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9 Infantry Battalion

April - May 1942

WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~Army Form C.2118
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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 0001 hrs 2 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 3 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	2 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus.	new R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 933 O.R.	new R.
do	do	1530	"I" sec and snipers returned to camp from exercises IPSWICH area	new R.
do	do	1700	50% Bn commenced 3 days Easter Leave	new R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	new R.
do	3 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	new R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	new R.
do	do	1800	Weather - hot - stormy towards evening	new R.
				new R.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyahville	4 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Hot - stormy towards evening	See R.
do	5 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength - 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	do	2200	50% Bn return to camp from Easter Leave Balance of Bn begin Easter Leave	See R.
				See R.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 0001 hrs 6 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 7 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyaville	6 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1700	C.O. returns from A-TK school Puckapunyal	See R.
do	do	1800	weather - Fine	See R.
do	7 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyaville	8 APR 42	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	0900	Brigadier North. Comd 7 Inf Bde. visits dispersal area and inspects training	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	do	2350	Balance of Bn return to camp from 3 days Easter Leave	See R.
do	9 APR 42	0730	B-C-D-E Coys carry out range practice at rifle range Enoggera	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1200	Major J.C. McKeleie appointed Unit Security Officer	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength. 39 Offrs 932 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

See R.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	10 APR 42	0730	A-D Coys and approx 50% H Q Coy carry out range practice at Enoggera rifle range	liwR.
do	do	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	liwR.
do	do	1400	Strength - 39 Offrs - 933 O.R.	liwR.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liwR.
do	11 APR 42	0730	A-B-C coys and balance H Q Coy carry out range practice at Enoggera rifle range.	liwR.
do	do	0830	Continuation of Individual training as per syllabus	liwR.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs - 931 O.R.	liwR.
do	do	1800	Weather - Showery - otherwise fine	liwR.
do	12 APR 42	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 931 O.R.	liwR.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liwR.

liwR.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 0001 hrs 13 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 14 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyahville	13 APR 42	0700	B - C Coys leave for Ipswich area on "Free for all" exercises. Remaining coys carry out section training and field-craft as per syllabus	See R.
do	do	1000	advice received from Gov. Gazette of promotion of Lieuts A.C. Beech and R.C. Katter to rank of T / capt.	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 929 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	14 APR 42	0830	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises in IPSWICH area by B+C Coys and continuation of section training and field craft by remaining coys	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 929 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 15 APR 42 to 2400 hrs 17 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyaville	15 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and coy training in field - craft.	See R.
do	do			See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 offers 928 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	9 Bn came under command of 5 AUST. DIV.	
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	16 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and coy training in field - craft.	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offers 929 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	17 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and coy training	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 offers 929 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

See R.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 18 APR To 2400 hrs 20 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyaville	18 APR 42	0600	Lt. Col. Morgan appointed C.O. 9 Bn. <i>as from 15 Apr.</i>	View.
do	do	0800	Continuation of Coy Training in Field-craft	View.
do	do	1400	Strength 39 Offrs 929 O.R.	View.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	View.
do	19 APR 42	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 930 O.R.	View.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	View.
do	20 APR 42	0800	Commencement of "Free for all" exercises in Ipswich area, remaining coys carried on section training	View.
do	do	1200	Visit by Major General Milford - Comd 5 AUST DIV and Lieut. General Lavarack - Comd 1 AUST CORPS	View.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs and 930 O.R.	View.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	View.

View.

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Unit 9TH BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 21 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 22 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	21 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and coy section training	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 930 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Squally	See R.
do	do	1900	C.O. attends conference Bde H.Q. Warning order received for move to Nambour area	See R.
do	22 APR 42	0730	2 i/c leaves on recce of a Bn new area Nambour district.	See R.
do	do	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises. Remaining coys carries out range practice Enoggera rifle range using automatic weapons	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 930 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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Unit **9TH. BATTALION**

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 23 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 24 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	23 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and sec training	See R.
do	do	1400	C.O. and adjt. meet 2 1/c at Nambour after recce of site vicinity Maroochydore chosen for Bn Luconac area.	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 offrs 901 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine.	See R.
do	24 APR 42	0800	Continuation of "Free for all" exercises and sec training	See R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 offrs 901 O.R.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Showery	See R.
do	do	1830	2 1/c returns from recce of Bn new area	See R.
do	do	1630	50% of Bn granted leave till 1800 hrs 25 APR 42	See R.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 25 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 27 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	25 APR 42	0800	Continuation of coy. sec training	kwk
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk
do	do	1800	50% Bn return from leave - Balance Bn go on leave till 2350 hrs 26 APR 42.	kwk
do	do	1800	weather - showery	kwk
do	26 APR 42	0800	Continuation of Coy. sec training	kwk
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk
do	do	1800	weather - Fine	kwk
do	27 APR 42	0800	Range Practice Enoggera rifle range H.Q. A + D coys balance training dispersal area	kwk
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk
do	do	1800	weather - Fine	kwk
kwk				

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 28 APR 42 to 2400 hrs 29 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyahville	28 APR 42	0800	Continuation of Coy Sec training.	N.W.R.
do	do	1100	Reparture of Pioneer - mortars - 8-10-14-17-19 pls as advance party to Maroschy area in charge of I.O.	N.W.R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs - 901 O.R.	N.W.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	N.W.R.
do	29 APR 42	0800	Continuation of Coy training	N.W.R.
do	do	0700	Carrier pl left for Maroschy area	N.W.R.
do	do	1055	Operation order issued for Bn movement to Maroschydore	N.W.R.
do	do	1400	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	N.W.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	N.W.R.
N.W.R.				

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Unit **9TH. BATTALION**

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 30 APR 42 To 2400 hrs 30 APR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyahville	30 APR 42	0045	message received from 5 AUST. DIV. that 9 th issued not move from ^{to} Marsochy area	MWR.
do	do	0800	pl training being carried out	MWR.
do	do	1400	strength 40 Offrs 901 OR.	MWR.
do	do	1800	weather - Fine	MWR.
do	do	1830	advance party returns from Marsochy area	MWR.
<p><i>H. S. Morgan</i> Lt. Col. G.O. 9th. Battalion</p>				
<p><i>MWR.</i></p>				

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND9 BATTALION

1 April 42

No. 81

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	1 Apr. 42 to	Retreat	2 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. K. W. Lever	
Next for duty	-	Lt. P. C. Davis	
Duty Coy.	-	D Coy	
Next for duty	-	E Coy	

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	1 Apr. 42 to	Retreat	2 Apr. 42
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.	
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.	
Field Officer of the day		Lt. C. G. E. Holloway.	

3. PASSWORD.

The password to be used from 0620 hrs. 1 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 2 Apr. 42 will be serial No. 10.

4. PROHIBITED USE OF CAMERAS

Personnel will be warned that unless under special authority use or possession of cameras in any Military Area is prohibited, and that any camera found after this warning has been promulgated will be confiscated and stored under Command arrangements.

5. WEARING OF DECORATIONS

The wearing of decorations and medals of enemy countries is not permitted.

The countries with which Australia is at present at war are, Germany, Japan, Hungary, Roumania, Finland, Thailand, Bulgaria, and Italy.

6. INNOC. AND VAC.

All personnel who have not yet completed inoculations and vaccination will parade at R.A.P. at 1400 hrs. 1 Apr. 42 with their pay books. A clerk will attend with each Coy.

7. BLOOD GROUPED

Personnel who have not yet been blood grouped will parade at Bn. H. Q. at 0845 hrs. 2 Apr. 42, with their pay-book, to proceed to Chermide.

8. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry will assemble to inquire into the loss of Ground Sheet on issue to Q100157 Pte. Ovenden M.

Pres.	-	Capt. G. M. Percival	Q15622
Member	-	Lt. C. G. E. Holloway	Q16371

9. RIFLE BOLT NO E 2580

Coys. will ascertain if Bolt No E 2580 is in possession of any of their personnel and if so return it to the Armourer who is holding bolt No. Y 8462 in order that the bolts may be returned to their respective rifles.

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10. DUTIES :

Duty Coy mounting retreat 1 Apr. 42 will provide an additional working party of 1 N.C.O. and 6 men to report to Bde. H.Q. at 0830 hrs for special duty with the hygiene section. This will be in addition to the hygiene party normally detailed for hygiene work.

11. BN. GUARD :

The guard mounted at Bn . H.Q. from retreat to reveille will be increased to 1 N.C.O. and 6 other ranks with an extra post, namely gate at entrance to bivouac area. This post will be mounted from reveille to retreat with light duty men if these are available, and if not, duty coy. will provide 2 personnel. Bn orderly N.C.O. will be responsible for this post from reveille to retreat.

J. L. Kelly
for Adjt. 9 Bn

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No.	Copy No.	Copy No.
1 C.O.	12/13 D Coy	21 7 Inf. Bde.
2 2 i/c	14/15 E Coy	22 N.C.R.O.
3 Adjt.	16 M.O.	23/24 War Diary
4/5 H.Q. Coy	17 Q.M.	25 I.O.
6/7 A Coy	18 R.Q.M.S.	26 T.O.
8/9 B Coy	19 R.S.M.	27/28 File
10/11 C Coy	20 H.Q.N.C.	

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A.J.W.SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

2 Apr. 42

No. 82

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 2 Apr. 42 to "etreat 3 Apr. 42.
Orderly Officer - Lt. P. C. Davis
Next for duty - Lt. H. D. Woods
Duty Coy. - E. Coy
Next for duty - D Coy

2. PASSWORD.

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 2 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 3 Apr. 42 will be serial No. 18.

3. DRESS - BRIGADE DUTIES :

All Bde. duties and working parties except guards will parade in drill order with rifles.

4. CHURCH PARADES :

United church parade will be held in the vicinity of roadway south of Bn. H.Q. near new canteen at 0645 hrs on Good Friday 3 Apr. 42. and at 0900 hrs Easter Sunday 5 Apr. 42. Working dress may be worn.

5. COURTS OF INQUIRY :

Court of inquiry assembled on 29 Mar. 42 to inquire into the illegal absence of Q100645 Pte. Wellauer, G.J.

President - Capt. A. W. Palmer Q16721
Member - Lt. A. J. Ronney Q15938

Court of inquiry assembled on 30 Mar. 42 to inquire into the illegal absence of Q15866 Pte. Andrews, E.G.

President - Capt. E. A. Williams Q16720
Member - Lt. E. R. Mulcahy Q15828

Court of inquiry assembled on 31 Mar. 42 to inquire into the illegal absence of Q16477 Pte. Burton A.D.

President - Capt. G. A. Goldsmid Q16340
Member - Lt. J. C. McFarlane Q16361

6. TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS :

Buses will leave stand-pipe at the following times during the period 2 Apr. to 8 Apr. 42 :-

Thursday 2 Apr. - 1630, 1700, 1715, 1730.

Sunday 5 Apr. - At intervals from 2030 to 2230 to meet requirements.

Monday 6 Apr. - 0625, 0700.

Buses will leave Newmarket tram terminus at the following times:-

Sunday 5 Apr. - At intervals from 2000 to 2130.

Wednesday 8 Apr. - 2300 and 2330.

A bus will leave Enoggera station at 0635 hrs on Thursday 9 Apr. For North Coast personnel returning from leave. Coys. concerned will advise Bn. H.Q. of numbers likely to avail themselves of this service in order that adequate arrangements may be made.

Normal services between stand-pipe and Newmarket tram will not operate during this period.

J. H. Kelly
.....Lieut.
For Adj. 9 Bn

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

No. 83

3 Apr. 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	3 Apr. 42 to Retreat	4 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. H. D. Wood
Next for duty	-	Lt. J. W. Peachey
Duty Coy	-	D Coy
Next for duty	-	C Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	4 Apr. 42 to Retreat	6 Apr. 42
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the Day	-	Capt. C. A. Goldsmid
Field Officer of the Day	- (Mounting Retreat 5 Apr. 42)	Capt. A. W. Palmer

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 3 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 4 Apr. 42 will be serial No. 4.

4. BOARDS OF ORDERS - GUARD HUT

As from Retreat 2 Apr. 42 the Field Officer of the Day will inspect the Boards of Orders at Guard Hut, Bde. H.Q. at 0900 and at Retreat. Any mutilation or defacing of the boards will be immediately reported to the Duty Staff Officer.

5. PASSWORD

Numerous instances have occurred wherein the Guard has been sent for duty without any knowledge of the password for that day. Coys. will take steps to see that all personnel are notified of the password each day.

A. J. W. Sutch
 (Capt.)
 Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No	1.	C.O.	12/13	D Coy	21	7 Inf. Bde.
	2	2 I.C.	14/15	E Coy	22	N.C.R.O.
	3	Adj't.	16	M.O.	23/24	War Diary
	4/5	H.Q. Coy	17	Q.M.	25	I.O.
	6/7	A Coy	18	R.Q.M.S.	26	T.O.
	8/9	B Coy	19	R.S.M.	27/28	File.
	10/11	C Coy	20	H.Q.N.C.		

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

MAJOR A.J.W. SUTCH, E.D., ADMIN. COMMAND

9 BATTALION

4 Apr. 42

No. 84

1. ORDERLY DUTIES :

Mounting Retreat 4 Apr. 42 to Retreat 5 Apr. 42 -
Orderly Officer .. Lt.J.W.Peachey
Next for duty - Lt.D.P.Radford
Duty Coy. - C Coy.
Next for duty - H.Q.Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES :

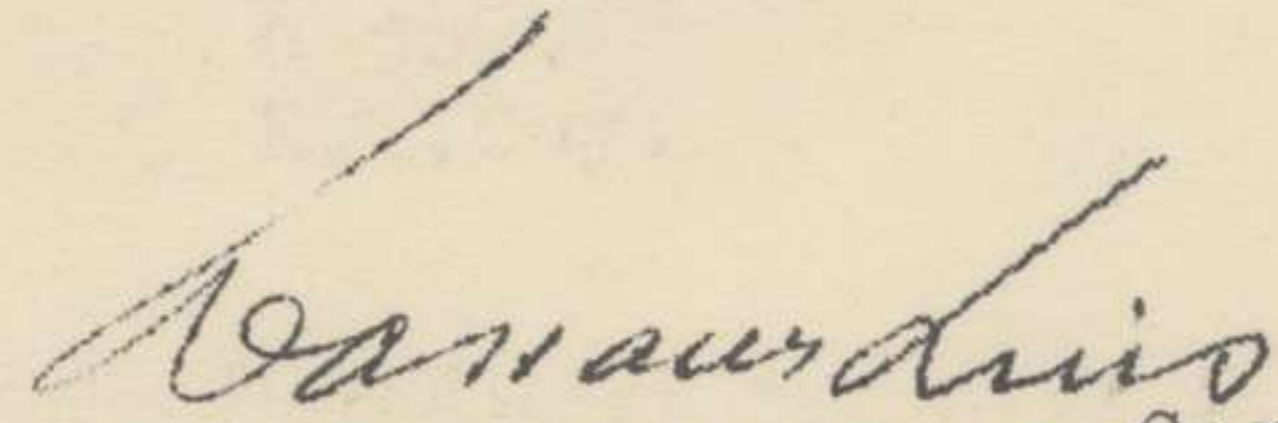
Mounting Retreat 4 Apr. 42 to Retreat 6 Apr. 42 -
Duty Bn. - 9 Battalion
Duty Bugler - 9 Battalion
Field Officer of day - Lt.H.C.Vidgen
Field Officer of day (mounting
Retreat 5 Apr. 42) - Capt.A.W.Palmer

3. PASSWORD :

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 4 Apr. to 0620 hrs 6 Apr. 42
will be Serial No 2.

4. CHURCH PARADE :

Church parade on Sunday 5 Apr. 42 will be as under -
Church of England adjacent to 9 Bn H.Q. at 0900 hrs; to be followed
immediately by Easter Communion.


.....Capt.
Adj. 9 Bn

D I S T R I B U T I O N

1. C.O.	8/9 B Coy	17 Q.M.	22 N.C.R.O.
2 2 i/c	10/11 C Coy	18 R.Q.M.S.	23/24 War Diary
3 Adj.	12/13 D Coy	19 R.S.M.	25 I.O.
4/5 H.Q.Coy	14/15 E Coy	20 H.Q.N.C.	26 T.O.
6/7 A Coy	16 M.O.	21 7 Inf. Bde.	27/28 File.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For Week Ending 4 Apr. 42

To 7 Inf. Bde.

From 9 Bn.

COY TRAINING : All coys. are carrying out training as set out on the syllabus in their respective dispersal areas.

SPECIAL TRAINING : On Monday 30 Mar. 42 the I.O. with four 'I' Sec. men and nine snipers in training left for four days' practical compass and map reading work in the Ipswich district. This proved to be highly successful. The snipers were in three groups of three and each day one from each group was put in charge and had to proceed to map references given by the I.O. Roads could not be used and they had to rely solely on compass. On Monday their course meant a crossing of the Bremer River at a fairly wide point. This called for initiative and one group crossed in an ordinary tank.

On Thursday 2 Apr. 42 all returned to camp area. Throughout the four days their work was perfect and they showed keenness at all times.

