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57/60 Infantry Battalion
January - February 1943

January 1943

A stock-take of war diaries commenced in 1956 revealed that an ORIGINAL diary covering the above period was missing. This diary, previously registered as a DUPLICATE, has therefore been re-registered as an ORIGINAL.

An entry to this effect has been made in the War Diary Register.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit ~~57421~~

Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 43 To 6 Jan 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Camp Tinbeerwah	1 Jan		Bde Sports at Cooroy Showgrounds. Unit marched in. Filled 3rd position in Sports Competition. Bde concert at night. 10% Leave in Cooroy.	<i>msd</i>
	2 Jan		Coys engaged in road making in camp area. Roads in bad condition, due to heavy rain. Work commenced on model of Higgins boat.	<i>msd</i>
	3 Jan		Church Parade. Make and mend. Weather improving. Preparations for Coy 2-sided exercises to take place 4 Jan to 7 Jan.	<i>msd</i>
	4 Jan		A & B coys move out 0700 hrs on 2day Coy Exercise. Area NORTH of MT. TINBEERWAH. Other coys watch demonstration by 3 Div unit Camp maintenance work necessitated by heavy rain. Weeks Sig. school for classification commences.	<i>msd</i>
	5 Jan		A & B coy exercise concludes at 1000 hrs. Coys return to camp. C & D Coys prepare for exercise on 6/7 Jan.	<i>msd</i>
	6 Jan		C & D Coys move out on 2 day coy exercise. Area as for A&B coys	<i>msd</i>

*William Lewis
Co.*

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118
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Unit 37/20 B.

Date and Time.—From 6 Jan To 11 Jan. 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Camp Tin beerwah	6 Jan		A&B coys engaged in camp maintenance work and individual trg. Instruction received that home leave to be reduced from 17 to 12 days in future. Information had circulated among troops prior to instruction being received. Much criticism levelled against instruction and unrest existing among troops.	<i>msd</i>
	7 Jan		xxx C&D coys exercise concludes. More successful than exercise between A&B coys. Heavy rain makes camp area boggy a gain.	<i>msd</i>
	8 Jan		Div. Sig. exercise postponed. Plat. training carried on as per syllabus.	<i>msd</i>
	9 Jan.		Plat. Trg. continued. Necessary work on roads carried on. maintenance on weapons vehs. & equipt.	<i>msd</i>
	10 Jan.		Church parade. Market mnd.	<i>msd</i>
	11 Jan.		All coys. days route march. Midday meal to Div. by coys tpt.	<i>msd</i>

*William's Unit
L.O.*

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118
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Unit 57/60 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 11 Jan.

To 16 Jan

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Camp Tinbeerwah	11 Jan.		Route - camp to Gympie Terrace.	<i>MB</i>
	12 Jan.		Preparation for En. one-sided exercise without tpt.	<i>MB</i>
			Proposed route - Federal Map ref. Cooroy 957209 to Coelum Beach Map ref. Mar oochydore 2703. Maintenance on all equipment included. Adm. for exercise.	
	13 Jan.		one-sided exercise without transport over distance of a approx. 24 miles in full marching order. Route - Dispersal Pt. Map ref. Cooroy 957209. Biv. for night in area south ref. 098112	<i>MB</i>
	14 Jan.		En. to clear enemy in area between EUMUNDI and NORTON ARM. Biv. for night ref. NAMBOUR 1704. Tps. tired.	<i>MB</i>
	15 Jan.		En. completed march at DOOMANS BRIDGE ref. LAGUNA BAY 228091 at 1200 hrs. Transported to camp 1530 hrs. Morale good	<i>MB</i>
	16 Jan.		Maintenance. G.D. on exercise under coy arrangements.	<i>MB</i>

Officers G.D. on exercise under C.O. 130 personnel proceed to

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Unit 57/608 n.

