

**AWM52**  
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**diaries, 1939-45 War**

**Item number: 8/3/16**

**2/16 Infantry Battalion**  
**November - December 1942**



Sheet No. 1.

## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C. 2118  
(adapted,)

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H. 100M 2/2

Unit 2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 Nov. 42 To 30 Nov. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ITIKI	1 Nov.	1030	Church Parade. Ref:- KOITAKI Provisional: One inch to one mile. 432083.	
		1100	Address by Brig.	Append. C. Tng Syllabus.
	2 Nov.		Road making. Patrolling SUBITANA area.	
	3 Nov.		Coy Conference postponed. C.O. Lt. Col. A.E. Caro called to PORT MORESBY.	
	4 Nov.	1000	Coy Comd. Conference.	
	5 Nov.		Coy patrolling. Training and Road making.	Append. C. Tng Syllabus.
	6 Nov.		Coy patrolling. Training and Road making.	Append. C. Tng Syllabus.
	7 Nov.	0830	Two O.Rs report to Bde for photography party.	Appx. C. Track Trace 1
	8 Nov.	1300	C.O. went to Bde. Movement order for C and A Coys.	
		2000	Movement Order cancelled.	
			Coy notified of C. in C. Parade for 1500 hrs on 9 Nov. 42.	
	9 Nov.	1330	Embussed for C. in C. Parade.	
		1400	Left H.Q. Coy.	
		1450	Arrived KOITAKI.	
		1500	C. in C. Parade.	
		1520	Brig. I.N. Dogherty D.S.O. addressed tps.	



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Date and Time.—From 1 Nov. 42. To 30 Nov. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ITIKI.	9 Nov.	1545 1630 1800	C. in C. Gen. Sir T. Blamey addressed tps. Returned to Bn area. Coy Comd Conference.	
	10 Nov.	0700 1830	2 i/cs Coys to defensive area; recce re biv. Lecture to all officers by W.O.11 Washington of A.N.G.A.U.	Appx. C. Traces of Defensive Posns Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4.
	11 Nov.	0800 1000 1400	2i/c and Int. Sgt. recce defence posn. A and C Coys move to B and D Coys area. R.V. Bde party recce new Biv. area. C.O. and Adj. to Bde for Bn Comd Conference.	
	12 Nov.		Tps preparing to move to new Biv. area.	
MORESBY	13 Nov.	1015 1330 1500	Embussed. Ref:- PORT MORESBY ( Special) One Arrived MORESBY Biv. area. 1 1/2 inch to one mile. 952348. Coy Comd Conference. Instructions re loading of planes; sixteen men to plane. Total weight of men and equipment not to exceed 4000 lbs per plane.	
MORESBY	14 Nov.	0830 1400 1930	Instructions to tps re equipment; one set clothing, shirts and K.Ds to be dyed. Bde parade. Inspection and address by Lt. Gen Herring E.F. C.B.E. D.S.O. M.C. D.S.C. Tps issued with American gaiters. C.O. Lt. Col. Caro, A.E. called to Bde.	



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Unit 2/16 Aust Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 Nov. 42

To 30 Nov. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MORESBY	15 Nov.	0830	Address by Lt. Col. Caro, A.E. followed by Church Parade.	
		1330	Bn parade. Address by Brig Dogherty I.N. D.S.O.	
	16 Nov.		Issues; range practice with L.M.G.	
	17 Nov.	0900	Bn parade. Trial pack. Tps allotted to planes.	
		1100	Padre Burt and Capt Steward left for hospital. Replaced by	
			Padre Sharp and Capt Strang (M.O.)	
		1300	Coy Comd Conference.	
	18 Nov.	1000	C.O. Lt. Col. Caro, A.E. accompanied by Brig. Dogherty I.N.	
			recess defensive posns in new location.	
	19 Nov.		Bde Sports to have been held but rain all day.	
	20 Nov.	1000	Address by Brig. Dogherty. C.O. to inspect Coys' new	
			defensive posns.	
	21 Nov.	0930	C.O. to inspect HQ Coy's disposn.	
		1400	Bde Sports.	
	22 Nov.	0830	Church Parade.	
	23 Nov.		Working on posn; digging.	
	24 Nov.		Continued digging of posns.	
			Coy Comd Conference on tomorrow's exercise.	
	25 Nov.	0030	Air raid; no damage.	
		0810	Exercise cancelled.	
		1100	Stand by.	



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2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.

1 Nov. 42

To 30 Nov. 42.

H. 100M 2/42

Unit

Date and Time.—From

To

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MORESBY	26 Nov.	0900	Stand by. ( Half hour notice.)	
		1410	Embussed; Nos. 1, 2, and 3 plane loads.	
		1440	Arrived WARD'S DROME.	
		1610	Embussed to return to Biv. area.	
		1800	Two hundred and four Reinf's. arrived Biv. area.	
	27 Nov.	0400	Reveille for Nos. 1,2,4,and 6 plane loads.	
		0530	Nos. 1,2,4 and 6 planes <del>move</del> off.loads move off.	
		1440	Emplaned; flew for one and half hours . Owing to Zero activities, returned to WARD'S DROME.	
		1530	Deplaned and returned to Biv. area.	
	28 Nov.	0400	Reveille.	
		0530	Arrived WARD'S DROME.	
		00655	Emplaned.	
		0715	Passed over OWEN STANLEY RANGE.	
		0730	Arrived POPONDETTA.	
		0930	On track; full pack.	
		1530	Arrived SOPUTA. Tea supplied by 2/14 Bn on arrival.	
		1900	SOPUTA bombed by Zeros yesterday. Coy Comd Conference.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	29 Nov.	0400	Reveille.	For maps and traces of operations in GONA area see Dec. WAR DIARY.
		0520	Moved off.	
		0735	Reached JIMBURU.	
		0810	Moved off.	
		1100	Stopped by creek for dinner.	
		1200	Moved off.	
		1400	Reached 25 Bde.	
		1450	Moved off	
		1700	Reached dispersion area.	
		1800	Lieut Young with his Pl to take up posn Standing Patrol	Ref:- <del>Ex 1672</del> 167287; Gona Locality 4ins. to 1 mile.
		1900	Hot tea brought up.	
		2000	Coy Comd Conference. C.O. to Bde.	
X	30 Nov.	0500	B Coy moved out to come under comd of 2/27 Bn, to carry out attack on GONA. Their posn taken over by Pl from A Coy.	
		0545	Capt O'Neil and Coy of 2/16 Bn ( Approx. 70 men) arrive at 2/27 Bn HQ near GONA .	
		0810	Capt. O'Neil's Coy move fwd on left flank of 2/27 Bn in tall Kunai grass approx. one hundred and fifty yards and were held up. Assault by 2/27 Bn on right flank failed. Enemy fire plan covered the whole front and was mutually supporting.	
		0900	Patrol left A Coy to patrol around Bde area.	
		0930	Desultory fire on both sides of Capt. O'Neil's Coy . Enemy snipers active.	
		0955	Patrol returned from Bde reporting all clear.	
		1000	Patrol from A Coy left to patrol Bde area N.W.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	30 Nov.	1050 1200 1400	Patrol A Coy returned reporting all clear. One Jap killed near Bde. Report from 2/14 Bn patrol of Japs preparing posns East of GONA along track to SANANANDA. C.O. 2/27 Bn confirmed plan for further attack. A Coy of 2/27 Bn will attack on right. D Coy 2/27 Bn in centre. Coy of 2/16 Bn on left and C Coy in reserve. Attack to be preceded by three inch Mortar fire on village and two inch Mortar fire H.E. and Smoke, on coastal strip with supporting fire from M.M.G. in dug in posns on beach.	
		1600	3 Bn open heavy fire on village to determine effect. Enemy replied with intensive fire on all fronts, apparently expecting an attack.	.
		1630	C.O. 2/27 Bn postpones attack to await arrival of three inch Mortar smoke bombs.	
		1800 1915	Bde move to West of track. 9 Pl move as protection for Bde. Bde and 9 Pl return to previous posn. Ground too swampy.	
		2030	Orders issued for full scale attack to commence just before first light preceded by arty bombardment for nine minutes, commencing 0545 hrs, also three inch Mortar concentrations and Mortar smoke to cover advance. A Coy to attack on right; D Coy in centre; Coy 2/16 Bn on left flank; C Coy in reserve with 3 Bn on left again; Objective A and C Coys to mop up beach posts. D Coy, 2/16 Coy and 3 Bn to attack and capture village; fwd tps creep fwd under cover of darkness on left flank, approx one hundred yards, before start time. Start signal red over green.	
			 ..... Capt. Adm. Comd. 2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.	



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ROUTINE ORDER NO 91.

4 Nov. 1942.

BY Lt-Col. A. E. Carr. COMMANDING OFFICER, 2/15 AUST. INF. BN.

1: ANTI-MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS.

Attention is again drawn to RO No 82 para 3. Personnel with mosquito nets must erect them over their beds as a fixture. Cops must draw mosquito coils from the OI. store as they become available and issue to personnel without them. Long trousers and long sleeves must be worn after sundown. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

2DD Goods.

These goods are sometimes sold in the canteens to keep up continuity of supply. They are ration goods taken over. It is pointed out that Canteen Goods are a Defence Dept. supply and it is quite reasonable for them to be marked.

3. SECURITY.

Amendment - To RO No 89 para 1. "PAPUAN stamps will NOT be used" is deleted and amended by the following instr.:- "Only units who have been allowed to state that they are in "NEW GUINEA," and/or units whose identification would be possible without the addition of "NEW GUINEA FORCE", to their designation, will be permitted to use PAPUAN or NEW GUINEA stamps."

The use of PAPUAN and NEW GUINEA stamps by all ranks will cease after 20 Nov 42.

Until present stocks are expended or until 20 Nov 42, whichever occurs first, unit franking officers will ensure that this instr is adhered to and that no mail is franked unless it bears the appropriate stamps allowed for use by the unit concerned.

*A. E. Carr* Lieut.  
A/Lt. 2/15 Aust Inf Bn.

PART B.

APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS ETC.

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WX 3863 Pte Wright E. "BEG" Promoted A/Cpl. 1.11.42.

GRADE GROUPS

WX 3863 Pte Wright E. "BEG" Relq. TGI1 Int. 1.11.42.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS.

WX4287	Pte	Glenaby J.E.	"C"	Evacuated Hospital	5.11.42.
WX7283	"	Smith J.E.	"B"	"	31.10.42.
WX5769	"	Richards T.E.	"B"	"	"
WX9689	"	Brandis W.E.	"H.Q"	"	"
WX7298	"	Matthews A.J.	"R.Q."	"	"
WX15474	Cpl	Greener R.E.	"C"	"	1.11.42
WX2655	Sgt	McGovern K.M.	"HQ"	"	"
WX9460	Cpl	Harris T.G.	"B"	"	"
WX4152	Pte	Garbutt R.M.F.	"HQ"	"	3.11.42.
WX8113	"	Bell W.F.	"HQ"	"	"
WX3026	"	McVeigh J.	"HQ"	"	"
WX15305	"	Lebb A.J.	"B"	"	"



STRENGTH SINGLE COPY

WX 4214 Pte. McDonald J "HQ" Evac Recp Camp Corps (Pending Board) 3.11.42  
 WX 3172 Pte. Bishop L. "HQ" " " " " " "

DETACHMENTS.

WX 4357 Pte Pach C.J. "HQ" Det to Ord Fd W/Shops 29.10.42  
 WX 2652 " Matthews L.R. "HQ" Det to 21 Aust Inf Bde "  
 WX 4312 " Keogan E.K. "HQ" " " " "  
 WX 9098 " Costello E.C. "HQ" " " " "  
 WX 11388 " Joyce T.J. "HQ" " " " "

STRENGTH TAKEN ON.

WX 678 Cpl. Pitterton E.W. "HQ" Rejoined Ex Hospital. 31.10.42.  
 WX10516 L/Cpl. Hack.B.C.H. "HQ" " " "  
~~WX11295~~ Pte Pratt L.H. "D" " " "  
 WX11295  
 WX 3029 " Hodder A.J. "HQ" " " "  
 WX 4253 " Smith A.L. "B" " " 2.11.42.  
 WX 5622 " Lenthall F.E. "Bech" " " "  
 WX 7678 " Byrne S.S. "C" " " "  
 WX 5520 " Jacobs A.L. "Bech" " " "  
 WX 9648 L/Cpl. Burnett L.W. "B" " " "  
 WX 4541 Sgt. McMaugh W.E. "HQ" " " "  
 XI  
 DX 510 Pte. Storer G.E. "HQ" " " "  
 WX 11750 Pte. Stewart H. "B" " " 3.11.42

PUNISHMENTS FINES ETC.

WX 2850 Pte Piorey A.L. "HQ" AAll neglecting obey R.O. 88 31.10.42  
 (Admonished.)

SCHOOL COURSES ETC.

WX 2659 Sgt. Anderson C.D. "HQ" Det IHQ Jnr Offrs & Pot Offrs School  
 Aust. 4.11.42.

Corrigenda.

WX 14727 Pte Waters J.R. "D" Delete R.O. NO 90 NOT Det 2/5 Fd Coy RAE.  
 WX 3652 Cpl Eatt E.R. "HQ" R.O. No 90 should read WX 3632 Cpl. Eatt E.R.  
 Promoted Sgt 27.10.42.



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ROUTINE ORDER NO 92.

7 Nov. 1942.

By Lt-Col. A. E. Caro. COMMANDING OFFICER. 2/16 AUST. INF. BN.

1: CHURCH PARADES: Protestant Church Parades will be held 8 Nov 42 at H.Q. Coy for BHQ, HQ, "B" & "D" Coys at 1000 hrs, and at "A" Coy for "A" & "C" Coys at 0830 hrs. Following each Service Holy Communion will be celebrated.

R. C. PARADES: Mass will be celebrated at BHQ at 0900 hrs 8 Nov. 42.

*W. J. Lister* Lieut.  
A/Adj. 2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.

P A R T B.

APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS ETC.

WX 4502 A/Sgt. Lister T. P. "AAPOC" Promoted Sgt 2.10.42.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS.

The following personnel were evacuated to hospital on dates shown:-  
WX3052 Pte. Hounsham T. "Bech" 5.11.42. WX7267 Pte. Dowd H. W. "HQ" 5.11.42.  
WX5546 Cpl. Greenfield J. "HQ" " WX5641 " Robinson T. "HQ" "  
WX2672 Pte. Fleming J. T. "HQ" " WX2865 Cpl. Beebe L. J. "HQ" 4.11.42.  
WX7559 Pte. Ashworth A. D. "HQ" 6.11.42 WX8146 Pte. Meddings G. "HQ" "

STRENGTH TAKEN ON EX HOSPITAL.

WX4239 Pte. Bracegirdle I. "A" 4.11.42 WX4267 Pte. Toia J. "HQ" 5.11.42.  
WX5608 " Ramsay T. M. "HQ" 5.11.42 WX14015 Pte. Cockburn T. "A" "  
WX31063/Sgt. Frost J. P. "D" " WX8875 Pte. Peterson E. R. "C" "  
WX7377L/Cpl. Scottford A. H. "B" " WX5657 Pte. Thomas M. W. "HQ" 6.11.42.  
WX5579 Pte. Bair P. J. "C" 6.11.42 WX15160 Pte. Cain N. W. "HQ" "  
WX4366L/Cpl. Robson G. H. "D" " WX5854 Pte. Otter J. "A" "

D E T A C H M E N T S E T C.

WX 5637 Cpl. Martin J. W. "C" Ceases to be Detached 6.11.42.

N O T I C E S:

The following Comforts were gratefully received from the A. C. F. through the Bde Amenities Officer:-

410 Bars Washing Soap. 820 Pkts Tobacco.  
410 Cigarette Papers. 410 Pkts Cigarettes.  
202 175 Pkts Biscuits.



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ROUTINE ORDER NO. 93.

10 Nov 42

By Lt-Col A. E. Caro COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 AUST INF BN.

P A R T B.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC.

WX 4502	A/Sgt Lister T.P. (AAPOC)	Promoted Sgt	2.10.42
12541	Pte Anderson J.L. A. "B"	" A/Cpl	7.11.42
4280	A/Sgt Dingle L.S. BHQ	Rank confirmed	9.11.42
10552	A/Sgt Knox J.H.C. BHQ	" "	9.11.42
14991	Pte Gittos A.J. BHQ	Apptd TG. 11. (Actg)	
		Intelligence	6.11.42
4357	Pte Pach C.J. H Q.	Apptd. TG. 1.	
		Blacksmith	3.11.42

DETACHMENTS.

WX 2639	T/Capt T.H. Hodge "A"	Ceases to be det	
" 11388	Pte Joyce T.J. "A"	H Q. (Airforce)	7/11/42
		do	7/11/42
" 5758	Sgt Hardwick H.E. "HQ"	Det H.G. Tng Centr	
		(Instructor)	9.11.42

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS.

The following personnel were evacuated to Hospital on dates shown

WX 5836	Cpl Folland R. A A M C.	5.11.42	
5646	Sgt McDonald E.G.	HQ.	4.11.42
5591	Pte Henderson W.J.	C	4.11.42
6547	L/Cpl Fenworthy B.S.	M.A.	4.11.42
8757	Pte Bitmead K.J.	A	4.11.42
4171	Pte Bowley L.P.	C	4.11.42
5606	Cpl Neale V.A.	C	4.11.42
2855	Cpl Brown-Cooper P.R.	HQ.	4.11.42
12700	Pte Frayne W.K.	HQ	4.11.42
2928	Pte Bockett W.E.Y.	HQ	4.11.42
8676	Pte Thorburn J.	B.	2.11.42
3562	Pte Gardiner J.S.	BHQ	7.11.42
3282	Pte Keseling F.	HQ	7.11.42
4125	Sgt Hodgson W.J.	HQ	7.11.42
7796	Pte Black A	A	8.11.42
2826	Cpl Milstead A.R.	HQ	8.11.42
8959	Pte Elvey E.A.	C	8.11.42
4210	Cpl Moloney B.W.	A	9.11.42
5633	Pte Brown J.J.	B Ech	9.11.42
7803	Pte Kain W.	HQ	9.11.42
5579	Pte Bain P.J.	C	9.11.42
8239	Pte Lee F.A.	HQ	9.11.42
4253	Pte Smith A.L.	B	9.11.42
12298	Cpl Crofts L.A.	C	10.11.42
14502	Pte Burgess R.E.	B	10.11.42
3239	Sgt Marshall R.D.	C	10.11.42
9665	Pte Leipold J.H.	C	10.11.42
6379	Sgt Pike A.	B Ech	"
14720	Pte Archer W.	A	30.10.42

Ex Chaforce

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# STRENGTH TAKEN ON.

WX 8959	Pte	Elvey	E. A.	O Coy	4.11.42	Ex Hospital
6551	Pte	North	H. J.	"	"	"
12617	Pte	Nivan	A. H.	HQ	"	"
2935	Pte	Deering	D. Q.	BHQ	"	"
3830	Pte	Maddison	J. P.	H. Q.	"	"
4209	Pte	Hahn	A.	H. Q.	"	"
5710	Pte	Windsor	G. D.	H. Q.	"	"
5759	Cpl	Hunter	J. M.	H. Q.	"	"
3591	Cpl	Needs	L. C.	D Coy	"	"
14367	Pte	Nyhe	J. F.	"	"	"
1557	Chaplain	P. H. Burt		AACHD	"	"
14258	Pte	Barrett	E.	A Coy	"	"
3239	Sgt	Marshall	R. D.	O "	7.11.42	"
3757	Pte	Marshall	E. R.	HQ "	"	"
3026	Pte	McVoigh	J.	"	"	"
5596	Pte	Hambly	E. J.	"	8.11.42	"
10437	Pte	Hyde	E. H. J.	"	"	"
TX. 3418	Pte	Stevens	S. W.	"	"	"
WX 7415	Pte	Murphy	E. R.	D Coy	"	"
3146	Pte	Morton	F.	A "	9.11.42	"
9353	Pte	Vinco	J. K.	HQ "	"	"
193	Pte	McConville	O. R.	B "	"	"
8676	Pte	Thorburn	J.	B "	"	Rejoined Chaforce

# STRENGTH STRUCK OFF. (STRANGERS)

WX 3071	Pte	Kempton	B. G.	A Coy	5.11.42	Tfd 7 Div Ord W/sh ops
14258	Pte	Barrett	E.	"	4.11.42	Tfd 2/9 A. G. H.
4402	Pte	McDonald	W. L.	HQ "	8.11.42	Tfd 1 Aust Corps (Sigs)

# SCHOOLS & COURSES.

WX 8808	Lieut	W. Grayden		C Coy	8.11.42	Det G (R) Course No. 2. N. G. Tng Centre.
3280	Lieut	W. J. Duncan		D "	8.11.42	do
3153	Cpl	Kelman	A. G.	B "	8.11.42	do

# REJOINED UNIT.

WX 4183	A/Cpl	Holland	E. S.	HQ Coy	8.11.42	Ex H. G. Tng Centre
13150	L/Cpl	Russell	P. C.	A "	"	do
9448	L/Cpl	Reynolds	L. A. D.	O "	"	do

# NOTICES.

RESULT OF CRICKET MATCH " 2/16 BN V 2/14 BN.

2/16 BN. 82 Runs (C. Harris 16 )

2/14 84 (P. Matthews 8 for 18)



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ROUTINE ORDER NO 94

21 NOV 42

BY MAJ-GEN A. H. GARD, COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 AUST INF BN

PART A

CHURCH PARADES There will be a Bn Church Parade on the Bn Parade Ground at 0815 Hrs, Sunday 22 Nov 42. Following this Service Holy Communion will be celebrated.

R C MARCH is to be held at 1030 Hrs in the 27 Bn Lines.

*A. H. Gard* Lieut  
A/Maj 2/16 Aust Inf Bn

PART B

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

WX 11020	Lieut	R. B. Madigan	"D" Coy	Promoted	A/Capt	7/11/42
WX 3990	Lieut	C. D. Kayler-Thomson	"D" Coy	"	"	7/11/42
WX 9648	L/Cpl	Burnett L. W.	"B" Coy	"	A/Cpl	5/11/42
WX 5642	Cpl	Hounsham J.	"B" Coy	"	A/Sgt	12/11/42
VX28895	A/Sgt	Idle L. G. (A/MC)	Att HQ	Rank Confirmed		12/11/42
WX 3901	A/Sgt	Horgan W. J. A.	"A" Coy	Rank Confirmed		12/11/42
WX 4183	A/Cpl	Holland R. S.	"B" Coy	Rank Confirmed		12/11/42
WX 2834	WO(11)	T. Burbridge	"B" Coy	Prom A/NO (1)		14/11/42
				(Appointed R.S.M.)		
WX 4241	Pte	Holahan T.	"B" Coy	Promoted	A/Cpl	10/11/42
WX 3850	Pte	Piercy A. I.	"B" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 5657	Pte	Thomas B. W.	"A" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 4300	Pte	Dow F. J.	"B" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 5622	Pte	Lenthall F. E.	"C" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 8052	Pte	Cripps H.	"D" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 2908	Pte	Crockett J.	"B" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 13031	Pte	Williamson W. C.	"B" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 4589	Pte	Macintosh J. S. G.	"A" Coy	"	"	14/11/42
WX 8054	Pte	Peniston R.	"C" Coy	"	"	14/11/42
WX 12901	A/Cpl	Dock G. A.	"C" Coy	Rank Confirmed		14/11/42
WX 5604	Pte	Tanner J. T. (A/MC)	Att HQ	Promoted	A/Sgt	17/11/42
WX 4175	Pte	Hatt A. J.	"B" Coy	Appointed	L/Cpl	10/11/42
WX 5648	Sgt	Dilworth G. J.	"C" Coy	Apptd. A/NO(11)		16/11/42
WX 5768	Sgt	Hounsley B. A.	"D" Coy	Apptd. A/NO(11)		16/11/42
WX 8761	Sgt	Walker J. R.	"A" Coy	Apptd. A/NO(11)		16/11/42
WX 4367	L/Cpl	Archibald A.	"C" Coy	Reverts to Pte		16/11/42
				(At own request)		
WX 5642	A/Sgt	Hounsham J.	"B" Coy	Reverts to Cpl		20/11/42

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WX 2897	Pte	Davis H. J.	"B" Coy	Evac. Hospital		12/11/42
WX 2744	Sgt	Johnston D.	"A" Coy	"	"	12/11/42
WX 3026	Pte	McVeigh J.	"B" Coy	"	"	12/11/42
WX 4770	Pte	Lee F. W.	"C" Coy	"	"	13/11/42
WX 3001	Pte	Hyde F. J.	"C" Coy	"	"	13/11/42
WX 4222	Sgt	Cubley J. B.	"B" Coy	"	"	14/11/42
WX 3794	L/Sgt	Hughes W. R.	"B" Coy	"	"	13/11/42
WX 4259	Pte	Donnelly H.	"B" Coy	"	"	14/11/42
WX 9125	L/Cpl	Ovens W. J.	"B" Coy	"	"	15/11/42
WX 7752	Pte	Carlson A. J.	"B" Coy	"	"	16/11/42
WX 4267	Pte	Toia J.	"B" Coy	"	"	16/11/42
WX 11325	Pte	Cockram W. S.	"B" Coy	"	"	16/11/42
WX 13150	R/Cpl	Russell P. C.	"A" Coy	"	"	17/11/42
WX 2742	WO(11)	R. G. Crombie	"B" Coy	"	"	17/11/42
WX 11755	Pte	Stewart H.	"B" Coy	"	"	17/11/42



# HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

WX	4046	Sgt	Wainley G M	"HQ" Coy	Hyac. Hospital	17/11/42
WX	4326	Sgt	Scott R H (AMC)	Att HQ	"	17/11/42
WX	7678	Pte	Byrne S S	"C" Coy	"	17/11/42
WX	5798	L/Cpl	Westlake H E	"B" Coy	"	17/11/42
WX	15016	L/Cpl	Hack D C H	"HQ" Coy	"	17/11/42
WX	5144	Pte	Powell J H	"HQ" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	5773	L/Cpl	Robinson W J	"D" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	3512	Pte	Camoren A J	"A" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	12895	L/Cpl	Roberts B A	"C" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	5594	Pte	Coad V V	"C" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	8379	Sgt	Higgs S G	"HQ" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	5824	Lieut	K H Harley	"HQ" Coy	"	18/11/42
WX	4787	Cpl	O'Dea H	"D" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	5632	Pte	Cruickshank I J	"HQ" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	3049	Pte	Stent B J	"A" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	4358	Pte	Delaporte L E	"A" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	7586	Pte	Butler R J	"B" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	15046	Pte	Reid H D	"B" Coy	"	19/11/42
WX	4277	Pte	Sullivan H J	"B" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	8592	Lieut	E W Chamberlain	"A" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	15160	Pte	Cain H W	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	12901	Cpl	Deak G A	"C" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	12412	Pte	Hinton R F	"A" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	4205	Pte	Looby J D	"C" Coy	"	20/11/42

## STRENGTH TAKEN ON

WX	12424	Pte	Stapley E T	"B" Coy	Rejoined ex Hosp.	11/11/42
WX	4258	Pte	Wheatley H G	"B" Coy	"	11/11/42
WX	3282	Pte	Keseling F	"HQ" Coy	"	11/11/42
WX	12928	Pte	Pearce J J	"C" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	9460	Cpl	Harris T G	"C" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	5211	Pte	Robinson A R	"C" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	4204	Pte	Heade J	"C" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	8060	Pte	Kilner A V	"D" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	10501	Pte	Waldock H	"HQ" Coy	"	12/11/42
WX	3052	Pte	Hounsham T	"B Coy"	"	13/11/42
WX	2653	Sgt	McGovern K H	"HQ" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	4258	Cpl	Florza A J	"B" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	7288	Pte	Basley H J	"C" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	15708	Pte	Munro A K	"B" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	7691	Pte	Novell V A	"C" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	7267	Pte	Dowd H W	"HQ" Coy	"	15/11/42
WX	9672	Pte	Jolly H A	"HQ" Coy	"	16/11/42
WX	5679	Sgt	Pike A	"B Coy"	"	20/11/42
WX	5546	Pte	Ripp G A	"A" Coy	"	17/11/42
WX	851	Pte	Harrison A G	"HQ" Coy	"	17/11/42
WX	4038	Cpl	Draper A W	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	5144	Pte	Powell J H	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	2991	Pte	Chamberlain R C	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	2846	T/Capt	W H Atkinson	"HQ" Coy	Ceases to be Sec	12/11/42
WX	79903	Pte	Higgins J A	"D" Coy	Trans. ex A. A. Pe.	15/11/42
WX	13906	Pte	Ceikie G	"B" Coy	Trans ex 2/14 Bn	19/11/42
WX	4766	Pte	Robottom S W	"HQ" Coy	Ceases to be Detach	20/11/42
WX	7699	Pte	Bartlett L A	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42
WX	3079	Pte	Iowis F W	"HQ" Coy	"	20/11/42



ATTACHMENTS TWO

WX 1557 Chap M R Durt (A/Chd) Ceases to be Attached 17/11/42  
 VX 14709 Capt H D Steward (A/TC) Ceases to be Attached  
 (Evac Hosp) 17/11/42  
 WX 54998 Chap C A Sharpe (A/Chd) Attach ex 118 Gen Depot 15/11/42  
 VX 39581 Capt R F A Strong (A/TC) Attach ex 2/1 Rd Amb 15/11/42

TRADE GROUPINGS

WX 11632 Pte Mitchell A H "B" Coy Apptd A/TC(11) Cook 15/10/42  
 WX 5211 Pte Robinson A R "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 18124 Pte Davis H L "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 5595 Pte Hazell J "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 5652 Pte McVeigh F H "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 5802 Pte Cook G H "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 4897 Pte Baynam T "HQ" Coy " " " 12/11/42  
 WX 8054 A/Cpl Penistan F "C" Coy Rel T G (11) Clerk 13/11/42  
 WX 2850 A/Cpl Piercy A L "HQ" Coy Rel T G (111) " 14/11/42  
 WX 5657 A/Cpl Thomas M W "A" "HQ" Coy Rel T G (11) Cook 14/11/42  
 WX 4500 A/Cpl Dew F J "B" Coy Rel T G (11) " 14/11/42  
 WX 5658 A/Cpl Lenthall F E "C" Coy Rel T G (11) " 14/11/42  
 WX 8052 A/Cpl Cripps H "D" Coy Rel T G (11) " 14/11/42  
 WX 2905 A/Cpl Crockett J "HQ" Coy Rel T G (11) " 14/11/42  
 WX 13031 A/Cpl Williamson W C "B Ech" Rel T G (11) " 14/11/42

NOTICES

COMFORTS: The following comforts were gratefully received through the A.C.F. per the Pte Ammunition Officer:-

512 pkts Cig. Papers  
 1004 1 Oz pkts Tobacco

512 pkts Cigarettes  
 356 pkts Biscuits

ADD. ADJUT. PART. D.APPTS. PROMOTIONS, TRADE GROUPINGS

WX 4269 A/Cpl Weston G "A" Coy Rank Confirmed 10/11/42  
 WX 12541 Pte Anderson J L A "B" Coy Rel. T. G. (111) Clerk 7/11/42  
 WX 5990 Pte Hedley-Dodds J T "A" Coy " " " 11/11/42

TRANSFERS

WX 7238 Pte Kelleher F "B" Coy Trans. R. A. E. 10/11/42  
 WX 12517 Pte Gouge V "B" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 4517 Pte Charles R T "D" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 4588 Pte Lunkett K "D" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 3376 Pte Harvey J "D" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 4330 Pte MacArthur H "A" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 5625 Pte Stewart K S "A" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 3491 Pte Noitfield G "C" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 6551 Pte North H J "C" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 9304 Pte Weddall F "A" Coy " " 10/11/42  
 WX 3507 Pte Stone T H "B" Coy " " 10/11/42



WAR DIARY

APPENDIX " B "

FIELD RETURNS.

\_\_\_\_\_ NO. 30.



WAR DIARY.

APPENDIX " C "

OPERATION ORDERS.

TNG. INSTNS.

MAPS.

SUMMARIES. ETC.

\_\_\_\_\_ NO. 30.



# WAR DIARY

2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn. Training Instruction No. 9.

Period 1 Nov. 1942 to 7 Nov. 1942.

1: As all Coys have been engaged on road work during the past week, Training for the above Period will be based on TRAINING INSTRUCTION No. 8.

*R. A. Whistler* Lieut.  
A/Adj. 2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.



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2/16 Aust Inf Bn.  
8 Nov 42

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2/16 AUST INF BN ADMM ORDER NO. 3.

1. MOVE A and C Coys will change Div Areas and operational roles with B and D Coys on Mon 9 Nov 42. A Coy will change with B, and C Coy with D.
2. TENTAGE All tentage will be left in present Areas, except in case of D Coy, who will take two tents to new Area.
3. ACCOMMODATION STORES. Will be left with the exception of Mosquito Nets, palisades and lamps. Bed frames will not be taken.
4. BLANKETS. Will be taken.
5. KITCHENS. Cooking staffs will change over and take rations, but Kitchen gear will be left.
6. BAGS. Will be carried by M.T.
7. VEHICLES. One 3 Ton Lorry, and one 1 Ton Van will be available for move.
8. ORDER OF MOVE FOR STORES.

0745 hrs	Vehicles report B Coy.
0800 "	B Coy move
0845 "	Arrive A Coy.
0900 "	A Coy move
0945 "	Arrive D Coy.
1000 "	D Coy move.
1045 "	Arrive C Coy
1100 "	C Coy move.
9. MOVE OF PERSONNEL. Tps will march. Dress, Battle order with felt hats. Time of move at Coy Comd's discretion, but Tps must be in new Area for Sunday meal.
10. HANDING OVER. Coy Comds will liaise re handing over, and explanation of operational role. They will also ensure areas are left clean and tidy.

11.

ACK.

Signed at 0900 hrs  
Issued through sign.