On Tuesday 31 Mar. 42 and Wednesday 1 Apr. 42 the stretcher-bearers were given instruction on protractor, north points and conversion of bearings.

COMPASS MARCH (NIGHT) : On Tuesday 31 Mar. 42 all troops in camp were taken on a compass march in the adjacent areas.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communications are being maintained in a similar manner as detailed in our summary for W/E 28 Mar. 42.

OBSERVATION POST : The post is still being manned on Sparkes Hill ref. 166967 (Samford training No. 4) and communication to Bn. H.Q. has been established by runner.

FIELD WORK : ~~Excavation on~~ Excavation on R.A.P. shelter has progressed considerably. New slit trenches have been dug.

RUMOUR : The camp has been free of rumours during the week.

MORALE : The morale of the Bn. remains at a high standard, All personnel being interested in their training.

SPECIAL EASTER LEAVE : Approximately one-half of the Bn. commenced three days' special leave on Thursday 2 Apr. 42 at 1600 hrs, and are to return by 2200 hrs on Sunday. Then the remainder have leave till 2350 hrs. on Wednesday 8 Apr. 42.

Lt. [Signature] for I.O.

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

No. of Groups
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO NIMU, KIKA.

FROM TIGU

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Z	38	and	930	Y	N11
and	11	X	38	and	941
W	N11	and	N11	V	N11
and	8	U	N11	and	14
T	Bunyaville				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

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

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

John Moore May

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	8		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants	28		
Quartermasters			
Totals	38		

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	McGILLIM, D.G.R.	A.I.G.	27/4/42	Transferred

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Part A of Army Form W. 3009. (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarters units.)

Table with columns for Personnel, Officers, O.Rs., Total, and various ranks. Includes handwritten text: 'PERSONNEL NOT ON FULL TIME DUTY' and 'Information required vide N.C. Memo 18988'.

Major J. M. ... For Adm/Omd. Bn 9

Table with columns for Description of other ranks, Name and Initials, Rank, and Army No. Includes handwritten entries for various ranks.

Table with columns for Remarks, Name and Initials, Rank, and Army No. Includes handwritten entries for various ranks.

Notes: (a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back. (b) Authorized Grades or Specialities not included in list should be added as required in spaces provided. Unit. Signature of Commanding Officer. Date of Despatch.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A.J.W.SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

5 April 42

No. 85

.....

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 5 Apr.42 to Retreat 6 Apr.42		
Orderly Officer	-	Lt.D.P.Radford
Next for duty	-	Lt.E.R.Mulcahy
Duty Coy.	-	H.Q.Coy
Next for duty	-	A Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 5 Apr.42 to Retreat 6 Apr.42		
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the day		Capt.A.W.Palmer
Bde.Fire and General Picquet		9 Bn.

3. PREMISES PLACED OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS

- (1) The Grand Central Hotel, Brisbane, is out of bounds to all Officers and Soldiers in Uniform at all times.
- (2) Accordingly all Officers and Soldiers when in Uniform are forbidden to enter the Grand Central Hotel at any time.
- (3) Nasco House, Ann Street, Brisbane, is out of bounds to all Officers and Soldiers in uniform at all times except on Sundays.
- (4) Accordingly all Officers and Soldiers when in uniform are forbidden to enter Nasco House, Ann Street, Brisbane, at any time, except on Sundays.

Barrowdine
 Capt.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

Distribution.

Copy No	1.	C.O.	8/9 B Coy	17	Q.M.	22	N.C.R.O.
	2	I.C.	10/11C Coy	18	R.Q.M.S.	23/24v	War Diary
	3	Adj.	12/13D Coy	19	R.S.M.	25	I.O.
	4/5	H.Q.Coy	14/15 E Coy	20	H.Q.N.C.	26	T.O.
	6/7	A Coy	16 M.O.	21	7 Inf. Bde.	27	File.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

MAJOR A.J.W.SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION.

6 April 42

No. 86

1. ORDERLY DUTIES.

Mounting Retreat 6 Apr. 42 to Retreat 7 Apr. 42.

Orderly Officer

Lt. E.R. Mulcahy

Next for Duty

Lt. A.J. Bonney

Duty Coy

A Coy

Next for Duty

B Coy

2. VEHICLES IN VICINITY OF BN. H.Q.

No Motor Cycle or other vehicle will be ridden or driven closer to Bn. H.Q. than the Canteen Tent.

J. L. Kelly Lieut.
for Adjt. 9 Bn.

NOTICE.

LOST - The loss is reported of one Hat K.F. between Woolloowin and Albion Railway Stations.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No.

1 C.O. 8/9 B Coy
2 2 I/C 10/11 C Coy
3 Adj. 12/13 D Coy
4/5 H.Q. Coy 14/15 E Coy
6/7 A Coy 16 M.O.

17 Q.M.

18 R.Q.M.S.

19 R.S.M.

20 H.Q.N.C.

21 7 Inf. Bde.

22 N.C.R.O.

23/24 War Diary

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J. L. Kelly Lieut.
for Adjt. 9 Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

MAJOR A.J.W.SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION.

7 Apr 42

No. 87

.....
1. ORDERLY DUTIES.

Mounting Retreat 7 Apr 42 to Retreat 8 Apr 42.

Orderly Officer

Lt. A.J.Bonney

Next for Duty

Lt. C.G.E.Holloway

Duty Coy

B Coy

Next for Duty

A Coy

2. PASSWORD:

Password to be used from 0620 hrs 7 Apr 42 to 0620 hrs 8 Apr 42 will be Serial No. 15.

3. SECURITY OF INFORMATION

1. The strict attention of all members of the Forces is directed to M.B.I. A40 of 1939 and to A.M.R.O 309 and 310. Coy commanders will be responsible for ensuring that all ranks are properly instructed in their duties in this regard.

2. For security reasons it is most important that no officer or soldier shall communicate any military information, either direct or indirectly, to the press or to any person not holding an official position in the Defence Forces and authorised to receive such information.

3. A member of the Forces must never discuss subjects relative to naval, military or air force operations or movements of any kind in the presence or hearing of any stranger, whether in uniform or not, and whether on duty or on leave.

4. Only by the active co-operation of all ranks can the leakage of information of value to the enemy be prevented. Scraps of information apparently harmless may in fact be of vital importance to the enemy who may require just such information to enable him to deduce the condition or distribution of our Forces.

5. Breaches of this instruction are to be reported through the proper channels to this H.Q. with a view to disciplinary action being taken against offenders.

J. L. Kelly

for Adj. 9 Bn. Lieut.

NOTICE -

Found one Hat K.F., owner may have same on identification at Bn. H.Q.

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No.1 C.O.
2 2 I/C
3 Adj.
4/5 H/Q Coy
6/7 A Coy

8/9 B Coy
10/11 C Coy
12/13 D Coy
14/15 E Coy
16 M.O.

17 Q.M. 22 N.C.R.O.
18 R.Q.M.S. 23/24 War Diary
19 R.S.M. 25 I.O.
20 H.Q.N.C. 26 T.O.
21 7 Inf Bde 27 File

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

MAJOR A.J.W.SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

8 Apr 42

No. 88

.....
1. ORDERLY DUTIES.

Mounting Retreat 8 Apr 42 to Retreat 9 Apr 42

Orderly Officer

Lt.R.H.Holmes

Next for Duty

Lt.J,E.A.Wanless

Duty Coy

A Coy

Next for Duty

C Coy

2. PASSWORD:

Password to be used from 0620 hrs 8 Apr 42 to 0620 hrs 9 Apr 42 will be serial No. 20.

3. AMMUNITION GUARD

As from Retreat 7 Apr 42 Ammunition Guard will consist of 1 N.C.O. and 6 other ranks.

4. WEARING OF STEEL HELMETS.

Helmets Steel will be worn with the chin strap in the front underneath the chin.

5. EVENING MEAL

Evening meal will be 1700 hrs as from 8 April 42.

6. RANGE PRACTICES 9, 10 & 11 APR.

Coys firing on range will leave Bivouac Area not later than 0715 hrs in order that firing man commence not later than 0800 hrs. Mid-day meal will be sent to range in hot boxes under Coy arrangements. Firing may continue to 1700 hrs. Men may take towel and soap and arrangements will be made with Camp Commandant, Enoggera, for facilities to be made available whilst Coys are on Range.

7. CHURCH PARADE

Roman Catholic Church parade will be arranged for 0645 hrs Sunday 12/4/42, provided that a sufficient attendance is likely. Coys will advise by 1830 hrs 9/4/42 (a) Number of personnel who will be in camp on Sunday and (b) Who would attend above Church parade.

Weekend leave may be granted on normal basis from 1800 hrs 11/4/42 for a 11 Coys.

8. PERUSAL OF ROUTINE ORDERS

Each Coy will ensure that its copy of Routine Orders is seen and initialed by each Pl. Comd.

J.L. Kelly Lieut.
for Adj. Bn.

Copy No.

DISTRIBUTION

- 1 C.O.
- 2 H/Q Coy
- 3 A Coy
- 4 B Coy

- 5 C Coy
- 6 D Coy
- 7 E Coy
- 8 M.O.

- 9 Q.M.
- 10 T.O.
- 11 7 Inf Bde
- 12/13 War Diary
- 14 File

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND9 BATTALION

9 Apr. 42

No. 89

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 9 Apr. 42 to Retreat 10 Apr. 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt. J. E. A. Wanless
 Next for duty - Lt. H. D. Woods
 Duty Coy. - C Coy.
 Next for duty - D Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 10 Apr. 42 to Retreat 11 Apr. 42
 Duty Battalion - 9 Bn.
 Duty Bugler - 9 Bn.
 Field Officer of the day - Lieut. C. J. K. Smith.

3. OFFICERS MESS

The Commanding Officer has been pleased to approve of the following appointments.

Pres.	Major J. C. McKelvie	Q67201
Treasurer	Lieut. H. P. J. Swan	Q16655

4. SERGEANTS MESS

The Commanding Officer has been pleased to approve of the following appointment.

Supervising Officer - Major J. C. McKelvie Q67201.

5. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry will assemble to inquire into the loss of 1 Plug, Clearing, (New Type).

Pres.	Capt. G. M. Percival	Q15622
Member	Lieut. H. P. J. Swan	Q16655

6. SOLDIERS CROSSING THE LINE - CENTRAL STATION

A complaint has been received from the Gen. Manager, S. E. D., Q'land Railways that much trouble is experienced at Central Station on account of soldiers crossing from No. 4 Platform to coaches on the opposite line.

The breaches referred to occur nightly and especially on Fri. & Sat. nights. Personnel are directed against committing breaches of Railway Bye-Laws, and as this is a breach such practice will cease forthwith.

J. L. Kelly
 Lieut.
 For Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N				
Copy No.	1. C.O.	5 A Coy	9 M.O.	14 7 Inf. Bde.
	2 2 I.C.	6 B Coy	10 Q.M.	15 E Coy
	3 Adj. t.	7 C Coy	11 T.O.	16 File
	4 H. Q. Coy	8 D Coy	12/13 War Diary	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

10 Apr. 42

No. 90

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 10 Apr. 42 to Retreat 11 Apr. 42.

Orderly Officer	-	Lt. H. D. Woods
Next for duty	-	Lt. C. G. E. Holloway
Duty Coy.	-	D Coy
Next for duty	-	A Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 10 Apr. 42 to Retreat 11 Apr. 42.

Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the day		Lieut. C. J. K. Smith

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 10 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 11 Apr. 42 will be serial No. 10.

4. DRESS

Personnel proceeding on leave must be correctly dressed, (Shirt, Shorts, Hat, Boots, Short Puttees, and Hose Tops, or Serge, Hat and Boots) and be inspected prior to departure. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

J. L. Kelly
 Lieut.
 For Adj. 9 Bn.

Copy No. 1	C.O.	5	C Coy	9	Q.M.	14	File.
2	H.Q. Coy	6	D Coy	10	T.O.		
3	A Coy	7	E Coy	11	7 Inf. Bde.		
4	B Coy	8	M.O.	12/13	War Diary		

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, M. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND9 BATTALION

11 Apr. 42

No. 91

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 11 Apr 42 to 0600hrs 13 Apr 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt. C. G. E. Holloway
 Duty Coy - A Coy

Mounting 0600 hrs 13 Apr 42 to Retreat 13 Apr 42
 Orderly Officer Lt. A. Robertson
 Duty Coy H. Q. Coy

Mounting Retreat 13 Apr 42 to Retreat 14 Apr 42
 Orderly Officer Lt. E. M. Hammond
 Duty Coy F Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES.

Mounting Retreat 13 Apr 42
 Duty Br 9 Bn
 Duty Bigler 9 Bn

3. CARE OF RESPIRATORS

It is noted that respirators which have been returned to Q.M. Store by personnel marching out have contained a miscellaneous assortment of articles in the haversack. The practice of carrying articles other than the normal Anti-Gas equipment in the respirator haversack must be checked and Pl. & Coy Comdrs. will carry out regular inspection to ensure that this instruction is being observed.

4. LEAVE.

Week-end Leave may now be granted from 1700 hrs Saturday for those personnel not required for duty, but no personnel may leave the area before 1700 hrs.

Buses will leave stand pipe at 1710 hrs, 1730 hrs, and 1800 hrs. on Saturday and return from Newmarket Tram terminus at usual time on Sunday night.

5. CHURCH PARADE.

R. C. Church parade which was to have been held on Sunday 12 Apr 42 at 0645 hrs will not now be held, but personnel who were to attend may attend service at Enoggera Parish Church at 0700 hrs. Bus will leave stand pipe at 0640 hrs for this service. Return to bivouac area will be approx. 0800 hrs and Coys will keep meals for men attending. The above arrangement will operate regularly every Sunday.

J. L. Kelly Lieut.
 for Adj. 9 Bn

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No. 1 C.O.	4 B Coy	7 E Coy	10. T.O.	14 File
2 H. Q. Coy	5 C Coy	8 M.O.	11 7 Inf Bde	
3 A Coy	6 D Coy	9 Q.M.	12/13 War Diary	

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

FOR WEEK-ENDED 11 APRIL 1942

To - 7 Inf. Bde.

From - 9 Bn.

Coy Training All Coys are carrying out training, as set out on the syllabus, in their respective dispersal areas.

Special Exercises A Special Signallers' exercise was carried out on 9 - 10 Apr 42 at YUNGERS SIDING by 24 personnel of Bn Sigs in conjunction with "J" Sec Sigs.

Range Practice Personnel from the following Coys carried out Range practice at ENOGGERA rifle range.
On 9 Apr 42 - B,C,D,E Coys
On 10 Apr 42 - A, D Coys and approx half H.Q.Coy
On 11 Apr 42 - A,B, C Coys and balance H.Q.Coy
Range Practice being carried out with rifle, Vickers, Lewis and Bren Guns.

Field Work The R.A.P. Shelter has been completed and slit trenches have been dug.

Maps. The snipers at present being trained in map reading made an enlargement of SCARBOROUGH beach area, to be used for a beach recce.

RECCE. On 7 Apr 42 the snipers and two personnel of the "I" Sec carried out a beach recce of SCARBOROUGH BEACH.

Observation Post The post on SPARKES HILL ref 166967 (SAMPFORD Training No.4) is still being manned and communication to Bn H.Q. carried out by runner.

Intercommunication Communications are being maintained on the same system as stated in our summary for W/E 28 Apr 42.

Special Leave That portion of the Bn. which had not already had their special Easter leave, commenced their leave at 2200 hrs 5 Apr. 42 and returned at 2350 hrs 8 Apr. 42.

Rumour The camp has been free of rumour during the week.

Morale The morale of the Bn. remains at a high standard. All personnel have the greatest confidence in themselves and their officers, and are confident of success in carrying out any task which the Bn. may be set.

M. W. RYAN..Lieut.
.....
per R. M. Luckie cpl

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

..... **9** *Pattalion* *Unit*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	2		
Captains	8		
Lieutenants	28		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	38		

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	015601	SIRCH, A.J.W.	9 In.	Yes	
T/Major	067201	BOHNEY, J.C.	"	"	
T/Capt.	015610	HANFORD, W.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	015602	IRVING, G.M.	"	"	
T/Capt.	016002	EVAN, G.H.	"	"	
T/Capt.	016721	ALLEN, A.W.	"	"	
T/Capt.	016720	FRANKS, G.H.	"	"	
T/Capt.	016340	COLLIER, G.H.	"	"	
T/Capt.	016752	EVAN, A.C.	"	No	N.O.T.S.
T/Capt.	015821	EVAN, H.C.	"	Yes	
V/Lieut.	015612	EVAN, H.C.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016051	EVAN, G.H.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016318	SMITH, G.M.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015611	RADFORD, B.P.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015718	EVAN, G.H.	"	No	N.O.T.S.
V/Lieut.	015715	EVAN, J.W.	"	Yes	
V/Lieut.	027362	HARRISON, D.C.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016371	HOLLOWAY, G.O.B.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016378	STEPHENS, J.W.S.	"	No	Att. Y Inf. Bde.
V/Lieut.	016361	McFARLANE, J.C.	"	Yes	
V/Lieut.	016318	ROB WILSON, A.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016398	SMITH, G.M.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016392	WILLIAMS, J.W.S.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016221	EVAN, A.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015618	EVAN, A.C.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015657	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015228	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016585	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016360	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015649	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	015700	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016228	DAVIS, F.J.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016380	EVAN, H.W.	"	"	
V/Lieut.	016380	ROBERTS, F.B.	"	No	N.O.T.S.
V/Lieut.	015650	EVAN, H.W.	"	Yes	
V/Lieut.	016631	EVAN, H.W.	"	No	
V/Lieut.	016655	EVAN, H.W.	"	No	
V/Lieut.	016545	EVAN, H.W.	"	Yes	I.O.T.S. Bonaglia
V/Lieut.	0141041	EVAN, H.W.	"	No	N.O.T.S.

