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Australian Military Forces, Army headquarters,
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1/8/18

**BASE AND LINE OF
COMMUNICATION AREAS
(SUB)**

**4 Australian Base Sub Area
Quartermaster General Branch (4 Aust
Base Sub Area Q Branch)**

January - March 1945



1/8/18-0027

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form 5-18.
(Adapted)

Unit "Q" Branch 4 Aust Base Date and Time.—From 2400 hrs 31 Dec 44 to 2400 hrs 31 Jan 45
Sub Area

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Jan 45		No shipping in Port	
			Arrangements completed for purchases of Ice Cream Making Plant by ACF from Americans	
	2 "		No shipping in Port. SITNOR	
	3 "		Engrs report acute shortage of iron for covering purposes	
	4 "		SITNOR	
	5 "		1700 personnel disembarked from FAIRISLE also 127 tons cargo	
	6 "		SITNOR	
	7 "		1200 tons cargo discharged at Port on 6 and 7 Jan	
	8 "		35000 packages of S&T Stores discharged from SS JOSIAH EARL SS SHAWNEE arrived. AANS personnel disembarked at 0600 hrs	
	9 "		21000 packages S&T Stores discharged for BSD 900 Ord personnel disembarked 2030 tons cargo discharged	
	10 "		1300 packages S&T stores discharged from JOSIAH EARL	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form 92118.
(Adap ed.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	11 Jan 45		Site occupied by 182 American Regt taken over incl 397 tents 1174 tons cargo discharged at Port unloading of SS SHAWNEE completed.	
	12 "		1583 tons discharged and 58 tons loaded for AMUN. Heavy rains caused severed damage to roads	
	13 "		1700 tons cargo discharged 495 tons loaded for Americans	
	14 "		1600 tons discharged at Port	
	15 "		846 tons discharged SS EARL 107 tons ex SAVA	
	16 "		1008 tons cargo discharged at Port SS GEORGE PEAT arrived discharged 104 personnel 370 tons unit transport. 64 natives moved from EMIRAU by US RANAR	
	17 "		SS SUVA still discharging Rations Beer and Canteens Goods at Port	
	18 "		1383 tons cargo discharged at Port	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C-118.
(Adapted.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	19 Jan 45		1300 tons discharged at Port	
	20 "		Discharge of SS SUVA almost complete. Only broken pkgs remain	
	21 "		SITNOR	
	22 "		77 Personnel embarked for EMIRAU	
	23 "		SS SUVA sailed	
	24 "		6 Aust Army Tps advance party embarked for transfer to JACQUINOT BAY	
			Fresh vegetables discharged from E.T. O'BRIEN	
	25 "		E.T. O'BRIEN still discharging in Port	
	26 "		131 tons discharged from COORABIE 132 tons ex O'BRIEN as well as 32 vehicles and 5 Landing craft.	
	27 "		Difficulty experienced in unloading J E O'BRIEN owing to lack of equipment.	
			15 Bde assume responsibility for road repair in Bde area.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form 9-2118.
(Adapted.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

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12 RT 30 Dec 44

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Spr	Oth	Nats			
1.	4 Aust Base Sub Area Elec Wetic	15/10 27/12	5	90	12/1/45	6 A Tps	312 21	120		432 21		
2.	BSD 7/120x40 5000 cu ft Refrig Roads	10/11 29/12	8 10	70 10	3/1/45	5 A Tps 6 A Tps 2/1 Rlys	768 10			768 10	10	Not yet started
5.	Post Office					5 A Tps						Not yet started
6.	2 Corps HQ- alterations and additions	16/12	5	20		6 A Tps	1040			1040		Extra work added in passed week to orig inal job.
12.	2/1 AGH- Accomodation	3/11	10	60	31/1/45	10 Fd Coy 5 A Tps 6 A Tps 38 Works by mid Jan. 16 "	4330	1920		6250		
	Fittings	8/12	35	86	31/12	58 Fd. Pk 5 A Tps	472 140			472 140	25	
	Clearing	23/11	3	98	7/1/45	2/1 Rlys	244			244	206	
13.	AOD-10/120x40 40/120x40	8/10 20/10		92 5	6/1/45	6 A Tps "						Recommence 1 Jan 45.
17.	AAD-15/60x18 1/100x45	4/12		20		6 A Tps						4 complete by 3/1/45 Not yet started
18.	BIPOD-3/20x20 2/60x18	28/12	10	10		Unit Lab						Awaiting S W Huts
22.	106 CCS	13/12	2	100	29/12	58 Fd Pk 5 A Tps	331			331	11	
25.	6DID-Cant verandah etc	18/12	55	85	30/12	6 A Tps	88			88		
30.	ANGAU-1/60x18 security 7/60x18 stores Supervision demos	13/11		80 Continuous		6 A Tps						Sak Sak put on temp Unit labour

Job - No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hoyrs	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
31.	Road Maintenance	4/12	Continuous			2/1 Rlys	244	870		1114	202	
32.	Unit Stores Transit 161x34'6"		20	20		6 Docks						
35.	PW Compounds		85	85	30/12	6 A Tps	192			192		
37.	1 Mech Eqpt Wkspa 2/120x45 1/100x18	15/12	20	60		6 A Tps	160	160		320		
38.	Aust Kit Store 60x18					5 A Tps						Job not started
39.	ATO	25/11	15	100		5 A Tps	21			21		Complete
42.	NGDD-Kitchen 45x40	21/12	20	20	13.1.45	5 A Tps	220			220		Site survey carried out
43.	Water Points - No.5 Instal new pump ANGAU W Pt Piva Rd Mathieson Rd	26/12 18/12 24/12	Continuous 100	100 80 98		5 A Tps " " 6 A Tps 10 Fd Coy	461 70 8 48	140		601 70 8 552		
45.	8 Ord Veh Pk					5 A Tps						Not yet started
46.	Offrs Shop											Awaiting Site
48.	O/R Club					6 A Tps						Not yet started
50.	RSD					6 A Tps						Awaiting Materials
51.	RAAF Auster Hangars No.1 No.2	13/12	15 50	100 50		5 A Tps.	102 218			102 218		
52.	AACS Cordial Factory					6 A Tps						Not yet started
53.	30 Aust Lt Ldy					5 A Tps						Not yet started

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit.	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hrs	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
54.	Airstrip Med Evac Post					5 A Tps						Not yet started
55.	Fd Pun Centre											Area surveyed, clearing by unit labour.
57.	Broadcasting Station					6 A Tps						Plans not yet approved
58.	AL Sec Ops Hut	28/12	75	75	30/12	5 A Tps	154			154		Demo & Erec prefab hut
	Refrigeration 3 Div & Elect	13/12	20 Continuous	100		6 A Tps 5 A Tps	83 42			83 42		Complete
	Sawmilling		39058 su ft 8500 su ft	Continuous		2/2 Forestry 5 A Tps	1288 872	152		1288 1024	76	
	Sand Pit			Continuous		2/1 Rlys	158			158	156	

Report by 5 Aust CRE (Mks)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT

as at 6 Jan 45

Wainwright

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SU SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
1.	4 Base Sub Area	13/10	10	100	4/12	6 A Tps	368			368		Complete
2.	2 Aust Corps	21/12	10	30	20/1	6 A Tps	1504			1504		
21.	RAE Dump Working					58 Fd Fk	1540	400		1940	400	
31.	Roads and drainage, clearing areas for camp sites & installs working sand pit Access Roads Maint Main roads					2/1 Rlys	1134	956		2090	300	
	SAWMILL					2/2 Forestl 5 A Tps	1690 430			1690 430	88	49056 s ft sawn timber (5783 s ft " " (3663 s ft logs (mill working 4 days
43.	RAE WATER POINTS					10 Fd Coy) 6 A Tps	)505	348		853		
	WORKSHOPS					All Engrs Units	3100	50		3150	285	
2.	BSD Refrig	10/11	5	75		6 A Tps	944			944		4/1800 complete 1/5000 10% Complete
12.	2/1 AGH	3/11	10	70	31 Jan occup MidJan	10 Fd Coy with Det all Engr	7532	4640		12172	255	
						Units 38 AWC						
22.	108 CCS	2/1	100	100	2/1	5 A Tps	48			48	48	Complete

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works Include Supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	Remarks
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
13.	16 OAD 10/120x40 40/120x40	8/10 20/10	8 1	100 6	4/1	6 A Tps "	460 88			460 88		Complete Blgds in series of five
17.	13 AAD 35/60x18 1/100x45	4/12	5	25		6 A Tps	232			232		20/60x18 complete
46.	Officers Shop 70x45	5/1	2	2		6 A Tps	14			14		
50.	3 RSD 1/120x45 2/60x45											Not yet commenced
<u>CANTEENS</u>												
52.	Cordial Factory					6 A Tps						Design Complete.
16.	AACS Stores & Culverts			100								Complete 26 Oct 44.
48.	ORs Club	5/1			10/2	6 A Tps	10			10		Set Out
<u>RAAF</u>												
51.	Auster Hangars	26/12	15	90		5 A Tps	510			510		
	ALO Office	28/12	25	100	30/12	"	133			133		Complete
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>												
	Water Supply	18/12	20	100		5 A Tps	114			114		Complete
	ANGAU 8/60x48	13/11		80		6 A Tps						Unit roofing with sac sac
	MGDD (Camp Bldg)	21/12	20	40	13/1	5 A Tps	816			816		
	Docks Transit Area		5	25		6 Docks						
	Base Postal 50x18	3/1	60	60	8/1	5 A Tps	142			142		

WAR DIARY

WMBH/GGP

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Q35/225

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
18 Jan 45

Q. 112

Subject: ACCOUNTING FOR ORDNANCE STORES

1. Recent inspections carried out by officers of MGO Branch have indicated that the usage rates of clothing and equipment issued to personnel tends to be lower in units that are required to keep ledger accounts than in some field units that are NOT required to keep such accounts. In arriving at this conclusion due allowance has been made for any differences in the matter of duties and locations of units. It therefore appears that the keeping of ledger accounts for items that are subject to frequent replacements assists unit commanders in maintaining control of issues to personnel and acts as a deterrent to avoidable wastage.
2. In order to take advantage of the benefits of ledger accounting it has been decided that all Base units situated in NEW GUINEA area will keep ledger accounts for items of clothing and personal equipment. Amendments to GROs 0738/43, 0293/44 and 0369/44 will be published to give effect to this decision.
3. Experience has shown that the work involved in keeping these ledger accounts is well within the capabilities of existing "Q" personnel provided in War Establishments.
4. Upon promulgation of the amendments units will apply to Stationery Depot for AAF's F7 and to bring on charge clothing and personal equipment in the manner prescribed by GRO 0738/43 para 3(b).
5. In the absence of ABs 100 suitable pro formas will be used in lieu.