Dist.	Copy No	1.	A Coy
	2	B "	
	3	C "	
	4	D "	
	5	C.M.	
	6	C.O.	
	7	2.i/c	
	8	Adj't	
	9	21 Bde	
	10	War Diary	
	11	War Diary	
	12	File.	

R. J. Christian Lieut

A/Majt. 2/16 Aust Inf Bn



PERIOD - 9 Nov 42 - 16 Nov 42.

The following subjects are to be included in training for the coming week. Coys will notify this H.Q. if subjects in TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 8 have not yet been completed, and include those subjects in the new syllabus.:-

- (1) DRILL - BAYONET Tng:- Daily - Particular attention to smartness in DRILL.
- (2) WEAPON Tng:- (a) M.M.G - will be included as arranged.  
(b) Owen S.M.G - ~~A~~thorough knowledge of this weapon is required.  
(c) All other weapons.
- (3) ORDERS & MESSAGES:- Lecture followed by practice, stressing correct sequence and procedure and reasons for same.
- (4) MESSAGE PASSING:- In Jumble and on narrow tracks.
- (5) COMPASS:- All ranks are to be practised in compass work.
- (6) MAP READING:- Particular attention to be paid to small scale maps.
- (7) PHYSICAL training and Competitive Sports.
- (8) EDUCATIONAL SCHEME:- Separate Instruction issued.
- (9) SIGNAL Tng:- Is to continue for Offrs and N.C.Os.
- (10) NIGHT Tng:- Two nights are to be devoted to:-  
(a) Compass work.  
(b) Infiltration, tactics through enemy posns.
- (11) Coys will submit syllabus for period to be at this H.Q. by 1800hrs Sun 8 Nov 42.
- (12) Reports on TRAINING are required.

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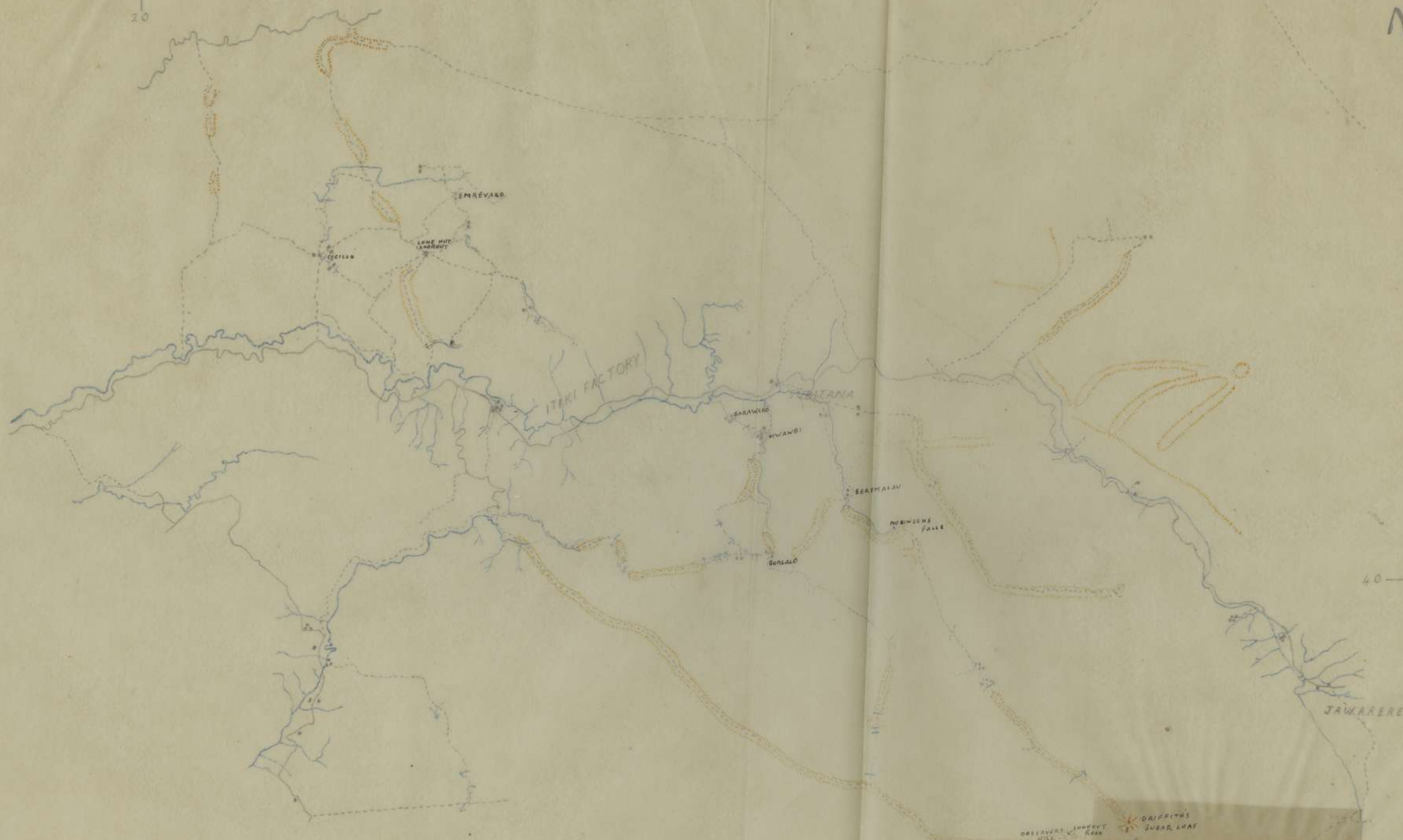
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— TRACK TRACE —

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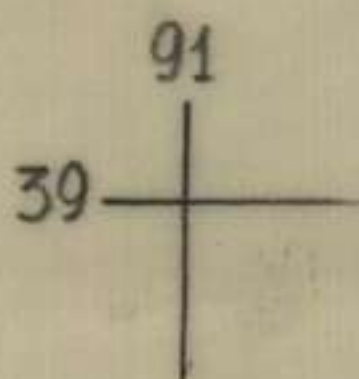


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# MINEFIELDS TRACE - 7 MILE DROME AREA

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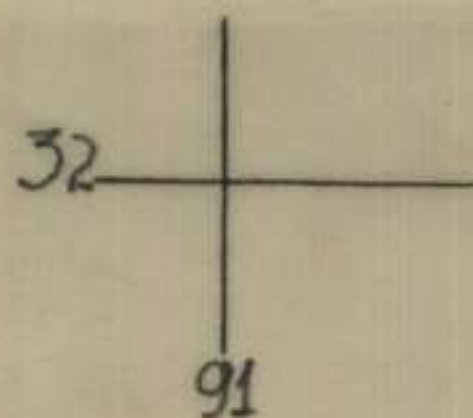
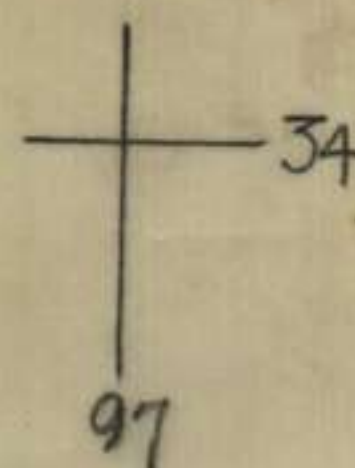
SUPERIMPOSE ON 3 INCHES TO 1 MILE



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DESCRIPTION OF MINEFIELDS		
A	Map Ref 942563	Area 110 x 30 yds
B	Map Ref 943362	Area 49 x 20 yds
C	Map Ref 939339	Area 70 x 28 yds.
	"	Area 28 x 30 "
	"	46 x 64 "
	"	20 x 26 "
G	Map Ref 904542	" 200 x 58 "
H	Map Ref 928323	" 40 x 26 "

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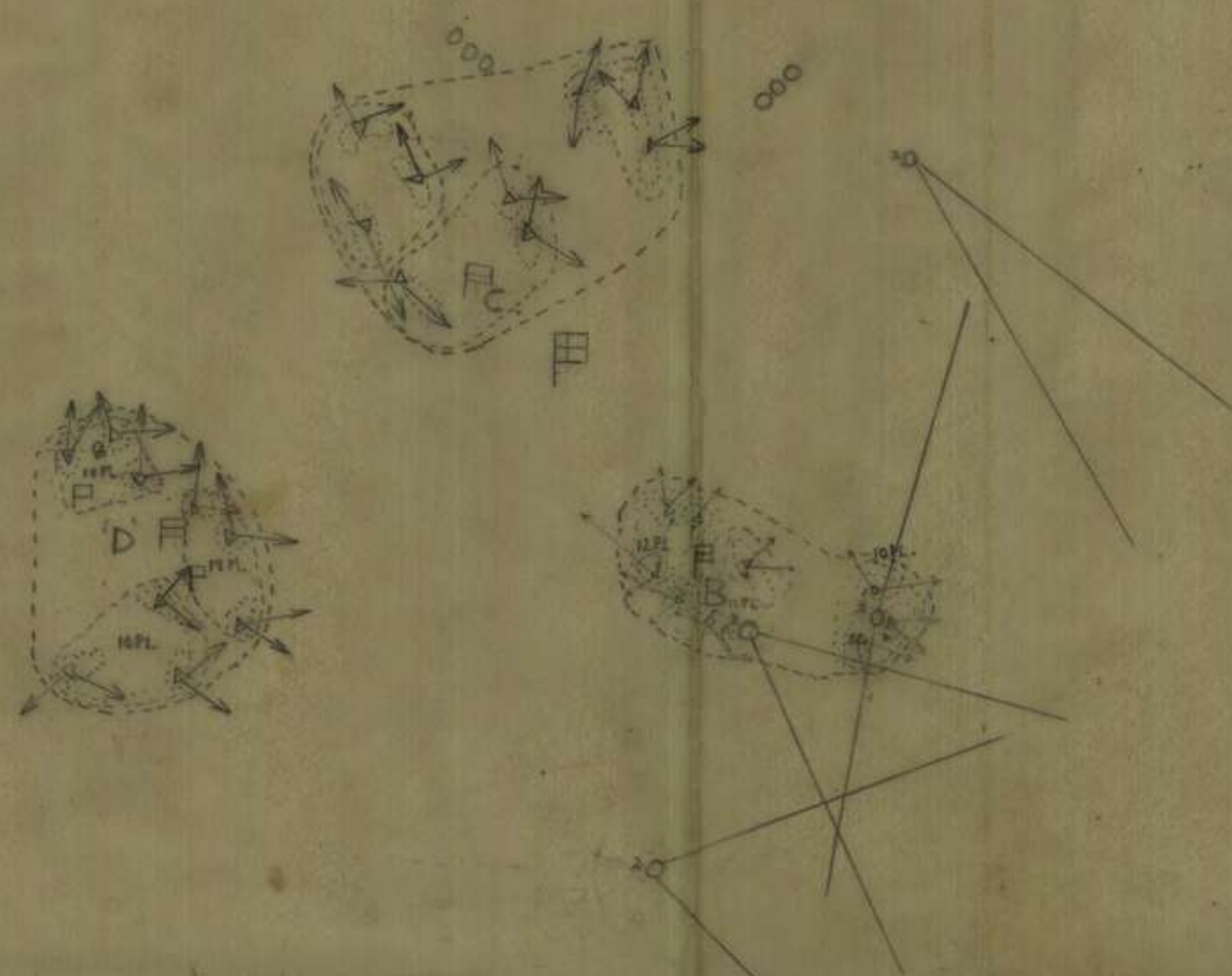


DISPOSITIONS 2/16 Bn. 7 MILE RND. AREA

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SUPERIMPOSE - ON - ENLARGEMENT - PORT MORESBY - SHEET

SINS - TO - 1 MILE



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# ENLARGEMENT OF PORTION OF MORESBY SHEET 1 IN TO 1 MILE

## 2/16 BN DEFENSIVE AREA





Sheet No 1.

## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2-72  
(adapted.)

H. 100M 2/72

Unit 2/16 Aust Inf BnDate and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 31 Dec 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	29 Nov	0400	Reveille	
		0520	Moved off	
		0736	Reached JIMBURU	
		0810	Moved Off	
		1100	Stopped by creek for dinner	
		1200	Moved Off	
		1400	Reached 25 Bde	See Trace No 1 showing Bde Dispositions on night 29/30 Nov.
		1450	Moved Off	
		1700	Reached dispersion area Ref. 131296.	
		1800	Lieut. Young with his Pl to take up position Standing Patrol.	Ref GONA LOCALITY 4 Ins to 1 Mile. 137313.
		1900	Hot tea brought up.	
		2000	Coy Comds. conference. C.O. to Bde Ref. 131295.	
	30 Nov	0500	B Coy moved out to come under comd of 2/27 Bn to carry out attach on GONA. Their posn taken over by Pl of A Coy.	GONA LOCALITY
		0545	Capt O'Neill's Coy (2/16 Bn) of approx 70 men arrived at 2/27 Bn HQ near GONA.	
		0810	Capt O'Neill's Coy move fwd on left flank of 2/27 Bn in tall Kunai grass approx one hundred and fifty yards and were held up. Assault by 2/27 Bn on right flank failed. Enemy fire plan covered the whole front and was mutually supporting.	It would appear, from subsequent examination of enemy posns that the strength of enemy in small area gave impression of co <sub>o</sub> rdinated fire. See Trace No 2 (Enemy Posns)
		0900	Patrol left A Coy to patrol round Bde area.	
		0930	Desultory fire on both sides of Capt O'Neill's Coy. Enemy snipers active.	
		0955	Patrol returned to Bde reporting All Clear.	
		1000	Patrol from A Coy left to patrol Bde area N.W.	



Sheet No 2.

## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118  
(adapted.)

H. 1COM 2/12

Unit 2/16 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1400 Hrs To 2030 Hrs  
30 Nov 42 30 Nov 42

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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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H. 100M 2/22

Unit 2/16 Aust Inf BnDate and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 1 Dec 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	1 Dec	0030	3 Jap barges attempted to land reinforcements and are driven off by 2/16 Coy CHANFORCE.	
		0530	Maj Robinson's Coy (2/16 Bn) arrive at 2/27 Bn HQ. Ref 133313.	GONA LOCALITY
			The BHQ and Adm personnel of 2/16 Bn remaining with Bde HQ. All rifle Coy personnel being now under comd 2/27 Bn.	Officers appointments attached Appx A.
		0545	Arty and Mortar fire commences according to plan.	
		0600	With bayonets all tps moved fwd to assault enemy posns under cover of mortar smoke. Fierce enemy fire was encountered shortly after the attack commenced and the right flank on the beach was held up. Lt-col Cooper C.O 2/27 Bn was wounded shortly after while inspecting fwd posns. Posn on left flank was obscure and runners were dispatched to contact Capt O'Neill's Coy.	See Above
		0645	C.O. 1/3 Bn phoned stating that his Bn had not moved fwd as they were awaiting movement of Capt O'Neill's Coy on left flank.	Apparently the 1/3 Bn were not as close to the beach as they imagined.
		0700	Runner reports that Capt O'Neill's Coy and part of D Coy 2/27 Bn had moved into and through the village. (See Appx C Report by Lieut Scott). Considerable firing could be heard from the village area at this stage. Enemy snipers were very active, firing at wounded and stretcher parties. Amn urgently required by all Coys. Carrying parties supply requirements under heavy fire.	Capt O'Neill's Coy having moved right accross their front without being observed. This is a fact and was later verified by personal recce of Lt-col Sublet.
		0730	Wireless communication established with Lieut Warburton, 2/27 Bn, confirming runners report. Casualties were heavy, Capt O'Neill was badly wounded,	Although tps had gained their objective their strength was so low after the attack that they could not hold the ground gained.
				They had to withdraw.



## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 21/18  
(adapted.)

H. 100M 2/12

Unit 2/16 Aust Inf BnDate and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 31 Dec 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	1 Dec			Some of them crossed GONA CK under fire from enemy and reported in through CHARFORCE Coy. (See sketch No 3). The remainder withdrew under cover of darkness.
		0900	Maj Hearman assumes comd 2/16 and 2/27 composite Bn on evacuation of Lt-col Cooper.	
		1040	Maj Robinson and 15 O/R's attacked enemy strong post on beach. Objective was gained, heavy casualties inflicted.	Maj Robinson was awarded a D.S.O. for this attack. (See sketch No. 4).
		1115	Enemy counter attacked, wounding Maj Robinson, and party was forced to withdraw. Reorganisation and getting wounded out occupied the remainder of the day. Casualties suffered by the 2/16 Bn:- 2 and 22 KIA, 1 BOW, 1 and 33 WIA.	
		2000	Cpl McMahon (WX 4241) Pte E. Yeing (WX1870) 2/16 CHARFORCE crossed GONA CK and rescued Capt O'Neill who had been lying wounded on East bank of CK since attack in early morning. Cpl awarded M.M. for this.	Capt O'Neill died in MDS at SOPUTA on 2 Dec.
	2 Dec	1030	A further assault on enemy strong posts was planned. attack to be preceded by 3" Mortar fire on village and 2 and 3" Mortar fire on beach posns. 1/3 Bn to co-operate with supporting fire from SE of village. Attack to be carried out by Lieut Hicks and 20 men of 2/16 Bn with a Pl of 2/27 Bn standing by to consolidate.	See Sketch No 5.



## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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H. 100M 2/12

Unit 2/16 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 42 To 31 Dec 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	2 Dec	1210	Attack successful. Objective gained. Lieut Hicks and 8 O/Rs wounded.	Lieut Hicks DOW.
		1250	C.O visited Bde Comd at 25 Bde HQ and received orders to assume comd 2/16-2/27 Composite Bn. Bn to come under comd 25 Bde. 21 Bde with 2/14 Bn and 39 Bn to proceed East towards SANANANDA.	
		1530	Bn HQ, Sigs and Mortars moved up to GONA area. 2/16 and 2/27 BHQs to be combined. Arrived at 2/27 BHQ 1620 Hrs.	See Sketch No 6.
		1630	Arrangements are made for guarding beach at night to prevent landings, with 39 Bn on right flank. Casualties for day:- 8 O/Rs wounded. 1 O/R DOW.	
	3 Dec	0530	Stand to.	
		0630	Beach defence personnel move into kunai grass behind their posns.	See Sketch No 7.
		0845	Hot breakfast brought up to collecting point 135308 by natives. GONA LOCALITY 4in-1 MILE.	
			Picked up from there by carrying party.	
		1000	2/16 Bn Sigs take over from 2/27 Bn Sigs.	
		1100	C.O visits O.P. with Maj Sublet.	" " " "
		1115	Mortar shoot started for harassing purposes.	
		1135	Mortar shoot finished.	
		1205	C.O. returns to BHQ.	
		1305	Mortars fire 45 Rounds harassing.	See CHANFORCE Report.
		1400	C.O. arranges Arty plan for tonight.	
		1515	2/16 Bn CHANFORCE (To be known in future as Haddy's Pl) open with MMG on enemy posn.	See Trace No 2 Posn marked with A.
		2000	Lieut Haddy reports having attacked enemy MG posn - post un-occupied. Then attacked another post further East with hand-grenades. Squeals from Japs told of success. Patrol then with drawn with NO casualties.	See Trace No 2 Posn marked with B.



## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/16 Aust Inf Bn.Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 43. To 31 Dec 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	3	2400	Attack by our patrols on Jap beach posns. Listening post and patrol cleaned out. Enemy fire prevented consolidation. Some diaries captured.	
	4	0530 0855 1200	Stand to. Hot breakfast. 2I Bde take over from 25 Bde. 2/14, 2/16, 2/27 & I/39 Bns CHANFORCE under comd. I/39 Bn to take over posns held by 2/25, 2/31, 2/33 & I/3 Bn. CHANFORCE less Haddy's Pl to take up defensive role on creek I373I3 to patrol East towards SANANANDA. Haddy's Pl to remain in posn West of GONA Ck. 2/14 Bn to protect Bde HQ I27295. 2/16 2/27 composite Bn to continue to attack GONA Village along beach from East. I/39 Bn to take over 25 Bde posns and attack from South.	
		1200 1335 1450	Harassing fire by mortars. Mortars carrying out shoot on MG posts on beach. C.O. makes recce for O.P. South of kunai patch - suitable O.P. GONA LOCALITY 4in-Imile. could not be found area I333I3.	
		1700 1730 1825 1930 2100	Relief of I/3 Bn by I/39 Bn completed on our left flank. Area shoot in conjunction with I/39 Bn with small arms. Mortars carry out harassing shoot. A/TK rifles firing on Jap posts. Mortar Pl got onto targets but results are not known. Patrol consisting of Lieut Warbuton and 5 O/Rs of 2/27 Bn attempted to assault Jap posn but were driven off by fire. A light was seen on GONA wrech at various intervals during night. I893I5.	
				BUNA (PROVISIONAL) 1in - Imile.



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GONA AREA	5	0110	Another attempt was made to assault Jap beach posns by Lieut Inkpen and 5 O/Rs but they were again driven off by MG fire.	
		0245	A further patrol, this time consisting of Lieut White and 5 O/Rs, attacked Jap beach posns with considerable success. The patrol had accomplished a wide encircling move approaching enemy posn from South. This movement took 1½ hrs to complete. Grenades were thrown and the enemy replied by firing East along the beach, apparently having no idea of posn of our patrol. Three Japs were killed for certain and useful information was brought back regarding location of enemy posns.	
		0520	Stand to.	
		0710	Intermittent fire started by mortars which is to be kept up all day.	
		0800	Hot breakfast.	
		1200	CHARFORCE less HADDY'S Pl relieve 2/14 BN on creek I37312.	
		1645	2/14 Bn taking over protection of Bde HQ as arranged.	
		1830	Brig Dougherty visits C.O. to discuss tomorrows attack. Coy Comd conference to discuss plan of attack for tomorrow morning. General plan is as follows:— Lieut White to take first post along beach and consolidate. Lieut Warburton to take second post. Capt Atkinson to move his tps into posns vacated by attacking force. Success signal 2 red flares. At the same time 1/39 Bn would attack strong posns south of village — success signal 2 green flares. Attack timed to start at 0530 hrs.	
		2100	Patrol from 2/27 entered village. A few grenades were thrown but no movement was seen. Japs were quiet during the day.	
			Snipers were not so evident.	



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GONA AREA	6	0430 0530	Stand to. Attack started with mortars firing 60 rds on village area.	
			Lieut White's patrol reached a point within 10 yds of South side of Japs posns. through hand grenades and opened up with Tommy Guns. Lieut White then took one Sect round to the East of enemy post. He was wounded in the leg and while an attempt was being made to get him out he was killed by a bullet. The attack had to be abandoned owing to heavy MG fire and snipers.	See sketch No 8.
		0800	Smoke was laid down in an attempt to evacuate the wounded. Patrols withdrew to their original posns.	
		0830	Hot breakfast.	
		0950	Engr Oftr arrives to inspect area with the idea of undermining some of the Jap posns.	
		1150	2 in mortars open fire on enemy beach posns.	
		1320	15 Jap bombers with escort of 13 fighters flew over flying South.	
		1330	Enemy aircraft return flying North.	
		1350	News received that enemy A/C objective was SOPUTA landing strip - all bombs fell in jungle.	
		1520	Harassing fire by mortars.	
		2000	Patrol brought out Lieut White's body.	
		2100	Patrol of 2/27 went into village - no enemy seen. During the day repairs were started on Jap landing barge stranded on beach. Intentions was to mount MMGs on barge and push it out far enough into the stream to enable the guns to bring fire to bear on enemy beach posns from the right flank.	See sketch No 7.
			Casualties 1 & 1 K.I.A. 6 O/Rs W.I.A. 20ffrs D.O.W.	



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GONA AREA	7	0020	Patrol of 2/16 Bn entered village, threw some grenades without results.	
		0300	Patrol of 2/27 Bn entered village.	
		0530	Stand to. It rained for about 4 hrs this morning. All slit trenches were filled with water - everyone soaked through.	
		0745	Flying Fortress made 3 bomb runs over GONA wreck - no hits observed.	
		0820	Hot breakfast.	
		0900	Intermittent fire by 2 in mortars on beach posns.	
		1100	L.O. from Bde visits C.O. Coy Comd conference called. Air Force intend to bomb enemy posns South of village, between 1200 hrs & 1300 hrs. At conclusion of bombing 1/39 Bn are to attack from south posts along edge of timber under cover of smoke. During the attack 2 in mortars will fire on beach area. Capt Madigan's snipers will fire at base of trees on beach and 2/27 Bn snipers will fire into tree tops as supporting fire.	
		1140	Dog fight in progress east of posns - 3 enemy planes brought down.	
		1230	Wirraways made two bombing raids on village.	
		1250	Wirraways return and make further bombing raids.	
		1300	Dive bombing ceased. Bde advise 1/39 Bn to cancel attack as weight of bomb strike was insufficient.	
		1305	18 Jap bombers escorted by 17 fighters observed East of here heading South.	The presence of these aircraft in area was responsible for the lightness of the bomb strike.
		1310	Bombs heard falling towards BUNA.	



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GONA AREA	7	1347	12 mortar bombs dropped vicinity of house near burnt car where movement was seen. Intermittent fire by mortars and	
			brens on movements reported by O.P.	
		2030	Patrol of 2 men 2/16 Bn entered village and observed Jap	
	8		carrying light but had to withdraw because of fire from I/39	
			patrol was sent for 4 hrs. Patrol from 2/27 along beach	
			also had to withdraw for same reason.	
		0030	Patrol of 2/27 entered village but had to withdraw owing to	
			fire from I/39 Bn.	
		0530	Stand to.	
		0630	C.O. visits Bde.	
		0830	Hot breakfast.	
		0930	C.O. returns and hands over comd 2/16 & 2/27 Bns to Maj F.H.	
			Sublet M.C.	
		0950	Plane drops surrender leaflets over Jap posns.	See appx C specimen of pamphlet dropped.
		1030	Coy Comd conference.	
		1035	Arty ranging fire on village.	
		1045	Lt Col Caro leaves to report to Div HQ.	
		1100	L.O. from Bde called on Maj Sublet to discuss plan of attack for 1230 hrs. I/39 Bn are to attack from the south in three phases and will hold line running East & west through village	See sketch No 9.
			The arty will precede attack with 250 rds. Supporting fire	
			to be supplied by 2/16 & 2/27 Bns with 2 & 3 in mortars firing on beach posns. C.O. is free to attack at his own discretion if opportunity occurs.	
		1135	Japs observed wearing respirators in village and moving about with fixed bayonets. Possibility of gas attack remote as wind was unfavourable. It is thought that the smell of the	



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GONA AREA	8	I230	arty shells was responsible for the wearing of respirators. Arty and mortars commence barrage.	See sketch No 9.
		I245	Arty ceases fire, mortars continue to fire on beach posn and I/39 Bn commence attack.	
		I345	C.O. decides to attack. 2/27Bn with strength of about one Coy to attack along beach. A Coy under Capt Atkinson with Pl Comd Lieuts Mayberry, Young and Inkpen to attack in NW direction from Comd post.	
		I400	Attacking force was pinned down by very heavy MG fire when close to objective. Smoke was used in an attempt to extricate wounded. Attacking force held ground gained. Lieut Mayberry and 6 O/Rs were responsible for some excellent work for which he was later awarded an M.C. Having assaulted the main enemy post on beach causing many casualties with grenades.	
		I530	24 members of CHARFORCE take up covering posns East of 2/16 2/27 Bns	
		I930	At dusk 2/16 2/27 Bns commenced digging in to consolidate ground gained. Digging had barely commenced when enemy attempts to break out - enemy attempt was not successful, heavy casualties inflicted by our troops.	
		2400	Parties of Japs still continued to attempt to break through until midnight suffering heavy casualties. Those that got away were mopped up either by CHARFORCE or by O.P. East of WAUTUTU point 92 enemy dead were counted the next morning.	
			Casualties I & I9 K.I.A. I & 8 W.I.A. I Offr D.O.W.	See GONA Provisional 4in to Imile Appx C.



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GONA AREA	9 Dec	0530	Stand to.	
		0700	Party of 4 Men (2 from 2/16:2 from 2/27Bn) moved from Beach Post held by 2/27 Bn along beach to feel out enemy posns still likely to be holding out. Their task was to feel out enemy posns and if fired on go immediately to ground. The patrol following was to come fwd and mop up post. At second Jap Post along beach (See Trace No2) 12 Japs were enc entered, at least 9 of them stretcher cases, but all opened fire on party with grenades and rifles. Party retaliated with grenades and killed 7 Japs. A message was sent, brought patrol 2/27 Bn up and post was cleaned out. In the meantime a patrol under comd WO11 Carl Dillworth 2/16 Bn moved accross the	
			Cocoanut Grove with view to closing in from the South. Also a patrol of 39Bn AMF moved from the SW with same view as Dillworth's patrol.	
		0800	39 Bn patrol, Dillworth's Patrol, and 2/27 Bn patrol moved in to mop up. Several isolated Japs were encountered.	
		0900	Wounded Japs in posns are still resisting and are hard to dislodge.	
			1130 Mopping up continues - snipers causing trouble.	
		1230	Resistance ceases. A few <del>hundreds</del> Japs still in posts are taken prisoner. The afternoon was spent in burying, salvaging and cleaning up area. GONA village and beach were in a shambles with dead Japs and Australians everywhere. Apparently the enemy had made no attempt to bury dead, some of them had obviously been lying out for days. The stench was terrific. The Japs had put up a very stubborn resistance. They still had plenty of Amn, Medical stores and rice although a large quantity of rice was green with mould. In one dugout rice had been stacked on enemy dead. More Japs had died lying on the rice and Amn had been stacked on them again. 638 Japs were buried in the area. Total casualties of 2/16 Bn to date 4 Offrs 44 O/Rs killed, 2 Offrs 64 O/Rs wounded, 5 Offrs 4 O/Rs DOW. Strength of rifle personnel at this stage 36 O/Rs.	
		1500	1/39 Bn advanced through timber South of village and found a few wounded Japs only who offered little resistance.	
		1650	1/39 Bn withdrew to kunai South of GONA village. CHARFORCE personnel return to their HQ. 2/16, 2/27 Bns responsible for protection of GONA from sea attack under comd. of Maj Sublet.	
			During the night 12 Japs were killed. Apparently they had been hiding in the village during the day.	See O707 No,1



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GONA AREA	10	0530	Stand to.	
		0600	Two patrols sent out to patrol track to I/39 Bn.	
		0700	Patrols report no enemy sighted.	
		0830	Hot breakfast.	
		0900	Tps engaged in burying and salvage work.	
		1300	Congratulatory message received from C. in C. Gen Sir Thomas Blamey, G.O.C. Lt Gen Herring and comd American Forces Gen Eichelberger.	
		1535	17 unidentified bombers escorted by fighters seen flying North.	
	11	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0600	Patrols report all clear.	
		0830	Tps still engaged in salvage and burial work.	
			Casualties I O/R K.I.A. I O/R W.I.A.	
	12	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0800	Hot breakfast.	
		0830	Burying continues.	
		1700	Burying completed. 638 Japs buried.	
		1930	Plane flew over wreck firing tracers.	
		2130	Plane flew along coast dropping flares.	
GONA MISSION	13	0450	Plane dropped flares at sea.	
		0515	Plane dropped flares at sea.	
		0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0730	Hot breakfast.	
		0930	R.C. Church parade.	
		0950	Our planes bombing and strafing Jap concentration on sand spit 2½ miles East of GONA.	
		1100	C.E. Church parade.	



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GONA MISSION	13	1400	Tps digging defensive posns.	See O.O.No I & Appx A.
	14	0530	Stand to. Quiet night nothing to report.	
		0630	Planes strafing with tracer NW of GONA, could not observe target. Other planes bombing NW but further away. Thought to be an attack on 5 enemy destroyers at the mouth of MAMBARE River.	
		0730	Hot breakfast.	
		0820	Bomb disposal squad engaged in destroying unexploded bombs in GONA area.	
		0900	Tps continue digging defensive posns.	
		1745	Jap landing barge launched and given trial run - Padre Cunningham at the helm.	
		15	Stand to. Quiet night.	
			Bombs heard falling out to sea. No observation.	
			Tps continue defensive posns.	
		1100	Member of Salvage Corps attacked by Jap. Jap takes members rifle and disappears in scrub near village.	
		1430	Plane strafing vicinity SANANANEA.	
		1735	HADDY'S Pl shoot Jap west of GONA - apparently the same one who had attacked member of Salvage Corps in the morning as he was in possession of one of our rifles. The Jap had first indicated his presence by firing on tps swimming at mouth of creek.	
		1800	Patrol from 2/27 Bntake up posn as standing patrol at collecting point 135308 until dusk in case there are any stray Japs in area.	

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GONA MISSION	16	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0900	Tps continue with defensive posns.	
	17	0530	stand to. Quiet night.	
		0900	Tps continue work on defensive posns.	
		0920	Maj Sublet visits Bde. HQ.	
		1100	Planes strafe MANGROVE IS and sand spit.	
		1430	Maj Sublet returns from Bde HQ.	
		1600	Maj Hearman returns from 7 Div HQ.	
		2130	Enemy plane flying over. Bombs dropped near SOPUTA - no damage.	
	18	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0900	Defence work continues.	
		1300	Two planes bombed mouth of KUMUSI River - cloud of smoke seen rising.	
		1400	Cloud of smoke about 1 mile inland on bearing of 316° from GONA.	
		1800	Maj Sublet reports to Bde HQ to receive instructions for relieving I/39 Bn.	
	19	0530	Stand to. One Jap seen and shot at but he escaped.	The I/39 & 2/14 Bns had been engaging a pocket of Japs 4 miles West of GONA since the village had been taken. This pocket was cleaned up yesterday but there are still Japs further West.
		0700	Coy Comd conference to discuss change over with I/39Bn.	
			A Coy (2/16 Bn) will take up posn I34305.	
			B Coy (2/27 Bn) " " " " I39301	
			BHQ " " " " I40301	See sketch No 10.



