at Jetty Head

Caldwell

.....O.C.

(T. J. Caldwell Lieut.)

"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

: WEEKLY RESUME
WEEK ENDING 8/9/45

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy
In the Field
BPC 4/1
8/9/45

H.Q. 7 Aust Base Sub-area

1 STOCKS

Stock of AVGAS is as follows :-

	Imp Galls
Shore tanks	17,477
BKO 38	2,000
	19,477

Stock of MO-GAS is as follows :-

Shore tanks	7,753

Stock of A.D.F. is as follows :-

Shore tanks	18,322
Barges	90,092
	108,414

2 OPERATIONS

The following are the issues for the week :-

AV-GAS	Bulk	113,865
MO-GAS	Bulk	3,128
	VRP	9679
	2221 X 4	8,884
	1620 X 44	71,280
		92,971
A.D.F.		
	Bulk	16,213
	52 X 44	2,288
		18,501

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INSTALLATION CONSTRUCTION

(i) Further construction completed :-

Wire Fences and Gate at Pump House

(ii) Under Construction :-

Wire Fences and Gates at Tanks
Repairing Roads at Filling and Operations Areas
Shelter at Jetty Head for Hoses
Electric Lighting
Painting of Pipelines and Tanks

(iii) To be constructed :-

Pipeline Pumping system to Manggar
Derrick at Jetty Head

Caldwell

.....O.C.
(T. C. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2022.5.1818

Subject:- SAFEGUARDING OF INSTALLATION

"C" Detachment
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum
Storage Coy 'AIF'
In the Field
BPC 9/5
6 Sep 45

D.A.D.S.T.
7 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. Owing to the scattered layout of the installation and the close proximity of pipelines and tank farms to other depots and units, the task of providing and maintaining adequate fire preventative measures is beyond the means of this detachment.

2. Set out below is a summary of the weaknesses and deficiences of fire precautionary measures.

TANK FARMS

a. With the exception of the 2,300 Brl tank farm, there are no water points from which supplies can be drawn to operate either the foam generator or Jupiter Trailer Pump.

b. Even though water points are made available no provision has been made in the construction of the tanks for an inlet pipe to spray foam on top of spirit.

c. Considerable quantities of inflamable material, grass etc., are lying around the tanks.

d. The road leading to the 9,300 brl tank farm is impassible in wet weather and together with the road leading to the 2,300 barrel tank farm needs considerable and continuous maintenance.

e. In the event of a tank explosion no bunds in which to contain spirit surround tanks.

PIPELINES

a. All grass and inflamable material must be cleared from around pipelines to a width of 6 feet each side.

b. Certain sections of the pipelines containing fuel are in areas which are or will be much frequented by Army personnel and should be fenced off. Several small fires have lately been lit alongside pipelines.

(i) Distillate pipeline at 2/12 AGH picture site.
(ii) Mo Gas delivery line running along rehabilitated swimming pool in 11 Works & Parks area.
(iii) Sections of pipeline running through ASD to Oil Jetty
(iv) Pipelines running alongside NICA soccer ground.

c. On this detachment's present posted strength, it is not possible to maintain the necessary constant patrol of the pipelines, tank farms and barges.

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OPERATING AREA

a. Considerable quantities of oil and inflamable material are lying around in open drains and on ground.

b. No permanent supply of water is in vicinity of area for operation of foam generator or Jupiter.

3. If sufficient labour and transport were made available, the clearing away of all grass and inflamable material from tanks, pipelines and operating area, could be undertaken by this unit.
Once these areas are cleared a permanent allocation of labour would be necessary for maintenance purposes.

4. EQUIPMENT

Generally the scale of fire fighting equipment is adequate, but the following items, for which indents have been lodged, should be released immediately.

a. Flame Suit Asbestos.

b. Foam Compound Special - for use in foam generator 30 galls

c. Canvas Hosing 400 feet

At present a 2oo G.P.M. Jupiter trailer pump is held by this unit. The entitlement for an A Class Installation is a 500 G.P.M. Jupiter. Due to the tank farms reaching a contour height of 90 feet, the present pump is not sufficiently powerful ~~enough~~ to reach these tanks.

Caldwell

.....O.C.
(T. C. J. Caldwell Lieut.)
"C" Det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy 'AIF'

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...../..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 9 / 194 5 . "C" Det ..... (Unit)

Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

W.E. IV / 57 / 2 . OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 45 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 3 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.				
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					
2			2	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
2			2						

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.		2									2
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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"C" DETACHMENT *Unit*

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 9 /1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lieut	NX 57547	CALDWELL	T.C.J.	O.C. Det	Yes		
Lieut	VX119968	WILKINSON	A.W.		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.

7 Sep 45
Date of Despatch

T Caldwell Lt
Signature of Commander

a.w. 10m bks 10/43

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

36 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/9/1945. "C" Det. (Unit)
4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

W.E. 7 57 2. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 45 OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
W.E.									
1			1	W.Os. Class I.	WE				
1				W.Os. Class II.					
1 NR	1		-	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
1			1	Sergeants					
7 NR	1		6	Corporals	AAMC 1	1			
35 NR	2		33	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC 1	1			
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AACC 1	1			
45 NR	4		41*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	3	3*			*

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
		A B									
A		43 1						[redacted]	[redacted]		44
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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4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy (AIF)

"C" DET A CAMERON ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8 /9 /1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters	2	2	
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)	1	1	
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber	1	1	
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD	4	4	

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			

		W.E.	Posted	Deficit	Surplus
C.Q.M.S.		1	-	1	
Cpl General Duties		7	6	1	
Ptes General Duties		20	21		1
Tinsmith	T.G.111	1	-	1	
Carpenter	T.G.111	1	-	1	✗
Clerks	T.G.111	2	1	1	✓

✓ Appointment made from Pte Gen Duty vide W 3011 No 9 awaiting promulgation Part 11 Orders

✗ Appointment made from Pte Gen Duty vide W 3011 No16 awaiting promulgation Part 11 Orders

Deficit 1 C.Q.M.S. Not Required - at present on 'X' List

Deficit 1 Cpl Gen Duty Not Required - at present on 'X' List

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