(ii) **OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Sent.	0123522	EVAN, F.	A.A.M.C.		N.O.

9 Battalion

(Unit.)

11 Apr. 42

(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc. with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Part A of Army Form W. 3009. (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarters units) in words as desired and surplus requirements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Table with columns for Personnel Not on Full Time Duty, including Officers, O.R., Total, and various ranks like Staff Sergeants, Sergeants, Corporals, Troopers, Privates, etc. Includes a signature and 'Major' title.

INFORMATION REQUIRED VIDE N.C.MEMO 18998

Officers

O.R.

Total

11

11

Major, Am. Comd. 9 Bn.

Table for Part B: Other Ranks transferred from other Corps. Columns include Detail, Unit and Corps to which they belong, and various skill categories like Dental, Mechanical, etc.

Table for Part C: Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested. Columns include Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, and Remarks.

Signature of Commanding Officer, Major, 7 Inf. Bde.

Date of Despatch

11/4/42

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. _____

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

No. of Groups
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO NIMU, KIKA.

FROM TIGU.

Originator's Number
02

Date
11

In Reply to Number
-

Z	38	and	927	Y	N11
and	11	X	38	and	938
W	N11	and	N11	V	N11
and	8	U	N11	and	14
T	Bunyaville				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS: *Radio Wireless.*

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

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS .
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN
0830

SIGNED *[Signature]*

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

13 April 42

No. 92

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 13 Apr. 42 to Retreat 14 Apr. 42.

Orderly Officer	-	Lt. E. M. Hammond
Next for duty	-	Lt. J. C. McFarlane
Duty Coy.	-	E Coy
Next for duty	-	D Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 13 Apr. 42 to Retreat 14 Apr. 42.

Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the Day		Capt. W. A. Hawkins

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 13 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 14 Apr 42 will be serial No. 8.

4. RATIONING OF GUARDS AND PRISONERS

Coys. supplying Guards for duty at Guard Hut, Chermside, during daytime will also supply Rations to Bde. H. Q., C. Q. M. S. for the number of personnel on duty.

Coys. will also supply rations to the above for any prisoners detained by them in Guard Hut.

5. REGIMENTAL FUNDS

The following amount. has been credited to Reg. Funds.
Canteen Funds, for period 1/2/42 to 28/2/42 £1/18/1.

J. L. Kelly
 Lieut.
 For Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No 1 C.O.	4 B Coy	7 E Coy	10 T.O.	14 File
2. H. Q. Coy	5 C Coy	8 M.O.	11 7 Inf. Bde.	
3 A Coy	6 D Coy	9 Q.M.	12/13 War Diary	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND9 BATTALION

14 Apr. 42

No. 93

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 14 Apr. 42 to Retreat 15 Apr. 42.
 Orderly Officer - Lt. J. C. McFarlane
 Next for duty - Lt. E. R. Mulcahy
 Duty Coy - D Coy.
 Next for duty - A Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 15 Apr. 42 to Retreat 16 Apr. 42
 Duty Bn. - 9 Bn.
 Duty Bugler - 9 Bn.
 Field Officer of the day - Capt. A. T. Beech

3. PASSWORD.

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 14 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 15 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 11.

4. ALLOTMENT VIRGINIA RANGE

Coys. are warned that Virginia 30^x Range is allotted to 61 Bn. 14 - 15 Apr. from 0830 hrs. to 1630 hrs..

5. LATRINES

The necessity for adequate use of sawdust in the Latrines is to be brought before the notice of all ranks.

6. EMPTY FIRED S. A. CARTRIDGE CASES

1. It has been brought to notice that amongst empty fired cartridge cases returned for disposal, live rounds and such articles as charges, spent bullets, screws, nails etc., are frequently found.
2. This matter is viewed seriously as the instructions laid down in E.S.Os., Part 1, General, paragraph 69, are explicit, and demand the utmost care in sorting and packing the cartridge cases.
3. The attention of all concerned is to be drawn to the necessity for obeying these instructions, as serious damage to both property and personnel may result from non-compliance with them.

7. SERVICE ADDRESSES IN CORRESPONDENCE

1. The extension of the war to the Pacific Ocean area has made it of vital importance to ensure that the units of the Military Forces in Australia and its Territories are not disclosed in mails likely to fall into the hands of the enemy whilst in transit.

(Cont. Overleaf).

SERVICE ADDRESSES IN CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

2. Officers and other ranks of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth in Australia and its Territories, therefore, may give the name of their unit in correspondence only to -

- (a) persons resident or stationed in Australia or its Territories.
 - (b) persons resident in the United Kingdom or New Zealand;
 - (c) service personnel in the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, India, the Middle East, or Malaya.
3. In all other cases, including, for example, correspondence to-
- (a) crews of merchant ships
 - (b) Australian or British prisoners-of-war,
 - (c) foreign countries, whether allied or neutral,
 - (d) British or allied Pacific Islands,
 - (e) persons resident or stationed at Gibraltar, etc.,

Officers and other ranks of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth in Australia or its Territories will not give the name of their unit, but will give, as their address, the address of a relative or friend in the Commonwealth to whose care a reply can be sent for forwarding.

4. Any officer or other rank who has no relative or friend in the Commonwealth to whose address a reply can be sent for forwarding, may request his correspondent to reply to him care of the District Censor at the capital or principal city of the State or Territory in which he is stationed. It is essential that any soldier who adopts this course should notify his correct address in writing to the District Censor concerned, who will arrange to forward the reply when received.

J. L. Kelly
For Adjt. *[Signature]* Bn., Lieut.

Copy No.		D I S T R I B U T I O N					
1	C.O.	5	C Coy	9	Q.M.	13	War Diary
2	H.Q. Coy	6	D Coy	10	T.O.	14	File.
3	A Coy	7	E Coy	11	7 Inf. Bde.		
4	B Coy.	8	M.O.	12	War Diary		

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A.J.W. SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

15 Apr. 42

No. 94

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 15 Apr. 42 to Retreat 16 Apr. 42		
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. E.R. Mulcahy
Next for duty	-	Lt. K.W. Lever
Duty Coy	-	A Coy
Next for duty	-	H.Q. Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

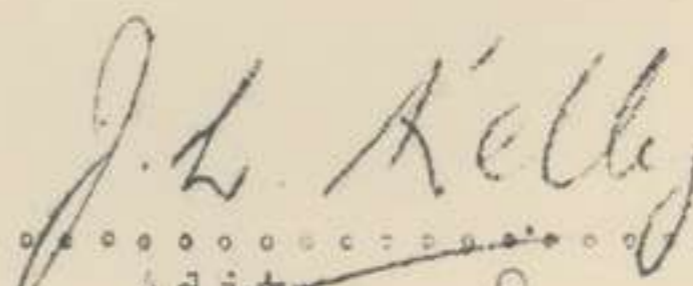
Mounting Retreat 15 Apr. 42 to Retreat 16 Apr. 42		
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the day		Capt. A.T. Beech

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 15 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 16 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 14.

4. M.T.

No vehicle will proceed from Bivouac Area to Chermside without prior approval having been obtained from Bn. H.Q..


 Lieut.
 For Adit. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No	1 C.O.	5 C Coy.	9 Q.M.	13 War Diary
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AUSTRALIA MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A.J.W. SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMANDBATTALION

16 Apr. 42.

No. 95

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	16 Apr. 42 to Retreat	17 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. K. V. Lever
Next for duty	-	Lt. P. C. Davis
Duty Coy.	-	H. Q. Coy
Next for duty	-	D Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	17 Apr. 42 to Retreat	18 Apr. 42
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.
Field Officer of the day	-	Capt. G. A. Goldsmid

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 16 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 17 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 19. Password from 0620 hrs. 17/Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 5.

4. VACCINATIONS AND INNOCULATIONS

Coys. are to advise this H.Q. by 1200 hrs. 18/4/42, list of personnel requiring vaccinations and inoculations, giving particulars of vaccinations and inoculations required.

5. M.T.

Coys. will notify Bn. H.Q. at least 24 hrs. previously of transport requirements outside bivouac area, in order that transport may be co-ordinated.

Duty vehicle leaves Bn. H.Q. for Chermside at 0830 hrs. and 1345 hrs. daily, and will be utilised for all duties possible.

Ration truck leaves at 0800, 1100, and 1430 hrs. daily, and will be similarly utilised by arrangement with W.O. Caterer.

No vehicle will move outside bivouac area without prior approval of Bn. H.Q.

6. FIELD DRESSINGS

Field Dressings are often returned to Q.M. opened by personnel. These are not to be used except on active service.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
For Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

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4	B Coy	8	M.O.	12	War Diary		

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A.J.W. SUTCH, E.D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND9 BATTALION

17 Apr. 42

No. 96

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 17 Apr. 42 to 1200 hrs. 18 Apr. 42.

Orderly Officer - Lt. P.C. Davis

Duty Coy. - D Coy.

Mounting 1200 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 to 0600 hrs. 20 Apr. 42

Orderly Officer - Lt. F.B. Roberts

Duty Coy. - E Coy.

2. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 17 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 5. Password from 0620 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 19 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 10.

3. UNIT ANTI-GAS OFFICER

The C.O. has approved of the appointment of Capt. A.T. Beech (Q16752) as Unit Anti-Gas Officer.

4. CARE & INSPECTION OF RESPIRATORS

Special attention will be paid to the assembly and fitting of respirators, e.g., the correct wiring of facepieces to containers and the placing of the container with the inlet slot towards the middle of the haversack.

Coy. Commanders will ensure that frequent inspection of respirators is carried out as required by "Manual of Protection Against Gas & Air Raids", Pam. 2, Sec. 8.

RESPIRATOR RECORDS

5. Coys. will ensure that respirator records are kept up to date. All respirators records will be handed in to this H.Q. by 0800 hrs. 27 Apr. 42, for inspection by unit Anti-Gas Officer.

6. NIGHT TRAINING & CONCERT PARTY

Night training will take place on Monday 20 Apr. 42 in lieu of Tuesday 21 Apr. 42.

A concert to be provided by the Patriotic Entertainers, has been arranged in the grounds of the Bunyaville school for Tuesday 21 Apr. 42 to commence at 1945 hrs.

7. TRAINING AREAS AND BOUNDS

The area west of the BUNYA Road will not be used for training purposes without prior application to Bn. H.Q. and is out of bounds to all troops.

8. BLOOD GROUPING

Coys. will advise this H.Q. before 0800 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 of the numbers of their personnel still requiring Blood-Grouping.

(Continued overleaf)

9. RETURNS AFTER RANGE PRACTICES

Forms C 7 (Certificates of Inspection of Weapons) are not being returned by Coys. after Range Practisec.

Coys. will, on every occasion after Range practice, return to this H.Q., Form C 7, on which the designation of Coy. and Unit must be shown. (Vide Camp Standing Orders Appx. A. and 7 Inf. Bde. Musketry Inst. No. 1 of 8 Oct. 41). Range at which practice is fired will also be shown.

10. INOCULATIONS & VACCINATIONS - PAY-BOOKS

All Coys. will inspect pay books of all members to ensure that records of inoculations and vaccinations, etc., have been correctly entered.

At future inoculation parades each member will be in possession of his paybook, which must be produced or the inoculation will not be given.

Coys. will provide necessary clerical assistance at inoculation parades and the R.M.O. will sign entries in paybooks of inoculations given before termination of the parade.


 Lieut.
 For Adj. 9 Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

MAJOR A. J. W. SUTCH, E. D., ADMINISTERING COMMAND

9 BATTALION

18 Apr. 42

No. 97

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting 1200 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 to 0600 hrs. 20 Apr. 42.
Orderly Officer - Lt. F. B. Roberts
Duty Coy. - E Coy.

Mounting 0600 hrs. 20 Apr. 42 to Retreat 20 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer - Lt. A. J. Bonney
Duty Coy. - B Coy

Mounting Retreat 20 Apr. 42 to Retreat 21 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer - Lt. J. W. Peachey
Duty Coy. - C Coy.

2. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 18 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 20 Apr. 42
will be Serial No. 10.

3. CHURCH PARADE

Church of England Church Parade will be held in vicinity of
Canteen on Sunday 19 Apr. 42 at 0900 hrs. Parade will be supervised
by Orderly Officer.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
For Adjts. 9 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No.	1	C.O.	8/9	C Coy	15	Q.M.	20	File
	2/3	H.Q. Coy	10/11	D Coy	16	T.O.		
	4/5	A Coy	12/13	E Coy	17	7 Inf. Bde.		
	6/7	B Coy	14	M.O.	18/19	War Diary		

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For Week Ending 18 April 1942

To 7 Inf. Bde.

From 9 Bn.

COY TRAINING : All coys. remaining in the dispersal area have continued section training and fieldcraft training as laid down by Bde. syllabus.

COY. MOVEMENTS : On 16 Apr. 42 7 Pl. and 8 Pl. (A Coy) moved to FAHEY'S XING and BUNYA XING respectively, and carried out training in these areas. The pls. marched from the dispersal area and returned to camp after the evening meal.

SPECIAL EXERCISES : On 13 Apr. 42 the sig. pl. carried out sig. training in the SAMFORD area.

On 16 Apr. 42 the sig. pl. carried out helio exercises in NUDGEE, MT. GLORIOUS, CLONTARF and BARDON areas. This exercise was very successful.

SPECIAL TRAINING : On 13 Apr. 42 B and C coys. left the dispersal area for the IPSWICH district where "free for all" pl. exercises took place. All personnel displayed great interest and the competitive spirit was very keen throughout the whole exercise. The coys. returned to the dispersal area on Friday afternoon 17 Apr. 42.

"I" SEC. MOVEMENTS : All personnel of the "I" Sec. (except one, remaining in the dispersal area) have been in the IPSWICH district during the week following the movements ; recording scores and umpires' reports of the pls. on the "free for all" exercise. They returned to the dispersal area Friday afternoon 17 Apr. 42.

MAPPING : During the week an enlargement of the ASPLEY - STAFFORD area was prepared by the "I" Sec.

OBSERVATION POST : The post on SPARKES HILL ref. 166967 (SAMFORD training No. 4) is still being manned and communication to Bn. H.Q. carried out by runner.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communications are still being maintained on the same system as explained in our summary for week ending 28 Mar. 42.

FIELD WORK : On 14 Apr. 42 work was commenced on the construction of a magazine and shower baths. The shower baths have been completed and were in operation on 16 Apr. 42.

MORALE : The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard.

RUMOUR : Throughout the week the battalion has been free from all rumour.

R McLuckie
9/42

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. _____
OFFICE DATE STAMP _____
No of Groups _____
GR.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN _____
OUT _____

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO **NIMU, KIKA.**

FROM **TIGU**

Originator's Number

01

Date

18

In Reply to Number

Z	38	and	924	Y	N11
and	11	X	38	and	936
W	Nil	and	Nil	V	N11
and	Nil 8	U	Nil	and	14
T	Bunyaville				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

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SIGNED

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

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

0830

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

No of Groups
GR.

Serial No.
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO **NIMU? KIKA.**

FROM **TIGU**

Originator's Number
02

Date
18

In Reply to Number

Strength	State	AX	Nil	and	Nil
AY	1	and	35	AZ	Nil
and	4	B	Nil	and	Nil
C	32	and	772	D	Nil
E	1	and	12	F	7
and	144				

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

9 Battalion

18 Apr 42

(Unit)

19 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	-	-	1
W.Os. Class II.	2	-	3
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5	4	-
Staff Serjeants	5	4	-
Serjeants	11	-	10
Corporals	77	75	2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	308	71	-
TOTALS	324	75	28

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. II	A.I.C.		
Sgt.	A.A.P.C.		
Sgt.	A.A.O.C.		
Cpl.	Postal Unit		
Pte.	W.O.C.B.		
Pte.	A.A.O.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
<p>It is pointed out that in Part A Column 3, forty-nine personnel have marched out of Camp but have not yet been struck off strength of this Unit, due to the fact that the necessary entries have not yet been promulgated in N.C.R.O's Routine Order Part II.</p>				

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths		1	Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers		2	Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers		1	G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		4
Carpenter and Joiner		3	Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		4
Cooks		4	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		1
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders		1	Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		21	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		1	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						W.O.I R.S.M.		1
						W.O.II C.S.M.s		5
						S/Sgts. C.S.M.s		4
						Infantry-men		96
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	35						100	16

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

9 Battalion

Unit.