Date and Time.—From 16 Jan. To 25 Jan.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Camp Tinbeerwah	16 Jan.		Brisbane for blood-grouping and photographing.	<i>sub</i>
	17th Jan		Maintenance. Church Parade.	<i>sub</i>
	18 Jan		28 personnel proceeding on home leave. Portion of En roadmaking on POMONA-COOROY road. Remainder individual weapon trg.	<i>sub</i>
	19 Jan		Kit, Mt park, kit-store arrangements. Ammn dumps.	<i>sub</i>
	20 Jan		410 personnel home leave 0900 hrs. 90 at 1400 hrs.	
			86 security personnel remaining in camp. Building of assault course continuing.	<i>sub</i>
	21 Jan		24 hr guards mounted on stores, MT park, ammn dumps.	<i>sub</i>
			Assault course work continuing.	
	22 Jan		Assault course work and training guards carried on.	<i>sub</i>
	23 Jan		Road blg in camp area. Assault course and 24 hr guards.	<i>sub</i>
24 Jan		Church parade, make and mend. Swimming parade NOOSA HEADS.	<i>sub</i>	
25 Jan		Road building continues, assault course and guards.	<i>sub</i>	

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Unit 57/60 Bn

Date and Time.—From 26 Jan

To 31 Jan

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Camp Timberwah	26 Jan		Road building, guards, assault courses.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	27 Jan		Above work continued.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	28 Jan		Above work continued.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	29 Jan		Above work continued.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	30 Jan		Above work continued. Preparation for 15 mile route march with pack.	<i>[Signature]</i>
	31 Jan		Church parade, make and mend.	<i>[Signature]</i>
				<i>[Signature]</i>

McNair's Unit
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 57/60 AUSTR. INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 1 FEB

To 6 FEB '43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CAMP TINBEERWAH	1 Feb		Assault Course Construction	B
	2 Feb		Assault Course Construction continued. Road repairs within Camp Area. Trg Syllabus abandoned through lack of numbers of personnel.	B
	3 FEB		Trg as per syllabus. Days Route March for camp personnel.	B
	4 FEB		Road Party sent to GOOROY-POMONA Rd. N.B. Platoon complete to TOORBUL POINT by Lieut JACKSON.	B
	5 FEB		Adm. Camp. Road Party (Sgt & 15 O.Rs) to 4 Fld. Coy.	
	6 FEB		Adm. in preparation for troops returning from home leave.	B
				<i>Beaumont Capri</i>

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Unit 57/60 AUST. INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 7 FEB To 18 FEB 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CAMP TINBEERWAH	7 FEB.		church Parade. Make & Mend. 255 personnel returned to camp from home leave 250 still AWL	B
	8 FEB			
	9 FEB		A/A. Carrier & Pioneer Pls of H.Q. Coy to be disbanded.	B
	10 FEB		Bn checking & returning stores. Further returns of AWL personnel and personnel attached Schools.	B
	11 FEB		Bn checking & returning stores. Coy personnel proceed BRISBANE for photographing blood grouping and X-Ray.	B
	12 FEB		Adm. Individual training as per syllabi.	
	13 FEB		Checking & returning stores. Trg continues.	
	14 FEB		Church Parade. Make & Mend. Innoculations, maintenance TAB and TET.	B
	15 FEB		Checking & returning stores. Trg. platoon and Coy to commence.	B
	16 FEB		Adm for move. 46 personnel to Redbank for blood grouping and X-Ray	B
	17 FEB		Leave CAMP TINBEERWAH for TOORBUL POINT C.T.S. Bn moved by transport to BEACHMERE and then marched with full tropical kit to School. Arrival 1700 hrs. March quite exhausting to most.	B
	18 FEB		School Trg. commenced (Indiv) Trg with collapsible engineers boats and in "mock-ups" of Higgins' Boats & ships side with cargo net. Rigorous P.T. includes marching with full packs. P. & R.T. Tables.	Beachmere Lab

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Unit 57/60 AUST. INF. BN. Date and Time.—From 19 FEB To 27 FEB. '43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WOORBU POINT C.T.S.	19 FEB		Trg. continues. Coy moves single & double line ahead. Landings practiced.	<i>B</i>
	20 FEB		First attempts at towing by naval launch. Landings "mock-up".	
	21 FEB		Coy Trg commenced. First landing on surf H.Q. A, & B Coys landing exercise C & D Coys in L.C.V. to Moreton Is.	<i>B</i>
	22 FEB		C & D Coys do landing Ex., while HQ, A & B Coys to Moreton Is in L.C.Vs.	<i>B</i>
	23 FEB		Bn Exercise on Bribie Is. Naval & Air co-operation for combined tactics. Bn completed exercise successfully at 2230 hrs. Very rough weather made landing difficulty.	<i>B</i>
	24 FEB		Adm. End of School. GD on Bn exercise for officers down to Sec leaders Film "Next-of-Kin" shown & Bn personnel photographed.	<i>B</i>
	25 FEB		Bn marches back to via beach to Beachmere and embuss to COOROY.	
CAMP TINBEERWAH	26 FEB		Adm Tropical issues. Injections, inoculations & Vaccinations checked. Issue of Automatic Weapons (Owen) commenced.	<i>B</i>
	27 FEB		Issue of stores continued. Bn continues with Trg Syllabus as for 15 FEB.	<i>Beaufort, Cap</i>