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GONA MISSION	19	0700	B Ech to remain in present posn.	
		0845	<del>W</del> land Coy Comds leave to recce new posns.	
		0930	Arrive at 2/14 Bn HQ and recce area.	
GONA WEST		1200	Coys leave GONA area.	
		1320	Covs arrive at new area and relieve 1/39 Bn & 2/14 Bn. 1/39 Bn to take over old posns in GONA. 2/14 Bn to take up posn at Bde HQ as reserve.	
		1900	50 to 60 Japs seen through telescope walking along beach in 2s & 3s West of AMBOGO River. Fire was brought to bear on them with captured MMG causing some casualties. The range was too great for accurate shooting.	
	20	2315	3 Jap barges observed travelling West.	
		0500	Barges heard but not sighted.	
		0530	Stand to.	
		1830	Enemy seen during day on beach West of AMBOGO River. Bursts of MMG were put among them but results were not observed.	
		1900	Column of smoke seen on bearing 345.	
		2330	Arty ranging on wreck - 2 direct hits observed.	
	21	0030	Jap fighting patrol of 1 Offr 12 O/Rs rushed our post 131301 with fixed bayonets. Our casualties 1 killed 1 wounded - wounded man had 12 - 14 bayonet wounds in him. Jap casualties 1 Offr 1 NCO 1 prisoner wounded.	
		0100	Arty firing on wreck - one direct hit.	
		0530	Stand to.	
		1100	Patrol entered village 134305 killing 6 Japs.	BUNA REVISED 1in to 1mile
		1200	21 Bde HQ & 1/39 Bn move to SOPUTA-SANANANDA track. 2/14 Bn relieving 1/39 Bn in GONA.	



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GONA WEST	21	1200	2/14, 2/16 & 2/27 Bns come under Comd of Lt Col Challen of 2/14 Bn - force to be known as GOFORCE.	
		1300	Intermittent mortar fire on village West of creek I34305 where there are still some Japs.	
	22	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0940	Planes bombing and strafing near mouth of AMBOGA River.	
		1330	A & B Coys change over.	
		1500	Patrol left to find log across stream shown on air photo.	
			Could not locate it. Heard Jap voices in scrub but could not get any observation.	
	23	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		1000	Patrol searched kunai near village - no Japs seen.	
		1100	Planes strafing MANGROVE IS.	
		1500	Patrol examined huts in village I34305. - no Japs seen.	
		2330	6 Jap barges passed travelling West. Arty, mortars and MMGs opened on them but could not observe results.	
	24	0530	Stand to.	
		0900	Patrolling continues. Cannot contact enemy.	
		1830	Smoke observed on bearing of 305 - probably cooking fires.	
		2345	Barge sighted off GONA. 2/14 Bn engage target with MMGs and mortars. Native boy jumps overboard and swims to our B Ech.	
			States that barge was going to SALAMUA for stores and that Japs in BUNA are very short of stores, many sick.	
			A Comforts Fund issue of 1 lb boiled sweets, 2 oz tobacco, 1 pkt papers and 1 box matches per man.	



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GONA WEST	25	0530	Stand to.	
		0730	Hot breakfast. Porridge, beans & bacon and tea.	
		0900	Patrol makes recce of tracks South of ford I28297.	
		1230	Luncheon. Bread, butter, camp pie, tinned fruit and milk.	
		1700	Dinner. Stew, boiled rice & coffee - issue of chocolate.	
	26	2340	2 direct hits on wreck by plane.	
		0030	2 barges sighted well out to sea travelling East.	
		0530	Stand to.	
		0715	2 natives swim ashore at B Ech. State that they had swam from BUNA to the wreck, which they examined and found uninhabited -	
			The guns had been destroyed by fire.	
		0915	Patrol made recce of track South of posn - no sign of enemy.	
		1140	Zero flying low from direction of MANGROVE IS was attacked by wirraway and brought down into sea at I46298, bursting into	See appx C. Sketch No 10.
			flames on striking the water. Pilot was shot through head.	
		1800	Dr Dunn arrives to relieve Dr Strang.	
	27	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0915	Fortresses bombed wreck - 4 hits 2 near misses.	
		1120	Marauders bombed and strafed West of AMBOGA River.	
		1215	Dog fight East of this posn between Lightnings & Zeros. 42	
			Zeros were over, 11 shot down, 3 probable, - 1 of ours made forced landing.	
	28	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		0900	Patrol recce track SW of here - no laps.	
		2350	2 big bright lights toward BUNA. Probably amn dumps.	
	29	0530	Stand to. Quiet night.	
		2145	2 flares seen NW well out to sea.	







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ROUTINE ORDER NO 95

1 DEC 42

BY I/T → COL A E GARG, COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 AUST INF BN.

PART A

SUPPLY DEPOTS - OUT OF BOUNDS All Supply Depots, inc roads between stacks & huts, are out of bounds to all unauthorised personnel and vehicles. Any such personnel found will be subject to severe disciplinary action.

TRADING WITH NATIVES THERE appears hereunder a list of the maximum prices to be paid for produce and curios ordinarily sold by natives.

Bananas	1/6 to 2/6 per bunch		
Eggs	2/- per doz	Sipora(Limes)	5d per doz
Fowls	2/6 each	Baskets	3/- to 3/-
Mandarins	9d per doz	Beads(Strings)	1/- to 2/-
Mangoes	1/6 per doz	Bows	3/- to 4/-
Oranges	1/- per doz	Arrows	2 for 1/-
Paws Paws	3 or 4 per 1/-	Canoes(Models)	2/- to 3/-
Pineapples	3 or 4 per 1/-	Combs(wooden)	2/- to 3/-
Potatoes (Sweet)	1/2d per lb	Genas(Arm-Bands)	1/- to 1/6
Pumpkins	6d each	Ramies(GrassSkirts)	3/- to 5/-
Spoons	6d each	Sticks(Malila Walking)	5/- to 15/-

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*W. Burges* Lieut

For O O 2/16 Aust Inf Bn  
A.O.D.

PART B.

STRENGTH TAKEN ON

WX	3206	Pte Audrey L	HQ Coy	20/11/42	ex 21 Bde
WX	3015	" Byers J	"	19/11/42	ex Hospital
WX	9689	" Brandis W E	"	"	"
WX	2666	" Fleming J W	"	"	"



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WX	8959	Pte	Elvey E A	"C"	21/11/42	Rejoin.	ex Hosp
WX	7752	Pte	Carlson A J	"D"	"	"	"
WX	14089	Pte	Rushton R G	"E"	"	"	"
WX	4214	L/Cpl	McDonahd J	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	4212	Pte	Pilpel J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	7984	Pte	Lyall L R	"DECH"	"	"	"
WX	2648	Sgt	Brown J G	"A"	22/11/42	"	"
WX	2865	Cpl	Beebe L J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	12371	Pte	Cavanagh M J	"HQ"	"	"	"
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WX	4170	Pte	Boyes A S	"HQ"	21/11/42	"	"
WX	3794	Sgt	Hughes W R	"BHQ"	23/11/42	"	"
WX	3793	Pte	Jones A L	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	5606	Cpl	Neale V A	"C"	"	"	"
WX	2855	Cpl	Brown-Cooper P	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	6547	L/Cpl	Kenworthy B S	"A"	"	"	"
WX	5633	Pte	Brown J J	"DECH"	24/11/42	"	"
WX	7539	Pte	Ashworth A D	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	7803	Pte	Kain W	"DECH"	"	"	"
WX	5591	Pte	Henderson W J	"C"	"	"	"
WX	3157	Cpl	Tressider F J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	7298	Pte	Matthews A J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	2980	Cpl	Anderton F R	"A"	"	"	"
WX	3562	Pte	Gardiner J S	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	7894	Pte	Jones W F	"D"	"	"	"
WX	8340	Pte	Cousens W F	"HQ"	25/11/42	"	"
WX	3823	Pte	Bell L J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	5594	Pte	Coad V V	"C"	26/11/42	"	"
WX	3110	Pte	Newman R D	"BHQ"	26/11/42	"	"
WX	11296	Pte	Parker R H	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	15046	Pte	Reid H B	"B"	"	"	"
WX	5773	L/Cpl	Robinson W J	"D"	27/11/42	"	"
WX	5683	Pte	Stafford R K	"B"	"	"	"
WX	4171	Pte	Bowley L	"C"	"	"	"
WX	4257	Pte	Goode W E	"HQ"	"	"	"
QX	26906	Pte	Tuck H J	Rein.	28/11/42	"	"
WX	4051	L/Cpl	Jones S E	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	7586	Pte	Butler R J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	11750	Pte	Stewart M	"B"	"	"	"
WX	8161	Pte	Fane G	"B"	"	"	"
WX	12298	Cpl	Crofts L A	"C"	29/11/42	"	"
WX	3239	Sgt	Marshall R D	"C"	"	"	"
WX	4125	Sgt	Hodgson W J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	2804	L/Cpl	Crofts J S J	"HQ"	30/11/42	"	"
WX	5587	Pte	Cousens G W	"C"	"	"	"
WX	5673	Pte	Keane J E	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	4078	Pte	Hislop K	"DECH"	"	"	"

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WX	4170	Pte	Boyes A S	"HQ"	21/11/42	Evac.	Hospital
WX	4176	Pte	Garbutt W H	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	3110	Pte	Newman R D	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	13124	Pte	Davis H L	"D"	"	"	"
WX	5595	Pte	Hazell J	"D"	"	"	"
WX	11658	Pte	Haywood J H	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	14491	Pte	Gittos A J	"BHQ"	"	"	"
WX	4321	Cpl	Willoughby S A	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	13955	Pte	Scott D B	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	5198	Pte	Bone J	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	14542	Pte	Davon G J N	"A"	23/11/42	"	"
WX	8922	Pte	Ashby R P	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	5834	Pte	Hair G	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	13958	Pte	Payne F A	"HQ"	"	"	"
WX	14719	Pte	Chappell F J	"HQ"	24/11/42	"	"
WX	4356	Sgt	Morris G E	"B"	"	"	"
WX	4357	Cpl	Archibald T	"C"	"	"	"
WX	3152	Pte	O'Loughlin M	"HQ"	"	"	"



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WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Evac Hosp
WX 4220	Sgt	Dingle L S	"BHQ"	24/11/42	"
WX 8037	Pte	Weekley T C	"C"	"	"
WX 7691	Pte	Hovell V A	"A"	"	"
WX 13908	Pte	Stevens F W	"A"	25/11/42	"
WX 5683	Pte	Stafford R K	"B"	25/11/42	"
WX 7353	Pte	Duck O C	"HQ"	25/11/42	"
WX 3771	Pte	Moir A	"B"	26/11/42	"
WX 8182	Pte	Rose A R	"HQ"	26/11/42	"
WX 4051	L/Cpl	Jones S E	"BHQ"	27/11/42	"
WX 4257	Pte	Goode W E	"HQ"	"	"
QX 27368	Cpl	Walter G H	Rein.	28/11/42	"
WX 7866	Cpl	Forbes D	"A"	"	"
WX 15467	Pte	Bartlett M G	"A"	"	"
WX 13960	Pte	Gaines H O	"HQ"	"	"
WX 7708	Pte	Bray H L	"HQ"	"	"
WX 4239	Pte	Bracegirdle L	"A"	"	"
WX 43223	Pte	Chaplin C G	Rein	29/11/42	"
WX 5657	A/Cpl	Thomas M W	"A"	"	"
WX 4375	Pte	Clively E M	"C"	30/11/42	"
QX 25815	Cpl	Smythe E J	Rein	"	"
WX 5791	Lieut	MacKenzie J R	"A"	21/11/42	"

STRENGTH TAKEN ON (Addendum)

WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Rejoin ex Hospital
WX 5824	Lieut	Harley K N	"HQ"	21/11/42	"
WX 8592	"	Chamberlain E W	"A"	26/11/42	"

DETACHMENTS ETC

WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Ceases to be detach..
WX 3250	T/Capt	G M McGee	"A"	26/11/42	"
WX 2798	Pte	Johnson E F H	"A"	"	"
WX 3280	Lieut	W J Duncan	"D"	29/11/42	"
WX 8868	"	W Grayden	"C"	"	"
WX 3153	Cpl	Kelman A G	"B"	"	"

TRANSFERS ( Strength Struck Off )

WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Trans. N.G.F. (Coast Watch)
WX 3745	Cpl	Darrett R J	"A"	29/11/42	"
WX 5297	Pte	Turner R B	"B"	"	"
WX 2991	Pte	Chamberlain R C	"HQ"	"	" Corp Rec. Depot for Evac to Aust.
WX 4369	L/Cpl	Dick J T	"HQ"	27/11/42	" W.A.L of C for disposal

APPTS. PROMOTIONS ETC

WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Prom A/CPL
WX 9448	L/Cpl	Reynolds L A D	"C"	25/11/42	Apptd. L/CPL
WX 6755	Pte	Harris C A B	"C"	"	Rank Confirmed
WX 4759	A/Sgt	Williams E F E	"C"	"	"
WX 7818	A/Sgt	Williamson W H	"A"	"	"
WX 4589	A/Cpl	Mackintosh J S G	"A"	"	"
WX 13512	A/Cpl	Breen R L	"A"	"	"
TX 2434	A/Cpl	Iles M L	"A"	"	"
WX 2730	Cpl	Affleck J	"HQ"	20/11/42	Prom A/SGT
WX 3611	L/Cpl	Merritt V F S	"A"	23/11/42	Reverts to PTE (Own request)
WX 5657	A/Cpl	Thomas M W	"A"	29/11/42	" " (Evac Hosp)

TRADE GROUPINGS

WX	Rank	Name	Grade	Date	Apptd. A/T.G. (11) Cook
WX 3500	Pte	Chandler C J	"D"	23/11/42	Rel. A/T.G. (111) INT.
WX 14991	Pte	Gittos A J	"BHQ"	25/11/42	Apptd. T.G. (11) Cook
WX 10501	Pte	Waldock W H	"HQ"	"	Rel. T.G. (111) Equip. Rep.
WX 3052	Pte	Hounsham T	"DECH"	24/11/42	Apptd. T.G. (11) Cook
WX 3052	Pte	Hounsham T	"	25/11/42	



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WX	9663	Pte	Allen B	"A"	From A/Cpl	26/11/42
WX	5642	Cpl	Hounsham J	"HQ"	" A/Sgt	30/11/42

REVERSIONS

WX	13031	A/Cpl	Williamson W C	"BECH"	Reverts to Pte (Evac Hosp)	30/11/42
QX	26000	A/Cpl	Sykes J	"Rein"	Reverts to Pte	5/12/42
QX	11605	A/Cpl	Lloyd A K	"	Reverts to Pte	3/12/42

TRADE GROUPINGS

TX	3549	Pte	Baker H W	"HQ"	Rel. T.G. (121) Dvr. Mech.	4/12/42
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DETACHMENTS

WX	4357	Pte	Pach O J	"HQ"	Ceases to be Detach.	4/12/42
WX	4569	Pte	Mackintosh J S G	"	" "	13/11/42
WX	7699	Pte	Bartlett L	"HQ"	" "	4/12/42
WX	3079	Pte	Lewis F W	"	" "	4/12/42
WX	4766	Pte	Robottom S W	"	" "	4/12/42

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WX	3205	Pte	Williams A J	"BECH"	Evac Hosp	30/11/42
WX	5679	Sgt	Pike A	"HQ"	" "	30/11/42
WX	13031	A/Cpl	Williamson W C	"	" "	30/11/42
WX	3149	Pte	Ewings E P	"BHQ"	" "	1/12/42
WX	14058	Pte	Emmett K C	"HQ"	" "	1/12/42
WX	3794	L/Sgt	Hughes W R	"BHQ"	" "	2/12/42
QX	30564	Pte	Seales G F	Rein	" "	5/12/42
QX	11605	A/Cpl	Lloyd A K	"	" "	3/12/42
WX	4176	Pte	Garbutt W H J	"A"	" "	3/12/42
QX	31482	Pte	Davies D W	Rein	" "	4/12/42
WX	2826	Cpl	Milstead A R	"HQ"	" "	4/12/42
WX	8592	Lieut	E W Chamberlain	"	" "	4/12/42
QX	26000	A/Cpl	Sykes J	Rein	" "	5/12/42
WX	4212	Pte	Pilpel J	"HQ"	" "	5/12/42
QX	27250	Pte	Hull E C	Rein	" "	5/12/42
WX	9125	L/Cpl	Ovens W J	"BHQ"	" "	6/12/42
WX	6751	Cpl	Trigg T W A	"HQ"	" "	6/12/42
WX	2997	Pte	Baechus J J	"	" "	6/12/42
WX	2644	WO(11)	Hughes A A	"BECH"	" "	7/12/42

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WX	4176	Pte	Garbutt W H	"A"	Rejoined ex Hosp.	1/12/42
WX	2928	Pte	Beckett W E Y	"C"	" "	1/12/42
WX	9218	Pte	Atkins H G	"B"	" "	1/12/42
WX	13955	Pte	Scott D B	"HQ"	" "	1/12/42
WX	14574	Cpl	Greatoroz R E	"C"	" "	1/12/42
WX	7941	Pte	Steele H B J	"D"	" "	2/12/42
WX	3599	Pte	Miles V S	"HQ"	" "	2/12/42
WX	13881	Pte	Von Geyer G H	"BHQ"	" "	2/12/42
WX	8146	Pte	Meddings G	"HQ"	" "	3/12/42
WX	2742	WO(11)	Crombie R G	"B"	" "	3/12/42
WX	4326	Sgt	Scott R E	(AAMC) ATT.	" "	3/12/42



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WX	4046	Sgt	Walmsley G	"DHQ"	Rejoined ex Hosp.	3/12/42
WX	8102	Pte	Lucas G	"A"	"	4/12/42
WX	7908	Pte	Fogarty A T	"HQ"	"	4/12/42
WX	11825	Pte	Cookram W S	"	"	4/12/42
WX	9125	L/Cpl	Ovens W J	"DHQ"	"	4/12/42
WX	5854	Pte	Hair G	"HQ"	"	4/12/42
WX	2744	Sgt	Johnston D	"A"	"	4/12/42
WX	9669	Cpl	Jarvis M T	"HQ"	"	4/12/42
WX	4787	Cpl	O'Dea M	"D"	"	5/12/42
WX	13175	Pte	Moore C D G	"C"	"	5/12/42
WX	4222	Sgt	Gubley J E	"D"	"	5/12/42
WX	4183	Cpl	Holland E S	"HQ"	"	5/12/42
WX	3049	Pte	Stent E J	"A"	"	5/12/42
QX	31482	Pte	Davies D W	Rein	"	5/12/42
WX	13209	Pte	Lennex E	"C"	"	6/12/42
WX	4203	Pte	Day R	"C"	"	6/12/42
WX	5803	Pte	Patterson H	"HECH"	"	6/12/42
WX	3769	Pte	Richards W R	"HQ"	"	6/12/42
WX	13956	Pte	Isaacs R	"HQ"	"	6/12/42
WX	14737	Pte	Evans F T	"B"	"	6/12/42
WX	2165	Pte	Malarkey C	"HQ"	"	7/12/42
WX	4210	Cpl	Moloney B W	"A"	"	7/12/42
WX	5646	S/Sgt	McDonald E G	"B"	"	7/12/42
WX	4376	Pte	Trigwell W J R	"A"	Trans. ex 21 Aust Inf Bde	1/12/42
WX	2960	Pte	Keeley J	"HQ"	" " 102 Aust Gen Coy	3/12/42

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WX	5673	Pte	Keane J E	"HQ"	Trans to A. I. F. 2Dacks Op Coy. RAN	4/12/42
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BATTLE CASUALTIES

WX	4389	Pte	Delaparte W L	"A"	G. S. W. R. Knee	23/11/42
WX	2313	Pte	Langlands G B	"B"	G. S. W. L. Elbow	24/11/42
WX	2907	Pte	Campbell H M	"D"	Shrap. Face	25/11/42
WX	3187	Pte	Sandison J T	"D"	Shrap. Buttocks	25/11/42
WX	3173	T/Capt	V H Holley		Wound, Buttock	30/11/42
WX	1589	T/Maj	A Robinson		G. S. W. Throat, Shldrs	1/12/42
WX	6484	Lieut	A C Poweraker A C		GSW. Legs, Chest, Arms	1/12/42
WX	2735	Lieut	T N Hall		GSW. Stom. R. Foot	1/12/42
WX	13160	Pte	Gallep A J		Shrap Buttock	30/11/42
WX	9438	Cpl	Smith S		GSW Stom.	30/11/42
WX	13005	Pte	Black J		GSW Head	30/11/42
WX	3593	Cpl	Martin E F J		GSW Back	30/11/42
WX	10684	L/Cpl	Omningsham F A		GSW L. Leg, R. Foot	30/11/42
WX	3569	Pte	Dinsdale E		GSW L. Wrist	30/11/42
WX	11262	Pte	Marchesi J L		GSW Head, Ear	30/11/42
WX	11293	Pte	Pratt L H		GSW R. Arm	30/11/42
WX	14735	Pte	Mahoney W H		K. I. A.	30/11/42
WX	3032	Pte	Prosser L W		GSW L. Shldr	1/12/42
WX	2894	Pte	Ashdown E G		Shrap. Lower Lip	1/12/42
WX	10501	Pte	Waldeck W H		GSW R. Arm	1/12/42
WX	2792	Pte	Affleck A J		Shrap R. Hip, Shldr	1/12/42
WX	6529	Pte	Beaumont A R		GSW R. Eye	1/12/42
WX	4180	Cpl	Holland E S		Shrap. Head	1/12/42
WE	5602	Pte	Rainbird A A		GSW Head, Neck	1/12/42
WX	6755	L/Cpl	Harris C A B		GSW R. Thigh	1/12/42
WX	9331	Pte	Doyle D M		GSW L. Hand, Knee	1/12/42
WX	3122	Cpl	Devine W M		GSW R. Elbow	1/12/42
WX	4334	Pte	Wilson D P		Shrap. Head, Arms, Legs	1/12/42
WX	3182	Sgt	Macaulay K N		GSW Shldr, Back, R. Arm	1/12/42
WX	5845	Pte	Otter J		GSW Legs, Neck, R. Arm	1/12/42
WX	12995	Pte	Jeffery W C B		GSW L. Leg	1/12/42
WX	3714	Pte	Rutter G M		GSW R. Hand, L. Knee	1/12/42
WX	13424	Pte	Stapley E T		GSW Buttock	1/12/42
WX	4209	Pte	Hahn A		Shrap. R. Side	1/12/42



## STRENGTH TAKEN ON (GENERAL REINFORCEMENTS).

				Ex	Aust.	
QX 28841	Pte	Adams	C R			26/11/42
QX 29102	Pte	Ambrose	E H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 37956	Pte	Anderson	A V	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29954	Pte	Bagley	D R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28107	Pte	Barker	R G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29140	Pte	Beckett	N L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38256	A/Cpl	Behrens	G C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28930	Pte	Betts	V H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29003	Pte	Betts	O.P.	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29885	Pte	Black	R J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25713	Pte	Bliss	R A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 33336	Pte	Brayley	H O	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26003	Pte	Brenner	J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28399	Pte	Browne	S R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32537	Pte	Cardell	R F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32037	Pte	Carcy	F L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38244	Pte	Carrigan	J T	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28308	Pte	Chaplin	R W	"	"	26/11/42
NX 43223	Pte	Chaplin	L G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28543	Pte	Churchward	E M	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38234	A/Sgt	Clarke	A N	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26592	Pte	Clarkson	W A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27393	Pte	Coleman	R J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28989	Pte	Cook	G A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25839	Pte	Crowe	J G B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31482	Pte	Davies	D W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28853	Pte	Doyle	J A J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29917	Pte	Dwynan	T F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 21922	Pte	Dunigan	J R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26896	Pte	Edwards	E J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29617	Pte	Ewin	A E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29104	Pte	Flanagan	P J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38165	Pte	Gear	P V	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28991	Pte	Giles	M L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 36222	A/Cpl	Glover	J H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38267	Pte	Green	S R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 30114	Pte	Harris	A W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 23656	Pte	Hawkins	R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28532	Pte	Heron	S E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26970	Pte	Hill	R F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27250	Pte	Hull	E C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 30572	Pte	Hume	F J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29232	Sgt	Hunt	J G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38268	Pte	Irons	A C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28868	Pte	Jacobsen	H I	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28869	Pte	Jacobsen	R G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26184	Sgt	Jeavons	L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 33150	Pte	Jeffs	G W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 33057	Pte	Jones	L G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25754	Pte	Kitchin	E J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29525	A/Cpl	Knight	H R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25192	Pte	Kodtka	F C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26663	Pte	Lavaring	M E M	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31405	Pte	Lee	D G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28594	Pte	Lennon	M B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29194	Pte	Lindley	J F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28540	Pte	Liversidge	R K	"	"	26/11/42
QX 11605	A/Cpl	Lloyd	A K	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38269	Pte	Lucas	J H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29190	Cpl	Lynch	A L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29391	Pte	Marshall	T H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 21889	A/Cpl	Markham	L J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31266	Pte	Martin	J E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32715	Pte	Martin	J H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29367	A/Cpl	Massey	A E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32721	A/Sgt	Matson	H J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38271	Pte	Merrick	R A	"	"	26/11/42



## STRENGTH TAKEN ON (GENERAL REINFORCEMENTS).

QX 30926	A/Cpl	Mildren	C M	Ex	Aust.	26/11/42
QX 15941	Pte	Mitchell	G L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32813	Pte	Moore	R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 30407	Pte	Morris	D M	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26013	Pte	Mount	R E A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27629	Pte	Morgan	L J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28650	Pte	Moulden	A A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32300	Pte	Muir	R H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32341	Pte	Muller	G A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32042	Pte	McAlpine	J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25603	Pte	McAntee	W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32578	Pte	McConnell	W L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25771	Pte	McDonald	F J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28550	Pte	McFarlane	L W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27215	Pte	McGarry	W J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28858	Pte	McIntyre	L W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32348	Pte	McKavanagh	M C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32138	Pte	McKay	A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32293	Pte	McLaren	R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 34480	Pte	McLaughlin	R W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28875	Pte	McNamara	M	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31275	A/Sgt	McNab	R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32155	Pte	McTaggart	H J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 25773	Pte	Neller	G D	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38274	Pte	Newton	W C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32315	Pte	Neilson	R K	"	"	26/11/42
QX 30805	Pte	Nelson	W J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32351	Pte	Newman	A W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29237	Pte	Nisson	C A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27895	Pte	O'Connor	N F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27455	Pte	Oliver	J T	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29217	Pte	Oliver	L W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38239	A/Cpl	Paris	G A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28729	Pte	O'Donovan	A E B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32392	A/Cpl	Partridge	A L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32498	Pte	Pashley	N A G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29251	Pte	Paxton	W E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38275	Pte	Perrow	A J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32242	Pte	Perry	L J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32403	Pte	Peters	J G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 23918	Cpl	Peterson	A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29703	Pte	Pinder	R G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 18952	Pte	Pioch	G A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 11954	Pte	Platts	B K	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31232	Pte	Poole	N C R	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32755	Pte	Potter	S	"	"	26/11/42
QX 24319	A/Cpl	Powell	I B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 22251	A/Cpl	Pugh	J H	"	"	26/11/42
QX 31080	A/L/Cpl	Quirke	T C	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32717	Pte	Ralph	J P	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32395	Pte	Reid	D A	"	"	26/11/42
QX 30681	Pte	Reid	R B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32054	Pte	Rhodes	L G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32305	A/L/Cpl	Rignold	R C L	"	"	26/11/42
QX 29533	A/Cpl	Robbins	D B	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32399	Pte	Roberts	G G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28040	Pte	Robinson	G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32741	Pte	Rodwell	J E	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26729	Pte	Rolfe R St	J	"	"	26/11/42
QX 32277	Pte	Ross	A J	"	"	26/11/42
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QX 30032	Pte	Rowland	C F	"	"	26/11/42
QX 27529	Cpl	Rush	E G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26715	A/Cpl	Russell	J T	"	"	26/11/42
QX 23442	Pte	Rutledge	B G	"	"	26/11/42
QX 28592	Pte	Ryan	J W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 38277	Pte	Ryder	W	"	"	26/11/42
QX 26807	L/Sgt	Salmon	L V	"	"	26/11/42



## STRENGTH TAKEN ON (GENERAL REINFORCEMENTS).

QX 32710	Pte	Sanderson	A C	Ex Aust.	26/11/42
QX 32779	Pte	Sands	R J	" "	26/11/42
QX 30564	Pte	Seales	G F	" "	26/11/42
QX 23825	Pte	Scarborough	G S	" "	26/11/42
QX 32421	Pte	Schulte	F A	" "	26/11/42
QX 32217	Pte	Schmidt	A	" "	26/11/42
QX 32711	Pte	Schwenke	L D	" "	26/11/42
QX 31015	Pte	Searl	C W J	" "	26/11/42
QX 31311	Pte	Seale	G M	" "	26/11/42
QX 32278	Pte	Seiple	A N	" "	26/11/42
QX 31375	A/L/Cpl	Sharp	F S	" "	26/11/42
QX 32279	Pte	Sharpe	J F	" "	26/11/42
QX 30668	A/Cpl	Shaw	W D	" "	26/11/42
QX 25815	A/Cpl	Smythe	E J	" "	26/11/42
QX 32271	Pte	Sondergard	F P	" "	26/11/42
QX 32280	Pte	Spence	L T	" "	26/11/42
QX 32493	Pte	Stack	A W	" "	26/11/42
QX 32264	Pte	Staines	A W	" "	26/11/42
QX 31526	Pte	Stevenson	D J	" "	26/11/42
QX 31810	Pte	Stevenson	J S	" "	26/11/42
QX 26783	Pte	Stillman	R G	" "	26/11/42
QX 32582	Pte	Stokes	J A	" "	26/11/42
QX 29910	Pte	Streeter	R S	" "	26/11/42
QX 32066	Pte	Stuart	R C	" "	26/11/42
QX 27440	Pte	Sweetenham	M F	" "	26/11/42
QX 26000	A/Cpl	Sykes	J	" "	26/11/42
QX 29031	Pte	Taylor	B W L	" "	26/11/42
QX 32742	Pte	Teese	L J	" "	26/11/42
QX 32509	A/L/Cpl	Thams	V M	" "	26/11/42
QX 32724	Pte	Thompson	H J	" "	26/11/42
QX 30354	Pte	Tryhorn	E C	" "	26/11/42
QX 26906	Pte	Tuck	H J	" "	26/11/42
QX 24466	A/Cpl	Tully	J W E	" "	26/11/42
QX 31745	Pte	Tunsted F J	" "	" "	26/11/42
NX 39020	Pte	Turner G H	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 28101	Pte	Underwood	R D	" "	26/11/42
QX 31312	Pte	Valentine	A	" "	26/11/42
QX 32281	Pte	Venturi	P	" "	26/11/42
QX 32282	Pte	Vick W E	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 28102	Pte	Vickers C T	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 32179	Pte	Waldron	J I	" "	26/11/42
QX 27492	RM/Cpl	Walker	K W	" "	26/11/42
QX 28933	Pte	Webb K E	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 29220	Pte	Webster	N B	" "	26/11/42
QX 29083	Pte	Welldon	C J	" "	26/11/42
QX 32622	Pte	Weller	R J	" "	26/11/42
QX 24266	Cpl	Wells B E	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 31716	A/L/Cpl	Wells	R S	" "	26/11/42
QX 30242	Pte	Whereat	W R	" "	26/11/42
QX 31894	Pte	White	J D	" "	26/11/42
QX 28487	Pte	Williams	H F	" "	26/11/42
QX 29256	Cpl	Wilson T N	" "	" "	26/11/42
WX 13126	Pte	Windsor	L F	" "	26/11/42
QX 34482	Pte	Watts	P	" "	26/11/42
QX 16523	A/Cpl	Marrington	M W	" "	26/11/42
QX 3968	Sgt	Martin	J A	" "	26/11/42
QX 27201	Sgt	Elliot	P G S	" "	26/11/42
QX 30099	Pte	Wythes	H	" "	26/11/42
QX 32304	Pte	Woodall P	" "	" "	26/11/42
QX 11600	Pte	Wellburn	R	" "	26/11/42
QX 18942	Pte	Zillfleisch	H	" "	26/11/42



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BY CAPT G. W. WRIGHT, COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 AUST INF BN, REAR DETAILS

PART A

TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES - FORWARDING TO AUSTRALIA.

1. The forwarding to AUSTRALIA of tobacco and cigarettes purchased at Canteens or provided by A.C.F. in NEW GUINEA is strictly forbidden.
2. Personnel are reminded that the consumption of tobacco and cigarettes by the civilian population in AUSTRALIA is severely rationed in order that troops in operational areas may be fully supplied.
3. Abuse of the privilege of purchasing excise-free tobacco and cigarettes must inevitably lead to its modification or cancellation in due course if not prevented by prompt action of the part of all concerned.
4. Tobacco and cigarettes found in parcels being forwarded to Australia will be confiscated and donated to the Red Cross.

*D. J. Burgess*  
..... Capt  
C.O. Comd. Officer 2/16 Aust  
Inf Bn Rear Details

PART B

APPTS. PROMOTIONS ETC.