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Subject: TENTAGE RETURN

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
16 Jan 45.

Q.101

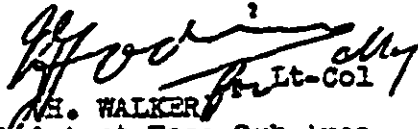
ALL UNITS AND SERVICES

In view of permanent buildings having been or being erected in unit lines for Q-Stores, Mess Huts, Officers' accommodation etc., certain tentage issued against WET has been released.

2. Units will submit to this HQ NOT later than 25 Jan 45 a return showing all such tentage which will become available for return to Ord as at 15 Feb 45.

3. It is impressed upon Unit Comds that the release of every available tent is essential as the tentage situation in the AMF is acute.

4. It is anticipated that at an early date the erection of hutted accommodation for all Base troops will be commenced.


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HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
20 Jan 45

Q. 132

Subject: MAJOR MACHINE TOOLS - PROVISION

1. Returns will be submitted to reach this HQ NOT later than 24 Jan 45 containing the following information in respect of deficiencies of Major Machine Tools :-

(a) Type and quantity of equipment required as initial issues in accordance with authorised scales shown on WET,

(b) Type and quantity of equipment required as replacements.

2. It is important in order to ascertain correct provision figures that initial issues and replacements be listed separately and that correct nomenclatures and sections as shown in WET's be quoted.

3. NIL returns must be furnished.


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Report by 5 AUST CRE (WKS)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT
OF ENGINEER WORKS

Sheet 1.

Bar Diary

as at 13 Jan 45.

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
6.	2 AUST CORPS Accn & Installations	21/12	10	40		6 A Tps	1160			1160		
31.	R.A.E. Roads drainage clearing for camps and installs, access roads sandpit.					2/1 Rlys	472	1280		1752	425	
	Sawmill	Continuous				2/2 Forest 5 A Tps	1608 80			1688		59734 s ft (Mill 1000 s ft (working (2 days)
37.	1 Aust Mech Eqt Wksp 2/120x45 1/100x18	15/12	5	100	11/1	6 A Tps	96	30		126	Complete	
2.	AASC B.S.D. Refrig		5	80	31/1	"	976			976		5000 c ft Refrig 45% com 4/1800 c ft completelet
12.	MEDICAL 2/1 AGH		10	80	31/1	10 Fd Coy with Dets all Engr Units, 38 AWC	6600	4000		10600	120 bed accn 360 " " " " " " " " " " " "	13 Jan 14 Jan 15 Jan
13.	ORDNANCE 16 AOD 48/120x40	20/10	4	30		6 A Tps	592			592	13 completed	
17.	13 AAD 1/100x45 15/100 x 18	4/12	20	45		6 A Tps	724			724	Complete 4 complete	
46.	Offrs Shop 70x45	9/1	25	25	20/1	"	224			224		

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress		Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
				Total	E.D.C.		Sprs	Oths	Nats			
53.	30 Lt Laundry 66x18	9/1	50	50		5 A Tps	154			154		No roofing available
48.	<u>CANTEENS</u> ORs Club 330x45	8/1	5	5	10/2	6 A Tps	576			576	20	
57.	<u>R.A.A.F.</u> Auster Bangars	26/12	10	100		5 A Tps	168			168		Complete
61.	<u>AACS (US)</u> Power Station 20x20	10/1	30	30	16/1	"	175			175		Conc floor laid.
42.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u> NGDD Camp Bldgs	3/1	10	50		"	894			894		Kitchen 45 x 40 complete Awaiting roofing mats.
32.	Docks Transit Area		3	28		Pt Mtce Coy						
3.	Aust Base Postal	3/1	40	100		5 A Tps	154			154		Complete

Sgd: H.B. MURN Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Wks)

14 Jan 45.

War Diary

TECH SUMMARY
5 AUST CRE (WKS)

1. REF MAP:

EMPRESS AUGUSTA BAY
BOUGAINVILLE 1:20000
SOLOMON ISLANDS

2. UNITS UNDER COMMAND

5 Aust Army Tps Coy	Map Ref	12592158
6 Aust Army Tps Coy	" "	12572157
10 Aust Fd Coy	" "	12601259
Det 2/2 Forestry Coy	" "	12752159
58 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy	" "	12742144
2/1 Aust Rly Constr Coy	" "	12742144

2. WORKS

(a) Works completed since last report:

4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ:

Adm Block -
QM and Batmen
Officers Quarters (11 small buildings from
American Camp)

7 Aust Base Postal Unit - 50' x 18'

A.O.D.

7 Storage Sheds 120' x 40'

106 Aust CCS

1 Ward

1 Ausy Mob Print Unit - 1/50' x 45'

ATO - Alterations to existing bldg and 10' extension.

Stationery Storage Shed 60' x 18'

Education Building 60' x 18'

A.A.D. Store 120' x 45'
4/ 60' x 18'

R.A.A.P. Hangars
2/118' x 29'
1/ 39' x 29'

Air Liaison Sec Cp Hut

Mech Eqpt Wraps AEME
2/120' x 45'
1/100' x 18'

NGDD Kitchen 40' x 45'

(b) Works under construction

(i) 2 AUST CORPS HQ:

Corps HQ have shifted into area previously occupied by US XIV Corps and alterations are being made to sleeping quarters, messes. New E.L. wiring is being installed.

6 Aust Army Tps Coy.

(ii).2/1 AGH (1200 Beds)

Hospital commenced operation 13 Jan 45, but will not be entirely completed until end of Jan 45. (see attached Works Progress Report)/

10 Aust Fd Coy

(iii) TRANSIT CAMP (NGDD Det)

The site for this camp has been moved to a site previously occupied by USA and opposite of Service Road from 4 Aust Base Sub Area.

5 Aust Army Tps Coy

(iv) Other works under construction given in Weekly Work Reports.

(v) All works in this area are now gravely short of coverage and timber. Sawmill is unable at present to cope with requirements, but with additional mill now being installed this situation will be somewhat alleviated.

(vi) Roads, including drainage culverts and bridges will require a considerable amount of work in this area, as although road surfaces have been kept in good order, drum culverts have silted up to dam instead of pass water. It is the policy of this formation to remove such culverts and install Causeway Crossings wherever possible. This will allow for quick getaway for water and consequent reduction in road collapses.

(c) WORKS PROJECTED

4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ:

ORs Recreation Hut

A.O.D.

Storage Sheds 34/120' x 40'
Buildings being erected in groups of 5

BIFOD

Storage Sheds 2/20' x 20'

ANGAU

Security Huts 1/60' x 18'
1/30' x 18'

OFFICERS CLUB

BROADCASTING STATION

ORs CLUB

4. ENGINEER STORES

Shipments in:

SANTA MONICA	ex	BRISBANE	-	110 tons	(M)
DUNTROON	"	"		7 "	(M)
ORMISTON	"	LAE		566 "	(M)
GEO PEAT	"	"		170 "	(M)
JOSIAH EARL	"	BRISBANE		120 "	(M)

Stores received per above did not improve general stores situation as items in shortest supply, e.g. rolled coverage, barbed wire, pickets, sandbags, hessian, wire netting, SWR and cordage were not included in any large quantity. Advice notes received are not always accurate and in most cases do not arrive until after the vessel has completed discharging. Complete cargo reconciliation is therefore impossible.

5. ACK

Sgd: H.B. MURN Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Wks)

AQ/DSW

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
21 Jan 45

Q.142

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HQ 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA
ADM INSTR NO.8.

1. Attached is pro forma to be used in lieu of the form shown as Appx 'A' to this Headquarters Adm Instr No.8.

It will be noted on the pro forma that column 3 has been amended to read : "Stores and equipment NOT including vehs but including stores carried in vehicles."

2. Insert new sub-para under para 5(b) Part II as follows :

"Units will ensure that the figures given in Appx 'A' are within the authorised War Establishment WET or Special Scaling laid down by IHQ. If considered inaccurate, the data will be revised and the position regularised with the unit concerned.

If necessary, or if authority is given by First Aust Army for a unit to move with personnel, vehicles or stores in excess of that normally authorised, an adequate explanation will be included."

[Signature]
(H WALKER)

AA & QMG 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA

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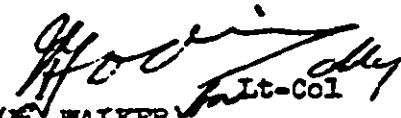
War Diary

Subject: UNIT MAINTENANCE INSPECTORS

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
20 Jan 45.

Q.133

1. Attention is directed to GRO 0.11/45 which defines the responsibilities and methods of working of Unit Maintenance Inspectors.
2. For information copies of the following report forms, which will be used by Unit Maintenance Inspectors, are attached:-
 AAF G157 Unit Administration - Vehicles.
 AAF G158 Incidence of Unsatisfactory Unit Maintenance
 AAF G159 Personal Qualifications
3. These forms will be held by Unit Maintenance Inspectors, and units will not requisition for supplies.
4. Pending the appointment of Unit Maintenance Inspectors by MGO Branch, units will appoint acting Maintenance Inspectors to carry out the provisions of GRO 011/45.
5. The names of such officers appointed will be submitted to this HQ by 25 Jan 45.
6. As it is required formations will render to LHQ by 7th day of each month a report on unit maintenance with recommendations for keeping equipment out of workshops and in service, it is required that Unit Maintenance Inspectors will submit similar reports to this HQ by the 1st of each month.