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Unit 57/60 AUST. INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 28 FEB 43. To

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>CAMP TINBEERWAH</u>	<u>28 FEB</u>		<u>Church Parade. & Make and Mend in morning. 1400 trg continues after kit inspection and replacements. 1 Class B personnel marched out and 34 Trade Group men to Div Pool. C & D Coy marched to Noosaville for exercise involving landing, beach head and move forward.</u>	<u>B</u> <u>B</u> <u>B</u> <u>Buncheon Cap</u>

57/60 AUST. INF. BN.

TRANSPORT OFFICER.

I.O.
57/6A0 Aust. Inf. Bn.

WAR DIARY - FEBRUARY 1943.

This month brought the break-up of the Transport Section - drivers holding trade group classifications were marched out to take up work in other units where their trades would be useful.

The vehicles, after being used for final exercises and convoys were then returned to vehicle pool - all were in good condition, a thorough maintenance check being made on each vehicle before handover.

Relief drivers were kept very busy over the final 8-10 days and did an excellent job - working long hours without any mishaps.

Several vehicles were left in charge of 3 Aust Div Ord. Workshops, as repairs had not been completed by time of movement of the Unit.

The February Census return marked a final to a long run of accurate work submitted by the Transport Clerk.

Lieut.

TRANSPORT OFFICER.

Beacyburn Capt

WAR DIARY REPORT - FEBRUARY 43.TRAINING:

During Feb., training was planned to cover an intensive individual, Sec., Pl., and Coy. Trg Syllabus. An intensive course was also commenced for junior leaders and specialist ~~XXXXXX~~ personnel.

These training plans were upset, however, by the necessary preparations which were ordered to be completed in readiness for a move to another station.

One week of training was completed at TOORBUL POINT Combined Operations Training School.

The move to this School revealed, in the opinion of the undersigned, an alarming state of affairs within the unit.

This move was carried out as a move to an operational area; each man carrying complete equipment and personal issues, W.E. Ammn being moved by M.T.

The condition of the roads in the area, owing to earlier raining periods, was bad and were under repair at the time of the move. Consequently the unit was forced to debuss at BEECHMERE and march to TOORBUL POINT - approximately, by most direct route, 5½ miles. The marching conditions were ideal; the route being along the beach on hard sand - the tide being dead low - with a refreshing sea breeze blowing.

It was found, nevertheless, that water discipline was practically non-existent, and that the physical condition of 20% of the unit was such that they were not capable of moving fully loaded.

On completion of one week of training in combined ops., a return march was carried out under similar weather and marching conditions, the result being slightly better than on the previous march.

It is conceded that men would not be called upon to carry the same load of personal gear during fighting under jungle conditions, but it is considered that with additional rations and ammunition, and in all probability a depleted and limited water supply the dumping of all unnecessary personal items would be offset.

The certainty of having to fight the enemy under these conditions would be ever present, and it is considered that the unit could not be classified as fit to fight as a complete unit.

Since moving to the present area, where climatic conditions are more severe than any previously experienced, all training has been based on the necessity for raising the standard to that considered to be required for jungle fighting.

Advantage has been taken of visits from Officers who have taken part in earlier ops. in New Guinea, to benefit from their experiences. Much has been learned from them, and wherever possible training methods have been adjusted to permit of the lessons learned being brought out during training.

It is still considered, however, that the physical standard as a whole has not reached a stage where the unit could move and fight for a prolonged period, under jungle conditions.

L. Mansie
MAJOR.
ADM/COMD.

57/60 AUST INF BN.

TELEPHONE

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.—SOUTHERN COMMAND

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

No

H. Q.
57/60 Aust. Inf. Bn.

21st. March 43.

WAR DIARY REPORT - FEBRUARY 43.