QX 25815	Pte Smythe	E J	Rein	Prom A/Cpl	15/12/42
WX 13797	Pte Higgins	J R	BHQ	Appt I/Cpl	10/12/42
QX 26000	Pte Sykes	J	Rein	Prom A/Cpl	8/12/42

REVERSIONS

QX 25815	A/Cpl Smythe	E J	Rein	Reverts to Pte (Evac. Hosp)	30/11/42
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TRADE GROUPINGS

WX 2960	Pte Keeley	J	HQ	Apptd. T. G. 3 Dvr. Mech.	3/12/42
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HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

WX 7805	Pte Kain	W. HQ	Evac. Hosp	8/12/42
WX 2798	Pte Johnson	E F H.	A " "	8/12/42
QX 23442	Pte Rutledge	D G	Rein Evac Hosp.	9/12/42
QX 27398	Pte Colman	R J	" " "	9/12/42
QX 31375	L/Cpl Sharp	F S	" " "	9/12/42
WX 14737	Pte Evans	F T	B " "	10/12/42
QX 31080	L/Cpl Quirk	T C	Rein " "	10/12/42
WX 4170	Pte Boyes	A S	HQ " "	10/12/42
QX 31266	Pte Martin	J E	Rein " "	10/12/42
WX 4287	Pte Wells	H E	BHQ " "	11/12/42
WX 10437	Pte Hyde	E H J	HQ " "	11/12/42
WX 4046	Sgt Walmsley	G W	BHQ " "	11/12/42
WX 2890	Cpl Anderson	F R	A " "	12/12/42
QX 28853	Pte Doyle	J A	Rein " "	12/12/42
QX 32298	Pte McLaren	R	" " "	14/12/42
QX 23918	Cpl Peterson	A	" " "	14/12/42
WX 3063	Pte Warren	W R	BHQ " "	14/12/42
WX 11384	Pte Murrell	A J	HQ " "	15/12/42
WX 7775	Pte Lanigan	K J	" " "	15/12/42
WX 5231	Pte Thomas	A M	" " "	15/12/42
QX 23825	Pte Scarborough	G S	Rein " "	15/12/42
WX 3049	Pte Stent	E J	A " "	15/12/42
WX 9651	Pte Baston	G H	C Evac. A D S	10/12/42
WX 14367	Pte Myhre	J F	D " "	10/12/42
WX 13121	Pte Hartnett	D L	D " "	10/12/42
WX 5238	Pte Collette	E L	D " "	10/12/42



STRENGTH TAKEN ON

QX	WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Rein.	Rejoined	En	Hosp	Date
QX	25000	Pte	Sykes J		Rein.				8/12/42
WX	4770	Pte	Lee F W E	C	"	"	"	"	9/12/42
WX	5710	Pte	Windsor G D	HQ	"	"	"	"	9/12/42
WX	4239	Pte	Dracogirdle L A	A	"	"	"	"	9/12/42
WX	3149	Pte	Swings E P	BHQ	"	"	"	"	9/12/42
WX	8505	Pte	Hubon C E	HQ	"	"	"	"	9/12/42
WX	9662	Pte	Dickinson J V	"	"	"	"	"	10/12/42
WX	2665	Sgt	Goldspink H B	"	"	"	"	"	10/12/42
WX	8922	Pte	Ashby R P	"	"	"	"	"	10/12/42
WX	7788	Pte	MacRae D	A	"	"	"	"	10/12/42
WX	12700	Pte	Frayne W K	HQ	"	"	"	"	11/12/42
WX	8759	Pte	Litmead K J	A	"	"	"	"	11/12/42
QX	31375	L/Cpl	Sharp F S	Rein	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	7353	Pte	Buck O C	HQ	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	4221	Pte	Ryan K J	C	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	13124	Pte	Davis H L	D	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	8239	Pte	Lee F A	HQ	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	4309	Pte	Farrell F R	BHQ	"	"	"	"	12/12/42
WX	3512	Pte	Cameron A J	A	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
WX	14542	Pte	Davon G J N	A	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
WX	14502	Pte	Burges R E	C	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
WX	3152	Pte	O'Laughlin M	HQ	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
WX	13105	Pte	Webb A J	D	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
QX	30564	Pte	Scales G F	Rein	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
QX	25815	Pte	Smythe E J	"	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
QX	31080	L/Cpl	Quirk T C	"	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	4259	Pte	Donnelly H	B Ech	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	4220	Sgt	Dingle L E	BHQ	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	4253	Pte	Smith A L	HQ	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	5791	Lieut	MacKenzie J R	A	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	10552	Sgt	Knox J M C	BHQ	"	"	"	"	14/12/42
WX	3032	Pte	Prosser L W	D	"	"	"	"	15/12/42
WX	4160	Cpl	Cahill J K	C	"	"	"	"	15/12/42
WX	5579	Pte	Bain P J	C	"	"	"	"	15/12/42
QX	23442	Pte	Rutledge E V G	Rein	"	"	"	"	15/12/42
WX	7366	Cpl	Forbes D	A	"	"	"	"	16/12/42
WX	12928	Pte	Rebecca J J	A	"	"	"	"	16/12/42
WX	12412	Pte	Hinton R F	A	"	"	"	"	16/12/42
WX	4046	Sgt	Wajmsley G W	BHQ	"	"	"	"	16/12/42
WX	7849	Pte	Wilson C W L	D	"	"	"	"	15/12/42
WX	8242	Pte	Yerworth G	B	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
WX	12947	Pte	Murphy E J	B	"	"	"	"	13/12/42
QX	32285	Pte	Lazzaroni G	Rein	Trans. Ex 2/14 Bn	"	"	"	8/12/42
WX	13263	Pte	Rae R J	HQ	"	"	2/5 Aust	Coy ASC	15/12/42

STRENGTH STRUCK OFF

WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Trans	Date
WX	6546	Pte	Ripp G A A	Trans to 2/5 Aust Coy	9/12/42
WX	5759	Cpl	Hunter J M HQ	ASC	11/12/42
WX	4321	Cpl	Willoughby S BHQ	1 Aust Regt	11/12/42
WX	4787	Cpl	O'Dea M D	Sig. Tng Depot	11/12/42
WX	12715	Pte	Lalor R K D	" to 2 Decks Op	14/12/42
WX	4363	Pte	Beatty M G D	Coy	14/12/42
WX	4003	Pte	Stewart L P D	"	14/12/42
WX	4366	L/Cpl	Robson G N D	"	14/12/42
WX	4293	Pte	Brown J B D	"	14/12/42
WX	14727	Pte	Waters J R C	"	14/12/42
WX	9356	Pte	Phillips W H C	"	14/12/42
WX	5587	Pte	Cousins G W C	"	14/12/42
WX	4203	Pte	Day R C	"	14/12/42
WX	4258	Pte	Wheatley H G B	"	14/12/42
QX	29031	Pte	Taylor B W D	"	14/12/42
WX	3786	Pte	Stephens A W HQ	to HQ AASC	9/12/42
WX	12991	Pte	Kenny J J D	7 Aust Div	14/12/42
				Died (2/9 A G H)	



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WX 13082 Pte Watt P  
 WX 5591 Pte Henderson W J  
 WX 18120 Pte Hall R F  
  
 WX 4931 Pte Rendell H J  
 WX 9842 Pte Connor J J  
 WX 12872 Pte Hurst A W  
 WX 9448 A/Cpl Reynolds L A D  
 WX 13708 Pte Munro A K  
 WX 4439 Pte Currie J  
 WX 4357 Pte Pach O J  
 WX 13232 A/Cpl Sublet G H  
 WX 4214 L/Cpl McDonald J  
 WX 5685 Pte Platts R S  
  
 WX 3206 Pte Aubrey L J  
 WX 9648 A/Cpl Burnett L W  
 WX 3880 Pte Maddison J P  
 WX 4353 Cpl Nichols A  
 WX 4717 Pte Birch R H R  
 WX 4202 Pte Morey L G  
 WX 9460 Cpl Harris T G  
 WX 14039 Pte Rushton R G  
 WX 5686 Pte Platts R S  
 WX 12904 Pte Stewart W J

D.O.W. 1/12/42  
 GSW L. Cheek 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Thigh, L. Cheek, L. Arm 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Leg, R. Wrist 1/12/42  
 GSW L. Thigh 1/12/42  
 GSW Back 1/12/42  
 GSW L. Ankle 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Leg 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Leg, Back 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Scap. R. Arm 1/12/42  
 GSW Back, Head 1/12/42  
 GSW L. Chest 1/12/42  
 Comp. Fract. Head. Cause Unknown 1/12/42  
 GSW L. Thigh 1/12/42  
 GSW R. Hip, L. Rib 1/12/42  
 K. I. A. 1/12/42  
 K. I. A. 1/12/42  
 K. I. A. 1/12/42  
 K. I. A. 1/12/42  
 GSW R. & L. Arms 1/12/42  
 Deafness (Cause Unknown) 1/12/42  
 D. O. Injury 5/12/42  
 Evac Wounded (Cause Unknown) 30/11/42

## Hospital Admissions

WX 3563 Lieut D E Keogh  
 WX 3506 Pte Hubon C E "HQ"  
 WX 5594 Pte Coed V V "C"  
 WX 8933 Pte Lee W G "C"

Evac ex Fwd Area 28/11/42  
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## STRENGTH TAKEN ON (FROM X LIST)

WX 5253 Capt Wright G W  
 WX 5626 WO(11) Philbin J T  
 WX 4158 Pte Anglesey D J  
 WX 14748 Pte Archer E  
 WX 9651 Pte Baston G H  
 WX 4375 Pte Olively E H  
 WX 18111 Pte Hay B E  
 WX 7926 A/Cpl Hallyburton J A L  
 WX 4193 Pte Ivey E A  
 WX 12983 Pte Jernan W A  
 WX 13913 Pte Lang T D  
 WX 8048 Pte MacPhail M  
 WX 9356 Pte Phillips W H  
 WX 5686 Pte Platts R S  
 WX 4294 Pte Ramm G W  
 WX 15484 Pte Rutledge J F  
 WX 3714 Pte Rutter G M  
 WX 4270 Pte Ryan A  
 WX 5607 Sgt Scott J  
 WX 3527 Pte Sinclair L R  
 WX 4274 Pte Thompson R H

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SECONDMENTS

WX 3250 T/Capt McGee G M A Second. O. T. S. Bonogilla 10/12/42

BATTLE CASUALTIES

WX 6559	Pte	Yeo C H	C	D.O.W.	Date unknown
WX 8039	Cpl	McNamara E	TB	Prev reported M.B.K. I.A.	
				now K.I.A.	8/ 9/42
WX 3206	Pte	Aubrey L J	HQ	D.O.W.	2/12/42
WX 10494	Pte	Malarky L	HQ	GSW Back	8/12/42
WX 3282	Pte	Keseling F	HQ	GSW Arm	8/12/42
WX 13100	Pte	Graham J	HQ	GSW Buttock	8/12/42
WX 2950	WO II	Griffiths DE	HQ	GSW Head, Shdr	8/12/42
WX 8085	Cpl	Baxter C R	HQ	GSW L. Leg	8/12/42
WX 11388	Pte	Joyce T J	D	GSW Throat	8/12/42
WX 4351	Sgt	Duce P	HQ	K.I.A.	8/12/42
WX 8313	Pte	Lewis J B	HQ	K.I.A.	8/12/42
WX 8062	Pte	Dlechynden			
		T A B	HQ	GSW Buttock	8/12/42
WX 17400	Pte	Field G H P	HQ	K.I.A.	9/12/42
WX 2998	Pte	Potter G K	HQ	K.I.A.	8/12/42
WX 14748	Pte	Archer E	A	K.I.A.	11/ 12/42
WX 15533	Pte	Howard J	HQ	K.I.A.	8/12/42
WX 9438	Cpl	Smith S	HQ	D.O.W.	5/12/42
WX 3304	Lieut	Gorrie P R	D	M.B.K.	8/12/42
WX 2723	Lieut	Young H G	A	GSW R Hip	8/12/42
WX 10392	Lieut	Mayberry			
		L R P	D	GSW L. Arm, Head	8/12/42
WX 6678	Lieut	Inkpen L G	JHQ	K.I.A.	8/12/42
WX 2735	Lieut	Hill T N	B	D.O.W.	11/12/42
WX 6434	Lieut	Powraker A C	HQ	D.O.W.	5/12/42
WX 2731	E/Capt	O'Neill J H	C	D.O.W.	5/12/42
WX 7841	Lieut	Hicks G T	C	D.O.W.	5/12/42

STRENGTH TAKEN ON - OMITTED R.O. 96

QX 27368	Cpl	Walter G H	Rein Ex Aust	26/11/42
QX 28508	Pte	Tochey R C	" " "	26/11/42

CORRIGENDA (STRENGTH TAKEN ON - REIN. - R.O. 96)

Delete NX 39020	Pte Turner G H	
Add NX 73065	Pte Turner G H	26/11/42
NX 39020	Pte Turner C C	26/11/42

INTER COMPANY TRANSFERS

QX 31015	L/Cpl	Searl C. W. J.	Trans. from B. Coy to BHQ.	17/12/42
WX 4376	Pte	Trigwell W J R.	Trans. from A. Coy to D Coy	17/12/42

NOTICES

Visiting hours 2/9 Aust Gen Hosp.

Visitors will ONLY be permitted to see patients between the times stated below

1400 - 1600 hours)

1900 - 2030 hours) Daily

Permission to see patients will be obtained from the Sister i/c ward.

Mobile Pictures

Mobile picture Unit will visit 21 Aust Bde area Saturday night, 19/12/42. Bn area in which it will be held will be advised later.



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ROUTINE ORDER NO. 98

22 DEC 42

BY CAPT G.W. WRIGHT, COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 AUST INF BN,  
REAR DETAILS.

PART B

APPTS. PROMOTIONS ETC.

WX 13031	Pte	Williamson	W C	B Ech.	Prom	A/Cpl	21.12.42
WX 5657	Pte	Thomas	M W	" "	"	"	21.12.42
QX 11605	Pte	Lloyd	A K	Rein	"	"	21.12.42

TRADE GROUPINGS.

WX 4346	Pte	Owens	O T	DHQ	Apptd	T.G. 111	Clerk	26.11.42
QX 26000	Pte	Sykes	J	Rein	"	T.G. 11	Cook	8.12.42
QX 21889	Pte	Markham	L J	"	"	"	"	19.12.42
QX 31015	L/Cpl	Searl	C W J	BHQ	"	T.G. 111	Clerk	17.12.42
QX 32042	Pte	McAlpine,	J	Rein	"	T.G. 11	Cook	18.12.42

REVERSIONS

QX 21889	A/Cpl	Markham	L J	Rein.	Reverts to Pte &		
					Trade Grouped T.G. 111	Cook	18.12.42

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

WX 8922	Pte	Ashby	R P	HQ	Evac.	Hosp.	17.12.42
WX15046	Pte	Reid	H B	B	"	"	18.12.42
WX 5768	A/WO11	Hounsflow	S A	D	"	"	15.12.42
WX 6567	Pte	Riley	D O	BHQ	"	"	15.12.42
WX 5616	Pte	Spratford	J W	HQ	"	"	15.12.42
WX 4160	Cpl	Cahill	J K	C	"	"	18.12.42
QX29104	Pte	Flanagan	P J	Rein	"	"	19.12.42
NX128055	Pte	McInerney	K P	"	"	"	19.12.42
WX 2648	S/Sgt	Brown	J G	A	"	"	19.12.42
NX 39020	Pte	Turner	C C	Rein	"	"	19.12.42
WX 2865	Cpl	Beebe	L J	HQ	"	"	20.12.42
WX 3666	Pte	Mitchell	R R	"	"	"	20.12.42
QX 30581	Pte	Reid	R B	Rein	"	"	20.12.42
WX 4309	Pte	Farrell	F R	B Ech	"	"	20.12.42
WX 5633	Pte	Brown	J J	BHQ	"	"	20.12.42
WX 5710	Pte	Windsor	G D	HQ	"	"	20.12.42
WX 3131	Pte	Pearson	R O	"	"	"	21.12.42
WX 2872	Pte	Anderson	E	"	"	"	21.12.42

STRENGTH TAKEN ON

WX 4319	Pte	Platts	N B	B	Rejoined	Ex	Hosp	17.12.42
QX 27398	Pte	Colman	R J	HQ	"	"	"	17.12.42
WX 7708	Pte	Bray	H L	HQ	"	"	"	17.12.42
WX 3546	Cpl	Greenfield	J	HQ	"	"	"	17.12.42
WX 9135	L/Cpl	Ovens	W J	BHQ	"	"	"	17.12.42
WX 2967	Pte	Harvey	S R	B Ech	"	"	"	18.12.42
WX 4356	Sgt	Morris	G E	B	"	"	"	19.12.42
WX 12901	Cpl	Doak	G A	C	"	"	"	19.12.42
WX 7678	Pte	Byrne	S S	C	"	"	"	19.12.42
QX 28853	Pte	Doyle	J A J	Rein	"	"	"	19.12.42
QX 23918	Cpl	Peterson	A	"	"	"	"	19.12.42
QX 23825	Pte	Scarborough	G S	"	"	"	"	20.12.42
WX 14719	Pte	Chappel	F J	HQ	"	"	"	20.12.42
WX 5640	Pte	Collingwood	P A	BHQ	"	"	"	20.12.42
WX 15467	Pte	Bartlett	M G	A	"	"	"	20.12.42
WX 13031	Pte	Williamson	W C	B Ech	"	"	"	21.12.42
WX 5657	Pte	Thomas	M W	" "	"	"	"	21.12.42
QX 11605	Pte	Lloyd	A K	Rein	"	"	"	21.12.42
WX 10437	Pte	Hyde	E H J	HQ	"	"	"	21.12.42
WX 5607	Sgt	Scott	J	C	"	"	"	21.12.42



STRENGTH TAKEN ON.

WX	1597	Capt	Symington W G	Rej. Unit Ex Aust	18.12.42
QX	19644	Lieut	Buchanan R E	Rein. Ex Aust	20.12.42
QX	31507	"	Foxley-Conolly G H	" " "	20.12.42
QX	24737	"	Hayes J A L	" " "	20.12.42
QX	20106	"	Moore G A	" " "	20.12.42
NX	79373	Pte	De Audney I E	" " "	18.12.42
NX	94495	"	Teynton D W	" " "	18.12.42
NX	97446	"	Moore L R	" " "	18.12.42
NX	86298	S/Sgt	Tadmen D	" " "	18.12.42
NX	91704	Pte	Musgrove J W	" " "	18.12.42
NX	118481	"	Burke J A	" " "	18.12.42
NX	124467	Cpl	Alexander F W R	" " "	18.12.42
NX	92644	Pte	Davis R S	" " "	18.12.42
NX	96019	"	Alder H C	" " "	18.12.42
NX	92625	"	Powley N W K	" " "	18.12.42
NX	97281	"	McKay A N	" " "	18.12.42
NX	89953	"	Harper N E	" " "	18.12.42
NX	84857	"	Tydoman K W	" " "	18.12.42
NX	86106	"	Franks R G	" " "	18.12.42
NX	92794	"	Hollowell J D	" " "	18.12.42
NX	107129	"	Stewart K J	" " "	18.12.42
NX	93533	"	Crockett R E	" " "	18.12.42
NX	87217	L/Cpl	Parnell R T	" " "	18.12.42
NX	93417	Pte	House C E B	" " "	18.12.42
NX	88020	A/Cpl	Thom J	" " "	18.12.42
NX	72653	Pte	Brooks F	" " "	18.12.42
NX	81211	Pte	Meale W T	" " "	18.12.42
NX	122955	A/L/Cpl	Higgins R T	" " "	18.12.42
NX	86375	"	"	" " "	18.12.42
NX	122955	Pte	Egan W D	" " "	18.12.42
NX	95887	Pte	Wilson R T S	" " "	18.12.42
NX	95287	"	Payne F T	" " "	18.12.42
NX	53468	"	White E G	" " "	18.12.42
NX	79216	"	Andrews P B	" " "	18.12.42
NX	93646	"	O'Brien G A T	" " "	18.12.42
NX	89265	"	Anderson H J	" " "	18.12.42
NX	48751	"	Moorehead J A	" " "	18.12.42
NX	81857	"	Wild T H	" " "	18.12.42
NX	125017	"	Turner A S	" " "	17.12.42
NX	128048	"	Wilkinson A J	" " "	17.12.42
NX	125016	"	James R	" " "	17.12.42
NX	128055	"	McInerney K P	" " "	17.12.42
NX	128051	"	McGuinness S J	" " "	17.12.42
NX	128128	"	Pearson J	" " "	17.12.42
NX	125078	"	Rosa J H	" " "	17.12.42
NX	128054	"	Thomson V H	" " "	17.12.42
NX	125015	"	Godwin J	" " "	17.12.42
NX	126258	"	Jeffery R A R	" " "	17.12.42
NX	129150	"	Oakham G N	" " "	17.12.42

TRANSFERS

WX	13797	L/Cpl	Higgins J R	BHQ Trans. to G.D.D.	19.12.42
NX	93533	Pte	Crockett R E	W.A. L. of C.	21.12.42
WX	4566	Pte	Robinson S G	Rein. Trans. to 2/33 BN	21.12.42
WX	3004	Pte	McDonald P	Trans from 21 Inf Bde	21.12.42

CORRIGENDA - (R.O. 97 - APPTS., PROMOTIONS ETC)  
 QX 26000 Pte Sykes J Delete From A/Cpl.

8.12.42



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ROUTINE ORDER NO. 99.

31 Dec 42.

BY CAPT. G. W. WRIGHT COMMANDING OFFICER 2/16 Aust Inf Bn Rear Details.

1. CAMERAS AND PHOTOGRAPHY.

1. All ranks who have Cameras may in future use them subject to the following.
2. An Offr will be appointed to be O i/c Photography. He will ~~maintain~~ maintain a register showing the number, make and description of every camera held in the Unit, together with the number, rank and name of its possessor.
3. Offrs and ORs will be responsible for ensuring that cameras in their possession are registered with the O i/c Photography.
4. Cameras will be withdrawn prior to departure from Personnel of Units about to proceed to an active theatre of operations.
5. The C.O. may at any time order the withdrawal of cameras for security reasons.
6. The C.O. may if he thinks fit approve of the retention of cameras by not more than four members of the Unit, provided they signify their agreement that such retention will be subject to the following terms:-
  - (a) That cameras so retained will be used only as directed by O i/c Photography.
  - (b) That the said cameras remain in the possession of the members concerned and will be at such member's risk.
  - (c) That the C.O. may withdraw such approval at any time.
7. The names of approved Photographers will from time to time be published in Routine Orders.

2. FALSE STATEMENTS TO SECURE EXEMPTION, LEAVE etc.

A recent Statutory Rule has amended AMR 8:0 by inserting a new AMR 203A, the full text of which will be published shortly and which provides in effect that every person subject to military law, whether on War Service or not, who with intent to deceive, makes any false statement or representation whether verbal or in writing in connection with any application that-

- (a) any member of the Military Forces shall be granted exemption from service or leave of ~~absence~~ absence, or
  - (b) any member of the Defence Force shall be transferred from one arm, service, department, corps or Unit of the Defence Force to another or from one place to another;
- shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to penalties as prescribed by AMR 215.
- The averments of the prosecution that the statement or representation attributed to the accused was false, and was made by with intent to deceive, shall be prima facie evidence of such falsity and intent.

3. MATI-MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS.

Attention is again drawn to R.O. No. 82 para 3. and R.O. No. 80 para 3 Coy Comds will see that the precautions laid down are strictly adhered to. Personnel with Mosquito Nets must erect them as a fixture over their beds. Long trousers and long sleeves to be worn after sunset and tablets taken daily.

*W. B. Ruggles*  
..... Licut.  
A/Adjt 2.16 Aust Inf Bn



## BATTLE CASUALTIES

WX	7689	Pte	Sage	A G	D	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	4589	Cpl	Mackintosh	J S G	A	K. I. A.	20.12.42
WX	5603	Pte	Tanner	L B	D	K. I. A.	8.12.42
NX	28345	L/Cpl	Apsey	B B	BHQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	8060	Cpl	Kilmer	A W	D	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	5674	Pte	Board	L. A.	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	4359	Pte	Campbell	V F	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	2666	Pte	Fleming	J W	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	8065	Pte	Granville	A W	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	3029	Pte	Hodder	J	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	5615	L/Cpl	Healey	W F	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	3161	Pte	Holford	E C G	B	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	2653	Sgt	McGovern	K M	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	4786	Pte	North	G E	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	6584	Pte	Sayens	G	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	10498	Pte	Stewart	A	B	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	3524	Sgt	Walroni	J D	HQ	K. I. A.	8.12.42
WX	9428	Cpl	Smith	W L	HQ	K. I. A.	21.12.42
WX	8761	A/WO 11	Walker	J R	A	K. I. A.	2.12.42
WX	12631	Pte	Pelham-Thorman				
				R H	B	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	4269	Cpl	Weston	G	A	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	5769	L/Cpl	Lower	E A	D	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	4270	Pte	Ryan	A F	B	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	2657	Pte	Mason	L T	C	K. I. A.	1.12.42
WX	15484	Pte	Rutledge	J F	D	D.O.W.	24.12.42
WX	7815	Pte	Pianta	J		D.O.W.	2.12.42
WX	3110	Pte	Newman	R D	BHQ	GSW L Ear	20.12.42
WX	13913	Pte	Lang	E D	C	Injured knee	1.12.42
WX	14089	Pte	Rushton	R G	B	Deafness	1.12.42
VX	79903	Pte	Higgins	L A	D	GSW L Arm	12.12.42
WX	15714	L/Cpl	Odgers	E P	C	GSW Both thighs	2.12.42
WX	14005	Pte	Davis	E C	A	GSW Throat, chest	2.12.42
WX	5607	Sgt	Scott	J	C	GSW Arms, Chest	2.12.42
WX	4759	Sgt	Williams	E F E	C	GSW Cheek, L Eye	2.12.42
WX	5710	Pte	Windsor	G D	C	GSW L Arm, Eye	2.12.42
WX	12999	Pte	Sim	M R	A	GSW R Cheek	2.12.42
WX	6526	L/Cpl	McCarthy	K E	A	GSW L Arm	2.12.42
WX	3611	Pte	Merritt	V F S	A	Shrap. Chest	2.12.42
WX	7818	Sgt	Williamson	W H	A	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	13331	Pte	Murray	R	D	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	4252	Sgt	Jones	R E A	B	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	5887	Pte	Gushing	H	BHQ	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	5592	Pte	Patterson	J S	C	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	4174	L/Cpl	Batt	A J	D	W. I. A.	7.12.42
WX	13894	Pte	Lynch	C P	D	W. I. A.	7.12.42

## HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

					Rein	Evac.	Hospital	
NX	126258	Pte	Jeffery	R A R				22.12.42
QX	28858	Pte	McIntyre	L W	"	"	"	22.12.42
WX	9663	A/Cpl	Allen	B	A	"	"	22.12.42
WX	15264	Pte	Williamson	A C	HQ	"	"	23.12.42
WX	4078	Pte	Hislop	K	B Ech	"	"	23.12.42
QX	16982	Pte	Piach	G A	Rein	"	"	23.12.42
QX	32231	Pte	Venturi	P	"	"	"	24.12.42
QX	28543	Pte	Churchward	E M	"	"	"	24.12.42
QX	29954	Pte	Bagley	D R	"	"	"	26.12.42
QX	23918	Cpl	Peterson	A	"	"	"	27.12.42
QX	28102	Pte	Vickers	C T	"	"	"	27.12.42
WX	5622	A/Cpl	Lenthall	F E	B. Ech	"	"	14.12.42
WX	12412	Pte	Hinton	R F	A	"	"	27.12.42
WX	3652	A/Cpl	Turner	R L	A	"	"	17.12.42
WX	5573	Pte	Baldwin	S J	C	"	"	19.12.42
WX	193	Pte	McConville	C R	B	"	"	19.12.42
WX	10428	Pte	Armstrong	E A	BHQ	"	"	23.12.42



## HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS (Cont)

WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Admission	Discharge	Remarks	Date
WX 3075	Pte	Pickering	J E	HQ	Evac.	Hospital	20.12.42
WX 4185	Pte	Fowler	E	C	"	"	20.12.42
WX 9420	Pte	Wilkinson	H E	D	"	"	20.12.42
WX 4344	Cpl	Herold	E	C	"	"	21.12.42
WX 2831	Pte	Curgenvin	A D	"	"	"	21.12.42
WX 4616	Pte	King	J A	HQ	"	"	21.12.42
WX 7379	Cpl	Smart	J H	C	"	"	21.12.42
WX 7678	Pte	Byrne	S S	C	"	"	28.12.42
WX 12700	Pte	Frayne	W K	HQ	"	"	28.12.42
WX 2889	Pte	Woods	J A	HQ	"	"	28.12.42
WX 4893	Lieut	Hughes	G	BHQ	"	"	18.12.42
WX 5764	Pte	White	E S	D	"	"	12.12.42
WX 3146	Pte	Morton	F	A	"	"	13.12.42
WX 3527	Pte	Sinclair	L R	C HQ	"	"	14.12.42
WX 2913	Pte	Oldfield	E P	B Ech	"	"	14.12.42
WX 11749	Pte	Knox	L J	HQ	"	"	14.12.42
WX 3211	Pte	Malarkey	F	HQ	"	"	14.12.42
WX 4272	Pte	Wilson	R J	A	"	"	9.12.42
WX 9664	Pte	North	J	C	"	"	9.12.42
WX 2889	Pte	Woods	J A	HQ	"	"	2.12.42
WX 10552	Sgt	Knox	J M	C BHQ	"	"	2.12.42
WX 4433	Pte	Murphy	S M	HQ	"	"	1.12.42
WX 8600	Pte	Roylance	M D	A	"	"	12.12.42
WX 4779	Cpl	Longland	W F	D	"	"	12.12.42
WX 13870	Pte	Corbett	K J	"	"	"	12.12.42
WX 8104	Pte	Williamson	K W	D	"	"	12.12.42
TX 3750	Pte	Johnson	A E	A	"	"	12.12.42
WX 5709	Pte	McGregor	A N	B	"	"	12.12.42
WX 11573	Pte	Schulze	R	HQ	"	"	12.12.42
WX 7874	Pte	Williamson	L	D	"	"	12.12.42
WX 6023	Cpl	McConchie	R J	A	"	"	29.12.42
WX 5622	A/Cpl	Lenthall	F E	B Ech	"	"	29.12.42
NX 59202	S/Sgt	Haddon	L B	B	"	"	22.11.42
WX 2646	Pte	McQueen	A J	C	"	"	31.11.42
WX 5505	Pte	Christmass	R S	R C	"	"	21.11.42
WX 4247	Pte	Rigoll	L	B	"	"	20.11.42
WX 1879	Pte	Young	E M	B	"	"	7.12.42
WX 4241	A/Cpl	McMahon	W T	B	"	"	6.12.42
WX 6488	Pte	Stone	W G	B	"	"	20.11.42
WX 8676	Pte	Thorburn	J	B	"	"	3.12.42
WX 8036	Pte	Anderson	R F	B	"	"	21.11.42
WX 4313	Pte	Goldie	T H	A	"	"	24.11.42
TX 2434	Cpl	Iles	M L	A	"	"	20.11.42
WX 14562	Pte	Holmes	L C	A	"	"	26.11.42
TX 3400	Pte	Harris	M E	A	"	"	26.11.42
WX 8069	Pte	O'Flaherty	H J	C	"	"	8.12.42
WX 5647	L/Cpl	Astill	N	D	"	"	10.12.42
WX 13893	Pte	Sexton	R W	D	"	"	4.12.42
WX 15590	Pte	Waldon	W H	D	"	"	6.12.42
WX 13095	Pte	Lucas	R A	D	"	"	3.12.42
WX 13001	Pte	Higgins	C J	B	"	"	8.12.42
WX 3006	Cpl	Murphy	G B	J HQ	"	"	11.12.42
WX 4345	Cpl	Leach	C P	C	"	"	5.12.42
WX 14112	Pte	Coles	R	C	"	"	5.12.42
WX 12997	Pte	Hunter	M W	C	"	"	2.12.42
WX 14590	Pte	Lindsay	J	C	"	"	2.12.42
WX 7875	Pte	Wilkinson	J W	G D	"	"	3.12.42
WX 3204	L/Cpl	Whitaker	J P	BHQ	"	"	20.11.42
WX 3298	L/Cpl	Moore	R G	HQ	"	"	20.11.42
WX 4242	Pte	Hearn	J E	HQ	"	"	20.11.42
WX 11386	Pte	McGlinn	E P	J HQ	"	"	30.11.42
WX 3823	Pte	Bell	L J	HQ	"	"	8.12.42
WX 4266	Pte	Maloney	W J	HQ	"	"	26.11.42
WX 11886	Pte	Egan	W F	A	"	"	20.11.42
WX 3207	Pte	Moore	A J	HQ	"	"	5.12.42
WX 8064	Pte	Davies	W F	A A	"	"	5.12.42
WX 15634	Pte	Fisher	J E	A	"	"	5.12.42



## HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS (Cont)

WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Grade	Location	Date
WX 12903	Pte	Wilkes	L J	A	Evac. Hospital	11.12.42
WX 5855	Cpl	Osborne	O R O	B	"	8.12.42
WX 5628	Pte	Wooldridge	G H	B	"	3.12.42
WX 14757	Pte	Hall	M	B	"	29.11.42
WX 5695	L/Cpl	Hardisty	A J	B	"	10.12.42
WX 13144	Pte	Hartnett	P E	B	"	5.12.42
WX 7845	Pte	Grimshaw	F H	B	"	20.11.42
WX 2821	Pte	Clarke	K M	B	"	6.12.42
WX 4160	Cpl	Cahill	J K	C	"	2.12.42
WX 14012	Pte	Northcott	R F J	C	"	2.12.42
WX 9641	Pte	Kelly	R A	C	"	6.12.42
WX 8329	Pte	Beard	T H	C	"	20.11.42
WX 4192	Pte	Jackson	G E	C	"	12.12.42
WX 14749	Pte	O'Connell	D E	C	"	4.12.42
WX 12927	Pte	Wright	J H A	D	"	11.12.42
WX 2896	Cpl	Campbell	A J	D	"	10.12.42
WX 2908	L/Cpl	Salvaris	A	D	"	20.11.42
WX 6586	Pte	Turnbull	O R	HQ	"	20.11.42
WX 13075	Pte	Fleay	V M	D	"	9.12.42
WX 2893	Sgt	Clifton	C M	D	"	12.12.42
WX 12998	Pte	Parke	W F	D	"	12.12.42
WX 2654	Sgt	Carter	T	HQ	"	9.12.42

## STRENGTH TAKEN ON (Ex Hospital)

WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Grade	Location	Date
WX 5628	Pte	Wooldridge	G H	B	Ex Hospital	22.12.42
WX 14737	Pte	Evans	F T	B	"	22.12.42
WX 2643	S/Sgt	Brown	J G	A	"	22.12.42
QX 31266	Pte	Martin	J E	Rein"	"	22.12.42
WX 3771	Pte	Moir	A	B	"	22.12.42
WX 6586	Pte	Turnbull	O R	HQ	"	22.12.42
WX 2865	Cpl	Beebe	L J	HQ	"	23.12.42
WX 4375	Pte	Clively	E M	C	"	23.12.42
WX 3049	Pte	Stent	E J	A	"	24.12.42
WX 11384	Pte	Murrell	A J	HQ	"	24.12.42
WX 2644	WO 11	Hughes	A A	B Ech"	"	25.12.42
WX 5768	A/WO11	Hounslow	S A	D	"	25.12.42
WX 3063	Pte	Warren	W R	HQ	"	25.12.42
WX 6023	Cpl	McConchie	R J	A	"	25.12.42
QX 32298	Pte	McLaren	R	Rein"	"	25.12.42
WX 2826	Cpl	Milsted	A R	HQ	"	25.12.42
WX 14590	Pte	Lindsay	J	C	"	25.12.42
WX 6571	Cpl	Trigg	T W A	HQ	"	25.12.42
QX 29104	Pte	Flanagan	P J	D	"	25.12.42
WX 13913	Pte	Lang	F D	C	"	26.12.42
WX 2889	Pte	Woods	J A	HQ	"	26.12.42
WX 4267	Pte	Toia	J	B Ech"	"	26.12.42
WX 2950	WO 11	Griffiths	D E	HQ	"	26.12.42
QX 32281	Pte	Venturi	P	Rein"	"	27.12.42
WX 5622	<del>Ex</del>	Lenthall	F E	B Ech"	"	27.12.42
WX 5710	Pte	Windsor	G D	HQ	"	27.12.42
WX 3682	Pte	Turner	R L	A	"	25.12.42
WX 4281	Pte	Piggott	A O	HQ	"	27.12.42
WX 3527	Pte	Sinclair	L R C	HQ	"	27.12.42
WX 9150	Pte	May	E J	B	"	28.12.42
WX 3666	Pte	Mitchell	R R	HQ	"	28.12.42
WX 4893	Lieut	Hughes	G	BHQ	"	24.12.42
WX 5633	Pte	Brown	J J	B Ech"	"	29.12.42
WX 14562	Pte	Holmes	L C	A	"	29.12.42
WX 13085	Pte	Lucas	R A	D	"	29.12.42
QX 28543	Pte	Churchward	E M	Rein"	"	29.12.42
QX 28102	Pte	Vickers	C T	"	"	29.12.42
WX 7776	Pte	Black	A	HQ	"	20.11.42

## STRENGTH TAKEN ON - TRANSFERS

WX	Rank	Name	Initials	Location	Date
WX 2878	Pte	Brown	J C	From 21. Aust Inf Bde	29.12.42



STRENGTH STRUCK OFF

WX 5990	Pte	Hedley - Dodds	J T	Trans. to No. 8 Movement Control Group	23.12.42
WX 14444	Pte	Connell	J S	C Died - Fever	23.12.42
WX 8043	L/Cpl	Hope	J L	A " "	29.11.42
WX 5512	Pte	Wolf	S F	" Sickness	30.11.42

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS ETC

WX 15151	Pte	Okamoto	E C	D Prom. Cpl.	30.11.42
WX 2858	L/Cpl	Aitken	P	BHQ " A/Cpl	20.12.42
WX 3153	Cpl	Kelman	A G	B " A/Sgt	28.12.42
WX 5622	Pte	Lenthall	F E	BEch " A/Cpl	27.12.42

TRADE GROUPINGS

WX 14023	Pte	Armstrong	E A	BHQ Apptd. A/T.G. 11 Int	21.12.42
WX 3110	Pte	Newman	R D	BHQ Apptd. A/T.G. 11 Int	28.11.42
WX 3110	Pte	Newman	R D	BHQ Rel. A/T.G. 11 on Evac Hospital	21.12.42

REVERSIONS

WX 9663	A/Cpl	Allen	B	A Reverts to Pte on Evac. Hosp.	22.12.42
WX 5622	A/Cpl	Lenthall	F E	BEch " " " " " "	14.12.42
WX 3682	A/Cpl	Turner	R L	A " " " " " "	17.12.42
WX 4241	A/Cpl	McMahon	W T	B " " " " " "	6.12.42

NOTICES.