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Method of Inspection of Wheeled Vehicles by Unit Maintenance Inspectors (Time 20 mins. per Vehicle)

Refers to AAF

1. Preparation by the Unit Driver.

- (a) Remove tools and equipment from the vehicle as per F.78. Place on canopy one yard in front of vehicle.
- (b) Remove floor board or inspection cover and cap of hydraulic brake master cylinder oil reservoir.
- (c) Raise bonnet.
- (d) Remove battery cell caps.
- (e) Remove top of carburettor air cleaner. (Bottom of truck $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4.)
- (f) Remove level plugs of steering box, gear box, transfer case and differentials.
- (g) Drop tail board.

2. Preparation by the Inspector.

Obtain — suitable screwdriver, crescent spanner, pliers (slip joint), spanner for "U" bolts and clean rag.

3. Inspection to be carried out in the following sequence.

- (a) Tools and equipment.
- (b) Interior of cab.
- (c) Under the bonnet.
- (d) Under the chassis working from front to rear.
- (e) Around the outside of the vehicle clockwise.

UNIT MAINTENANCE INSPECTORS' REPORT

INCIDENCE OF UNSATISFACTORY UNIT MAINTENANCE

FORMATION UNIT
 INSPECTOR Date / /45 Date Last Inspected / /45

ITEM	SATISFACTORY	UNSATISFACTORY X	%
A. TOOLS and EQUIPMENT as per F.78.			
B. INSIDE CAB CHECK:—			
* 1. Forms to be carried by Driver (9). * 2. Start engine — even running. * 3. Gauges for correct functioning. 4. Lights, horn and dipper switch. 5. Windscreen wiper. * 6. Steering wheel for undue travel. * 7. Clutch pedal for free travel. * 8. Brake Pedal for travel and adjustment. 9. Level of hydraulic brake oil reservoir. 10. General cleanliness of cab.			
C. UNDER BONNET CHECK:—			
* 1. Carburettor, air cleaner. 2. Carburettor controls. * 3. L.T. and H.T. circuits for damage and security. 4. Lighting system wiring. * 5. Battery-cells for level, terminals. 6. Petrol pump and lines for leaks. * 7. Level of oil in steering box and security. * 8. Level of oil in sump. 9. Fan belt for correct tension. * 10. Radiator for security.			
D. UNDER CHASSIS CHECK:—			
* 1. Steering assembly for security and lubrication. * 2. Spring clips and "U" bolts for security. 3. Brake lines and linkages for leaks, lubrication and security. * 4. Engine mounting bolts. * 5. Transfer case and gear box oil levels and case holding bolts. * 6. Universal joints for lubrication and security. * 7. Body holding down bolts for security. 8. Rear spring clips and "U" bolts for security. * 9. Oil level of differentials. * 10. Chassis lubrication in general.			
E. EXTERNAL BODY CHECK:—			
* 1. Towing attachments — security and lubrication. * 2. Tyres — inflation and signs of undue wear. * 3. Body hardware — security and condition. 4. Doors — security and lubrication. 5. Mudguards — security.			
TOTAL SATISFACTORY	TOTAL UNSATISFACTORY	PERCENTAGE SATISFACTORY	

(Percentage Satisfactory will Indicate Unit Maintenance Efficiency)

* NOTE:— Only items marked with asterisk will be inspected during preliminary survey.

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UNIT MAINTENANCE INSPECTORS' REPORT

PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Formation..... Unit.....
 Inspector..... Date...../...../45

1. COMMANDING OFFICER.

Name..... Rank.....

Attendance at Senior Officers' MT Course in accordance with GRO G.339/43.

Yes: No:

Approximate Date of Course / /194

Location.....

2. TRANSPORT OFFICER.

Name..... Rank..... WE Appointment.....

SCHOOLS ATTENDED:—

School	Course	Duration	Date	Result

Driving Licences Held.....

REMARKS:—

(Indicate if part time appointment.)

3. TESTING OFFICER OR TRANSPORT NCOs.

Name..... Rank..... Appointment.....

Name..... Rank..... Appointment.....

Name..... Rank..... Appointment.....

SCHOOLS ATTENDED:

Member	School	Course	Duration	Date	Result

Driving Licences Held.....

REMARKS:—

(Give names and qualifications of other suitable NCOs within Unit.)

NOTE: The purpose of Secs 2 & 3 is to determine the qualifications and suitability of transport officers, NCOs, etc.

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Sheet 2

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
50.	RSD 1/120x45 2/60x45 10800 sq ft	16/1	15	15		6 A Tps	240			240		
17.	13 AAD 35/60x18 1/100x45 (42300 sq ft)	4/12	35	80		6 A Tps	448			448		29/60 x 18 comp 1/100 x 45 " 35820 sq ft comp
46.	Officers Shop 70x45	9/1	25	50		6 A Tps	33.6			33.6		
53.	30 Aust Lt Laundry 66' x 18'	9/1		50		5 A Tps	-			-		Frame comp. Roofing not available.
48.	<u>CANTEENS</u> Ors Club 330 x 45	8/1		5		6 A Tps						Site levelled only.
52.	<u>Cordial Factory</u>					"						Not yet commenced
61.	<u>AACS (US)</u> Power Stn 20 x 20	10/1	50	80		5 A Tps	256			256		
42.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u> NGDD	3/1	30	80		"	894			894		Kitchen 45x40 completed
32.	Docks Transit Area		2	30		Pt Maint Pl						
57.	Broadcasting Station (Alterations to NVTI)					6 A Tps						Not yet commenced
62.	<u>AFME</u> 3 Aust Mob Gas Gen Plant 1/60' x 24'6"					6 A Tps						Not yet commenced

Sgd: H.B. MURN. Lt-Col.
5 Aust CRS (Works)

WAR DIARY

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: OFFICERS' SHOP

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
30 Jan 45

Q.204

HQ 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA ADM INSTR No.12

1. Preparations for the establishment of 4 Sec Aust Offrs Shop have now been completed, until such time however as "dues in" actually arrive, stocks, although reasonable are NOT plentiful, consequently "favourably" located offrs are requested to confine their purchases to essential items only in order to ensure that offrs serving in forward operational areas have equal opportunity of participating in the "right of purchase".
2. 10% of ALL "popular and free moving" items will be frozen by O.C. Offrs Shop in order to ensure that officers proceeding on leave and/or moving to "schools" or "change of posting" will, on production of evidence of such move, be enabled to make necessary essential purchases.
3. LOCATION EASTERN side of PIVA RD, adjacent to DADOS Dump, near corner of PIVA and MISSION RDS.
4. DATE OF OPENING Monday 5 Feb 45, at 0830 hrs.
5. HOURS OF TRADING

Monday to Saturday	- 0830 hrs to 1130 hrs
	1300 " to 1600 hrs
Sunday	- Closed all day.
6. AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE

To Commissioned Officers of AMF	Full facilities, including Tailoring.
To Commissioned Officers of RAAF and RAN, W/Os of AMF, and members of AANS	Retail facilities but NO Tailoring.
To ORs of Womens Services	Sales of non-issue essentials, ONLY as authorised by AAF PS111, which MUST be produced.
7. TAILORING Until such time as the initial heavy demand for Uniforms S/D is met, Tailoring Orders will be taken for this item only. Orders for Jackets Safari and Trousers K/D made to measure will NOT be taken. These items will be carried in stock in ready-to-wear stock sizes.
8. CLOTHING RATION COUPONS Clothing Ration Coupons will NOT be required for purchases made in this area.

9. RATIONING OF
ITEMS IN SHORT
SUPPLY Sales of items in short supply will be rationed as found necessary by OC Shop, such rationing to be on the basis of percentage to Corps, Div, Ind Bdes and Base.
10. RESTRICTION
ON POSTING It is NOT permissible to forward through post any items purchased from Officers' Shop.
11. BLACK
MARKETING It is illegal to purchase for re-sale any goods from Officers' Shops. All purchases made must be for the personal use of the purchaser, and disciplinary action will be taken for any detected infringement of this Order.
12. LIST OF
ITEMS For information, and attached as Appx "A", is list of available items.

 Lt-Col
(H. WALKER)
AA & QMC 4 Aust Base Sub Area

DISTRIBUTION

List "D" (Less Serials 12, 16)
(Plus " 69, 70)

LIST OF STORES

CAMP EQUIPMENT

Bags Water Canvas
Basins Enamel
Chairs Camp Folding
Flasks Thermos
Beds Camp Springrest
Pillows Flock
M Rugs Travel
Stoves Oil Wickless
Valises W/Proof Hooded

LEATHER GOODS

Belts Waist Sam Browne
Boots Tan
Cases Brief Document
M Cases Fibre
M Cases Leather
M Bags Canvas Air Travel
Canes Loather
Shoes Low Tan
Slippers Leather

CLOTHING

Caps Officers
Drawers Broadcloth
M Handkerchiefs
Jackets Safari
Jackets K.D.
M Pullovers S/less
Pugarees 7 fold
Pyjamas Poplin
Shirts Jean
Shirts B'cloth
Shirts Jean with 2 Col det.
Singlets Art Silk
Stockings Wool
Towels Hand
Ties Khaki Wool
Trousers K.D.

MISCELLANEOUS

Braces
Brushes Hair
Brushes Nail
Combs Hair
Hangers Coat Wire
Mirrors Small
Strops Jason
Strop Dressing
Studs back and front
Trunks Bathing
Watchbands Linen
Bands Hat Scarlet & Dull Ch'y

EPAULETTES

Epaulottes & Badges (ALL RANKS)
(AMPLE STOCKS)

MISCELLANEOUS SMALL ITEMS

Ample and comprehensive stocks

M - NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESENT

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form G2118.
(Adapted)

Unit "Q" Branch 4 AUST BASE Date and Time. — From 2400 hrs 31 Jan To 2400 hrs 28 Feb 45.