Signature of Commander
Major.
Comd.

Date of Despatch 18 Apr. 42.

7 Inf. Bde.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion, Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			1
Majors	2		1
Captains	8		3
Lieutenants	28	7	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	38	7	5

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	015601	HITCH A.J.V.	9 Bn.	Yes	
T/Major	0167201	MCKELVER J.O.	9 Bn.	Yes	
T/Capt.	015610	HASKINS R.A.			
T/Capt.	015622	HARVEY J.O.			
T/Capt.	016038	JEFFS G.A.			
T/Capt.	016721	ELMER A.V.			
T/Capt.	016720	WILLIAMS R.A.			
T/Capt.	016340	BLANCKEN G.A.			
T/Capt.	016752	BURTON A.P.			
T/Capt.	015851	HUTCHINSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015712	VINCENT R.O.			
T/Lieut.	016551	LEWIS G.A.			
T/Lieut.	016318	SMITHSON G.A.			
T/Lieut.	015713	SMITHSON J.O.		No	H.O.C.A.
T/Lieut.	022063	HARRISON G.O.		Yes	
T/Lieut.	016371	HOLLOWAY G.O.			
T/Lieut.	016378	SMITHSON J.O.		No	AB.7 INF. Bde.
T/Lieut.	016351	SMITHSON J.O.		Yes	
T/Lieut.	016318	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016306	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015552	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016221	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015616	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015657	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015638	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015555	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016060	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015949	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016060	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016028	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	015990	SMITHSON J.O.		No	H.O.C.A.
T/Lieut.	015939	SMITHSON J.O.		Yes	
T/Lieut.	016331	SMITHSON J.O.			
T/Lieut.	016555	SMITHSON J.O.		No	H.O.C.A.
T/Lieut.	016545	SMITHSON J.O.		Yes	
T/Lieut.	0141041	SMITHSON J.O.		No	H.O.C.A.

(ii) **OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

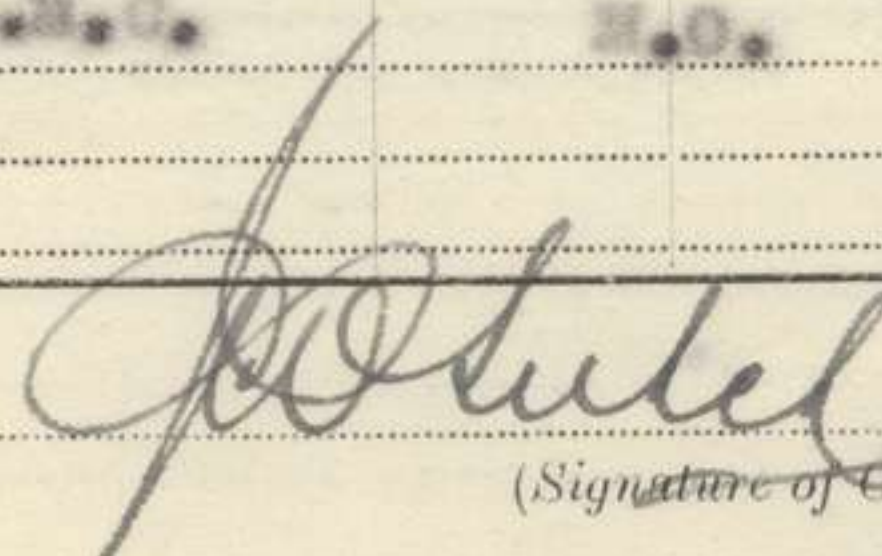
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	012358	SMITHSON J.O.	H.O.C.A.	H.O.C.A.	

9 Battalion,

(Unit.)

18 Apr. 42

(Date of Despatch.)



(Signature of Commander.)

7 INF. Bde. 10th Div.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIGHTING STATE.

9 Battalion.

SECRET.

(Division, Corps, Army or G.H.Q.)

Approximate fighting strength as at **0600 hrs.** (hours) **18 Apr. 42** 19

Units, Brigades, Divisions, Corps or Armies.	("C" of Daily Strength State, A.F. W.3006.)		(Ax, Ay and Az of Daily Strength State, A.F. W.3006.)						("D" of Daily Strength State, A.F. W.3006.)		
	Approximate total fighting strength (EXCLUDING ATTACHED).		Losses since last state was rendered.								Names of officer battle casualties of commanding officers only, for information of commanders.
			Ax Battle Casualties.		Ay Sick.		Az Other Causes.				
Offs.	O.Rs.	Offs.	O.Rs.	Offs.	O.Rs.	Offs.	O.Rs.	Offs.	O.Rs.		
9 Battalion	32	772	Nil	Nil	1	35	Nil	4			
		Totals	Nil	Nil	1	35	Nil	4			

REMARKS.

[Handwritten Signature]

Major

Signature and appointment of Officer. Adm. Comd.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING 9 BATTALION

20 Apr. 42

No. 98

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 20 Apr. 42 to Retreat 21 Apr. 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt. J. W. Peachey
 Next for duty - Lt. H. P. J. Swan
 Duty Coy. - C Coy.
 Next for duty - B Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 21 Apr. 42 to Retreat 22 Apr. 42.
 Duty Bn. - 9 Bn.
 Duty Bugler - 9 Bn.
 Field Officer of the day - Capt. G. R. Hyde
 Bde. Fire & General Picquet - 9 Bn.

3. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 20 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 21 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 2. Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 21 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 22 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 8.

4. USE OF INCINERATORS

Inspection of incinerators reveals that a very large part of the refuse dumped for burning consists of Food Scraps.

It appears that these scraps are being placed in refuse bins - instead of Pig Swill Tins.

Coys. will ensure that all food scraps are placed in Pig Swill Tins.

5. BDE. FIRE & GENERAL PICQUET

From Retreat 20 Apr. 42 until further notice Duty Coy. (when duty Bn) will supply Bde. Fire & General Picquet of 1 N.C.O. and 12 Men, who will be on duty from Retreat to Retreat.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

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Copy No. 1 C.O.	10/11 D Coy.	17 7 Inf. Bde.
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 99

21 Apr. 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	21 Apr. 42 to	Retreat	22 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. H. P. J. Swan	
Next for duty	-	Lt. J. E. A. Wanless	
Duty Coy.	-	B Coy.	
Next for duty	-	C Coy.	

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	21 Apr. 42 to	Retreat	22 Apr. 42.
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.	
Duty Bugler	-	9 Bn.	
Field Officer of the Day		Capt. G. R. Hyde	
Bde. Fire & General Picquet		9 Bn.	

3. APPOINTMENT - SERGEANTS MESS

The Commanding Officer has been pleased to approve of the following appointment, 9th Bn. Sergeants' Mess.

Hon. Secretary: Q16197 L/Sgt. N. Moore

4. APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTION

Personnel will be instructed that in the event of their desiring to make application for exemption from Service, either on the grounds of Great Hardship or Reserved Occupation, they will forward their applications to the Commanding Officer through the normal channels and will not communicate direct with the Deputy Director of Man Power or any other office.

Such application will be dealt with by the Commanding Officer in the manner prescribed in N. Comd. Routine Orders, forwarded to the appropriate authority for decision and the member concerned advised of the result.

Attention of all ranks will be drawn to the necessity of addressing all such correspondence to the C.O. as any other method will only delay the consideration of their claims.

5. LOSS OF COLLAPSIBLE RUBBER SCREEN

A 6' long Roller Screen in Brown Leather Case is reported missing. This screen is Departmental Property and was left in Red Shield Hut on 2 Apr. 42.

Personnel who can give any information on this matter are requested to report to C.Q.M.S., Bde. H.Q..

6. PASSWORD

Password to be used from 0620 hrs. 21 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 22 Apr. 42 will be Serial No. 8. Password from 0620 hrs 22 Apr. to 0620 hrs 23 Apr. will be Serial No. 17.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
Adj. t. 9 Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

22 Apr. 42

No. 100

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	22 Apr. 42 to Retreat	23 Apr. 42.
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. J. E. A. Wanless
Next for duty	-	Lt. D. G. Henderson
Duty Coy.	-	C Coy
Next for duty	-	B Coy

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	22 Apr. 42 to Retreat	23 Apr. 42.
Medical Officer of the day		Capt. F. Hatcher

3. PASSWORD

Period	22 Apr. - 23 Apr.	Serial No.	17
	23 Apr. - 24 Apr.	" "	7
	24 Apr. - 25 Apr.	" "	4
	25 Apr. - 26 Apr.	" "	16

4. LOSS OF COLLAPSIBLE RUBBER SCREEN

Screen reported missing in R.O. Part 1, No 99/42 of 21 Apr. 42 has been located.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
 adjt. En.

NOTICES

A Khaki Jumper has been found in Bde. Guard Hut. Owner may have same by applying to H.Q. 7 Fd. Amb.

The members of the Y.W.C.A. wish to remind all ranks that the organisation holds "Open House" for the men of the Services each Saturday and Sunday evening from 5 p.m., at their Club Rooms, 278 Adelaide St., City.

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..... *J. L. Kelly*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By.

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

23 Apr. 42

No. 101

ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	23 Apr. 42 to	Retreat	24 Apr. 42	
Orderly Officer	-			Lt. D. G. Henderson
Next for duty	-			Lt. K. R. Boys
Duty Coy.	-			3 Coy
Next for duty	-			C Coy.

2. PASSWORD

Period from	0620 hrs.	23 Apr. 42 to	0620 hrs.	24 Apr.	Serial No. 7
"	"	"	"	25 Apr.	" 4
"	"	"	"	26 Apr.	" 16
"	"	"	"	27 Apr.	" 16

3. D.C.M.

D.C.M. was held on 31 Mar. 42 at Chermside pursuant to a convening order dated 24 Mar. 42 made by Brig. A.M. Forbes, M.C. Base Commandant, N. Comd.

Accused: - Q17128 Pte. V. H. Ernst - "A" Coy. 9 Bn. A.M.F.
 Charge: - Absenting himself without leave (A.M.F. 15 (1)).
 Finding: - Guilty
 Sentence (as confirmed): - Detention for two days
 Confirmed: - 2 Apr. 42 by G.O.C. N. Comd.


 Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

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6/7	B Coy	14	M.O.	18/19	War Diary		

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING9 BATTALION

No. 102

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 24 Apr. 42 to Retreat 25 Apr. 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt. K. R. Boys
 Duty Coy. - C Coy. 26
 Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42.
 Orderly Officer - Lt. H. D. Wood
 Duty Coy. 26 - D Coy.
 Mounting Retreat 27 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42.
 Orderly Officer - Lt. R. H. Holmes
 Duty Coy. - A Coy.

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42.
 Duty Bn. - 9 Bn.
 Duty Bugler - 9 Bn.
 Field Officer of the day:
 (Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 26 Apr. 42) Lt. H. C. Vidgen
 (Mounting Retreat 26 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42) Capt. E. A. Williams
 Bde. Fire & General Picquet 9 Bn.

3. PASSWORD

Period from 0620 hrs. 24 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 25 Apr. 42 Serial No. 4
 Period from 0620 hrs. 25 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 26 Apr. 42 Serial No. 16
 " " " " 26 Apr. 42 " " " 27 Apr. 42 " " 16
 " " " " 27 Apr. 42 " " " 28 Apr. 42 " " 12

4. UNIT CENSORSHIP

Personnel are reminded that when they post letters outside Camp they are infringing unit censorship regulations and render themselves liable to a penalty.

5. BOXING CONTEST - AUSTRALIAN ARMY - AIR FORCE - V = AMERICANS

A Boxing Contest has been arranged between a Combined Aust. Army - Air Force Team and a team selected from the U.S. Army.

Contests will be held in all recognised Weight Classes, and will each consist of 4 - 2 min. rounds.

The following classes will be contested:-

Heavyweight	Catchweight
Light-Heavyweight	12.7 & under
Middleweight	11.6 & Under
Welterweight	10/7 & Under
Lightweight	9.9 & Under
Featherweight	9.0 & Under
Bantamweight	8.6 & Under
Flyweight	8.0 & Under. 24 Apr. 42

Coys. will advise Bn. H. Q. by 1700 hrs. of the names of personnel desiring to compete.

(Cont. overleaf)

5. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry will assemble on 24 Apr. 42 to inquire into the
 Illegal absence of Q16170 Pte. Harris M.D.
 Pres. Capt. A.T. Beech Q16752
 Member Lt. R.H. Holmes Q16555

Corrigendum:-

To 9 Bn. R.O. Part 1 No 35/42. Reference to Court of Inquiry
 into the Illegal absence of Q39397 Pte. Hurren, G.P.
 Delete entry appointing Lt. R.C. Katter as being Member of
 the Court.

J. L. Kelly
 Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 103

25 April 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 26 Apr. 42	-	Lt. H. D. Wood
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. F. B. Whyatt
Next for duty	-	D Coy
Duty Coy.	-	B Coy.
Next for duty	-	

2. BRIGADE DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42.	-	9 Bn.
Duty Bn.	-	9 Bn.

Duty Bugler

Field Officer of the day:

(Mounting Retreat 25 Apr. 42 to Retreat 26 Apr. 42) - Major J. C. McElvi

(Mounting Retreat 26 Apr. 42 to Retreat 27 Apr. 42) - Capt. E. A. Williams

Bde. Fire & General Picquet

Medical Officer of the Day

Capt. F. Hatcher (mounting Retreat 26 Apr. 42)

3. PASSWORDS

Period from 0620 hrs. 25 Apr. 42 to 0620 hrs. 26 Apr.	Serial No. 16
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" " " " 27 Apr. 42 " " 28 Apr.	" " 12
" " " " 28 Apr. 42 " " 29 Apr.	" " 1
" " " " 29 Apr. 42 " " 30 Apr.	" " 6

4. KIT INSPECTION

Coys. will hold a thorough kit inspection on Mon. 27 Apr. 42 to ensure that each soldier is in possession of all arms, equipment and clothing with which he has been issued.

Immediate action will be taken to account for and replace deficiencies.

5. CHURCH PARADE

Church Of England, Church Parade will be held in the vicinity of Canteen on Sunday 26 Apr. at 0900 hrs. Parade will be supervised by the Orderly Officer.

J. L. Kelly
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 Adj. 9 Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 104

27 Apr. 42

ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	27 Apr. 42	to	Retreat	28 Apr. 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. R. H. Holmes	
Next for duty	-		Lt. J. W. Peachey	
Duty Coy	-		A Coy.	
Next for duty	-		C Coy.	

2. PASSWORD

Period from	0620 hrs.	27 Apr.	to	0620 hrs.	28 Apr.	Serial No	12
"	"	"	"	"	29 Apr.	"	1
"	"	"	"	"	30 Apr.	"	6
"	"	"	"	"	1 May	"	18

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
 Adj. Bn.

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10. Water Containers and Stores : Water containers will be kept covered and all stores will be kept covered as far as possible.

11. System of Alarms : For gas other than spray :
Sub Unit - Rattle.
Battalion - Siren.

For spray : Shout spray by day.
At night, gas sentry notifies P.A.D. officer in sub-unit, and where men are under cover they will on no account be turned out. Such precautions as are necessary will be carried out under cover.

Aircraft attack : Succession of short blasts on whistle. All clear, two long blasts on whistle repeated at 5 seconds interval.

12. Light Restrictions : The senior officer or N.C.O. in each unit is responsible for seeing that no light in the building is visible from the outside. Particular attention will be paid to the screening of doors.

13. Fire Posts : All available fire fighting equipment will be held at fire posts. Duty coy. will furnish a fire picket of one Pl. who will turn out and report to Bn. O.O. at alarm post on alarm being sounded. Coys are responsible for seeing that all pl. billets or areas are provided with fire fighting equipment.

14. First Aid Post : R.M.O. will be responsible that the first aid party consisting of three men will be on duty at R.A.P. at all times. Coys will arrange for parties of three men in each area.

15. Decontamination Squad : Pnr. Sgt. will detail squad of 1 N.C.O. and 5 O.Rs. Duties as determined by P.A.D. Offr.

16. Cleansing Centres : These will be arranged by Pnr. Sgt. in consultation with R.M.O. in each area. Pnr. Sgt. will place bleech trays at these centres, and will supervise the decontamination of all vehicles.

17. Rescue Parties : Pnr. Sgt. will detail party of 1 N.C.O. and 7 O.Rs. for H.C. Coy. A similar party will be detailed in each area.

18. Maintenance of Anti-gas Equipment : Coys. will hold weekly inspection of anti-gas equipment.

19. Signals : When the "raiders passed" signal is sounded by the general warning system, if gas has not been used, ordinary activity may be resumed. If gas has been used, or if there is no general warning system, personnel will wait for the all-clear signal--two long blasts on the whistle, repeated at intervals of about five seconds. (This signal is the same as that laid down for "air attack ended.")

When the aircraft attack is ended, and when the areas for which they are responsible are clear of gas, unit and sub-unit commanders will order "Gas, clear" to be called. If gas has been used the "Gas Clear" signal signifies that all those within the area affected may test for gas, and, if they are satisfied that gas is not present, may remove their respirators.