FIGHTING STORES.

During the month of February 43, practically all the Fighting stores of this Bn. - with the exception of Sig. Stores-were recalled from Coys. and transferred to the 2/2nd. Bn. which had recently returned from Northern areas.

This unit however received a full quota (under the Tropical W.E.) of 105 Owen Guns, also 14 Boys A/Tk. and 6 2" Mortars.

At the present time we are awaiting a complete re-issue of all stores and it is anticipated that the unit will be re-equipped within the next ten days.

RATIONS.

A considerable change has been effected in the type and scale of rations since moving to this area, due to the necessity for an increased consumption of tinned commodities. Frozen meat and certain fresh fruit and vegetables are available and contribute to a more balanced diet. Supplies are sufficient and the troops are re-adjusting themselves to the new conditions.

TRANSPORT.

All our transport was withdrawn prior to our moving, but since arriving in the present area, a limited amount of transport has been placed at our disposal. Some difficulty was experienced in the first few days but at present most of the unit's needs in transport are met.

WATER.

The necessity for rationing of water to 2 gallons per man presented a difficulty which had not previously been experienced. A slight relaxation of the allotment has made it possible to manage on the improved scale.

Beauchamp
Capt

M. A. M. M. M.
Quartermaster, 57/60 Aust. Inf. Bn

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

ATTACHED
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57/60 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit)

20 FEB 43.

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).
W.E.			
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Lieut.-Colonels	-	-	1
Majors	6	3	-
Captains	9	1	-
Lieutenants	19	-	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1	1	-
Totals	35	4	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	VX108132	MARSTON R.R.	T/Adm. Comd	Yes	
"	VX81064	DAVEY D.	2 1/c	"	
"	VX81103	MCCALL W.	OC "D" Coy	"	
"	VX81067	CONNELL J.W.D.	OC "HQ" Coy	"	
"	VX4299	GUDDON W.S.	OC "B" Coy	"	
"	VX48332	BARKER W.F.	OC "C" Coy	No	School
Capt	VX81077	McINTOSH R.H.	OC "A" Coy	Yes	
"	VX81065	WOODS K.R.	Adjut.	"	
"	VX81069	LENOURY J.	2 Pl. Comd	"	
"	VX3564	CLARKE F.D.	2 1/c "A"	No	Leave
"	VX81073	MARTIN R.M.	2 1/c "B" Coy	Yes	
"	VX81106	GRAY A.A.	Attach. "C"	Yes	
"	VX81076	FOX R.E.	2 1/c "C"	No	Leave
"	VX81070	McALLISTER N.M.	Q.M.	Yes	
"	VX133031	ROSS W.A.	2 1/c "D"	"	
"	VX81074	BLACKBURN N.S.	Attach. "D"	"	
Lieut	VX81068	BROOKES J.D.	Pl Comd "B"	"	
"	VX81109	GOODE N.W.	3 Pl Comd	No	School
"	VX81108	NINK P.E.	Pl Comd "A"	Yes	
"	VX81107v	THOMAS D.L.	T.O.	"	
"	VX81104	WATT F.J.	4 Pl Comd	"	
"	VX81111	KELLY T.J.	Pl Comd "A"	"	
"	VX81105	MELLETT A.J.	Pl Comd "D"	"	
"	VX108330	BENSLEY K.E.	Pl Comd "B"	"	
"	VX54760	DAVIS W.C.	I.O.	"	
"	VX14600	TALBOT L.S.	Pl Comd "D"	"	
"	VX50025	JACKSON R.S.	" " "C"	"	
"	VX50043	BOLWELL D.J.	" " "D"	No	Hospital
"	VX81110	FORD H.J.	Attach. "B"	No	Leave
"	VX81112	ATKINSON G.H.	Pl Comd "A"	Yes	
"	VX81072	WILSON M.A.	Pl Comd "C"	"	
"	VX108342	SINCLAIR V.	Pl Comd "B"	"	
"	VX81071	LINTON W.R.	Pl Comd "C"	"	
"	VP7050	MADDISON A.	5 Pl Comd	No	Leave
"	VX5209	EGAN B.W.	1 Pl Comd	Yes	

(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.	V147243	PICKERING J.C.	A.A.M.C.	3/8/42	R.M.O.
Chaplain	SX11061	NORMAN H.	2/27 BN	17/1/43	Padre

57/60 AUST. INF. BN.
(Unit.)