SUB AREA

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Feb 45		Pillaging of cargoes dealt with effectively. ACP requested to purchase ice cream mixture as no more available from American sources.	
	2 Feb 45		PW cages moved to new Provost camp site. Approval received from U.S. HQ for transfer of naval stores and installations PURUATA ISLAND to Aust Army.	
	3 Feb 45		SITNOR	
	4 Feb 45		3 Div arranging movement of personnel from JABA R area from own resources. SS "O'BRIEN" completed unloading. AK96 arrived with 200 natives.	
	5 Feb 45		Demand for native labour from 3 Aust Div increased to 200. Transfer of U.S. equipment in outer islands completed. Officers Shop opened.	
	6 Feb 45		40 B Class natives allotted to 2 Aust Corps for preparation	

[Signature]
Capt

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form G-2118.
(Adap. 2-51)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, etc.
			air dropping sites NUMA NUMA XXXX Area.	
	7 Feb 45.		Qty of landing mat allocated to Wkaps and AGT Coy for vehicle standing.	
	8 Feb 45		Ice cream plant trial run. Americans commence hand over of mech equipment.	
	9 Feb 45.		SITNOR	
	10 Feb 45		SS DUNTROON arrived with 820 tons engr stores.	
	11 Feb 45		SITNOR	
	12 Feb 45		SS DUNTROON completed unloading. SS FRANCIS PEAT arrived with 311 natives.	
	13 Feb 45		SS RANAR arrived with engr stores and refer cargo	
	14 Feb 45		SS DUNTROON sailed with leave personnel	
	15 Feb 45		C in C indicates that assistance to RAAF and RNZAF will have to be given with present resources only. Bi-weekly service	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form G2118.
(Adapted)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			by Sunderland from SOLOMONS via TREASURY - MORESBY to	
			Mainland being instituted. Provision of oxygen for ambulance	
			planes arranged with RAAF.	
	16 Feb 45		SITNOR	
	17 Feb 45		First output Ice Cream tested : satisfactory.	
	18 Feb 45		SS RING LARDNER arrives. Cargo incl 42 x 100 ft reefer units	
			and 1 x 5000 fr	
	19 Feb 45		SS RANAR sails for Islands. First distribution Ice Cream.	
			Capacity 12 churns every 2 days.	
	20 Feb 45		3 Div allotted 1 complete Sup Dep Pl for air dropping	
	21 Feb 45		SITNOR	
	22 Feb 45		SITNOR	
	23 Feb 45		Sunderland service commenced. Work on ORs Club commenced.	
	24 Feb 45		2/3 Con Depot opens with 50 patients.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form 2.2118.
(Adapted)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

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~~A/DAQHC 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA~~

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: TENTAGE

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
1 Feb 45.

Q.219

Reference HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area memo Q.101 of
16 Jan 45.

2. Units as shown hereunder will return surplus tentage,
through normal channels, to 3 Aust RSD and advise this HQ when
transfer has been completed.

38 Aust Works Coy
54 Aust BIPOB Pl
AA Canteens Service
53 Aust BIPOD Pl
129 AGT Coy
5 Aust RSD
58 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy
10 Aust Fd Coy
2/1 AGH
13 Aust Small Ships Coy
2 Aust Corps Pro Coy

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
1 Aust Mob Print Unit
2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp
8 Aust Ord Veh Pk
10 Aust L of C Stat Depot
2/4 Aust Fd Baking Pl
11 Aust Fd Baking Pl
15 Aust Fd Baking Coy
2 Aust BSD
8 Aust Fd Amb
30 Aust Lt Laundry Unit


(H. WALKER)
AA & QMG 4 Aust Base Sub Area

DISTRIBUTION

Units as above
DADOS (2)
3 Aust RSD

SECRET

Copy No.2

Date 2 Feb 45

TECH SUMMARY

5 AUST CRE (WKS)

1. MAP REF

TOROKINA 1:63360

2. UNITS UNDER COMMAN

5 Aust Army Tps Coy	558939
6 Aust Army Tps Coy	556938
10 Aust Fd Coy	557938
Det 2/2 Aust Forestry Coy	576964
58 Aust Corps Fd Flk Coy	556944
2/1 Aust Rly Const Coy	553944
Det 2 Aust Forest Survey Coy	576964

3. WORKS

(a) Main projects completed as at this date:

- (i) 4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ
- (ii) 2 Aust Corps Accommodation - 55% complete
- (iii) 15 OAD - 48 Storage Sheds 120 x 40 - 16 complete
1 " " 300 x 45 - complete
- (iv) 15 AAD - 35 " " 60 x 18 - 29 complete
1 " " 100 x 45 - complete
- (v) AASC-
2 BSD - Refrigeration - 4/1800 cu ft complete
Ice Cream Plant 30 x 18 hut
Storage Shed 1/300 x 40
" " 7/120 x 40
" " 7/60 x 40
- (vi) 2/1 AGH - 95% complete

(b) Works Under Construction

- (i) 2 Aust Corps HQ, accommodation and installations 55% complete.
- (ii) 2/1 AGH (1200 bed) - will not be completed before 7 Feb 45.
- (iii) NGDD Transit Camp-
2 BSD 6/120 x 45 stores
3 RSD 1/120 x 45 "
2 /60 x 45 "
- (iv) Other works under construction given in Weekly Works Progress Reports.
- (v) A new timber stand has been located and will now be able to cope with requirements, the scale of which is reduced on account of shortage of coverage.
- (vi) Tarpaulins and salvage tentage have been used for temporary and semi-permanent coverage.

5 AUST CRE (WKS) TECH SUMMARY (CONTD) 2 FEB 45.

3. WORKS (Contd)

Extension of EDC 2/1 AGH and other projects has been necessitated by the movement of 6 Aust Army Tps Coy and Engineer Stores position.

Present projects authorised in this area require 326,800 sq ft of coverage to complete.

(c) Works projected:

- (i) 4 Aust Base Sub Area-
ORs Rec Hut
RAP 40 x 18
- (ii) AOD - Storage Sheds 34/120 x 40 being erected in groups of five.
- (iii) BIPOD - ~~Gas generating plant~~
2/20 x 20 Storage Sheds
- (iv) AEME - Gas generating plant 60 x 24'6"
Instrument Wksp 60 x 18
- (v) RAE - 2/1 Rly Wksp 50 x 45
- (vi) ANGAU - Security Stores 3/60 x 45
- (vii) OFFICERS CLUB
- (viii) ORs CLUB

4. 2/1 AUST GEN HOSP

(a) Accommodation: 1200 beds with provision to extend to 1800 beds.

(b) Site:

- (i) In quiet area - 500 ft from main road.
- (ii) IN and OUT access roads
- (iii) Cleared 80 acres approx from virgin jungle primary growth.
- (iv) Approx 2 1/2 miles internal roads, formed and graded as sit cleared.
- (v) Drainage good - Subsoil Volcanic sand - drainage developed as roads completed.

(c) Layout: E-in-C Tech Instr No.53 used as basis, with variations to suit local conditions of site.

(d) Type Of Buildings: As Tech Instr No.53 with variations to suitable hospital requirements.

(e) Stages of Development:

Stage 1 - As outlined in E-in-C Tech Instr No.53 except that Latrines and Ablutions for Stage 2 incorporated- Reticulation and storage started during stage 1.

Stage 2 - Completion of water service and roads. QX, Dispenser, Linen Pack, Admissions, Administration, OsC Div and complete A&S and A&S area completed in Stage 2 to allow stores to be unpacked and female personnel to be accommodated prior to Hospital opening. EDC 3 Jan 45 - actually completed 8 Jan 45.

5 MUST CRE (WKS) TECH SUMMARY (CONTD) - 2 FEB 45

Stage 3 - Remainder of Stage 3 being constructed -
EDC 7 Feb 45.

(f) Progress Schedule

- (i) Hospital Staff commenced hard clearing on 9 Oct 44.
- (ii) Dozers commenced clearing approx 15 Oct 44 and cleared a transit area for stores and temporary sleeping quarters for skeleton staff.
- (iii) ORs and Sgt lines cleared, tents erected and Latrines, Ablutions and kitchen accomodation by approx 10 Nov 44.
NOTE: Officers were quartered adjacent to Sgts lines temporarily at this stage.
- (iv) Main hospital area clearing commenced approx 6 Nov 44 and as area was cleared, constr of bldgs followed.
- (v) Dep Ward, main kitchen and Operating Theatre sites cleared and buildings commenced approx 14 Nov.
EDC 15 Jan - Actual date completed 15 Jan.
- (vi) Remainder of site cleared in following priority:

Female Lines Area
Remainder of Hospital area
Officers Lines Area
Picture Theatre Area

(g) Type of Latrines: Generally deep-trench (revetted)

Due to high water level in sub soil (average of 4'6") in portion of ward areas, a pen system was substituted, giving a total of 41 pans. Disposal of pans is by carting in sealed pans to an area where water table is 16'. The pans are emptied scoured with hot water, dipped in phenyle solution drained on racks and re-tarred and stacked. No. of pans for complete installation is 95, with 60 lids. Incorporated in the same area are the incinerators. Hot water from pipes passing through the walls, serves the garbage tin and pan washing areas. All concreted and having separate sumps, traps and sullage pits.

- (h) Sullage: Each building has separate grease and soap traps and sullage pits.
- (i) Floorings: Concrete floors generally in accordance with E-in-C Tech Instr No.53.
- (j) Fly Proofing: Ditto
- (k) All wards tented except Dysentary, Resussitation and Psychiatric.
- (l) Stage 3 Hospital accomodation provided in its entirety.
EDC 7 Feb 45.
- (m) Hospital opened 18 Jan 45.

ENGINEER STORES

"COORABIE" ex LAZ 98 tons
"E.J. O'BRIEN" ex BRISBANE 114 tons

5. AUST CRE (WKS) TECH SUMMARY (CONTD). 2 FEB 45.

5. ENGINEER STORES (Contd)

There is an acute shortage of Engineer Stores and Basic construction is held up on this account. Divisional Dump Stocking is completed as far as stocks allow.

6. MOVEMENTS

3 Offrs and 110 ORs of 6 Aust Army Tps Coy (First Flight) to AITAPE.

7. ROADS

Roads now under control 5 Aust CRE (Wks) total approx 50 miles.

Considerable difficulty is still being experienced with road watering due to lack of water carts.

A heavy storm (6.6 inches of rain) on 14 Jan 45 caused several road washouts. All roads were open to traffic within 24 hours.

8. MECH EQUIPMENT

The small amount of equipment working in the area is fully engaged on road work. Of 15 Dozers and 4 Tractors under command 5 Aust CRE (Wks), 3 dozers and 1 tractor are working on Base Area and 2 Dozers working for 5 Aust Div. Remainder are US. Mech Egt Wksps are fully extended to keep this quantity of plant working. Patching up only is possible due to lack of spare parts. Most of Wksps time is spent in stripping machines, repairing old parts and re-assembling to give a few more hours work from a machine.