20. Reconnaissance : Immediately after a gas attack, if gas has been used or is suspected, area P.A.D. officers will carry out a reconnaissance to find out the limits of the contaminated area, and the intensity of the contamination. Any other necessary reconnaissances will be ordered by area commanders.
21. Precautions against Fresh Attack : Special precautions will be taken against a fresh attack. New detectors will be placed in position and their inspection by sentries continued.
22. Evacuation of Contaminated areas : Heavily contaminated areas will be evacuated and marked with gas warning signs.
23. Weapons and Food : Every weapon exposed to gas will be decontaminated by the users as soon as the attack is over. Rags after use will be destroyed by burning. Food which has been contaminated by liquid will be destroyed after inspection by M.O.
24. Contaminated clothing : Contaminated clothing will be left in dumps, marked with gas warning signs and, at the first opportunity, placed in anti-gas bags for removal to the L. of C. Fresh clothing will be issued from unit reserves.
25. Casualties : (i) Wounded, whether contaminated or not, will go or be carried to first-aid posts.
(ii) Casualties from choking gas, whether contaminated or not, must be carried to first-aid posts.

J. L. Kelly
.....Lieut.
For Adj. 9 Bn

18 Apr. 42

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and	10	X	39	and	907
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	1
Majors	2	-	2
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	20	7	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	39	7	4

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LT. COL.	MURPHY H.D.	9 Bn. (Asst. Staff Corps)	18/4/42	Transferred in.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	120009	MORGAN H.D.	9 Bn.	Yes	
Major	15601	LUTCH A.J.V.	"	"	
T/Major	16201	MCKELVIN J.G.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15619	HANKINS W.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15622	BRIDGEMAN G.H.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16000	RYAN G.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16721	WALKER A.V.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16720	WILLIAMS B.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16340	GOLDEN G.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16752	LUTCH A.T.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15621	BATTIE H.C.	"	No	sick
T/Lieut.	165102	VIDON H.C.	"	No	sick
T/Lieut.	16951	LEWIS G.A.	"	No	Hygiene Course
T/Lieut.	16318	HORTHROOK G.H.	"	Yes	
T/Lieut.	15718	PICKERING L.A.	"	No	H.Q.S.O.
T/Lieut.	15713	KELLY J.L.	"	Yes	
T/Lieut.	27962	BRIDGEMAN D.G.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16371	MULLOY G.G.R.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16361	MCPHARLANE J.G.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16318	ROBERTSON A.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16396	SMITH G.J.K.	"	No	Hygiene Course
T/Lieut.	15992	WALKER J.H.A.	"	Yes	
T/Lieut.	16221	RYAN H.A.	"	Yes	
T/Lieut.	15616	TOON A.C.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	15657	LEVER K.V.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	15326	MULGANY B.H.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16555	MILNER B.H.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16960	FRASER J.V.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	15749	WOOD H.D.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16060	DAVIS K.G.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16238	BOYD K.R.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	100090	ROBERTS K.B.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	15939	BONNEY A.J.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	16631	HARVEY K.T.	"	No	I.O.F.S. Monagilla
T/Lieut.	16655	SWAN H.K.J.	"	Yes	
T/Lieut.	16545	HARRISON B.H.	"	"	
T/Lieut.	141041	SHUTT R.J.	"	"	

T/Lieut. 16370 STEPHENS J.V.T. has been seconded to 7 Inf. Bde, but has not yet been struck off strength of the unit, due to the fact that the necessary entry has not yet been promulgated in H.Q.S.O. H.Q. part 11.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	123523	HATCHER F.	H.Q.S.O.		H.Q.

9 Battalion
25/4/42

(Unit.)

(Date of Despatch.)

H. Morgan

(Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf. Bde.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

9 Battalion. (Unit) 25/4/42 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	-	-	1
W.Os. Class II.	2	-	6
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	6	-	-
Staff Serjeants	5	4	-
Serjeants	31	-	10
Corporals	76	-	10
Troopers, Privates, &c.	896 776	48 -44	-
TOTALS	896	* 48	* 27

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O.II 1	A.I.C.		
Sgt. 1	A.A.P.C.		
Sgt. 1	A.A.O.C.		
Cpl. 1	Fd. Post. Unit		
Pte. 1	N.C.O.D.		
Pte. 1	A.A.O.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
<p>It is pointed out that in Part A, Column 3, 21 Personnel have marched out of Camp, but have not yet been struck off Strength of this Unit, due to the fact that the necessary entries have not yet been promulgated in N.C.R.O.s Routine Orders Part 11</p>				

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths		1	Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers		2	Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers		1	G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		4
Carpenter and Joiner		3	Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks		4	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		4
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		1
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders		1	Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		21	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		1	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						W.O.1 R.S.M.		1
						W.O.11 C.S.M's		5
						S/Sgt. C.S.M's	4	
						Infantrymen	68	
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		35					72	16

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

9 Battalion, Unit.

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Lt. Col.

Date of Despatch 25/4/42

7 Inf. Bde.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

WEEK ENDING 25 APRIL 42.

To - 7 Inf. Bde.

From - 9 Battalion

Coy Training - All Coys remaining in dispersal area have continued training as laid down by the syllabus.

Special Training - On 20 Apr 42 A and D Coys left the "XXXXXXXXXX" dispersal area for the IPSWICH district where "Free For All" exercises took place. All personnel took a great interest in the exercises and the competitive spirit was very keen throughout the whole exercise. The Coys returned to the dispersal area Friday afternoon 24 Apr 42.

'I' Sec Movements - The I.O. and 3 personnel of the 'I' Sec have been in the IPSWICH area during the week following the movements, recording scores and Umpires' reports of the Pls. on the "Free For All" exercises. They returned to the dispersal area Friday afternoon 24 Apr 42.

Coy. Movements - On night of 23 Apr 42 E Coy carried out an exercise as per Bde Syllabus in the SAMFORD area.

Route March - On 23 Apr 42 the A.A. Pl. carried out a route march to CASHS' X'ing.

Range Practice - On 22 Apr 42 The following coys carried out range practice at ENOGGERA rifle range, using automatic weapons;- B, C, E Coys.

Reconnaissance - On the 24 Apr 42 The 2 I/C carried out a recce of the NORTH COAST area.

Maps. - An enlargement of the MAROOCHY area was prepared by the 'I' Sec for recce purposes.

Field Work - All magazines have now been completed.

Observation Post - The post on SPARKES HILL ref. 166967 (SAMFORM - TRAINING No.4) is still being manned and communication to Bn. H.Q. carried out by runner.

Intercommunication - Communications are still being maintained on the same system as explained in our summary for week ending 28 Mar 42.

Morale - The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard.

Rumour - Throughout the week the Bn has been free from all rumour.

Special Leave - On Friday 24 Apr 42 50% of the Bn were granted leave to 1800 hrs 25 Apr 42. The balance of the Bn will go on leave at 1800 hrs 25 Apr 42 and return at 2350 hrs 26 Apr 42.

Newman
.....Lieut.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 105

28 Apr. 42

1. ORD RLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	28 Apr. 42 to Retreat	29 Apr. 42.
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. F. B. Roberts
Next for duty	-	Lt. J. C. McFarlane
Duty Coy.	-	C Coy.
Next for duty	-	D Coy.

2. P. SSWORD

Period from	0620 hrs.	28 Apr. 42 to	0620 hrs.	29 Apr. 42	Serial No	1
"	"	"	"	30 Apr. 42	"	6
"	"	"	"	1 May. 42	"	18

3. SICK LEAVE

Coys. granting Sick Leave, which has been recommended by the R.M.O. will advise Bn. H.Q. immediately as to what period of leave has been granted.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

NOTICE

On Wed. 29 Apr. 42 Pictures will be shown in Bunyaville School Grounds.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No.	1 C.O.	8/9 C Coy	15 Q.M.	20 File
	2/3 H.Q. Coy	10/11 D Coy.	16 T.O.	
	4/5 A Coy	12/13 E Coy	17/18 War Diary	
	6/7 B Coy.	14 M.O.	19 7 Inf. Bde.	

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FROM TIGU

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for Lt. Col.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For Week Ending 2 May 42

to 7 Inf. Bde.

From 9 Bn.

COY. MOVEMENTS : During the week most coys. have been in their respective dispersal areas carrying on with training as laid down by the syllabus. The following movements have taken place :

On 28 Apr. 42 13 and 15 pls., C Coy. carried out exercises vicinity house 147003 ref. map SAMFORD training No. 4.

On 29 Apr. 42 7 pl. and 9 pl. A Coy carried out exercises at 146981 and 149992 respectively ref. map SAMFORD Training No. 4. B Coy. carried out exercises in area ~~685971/ref./map~~ vicinity Xrds. WEBSTER AND STAFFORD.

On 1 May 42 E Coy carried out exercises in area 085971 ref. map SAMFORD training No. 4

PL. MOVEMENTS : At 1100 hrs 28 Apr. 42 the following pls. forming the advance party left the dispersal area for the MAROOCHY area : Pioneer; Mortar; 8, 10, 14, 17, and 19 pls.

On 29 Apr. 42 the carrier pl. left the dispersal area for the MAROOCHY area.

At 1830 hrs on 30 Apr. 42 the advance party returned to the dispersal area from the MAROOCHY area.

At 0530 hrs on 1 May. 42 the carrier pl. returned from the MAROOCHY area to the dispersal area.

The I.O. left as O.C. of the advance party and returned with same.

ALTERATION OF BN. MOVEMENTS : At 0200 hrs 30 Apr. 42 a message was received cancelling the movement of the bn. from the dispersal area to the MAROOCHY area. At present the bn. is remaining in the dispersal area BUNYAVILLE awaiting further orders.

RANGE PRACTICE : On Monday 27 Apr. 42 range practice was carried out at ENOGGERA rifle range by H.Q., A and D Coys. Automatic weapons were used.

FIELD WORK : On 29 Apr. 42 all slit trenches in the dispersal area were filled in. On 30 Apr. 42, following advice of the cancellation of Bn. movement all slit trenches were re-dug.

MAPS : During the week an enlargement of the MAROOCHY area was prepared by the "I" Sec.

OBSERVATION POST : The post on SPARKES HILL ref. 166967 (SAMFORD Training No. 4) is still being manned and communication to Bn. H.Q. carried out by runner.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communications between Bn. H.Q. and coys. are still being maintained on the same system as explained in our summary for week ending 28 Mar. 42. On 28 Apr. 42 communication was established between Bn. H.Q. and 7 Inf. Bde. ~~via~~ by J Sec. sigs. This system will remain in operation until the bn. departs from the dispersal area.

MORALE : The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard. All are prepared to carry to a successful conclusion any task which they may be ordered to undertake.

RUMOUR : The cancellation of the bn. movement which was to have taken place on 30 Apr. 42 has been the cause of many and varied rumours, mainly dealing with the movement of the bn. to outlandish places (anywhere between GOONDIWINDI and the PHILIPPINES). The rumours are without foundation, presumably started by some irresponsible person.

.....M.W. RYAN.....Lieut.
per RWH cpe

9TH. BATTALION

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 0001 hrs
1 MAY 42 To 2400 hrs
4 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	1 MAY 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk.
do	do	0830	Continuation of PL training	kwk.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	kwk.
do	2 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk.
do	do	0830	Continuation of PL training	kwk.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	kwk.
do	3 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	kwk.
do	4 May 42	0600	Strength - 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	kwk.
do	do	0830	Continuation of PL training - Range Practice - Enoggera	kwk.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	kwk.

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New Ryan Unit

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 5 MAY 42 ^{0001 hrs} To 6 may 42 ^{2400 hrs}

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyaville	5 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of PL training - Range Practice	See R.
do			at Enoggera Rifle range	See R.
do	do	1400	Warning Order received for move to Townsville	See R.
do	do	1400	Notification received that Aust military Forces on Active Service vide Gov. Gazette 15 APR 42 promulgated in A.O.'s	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	6 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of pl training - Range practice Enoggera	See R.
do	do	1200	C.O. attends conference North Arm.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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See Raw. Unit

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Unit **9TH. BATTALION**

Date and Time.—From **0001 hrs 7 May 42** To **2400 hrs 9 May 42**

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyarville	7 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 901 OR's	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	do	1900	Advance party leave for Townsville	See R.
do	8 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 900 OR's	See R.
do	do	1030	1st Party leave for Townsville	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	9 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 897 OR's	See R.
do	do	0130 to	} Further parties leave for Townsville	See R.
do	do	2030		
do	do	0800	advance party arrives Townsville and lays out selected area at Stanley	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

D.3185/5.39.—C.4788.

See Ryan's Unit

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 10^{0001 hrs} may 42 To 12^{2400 hrs} may 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bunyasville	10 ^{may} 42	0600	Strength 40 Offrs 894 O.R.	liwR
do	do	0545	} Final parties leave for Townsville	liwR
do	do	1600		
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liwR.
Stanley	11 ^{may} 42	0600	Strength - 40 Offrs 894 O.R.	liwR.
do	do	0600	} Portions of main body arrives at Townsville and proceeds to biv. area	liwR.
do	do	2400		
do	do	1800	Weather - fine	liwR.
do	12 ^{may} 42	0600	Strength - 40 Offrs 894 O.R.	liwR
do	do	0001	} Further portion of main body arrives and proceeds to Stanley	liwR
do	do	2400		
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liwR.

liwR. Ryan. Lieut

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 13 May 42 To 2400 hrs 13 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Stanley	13 May 42	0600	Strength 40 Officers 894 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0800	Work commenced digging slit trenches	See R.
do	do	1215	air raid alarm sounded - no raiders seen.	See R.
do	do	1445	all clear signal given.	See R.
do	do	1500	Final party arrives Stanley from Bunyaville	See R.
do	do	1500	Warning Order rec'd for move of Bn to Rollingstone Cr on 15 May	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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See R. Raw. Lieut

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 14 May 42 To 2400 hrs 15 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Stanley	14 May	0600	Strength 39 Offrs 892 O.R.	liv.R.
do	42 do	0900	C.O. leaves for Rollingsstone Ck for recon with Bde Comd.	liv.R.
do	do	1400	Advance party leaves for Rollingsstone Ck	liv.R.
do	do	1730	Av. raid alarm given	liv.R.
do	do	1800	"All-clear" sounded. (alarm proved to be false)	liv.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liv.R.
do	15 May 42	0600	Strength 39 Offrs 892 O.R.	liv.R.
do	do	0930	Bn left Rollingsstone Stanley for Rollingsstone	liv.R.
Rollingsstone	do	1330	Bn arrived at Rollingsstone and moved into low areas along general line of Rollingsstone	liv.R.
do	do	1730	ck Establishment of mess canteen for troops	liv.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liv.R.

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liv.R. Ryan. Lieut.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 16^{0001 hrs} May 42 To 17^{2400 hrs} May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollengstone	16 May 42	0600	Strength 39 Offrs 892 O.R.	liw.R.
do	do	0830	Est of Bn in new area and intensive recce by all comds. Patrols sent out to front; flanks and rear.	liw.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liw.R.
do	17 May 42	0600	St Strength 39 Offrs 891 O.R.	liw.R.
do	do	0830	Est of Bn in new area. Patrols sent out to front; flanks and rear.	liw.R.
do	do	1100	Visit by Col. Fullerton G.S.O. 1 5 AUST DIV	liw.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liw.R.
liw.Ryan. Lieut.				

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 18^{0001 hrs} May 42 To 19^{2400 hrs} May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	18 May 42	0600	Strength 39 Offrs 893 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0900	C.O. and adjt receive Operation Order for occupation of defensive posn on Rollingstone Ck from Sde Comd.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine - Showery evening	See R.
do	do	1900	Verbal Operation Order for occupation of Bn defensive posn on Rollingstone Ck issued by C.O.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of patrols	See R.
do	19 May 42	0600	Strength 36 Offrs 877 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0800	Commencement of work of clearing for preparation of defensive posns - Continuation of patrols	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Showery	See R.

See R. *See R.*

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Unit 9TH. BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 0001 hrs 20 May 42 To 2400 hrs 21 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	20 May 42	0600	Strength 36 x 877	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive posn.	
			Continuation of patrols	See R.
do	do	1800	weather - showery	See R.
do	21 May 42	0600	Strength 36 Offrs 877 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive position	
			Continuation of patrols	See R.
do	do	1800	weather - showery	See R.
			See Ryan. Lt	

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9TH. BATTALION

Unit

Date and Time.—From ^{0001 hrs} 22 May 42 To ^{2400 hrs} 23 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	22 May 42	0600	Strength 36 Offrs and 877 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive position.	
			Continuation of patrols.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Showery	See R.
do	do	1500	Visit Brig. Field - appointed to Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde.	See R.
do	23 May 42	0600	Strength 36 Offrs and 876 O.R.	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive position.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

See Report Lt.