20 FEB 43
(Date of Despatch.)

R. Marston Major
(Signature of Commander.)

T/Adm. Comd
15 AUST. INF. BDE. 5 AUST. DIV.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

57/60 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit) 27 FEB 43.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks. W.E.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels 1	-	-	1
Majors 3	6	3	-
Captains 3	9	1	-
Lieutenants 19	19	-	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters 1	2	-	-
Totals 32	35	4	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	V147243 PICKERING J.C.	A.A.M.C.	21/2/43	To 2 Aust. Hd. Regt.
Chaplain	K SX11061 NORMAN H.	2/27 Bn	21/2/43	" Rejoined unit 2/27 Bn.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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Major	VX103132	MARSTON R.R.	T/Adm Comd	Yes	
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"	VX31103	MCCALL W.	OC "D" Coy	"	
"	VX31067	CONNELL J.W.D.	OC "HQ" "	"	
"	VX4299	CUBDON W.S.	OC "B" "	"	
"	VX43332	BAKER W.P.	OC "C" "	"	
Capt	VX31077	McINTOSH R.E.	OC "A" "	"	
"	VX31065	WOODS R.T.	Adjt	"	
"	VX31069	LEWIS J.	2 Pl Comd	"	
"	VX3364	CLARKE P.D.	2 i/c "A"	"	
"	VX31073	MARTIN R.M.	2 i/c "B"	"	
"	VX31106	GRAY A.A.	Attach. "C"	"	
"	VX31076	FOX R.E.	2 i/c "D"	"	
"	VX31070	McALLISTER H.M.	O.N.	"	
"	VX133031	ROSS W.A.	2 i/c "D"	"	
"	VX31074	BLACKBURN H.S.	Attach. "D"	"	
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"	VX103330	BENSLEY K.E.	" " "B"	"	
"	VX54760	DAVIS W.C.	I.O.	"	
"	VX14600	FALBOT L.S.	Pl Comd "D"	"	
"	VX50025	JACKSON R.S.	" " "G"	"	
"	VX50043	SOLWELL D.J.	" " "D"	"	
"	VX31110	FORD H.J.	Attach. "B"	"	
"	VX31112	ATKINSON C.H.	Pl Comd "A"	"	
"	VX31072	WILSON W.A.	" " "C"	"	
"	VX103342	STINCLAIR V.	" " "B"	"	
"	VX31071	LINTON W.A.	" " "C"	"	
"	V-7035	HADDISON A.	5 Pl Comd.	"	
"	VX5209	LOAN B.W.	1 Pl Comd.	"	

(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.	V147246	HIDDELOW A.G.	A.I.H.C.	20/2/43	L.M.O.
Chaplain	VX67746	BENNETT A.W.B.	15 A.I. Pde	20/2/43	padre

57/60 AUST. INF. EN.

(Unit.)

27 FEB 43.

(Date of Despatch.)

Marston Major.

(Signature of Commander.)

15 A ST. INF. BDE. 3 AUST. DIV.

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

(Date of Despatch.)

23 FEB 43.

(Unit)

24/80 AUST. INF. BR.

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

18 AUST. INF. BR. 2 AUST. INF. DIV.

(Signature of Commander.)

R. B. ...

Subsidiary rank, temporary rank, and higher rank.	Personal Number.	Name and initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Major	10100	W. J. ...	1st PI Coy.	...	...
Major	10101	...	...	...	...