9. DEMONSTRATION

A demonstration of all types of Mechanical Egt was held in the Corps Sand-pit on 31 Jan 45. Officers from all Services under command 2 Aust Corps and 4 Aust Base Sub Area were in attendance and each received a copy of Appx "A" attached to this summary.

10. FIELD HOT WATER UNITS: Appx "B" gives full particulars of a Type "C" Field Hot Water Heater which has been constructed and found satisfactory by 58 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy.

11. WORKING PARTIES

Requisitioned	63	AWC	87 Natives
Received	83	AWC	27 Natives

12. ACE

Sgd; H.B. MURK Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Wks)

HQ 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA
2 Feb 45

Q. 222

Subject: REFRIGERATORS

1. Attached hereto is copy of First Aust Army Q 2857 of 16 Jan 45, and Appendices "A" and "B" thereto.
2. Units will submit to this HQ NOT later than 15 Feb 45 the return required under para 4 (a).
3. The return required under para 4 (b) will be submitted NOT later than 20 Mar 45 and thereafter on the 20th day of each month.
4. Attention is drawn to para 4 (c).
5. 5 Aust CRE (Wks) will be responsible for the submission of the return covering such refrigeration installed by and being maintained by them.
6. Units are responsible for the return of refrigeration taken on charge and those specified in para 4 (c).

(H. WALKER) *Regd Mtd Col.*
AA & QMG 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA

DISTRIBUTION:

List "D" (Less Serials 3, 4, 9, 12, 13, 14, 16)

HQ First Aust Army (ATT)
16 Jan 45
Q 2857

Subject : REFRIGERATORS

2 Aust Corps
5 Aust Div
6 Aust Div
8 Aust Inf Bde
3 Aust Base Sub Area
4 Aust Base Sub Area
5 Aust Base Sub Area
6 Aust Base Sub Area
LAE Base Sub Area
Area Comd MILNE BAY
Area Comd MADANG
ANGAU

1. The necessity for care, maintenance, and economy in the use of refrigeration is stressed in view of the large demands of operational units, and the direct bearing which the equipment has upon the efficiency of the soldier.

2. In view of the importance which is attached to the provision and maintenance of refrigerators, every care will be taken in the preparation of the returns and the implementation of the instructions set out in this memo.

3. The difficulty of procuring personnel capable of handling and maintaining this equipment is appreciated, and action is being taken by HQ to relieve the shortage.

4. To enable First Aust Army to keep HQ informed of the refrigeration position in this area, addressees will --

(a) Submit to HQ First Aust Army a consolidated return (in triplicate) showing details of all refrigeration units by types, in accordance with pro-forma attached as Appendix A. Return is to reach HQ First Aust Army NOT later than 22 Feb 45.

(b) Thereafter on the . . . last day of each month (commencing 31 Mar 45) submit to HQ First Aust Army a return (in triplicate) showing any alterations which have occurred in the return since last submitted. Return to be in accordance with pro-forma attached as Appendix B. All returns will be submitted where no alterations have taken place during the period.

(c) Returns will include all refrigerators held whether received from military or other sources or sources other than Army issue. To identify this equipment as being received through the above channels a note will be included in the remarks column as follows:--

- (i) purchased through Regimental Funds, or
- (ii) received from Red Cross, or
- (iii) provided by Unit Welfare Association etc.

5. Formations, etc., will ensure, wherever possible, that refrigeration equipment is not handled by unskilled personnel except under the supervision of one who is familiar with such equipment.

6. Where camps in which refrigeration is installed have been vacated, early action will be taken to dismantle and return to store, or adequately guard such refrigeration, according to the duration for which the camp will be vacated and the nature of the refrigeration.

[Signature]
DAGG First Aust Army

Corps
Div
Base Sub Area
Area Comd.

- (b) Return to be submitted in triplicate.

(b) Return to be submitted in triplicate.																
Type	Serial No.	Capacity cu ft	No. Held	Make	Type of Refrigerant	Power Unit			Compressor No.	Army Plant No.		Main Serial No. Domestic Types Only		UNIT by which Refrigerator Held	LOCATION (General Area only)	REMARKS
						Make	HP	No.		Cool Room	Refrig. Unit	Cabinet	Refrig Unit			
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q
GROUP A																
DOMESTIC (up to & incl. 15 cu ft)																
Kerosene																
Petrol																
Electric																
Gas																
GROUP B																
REACH-IN																
Electric (20 cu ft up to & incl 100 cu ft)																
Mechanical																
GROUP C																
COOL ROOMS																
Electric (200 cu ft up to & incl 1000 ft)																
Mechanical																
GROUP D																
BULK																
Electric (1500 cu ft and over)																
Mechanical																
GROUP E																
ICE PLANTS																
500 lbs																
3 ton																
5 ton																
10 ton																
GROUP F																
MISCELLANEOUS																

16 JAN 1951

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GROUP 2
MISCELLANEOUS

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT
OF ENGINEER WORKS

SHEET 1

REPORT BY 5 AUST CRE (WKS)

as at 5 Feb 45

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total %	E.B.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
35.	PW Compound	22/1	25	40	10/2	6 A Tps	480			480		Movement to new area
	2 AUST CORPS											
6.	General Accommodation	23/1	5	60		10 Fd Coy	580			580		
	RAE					5 A Tps	1200					
	Roads drainage, clearing, Sand pits, camp installs		Continuous			10 Fd Coy	350	270		4487	533	
						2/1 Mlys	820	537	1310			
						2/2 Forest	1434	84	480			51896 s ft
	Sawmills					5 A Tps	600	800			42	15000 s ft
						58 Fd Pl	50			5348		2000 s ft (cover strip)
37.	2/1 Rly Wksp 50 x 45					5 A Tps						In hand
67.	1 Water Tpt 60 x 45		10	100		5 A tps	8			8		Complete
	AASC - 2 BSD											Clearing of site
	2. 6/120 x 45)					5 A Tps						complete.
	1/300 x 40) 94800											Complete
	7/120 x 40) sq ft											Complete
	7/ 60 x 40)											Complete
	2 BSD Refrigeration		7	95		6 A Tps	808		808			
	MEDICAL					5 A Tps	360					
12.	2/1 AGH (1200 bed)	3 Nov	2	97	7/2	10 Fd Coy	3970	325		5155		
	ORDNANCE											
13.	16AOD 1/300 x 45 (243900											Complete
	48/ 120 x 40 (sq ft		4	40		6 A Tps	456			456		16 complete
17.	13 AAD 1/100 x 45 (42300											9 Complete
	25/60 x 18 (sq ft			80		6 A Tps						work suspended
50.	RSD 1/120 x 45 (10800											120x45 frame complete
	2/ 60 x 45 (sq ft	16/1		15		6 A Tps						no further materials
	Parachute drying shed											Awaiting details
53.	30 ft Lary 65 x 18	9/1		50		5 A Tps	14			14		No roofing
46.	Offrs Shop 70x45		25	100		6 A Tps	32			32		Complete

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Cmp within period	Progress Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
<u>CANTEENS</u>												
16.	Removal & Re-erection	17/1		50		5 A Tps	850			850		Liquor store complete
48.	Ors club 330 x 45	3/1				5 A Tps						No material available
52.	Cordial Factory 70x45					5 A Tps						Awaiting materials
<u>AEME</u>												
62.	Gas Gen Plant 60x24'6"		20	20		Unit labour under Sapper supervision						Coverage completed
70.	Instrument Wksp 80 x 18											Platforms under constr In hand
<u>MISCELLANBOUS</u>												
57.	Broadcasting station											
	Alterations	26/1		30	15/2	5 A Tps	312					
42.	NGDD	3/1	5	95		5 A Tps	360	217	210	787		
5.	Base Post Office	3/1		90		5 A Tps						Awaiting materials
	Beach improvements	16/1	10	70		6 A Tps	250					
32.	Docks transit store			70		Pt Maint Pl						Awaiting coverage
30.	ANGAU 3/60 x 15	29/1	15	15		5 A Tps	126		42	168		

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: OFFICERS' SHOP

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
5 Feb 45

Q.242

AMENDMENT No.1

HQ 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA ADM INSTR No.12

1. Para 7 of subject Adm Instr will be amended to read :-

TAILORING

Until such time that initial heavy demand for Uniforms SD shows a tendency to ease, orders for Jackets Safari and Trousers KD will NOT be taken if officers can be fitted from stock sizes.



Lt-Col

(H. WALKER)

AA & QMG 4 Aust Base Sub Area

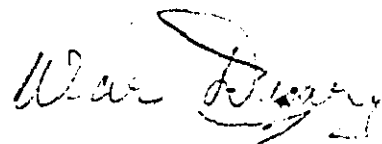
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Report by: 5 Aust CMB (Wks)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT
OF ENGINEER WORKS
as at 9 Feb 45

Sheet 1.