9TH. BATTALION

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

WAR DIARY ~~or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Unit **9TH. BATTALION**

Date and Time.—From ^{0001 hrs} 24 May 42 To ^{2400 hrs} 25 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	24 May 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs 876 O.R's	liw.R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	liw.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liw.R.
do	25 May 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs 876 O.R's	liw.R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	liw.R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	liw.R.
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0001 hrs

2400 hrs

Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 26 MAY 42 To 27 MAY 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	26 MAY 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs 876 OR's	See R.
do	do	0730	C.O. and I.O. carry out recce. of Rollingstone Area (Aerial recce)	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	See R.
do	do	0830	Work commenced on construction of battle H.Q.	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - cloudy - fine later	See R.
do	27 MAY 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs 876 OR's	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	See R.
do	do	1600	25 new personnel march into 9 ^{BR} as reinforcements (1/2 A.I.F. balance A.M.F.)	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

See Report. Sub.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 28 MAY 42 To 2400 hrs 29 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	28 May 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs 901 O.R's	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions.	See R.
do	do	1000	Practice air raid warning sounded.	See R.
do	do	1115	all clear signal given.	See R.
do	do	1400 to 1500	Mortar shoot carried out to verify ranges and alignment of targets	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	29 May 42	0600	Strength - 36 Offrs - 901 O.R's	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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Unit 9TH. BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 30 May 42 To 2400 hrs 31 MAY 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rollingstone	30 May 42	0600	Strength 36 Offrs. 902 O.R.'s	See R.
do	do	0830	Continuation of work of clearing and preparation of defensive positions	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.
do	31 May 42	0600	Strength - 36 offrs. 902 OR's	See R.
do	do	1000	Range practice carried out by A Coy on beach. Rifles being used, and figure targets. Range approx 200 to 250 yds	See R.
do	do	1800	Weather - Fine	See R.

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Lt. Col.

C.O. 9th. Battalion

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 108

1 May. 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	1 May. 42 to Retreat	2 May 42
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. C. G. E. Holloway
Next for duty	-	Lt. J. E. A. Wanless
Duty Coy.	-	A Coy.
Next for duty	-	C Coy.

2. PASSWORD

Period from	0620 hrs.	1 May	to	0620 hrs.	2 May	Serial No	10
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	15
"	"	2 May	"	"	3 May	"	"

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No	1 C.O.	8/9 C Coy.	15 Q.M.	20 File.
2/3	H.Q. Coy	10/11 D Coy	16 T.O.	
4/5	A Coy.	12/13 E Coy.	17 7 Inf. Bde.	
6/7	B Coy.	14 M.O.	18/19 War Diary	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

May, 42

No 109

1. ORDINARY DUTIES

Mounting 1200 hrs. 2 May. 42 to 1730 hrs. 3/5/42.

Bn. Ord. N.C.O.

Bn. Runner

To be supplied by E Coy.

Bn. Guard (3 Men)

Detention Guard (1 N.C.O. & 6 O.R.) To be supplied by B Coy.

Ammunition Guard (Chermside, 1 N.C.O. & 6 O.R.) To be supplied by
C Coy.

Duty Coy: Mounting 1730 hrs. 3 May. 42 (All duties) - H.Q. Coy.

Orderly Officer - Mounting 1200 hrs. 2/5/42 to 0900 hrs. 3/5/42

Lt. F. B. Roberts

Mounting 0900 hrs. 3/5/42 to 0600 hrs. 4/5/42

Lt. A. Robertson

Mounting 0600 hrs. 4/5/42 to 1730 hrs. 5/5/42

Lt. P. C. Davis

2. PASS ORD

Period from 0620 hrs. 2 May. to 0620 hrs. 4 May. 42 serial No. 15

3. BN. GUARD

As from 2 May. 42 the Bn. Guard will consist of 3 O.R. in charge of
Bn. Ord. N.C.O.. Tour of duty from Retreat to Retreat, with one post
only, namely, Bn. H.Q..

J. L. Kelly
..... Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No. 1	C.O.	8/9	C Coy	15	G.M.	19/20	War Diary.
2/3	H.Q. Coy.	10/11	D Coy	16	T.O.		
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TO H.Q. 5 Aust. Div. & ZENA

FROM TIGU

Originator's Number
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Date
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In Reply to Number
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AY	NIL	and	42	AZ	NIL
and	NIL	B	NIL	and	NIL
C	30	AND	755	D	NIL
E	1	and	9	P	9
and	141				

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion. Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	2	-	1
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	28	7	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	39	7	4

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	120009	MORGAN H. D.	9 Bn.	Yes	(AUST. STAFF CORPS)
Major	15601	SUTCH A. J. W.	"	"	
T/Major	15701	KARLWIS J. C.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15619	HUKINS W. A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15622	PARCIVAL G. H.	"	No	Coy. Cdr. Douroo
T/Capt.	16090	HENR G. R.	"	Yes	
T/Capt.	16721	PAIR R. A. W.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16729	WILLIAMS R. A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16340	GOLDENRID G. A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15752	BIRCH A. I.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15621	BUTTER R. G.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16315	BONNINGTON C. H.	"	Yes	
P/Lieut.	15718	FRANKING L. A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15713	KILLY J. L.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15752	HENDERSON H. D.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16371	MULLOVAY C. G. H.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16318	ROBERTSON A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16396	SMITH C. J. J.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15772	CHARLES J. H. A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16131	RYAN H. W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15616	TOON A. G.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15657	LEVIN K.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15620	MULGANY R. R.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16375	MULLEN R. H.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16363	FRASHER J. W.	"	No	H. O. T. S.
P/Lieut.	15949	WOOD H. D.	"	Yes	
P/Lieut.	16060	DAVIS P. G.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16928	BOYS K. A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	160090	ROBERTS E. B.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15939	BONNAY A. J.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16531	SARKEY P. T.	"	No	I. O. T. S. Ponogilla
P/Lieut.	16633	SMAN H. F. J.	"	Yes	
P/Lieut.	16945	HAMMOND R. H.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	141041	WHEAT P. J.	"	"	

The above have not yet been struck off strength of the Unit, due to the fact that the necessary entry have not yet been promulgated in the Routine Order Part 11.

BY IM.P.

(ii) **OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	123520	HATCHER R.	A. S. S.		E. O.

9 Battalion.

2 May 42

(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]

(Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf. Bde.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FROM **TIGU**

Originator's Number

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Date

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AY	NIL	and	45	AZ	NIL
and	NIL	B	NIL	AND	NIL
C	25	and	445	D	NIL
E	1	and	9	F	14
and	451				

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Z	39	and	896	Y	NIL
and	10	X	39	and	907
W	NIL	and	NIL	V	NIL
and	3	U	NIL	and	32

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT.COL.H.D.MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

4 May.42

No.110

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 4 May.42 to Retreat 5 May.42

Orderly Officer	-	Lt.H.P.J.Swan
Next for duty	-	Lt.J.E.A.Wanless
Duty Coy.	-	D Coy
Next for duty	-	C Coy.

2. PASSWORD

Period from	0620 hrs.	4/5/42	to	0620 hrs.	5/5/42	Serial No.	2
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	13
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	9
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	5

J.L. Kelly
 Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Bn.

		D I S T R I B U T I O N				
Copy No.	1.	C.O.	8/9	C Coy	15	M.O. 20 File
	2/3	H.Q.Coy	10/11	D Coy	16	T.O.
	4/5	A Coy	12/13	E Coy	17	7 Inf.Bde.
	6/7	B Coy.	14	Q.M.	18/19	War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

5 May 42

No. 110

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	5 May 42	to	Retreat	6 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. J. E. A. Wanless	
Duty Coy.	-		C Coy.	
Mounting Retreat	6 May 42	to	Retreat	7 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. P. T. Sankey	
Duty Coy.	-		B Coy.	
Mounting Retreat	7 May 42	to	Retreat	8 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. R. H. Holmes	
Duty Coy.	-		A Coy.	
Mounting Retreat	8 May 42	to	Retreat	9 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. F. B. Whyatt	
Duty Coy.	-		D Coy.	
Mounting Retreat	9 May 42	to	Retreat	10 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. K. R. Boys	
Duty Coy.	-		C Coy.	
Mounting Retreat	10 May 42	to	Retreat	11 May 42
Orderly Officer	-		Lt. D. G. Henderson	
Duty Coy.	-		B Coy.	

2. P. S. ORD

Period from	0620 hrs	5 May	to	0620 hrs.	6 May,	Serial No	13
"	"	" 6 May	"	"	" 7 May	"	9
"	"	" 7 May	"	"	" 8 May	"	5
"	"	" 8 May	"	"	" 9 May	"	12
"	"	" 9 May	"	"	" 10 May	"	7
"	"	" 10 May	"	"	" 11 May	"	20

3. ACTIVE SERVICE

Commonwealth Government Gazette, 15 April 42.

PROCLAMATION

Commonwealth of
Australia to wit.
GOWRIE
Governor-General

By His Excellency the
Governor-General in and over
the Commonwealth of
Australia.

Whereas by regulation 14 of the National Security (Military Forces) Regulations the Governor-General is empowered, amongst other things, to declare in respect of an area that the persons subject to military law serving in that area are "on active service":

Now therefore, I, Alexander Gore Arkwright, Baron Gowrie, the Governor-General aforesaid, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the said regulation, do hereby declare, in respect of the areas comprising the Commonwealth, and each of the Territories of the Commonwealth, that the persons subject to military law serving in those areas are "on active service".

Given under my hand and the seal of the Commonwealth this fourteenth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two and in the sixth year of His Majesty's reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

F. M. Forde
Minister of State for the Army.

(Cont. Overleaf)

4. CORRESPONDENCE

It is again pointed out that it is an offence for military personnel to post correspondence in a civil post office. All mail must be handed in at Orderly Room for franking.

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
Adj. Bn.

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	6/7 B Coy.	12/13 E Coy.	17/18 Mr Di ry	
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FROM **TIGU**

Originator's Number
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Date
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AY	NIL	and	41	AZ	NIL
and	NIL	B	NIL	AND	NIL
C	31	and	771	D	NIL
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Part A of Army Form W. 3008. (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarters units.)

Table with columns for 'Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required' and 'Details of Units'. Rows include Clerks, Cooks, Tailors, and a Total section.

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W. 3008.

Table titled 'Part B. Other Ranks missing from other Corps'. Columns include 'PERSONNEL NOT ON FULL TIME DUTY' and 'Information required vide N.C. Memo 18998'.

Table titled 'Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested'. Includes columns for 'Army No.', 'Rank/Initials', and 'Remarks'.

Notes and signature section. Includes 'Signature of Commander' and 'Date of Despatch'.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion. Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	2	-	1
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	28	7	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	39	7	4

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	120009	MORGAN H.D.	9 Bn.	Yes	(Asst. Staff Corps)
Major	15601	BUTCH A.J.W.	9/Bn.	"	
T/Capt.	15619	HARRIS W.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15622	FENCIVAL G.M.	"	No	Coy. Infr. Course
T/Capt.	15628	HIDE G.R.	"	Yes	
T/Capt.	16721	FALKER A.W.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16720	STILLING B.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16343	GOLDENID G.A.	"	"	
T/Capt.	16752	MURPHY A.T.	"	"	
T/Capt.	15621	KATZNER S.C.	"	No	SICK
P/Lieut.	15318	MORNINGTON C.M.	"	Yes	
P/Lieut.	15611	MURPHY D.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15718	FICKERING D.A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15713	KELLY J.L.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	17962	HENDERSON D.D.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16371	HOLLOMAN G.C.R.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16318	ROBERTSON A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16396	SMITH C.J.R.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15332	WATSON J.M.A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16221	RYAN M.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15616	TOON A.C.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15657	LEVER A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15328	MULCAHY M.A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16555	HOLMES A.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16338	FRANCY J.W.	"	No	N.C.T.S.
P/Lieut.	15249	BOON H.D.	"	Yes	
P/Lieut.	16358	DAVIS F.C.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16928	BOYD K.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	198890	ROBERTS P.B.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	15239	BONNEY A.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16631	SARNEY P.T.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16655	SWAN H.W.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	16565	HARRISON B.A.	"	"	
P/Lieut.	141041	SMITH P.J.	"	"	

2/Major 67201 MORRIS J.C. Transferred out to General Duties Depot
 P/Lieut. 16378 HARRISON J.W.R. Seconded to 7 Inf. Bde. (H.Q.)
 P/Lieut. 165102 VIDLER H.C. Seconded to H.Q. of C. Area
 P/Lieut. 16051 SHER G.A.
 P/Lieut. 16261 HARRISON J.C.

The above have not yet been struck off strength of the unit, due to the fact that the necessary entries have not yet been promulgated in by 1 M.D. H.O. in routine orders etc.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	123528	HATCHER F.	A.A.M.C.		H.O.

9 Battalion.

[Handwritten Signature]

Lt. Col.

9 May. 42

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf. Bde.

(Date of Despatch.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

9 BN. BIV. AREA

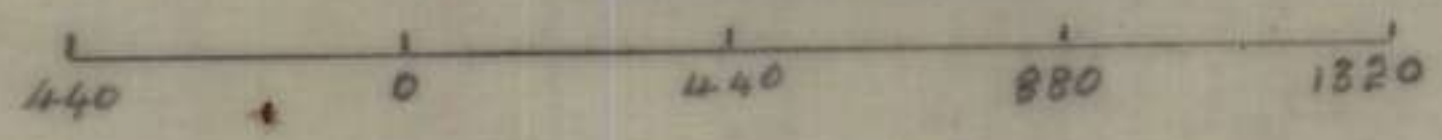
FROM TUES. 12 MAY '42.
TO FRI. 15 MAY '42.

Moved from area at
0930 hrs
on 15 MAY '42

Moved to
ROLLINGSTONE
AREA.
Arrived 1330 hrs



Scale - 4" = 1 Mile



9 BN BIVOUAC AREA

TOWNVILLE 1'
ENLARGED 4 TIMES
9 MAY 1942

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No. 111

13 May 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES.

Mounting Retreat	12 May	to Retreat	13 May	Duty Coy.	A Coy	Orderly Officer	Lt. E. Mulcahy
"	"	13 May	"	"	"	14 May	Duty Coy B Coy Orderly Officer Lt. P. Sankey
"	"	14 May	"	"	"	15 May	Duty Coy C Coy Orderly Officer Lt. J. Wanless
"	"	15 May	"	"	"	16 May	Duty Coy D Coy Orderly Officer Lt. H. Hood
"	"	16 May	"	"	"	17 May	Duty Coy E Coy Orderly Officer Lt. L. Pickering
"	"	17 May	"	"	"	18 May	Duty Coy H. Coy Orderly Officer Lt. K. Lever
"	"	18 May	"	"	"	19 May	Duty Coy A Coy

2. DUTIES

Duty Coys. will supply Duties as under:-

- (a) Bn. Orderly Officer (Nominated by Bn. H.Q.)
- (b) Bn. Orderly Sergeant
- (c) Bn. Runner

Tour of duty from Retreat to Retreat.

A Bn. Guard of 3 Men and an Ammunition Guard of 1 N.C.O. and 3 Men will mount at Retreat and dismount at Reveille.

3. PASSWORD

From Retreat	13 May	to Retreat	14 May	Serial No	2
"	"	14 May	"	"	4
"	"	15 May	"	"	7
"	"	16 May	"	"	10
"	"	17 May	"	"	17
"	"	18 May	"	"	19
"	"	19 May	"	"	20

(As per Security Memo of 23 March 42).

4. BOUNDS

Bathing will not be permitted in water holes adjoining bivouac area. Water may be drawn from these holes however.

5. PARADE STATE

Coys. will furnish at 1600 hrs. daily a statement of any alterations to the Parade State furnished at 0700 hrs. Nil returns to be submitted.

6. BLACK-OUT

The following Black-out regulations will be put into force forthwith:-

- (a) ALL premises or billets will be completely blacked out.
- (b) Tents and other forms of bivouac will maintain a complete black out.
- (c) NO fires in the open are to be alight after 1800 hrs daily.

Under black-out conditions speeds are not to exceed 20 m.p.h. for any vehicle.

(Cont. overleaf).

7. ACTIVE SERVICE

The ... now being on Active Service, Field punishment may be imposed.

for New Ryan
 Lieut.
 Adj. 9 Br.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No	1	C.O.	8/9	C Coy	15	Q.M.	20	File
	2/3	H. Coy	10/11	D Coy	16	T.O.		
	4/5	A Coy	12/13	E Coy	17/18	War Diary		
	6/7	B Coy	14	M.C.	19	7	Inf. Bde.	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART I
ByLT.-COL.H.D.MORGAN, COMMANDING9 BATTALION

No. 112

14 May 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES :
 Mounting Retreat 14 May to Retreat 15 May 42 Duty Coy C Coy
 Orderly Officer Lt.J.E.A.Wanless
 " " 15 May to Reatreat 16 May 42 Duty Coy D Coy
 Orderly Officer Lt.H.D.Wood

2. DUTIES :
 Town picquet 15 May 42 :

Picquet Officer - Lt.E.R.Mulcahy
 1 Sgt. and 10 O.Rs. to be detailed by A Coy

^c
 Picquet Officer - Lt.F.B.Roberts
 1 Sgt. and 10 O.Rs. to be detailed by E Coy

A Coy will provide 1 3-ton vehicle and E Coy will provide
 1 1-ton vehicle.