The following Comforts were gratefully received from the A.C.F. through the Bde Amenities Officer:-

450 Xmas Hampers

The 6 Div Concert Party will visit 2/27 Bn lines Thursday 31 Dec. Times etc. will be advised later.



Serial No. 9

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) 14 Nov 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) 11/12/3

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted Strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			Det to Chaforce
W.Os. Class II.			cy in deficit
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			1
Staff Serjeants			1
Serjeants			5
Corporals			10
Troopers, Privates, &c.			97
TOTALS		*	*

\* 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. Units.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
A A H C	(1 Sgt RAP. 1 Sgt Hygiene,)		
A A O C	(2 orderlies)		
A A P C	(1 Shoemaker, 1 Cpl Armourer)		
A A P O C	(3 Fitters M.)		
	(1 Sgt)		
	(1 Sgt)		

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).
WX 3626	WO. 11	Philbin J.T.	Unit 2/16 Bn	Awaiting draft Australia.
5607	Sgt	Scott J.	"	" " "



Unit.

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

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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			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			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			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationery Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
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			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			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						Column (a)		1
						NO. 1		1
						NO. 11		2
						Q. 11. Sgts		2
						Sgts		2
						Cpls		28
						Riflemen		434
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		1						477

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

2/16 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

Albano 1st Col  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 14 Nov 41.

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



Serial No.9

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

11/12/3

WE. 34 858

2/16 Aust Inf Bn (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		1
Majors	3		3
Captains	9		9
Lieutenants	20		20
2nd Lieutenants	23		23
Quartermasters	1		1
Totals	27	2	9

\* 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
		Unit		
Lieut A/capt	W. A. Atkinson	2/16 Bn	12 Nov	Caused to be seconded

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)
		Unit	
Capt	G. W. Wright	2/16 Bn.	Awaiting draft Australia.



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

11/12/3

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps  Unit	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed
Maj T/Lt-Col	5375	A.E. Carr	2/16 In	Yes	cc. 2/16 In
Capt A/Maj	1589	A. Robinson	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
Capt 1/Maj	1593	J.H. Robinson	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
Capt	1586	D.K. Colson	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
Lieut 1/Capt	3230	G.W. Pocco	"	No	Det. 1st Regt. Cavalry
"	2631	R.H. O'Neill	"	"	Det. to HQ
"	3330	H.C. Hodge	"	Yes	cc. 2/16 In
" A/Capt	11030	B.B. Madison	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
Lieut	2723	F.H. Young	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	2725	T.H. Hill	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	2734	P.D. Campbell	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	2653	I.O.A. Wilson	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3003	R.H. Charleston	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3006	L.D. Browne	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3009	E. Graydon	"	No	Det. 1st Regt. Cavalry
"	10195	L.R.P. Lawrence	"	Yes	cc. 2/16 In
"	7643	G.F. Pichon	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3304	P.D. Cowley	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3593	P.H. Chamberlain	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3200	P.J. Brown	"	No	Det. 1st Regt. Cavalry
"	4760	P.D. Brown	"	Yes	cc. 2/16 In
"	3560	P.D.L. Allright	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3791	J.R. Henderson	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3365	P.B. Booth	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	3324	P.H. Taylor	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
"	4832	G.H. Smith	"	"	cc. 2/16 In
Lieut A/Capt	3245	(Name illegible)	2/16 In	Yes	cc. 2/16 In

## (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	14007	C. E. Smith	Unit		
Chaplain	1567	C. E. Smith	Chaplain		Chaplain

2/16 Aust Inf Br

(Unit)

14 Nov 42

(Date of Despatch)

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(Signature of Commander)

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## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

11/12/3

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2/16 Aust Inf Bn. Unit

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

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

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	[REDACTED]			
Sgt Major	F.H. Durr	A.A.C.D.	5.11.48	Returned from Hospital

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

11/12/58

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(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.
Maj T/Lt-Col	VX 5375	A.R. Gero	2/16 Bn	Yes	2/16 Bn
Capt A/Maj	1559	A.R. Robinson	"	"	"
Capt 1/Maj	1593	J.H. Pearson	"	"	"
Capt	1596	D.K. Goldsmith	"	"	"
Lieut 1/Capt	3286	G.H. McGee	"	No	Det 2nd Bn 1st Air Force
"	2731	J.H. O'Neill	"	Yes	"
"	2639	T.H. Hodge	"	No	"
Lieut	11090	R.R. Madigan	"	Yes	Det 1st Bn 1st Air Force
"	2733	H.C. Young	"	"	"
"	2735	T.H. Hill	"	"	"
"	2734	D.P. Campbell	"	"	"
"	5653	L.G.J. Dixon	"	"	"
"	3033	R.H. Christian	"	"	"
"	3035	L.R. Pearson	"	"	"
"	3068	H. Gordon	"	"	"
"	10395	L.R.P. Mayberry	"	"	"
"	7041	G.T. Ricka	"	"	"
"	3304	R.P. Corrie	"	"	"
"	8592	R.H. Chamberlain	"	"	"
"	3230	H.J. James	"	"	"
"	4760	D.R. Purves	"	"	"
"	3066	R.P.L. Allnutt	"	"	"
"	5791	T.D. Lockman	"	"	"
"	3363	D.E. Hoogh	"	"	"
"	5824	R.H. Hawley	"	"	"
"	4632	G.H. White	"	"	"

(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	VX 14707	H.D. Steward	A.A.S.C.		
Chaplain	VX 1597	R.H. Bart	A.A.C.S.		Chaplain

2/16 Bn 1st Air Force

(Unit.)

Albany

(Signature of Commander.)

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(Date of Despatch.)

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### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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2/26 Aust Inf Bn. (Unit) 7 Nov 1942 (Date).

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

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**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted Strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	202	-	1
W.Os. Class II.	1	-	1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	6	-	2
Staff Serjeants	5	-	2
Serjeants			
Generals	36	-	9
	27	-	5
	45	-	31
Troopers, Privates, &c.	76	-	10
	734	-	420
TOTALS	834	*	455
(in 858)	393	-	114

\* 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.
<del>ATTACHED UNDER NO.</del>			
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5	AAIC		
7	AA PO C		
9			

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

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Unit.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/10 Aust Inf Bn (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	3	-	1
Captains	9	-	-
Lieutenants	20	-	3
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1	-	-
Totals	34	-	3

\* 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
1/Capt	F R Polley	2/10 Inf	24/11/42	Rejoin on leave
Capt	R F A Strong	2/10 Inf	22/11/42	Rejoin on leave
2nd Lt	C A Strong	2/10 Inf	2	Rejoin on leave

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Lieut	W Graydon	2/10 Inf	24/11/42	Over leave
Lieut	R W Chamberlain	"	22/11/42	"
Lieut	E R Hopley	"	22/11/42	"
Capt	R D Strong	2/10 Inf	24/11/42	"
Capt	F R Polley	2/10 Inf	24/11/42	Rejoin on leave

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	G W Wright	2/10 Inf	Awaiting draft (Aust)



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

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted Strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
1	-	-	-
W.Os. Class II.			
7	1	-	1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
5	1	-	2
Staff Serjeants			
-	-	1 (BASE)	-
Serjeants			
36	5	-	7
Corporals			
76	10	-	13
Troopers, Privates, &c.			
731	87	-	557 (557)
TOTALS			
853	114	1	860

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

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<b>Under W.E.</b>		<b>Not under W.E.</b>	
2 Sgts	1 Sgt: 1 Sgt (Rye) AANC	1 Cpl Chiropractist	A.A.N.C.
2 Cns	2 Orderlies AANC		
1 Sgt	1 Cpl. Amourer AANC		
5 Cns	3 Fitters N.V.		
1 Cr	1 Bookkeeper "		
1 Sgt	1 Sgt AFG		
1 Cpl			
1 Sgt	1 Sgt AFG		

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Unit.

**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			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			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		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationery Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
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			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			Wheeler		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						WO(11)		1
						Oil Sgts		2
						Sgts		7
						Cpls		13
						Riflemen & Gen Duties		357
						3/Sgts 1 Surplus		1
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								1300

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

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 21 Nov 42

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



REMARKS: Part D.

CLERKS: 1 S/Sgt is being carried supernumery at BASE

INT DUTIES: NO reinforcements are required as suitable personnel are being trained by the Unit.

PART B: 1 Cpl armourer on strength, 1 Sgt armourer on W.E.  
(Cpl Mills D W recommended)  
NO Fitters M.V. required as TWO are due to return ex Hosp  
1 Cpl (AAPC) required, nomination being submitted by  
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# OFFICERS' APPOINTMENTS

2/16 AUST INF BN. 28 NOV 1942

GONA CAMPAIGN

C O		Lt Col, A E Caro
2 i/c		Major J M Hearman
ADJT		T/Capt R H Christian
Q M		T/Capt R P Campbell
Sig Officer		Lieut L D Bremner
Int Sgt		Sgt J M C Knox
No 1 Coy.	O C	Major A Robinson
	2/i/c	T/Capt W M Atkinson (MC)
	1 Pl	Lieut T H Hill
		" A C Foweraker
		" H Young
No 2 Coy	O C	T/Capt V Holley
	2 i/c	T/Capt J H O'Neill
		Lieut L P Mayberry
		" P R Gorrie
		" L Allnutt
Mortars	O C	Lieut L J Inkpen
Reserve		T/Capt E B Madigan
"		Lieut C M White
"		" T Hicks



# 兵の慰問の手 し いささへ

## 注意書！

諸君が衷心より身の安全を願ひ、投降兵としての慰安其他の特権を望む場合、以下の指示に従ひなさい。

- 一、晝夜の別はないが、自分一人で米軍陣地に近づく事
  - 二、双手を頭上に挙げ、此査證を打ち振る事
  - 三、米軍兵士側より合圖があったら此の査證を提示し、そして手真似の命令に従ふ
- 米軍の兵士は一人残らず此の査證の所持者を親切に取扱ふ様命令されてゐるが、萬全を期する事は勿論である。然し恐れる必要は毛頭ない。

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本査證ノ所持者ハ自發投降兵ナリ。同人ハ丁重ナル取扱ヒヲ受クベキモノニシテ、最寄リノ司令官宛護送サレタル後、更ニ戦闘區域外へ後送サルベシ。同人ハ恐ラク英語ヲ解セザルモ、手真似ニテ命令ヲ受クル用意アルモノトス。右告示ス。

米國軍司令官



米軍は俘虜を優遇する。俘虜の待遇に關する國際條約の締約國として、米國は字義通りそれを遵奉し、その待遇は米國兵士に對するものと殆んど變らない以下同條約文を引用すれば

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第十條—俘虜ハ、衛生ト保健ト出來得ル限り留意セル建物又ハ營舎ニ收容サルベシ

第十一條—俘虜ノ糧食ハ、ソノ量質共ニ(拘留軍基地ニ於ケル兵士ノ糧食ト同等ナルベシ……喫煙ハ許ルサル

米軍の俘虜は米軍兵士と同等の食事を支給されるから、下表に見る通り日本でいへば東京でも一流の帝國ホテル邊りで食べられるものを毎日與へられる。

以下、米軍兵士毎日の糧食を示す

魚及び肉類	一三六匁
米及びパン	九五匁
馬鈴薯	七五匁
野菜類	八四匁
穀類	一一匁三分
果實類	三五匁二分
砂糖	三七匁七分
牛乳	六八匁
バター、其他脂肪類	二四匁八分
茶、コーヒー	一七匁八分

## Security Pass

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE  
UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

The bearer of this pass is surrendering. He is to be treated courteously and escorted to the nearest commanding officer, who will arrange for his transfer out of the combat area. He probably understands no English but has been instructed to obey sign orders.

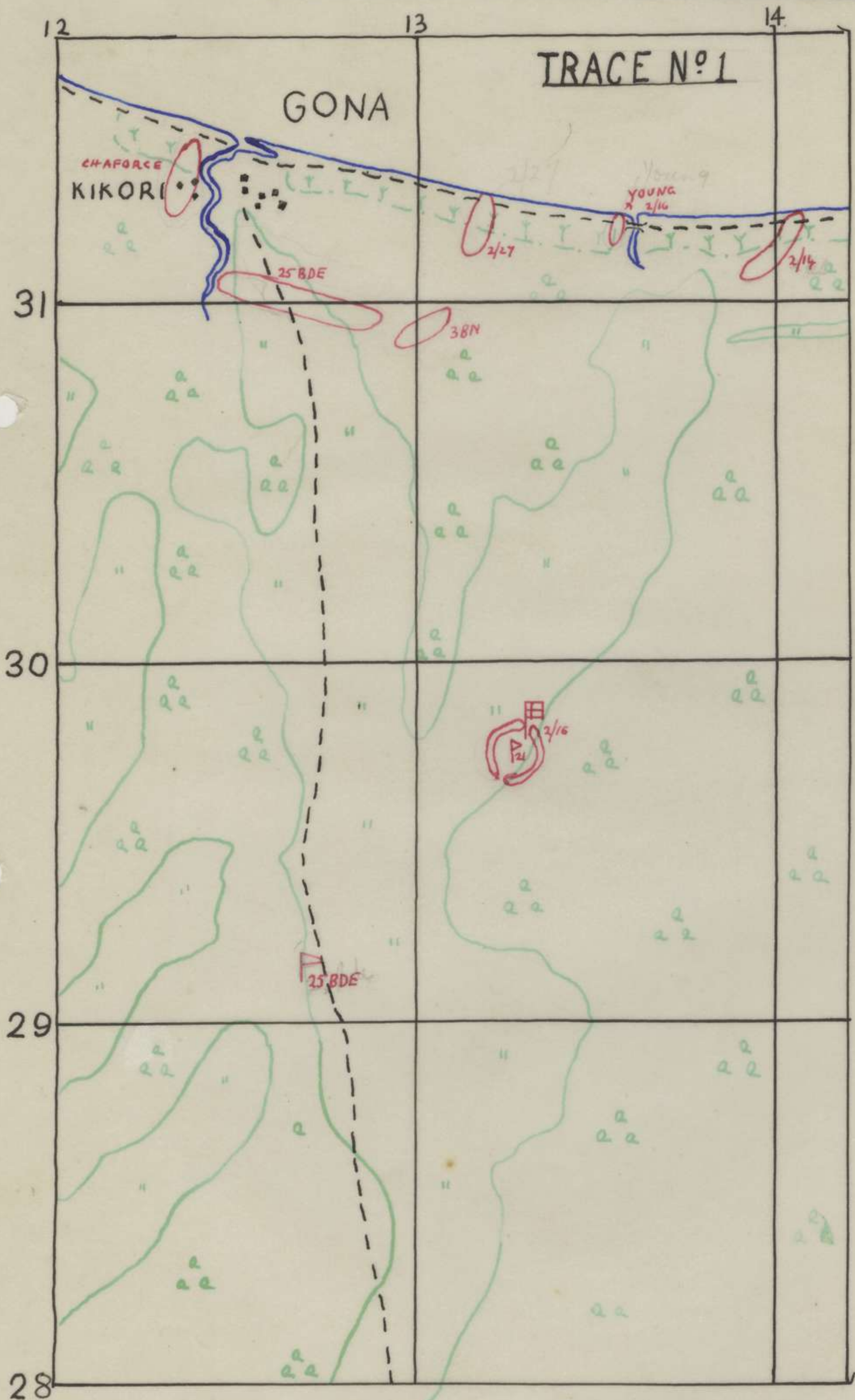
Commanding Officer of the United States Forces

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# TRACE OF GONA AREA

DISPOSNS  
NIGHT 29-30 NOV 42



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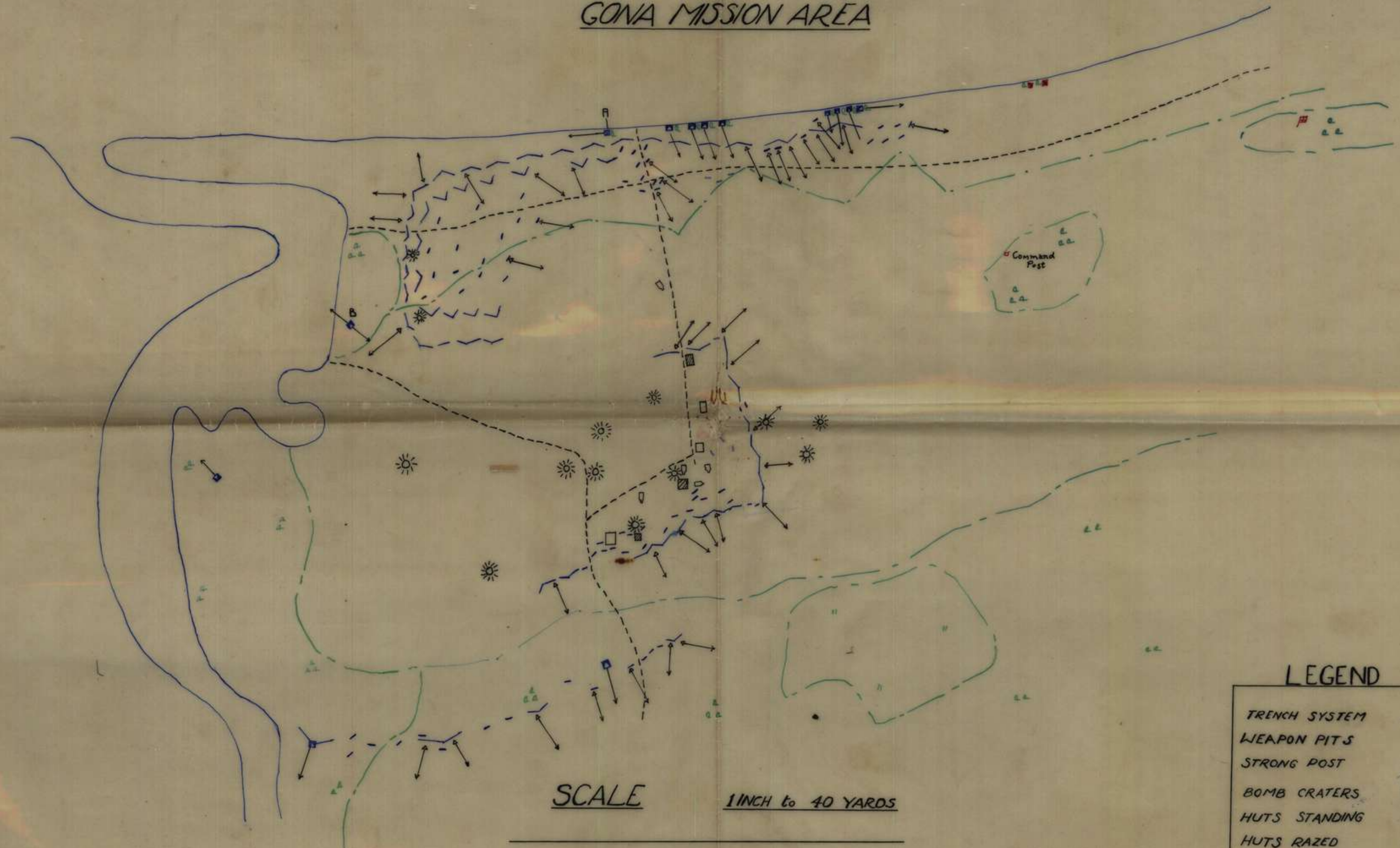
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# PLAN OF JAP DEFENCES

TRACE N° 2

## GONA MISSION AREA



SCALE

1 INCH to 40 YARDS

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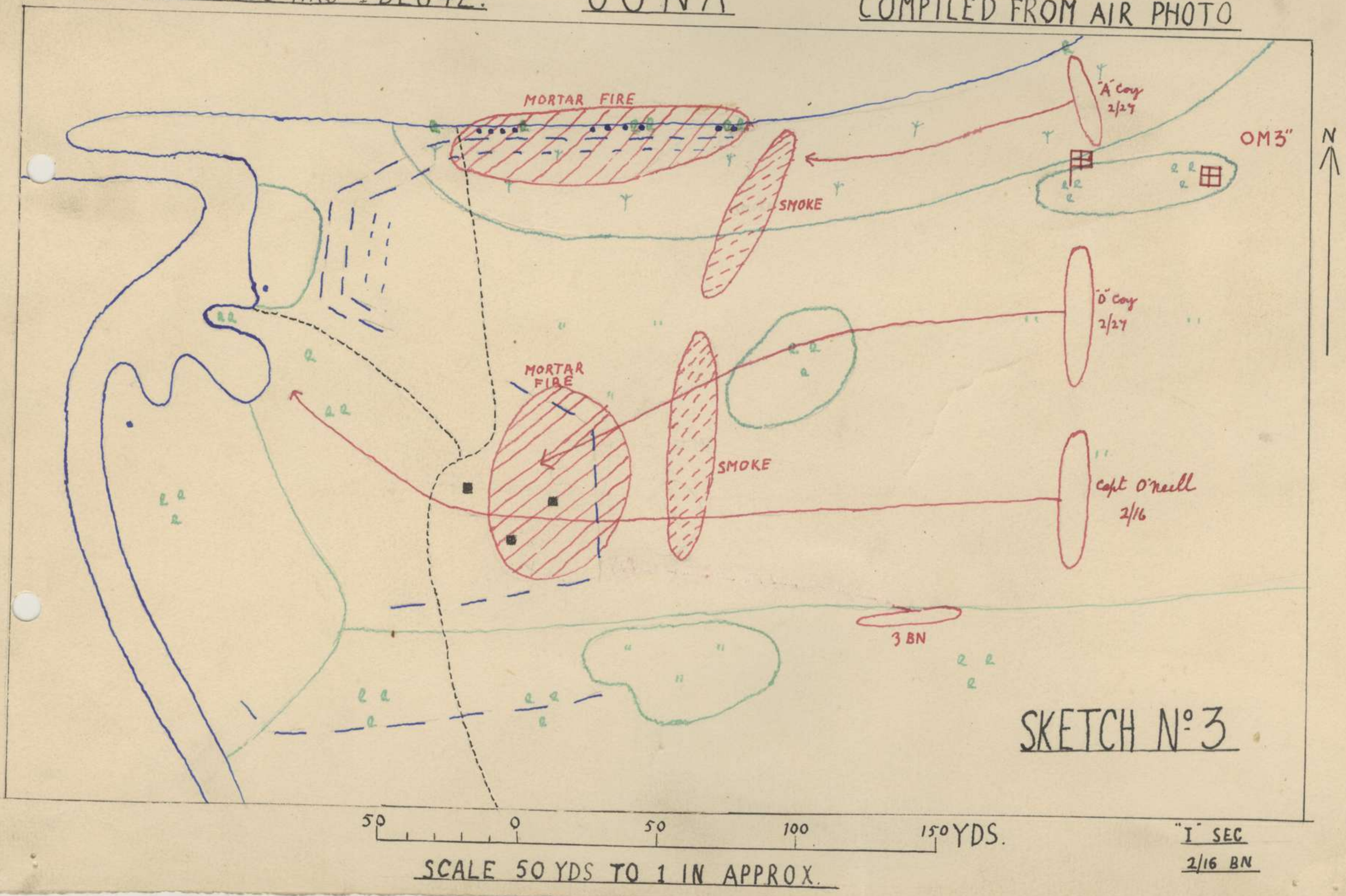
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BOMB CRATERS	☼
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TRUCKS	□



ATTACK 0600 HRS 1 DEC 42.

GONA

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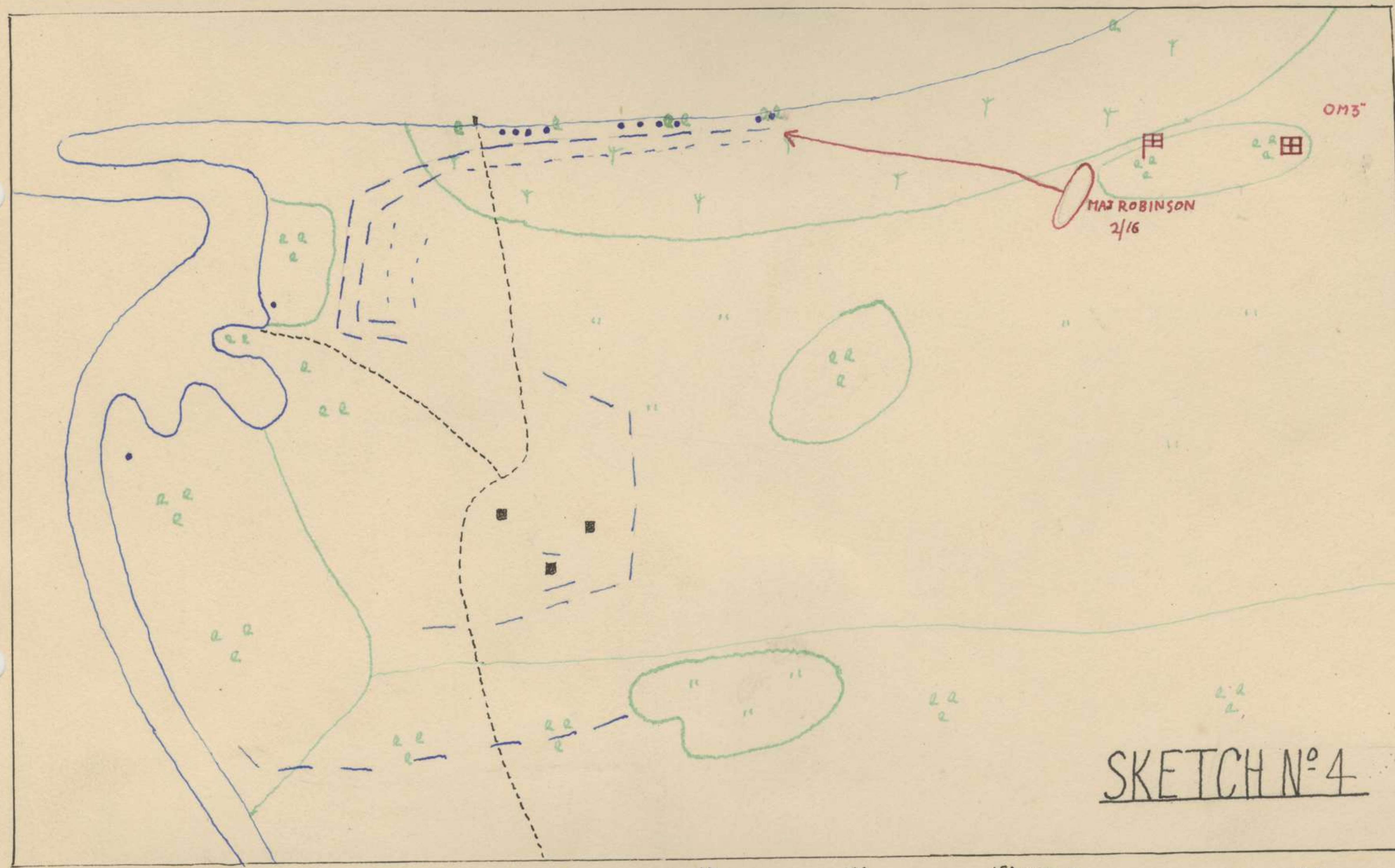




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ATTACK 1040 HRS 1 DEC 42

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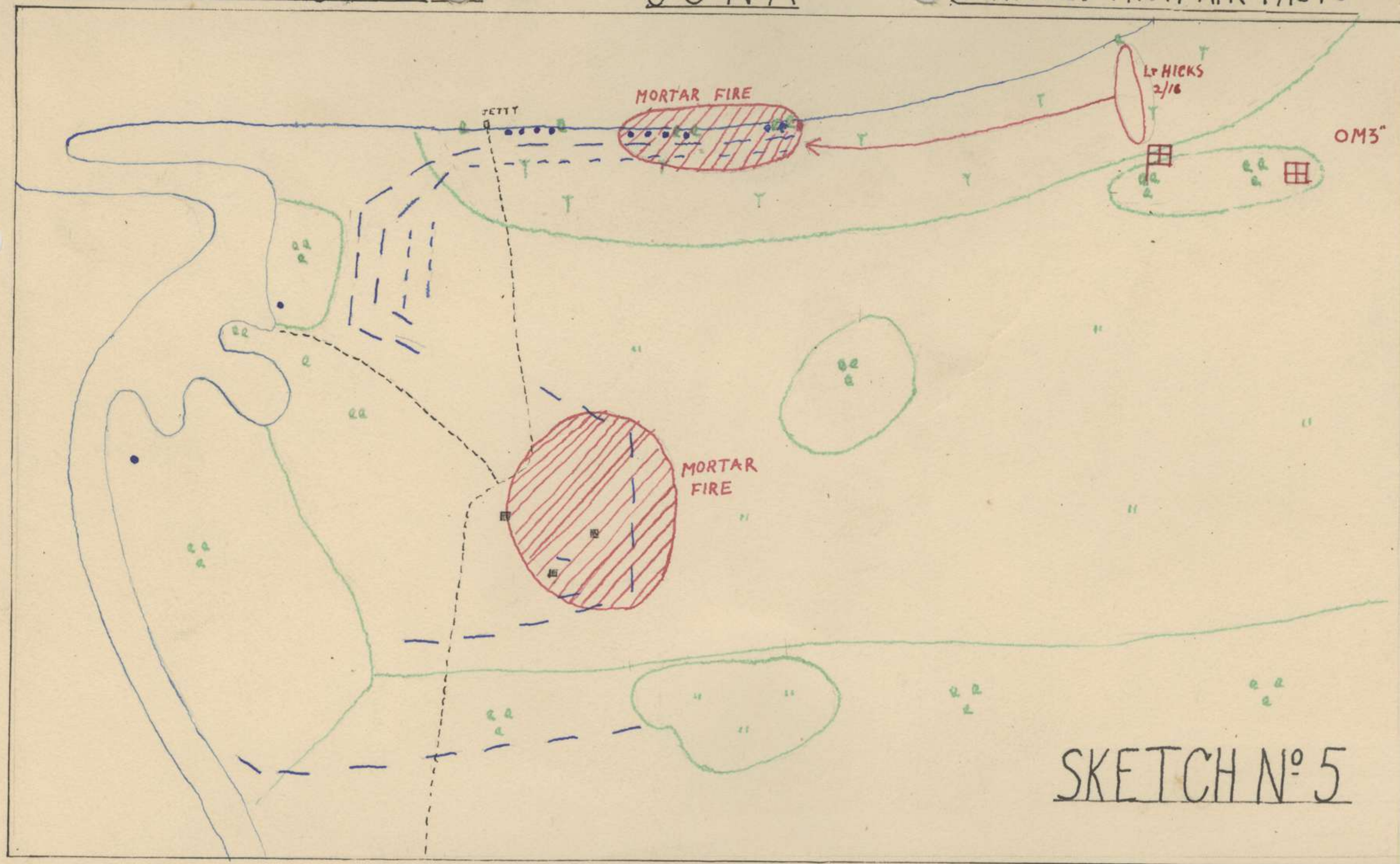
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2/16 BN