Job No.	Work and location	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works include supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Spr	Oths	Mats			
6.	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>					10 Fd Coy	700			700		
	2 Aust Corps Accom.	23/1	5	65		5 A Tps	126			126		
	<u>R.A.E.</u>											
	Roads, drainage, clearing, sandpits camp installations.			CONTINUOUS		2/1 Rlys	1480	294	3520	5294	1060	
	Sawmills			Continuous		53 Fd Plk	80			68	34	2900 s ft
						2/2 Forest	1504		544	2048	96	70937 s ft
						5 A Tps	740	790	534	2164	40	12000 s ft
37.2/1	Rly Constr					5 A Tps						In hand
	Wisp 30' x 45'											
66.13	Small Ships 30x13'	6 Feb	100	100		5 A Tps	24			24		Complete. Spr supervision only
2.	<u>A.A.S.C.</u>											
	2 BSD (5/120'x45'											Site cleared.
	Total (1/300'x40'											
	94800 (7/120'x40'											Complete
	s ft (7/60' x40'											
	Ice Cream Factory			100		5 A Tps	44			44		Complete
	Refrigerator					5 A Tps	98			98		Awaiting valves and ammonia.
12.	<u>MEDICAL</u>											
	2/1 AGH (1200 bed)	5 Nov	1	98		10 Fd Coy	3194	323		4119		
						5 A Tps	364	210		574		

Sheet 2

Job No.	Work and location	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works Including Supervision			Total	Plant Hrs	Mach	REMARKS
							Spr	Oth	Nats				
<u>ORDNANCE</u>													
16.	15 ASD 1/300x45 43/120x40 Total 243900 sq ft					6 A Tps	568			568			Complete 17 complete
17.	15 ASD 1/100x45 25/60x18 Total 42800 sq ft					6 A Tps							Complete
45.	3 Ord Veh Pl VOL Store 60x18	9 Feb			15 Feb	5 A Tps	7			7			Spr supervision only
50.	3 RSD 1/120 x 45 2/ 60 x 45 Total 10800 sq ft					6 A Tps							Frame complete
	Parachute Dry shed 45 x 25					6 A Tps							In hand
55.	30 Lt Laundry			60		5 A Tps							
52.	A.D.M.E. Mod Gas Gen 60x34			60		10 Ed Coy	10			10			Spr supervision only
	12 Adv Whsps Instr Room 60x18 Whsp 130x45 Ord Room 60x18	6 Feb	60	60		5 A Tps	64			64			In hand
71.	102 Bde Whsps 60x30	7 Feb	60	30		10 Ed Coy	230			230			Framework only
<u>CAMPBENS</u>													
16.	Removal & Re-erection	17 Jan	40	60		5 A Tps	370	2.4		1164			Work suspended
40.	CR Club 850x45					5 A Tps							
52.	Jordal Pact 70x45					5 A Tps							
<u>ANGAU</u>													
	Security Huts 5/60x18	29 Jan	40	55		5 A Tps	170	40		210			Unit supplying salt salt pooling

Sheet 3.

Job No.	Work and Location	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works Include Supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Mats			
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>												
57.	B'casting Station Alterations	26 Jan	60	90	15 Feb	5 A Tps	112			112		
42.	NGDD	3 Jan		95		5 A Tps	456	35	35	506		
38.	Kit Store 60x13					5 A Tps						In hand
5.	Base Post Office	3 Jan		90		5 A Tps						In hand
32.	Docks Transit Store			70		Pt Maint Pl						In hand

Sgd: GG SERPELL Capt
for E.D. MURK Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Works)

WAR DIARY

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - SYNTHETIC TYRES
AND TUBES

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area
12 Feb 45.

Q.284

1. Synthetic rubber tyres and tubes are now on issue and in use on Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton 4x4 Jeep and Trailers Jeep (Aust) No.3A. In addition, certain heavy army vehicles being imported from overseas are equipped with tyres and tubes of synthetic compounds.

2. In order that all may be informed on the means of identification of synthetic rubber tyres, below is subtended the code symbol number and letter combinations used, together with the colour of medallions. These are moulded on the sidewalls of the tyre.

For Buna S (GRS)

Colour	Symbol	Type of Construction
Red	S.1	80% GRS tread on a natural rubber casing
"	S.2	50% GRS tread on a natural rubber casing
"	S.3	100% GRS Tread on a 100% GRS casing
"	S.4	90% GRS and 10% natural rubber distributed throughout the casing at the manufacturer's discretion
"	S.5	100% GRS tread on a natural rubber casing
"	S.6	70% GRS and 30% natural rubber distributed throughout the casing at the manufacturer's discretion

For Neoprene (GRM)

Yellow	M.3	100% GRM tread on 100% GRM casing
"	M.5	100% GRM tread on a natural rubber casing

For Butyl (GRI)

Light Blue	I.3	100% GRI tread on a 100% GRI casing
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3. In addition to the above symbols, tyres made with Rayon cord will be identified by the letter "R" placed adjacent to the synthetic rubber marking.

4. Synthetic rubber tubes are identified by a permanent circumferential coloured stripe at least $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide, applied at the base of the tube.

The type of synthetic is determined by the colour of the stripe viz:

<u>Colour</u>	<u>Type of Synthetic</u>
Red	Buna (GRS)
Yellow	Neoprene (GRM)
Light Blue	Butyl (GRI)

5. Synthetic rubber has several inherent properties which do not contribute to long tyre life as compared with the performance of natural rubber tyres. These are:-

- (a) Low conductivity of heat, therefore the heat built up in the tyre due to flexing is not dissipated, sometimes resulting in ply and tread separations.
- (b) The higher operating temperature of these tyres also results in more rapid cord fabric fatigue, particularly in larger truck tyre sizes (7.50' section and up), hence the manufacture of Rayon cord tyres which have more resistance to heat, and the necessity to use natural rubber casings in some sizes.
- (c) Higher tyre temperatures result in more rapid tread wear, also, as synthetic rubber when hot has low tear resistance, cuts on walls and tread tend to extend rapidly unless the tyre is removed for repair when the cut is in the minor stage.
- (d) Low resistance to the effect of sun's rays which causes minute cracks to appear on tread and walls if tyres are constantly exposed (spares are an example).
- (e) Synthetic tubes can NOT be repaired by "hot patch" method.

6. From observations of these tyres while in service and those returned to RSD, it is estimated that, taking a natural rubber tyre as par, if properly maintained as regards inflations and adherence to rated loads of vehicles, synthetic tyres are from 50 - 75% efficient.

7. If inflations are neglected (even a few pounds) or loads are excessive, synthetic tyres will render approximately 10 - 20% of their expected life.

8. It will be the responsibility of Unit Comds to ensure that all MF personnel are fully informed of the contents of this instruction. Any neglect will result in disciplinary action being taken against the unit concerned.

[Signature]
Lt-Col
(H. WALKER)

AA & QMG 4 Aust Base Sub Area

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Dear Mary

Subject: ALLOCATION OF EQUIPMENT TAKEN OVER FROM U.S. NAVY

12 & 42nd Base Sub Area
14 Feb 45.

c. 297

1. The following is the allocation of Machinery, Major Machine Tools, Spare Parts and Buildings on FORTUNA Is., taken over from U.S. NAVY.

- (a) Building No.1 - 60' x 100' on western side of block 2 Landing Craft Wharf ALMS
- (b) Building No.2 - 60' x 100' on eastern side of block 12 42nd Air Wing Intercoast Sec ALMS
- (c) Building No.3 } 20' x 48' } 12 ASD and coils
" No.4 } 20' x 42' }
- (d) Major Machine Tools

- (i) JOHNSON, Crescent, w/110-amp., 60cy Pearlman, 2 hp motor. 1
- (ii) SANDS, 36", Crescent, w/220v. 60cy Pearlman 3hp elec motor 1
- (iii) CABLE SAW, Henschel Heavy, 110-amp v. 20 cy 5 hp mtr. 1
- (iv) ROBERT ELECTRIC WELDER. 300 amp, portable gas driven (Robert S.R.-3700) No. 21901 1
- (v) DRYO, No. 15902 1
- (vi) GRINDER, Portable, 800, 3", 110-v 1
- (vii) MILLER, Thor Elect. sine 100 1
- (viii) SAW, Mill, Drill type, 2" E. Duty 1
- (ix) MILL PRESS, Buffalo, 15" 220-v 1

To be handed over to 42 for allocation in accordance with unit deficiencies.

Make

- (iv) for 12 42nd Air Wing Intercoast Sec
- (v) for 42 42nd Landing Craft Coy.

- (x) LIFT, Hanger, 2200, 3 ton 1
To 15 ASD and coils on FORTUNA Is.
- (xi) SPARKER, Paint, outfit comp, gas-drive. 2
w/3-15 gal. tanks (Mortimer)
To 12 Air Wing Intercoast Sec
- (xii) CRANE, Northport, Model G, 25 ton 1
lift, w/hydraulic engine
- (xiii) COSS, 60", w/hoist block for 250 crane 1
To 22 Air Wing Intercoast Sec.
- (xiv) TRACTOR, Allis Chalmers, No. 57142975 1
CRANE, Lufkin, No. 20-2508 1
To 42 42nd Landing Craft Coy

(c) Dept : General Services

(iv) DISMANTLED BNT, Cleaver-Brooks
150 GPM 1
To be taken over by 13 Aust Small Ships
Coy for operation and maintenance.

(vii) PUMP-PURPER, Proportionaire Inc. 15 gpm 2
PUMP, Water, Berkeley, 65 gpm, gas 1
driven engine 1
MOTOR, Electric, 5HP (used with Puro- 1
pumper outfit) 3
TANKS, Water, Wooden, 5,000 gal 1200 ft
PIPE, Water, 2" 12
VALVES, 2" 2
VALVES, 3" 2
SHOWDOWNING, w/valves 23
FAUNTS, 2" 17

Are associate parts of (iv) above.

(viii) GENERATOR, 750W, Diesel driven, AC,
3ph. 60 cy. 220-440 v 2
GENERATOR, Sec driven, 100W, AC, 1ph
60 cy. 3 wire, 220-440 v 1
To 13 Adv Ship Interunit Sec for oper-
ation and maintenance.

(ix) WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 3/c No.5 2025 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 1/c No.5 4330 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 1/c, No.4 1275 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 1/c, No.3 250 ft
WIRE, elec, w-c, o/s, 1/c, No.4 2735 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 2/c, No.16 730 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 3/c, No.12 142 ft
WIRE, elec-w-c, o/s, 2/c, No.12 60 ft
WIRE ROPE, High strength strand,
3/4 diameter 2125 ft
PULPS AND INSULATIONS, for above
Wiring

are part of (viii) above-mentioned.

(xix) TANK, Fuel, all-metal, 1 piece,
3000 gal. 6
4 to 40 Aust Landing Craft Coy
2 to 13 Aust Small Ships Coy

(xx) LANTERN, 14 cu yd. for use w/121
3 in. diam, w/tailline (at 121
(only 1 of this item available) motor :
BUOY, Dragline, compd, 14 cu yd 1
to 13 Adv Ship Landing Craft Sec

Landing Craft

(xxi) LANDING CRAFT (LC-3) 4

Local No.	Roll No.	Tracing No.
LC-3	C-20171	C-20171; C-29651
LC-3	C-617192	C-10169; C-9252
LC-3	C-918055	C-28055; C-21251
LC-3	C-27775	C-19855; C-19871

WATER, in above boats 3
TANK, Fuel (25-33) complete with
following equipment for fueling:
PUMPS, Diesel fuel 2
MOTORS, Gray Marine Diesel, No. C-10123
C-10153 2
Mixing assemblies and clutches 2
TANK, Fuel, metal, flexible, with
nozzles, in 50 ft sections 2 line

During maintenance and cleaning
and loading craft day

(incl) ENGINE, Gray Marine (spare) Diesel
5 cylinder
to be held in ord calls for replacements.