- . Inlying Picquet 16 May 42 :

Picquet Officer - Lt.A.J.Bonney
 1 Sgt. and 10 O.Rs. to be detailed by B Coy

Picquet Officer - Lt.H.P.J.Swan
 1 Sgt. and 10 O.Rs. to be detailed by H.Q. Coy

B Coy will provide 1 3-ton vehicle, and H.Q. Coy will provide
 1 1-ton vehicle.

3. PICQUET DUTIES :

(a) On occasions on which this unit is detailed to provide town picquet the picquet as detailed in routine orders will report for instructions at 1800 hrs to provost office at police station, off Flinders Street, Townsville. Transport will be provided by coys as detailed in routine orders.

(b) When unit is detailed to provide inlying picquet personnel and transport as detailed in routine orders will be maintained in call in coy areas.

(c) Officers of the town picquet will report to adjutant at 1630 hrs and officers of the inlying picquet at 1800 hrs.

(d) Dress : Steel helmet, shorts, shirt, boots, short puttees and hosetops, ~~belt~~. ~~sidearms~~ and respirator.

4. PAYBOOKS :

Attention is drawn to the necessity of paying officers signing paybooks in the presence of the member so that the paybook may be immediately returned to the member.

5. BLACKOUT :

Reference blackout instructions R.O. No. 111 para. 6, use of hurricane lamps will be permissible in tents provided that the flaps of both ends are closed.

(Continued overleaf)

6. WAR CORRESPONDENTS :

Accredited war correspondents, either U.S.A. or Australian, will not be admitted to any camp or area occupied by 5 Aust. Div. for the purpose of taking pictures or interviewing personnel except by arrangement through the A.P.R.O.

An Army Public Relations Officer (Capt. Steel) has been appointed in the TOWNSVILLE area. This officer will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements for interviews between accredited war correspondents and troops of 5 Aust. Div.

All ranks will be instructed that NO information whatever will be given to war correspondents except through the channels as outlined above.

7. MAILS :

Inward mails : Inward mails will be ready for collection by 1700 hrs daily and will subsequently be delivered to coys. Owing to delays in the arrival of mails the above time is subject to alteration to meet daily requirements.

Outward mails : Outward mails will close at orderly rooms at 1100 hrs daily and will be collected by postal corporal.

J. Kelly
.....Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

NOTICE

LOSS : Dvr. C. Turvey reports the loss of his three blankets, palliassé and groundsheet between Partington siding and Anthill Plains. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of these please return to this H.Q.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

1. C.O.	8/9. C Coy	15. Q.I.	20. File.
2/3. H.Q. Coy	10/11. D Coy	16. T.O.	
4/5. A Coy	12/13. E Coy	17. 7 Inf. Bde.	
6/7. B Coy	14. M.O.	18/19. War Diary	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	2	-	1
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	27	6	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	38	6	4

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
P/Lieut.	STEPHENS J.W.T.	9 Bn.	1/4/42	Seconded to H.Q. 7 Inf Bde.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Capt.	HARLAND M.		2/15th
Capt.	MILES W.N.		2/25th
Lieut.	DARK R.J.G.		2/9th
Lieut.	MAY N.D.S.		2/12th
Lieut.	DUFFY G.E.		2/12th
Lieut.	LAKE A.B.		2/26th
Lieut.	FOX A.M.		2/26th

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
	20009				(Asst. Staff Corps)
Lt. Col.	15601	MORGAN H. D.	9 Bn.	Yes	C.O.
Major	15601	HUTCH A. J. W.	9 Bn.	No	2 I.O. (Course 43 Canberra)
T/Capt.	15619	HAWKINS W. A.	9 Bn.	Yes	O.C. B Coy. Course)
T/Capt.	15622	MERCIVAL G. M.	9 Bn.	No	O.C. H. Coy. (Coy Cmdr.
T/Capt.	16098	HYDE G. R.	9 Bn.	Yes	O.C. C Coy
T/Capt.	16721	FALMER A. W.	9 Bn.	"	O.C. B Coy
T/Capt.	16720	WILLIAMS E. A.	9 Bn.	"	O.C. A Coy
T/Capt.	16340	GOLDWIN S. A.	9 Bn.	"	O.C. D Coy
T/Capt.	16752	BENCH A. T.	9 Bn.	"	2 I.O. A Coy
T/Capt.	15621	KATZER R. C.	9 Bn.	No	2 I.O. B Coy (Sick not yet on X List)
P/Lieut.	16318	MORNINGROCK C. M.	9 Bn.	Yes	I.O.
P/Lieut.	15611	RADFORD S. W.	9 Bn.	"	3 Pl.
P/Lieut.	15718	PICKERING L. A.	9 Bn.	"	2 Pl.
P/Lieut.	15713	KELLY J. L.	9 Bn.	"	Adj.
P/Lieut.	27962	HENDERSON D. G.	9 Bn.	"	10 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16371	HOLLOWAY G. G. E.	9 Bn.	"	8 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16318	ROBERTSON A.	9 Bn.	"	4 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16396	SMITH C. J. K.	9 Bn.	"	2 I.O. B Coy
P/Lieut.	15992	FAHLESS J. E. A.	9 Bn.	"	14 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16221	RYAN M. W.	9 Bn.	"	I.O.
P/Lieut.	15616	TOON A. C.	9 Bn.	"	O.C.
P/Lieut.	15697	LEVER K. W.	9 Bn.	"	1 Pl.
P/Lieut.	15828	MILCANY E. R.	9 Bn.	"	9 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16555	HOLMES R. M.	9 Bn.	"	7 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16960	FRACHEY J. W.	9 Bn.	No	13 Pl. (M.C.T.S.)
P/Lieut.	15949	WOOD H. D.	9 Bn.	Yes	17 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16060	DAVIS P. C.	9 Bn.	"	16 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16928	BOYS K. R.	9 Bn.	"	15 Pl.
P/Lieut.	100090	ROBERTS S. B.	9 Bn.	"	19 Pl.
P/Lieut.	15939	BONNEY A. J.	9 Bn.	"	11 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16631	SAKKEY P. T.	9 Bn.	"	12 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16655	SWAN H. P. J.	9 Bn.	"	2 Pl.
P/Lieut.	16545	HARMOND E. M.	9 Bn.	"	20 Pl.
P/Lieut.	141041	WHYATT K. J.	9 Bn.	"	16 Pl.

T/Major 67201 MCKELVIN J. C. Transferred out to General Duties Depot
P/Lieut. ~~185182~~ 185182 VIGDEN H. C. Seconded to H. Q. of C. Area
P/Lieut. 16051 RIS R. C. A. Seconded to H. Q. of C. Area
P/Lieut. 16361 MCFARLANE J. S. Seconded to H. Q. of C. Area

The above have not yet been struck off strength of the Unit due to the fact that the necessary entries have not yet been promulgated by 1 M.D.R.O. in Routine Orders Part 11.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Mt. dre	123528	HATCHER E.	A.I.M.C.		H.Q. Chaplain.
	69072	GILLMAN G. D.			

9 Battalion.

(Unit.)

16/5/42

(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
 (Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf Bde.
 (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For Week Ending 16 May 42

To 7 Inf. Bde.
From 9 Bn.

BN. MOVEMENTS : Over 8, 9 and 10 May 42 groups of the 9 Bn left the BUNYAVILLE dispersal area and entrained for TOWNSVILLE. The last group arrived in TOWNSVILLE on 13 May 42. The Bn. was dispersed in an area at ANTHILL PLAINS. At 0930 hrs on 15 May 42 the 9 Bn. left the ANTHILL PLAINS area and proceeded north by motor transport to ROLLINGSTONE CK area, arriving there at 1330 hrs. Here the bn. immediately settled in.

A.-A. PROTECTION : Throughout all movements of the bn. A.-A. protection was provided by the A.-A. pl. During rail movement the A.-A. pl. had its gun mounted in an open railway truck. During motor transport the gun was mounted in an open truck. During the bn's stay at ANTHILL PLAINS A.-A. guns were manned at various points in the dispersal area.

OBSERVATION PATROLS : On 13 and 14 May 42 all coys. climbed the high features adjacent to the ANTHILL PLAINS area for observation and orientation purposes.

RECCE. PATROLS : On 16 and 17 May 42 all coys. carried out recce. patrols of the ROLLINGSTONE dispersal area.

MARS : Throughout the week the 'I' sec. made several tracings of the ANTHILL PLAINS area and an enlargement of ROLLINGSTONE CK. area.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communication between Bn. H.Q. and coys. has been established by Bn. sigs. using D.5 sets. Communication between Bn. H.Q. and 7 Inf. Bde. has been established by 'J' sec. sigs.

FIELD WORK : On arrival at ANTHILL PLAINS slit trenches were immediately dug and filled in on the departure of the bn. from that area. On arrival at ROLLINGSTONE area slit trenches were immediately dug.

AIR RAID ALARMS : An air raid alarm was sounded at 1330 hrs on 13 May 42. The all clear was sounded at 1545 hrs. On the alarm all troops were prepared and remained handy to their slit trenches. At 1730 hrs on 14 May 42 an alarm was sounded and the all clear was given about 1830 hrs. This alarm proved to be false.

MORALE : The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard.

RUMOUR : Throughout the week the bn. has been free of all rumour.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING9 BATTALION

17 May 42

No. 113

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	17 May 42 to	Retreat 18 May 42	Duty Coy A Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. O. G. J. Holloway
"	"	18 May 42 to	Retreat 19 May 42
			Duty Coy B Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. A. J. Bonney
"	"	19 May 42 to	Retreat 20 May 42
			Duty Coy C Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. K. R. Boys
"	"	20 May 42 to	Retreat 21 May 42
			Duty Coy B Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. E. M. Hammond
"	"	21 May 42 to	Retreat 22 May 42
			Duty Coy A Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. R. H. Holmes
"	"	22 May 42 to	Retreat 23 May 42
			Duty Coy B Coy
			Orderly Officer Lt. H. P. J. Swan
"	"	23 May 42 to	Retreat 24 May 42
			Duty Coy C Coy.
			Orderly Officer Lt. J. E. Wanless

2. PICKET

(a) Duty Coy. on the odd days of the month will provide a picket in ROLLINGSTONE village from 1700 hrs to 2400 hrs. daily.

(b) STRENGTH: 1 N.C.O. and 5 O.R.'s.

(c) DRESS Boots, puttees short, hose tops, shorts, shirts, steel helmets, respirators.

(d) DUTIES Picket will be responsible for good order and discipline in ROLLINGSTONE township and Ryl. Station and will ensure that no bottled liquor is supplied to troops and that no troops are in hotel outside trading hours.

The Town Picket and Inlying Picket as promulgated in R.O. No 112/42 are hereby cancelled.

3. SHOOTING

Coys. will warn all ranks that shots must not be fired except for military reason and that disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF P.A.C.

It is advised that a P.A.C. (Blue Light Depot) has been established near Shire Hall at corner of Charters Towers Road and Flinders Street West (Causeway Area).

The P.A.C. is open from 0700 hrs to 2350 hrs daily.

5. DUTIES

Duty Coy. will supply a gate picket of 1 N.C.O. and 3 Men. Tour of duty from Retreat to Retreat.

Location - Gateway on main road at entrance to Camp Area.

(Cont. Overleaf)

6. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry will assemble on 17 May 42 to inquire into the destruction by fire of M.C. 31056, Triumph 2½ H.P., O.H.V. at Portington Siding on 12 May 42.

Pres.	-	Capt W.A. Hawkins	Q15619
Member	-	Lt. C.M. Hornibrook	Q16318

7. MAIL

(a) INWARD Mail will be delivered to Coys. by Post Orderly during the afternoon. The time varying according to size of mail and hour of arrival of train.

(b) OUTWARD Mail will be collected by Post Orderly at the same time as inward mail is delivered. Any further mail will be delivered by Coys. to Post Orderly not later than 0900 hrs. daily.

(c) STAMPS: As from 20 May 42 OUTWARD mail must be delivered to Post Orderly with STAMPS AFFIXED cash in lieu will not then be accepted. Personnel will then be responsible for buying their own stamps whilst on leave or by arrangements with their correspondents to send stamps. The impending shortage of small change would in any case prevent the continuation of the present system.

(d) AIR MAIL: Personnel wishing to send letters by Air Mail, should print in block letters 'By AIR MAIL' in the top left hand corner of the envelope, as 'Stickers' are no longer available.

8. P.S.WORD

From	Retreat	17 May	to	Retreat	18 May	Serial	No	17
"	"	18 May	"	"	19 May	"	"	19
"	"	19 May	"	"	20 May	"	"	20
"	"	20 May	"	"	21 May	"	"	12
"	"	21 May	"	"	22 May	"	"	18
"	"	22 May	"	"	23 May	"	"	16
"	"	23 May	"	"	24 May	"	"	8

9. LATRINES

Shovels must not on any account be removed from Latrines. Any person found removing same will be severely dealt with.

10. ENTRANCE TO Q.M. STORE

Wire has been erected around the Q.M. Store & Ration Store. Personnel are warned of this and are advised that those desiring to do business with either of these stores should enter through the two breaks in the wire, which are on the eastern side of the enclosure, facing Bn. H.Q.

Signs are erected near these entrances.

11. M.T.

Coys. will ensure that all M.T. Drivers and driver mechanics' check all nuts on wheel bolts, especially new vehicles as there have been many instances of neglect on the part of drivers to check these and the danger therewith is obvious.

All body bolts will also be checked as the nature of the country necessitates a close watch on these.

12. BOUNDS

The township of ROLLINGSTONE is out of bounds to all Troops, except personnel on duty, and personnel proceeding and returning from fortnightly leave.

(Cont. on next page).

13. INOCULATION, VACCINATION, BLOOD GROUPING

Coys. will submit to this H.Q. by 1530 hrs. the number of personnel who have not received the full course of treatment under each of the following headings:-

- (a) Vaccination
- (b) T.A.B.
- (c) Tetanus Toxoid
- (d) or whose Blood Grouping has not been effected.

The course of treatment includes yearly maintenance injections of T.A.B. & Tetanus Toxoid, requirements for which will be shown separately.

14. MOTOR CYCLES - SILENCING

All motor-cycles must be fitted with efficient silencers. Disciplinary action will be taken against any member who makes unauthorised modifications to silencers.

15. HYGIENE UNITS A.A.N.C. - PERSONNEL FOR-

Coys. will submit to this H.Q. immediately, recommendation in order of preference of personnel who hold any of the following qualifications and are suitable to hold commissioned or senior N.C.O. rank in fd. hygiene units:-

- Science Degree
- Veterinary Degree
- Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute
- Certificate of Food and Meat Supervision
- Active Service experience with Fd. Hyg. Secs.

16. WATER TESTING

Most of the water in 5 Aust. Div. area outside urban districts is polluted and unfit for drinking unless sterilised. All water is to be chlorinated until certified satisfactory after bacteriological and chemical tests.

17. SOUVENIRING - CAPTURED MATERIALS

Recent cases have occurred of tps. souveniring portions of crashed enemy aircraft and equipment and personal effects from Japanese Prisoners of War.

All ranks are to be instructed as to the great value to intelligence of all captured material and the vital necessity of handing it to the proper authority. Disciplinary action will be taken against any offender.

J. L. Kelly
..... Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

NOTICES

Lost: Pte. L.P. Mulheran "E" Coy. reports the loss of money and a pipe between Bn. H.Q. & E Coy. finder please return to "E" Coy Orderly Room.

Q107677 Pte. Muddle, S.B. reports the loss of 1 Kitbag (blue) marked S.M.. Finder please return same to Bn. H.Q.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

1 C.O.	5/6 B Coy	10/11 D Coy	15 T.O.	18/19 War Diary
2/3 H.Q. Coy	6/7 C Coy	12/13 E Coy	16 Q.M.	20 File
3/4 A Coy	8/9 D Coy	14 M.O.	17 7 Inf. Bde	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

21 May 42

No. 114

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	21 May 42 to Retreat	22 May 42
Duty Coy	-	B Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. H. P. J. Swan
Mounting Retreat	22 May 42 to Retreat	23 May 42
Duty Coy	-	C Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. J. E. Wanless
Mounting Retreat	23 May 42 to Retreat	24 May 42
Duty Coy	-	A Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. E. R. Mulcahy
Mounting Retreat	24 May 42 to Retreat	25 May 42
Duty Coy	-	B Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. P. T. Sankey
Mounting Retreat	25 May 42 to Retreat	26 May 42
Duty Coy	-	C Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. A. Robertson
Mounting Retreat	26 May 42 to Retreat	27 May 42
Duty Coy	-	A Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. C. G. E. Holloway
Mounting Retreat	27 May 42 to Retreat	28 May 42
Duty Coy	-	B Coy
Orderly Officer		Lt. A. J. Bonney

2. PASSWORD

From Retreat	21 May	to Retreat	22 May	Serial No	18
"	"	"	"	"	16
"	"	"	"	"	8
"	"	"	"	"	1
"	"	"	"	"	3
"	"	"	"	"	5
"	"	"	"	"	14

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry assekkbled on 16 May 42 to inquire into the illegal absence of Q16890, Pte. Goschnick, R.