(II) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

STAFF DUTIES
MILITARY HIST SECT 2
AUST BASE POST OFFICE

Subsidiary rank, temporary rank, and higher rank.	Personal Number.	Name and initials.	Corps.	Yes or No? Units (insert Whereby)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	10100	W. J. ...	1st PI Coy.	...	...
Major	10101	...	...	...	...
Major	10102	...	...	...	...
Major	10103	...	...	...	...
Major	10104	...	...	...	...
Major	10105	...	...	...	...
Major	10106	...	...	...	...
Major	10107	...	...	...	...
Major	10108	...	...	...	...
Major	10109	...	...	...	...
Major	10110	...	...	...	...
Major	10111	...	...	...	...
Major	10112	...	...	...	...
Major	10113	...	...	...	...
Major	10114	...	...	...	...
Major	10115	...	...	...	...
Major	10116	...	...	...	...
Major	10117	...	...	...	...
Major	10118	...	...	...	...
Major	10119	...	...	...	...
Major	10120	...	...	...	...
Major	10121	...	...	...	...
Major	10122	...	...	...	...
Major	10123	...	...	...	...
Major	10124	...	...	...	...
Major	10125	...	...	...	...
Major	10126	...	...	...	...
Major	10127	...	...	...	...
Major	10128	...	...	...	...
Major	10129	...	...	...	...
Major	10130	...	...	...	...
Major	10131	...	...	...	...
Major	10132	...	...	...	...
Major	10133	...	...	...	...
Major	10134	...	...	...	...
Major	10135	...	...	...	...
Major	10136	...	...	...	...
Major	10137	...	...	...	...
Major	10138	...	...	...	...
Major	10139	...	...	...	...
Major	10140	...	...	...	...
Major	10141	...	...	...	...
Major	10142	...	...	...	...
Major	10143	...	...	...	...
Major	10144	...	...	...	...
Major	10145	...	...	...	...
Major	10146	...	...	...	...
Major	10147	...	...	...	...
Major	10148	...	...	...	...
Major	10149	...	...	...	...
Major	10150	...	...	...	...

(I) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 5 of Part A).

PART D—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

27 FEB 43.

Included in the strength ~~xxxxxx~~ are the following personnel who will probably be marched out -

- 1 marching out today - Class B.
- 34 marching out tomorrow to Div Pool - Trade Group men
- 7 RAAP marching out on or before 10/3/43.
- 50 Awaiting results of board - possibly Class B men.

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.....Major
T/Adm. Comd.
57/60 Aust. Inf. Bn.

SERIAL 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

W.E. 11/12C/2
32x745

57/60 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit) 20 FEB 45, 19 (Date).

ATT. WE 1 x 9 (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 W.E. Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	-	-
W.Os. Class II.	7	1 C.S.Q.	-
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5	-	1 Sgt Cook surplus being trained as C.Q.M.S.
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	32	3 Incl 1 Sgt. Cook	
Corporals	67	6 Incl 2 Cpl Cooks	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	633	108	General Duties as Part D 26
TOTALS	745	* 118	* 27

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail. ATTACHED BY W.E.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail. OTHER ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY W.E.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
A.A.M.C. Sgts 2 Ptes 2	Sgts 1 1		
A.E.M.E. Armourer Sgt 1	Para B	Ptes. 1	15 Aust. Inf. Bde
A.A.O.C. Cpl Bootmaker 1	1	" 1	3 Aust. Div. (Batmen.)
A.A.P.C. Sgt 1 Cpl 1	Para B 1		
A.A. Postal Corps Sgt 1	1 (c)		

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

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHERS

(B) Unit can fill vacancy
(G) A.A. Post. Corps Cpl at present carrying out the duties of A.A. Post. Sgt. His promotion is not recommended.

PRO FORMA OF SUMMARY.

A.I.F. SERVING WITH UNIT		A.M.F. SERVING WITH UNIT		PART TIME DUTY		MASSEUSE		A.W.A.S.	
off. off.		offrs. o'rs.		offrs o'rs.		offrs o'rs.		offrs o'rs.	
35	163		272						
General Duties as part D 26		Cpl cooks		108		73			
27				118		835		TOTALS 742	

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TOTALS should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009. M.A.T. Comd. 2. W.F.N.I. TUSA 06/75

Unit and Corps to which they belong	Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong	Detail
15 Asst. Inf. Bde	1 Ptes.	1 A.A.M.C. Sgts	2
3 Asst. Div.	1 "	1 A.E.M.E. Asst. Sgts	2
(Batmen.)		1 A.A.P.C. Sgts	1
		1 A.A.P.C. Cpl	1
		1 A.A. Postal Corps Sgts	1
			1 (c)

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

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Corps	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)

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)
			XXXXXXXXXX B/F	32	2	XXXXXXXXXX B/F	36	6
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters ^{Gun}		1(a)	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	2		Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		4
Camouflage Modeller		1(a)	Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators		3(a)	Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		13(a)
Concretors	2(b)	1(a)	Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		3
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		1
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental	4		Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical	27		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	1(a)		Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			W.O. C.S.M.	1	
						Gen Duties	81	
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	B/F 32	2	B/F	36	6		118	27

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

57/60 AUST. INF. BN.