Spare parts.

Serials 1 to 301 on machine 55-65 to be taken over
by 15 and ord calls for replacements.

2. None of the above equipment will be taken on charge
at this juncture.

3. It is requested that units submit to this as a custody
receipt for each item taken over, pending confirmation of the
transfer from U.S. Navy by higher authority.

4. Immediately the confirmation is received at this HQ,
units will be advised and directed to take on charge such items
of equipment which have been allotted them.

William J. ...
Capt

(S. 11111)

11 & 12 4 1st 2nd 3rd Area

DISPATCHES

1 1st Inter 1st Op HAY (2)
15 1st AD
12 1st AD Hays
2 1st Corps (3)
5 1st CMC (1st)
DADOS
DAGS
WV Diary (2)
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

WAR DIARY

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
22 Feb 45.

Q.324

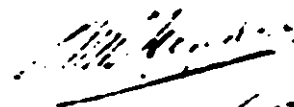
AMENDMENT No.2 TO HQ 4 AUST BASE SUB AREA
ADM INSTR No.8

1. Ref HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area Adm Instr No.8, Disposal of Vehicles Para 13 Page 5.
2. After "Relieved units will move less all vehs unless otherwise ordered" ADD sub para -

"(a) (1) Tanks, Guns and Mechanical Plant

These will be treated as unit equipment and will be included in details of vehicles vide First Aust Army ASO Chap 20 Section 7 together with the following additional information:-

Total weight of stores in tons deadweight and measurements including those carried in vehicles. "


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Lt-Col

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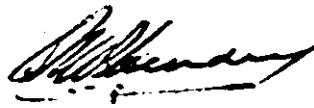
AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject: ISSUE OF ICE CREAM

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
23 Feb 45.

c. 332

1. Through the generosity of Aust Comforts Fund an Ice Cream making plant has been placed at the disposal of this HQ to supply Ice Cream to tps in forward areas and hospitals.
2. Ice Cream will be manufactured on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and will be available for distribution for period 21 Feb - 4 Mar 45 as per Appendix "A" attached, from 0500 hrs Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.
3. Owing to the limited supply available, Ice Cream will be distributed only to forward tps and patients at 2/1 AGH, 106 CCS and 109 CCS.
4. Scale of issue will be one churn per 150 tps.
5. Formations will be responsible for collection at 2 Aust BSO, transportation to forward areas and return of empty churns to issue point. 2 Aust BSO will be responsible for delivery to 2/1 AGH and 106 CCS.
6. All quantities surplus to the normal requirements of 109 Aust CCS will be available to 2/1 AGH.
7. It will be the responsibility of formations and units to return empty churns to 2 Aust BSO by first available means in order to facilitate refilling for subsequent issues.
8. It is essential that the provisions of para 7 be adhered to, as delay in return of empty churns will preclude regular supply.


Lt-Col

(M. WALKER)

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2/1 AGH
106 Aust CCS
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ISSUE OF ICE CREAM
PERIOD 21 FEB - 4 MAR 45

<u>TYPE OF FORMATION</u>	<u>DATE AVAILABLE AND NUMBER OF CYLINDERS</u>					
	<u>21 Feb</u>	<u>23 Feb</u>	<u>25 Feb</u>	<u>28 Feb</u>	<u>2 Mar</u>	<u>4 Mar</u>
2/1 ADH	3	3	-	3	3	1
106 Aust CCS	3	-	3	3	-	3
109 Aust CCS	-	2	2	-	2	2
11 Aust Pd Ad	-	1	-	-	1	-
ADULE DID	6	6	6	-	-	-
TEKESSE DID	-	-	-	-	-	3
19 Aust Pd Ad	-	-	1	-	-	1
SIRAI DID	-	-	-	-	6	-
WMA WMA DID	-	-	-	6	-	-

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

WAR DIARY

Subject: SPECIAL ISSUE OF SPIRITS

HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
23 Feb 45,

Q.330

A special issue for February of 1 bottle of wine per officer will be available to be drawn on the normal beer issue day during week ending 2 Mar.

M. Walker
Lt-Col
(H. WALKER)

AA & QHQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

War Diary

Subject: CATERING ACTIVITIES

Catering
HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
24 Feb 45.

D.A.Q.M.G.
4 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. RATION ISSUES

Rations for the period 17 Feb to 24 Feb were of good variety and well balanced. A few fresh commodities such as butter, onions, beef were on issue. An issue of Fresh Fruit would be greatly appreciated by all troops when available.

2. DELETIONS

Deletions have been comparatively few, units appearing to consume their daily issue.

3. KITCHENS AND MESSSES

The standard of cleanliness in Kitchens and Messes inspected has been excellent. 2/5 Aust Con Depot progressing well. "A" Coy Kitchen building just completed and should be ready for use in the near future.

4. HYGIENE

All units satisfactory. Well policed by Hygiene staff.

5. TRAINING AACC PERSONNEL

Training commences 25 Feb 45 at rear of 3 Aust Div, five vacancies having been allotted this Base Area. 2 i/c DEq Catering and Cooking Wing, Lt Hamilton, arrived this morning to take over duties of training.

6. GENERAL

An issue of ice cream is being made twice per week to hospital patients and this is greatly appreciated. The condition of ice cream arriving at Hospitals is firm and easily portioned out.

Sgd: WIOS WHEELAGHAN
Army Catering Supervisor
HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted)

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"Q" Branch

Unit 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0600 hrs 1 MAR 45 To 0600 hrs 1 APR 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	1 Mar		Distribution ice cream decided between DADST & 2 Aust Corps	
	2 Mar		All US equipment transferred from Navy except Mech Eqpt.	
	3 Mar		SITNOR	
	4 Mar		Advised that 900 tons of Engr Stores were available in LAE. 300 tons small ship despatched. SS ORMISTON arrived with AANS and AAMWS Personnel.	
	5 Mar		SITNOR	
	6 Mar		2 x 100 ft refrigerators installed Base HQ; unit personnel receiving similar refrigerators instructed in installation. Owing to establishment by 2 Corps of DID at BARARA, bi-weekly sailings to TOKO arranged.	
	7 Mar		SITNOR	
	8 Mar		SS MILLEN GRIFFITH in Port.	
	9 Mar		Barges unloaded from MILLEN GRIFFITH relieve watercraft shortage.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.2118.
(Adap ed.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JJ	10 Mar		SITNOR	
JJ	11 Mar		All mech equipment except 10 water trucks for strip maint taken over from American Forces.	
JJ	12 Mar		Aust Army replaces US personnel in TOROKINA Port Control	
JJ	13 Mar		Brig LLOYD visiting area, satisfied with handling of native labour problems.	
JJ	14 Mar		U.S.A.F. NORSOLS agrees to make 420 US personnel available to relieve labour situation. SS SIMMONS loading.	
JJ	15 Mar		Harbour anchorages altered to allow space for mooring one additional Liberty ship. RAAF 7 Airfield Construction Unit allotted to this area.	
JJ	16 Mar		Water supply problem of SS KALANG under consideration. Water barge considered necessary.	
JJ	17 Mar		SITNOR	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
23	18 Mar		SS MARSHALL begins unloading. All native labour in area including GREEN Is & EMIRAU Is placed under command this HQ.	
23	19 Mar		Decided that MASONIC CLUB would be used as ORs Club.	
23	20 Mar		SS MILLEN GRIFFITH cargo reconciliation reveals it to be an outstanding example of pillaging at Port of loading.	
23	21 Mar		2/1 AGH to have Maintenance Pl attached to WE	
23	22 Mar		Report on Maintenance of vehicles in area received and not considered satisfactory.	
23	23 Mar		Arrangements completed for transfer 2 x 6800 ft refrigeration from US Army.	
23	24 Mar		SITNOR	
23	25 Mar		SS VAN OUTHORN cleared and loaded US personnel	
23	26 Mar		10 water trucks with sprinklers taken over from US Army.	
23	27 Mar		SS MONTORO unloading. SS CASSIOPA loading for Americans.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

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AS AT 24 MARCH 45

Job No.	Work and Location	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Spr	Oth	Nat			
A.A.S.C.												
2.	Refrig BSD (17200 c ft)					5 A Tps						12,200 c ft completed
2 AUST CORPS												
6.	HQ Accommodation	23 Jan	5	92	31 Mar	10 Fd Coy	600			600		
6a	Recep Camp Scale A	19 Mar	65	65	26 Mar	5 A Tps	224		256	480		
MEDICAL												
69.	2/3 Con Dep Constr	12 Feb	14	72		10 Fd Coy	732		910	1632		Natives on drainage & roads
	Hitting to replace											Not yet commenced
	tents (20000 sq ft)	-	-	-	20 Jun	-	-		-	-		Probable ETC 4 Apr
12.	2/1 AGH	---	-	-	-	-	-		-	-		Preparing plans for extension to 1800 beds
ORDNANCE												
13	16 AOD/252000 sq ft	10 Mar	10	50	-	5 A Tps	1056		48	1104		130900 sq ft completed
	3 RSD)											
	" Parachute Drying											
	Shed	28 Feb	40	90	26 Mar	5 A Tps	260			260	6	
F.P.C.												
35.	Camp Bldgs & Sc A Acc	8 Mar	30	70	31 Mar	58 C Fd Pk	315			315		
CANTEENS												
48.	ORs Club	26 Feb	3	25	7 Apr	10 Fd Coy	155	25		180		
R.A.N.												
72.	Scale A Accm	3 Mar	10	100	17 Mar	5 A Tps	55		30	85		Completed
75.	NG SCHOOL SQGS											Temp suspended awaiting arrival directing staff
	Scale A Accn	9 Mar		90		5 A Tps						100 miles road graded -
R.A.E.												
	Roads drainage clearing	CONTINUOUS				2/1 Rly Coy	671	2736		3407	472	Torokina River diverted
	Sawmilling	"				2/2 For Coy	1248	498 480		2226	95	109,301 s ft for week
	"	"				5 A Tps	208			208	-	
	"	"				58 C Fd Pk	30			30	11	1700 s ft
	RAE Depot Operation	"				"	1140	270/240		2650		550 tons in