Pres.	-	Capt. A. T. Beech	Q16752
Member	-	Lt. E. M. Hammond	Q16545

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

NOTICE

LOST : Pte. R. Springer, Bn. H. Q., reports the loss of 1 shirt, from a line on which it was put to dry after washing.

DISTRIBUTION

1	C.O.	8/9	C Coy	15	Q.M.	20	File.
2/3	H.Q. Coy	10/11	D Coy	16	T.O.		
4/5	A Coy	12/13	E Coy	17	7 Inf. Bde.		
6/7	B Coy	14	M.O.	18/19	War Diary		

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate	2	
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers	2		Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths	1	1	Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers		2	Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers	8	1	G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		6
Carpenter and Joiner	6	3	Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		4
Cooks		4	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		1
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders		1	Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons stone	1		Tailors		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		17	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		1	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters	12				
Body Builder	1		Mechanic Cycle	1		10.1 N.S.M.		1
Bridge Carpenter	1		Plasterer	1		10.11 C.S.M.'s.		5
Electrical Pipe	1		Pastrycook	1		1/sgt's C.S.M.'s	4	
Shoemakers	4					Infantrymen		3
Tailors								
Toolmakers								
Turners								
Vulcanizers								
Wagon Erectors								
Watchmakers								
Watermen								
Welders								
Well Borers								
Wheelers								
Whitesmiths								
Wiremen								
Woodturners								
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	15	30		16	-		6	21

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

9 Battalion.

Unit.

7 Inf. Bde.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

23/5/42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	2	-	1
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	24	3	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	35	3	4

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
P/Lieut.	VIDGEN H.C.	9 Bn.	29/4/42	Seconded to H.Q.L.ofC.Area
P/Lieut.	ZISER C.A.	"	" "	" " " " " " " " " "
P/Lieut.	McFARLANE J.C.	"	" "	" " " " " " " " " "

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Capt.	HARLAND M.	2/15th.	
Expt. Capt.	MILES W.N.	2/25th.	
Lieut.	DARK R.J.G.	2/9th.	
Lieut.	MAY N.D.S.	2/12th.	
Lieut.	DUFFY G.E.	2/12th.	
Lieut.	LAKE A.B.	2/26th.	
Lieut.	FOX A.M.	2/26th.	

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	0220009	MORGAN H.D.	9 Bn.	Yes	C.O. (asst. Staff Corps)
Major	015601	HUTCH A.J.V.	"	No	2 I.C. (Course 48 Canberra)
T/Capt.	015619	HAWKINS W.A.	"	Yes	C.O. B. Coy (Course)
T/Capt.	015622	PERCIVAL G.H.	"	No	C.O. H. Coy (Coy Andr.)
T/Capt.	016098	HYDE G.R.	"	Yes	C.O. C Coy
T/Capt.	016721	PALMER A.W.	"	No	C.O. B. Coy (Sick Leave)
T/Capt.	016720	WILLIAMS E.A.	"	"	C.O. A Coy
T/Capt.	016340	GOLDSMID G.A.	"	"	C.O. C Coy
T/Capt.	016752	BEECH A.T.	"	"	2 I.C. A Coy
T/Capt.	015621	KATTER H.C.	"	No	2 I.C. B Coy. (Sick not yet on X List)
P/Lieut.	016318	HORNIBROOK G.H.	"	Yes	3 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015611	RADFORD D.P.	"	"	3 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015718	FICKERING L.A.	"	"	2 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015713	BELLY J.L.	"	"	4 Pl.
P/Lieut.	027962	HENDERSON D.C.	"	"	10 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016371	HOLLOWAY G.C.E.	"	"	6 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016318	ROBERTSON A.	"	"	4 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016396	SMITH G.J.K.	"	"	2 I.C. B Coy
P/Lieut.	015792	WALKER J.E.A.	"	"	14 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016221	RYAN M.W.	"	"	10 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015616	TOON A.C.	"	"	1 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015657	LEVER K.W.	"	"	1 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015828	MULCAHY E.R.	"	"	9 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016555	HOLMES R.H.	"	"	7 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016960	PEACHY J.W.	"	No	13 Pl. (N.C.P.S.)
P/Lieut.	015949	WOOD H.D.	"	Yes	17 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016060	DAVIS P.C.	"	"	10 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016928	BOYS K.R.	"	"	15 Pl.
P/Lieut.	0100890	ROBERTS E.B.	"	"	17 Pl.
P/Lieut.	015939	BONNEY A.J.	"	"	11 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016631	SANKEY P.T.	"	No	12 Pl. (Sick A.D.S)
P/Lieut.	016655	SWAN H.P.J.	"	Yes	2 Pl.
P/Lieut.	016545	HANNING E.H.	"	"	20 Pl.
A/P/Lieut.	0141041	WHYATT F.J.	"	"	16 Pl.
<p>T/Major 0167201 McKELVIE J.C. Transferred out to General Det. Depot. The above named has not yet been struck off the strength of the Unit due to the fact that the necessary entry has not yet been promulgated by 1 M.D. R.O. in Routine Orders Part II.</p>					

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	0123523	HATCHER F.	A.A.M.C.		A.O.
Padre	069072	GILLMAN C.D.			Chaplain.

9 Battalion.

(Unit.)

23/5/42

(Date of Despatch.)

Lt. Col.

(Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf. Bde.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For Week Ending 23 May 42

To ^{JODA} ~~Aust. Inf. Bde.~~
From ^{REBI} ~~Inf. Bde.~~

MAPS : During the week an enlargement (12" to 1 mile) of the ROLLINGSTONE CK area was prepared. Owing to the inaccuracy of the TOWNSVILLE STRAT map it had been found necessary to traverse all roads, creeks and tracks in and about the dispersal area. This information has been plotted on the prepared enlargements. Traverses have included ROLLINGSTONE CK., HENCAMP CK., main road, cultivated areas and all tracks in the dispersal areas. Several copies of an enlargement were made by using the "dye-line" process of reproduction. by employing this method an unlimited number of copies can be made from the original enlargement quickly and accurately, provided the day is clear and not overcast.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communication between Bn. H.Q. and coys. has been established by Bn. sigs. using D.5 sets. Communication between REBI and JODA has been established by Bn. Sigs. and J sec. sigs.

A.-A. POSTS : Three A.-A. posts have been completed in the dispersal area. These posts are manned daily from 0530 hrs to 1900 hrs.

FIELD WORK : All slit trenches have been dug and the earth about the edges of same has been camouflaged. Two mortar posts are under construction at 05940678 and 05930674 and MMG posts at 05930681, 05960676 and 05910674. (These refs. are approximate and are taken from map 2½" to 1 mile prepared by JODA). Clearing of scrub vicinity of north bank of ROLLINGSTONE SK. is being carried out.

MORALE : The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard.

RUMOUR : On 18 May a rumour was prevalent to the effect that PORT MORESBY had fallen. This rumour was proved to be false. Apart from this the bn. has been free of rumour.

LEAVE : Leave has now been granted at the rate of one day a fortnight. Personnel are taking advantage of this concession.

R. McLuckie cpl.
REBI

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT. COL. H. D. MORGAN, COMMANDING

9 BATTALION

No 115

26 May 42

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat	26 May 42	to Retreat 27 May 42	Lt. R. H. Holmes
Orderly Officer	-		A Coy
DUTY Coy	-		
Mounting Retreat	27 May 42	to Retreat 28 May 42	Lt. A. J. Bonney
Orderly Officer	-		B Coy
Duty Coy	-		
Mounting Retreat	28 May 42	to Retreat 29 May 42	Lt. K. R. Boys
Orderly Officer	-		C Coy
Duty Coy	-		
Mounting Retreat	29 May 42	to Retreat 30 May 42	Lt. E. R. Mulcahy
Orderly Officer	-		A Coy
Duty Coy.	-		
Mounting Retreat	30 May 42	to Retreat 31 May 42	Lt. P. T. Sankey
Orderly Officer	-		B Coy
Duty Coy	-		
Mounting Retreat	31 May 42	to Retreat 1 June 42	Lt. H. P. J. Swan
Orderly Officer	-		C Coy
Duty Coy.	-		
Mounting Retreat	1 June 42	to Retreat 2 June 42	Lt. C. G. E. Holloway
Orderly Officer	-		A Coy
Duty Coy	-		

2. DRAUGHTSMEN

A return will be submitted by 27 May 42 to this H.Q. setting out particulars of all personnel having or claiming to have qualifications as a draughtsman. The return will show - Number, rank, name, military experience, present position, draughting experience, if trade grouped and being used as such within W.E. of the Unit.

3. PASSWORD This List cancels previous notification.

Period from 1800 hrs.	26/5/42	to 1800 hrs.	27/5/42	Serial No	11
" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	4
" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	7
" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	10

..... *J. L. Kelly* Lieut.
Adj. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No 1 C.O.	8/9 C Coy.	15 Q.M.	20 File.
2/3 H.Q. Coy.	10/11 D Coy	16 T.O.	
4/5 A Coy.	12/13 E Coy	17 7 Inf. Bde.	
6/7 B Coy.	14 M.O.	18/19 War Diary	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

LT.COL.H.D.MORGAN, COMMANDING9 BATTALION

29 May 42

No 116

1. ORDERLY DUTIES

Mounting Retreat 29 May 42 to Retreat 30 May 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt.E.R.Mulcahy
 Duty Coy/ - A Coy
 Mounting Retreat 30 May 42 to Retreat 31 May 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt.P.T.Sankey
 Duty Coy. - B Coy.
 Mounting Retreat 31 May 42 to Retreat 1 June 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt.H.P.J.Swan
 Duty Coy - C Coy
 Mounting Retreat 1 June 42 to Retreat 2 June 42
 Orderly Officer - Lt.C.G.E.Holloway
 Duty Coy - A Coy

2. PASSWORD

Period from	1800 hrs.	29/5/42	to	1800 hrs.	30/5/42	Serial No	10
"	"	"	"	30/5/42	"	"	13
"	"	"	"	31/5/42	"	"	2

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry assembled on 26/5/42 to inquire into the illegal absence of Q113551 Pte. Forbes W.L.

Pres.	-	Capt.W.A.Hawkins	Q15619
Member	-	Lt.L.A.Pickering	Q15718

4. ENLISTMENT IN A.I.F.

The following Signal has been received from G.H.Q.(Aust.):-
 "Approval given to enlistment in A.I.F.of volunteers from C.M.F.UNITS. Instructions being issued. Meanwhile names of all such volunteers are to be recorded by units pending actual acceptance. C.M.F. volunteers are NOT to proceed to recruiting depots as local arrangements in camps will be made."

The above telegram is to be displayed on all Coys.notice boards, and all Coys.will record names of volunteers in accordance with the above and advise this H.Q.immediately of the number of mem who have volunteered

.....*J.L. Kelly*..... Lieut.
 Adjt. 9 Bn.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

Copy No	1 C.O.	8/9 C Coy	15 Q.M.	20 File.
	2/3 H.Q.Coy	10/11 D Coy	16 T.O.	
	4/5 A Coy	12/13 E Coy	17 7 Inf.Bde.	
	6/7 B Coy	14 M.O.	18/19 War Diary	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

9 Battalion.

Unit

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	2	-	1
Captains	8	-	3
Lieutenants	24	3	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	35	3	4

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Capt.	HARLAND M.	2/15th.	
Capt.	MILES W.N.	2/25th.	
Lieut.	DARK R.J.G.	2/9th.	
Lieut.	MAY N.D.S.	2/12th.	
Lieut.	DUFFY G.E.	2/12th.	
Lieut.	LAKE A.B.	2/26th.	
Lieut.	FOX A.M.	2/26th.	

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	20009	MORGAN H. D.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. (Inst. Staff Corps)
Major	15601	HUTCH A. J. V.	9 Inf.	No	C.I.C. (Course 4 B. (Australia))
T/Capt.	15619	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15622	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15623	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15721	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	No	C.O. Coy (leave)
T/Capt.	15723	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15748	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15752	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.O. Coy
T/Capt.	15821	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	No	C.I.C. Coy (not yet on X list)
Lt.	15316	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	No	C.I.C. (Course 4. (Australia))
Lt.	15611	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15716	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15713	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	27962	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16371	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16316	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15396	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15992	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C. Coy
Lt.	16221	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15616	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15557	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15328	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15555	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16960	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	15749	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C. (Australia)
Lt.	16960	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16926	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	100590	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	12239	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16531	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	16555	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C. (Australia)
Lt.	16545	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.
Lt.	141041	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C. (Australia)
Major	167201	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.	Yes	C.I.C.

Det. Major has not yet been struck off the strength of the unit due to the fact that the necessary entry has not yet been transmitted by the Records Office in Routine Orders Part II.

(ii) **OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	123528	HARRIS J. A.	9 Inf.		
Major.	109072	GILMAN G. D.	9 Inf.		Captain

9 Battalion.
(Unit.)

30 May 42.
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

7 Inf. Bde.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters	1		Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate	2	
Bakers	2		Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths	1	1	Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers		2	Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers	8	1	G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		6
Carpenter and Joiner	6	3	Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		4
Cooks		4	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		1
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders		1	Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons Stone	1		Tailors		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		17	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters	1		Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		1	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters	12		W.O.1 R.S.M.		1
Body Builder	1		Mechanic Cycle	1		W.O.11 C.S.M.'s		5
Bridge Carpenter	1		Plasterer	1		S/Sgts. C.S.M.'s	4	
Electrical Pipe	1		Pastrycook	1		Infantrymen	21	
Maker								
Bootmakers	4							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	25	30		17			27	18

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

9 Battalion.

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Lt. Col.

7 Inf. Bde.

Date of Despatch

30/5/42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For week ending 30 May 42

To JODA
From REBI

A.-A. POSTS : ~~Three~~ A/A posts have been completed in the dispersal area. These posts are manned daily from 0530 hrs to 1900 hrs.

INTERCOMMUNICATION : Communications are still being maintained on the same system as described in our summary of week-ending 16 May 42.

MORTAR SHOOT : On 28 May 42, from 1400 hrs to 1500 hrs a mortar shoot was carried out from mortar posts at 05930678 and 05900678, the targets being ROCKY BOTTOM 05900678 and CLEARING 05900681. Twelve H.E. bombs were fired, six on each target. The purpose of the shoot was to verify ranges and alignments of targets. The targets were engaged indirectly.

REINFORCEMENTS : On 27 May 42, 25 personnel marched into REBI as reinforcements, approximately half being A.I.F. personnel and the balance A.M.F.

MAPS : During the week a tracing of ROLLINGSTONE CK. area was prepared by a member of the 'I' sec. from a map at JODA.

FIELD WORK : Throughout the week work has continued on the digging of weapon pits and the clearing of timber on the WESTERN and EASTERN banks of ROLLINGSTONE CK.

RECCE. : On 26 May 42 at 0730 hrs the C.O. and I.O. carried out an aerial recce. over the ROLLINGSTONE CK. area and PALUMA range, much valuable information being obtained :-

(a) The present system of camouflaging tents makes them most obvious from the air. Green and brown camouflaging would be much more effective.

(b) No defensive posns. or any clearing of timber, which has been carried out in this area, was noticeable.

(c) Tracks running through and around the area were clearly visible.

On 28 May 42 at 1400 hrs the I.O. carried out a recce. at MT. SPEC for the purposes of observation and finding a route in rear to MT. HALIFAX. This point is one of the most outstanding features of this section of the coast line and commands an excellent view NORTH from HINCHINBROOK CHANNEL and SOUTH as far as HENCAMP CK., all approaches which could be made by A.F.V's., forming up places and lines of approach for tps. SOUTH towards our FDL's are clearly visible from this point. It is possible that an easier approach could be made towards MT. HALIFAX by its WESTERN slope. We would suggest that if possible comdrs. visit

this area, as much valuable information can be obtained by observation.

On 29 May 42, the 'I' sec. made a recce. of ROLLINGSTONE CK. to determine whether it is an A/Tk. obstacle. This report has been forwarded to JODA.

M.C. PATROLS : Twice daily at low water a M.C. patrol is carried out from ROLLINGSTONE as far SOUTH as FISHERMAN'S HUT ref. 06360633, and observations are made as far SOUTH as SLEEPER LOG CK. by means of field glasses. Reports are received daily by this H.Q. and copies of same are forwarded daily to JODA.

AIR RAID ALERT (PRACTICE) : At 1000 hrs 28 May 42 a practice air raid warning was given. The all-clear signal was given ^{AT} as 1115 hrs. Tps. carried on their usual work, but were in a state of preparedness.

MORALE : The morale of all personnel remains at a high standard.

RUMOUR : Throughout the week rumour has been prevalent. Such rumours are to the effect that the bn. is likely to move from the present area to a SOUTHERN area to replace a unit which has departed for PT. MORESBY. Other rumours state that the bn. is going to either ESK or TOWNSVILLE. Such rumours, however, are without foundation.

W. H. Rebi
.....Lieut.
I.O. Rebi.