R. Marster Major.
 Signature of Commander T/Adm. Comd
 15 AUST. INF. BDE. 3 AUST. DIV.

Unit.
 20 FEB 43.

Date of Despatch.....

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

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

Detail of Specialists Tradesmen, etc.		UNIT CAN FILL THESE VACANCIES (A) XXXXXXXXXX B/P (B) SURPLUS COOKS 2 CPL 2		Detail of Specialists Tradesmen, etc.	
(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
Ammunition Examiners		Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificers		Armament Artificers			
Armourers		Armourers			
Artificers, Artillery		Artificers, Artillery			
Assenters		Assenters			
Battery Conductors		Battery Conductors			
Battery Conductors, Asst.		Battery Conductors, Asst.			
Blacksmiths		Blacksmiths			
Bombardiers		Bombardiers			
Bucklayers		Bucklayers			
Butchers		Butchers			
Cannoning Modelers		Cannoning Modelers			
Carpenters and Joiners		Carpenters and Joiners			
Clerks		Clerks			
Clerks, Engineering		Clerks, Engineering			
Clerks, Supply		Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical		Clerks, Technical			
Communications		Communications			
Conductors		Conductors			
Cooks		Cooks			
Cooks, Hospital		Cooks, Hospital			
Crosscutters		Crosscutters			
Driver, Ordnance		Driver, Ordnance			
Driver, Transport		Driver, Transport			
Driver, Transport, Plant		Driver, Transport, Plant			
Electrical Fitters		Electrical Fitters			
Electricians		Electricians			
Electricians, Eng. Unit		Electricians, Eng. Unit			
Electricians, Signal		Electricians, Signal			
Engine Artificers		Engine Artificers			
Engine Hands, I/C		Engine Hands, I/C			
Equipment Repairers		Equipment Repairers			
Farmers		Farmers			
Fitters		Fitters			
Fitters and Turners		Fitters and Turners			
Fitters, Cycle		Fitters, Cycle			
Fitters, Drivers		Fitters, Drivers			
Fitters, Railway Signal		Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signal		Fitters, Signal			
Grinders		Grinders			
Gun Layers		Gun Layers			
G.O. Assistants		G.O. Assistants			
Gun Operators		Gun Operators			
Hammermen		Hammermen			
Height Takers		Height Takers			
Info Operators		Info Operators			
Instrument Mechanics		Instrument Mechanics			
Instrument Mechanics, Surgical		Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			
Instrument Operators		Instrument Operators			
Intelligence Duties		Intelligence Duties			
Joiners		Joiners			
Leather Stitchers		Leather Stitchers			
Linenmen		Linenmen			
Linenmen, Signals		Linenmen, Signals			
Lithographers		Lithographers			
Machinists		Machinists			
Masons		Masons			
Martinettes		Martinettes			
Mechanics, Dental		Mechanics, Dental			
Mechanics, M.T.		Mechanics, M.T.			
Mechanics, Typewriter		Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless		Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights		Millwrights			
Miners		Miners			
Moulders		Moulders			
Nursing Orderlies		Nursing Orderlies			
Nursing Orderlies (Mental)		Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			
Nurses, Trained		Nurses, Trained			
Operation Post Assistants		Operation Post Assistants			
Operating Room Assistants		Operating Room Assistants			
Operators, Signal		Operators, Signal			
Opticians		Opticians			
Painters		Painters			
Patrolmen		Patrolmen			
Photographers, Art Plate		Photographers, Art Plate			
Photographers, Wet Plate		Photographers, Wet Plate			
Plumbers		Plumbers			
Predictor Operators		Predictor Operators			
Printers		Printers			
Radiator Mechanics		Radiator Mechanics			
Radiographers		Radiographers			
Ramp Carriers		Ramp Carriers			
Riggers		Riggers			
Riveters		Riveters			
Saddlers		Saddlers			
Saddle Tree Makers		Saddle Tree Makers			
Saw Doctors		Saw Doctors			
Sawyers		Sawyers			
Shoemakers		Shoemakers			
Signalers		Signalers			
Sinewriters		Sinewriters			
Stationery Clerks		Stationery Clerks			
Stationery Technicians		Stationery Technicians			
Survivors		Survivors			
Survivors, Engineering		Survivors, Engineering			
Tailors		Tailors			
Telescope Identification		Telescope Identification			
Textile Helpers		Textile Helpers			
Tinsmiths		Tinsmiths			
Toolmakers		Toolmakers			
Turners		Turners			
Volunteers		Volunteers			
Wagon Drivers		Wagon Drivers			
Watchmakers		Watchmakers			
Watermen		Watermen			
Welders		Welders			
Well Borers		Well Borers			
Wheeler		Wheeler			
Whitemen		Whitemen			
Woodturners		Woodturners			

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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.