ATTACK 1030 HRS 2 DEC 41

GONA

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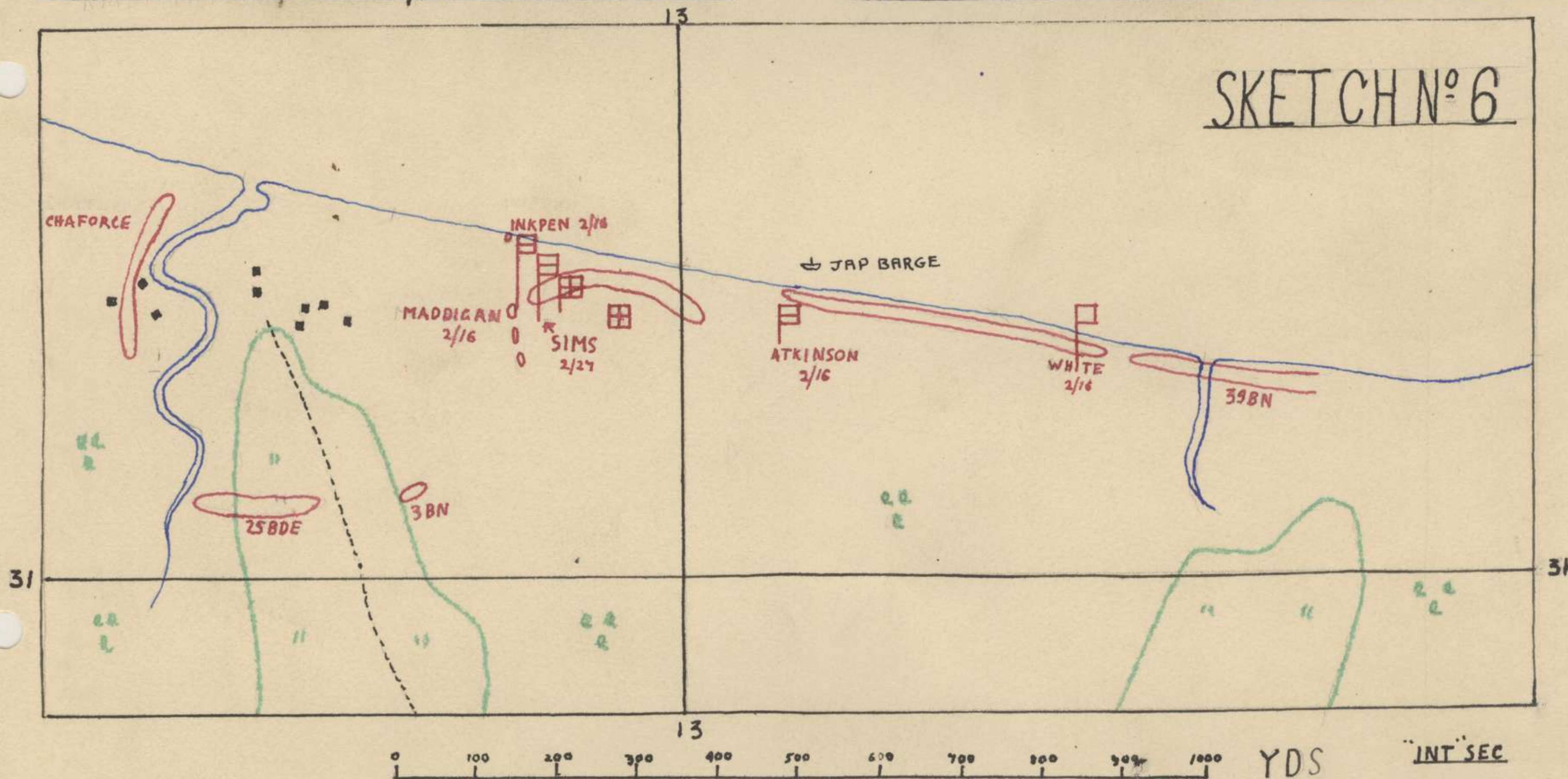


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NIGHT DISPOSNS OF 2/16-27 BN 3 DEC 42.

ENLARGEMENT OF PORTION OF 4 INS TO 1 MSHEET.

SKETCH N° 6



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2/16 BN

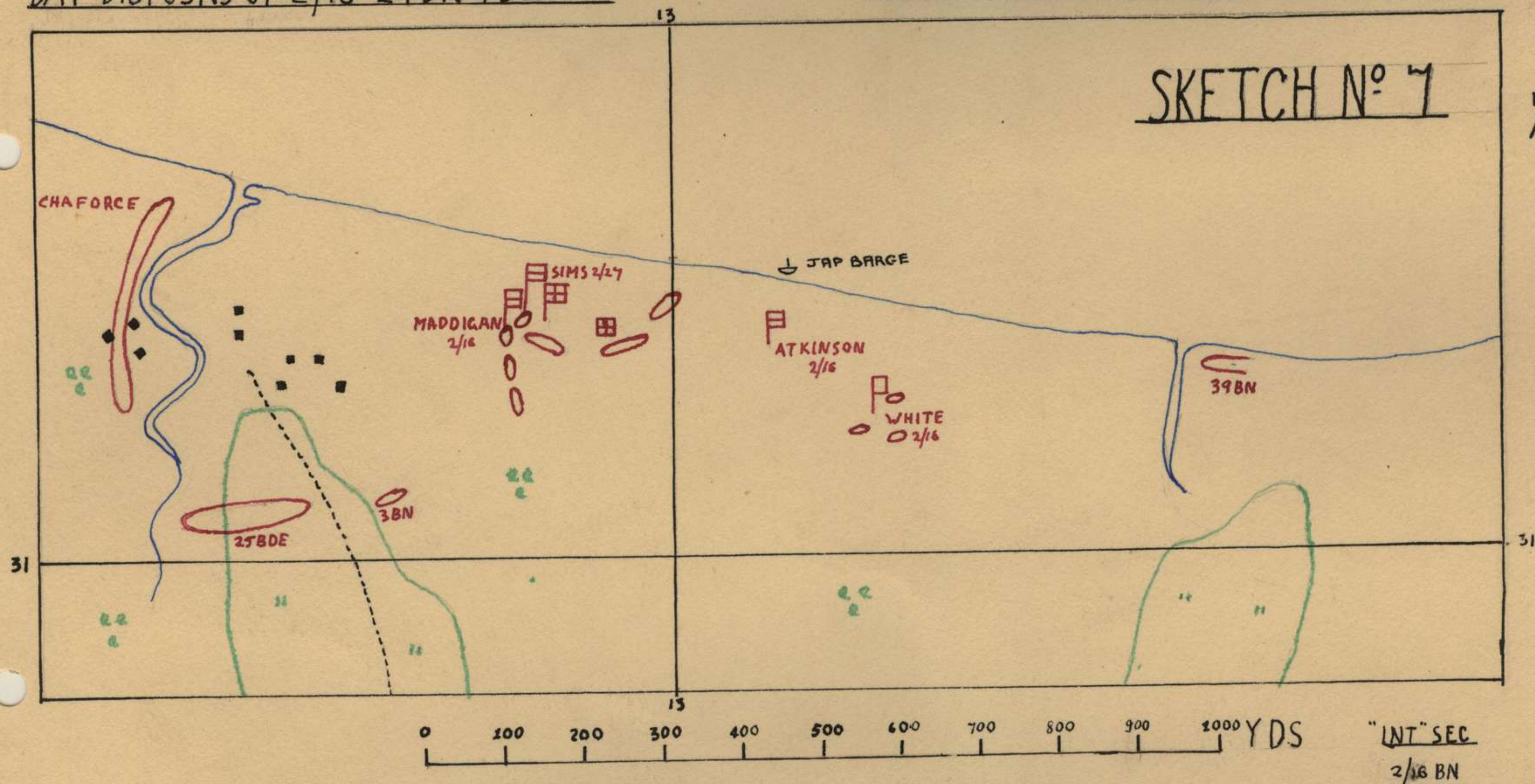


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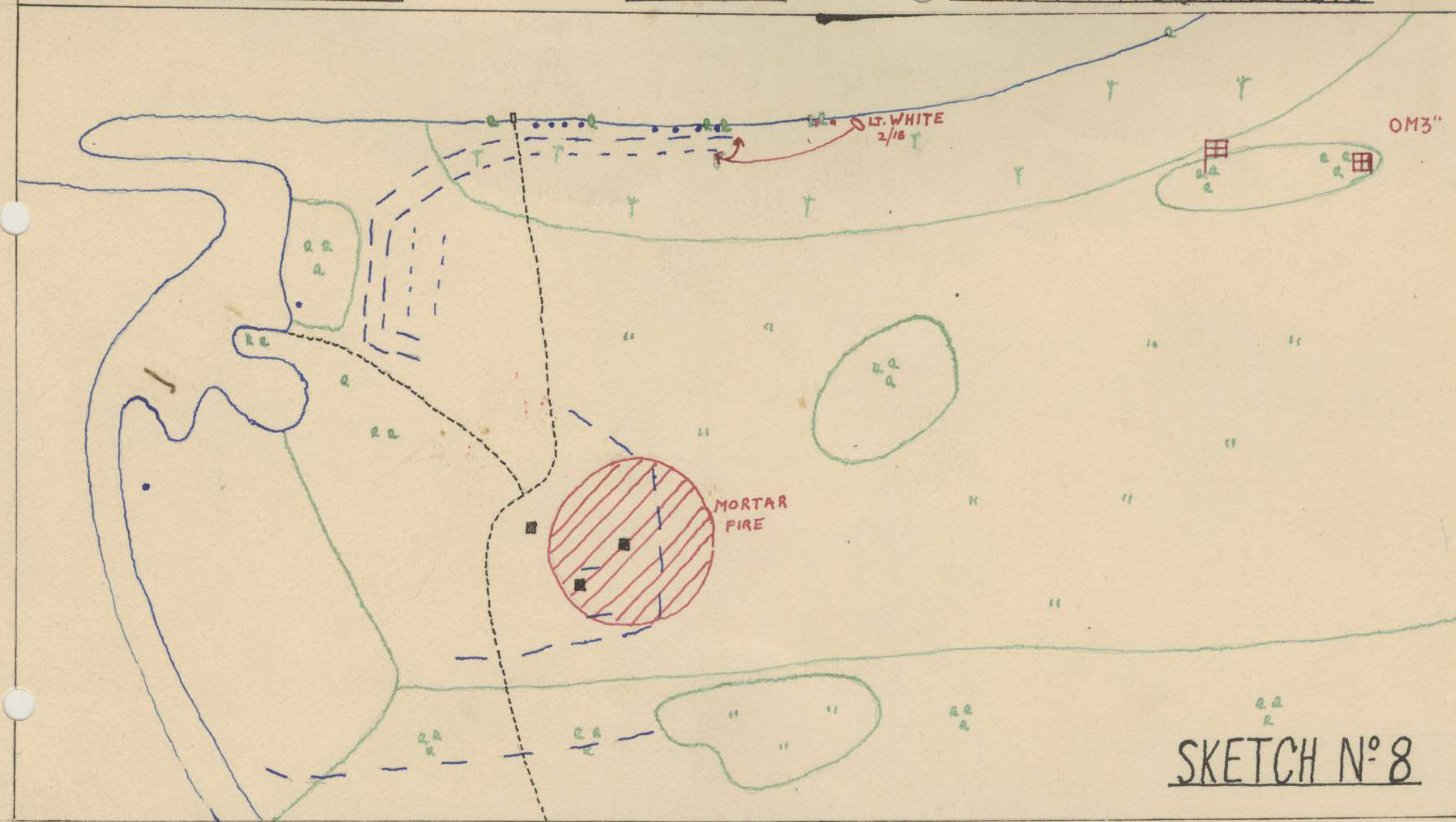
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GONA

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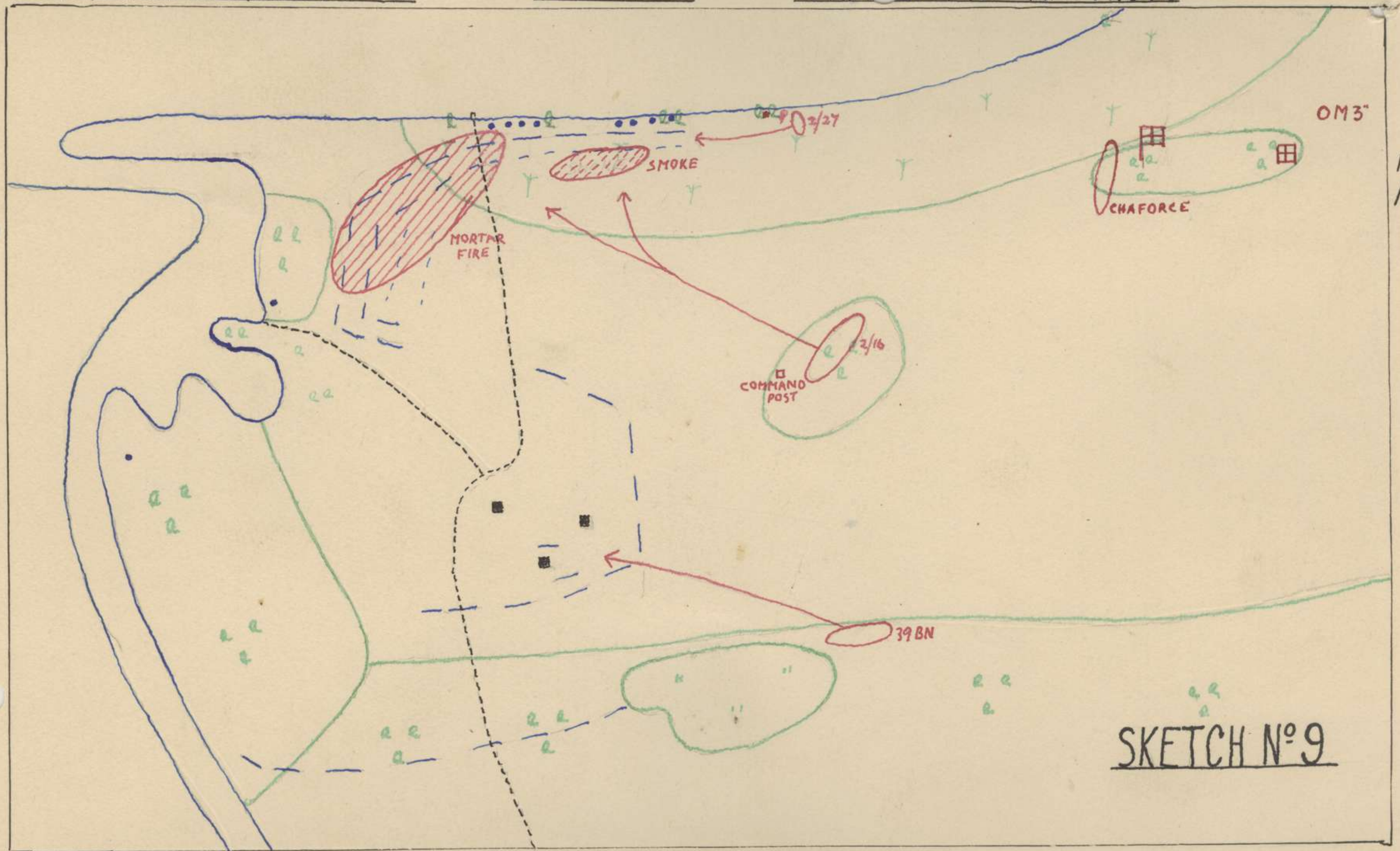
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GONA.

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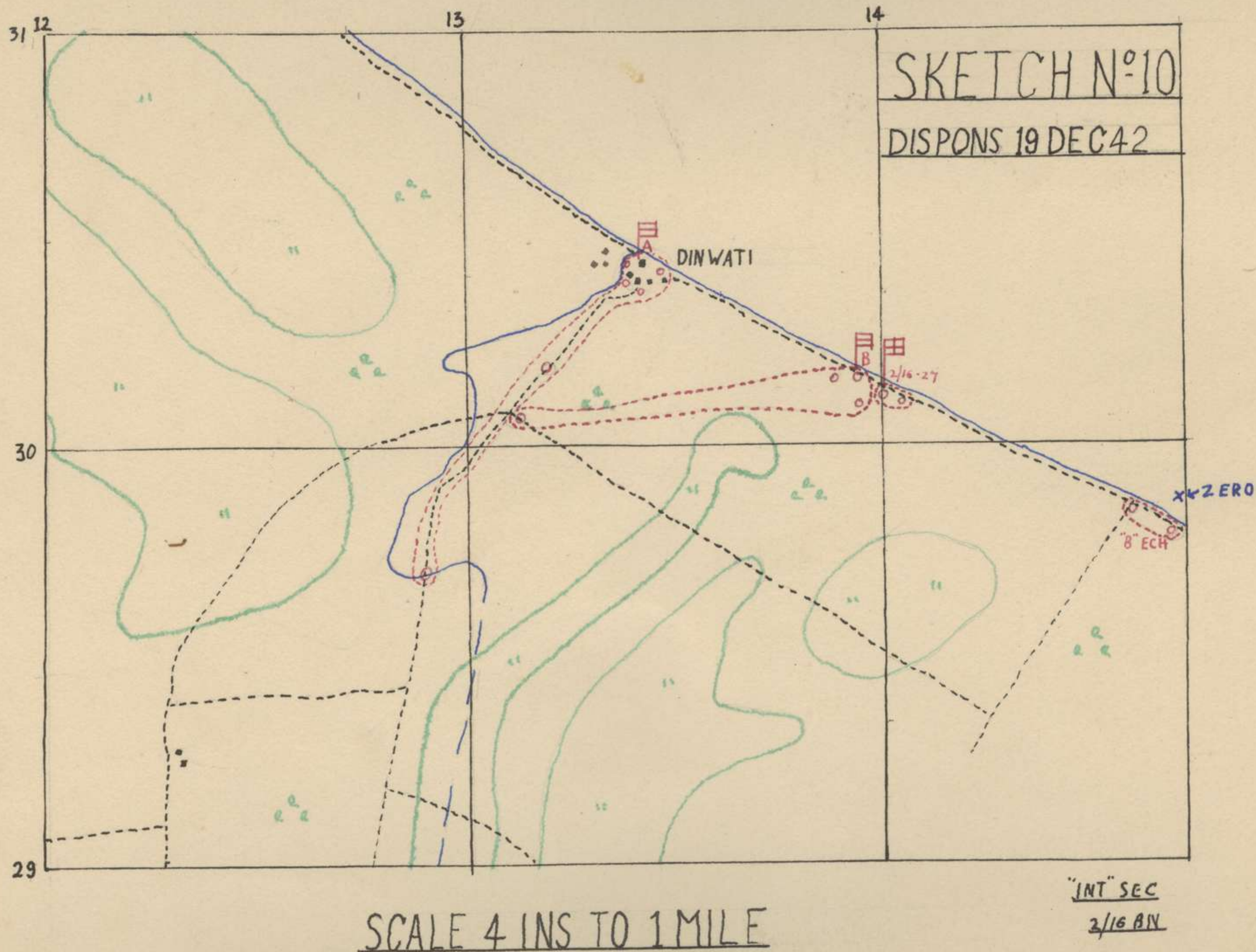
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"1" SEC  
2/16 BN



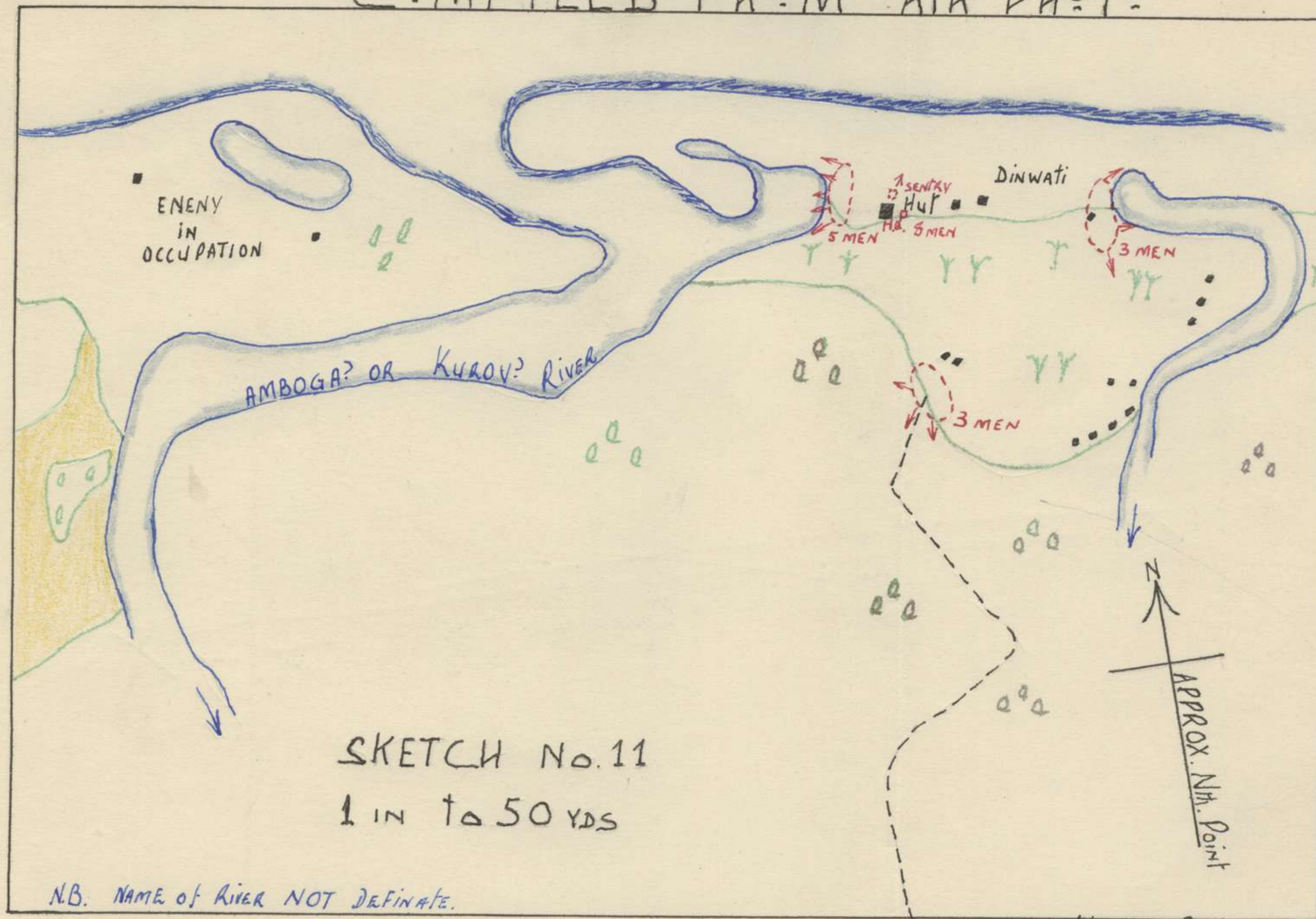
# ENLARGEMENT OF PORTION OF BUNA SHEET 1IN. TO 1M.





# COMPILED FROM AIR PHOTO

HADDY'S  
POSNS  
NIGHT  
6/7 DEC



SKETCH NO. 11  
1 IN TO 50 YDS

N.B. NAME OF RIVER NOT DEFINATE.

By. R. Newman Pl.  
Int Sec. 2/16 BN. 29.6.43.



FOREWORD This report has been compiled from information gathered from the undermentioned personnel who verify these facts to be authentic:

WX.7309 Lieut.J.Gerke. WX.4252.Sgt.R.E.A.Jones. WX.4779.Sgt.W.J. Longman. WX.4246.Cpl.L.Lethlean. WX.4241.Cpl.W.T.McMahon.(MM) WX.13870.L/Cpl.K.Corbett. WX.3682.Pte.R.L.Turner. WX.4573.Pte.S.J. Baldwin. WX.9641.Pte.R.A.Kelly. WX.11373.Pte.R.Shulze. WX.5668.Pte G.A.Bloomfield.

NOV.21 The 2/16 Bn Chaforce under command of 2/33 Aust Inf Bn were given the task to move WEST of the GONA river and attack the left flank of the enemy. On moving in this direction the force came between heavy fire, both from the enemy and from fire caused by our own troops who were astride the track SOUTH of GONA MISSION. Owing to this Chaforce decided to move back, find a suitable crossing over the river, thence along the river in a NORTHERLY direction to the coast. The Chaforce took up defensive positions approx 200 yds WEST of GONA MISSION.

NOV.22 Chaforce who were 45 strong at the time, were in posn about 150 to 200 yds from the Japanese posns. From these posns the force inflicted many casualties on the enemy and for a few days they had no idea that our forces were so close or had moved to these posns. The Japs most certainly have a one track mind, for it was only after about 10 of their men had been killed, that they were convinced; having used the one track to the river where they had been drawing their water.

NOV.25 Early in the morning Chaforce received a message to the effect that our artillery would be ranging their guns on to GONA area. As they were so close to the enemy posns and the area in which the shells would land, the force decided to take up temporary posns approx 600 yds along the coast to the WEST. Unfortunately whilst in these posns about eight shells landed at a rapid rate, seriously wounding WX.2907.Pte.N.M.Campbell and WX.3137. Pte.J.T.Sanderson. WX.3636.Lieut.A.C.Haddy tried to inform the arty by L/T of what was happening but the wire had been cut. With his usual quickness of mind he grabbed a Tommy Gun and two men and set out to repair the cable. This instance alone displayed Haddy's complete disregard for personal safety. Having repaired the cable he informed the arty of what was happening. On many occasions our own arty and airforce dropped shells and bombs among the Chaforce posns, only minor casualties were caused by these. During a period when our planes were strafing the area where Chaforce were, WX.2313.Pte.G.B.Langlands was wounded in the shoulder from the strafing. It was always the case when the force had to withdraw back to their former posns, after the ranging of the arty or because of strafing, that Lieut Haddy would move out to recon the former posns and see if it would be safe to re-occupy them. It was possible for the Japs to move into these posns before Chaforce returned. So it was always Haddy who made these tasks his personal concern.

NOV.25-29 The Japs made several attempts to land at night by barges with reinforcements but they were driven off at all times in this area, by 2" Mortar fire which Chaforce could bring to bear effectively on them as they attempted to land on a small landing stage at the GONA MISSION.

On many occasions it was possible to fire the ONLY 2" Mor Chaforce had, on groups of Japs that used to congregate near a tent they had erected on the beach.

From this ONE 2" Mor the force fired over 200 bombs during one morning alone. This caused considerable havoc amongst the enemy, also many casualties.

The Mortar was fired by Lieut Haddy who gained great accuracy without sights (these had not been sent with the Mortar) Haddy was successful in blowing up the tent on the beach and killing many Japs by using mortar without sights.



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NOV 25-29

Apart from the many casualties caused by the Chaforce, It had 12 Japs definitely killed to its credit. They had been trying to make their way through to GONA MISSION from the WEST. Most of these Japs were barefooted, very poorly dressed and some were unarmed.

From these observations Chaforce gathered that they must have been some of those who escaped from GORARI, made their way down the KUMUSI RIVER to the coast in the hope of reaching their forces at GONA.

One Jap was shot using our rifle with their ammunition.

NOV.29

An allied plane crashed among Chaforce posns, the 3 occupants were killed. The Pilot had been thrown into the sea but his body was recovered almost immediately. Pilot's name was Sgt. J. Bullmore. The rear gunner and operator were jammed in the tail portion of the plane which had fallen within full view of the enemy on the GONA RIVER bank.

A party of volunteers under comd Lieut Haddy recovered these ~~xxxx~~ bodies during the evening, Haddy swam out and brought the Pilot's body ashore. All three airmen were buried together. The names of the two others were:- 405492 Sgt. J. W. McKay and 413801 Sgt. J. C. Stoddart.

At approx 2100 hrs fires were noticed along the coast about 3 to 5 miles away.

NOV 30

A patrol under comd Lieut Haddy was sent out to investigate these fires.

This patrol relieved the patrol commanded by Lieut. Greenwood 2/14 Aust Inf Bn who were then a standing patrol at the small village on the EAST bank of the AMBOGA RIVER. Previously they had been a fighting patrol in a task across the river.

During the time in which Haddy's standing patrol was in occupation of this village the enemy attacked from the WEST but the Haddy patrol fought off the enemy, killing four and wounding several. Owing to the chaos this patrol could not estimate the number of wounded they had inflicted on the Japs.

Two of Haddy's men were wounded in this combat by snipers they both died of wounds the next day.

These 4 Japs that were killed by this patrol were wearing new clothing and equipment.

Later on 27 Native carriers gave themselves up to this patrol and it was found that they had escaped from the Japs when contact was made.

Amongst these carriers there was a native schoolteacher who claimed they had come from RABAUL. He could speak simple English a little.

From observation of enemy activity and from pieces of infm gathered from the native carriers, a conservative estimate was made of, from 150 to 200 Japanese in this area.

The natives claimed that these Japs were some of those who had attempted to land at GONA but on being driven off by our airforce had landed in the vicinity WEST of AMBOGA RIVER. They had attempted to make their way down coast with the probable view of reinforcing the enemy at GONA MISSION. They were driven back by Lieut Haddy's patrol.

This infm and the Carriers were sent back to 21 Aust Inf Bde HQ at night. This Bde having reached GONA area on the 29 Nov 42. Chaforce was then ordered to send out another patrol to relieve the Haddy patrol, move along coast, to gain and keep in contact with the enemy.

DEC.1

WX.10392. Lieut. L. P. Mayberry, WX.5607 Sgt. J. Scott and two O/rs advanced through GONA and swam the river arriving at 2/16 Chaforce posns.

These men were very fortunate that Chaforce held their fire as they were not sure whether these fellows were enemy or not. Many attempts had been made by the Japs to escape across this same river.

WX.4241. Cpl. W. T. McMahon, (MM) and WX.1879, Pte Ernest Yeing both showed great courage when they advanced through enemy to carry Capt. J. H. O'Neill, (2/16 Bn) to safety. He had been wounded whilst in an attack from the EAST on GONA MISSION. Capt O'Neill had been lying on the river bank all that day.

On his way through the enemy posns Cpl McMahon moved fairly close to an enemy MG post. Later after Capt O'Neill had been



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DEC.1.

Recovered Cpl McMahon and a small party went out and destroyed this MG POST.

DEC 3.

A patrol of 2/14 Bn relieved the 2/16 Charforce patrol who were stationed along the coast East of AMBOGA RIVER.

DEC 4.

The 2/14 patrol was relieved by another patrol from the 2/16 Charforce that was commanded by Lieut Haddy. Later on a patrol of 40 strong under comd of Capt Hurles (2/33 Aust Inf Bn) moved up and relieved the Haddy patrol. The Hurles Patrol contacted the enemy and Capt Hurles and a number of O/Rs were killed in this combat. Lieut Greenwood took charge of the Hurles patrol and withdrew his men some 800 yards, then sent a message to HQrs for reinfts. At this stage the enemy were about 2½ miles from Charforce HQ.

DEC 5.

At this stage 2/16 Charforce came under the comd of 39 Inf Bn AMF. A Pl under comd of Lieut Moore from the 39 Bn was sent out to relieve this patrol commanded by Lieut Greenwood (2/14). Later a patrol of volunteers under comd of Lieut Haddy (20 all told) moved up and took over from Lieut Moore. Haddy's men were all suffering from malaria and these men were the entire number fit to travel.

DEC 6.

The Haddy patrol's task was to make an observation post and watch for enemy movements across the AMBOGA RIVER (WEST).

DEC 6/7.