Signature of Commanding Officer: *[Signature]*
 15 AUST. INV. BDE. 3 AUST. DIV.
 Bde. Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch: 20 FEB 43
 Unit: 27/60 AUST. INV. IN.

Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A) 118 27

SERIAL NO 20
W.E. 11/120/2
32x745

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

57/60 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit) 27 FEB 43 19 (Date).

ATT. W.E. 1x9

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	-	
W.Os. Class II.	7	2 (C.S.Ms)	
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5	4	(1 Sgt cook surplus - being trained as COMS)
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	32	3 (Incl. 1 Sgt. Cook)	
Corporals	67	6 (Incl. 2 Cpl Cooks)	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	633	70 (Incl. 2 Cpl Cooks)	General Duties as Part B 25
TOTALS	800	81	26

*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.	W.E.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
A.A.M.C.	Sgts 2 Ptes 2	Para A.1 Para A 2	OTHER ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY W/E.	
A.E.M.E.				
Armourer	Sgt 1	Para A		
A.A.O.C.	Cpl			
Bootmaker	1			
A.A.P.C.	Sgt 1 Cpl 1	1 1 Para A		
A.A. Postal Corps	Sgt 1	1 (b)		
			Ptes. 1	15 Aust. Inf. Bde.
			" 1	3 Aust. Div. (Batmen)

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).
VX108717	Cpl	SMART A.C.	57/60 AUST. INF. BN.	At present at A/Tk Sch. of Arty. PUCKAPUNYAL.
VX94574	Cpl	LOWE A.G.F.	" "	F.A.A. Sch. Junior Leaders Wing. REDBANK.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Serial No 20
W.N. 11/120/2
22745

(Date) 18 27 1918 (Unit) 17th Coy, 1st Div., 1st A.I.F.

- A. Unit can fill these vacancies.
- B. A.A. Post Corps Cpl at present carrying out the duties of A.A. Post. Sgt. His promotion is not recommended.

PRO FORMA OF SUMMARY.

A.I.F. SERVING WITH UNIT		A.M.F. SERVING WITH UNIT		PART TIME DUTY		MASSEUSE		A.W.A.S.	
Offrs.	0.Rs.	Offrs.	0.Rs.	Offrs.	0.Rs.	Offrs.	0.Rs.	Offrs.	0.Rs.
35	163	-	637	-	-	-	-	-	-

Marston
Maj.

T/Adm. Comd.
57/60 INF. INT. BN.

Unit and Corps to which they belong	Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong	Detail
OTHER ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED		A.A.C. 2nd Coy	1
		A.A.C. 1st Coy	1
		A.A.C. 3rd Coy	1
		A.A.C. 4th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 5th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 6th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 7th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 8th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 9th Coy	1
		A.A.C. 10th Coy	1

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)
XXXXXX	Cpl	SMITH A.G.	17th Coy	At present at A.I.F. 1st Div.
XXXXXX	Cpl	JOHN A.G.	17th Coy	At present at A.I.F. 1st Div.

W/E 11/120/2
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ATT- 1x9 57/60 AUST. INF. BN. Unit.

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(Adapted) (Aug. 41)
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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators	32	2	Panel Beaters	30	6
Armament Artificers			Fitters <i>Gun</i>		1(c)	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	2		G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		4
Carpenter and Joiner		1(c)	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		3(c)	Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		13(c)
Cooks	2(d)	1(c)	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		3
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.		4	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics	27		Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers	1(a)		Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						W.O. C.S.Ms		2
						General Duties		55
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	32	2		36	6		81	26.

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

57/60 AUST. INF. BN.

Unit.

Date of Despatch 27 FEB 45.

R. Marston Major.

Signature of Commander. T/Adm. Comd

15 AUST. INF. BDE. 3 AUST. DIV.

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