See Trace attached for Haddy's defence positions. (Sketch No 11). Night of 6/7 Dec weather conditions were very bad owing to the very heavy rain which made visibility poor. From the forward observation post very little enemy movement was seen. At approx 2330 Hrs Haddy's posns were attacked by the Japs with grenades. WX 13132 Pte S.A. Stephens was killed by these grenades. Lieut Haddy was wounded; also WX 13381 Pte R. Murray. At this stage Lieut Haddy was very ill with malaria but in spite of his illness displayed first class leadership and willpower to hold the posns, which inspired all his men. Whilst holding these posns Haddy's small party were subject to numerous attacks by the Japs with grenades. It appears that during these attacks 2/16 Charforce was trying to get in touch with Haddy by telephone and every time the bell rang at Haddy's patrol HQ the enemy would throw a grenade in its direction. Haddy made several attempts to detach the line from the telephone. Eventually he succeeded in doing this. Pte C.A. Bloomfield was sent back with a message requesting reinfts. This soldier although very weak with malaria took 3 wounded to Charforce HQ carrying one man most of the way on his back. He would go for a short distance with the wounded, then leave them to go on ahead to ensure country was free from Japs. Lieut Haddy being seriously wounded and taking into consideration the casualties that had been inflicted on his patrol, also the enemy's numerical superiority decided to withdraw his men. He ordered the withdrawal stating he would stay to the last. It is mentioned by all his men that Haddy was always placing himself in such positions to enable his men to get out of tight corners, irrespective of the risk attached. At approx 2400 Hrs Pte Bloomfield arrived at 2/16 Charforce HQ with the 3 wounded and the message for Reinfts. A patrol of the remaining personnel at Charforce HQ (15 all told) with WX 4252 Sgt R.E.A. Jones as commander moved out to reinforce the Haddy patrol. As was previously stated Haddy's men had to withdraw owing to their being outnumbered. This withdrawal commenced just before



the Jones patrol left.

On his way out Sgt Jones ran into a party of Japs three of whom he shot but the fourth bayoneted him before he could turn and shoot which he subsequently did. He was then evacuated out of the line. The Japs at this stage were pushing the patrol back. WX 3006 Cpl C.B.J. Murphy (MM) had taken over comd of the patrol and it was mainly due to Murphy's courage and leadership that inspired his men and finally checked the enemy advance for a day until the 2/14 Aust Inf Bn arrived. Cpl Murphy's patrol was then withdrawn.

Dec 8-12

During this period most of Haddy's men reached Charforce HQ, after having cut their way through some very thick jungle. It must be remembered that at this time it was very doubtful whether Lieut Haddy had got out although some of his men thought that he might. From then until the 2/14 Bn found the bodies of Lieut Haddy and Pte Stephens they were posted as missing. Stephen's body was in the hut underneath which Haddy had his HQ. At the time the Japs attacked he was on sentry duty and was hit with a grenade. Lieut Haddy's body was found under the hut and from the evidence around the hut it proved that Haddy had fought to the last, killing many Japs before they finally got him.

It was due to the fine leadership, courage and devotion to duty of Lieut A.C. Haddy which inspired his men, who delayed the Japanese in this area, long enough to allow the successful defeat of GONA by the 21 Aust Inf Bde.

It was always Haddy who carried out tasks and volunteered for jobs which may have resulted in the death for any of his men. Every patrol Haddy was in comd of he insisted on being forward scout. After Haddy's death Charforce came under comd of 2/16 Aust Inf Bn, who at this stage were at GONA.

The loss of Lieut Haddy was a very sad blow to both Officers and men of the Battalion. He was very popular and an outstanding soldier who has set a first class example for all to follow.

N.B. It is doubtful as to the correct name of river referred to as AMBOGA. It may be KUROV?



Details of part played in attack on GONA VILLAGE on Dec I/ 42  
by Lieut Mayberry's Platoon. Written by Lieut J. Scott.

The Pl moved into the attack at 0600 hrs in the centre of Capt O'Neill's Coy which was on the left.

By the time the village itself had been reached the Pl strength of 18 had dwindled to Lieut Mayberry Sgt Scott and 40/Rs, the remainder having been killed or wounded. (Including Cpls Sheed, Martin and Alcock killed.) At this stage they were forced to take cover in a shell crater owing to the fact of our own Arty putting over a barrage of about 10 minutes, one man - Pte Sage was wounded. They moved out and down to the edge of the jungle on the South side of the village, when they ran into a party of Japs apparently moving back into their positions after the barrage had ceased.

It was here that Pte Morey (HQ Coy) made an attempt to get LIET Gorrie, - who had been wounded, out from underneath a hut which was surrounded by Jap positions. He was unsuccessful owing to heavy small arms fire and returned to the other four. They were then engaged by the Japs from two sides, Pte Sage was hit again and died soon afterwards, Pte Morey was killed also.

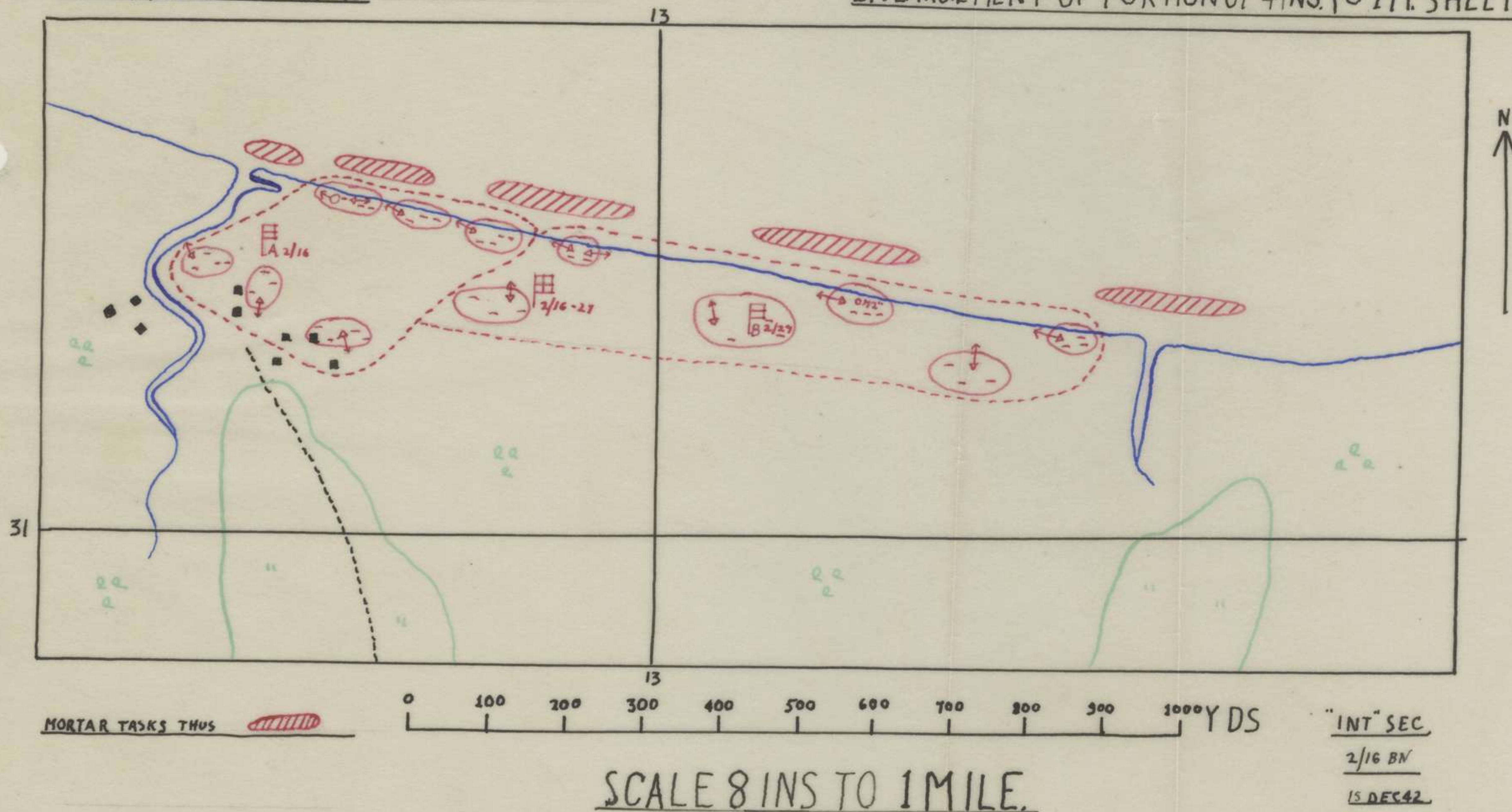
It was then decided to make a break Westward towards the river and this was accomplished with only a few shots being fired from concealed positions in the jungle. On reaching the river they were held up by Haddy's Pl on the West bank who was not sure of their identity. After establishing their identity they crossed the river, covered by a gun on the West bank. The time being then about 1000 hrs.



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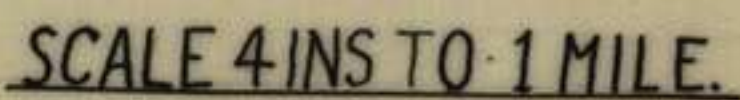
O.O. N°1 APPX "A"

ENLARGEMENT OF PORTION OF 4 INS. TO 1 M. SHEET.





O.P. INSTN. N° 2  
APPX. B.



"INT" SEC  
2/16 BN  
15 DEC 42



2/I6 - 2/27 Composite Bns.

Operation Order No I.

Ref Map GONA LOCALITY (Revised) 4 in to I mile.

15 Dec 42.

## INFORMATION.-

- (1) Enemy forces of unknown strength have been landed near mouth of KUMUSI and AMBOGA Rivers approx 15 miles and 4 miles respectively. NW of GONA.
- (2) It is believed that these troops intend to reinforce BUNA-SANANANDA and possibly GONA areas.
- (3) 2/I6-2/27 Units hold defensive posns in GONA area with 2/I4 Bn approx 1800 yds West and CHARFORCE patrols operating up to 1½ miles East.

- (4) INTENTION.- 2/I6-2/27 Unit will defend GONA against enemy landing from the sea and against enemy infiltration from the West.

## METHOD.- See attached sketch (appx A)

- (5) B Coy(2/27 Bn) responsible for defence of right sector with posts in depth and Coy mobile reserves for immediate counter attacks in own Coy area.
- (6) A Coy (2/I6 Bn) responsible for defence of left sector with posts in depth and Coy mobile reserves for immediate counter attacks in own Coy area.
- (7) Coys will construct weapon pits for all round defence and each post will be sited for mutual support and counter attacks will be rehearsed so that every soldier knows his part.
- (8) Beach defence will be based on enfilade fire from MMGs & LMGs.
- (9) 3 in mortars will fire on previously ranged areas between MG posts with the object of destroying incoming landing craft.
- (10) 3 in mortar will be in support of Coys.
- (11) 2 in mortars will be used by Coys to fire in the beach between MG posts.
- (12) Boyes Rifle will be sited to fire seawards against incoming landing craft.
- (13) Flares will be used when necessary to illuminate beyond water-line.

## INTERCOMN.-

- (14) SOS 2 green signals. To be originated by Coy OPs. Each Coy will man a beach OP. to be in line comn with BHQ.

## ADMN.-

- (15) Beach posts will maintain amn reserves equal to front line holdings. Bn reserve at BHQ under RSM.

## R.A.P.-

- (16) If an attack is imminent R.A.P. will move to posn Northern edge of timber South of B Coys HQ. Evacuations by Eastern track.

Maj.



2/16 - 2/27 Composite Bns

Operation Instn No 2.

Ref Map GONA LOCALITY (Revised) 4 in to I Mile.

15 Dec 42.

## INFORMATION.-

- (1) In the event of overwhelming enemy superiority on the GONA Def areas a withdrawal may be ordered. The order for withdrawal will be given by Maj Sublet only. In this event the following instructions will apply.

## INTENTION.-

- (2) 2/16-2/27 Units will withdraw to a holding posn astride the track GONA - JUMBORA at I34266.

## METHOD.-

- (3) Line of withdrawal (see appx B)
- B Coy along East track to Coy assembly area no further South than I29283. Thence along main GONA - JUMBORA track to holding posn.
  - A Coy along main GONA - JUMBORA track to Coy assembly area no further South than I29283. Thence to holding posn.
  - BHQ along East track to holding posn.
  - 3 in mortar will cover withdrawal until ordered to move back.

## HOLDING POSN.-

- (4) a. B Coy will hold at I34266 track included, to right along edge of timber for distance of approx 200 yds. Standing patrol will be placed on right flank to prevent infiltration.
- b. A Coy will hold at I34266 left of track excl. along edge of timber for approx 300 yds. Standing patrol will be placed on left flank to prevent infiltration.
- c. BHQ will hold on track in rear of I34266 to give depth of defence.
- d. 3 in mortar will occupy previously reced posns South of FDLs.
- (5) Lanes of fire will be beaten down in kunai.

## INTERCOMN.-

- (6) Order for withdrawal will be given by telephone.

## ADMN.-

- (7) Weapons and amn - No automatic weapons will be left and as much amn as possible will be carried back and remainder destroyed Bn reserves with RSM at BHQ.

## R.A.P.-

- (8) Will be est at rear of BHQ.
- (9) Recce of holding posn. Coy 2 i/cs and mortar Offr will recce Coy posns A.M. 16 Dec 42. As soon as possible after recce withdrawal will be conducted as a T.E.W.T. with Pl Comds.

Maj.

## AMENDMENT to Operation Instn Order No 2.

Para 3 Sec C. now to read:-

BHQ along Western track to 3 in mortar posn and pick up two 3 in mortars and personnel, thence to holding posn.

Add Para 9.-

For purpose of withdrawal B Coy CHARFORCE (Watts) will come under comd A Coy 2/16-2/27 Unit and remainder of CHARFORCE (Lee) under comd B Coy 2/16-2/27 Unit.

Maj.



LESSONS LEARNED DURING ADVANCE ON AND CAPTURE OF GONA - DEC., 1942.

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1. JAP IN WITHDRAWAL.

1. In his retreat from TEMPLETON'S CROSSING the Jap showed little or no aptitude for ambushing our pursuing patrols.
2. Obviously the Jap dislikes fighting a rearguard action, and, when he withdraws, he makes a clean break and puts as much distance between himself and our forces as he can. He did, however, leave behind an odd sniper or so, but these did not impede our advance.
3. The Jap moves so fast and far in withdrawal that he inevitably leaves a fair percentage of stragglers who proved very easy to round up.
4. In short, there is quite a bit of evidence that the Jap is unskilled in withdrawal and that such a withdrawal quite easily degenerates into a disorganised retreat. Further evidence of this is seen in the fact that his crossing of the KUMUSI River at WAIROPE was unorganised and that many of his soldiers were drowned here although our forces were not in contact.
5. The enemy finally withdrew into a small beach-head at GONA without any attempt to counter-attack or to leave parties out to harass our flanks as would have been quite safe for them. But, no, his commanders cooped upwards of 600 men in an area approximately 300 yards by 600 yards and placidly allowed themselves to be surrounded with their backs to the sea. This is further evidence that Jap tactics lack resilience.

DEFENCE.

1. In GONA he prepared to fight to the last and he did fight to a finish - an inglorious finish.
2. At first we thought that his fire -plan was a skilfully co-ordinated one but as later events proved, it was mainly by the large number of men in a restricted area that he was able to inflict casualties on our attacking troops.
3. He made no attempt to patrol his front or the ground between his posts and at night our patrols were able to move freely within his lines.
4. Quite apparently his posts were manned by soldiers without initiative - who had merely determined to stay in their holes until they were dragged out. They did no patrolling such as the "Rats of Tobruk" did so expertly.
5. Examination of enemy posts after the reduction of GONA showed that the Jap can show us nothing in organisation or development of defences. He made good use of camouflage but this is simple in this type of country. His posts were not well constructed nor particularly well sited and many times his posts must have fired into one another. MANY of them had fields of fire of 15 yards only and gave little real cover to the defenders.



OUR ATTACK ON GONA.

1. Gradually the ring around GONA was drawn tighter until the Jap was unable to show himself even for a second. He was subjected to a daily hammering by mortar, shell-fire, aircraft and, just as important, small arms fire.
2. This latter measure, besides giving the enemy no peace, definitely kept our troops on top until the agreed upon time came for the final attack. The Jap resisted stoutly and refused to budge until we commenced digging in about 5 yards from his posts after dusk. Then he broke and stupidly attempted to break through our lines en masse with hand grenades - his force was cut to pieces and very few escaped.
3. During several of the attacks on GONA the principle of concentration was lost sight of - troops were given unlimited objectives, no shovels were provided for consolidation and attacks were made on more than one front at one time. This may have turned out all right had we unlimited troops but, in my opinion, we would have gained more by pinching off one enemy strongpoint at a time by concentrating manpower with sufficient mortar fire, shell fire and small arms fire against each post in turn. The remainder of our forces could then have been disposed purely to arrest any attempt by the enemy to reinforce or to evacuate GONA.
4. One lesson is crystal-clear - it is useless surrounding the Jap and waiting for him to attempt withdrawal when he has no place to which he can withdraw. Far better to close his means of ingress then go in and get him - post by post, with all the support possible.
5. Again, it was not by skilfully co-ordinated defence that he held GONA so long but mainly by a large number of men on a small piece of ground.

SECURITY.

1. Jap security is exceptionally bad. Sentries and piquets are conspicuous by their absence. Our patrols at night were able to move quite freely in enemy lines. Jap officers carry a tremendous amount of information with them as proved by valuable documents taken from their killed. Most officers and O.R.s carry diaries - up to 200 sent back from GONA. Prisoners seemed prepared to give any information asked for. Stress should be laid on the fact that it is necessary only to give No., Name and Rank.
2. His track discipline is bad and he gives away location of his positions by obvious use of the same tracks between posns.

NEED FOR PICKING OFF ENEMY LEADERS- ESPECIALLY OFFICERS.

The Jap has proved to lose confidence and he shows big tendency to develop into disorganised rabble when he loses leaders.

2" MORTAR.

An excellent weapon for close support. Used with very good effect. All members of the Pl. should be capable of using the 2" mortar at any time, particular regard being given to use of smoke.

BOOBY TRAPS.

Seldom used by the Jap and when laid were set very clumsily. They were comparatively <sup>easy</sup> to detect. In the later stages of his retreat, (i.e. after ILLIMO) he laid no booby traps.



FIRE POWER - AUSTRALIAN & JAP.

Evidence of captured enemy diaries etc tends to show that our fire power per unit is much superior to the Jap and that, naturally, the casualties we inflict upon him are much heavier than we believed.

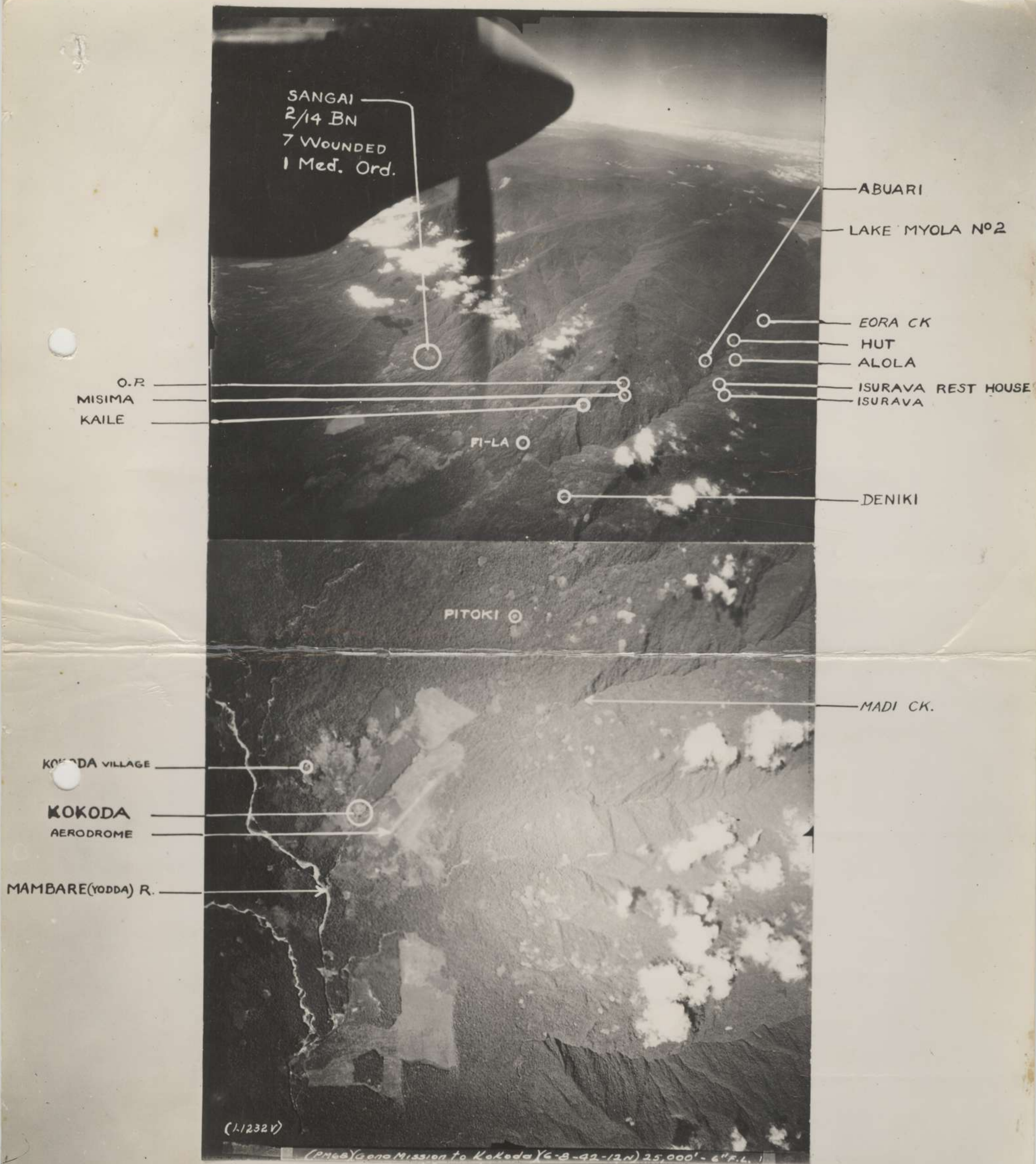
In jungle fighting we seldom see the enemy casualties except those within a few feet of ourselves, but our tps must always remember that - the more lead we can keep in the air, the more enemy casualties we can cause and so reduce our own.

Contrary to general belief, I am of the opinion that the ordinary Jap platoon is not issued with Sub Machine Guns at anything approaching our scale, and personally I have not seen a Jap using a Sub Machine Gun during his withdrawal, and I have not heard of any being captured. This does not rule out the possibility that he has managed to salvage all his Sub Machine Guns, or that his crack assault units are so equipped.

Signed

F. Sublet Maj.





COMPOSITE  
ANNOTATED VERTICAL and OBLIQUE  
OF  
KOKODA — LAKE MYOLA

A.D. SURVEY 8/10/42  
S/Sgt S.C. HILL.



28 Aug. - 20 Sept. 42.

Some observations made by Offrs. of 2/16 Aust. Inf. Bn.

1: THE JAP. SOLDIER.

- (1) Is well trained and tough but displays no personal initiative. His thinking has to be done for him.

JAP. TACTICS.

- (2) Are not revolutionary - we would normally adopt much the same major tactics in attack & advance. He seldom does anything unexpected and makes little endeavour to hide his movements. When he does move, however, he moves boldly.

DEFENCE.

- (3) Applies well known principles of defence:-

viz. {a} Fire-power.  
{b} Depth.  
{c} Mutual support.  
{d} Surprise.  
{e} Determination.

However, these principles are applied slavishly thus rendering it very difficult to "change over" from defence to counter-attack.

On no occasion were our tps. counter-attacked after having driven the enemy from his posns.

ADVANCE.

- (4) In the adv. the Japs. fwd. elements appear to have sight of the principle of protection - particularly as regards his flanks. The most usual method of gaining contact is to send out a main-guard of about 40-60 men, the first dozen or so of whom form a "suicide" squad some yards in front. This squad in all reported instances marched straight along the track in no particular formation. Sometimes with arms slung, and not displaying any particular vigilance regarding either their flanks or front. They fell easy victims to our small ambush parties which were invariably placed fwd. of our posns. On contact being made the larger party following behind automatically fans out on each side of the track and presses fwd. in the undergrowth until held up by the fire of our fwd. tps. The next action of the adv. gd. is to "fix" our front with fire. This fire assists in covering the mvt. of small parties who move out immediately to try and find our flanks. Our flanks are found generally because our tps. allow their fire to be drawn by these small flanking parties. When the posn. of our flanks has been est. the adv. gd. generally sits tight and awaits reinforcements who always arrive in a surprisingly short time.

ATTACK.

- (5) Having pin-pointed a def. posn. the Jap. is content to hammer the front with MMG, HMG, Mortars and light fd. guns whilst his main forces go round either one or both flanks. The Japs. invariably out-flank and attempt to encircle our force. He has developed these tactics to a drill and here again follows them slavishly. The only thing which has ever surprised us is the speed with which these moves have been executed.

OUT-Flanking Moves.

- (6) Generally speaking the Japs. executes his out-flanking moves



fairly close in. In many instances his out-flanking tps. move no more than 100 yds. outside our own posns-far enough to await our aimed fire. This also accounts for the speed with which he executes the mvts. On very few occasions did he go to any pains to conceal his out-flanking mvts.

### FRONTAL ATTACKS.

- (7) The Jap. frontal attacks are characterised by;
- (a) The lack of secrecy in surprise in preparation,
  - (b) The absence of arty. or mortar preparations.
  - (c) The absence of supporting fire except assaulting tps. own weapons.
  - (d) Series of "blood-curdling" screamings and yellings both before, during and after the attack. (This noise is not created by the assaulting tps. but by other personnel some distance behind the assaulting tps.). The reason for this noise may be either to undermine the morale of our tps. or to bolster the morale of the attacking tps.
  - (e) Utter and complete failure to penetrate our lines.

### COUNTERS to JAP TACTICS.

#### ADVANCE.

- (1) The main principles of mountain and jungle warfare cannot be departed from. these principles are:-
- (a) The use of the high ground. (i.e. the ridges etc) in adv.
  - (b) The intelligent use of clearings.

Adherence to these two principles is governed by the fact that rapid and organised mvt. is possible only on the existing tracks.

However, it is worth noting that the tops of almost every ridge affords "good going".

In practise we found that our adv. gds. were more or less tied to the tracks and naturally this involves certain risks which, however, must be taken in order to gain contact with the enemy.

Actually we found that, owing to the enemy's lack of security - outposts, sentries, picquets and ambushing parties etc- we were able to gain contact with him without loss to our most fwd. elements.

Constant vigilance on the part of the van-gd. is absolutely necessary and each member of it must be prepared to open fire without notice.

Upon one occasion an unarmed Jap. sprang from the side of the track immediately in front of one of our patrols, waved his arms around and yelled.

The startled scouts did not have their Tommy-guns "cocked" with the result that the Jap. dis-appeared in the scrub without having a shot fired at him; but had effectively given warning to the enemy that our patrol was nearby.

The van gd. must be prepared to take offensive action immediately upon contact.

If this is not done the main body's action is hampered by lack of infm. regarding the enemy's strength and dispositions.

#### ATTACK. =

- (2) The main principles of attack apply in mountain and jungle as in any other warfare. Particularly should the principle of depth apply. On several occasions our tps. had fought their way to within a few feet of the Jap. guns but were unable to press the attack to a successful conclusion because of the absence of an adequate reserve. In a Coy. attack the Coy. Comd. must have his res. pl. very close up for use at the crucial moment.



It is very costly to attack up-hill and nearly always unsuccessful.  
 Every attempt to move the assaulting tps. onto high ground on the flanks or rear of the enemy.  
 To guarantee success adequate mortar and/or arty. preparation and supporting fire are very necessary.  
 It is a mistake to copy Jap. method of attack using only weapons of assaulting tps. for support.  
 The form of attack most feared by the Japs. is the bayonet attack which has broken his formations on several occasions.

### DEFENCE

(3)

In selection of a defence posn. one must be certain that it is not overlooked from posns within 2000 yds. of the front, flanks or rear.  
 This is necessary because the enemy quickly place his MMGs and Mortars in posn. and fire down upon our posns. thereby neutralising them.  
 All-round perimeter defence is also necessary to withstand the enemy's out-flanking movements.  
 In addition the def. area must straddle the L of C. and the greater depth; in which the unit can be disposed along those comms the greater protection it will have against encirclement.  
 Posts should be manned by four men to permit of two resting and two being alert at all times.  
 In addition each post MUST be in comm with it's neighbors to prevent infiltration.  
 Owing to the enemy harrassing tactics at night (i.e. undirected firing of LMG and Tommy guns, explosion of grenades and Mers. and concerted yelling, carried on practically without interruptions throughout the hours of darkness) our tps. are unable to obtain rest and every attempt should be made to relieve those in contact with the enemy regularly.

### CONCEALMENT and CAMFLG.

(1)

Concealment and camflg. of weapon pits and of the men themselves is well worth the effort.  
 We have demonstrated that we are the equal of the Jap. in this respect. Tps. MUST "dig-in" in defence even to the extent of using bayonets, steel helmets or jam tins.

### SURPRISE.

(1)

Fwd. tps. must not allow the Jap. to draw their fire. They must wait until the enemy puts in an attack or until they are assured of good results.  
 The enemy will try desperately to draw the fire of the defenders by moving bushes, calling out, firing weapons at random and even by deliberately exposing himself.  
 If you fall into the trap you almost immediately become a target for every Jap. weapon that can be brought to bear on you.

### Comparison of Arms and Equipment.

#### Small ARMS.

(1)

Jap. has a higher percentage of auto. weapon and uses ammo. with abandon.

#### MORTARS.

(2)

Jap. 4" Mortar outranges our 3" Mortar by approx. 2000 yds. - A very accurate weapon with variable results.



## INFANTRY or MOUNTAIN GUN.

- (3) Apparently the 75mm. Gun-Used against us very effectively at Eoribaiwa.-  
(When the layout of the ground was all in its favour-)  
Fired very accurately -High velocity and Japs. were known to fire at as few as two men passing over a ridge.  
We had no counter to this weapon, which he hauled into position with mules.  
Fired from a range of approx. 2000 yds but later moved up closer.  
Our most effective weapons in order of preference were as follows:-

(a) T. S. M. G.

The premier weapon for close-range jungle fighting-Amm is heavy but it does not require more than one hit to make a severe casualty.-A hit in the trunk nearly always causes death.- In my opinion every man not using an L. M. G. should be armed with a T. S. M. G. (excepting a few snipers.)

(b) GRENADES 36 HAND.

Ideal for night fighting in jungle and proved very effective. The Jap. greatly dislikes them.

(c) L. M. G.

Still a very valuable weapon more particularly in defence. To engage accurately these targets over 100 yds. range. Caused many Jap. casualties up to 400 yds. Not used extensively in the attack.

(d) RIFLE

Rather "out of Date" for jungle warfare except by snipers.- Rate of fire too low.  
In my opinion the most suitable weapon is a Tommy Gun, preferably of .32 or .38 calibre (because of weight of amm.)- With a bayonet affixed.  
This weapon could then entirely replace the rifle.  
L. M. Gs could not be disposed with.

(e) M. M. Gs.

Could have been used very effectively by us if we had had them

(f) 2" MORTAR.

An effective weapon-but we must have an adequate supply of amm. In several instances we "sent over" all the amm. we had (6 Rds.) to which the Jap. could reply with 20 rounds.

COMMUNICATIONS. L/T. Did not fail us but lacks security. We felt that the Jap. sometimes "tapped" our line. His info. regarding our intended moves seemed fair.

R/T. Providing a really dependable light-weight set could be issued W/T would solve most difficulties.  
A man cannot carry a set and his own gear however in this country.

Lamp. S. R. D. S.

Used with good results on several occasions when L/T and R/T were out of the question.

## ENEMY COMMS.

The Jap. comms depend mainly upon R/T (small gauge cable) and V/S (lamps) which he uses at night with no regard to security apparently relying on our ignorance of his language and codes.

## SUPPLIES.

Supplies of S. A. A. and food were adequate but grenades and Mortar bombs were scarce.  
The long vulnerable single track behind us caused us real anxiety at times.  
The enemy makes good 8 foot tracks right up behind his forward troops.



He uses animals to maintain his supplies, haul fwd. his heavy weapons etc. In this respect he seems far in advance of ourselves. The Japanese Labour units are always close behind his fighting tps. making roads, building shelters and, I feel convinced, replacing the fighting tps. by night & keeping us awake by weird howlings, discharge of firearms etc. In this way I think the energies and stamina of his fighting tps. are maintained at a high level.

#### DIET of ENEMY SOLDIERS.

We have seldom found anything but boiled rice in the haver-sacks of Japanese dead (some had a small quantity of Ling Fish) except when the enemy had previously captured one of our food dumps; when we found them laden with Beef, Biscuits etc. They are seemingly very partial to our rations. On one occasion a party of 30 Japs. were surprised by our patrol scavenging among empty tins left by our tps. One Jap. Sgt. on another carried a sandbag of beef etc with him while patrolling against us. This would seem to indicate that the Jap. feels the need of something besides rice. The same Sgt. was wearing a pair of Australian boots. Incidentally, the Jap. wears boots in this country and apparently uses his rubber boots for special occasions (patrols, tree climbing etc.)

#### AMBUSHES BOOBY TRAPS

We found the Jap. an easy victim for Ambushes & Booby Traps. (Hand grenades with pins removed). In fact in many respects he is but a simple child although, having burned his fingers severely, he shows signs of becoming more wary. Every opportunity should be taken, in defence or delaying action, to spring these surprises upon him. The results have been most gratifying.

#### SUGGESTIONS.

There is no doubt that well trained, well led tps. can hold the Jap. He has never broken our ranks by direct assault and providing we can be given the extra mobility necessary for mountain warfare; by reducing the load of the front line soldier, we could attack successfully and turn the enemy's outflanking & encircling tactics back upon him. By this I suggest something in the nature of the Labour Units moving close behind the fighting tps.

- WEAPONS.
- 1: A mortar equal in range to the enemy's 4" is a necessity.
  - 2: A higher percentage of T3mgs of 38 or 52 cal. with bayonet.
  - 3: MGs for harassing fire.
  - 4: Mountain Guns.

Naturally if we could employ sufficient tps to "leap frog" at regular intervals, the health and morale of the force would be maintained at a much higher level; but it is too much to expect tps. laden with 50-70 lbs. to move quickly over bad tracks in this climate.

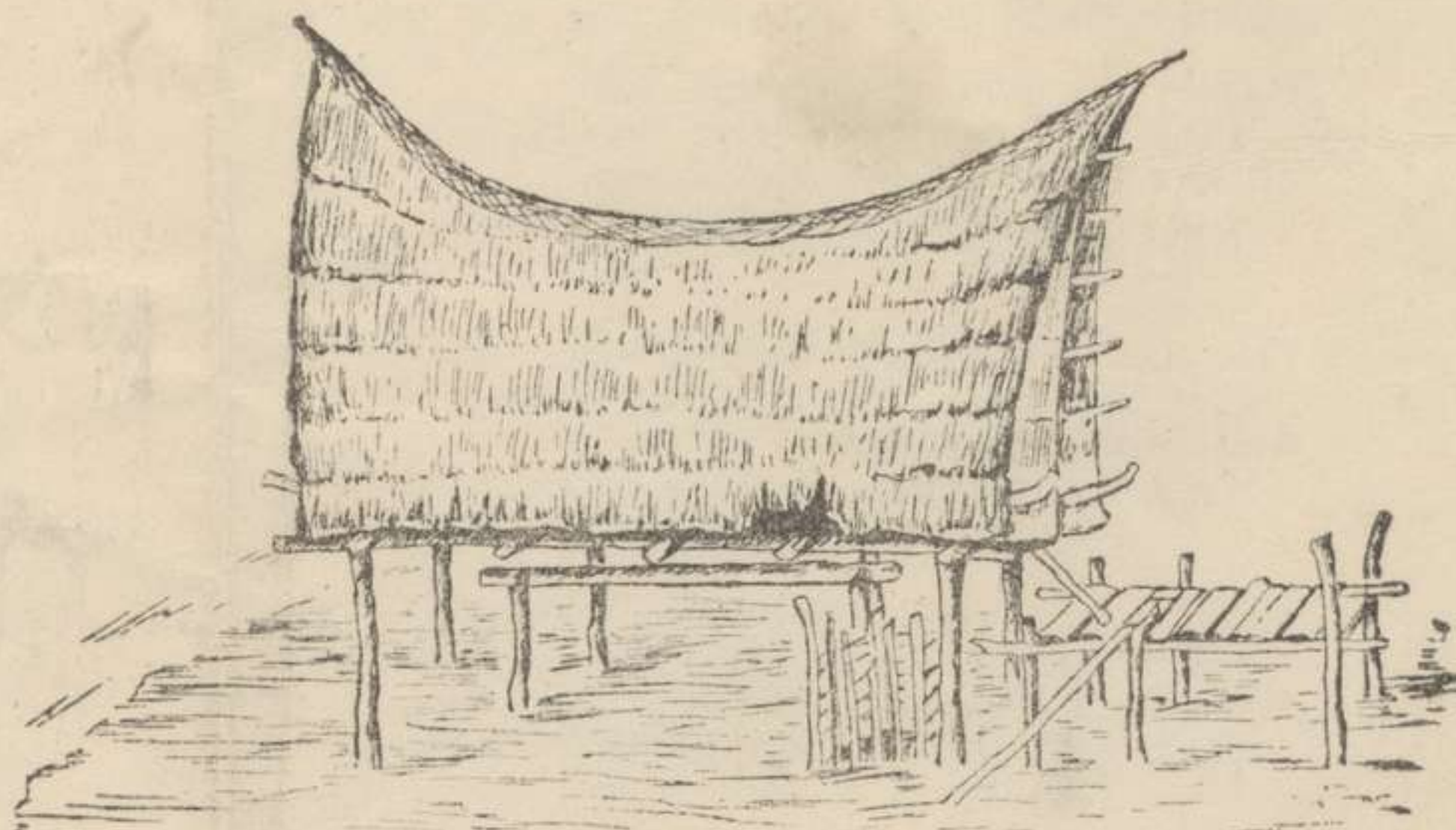


CHRISTMAS

1942

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1

*"And there were shepherds in the same country abiding  
in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.  
And an angel of the Lord stood by them and the  
glory of the Lord shone round about them."*

WHILE shepherds watch'd their flocks by night,  
All seated on the ground,  
The Angel of the Lord came down,  
And glory shone around.

'Fear not,' said he; for mighty dread  
Had seized their troubled mind;  
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind.

'To you in David's town this day  
Is born of David's line  
A Saviour, Who is Christ the Lord;  
And this shall be the sign:

'The heavenly Babe you there shall find  
To human view display'd,  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,  
And in a manger laid.'

Thuse spake the seraph; and forthwith  
Appear'd a shining throng  
Of Angels praising God, who thus  
Address'd their joyful song:

'All glory be to God on high,  
And to the earth be peace:  
Good will henceforth from Heav'n to men  
Begin and never cease.'

2

The first Nowell the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.  
Nowell, etc.

And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.  
Nowell, etc.

This star drew nigh to the north-west,  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
And there it did both stop and stay  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.  
Nowell, etc.

Then entered in those wise men three  
Full reverently upon their knee,  
And offered there in his presence  
Their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.  
Nowell, etc.

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
And with his blood mankind hath bought.  
Nowell, etc.

3

*"And suddenly there was with the angel a  
multitude of the heavenly host praising God,  
and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest  
and on earth peace, good will toward men.'"*

HARK! the herald-angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled,  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With the Anglic host proclaim,  
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'  
Hark! the herald-angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.

Christ, by highest Heav'n adored,  
Christ, the Everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold Him come,  
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.  
Veil'd in flesh the Godhead see!  
Hail, the Incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald-angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!  
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.  
Hark! the herald-angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King.

4

*"And it came to pass, as the Angels were  
gone away from them into heaven, the  
shepherds said one to another, 'Let us now  
go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing  
which is come to pass, which the Lord hath  
made known unto us.'"*

O COME, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him  
Born, the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God,  
Begotten, not created.  
O come, let us adore Him, &c.

Sing, choirs of Angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of Heav'n above;  
'Glory to God,  
In the highest';  
O come, let us adore Him, &c.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning;  
Jesu, to Thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.



O little town of Bethlehem!  
 How still we see thee lie;  
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
 The silent stars go by;  
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
 The everlasting Light;  
 The hopes and fears of all the years  
 Are met in thee to-night.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
 And gathered all above,  
 While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
 Their watch of wondering love.  
 O morning stars, together  
 Proclaim the holy birth!  
 And praises sing to God the King,  
 And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,  
 The wondrous gift is given!  
 So God imparts to human hearts  
 The blessings of his heaven.  
 No ear may hear his coming;  
 But in this world of sin,  
 Where meek souls will receive him, still  
 The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem!  
 Descend to us, we pray;  
 Cast out our sin and enter in,  
 Be born in us to-day.  
 We hear the Christmas angels  
 The great glad tidings tell;  
 O come to us, abide with us,  
 Our Lord Emmanuel!

*"Now when Jesus was born in  
 Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of  
 Herod the king, behold, there came  
 wise men from the east to  
 Jerusalem,  
 Saying, Where is he that is  
 born King of the Jews? for we  
 have seen his star in the east, and  
 are come to worship him."*

We three kings of Orient are,  
 Bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
 Field and fountain,  
 Moor and mountain,  
 Following yonder star.  
 O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright;  
 Westward leading,  
 Still proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
 Gold I bring to crown him again,  
 King forever,  
 Ceasing never  
 Over us all to reign.  
 O star of wonder, etc.

Frankincense to offer have I,  
 Incense owns a Deity nigh,  
 Prayer and praising,  
 All men raising,  
 Worship him, God on high.  
 O star of wonder, etc.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
 Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
 Sorrowing, sighing,  
 Bleeding, dying,  
 Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.  
 O star of wonder, etc.

Glorious now behold him arise,  
 King, and God, and Sacrifice,  
 Heaven sings Alleluia:  
 Alleluia the earth replies.  
 O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright:  
 Westward leading,  
 Still proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light.

Good King Wenceslas look'd out on the  
 Feast of Step-hen,  
 When the snow lay round a-bout,  
 Deep and crisp and e-ven;  
 Bright-ly shone the moon that night, Tho' the frost  
 was cru-el,  
 When a poor man came in sight, Gath'ring win-ter  
 fu-el.

"Hith-er, page, and stand by me, If thou know'st it,  
 tell-ing;  
 Yon-der peas-ant, who is he? Where, and what his  
 dwell-ing?"  
 "Sire, he lives a good league hence, Un-der-neath the  
 moun-tain;  
 Right a-gainst the for-est fence, By Saint Ag-nes'  
 foun-tain."

"Bring me flesh, and brin<sup>g</sup> me wine,  
 Bring me pine-logs hither;  
 Thou and I will see him dine,  
 When we bear them thither."  
 Page and Monarch forth they went,  
 Forth they went together;  
 Through the rude wind's wild lament,  
 And the bitter weather.

"Sire, the night is darker now,  
 And the wind blows stronger;  
 Fails my heart, I know not how,  
 I can go no longer."  
 "Mark my footsteps, good, my page!  
 Tread thou in them boldly;  
 Thou shall find the winter's rage  
 Freeze thy blood less coldly."

In his mas-ter's steps he trod, Where the snow lay  
 din-ted;  
 Heat was in the very sod Which the saint had  
 print-ed;  
 There-fore, Chris-tian men, be sure, Wealth or rank  
 pos-sess-ing,  
 Ye who now will bless the poor, Shall your-selves  
 find bless-ing.

Silent night, holy night,  
 All is calm, all is bright  
 Round you Virgin Mother and Child.  
 Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
 Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,  
 Shepherds quake at the sight,  
 Glories stream from heaven afar,  
 Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;  
 Christ, the Saviour, is born!

Silent night, holy night,  
 Song of God, love's pure light  
 Radiant beams from thy holy face,  
 With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
 Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.



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God rest you, merry gentlemen,  
 Let nothing you dismay,  
 Remember Christ our Saviour  
 Was born on Christmas day,  
 To save us all from Satan's power,  
 When we are gone astray;  
 O, tidings of comfort and joy,  
 Comfort and joy,  
 O, tidings of comfort and joy.

In Bethlehem, in Jewry,  
 This blessed Babe was born,  
 And laid within a manger,  
 Upon this blessed morn;  
 The which His Mother Mary  
 Did nothing take in scorn.  
 O, tidings, &c.

From God our Heavenly Father,  
 A blessed Angel came;  
 And unto certain Shepherds  
 Brought tidings of the same;  
 How that in Bethlehem was born  
 The Son of God by Name.  
 O, tidings, &c.

"Fear not, then," said the Angel,  
 "Let nothing you affright,  
 This day is born a Saviour  
 Of a pure Virgin bright,  
 To free all those who trust in Him,  
 From Satan's power and might."  
 O, tidings, &c.

The Shepherds at those tidings  
 Rejoiced much in mind,  
 And left their flocks a-feeding,  
 In tempest, storm, and wind;  
 And went to Bethlehem straightway,  
 The Son of God to find.  
 O, tidings, &c.

And when they came to Bethlehem  
 Where our dear Saviour lay,  
 They found Him in a manger,  
 Where oxen feed on hay.  
 His Mother Mary kneeling down  
 Unto the Lord did pray.  
 O, tidings, &c.

Now to the Lord sing praises,  
 All you within this place,  
 And with true love and brotherhood  
 Each other now embrace;  
 This holy life of Christmas  
 All other doth deface.  
 O, tidings, &c.

## The New Year

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Great God, we sing that mighty hand  
 By which supported still we stand;  
 The opening year Thy mercy shows,  
 That mercy crowns it till it close.

By day, by night, at home, abroad,  
 Still are we guarded by our God;  
 By His incessant bounty fed,  
 By His unerring counsel led.

With grateful hearts the past we own;  
 The future, all to us unknown,  
 We to Thy guardian care commit,  
 And peaceful leave before Thy feet.

In scenes exalted or depressed  
 Thou art our joy, and Thou our rest;  
 Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise,  
 Adored throughout our changing days.

When death shall interrupt these songs  
 And seal in silence mortal tongues,  
 Our Helper, God, in whom we trust,  
 Shall keep our souls, and guard our dust.

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Breathe on me, breath of God,  
 Fill me with life anew,  
 That I may love what thou dost love,  
 And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
 Until my heart is pure,  
 Until with Thee I will one will,  
 To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
 Blend all my soul with Thine,  
 Until this earthly part of me  
 Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
 So shall I never die,  
 But live with Thee the perfect life  
 Of Thine eternity.



REINFORCEMENT TRAINING SYLLABUS.PERIOD 25 JAN 43 - 22 MARCH 43.

- I. IN connection with Training for War read the following before preparing syllabi:-
- (a) Observations on Papuan Campaign 28 Aug - 20 Sept 42.
  - (b) Lessons learned during advance and attack on GONA Nov - Dec 42.
  - (c) Letter to O.C. Rear Details regarding training of soldiers 17 Dec 42.

2. Period of Training Programme.

It is estimated that a period of 8 weeks will elapse before Home Leave programme is completed and the Battalion is concentrated for training. Therefore a syllabus, subject to alteration according to local circumstances is appended.

3. Daily Routine.

Reveille	0630
Roll Call	0635
Breakfast	0730
Parades	0830 to 1200
Lunch	1230
Parade	1330 to 1630
Evening Meal	1700
Retreat	1800
Tattoo	2200
Lights Out	2215

4. O.C. Details remaining in camp will report on Sunday of each week upon the training carried out, in reconciliation with the syllabus and will vary the syllabus at his discretion when circumstances warrant.
5. A total of 39 hrs day training and 10 hrs night training will be carried out weekly, making a total of 312 hrs day training and 80 hrs night training.

6. Night Training.

Basis is as follows:-

- 1st Week - 2 nights of 5 hrs each - not to be curtailed.
- 2nd Week - 1 complete night from dark till dawn - NOT to be preceded or followed by a day of rest.
- 3rd Week - As for 1st week.
- and so on.

7. A week by week syllabus will be prepared by O.C. Details using the following as a basis:-

<u>Lesson.</u>	<u>Total hours.</u>	<u>Suggested hours per day.</u>
Drill	24	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr daily.
Route Marching	72	Commence with 2 hr march and work up to 20 hrs march 2 days (consecutive)
Rifle	24	
Bren	24	
T.S.M.G.	20	
Mortar 2 in	12	
Grenades	24	
Judging Distance	6	



continued.

Map Reading	8
Compass Work	8
Field Work	30
Selection and occupation of fire posns.	10
Observation training	6
Concealment and Camouflage	8
Bayonet Training	24
Range Practice	12
Total	312

Lay stress on value of shovel  
in attack as in defence. Faulty  
construction and siring of  
weapon pits cost us many lives  
in Papua. Siting and developing  
of defensive areas.

Maj.  
Adm Comd 2/16 Aust Inf Bn.



(COPY)

WX 1598 Maj F.H. Sublet,  
2/16 Aust Inf Bn,  
17 Dec 42.

Dear George,

First of all - I am gratified that you have recovered. Secondly - in case you haven't heard, I am administering command and therefore would like to lay down a few points for you to pass on to the tps - reinforcements an old hands - that you are training.

Thirdly it would have done your heart good to have seen the way the lads went about their job of work over here. It was simply marvellous. I would like you to see as many of our casualties as you can on my behalf and get their stories. Theirs is the credit for G---.

Now, to revert to training, George:-

It is pointless training personnel as Carrier-Driver, Vehicle Drivers, AALMG. The men who count are the rifle men and by rifle men I mean a soldier who has been thoroughly trained in all the weapons of the rifle platoon:-

Rifle

L.M.G.

T.S.M.G.

Grenade - Hand and Rifle

2" Mortar

A/Tk Rifle and A/Tk Grenades.

Each man should thoroughly understand EACH of the above - that means no let up on weapon training - men who have confidence in THEMSELVES their WEAPONS, and in the OTHER MEMBERS of their sections or platoons are the men who are winning this campaign. And we want a lot of them. We don't want to bring over here a Battalion of say, 600 men - 150 of whom are administrative and non-combatant and leave behind another 100/150 L O Bs and carrier people etc - I want to be able to bring across a Battalion of 700 - 650 of whom can be used as rifle men and used 100% efficiently I mean. 50/70 is quite enough L O Bs to leave on your side of the Island. And those L O Bs must be people who can form a nucleus of a unit - not a crowd of dead-beats.

Now, when the tps have received thorough training in all weapons, they must be taught all the lessons of fieldcraft:-

Camouflage

Selection an occupation of fire positions.

Selection of sniping posts.

We have learned, particularly during the past three weeks, that we can beat the Japs at any of the above named - but - we have had to teach the lessons under fire which is too late in the piece. Teach them to regard the shovel as their next best friend after their weapons.

I proved at G--- that, when the Jap settles down to defend a posn we must grab NO MAN'S LAND foot by foot, yard by yard, and DIG IN and HOLD every foot we gain. In the mountains also we would have saved many casualties had we shovels. I know the shovel is heavy and I would like to see every man made a personnel issue of a small shovel similar to the Americans or even similar to the Jap shovel. But we must teach the tps to use what we have.

Next, of course, will come section organisation and section training - First in fairly open ground, then in thick country - the thicker and rougher the better from a training point of view. They must learn to work as a team each man following his section leader and trusting implicitly his leader and his mates in the section. We found here that, when "Scratch" sections, I mean sections hurriedly organised from men of different Coys etc, went into action they could not be relied upon like our old sections, where "Bill Jones" knew that his old mates "Tom Smith" and "Jack Brown" were always on his left and right respectively and none would ever dream of letting the other down - and so on - up to the Platoon, Company and Battalion - weld them



into a TEAM because any team of Australians can lick 5 times its number in Japs any time at all.

Train in direction keeping, particularly at night.

Then train your Sigs, 3" mortar men and Vickers men and train them well.

All three of the above have proved invaluable in this show.

Well, George, you know what my ideas are and I know that you can implement them. Please let me know how things are going, particularly if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

(Signed) F.H. Sublet Maj.



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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 8241	Pte A J Purser	In the dawn attack on strong dug in Japanese posns at GONA MISSION on 1 Dec 42 Wx 8241 Pte PURSER A J who was a Bren gunner moved under hy fire when his pl had been held up and gave covering fire which enabled his pl to move forward. This aggressive attitude during the attack when under hy fire was an inspiration to his mates. Later on in the morning he moved out under hy fire and brought in wounded. At dawn on 5 Dec 42 he was one of the party of five led by Lieut White who raided strong Japanese posns inflicting heavy casualties. Again on the following morning he was in an attack on enemy posns and showed outstanding courage and bravery, in this attack he was wounded. It is recommended that he be granted the IMMEDIATE AWARD of the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.	WM Atkinson Capt 2/16 Aust Inf Bn  FH Sublet Maj A/CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	DCM Immediate	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 3006	Cpl G B J MURPHY	<p>On the night of 6/7 Dec 42 Cpl MURPHY OF B Coy CHARFORCE was a member of Sgt Jones' of fourteen strong which went to Lieut Haddy's relief at 0300 hrs west of GONA MISSION. When Sgt Jones was wounded in hand to hand fighting with strong enemy force, which had ambushed the patrol Cpl MURPHY took command of the patrol and reformed and held the enemy successfully until daylight. Then with the original object in view launched an attack in an endeavour to extricate Lieut Haddy's patrol and push fwd for 400 hundred yards.</p> <p>At this stage due increased enemy pressure and mortar fire he was compelled to fight a delaying action withdrawing short distances and inflicting casualties on the enemy until relieved by a patrol of the 2/14 Bn 50 strong at 1500hrs.</p> <p>By his initiative courage and leadership Cpl MURPHY was responsible for the prevention of enemy reinforcements reaching the GONA MISSION area.</p> <p>It is recommended that he be granted an IMMEDIATE AWARD of the MILITARY MEDAL.</p>	F H Sublet Maj A/ CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	MM	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 4241	Pte W T McMAHON	<p>During the attack on GONA MISSION village on 3 Dec 42 Capt J H O'Neill 2/16 Aust Inf Bn was severely wounded and on account of the nature of the situation, it was impossible for stretcher bearers to reach him. During the night of 3/4 Dec 42 Wx 4241 Pte McMAHON W T swam the GONA stream and entered territory to bring out Capt O'Neill. He acquired a punt from the enemy side placed Capt O'Neill therein and brought him back to our lines. At all times during this action he was under observation from the enemy lines and passed within 20 yards of an enemy gun post.</p> <p>On the night of 4/5 Dec 42 he again volunteered to cross the stream with the object of destroying this particular post. He swam the stream and attacked the post with grenades.</p> <p>His action was successful and resulted in the complete destruction of the enemy post. It is recommended that for his bravery he be granted IMMEDIATE AWARD of the MILITARY MEDAL.</p>	R D Watts Lieut 2/16 Aust Inf Bn  F H Sublet Maj A/ CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	MM Immediate	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 5799	Cpl R A J JOHNSTONE	<p>Cpl Johnston was in charge of the stretcher bearers during the campaign at GONA. In the attack on enemy posts on 1 Dec 42 he led his bearers out many times to recover wounded men.</p> <p>Again on 6 Dec 42 he inspired his men with his disregard for personal safety. During the dawn attack many of the wounded were recovered from the most exposed posns at great risk.</p> <p>During the last attack on 8 Dec 42, many casualties were incurred some within a few yards of the enemy posts all were recovered under the personal leadership of Cpl JOHNSTON. during the whole campaign he was willing no matter how tired to organise and lead parties in search of wounded at any time. Throughout his leadership was a example to his men.</p> <p>It is recommended that for his devotion to duty he be AWARDED the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.</p>	<p>R Strang Capt 2/16 Aust Inf Bn AAMC.</p> <p>F H Sublet Maj A/ CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn</p>	DCM	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 4274	A/Cpl Robert Henry Thompson	<p>During the dawn attack on the Japanese posns on GONA BEACH on 1 Dec 42 A/Cpl Thompson showed great courage and bravery under hy MG fire. During the night raiding parties on 6/7 Dec 42 A/Cpl Thompson led his section across open ground to within grenade throwing distance of strongly held enemy posns and whilst attacking these posts with grenades he was wounded.</p> <p>In spite of his wounds and without further supplies of grenades he led his section and endeavoured to storm the Japanese posns. A/Cpl Thompson was again wounded and four of his section were also hit and although it was some time before these four men could be evacuated he waited until they were safely out of the way before he withdrew.</p> <p>His coolness and bravery were also displayed when he moved out into the open on the night of 1 Dec 42 and under hy fire carried out Cpl Nicholls who had been badly wounded. Knowing that Lieut Hill had been wounded also he again moved out and on two further occasions carried out this Officer and a Pte Watts.</p> <p>By outstanding bravery and leadership during the close of the action and the bitter fighting experienced on the beach his conduct was exemplary and it is recommended that he be granted the IMMEDIATE AWARD of the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.</p>	<p>W M Atkinson DCM Capt 2/16 Aust Inf Bn.</p> <p>F H Sublet Maj A/CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn</p>	Immediate	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 4272	Pte R J Wilson	<p>During the dawn attack on GONA on 1 Dec 42 by the 2/16 Aust Inf Bn, Pte Wilson displayed courage and bravery above the normal requirements of duty and was a steading influence on the men around him.</p> <p>He was in a pl attack on 2 Dec 42 and again inspired his section by his furious grenade attacks on enemy strong posts. During the night of 6/7 Dec 42 in an attack on strong well dug in Japanese posns this soldier distinguished himself by advancing well fwd of his section to hurl grenades into the enemy posts, causing them severe casualties. On the 8 Dec 42 during an attack, when his pl was held up and had suffered by casualties he repeatedly ran the gauntlet of enemy fire to take back information which enabled supporting fire to be brought down. During the whole period the unit was in action on the GONA posns this soldier was outstanding. He was at all times a cheering influence on his comrades.</p> <p>It is recommended that he be granted the Immediate award of the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.</p>	WM Atkinson DCM Capt 2/16 Aust Inf Bn Maj FH Sublet A/CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Immediate	
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn.	Wx 1589	Major Alfred Robinson	<p>It is recommended that Maj Robinson be awarded the D S O for his outstanding courage and fine leadership during a dawn attack by the 2/16 Aust Inf Bn on the 1st Dec 42 against the heavily defended beach posts of the enemy in the GONA mission area.</p> <p>Maj Robinson who was CO of a composite coy managed to rally a party of fifteen men and with complete disregard for his own safety, led his men forward again and again against seemingly impossible posts which were well dug in and which were proving such stumbling blocks to our own forces. During the attack Maj Robinson was wounded in the shoulder but continued on and with his men and inflicted extremely casualties on the enemy. Again Maj Robinson was hit but time being seriously wounded had to be evacuated, but not before he had urged his men to even greater efforts. He was an example to his men which would be hard to emulate and his personal courage and leadership was an inspiration to all. His actions alone made it possible for his men to face such hy fire.</p>	W M Atkinson <del>Attack</del> Capt 2/16 Aust Inf Bn  FH Sublet Maj A/CO 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	DSO Recommended by (F H)	
	Recommended	(sgd)	I N DOUGHERTY Brig Comd 21 Aust Inf Bde	Recommended	GOC	7 Aust Div	



WX 10392 Lieut L R P Mayberry continued,

pl across the creek and gained an outpost held by our own troops. In the charge across the village and in the escape Mayberry's small party wiped out five enemy post killing between 15 and 20 of the enemy.

On 8 Dec 42 Lieut Mayberry showed exceptional courage in a head on attack against one of the strongest Japanese posns along the beach front. At the time a full scale offensive by his Bn had reached a critical stage and Lieut Mayberry's Commander called on him for what was actually a last effort to overcome a strong point which was holding the whole attack. Practically every man in the Bn was already engaged in the fight: Mayberry managed to get together a scratch crew of six men and led them in a head on attack against Japanese posts. He knew that not five minutes before another platoon had been wiped to a man in a similar attack but he went right through our lines, against extremely heavy fire calling on his men to follow.

Five yds from the enemy posts Mayberry and those who had come through with him began hurling grenades into the enemy trenches and dugouts practically wiping the Japanese defenders and allowing another pl to advance and take the post. During the attack Mayberry was badly wounded but he continued to encourage his men and even tried himself to throw in more grenades. However a wound in his right arm made it useless and although he managed to pull the pin of a grenade he did not have the power in his left arm to throw into the enemy posns. Although still under enemy fire Lieut Mayberry managed to work the grenade to his other hand and got the pin back by using his teeth. He was rescued some hours later.

It is recommended that Lieut Mayberry be granted the Immediate award of the Military Cross.

Recommended (signed) I N DOUGHERTY Brig Comd  
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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn	Wx 10392	Lieut L R P Mayberry	On two occasions during the battle for GONA Lieut Mayberry Showed outstanding courage and leadership in attacking enemy strong points and overcoming their resistance. On 1 Dec 42 he was in command of a pl which took part in a dawn attack against the enemy defences in the village area. Lieut Mayberry advanced for 60 yards from the edge of the timber against hy Japanese MG fire, cleaning out the enemy posts on the way and forcing the defenders of the others to abandon their weapons and run for cover in the jungle. The last 30 yds of the charge with his men firing their Bren guns and Tommy guns from the hip. On reaching the centre of the village Lieut Mayberry seized two of the enemy posns and held on for 30 mins awaiting assistance. Lieut Mayberry realised that the main attack had failed when our own Mortars and arty began attacking the area and he decided to withdraw through the enemy lines although he knew that the Japanese had begun to infiltrate back into their posns. By skilful leadership he took his men back into the jungle undergrowth and although s surrounded and under continual attack managed to bring through to the creek, on the Western flank of the Japanese posns. At this stage of the movement Lieut Mayberry wiped out a Japanese post held by four men, after directing two of his men to cover him with fire from their Tommy guns Mayberry finally lead his	Maj F H Sublet A/C O 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	M C Immediate	



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## CHAFORCE HQrs

WX 1598  
4893  
2654  
9687  
11632  
14023  
5701  
5650

Major SUBLET F H 2 i/c  
Sgt HUGHES G I O  
Sgt CARTER T Sgt Cook  
A/Cpl Gamble A N Storeman  
Pte MITCHELL A M Cook  
" ARMSTRONG E A Int Sec  
" ROSE B E " "  
L/Cpl JENNER L H S B

## B COY HQrs

3996  
3090  
WX 2740  
NX 59202  
WX 3682  
3887  
4281  
3618

Capt SMITH P S O C Coy  
" KAYLOR-THOMSON C D.2 i/c  
Sgt CROMBIE R G C S M  
S/Sgt HADDON L B C Q M S  
A/Cpl TURNER R L S B  
Pte CUSHING H Runner  
" PIGGOT A O "  
" LOMAS C D Batman

## 4 PLATOON HQrs

7309  
4029  
5709  
3269

Lieut GERKE J Pl Comdr  
Sgt ANDERSON L L " Sgt  
Pte MCGREGOR A N Runner  
" COLGROVE J Batman

## 1 SEC

WX 4345 Cpl LEACH C P  
14112 Pte. COLES R  
12997 " HUNTER M  
2657 " MASON L J  
2646 " McQUEEN A  
5505 " CHRISTMAS R  
14440 " CONNEL J  
14590 " LINDSAY J  
5572 " BALDWIN S J  
8781 " LESTER W  
2894 " ASHDOWN E G

## 2 SEC

WX 4246 Cpl LETHLEAN L  
1879 Pte YEING E  
4230 " SAWYER D  
4241 " McMAHON W T  
4247 " RIGOLL L  
3023 " McVEIGH N H  
6488 " STONE W G  
8676 " THORBURN J  
13132 " STEPHEN S  
11739 " EVANS F T  
8036 " ANDERSON R F

## 3 SEC

WX 7818 Cpl WILLIAMSON W A  
4318 Pte GOLDIE T  
TX 2434 " ELES M  
WX 5794 " TILBEE W  
14562 " HOLMES L C  
14084 " ACREMAN A  
14720 " ARCHER W  
4389 " DELAPORTE W L  
TX 3950 " JOHNSON R E  
3400 " HARRIS M E



5 PLATOON

WX 3636	WO2	HADDY	A	Pl Comd
2893	Sgt	CLIFTON	C M	Pl Sgt
8600	Pte	ROYLANCE	M	Runner
8055	"	CALLAGHAN	A J	Runner
8069	"	O'FLAHERTY	H J	S B

4 SEC

WX 4779	Cpl	LONGMAN	W J
5647	L/Cpl	ASTILL	N
5776	Pte	BENTLEY	A C
13839	"	SEXTON	R W
4305	"	OFFER	W H
15598	"	WALDON	N H
13095	"	LUCAS	R A
12991	"	KENNY	J J
8104	"	WILLIAMS	K W
13001	"	HIGGINS	C J
7874	"	WILKINSON	L

5 SEC

WX 3006	Cpl	MURPHY	G B J
3204	L/Cpl	WHITAKER	J P
3298	Pte	MOORE	R G
4242	Pte	HEARN	J E
11386	"	McGLINN	E F J
11373	"	SCHULTZ	R
3823	"	BELL	L J
4266	"	MALONEY	W J
11886	"	EGAN	W F
3207	"	MOORE	A J

6 SEC

WX 8043	Cpl	HOPE	J L
8064	Pte	DAVIES	W F A
15634	"	FISHER	J E
5620	"	WALKER	W
7949	"	ANGUS	E
12903	"	WILKES	L J
12412	"	HINTON	R F
5194	"	EWINGS	J
15850	"	ATKINS	C
13381	"	MURRAY	R

6 PLATOON

WX 9183	Lieut	WATTS	R.D.	PL Comd.
4252	Sgt	JONES	R.E.A.	PL Sgt
15271	Pte	PAULL	M.J.	Batman
3599	"	MILES	E	Runner

7 SEC

WX 5895	Cpl	OSBORNE	O.R.O.
5628	L/Cpl	WOOLDRIDGE	J.H.
14757	Pte	HALL	M.
5695	"	HARDISTY	A.J.
13870	"	CORBETT	K.J.
7845	"	GRIMSHAW	S.H.
13144	"	HARTNETT	P.E.
9150	"	MAY	E.J.
2821	"	CLARKE	K.M.
281 3	"	LANGLANDS	J.B.
7946	"	BURR	J

8 SEC

WX 4160	Cpl	CAHILL	K.J.
5668	Pte	BLOOMFIELD	C.A.
14012	"	NORTHCOTT	R.E.C
7815	"	PIANTA	J
9641	"	KELLY	R.A.
8329	"	BEARD	T.H.
8225	"	ROWAN	F.B.
4192	"	JACKSON	G.E.
5592	"	PATERSON	J.
12927	"	WRIGHT	J.H.A.

9 SEC

WX 2896	Cpl	CAMPBELL	A.J.
2908	L/Cpl	SALVARIS	A
4174	Pte	EATT	A.J.
6586	"	TUMBULL	C
13075	"	FLEAY	M.B.
12998	"	PARKE	W.
5993	"	DEVINE	F.
7565	"	RITCHIE	J
2907	"	CAMPBELL	N.M.
3137	"	SANDISON	J
13894	"	LYNCH	C.P.



CITATIONS - M.I.D

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NAME	NUMBER	RANK	RECOMMENDED BY
WHITE.C.M	WX 4832	LIEUT	Maj F H Sublet (MC) A/CO 2/16Bn
DAVIES.E.C	WX 14005	PTE	" "
YOUNG.H.G	WX 2723	LIEUT	" "
MOREY.L.G	WX 4202	PTE	" "
O'KEEFE.W.R	WX 234	PTE	" "
KILNER.A.V	WX 8060	A/CPL	" "
MADIGAN.E.B	WX 11020	QAPT	" "
HICKS.G.T	WX 7841	LIEUT	" "
HOLFORD.E.C.G	WX 3191	PTE	" "
MONTOSH.J.S.G	WX 4589	CPL	" "
NEWMAN.R.D	WX 3110	PTE	" "
WALKER.J.R	WX 8761	WO 11	" "