AS AT 24 MARCH 45

Work and Location	Date Comm	Comp within period	Prog Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
						Sprgs	Oths	Nats			
A.A.S.C.											
Refrig SSD (17200 c ft)					5 A Tps						12,200 c.ft completed
2 AUST CORPS											
Hq Accommodation	23 Jan	5	92	31 Mar	10 Pd Coy	600			600		
Recep Camp Scale A	19 Mar	65	65	26 Mar	5 A Tps	224		256	480		
MEDICAL											
2/3 Com Dep Constr	12 Feb	14	72		10 Pd Coy	732		910	1632		Natives on drainage & roads
Putting to replace tents (20000 sq ft)	-	-	-	20 Jun	-	-	-	-	-		Not yet commenced
2/1 AGE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Probable ETC 4 Apr
											Preparing plans for extension to 1200 beds
ORDNANCE											
16 ACD) 252000 sq ft	10 Mar	10	50	-	5 A Tps	1056		48	1104		130900 sq ft completed
3 ASD)											
" Parachute Drying Shed	28 Feb	40	90	26 Mar	5 A Tps	260			260	6	
F.P.C.											
Camp Bldgs & Sc A Acc	3 Mar	30	70	31 Mar	58 C Pd Pk	315			315		
CANTEENS											
ORs Club	26 Feb	3	25	7 Apr	10 Pd Coy	155	25		180		
R.A.N.											
Scale A Accn	3 Mar	10	100	17 Mar	5 A Tps	55		30	85		Completed
NO SCHOOL SNGS											
Scale A Accn	9 Mar		90		5 A Tps			-			Temp suspended awaiting arrival directing staff
R.A.E.											
Roads drainage clearing	CONTINUOUS				2/1 Fly Coy	671	2736		3407	472	100 miles road graded -
Sawmilling	"				2/2 For Coy	1243	498	420	2226	35	Torokina River diverted
"	"				5 A Tps	208			208	-	109,301 s ft for week
"	"				58 C Pd Pk	30			30	11	1700 s ft
RAE Depot Operation	"				"	1140	270	1240	2650		550 tons in

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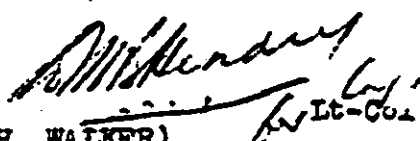
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Subject: CATERING ACTIVITIES

Catering,
HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
24 Mar 45

"H" BRANCH
4 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. RATIONS

The ration position during the week ending 23 Mar has been exceedingly good, fresh commodities being the daily issue coupled with a supply of fresh vegetables supplied from the 6 Ind Farm Pl. The remainder of the issue was well balanced and of good variety.

2. REQUISITIONS

Comparatively few units are depleting, fresh and other commodities appearing to be consumed.

3. TRAINING AASC PERSONNEL

No.3 Trainees Course conducted by EAF School of Cooking and Army Catering has commenced training, the school being located at 3 Aust RSU. The duration of the course will be 28 days. Nominations for further schools has exceeded all expectations 4 Aust Base Area.

4. EQUIPMENT

Difficulty is still being experienced in procuring the necessary utensils and cleaning gear - hand scrubbers, brooms etc. The shortage has been over a lengthy period and the position is now becoming acute, the standard of hygiene in kitchens and messes being impaired.

5. AASC PERSONNEL

A deficiency of cooks is being experienced at present within the Base Area, brought about by sickness and return to industry. The matter is being attended to by "A" Branch - reinforcements promised when transport available.

6. GENERAL

All units visited during the past week expressed the utmost satisfaction at the excellent and sustained supply of fresh commodities as has been on issue recently. Satisfactory arrangements have now been completed between 2/1 AIF and 2/3 Aust Gen Depot for the regular twice weekly supply of 3 oz ice cream per patient.

(THOS WITTEBACH)
Supervisor Army Catering
HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).

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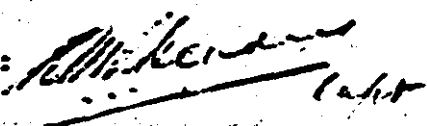
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AS AT 17 MAR 45

WAR DIARY

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total %	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
<u>AASC</u>												
2.	2 BSD (102,000 sq ft) Refrig (17,200 c ft)	8 Mar	75	100	13 Mar	5 A Tps	216			216	24	102,000 sq ft complete 12,200 c ft complete
No work during period												
<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>												
6.	HQ Accommodation	23 Jan	10	87	31 Mar	10 Fd Coy	878		192	1070		
6a.	Reception Camp	9 Mar	15	15	-	"	25			25		Handed over to 5 A Tps 10/3
		12 Mar	85	100	17 Mar	5 A Tps	176			176		Completed
<u>MEDICAL</u>												
69.	2/3 Con Depot	12 Feb	10	58		10 Fd Coy	686		560	1046		Work hampered by bad weather (100 yards Works Roads & Drain are.
<u>ORDNANCE</u>												
13.	16 AOD)		-	22	-	5 A Tps	-	-	-	-		
50.	3 RSD) 252,000 sq ft	10 Mar	90	90	21 Mar	"	376	-	122	498		114,000 sq ft completed
50.	RSD Parachute Shed	25 Feb	20	50	28 Mar	"	240			240		
<u>F.P.C.</u>												
35.	Camp Bldgs Scale A Acc	8 Mar	30	40	31 Mar	58 C Fd Pk	315			315		
<u>CANTEENS</u>												
48.	ORs Club (13,900 sq ft)	26 Feb	15	20	23 Apr	10 Fd	730	192		922		
<u>R.A.N.</u>												
72.	Accom Scale A	3 Mar	60	90	17 Mar	5 A Tps	210		90	300		
<u>NG SCHOOL OF SIGS</u>												
73.	Accom Scale A	9 Mar	60	90	17 Mar	5 A Tps	208		88	296		
<u>R.A.E.</u>												
	Roads, drainage, clearing		Continuous			2/1 Rly C	688	288	2736	3712	490	100 miles rd graded
	Sawmill Operation		"			2/2 Forest	476	410	480	2366	128	133,980 s ft
	" "		"			5 A Tps						
	Stores Depot Operation		"			58 C Fd Pk	80			80	25	6,000 " "
	" "		"			" "	1240	330	2960	4530		Tonnage in 1800
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AS AT 17 MAR 45

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6a.	Reception Camp	9 Mar	15	15		"	25			25		Handed over to 5 A Tps 10/3
		12 Mar	85	100	17 Mar	5 A Tps	178			178		Completed
<u>MEDICAL</u>												
69.	E/S Con Depot	12 Feb	10	58		10 Pd Coy	686		360	1046		Work hampered by bad weather (HE built Yorks Roads & Drain)
<u>ORDNANCE</u>												
13.	16 ASD		-	22		5 A Tps	-	-	-	-		282
50.	3 BSD) 252,000 sq ft	10 Mar	20	90	21 Mar	"	378	-	122	498		114,000 sq ft completed
50.	BSD Parachute Shed	28 Feb	20	50	23 Mar	"	240			240		
<u>P.P.C.</u>												
35.	Camp Ridge Scale A Acc	8 Mar	30	40	31 Mar	58 C Pd Fk	315			315		
<u>CAMPFENS</u>												
48.	ORA C100 (15,900 sq ft)	26 Feb	15	20	28 Apr	10 Pd	730	192		922		
<u>R.A.N.</u>												
72.	Accom Scale A	5 Mar	60	90	17 Mar	5 A Tps	210		90	300		
<u>MG SCHOOL OF SIGS</u>												
73.	Accom Scale A	9 Mar	60	90	17 Mar	5 A Tps	208		88	296		
<u>R.A.N.</u>												
	Roads, drainage, clearing		Continuous			2/1 Rly C	688	288	2736	3712	490	100 miles rd graded
	Small Operation		"			2/2 Pores	476	410	480	2366	128	135,980 sq ft
	"		"			5 A Tps						
	Stores Depot Operation		"			58 C Pd Fk	80			80	25	6,000 " "
	"		"			"	1240	330	2960	4530		Tonnage in 1800

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5 Aust CRE (Wks)

AS AT 10 MAR 48

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Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total%	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Spr	Oth	Nat			
6	2 AUST CORPS											
	HQ Accommodation	23 Jan		77	31 Mar	10 Fd	160			160		
6a	Staging Camp	9 Mar	15	15	-	"	25			25		
35	F P C	8 Mar	4	4	31 Mar	58 Fd Pk	42			42		
	<u>R A E</u>											
	Roads, drainage, clearing					2/1 Rlys	554	288	2736	3578		100 miles graded
	sawmills					2/2 Forest	1526	660	464	2650		)144,883 sq ft timber
						5 A Tps	208		208	208		)working double shift
						58 Fd Pk	80			80	30	8700 sq ft timber
	<u>A A S C</u>											
2	2 BSD (102,000 sq ft)		10	97	13 Mar	5 A Tps	776		776	776	48	96,600 sq ft complete
2a	Air Maint Stores (10800)		5	100	5 Mar	5 A Tps	170			170		Complete
2	Refrig (17,200 sq ft)											12,200 sq ft complete
	<u>MEDICAL</u>											
12	2/1 AGH (1200 bed)	3 Nov	Continuous			10 Fd	750	360	60	1170		Painting, minor adds.
69	2/3 Con Depot	12 Feb	8	48	31 Mar		868	32	200	1100		
	<u>ORDNANCE</u>											
13	(16 AOD)					10 Fd	250			250		98,400 sq ft complete
50	3 RSD) 252,000 sq ft					5 A Tps						
50	Parachute Drying Rm	28 Feb	25	30	28 Mar	"	320			320		
53	30 Lt Laundry			60		"						Plant still in operation. Roof still to be constructed.
17	13 AAD 40 x 18	7 Mar	100	100	9 Mar	10 Fd Coy	150			150		
	<u>A E W E</u>											
70	Wksp (8,100 sq ft)		10	10		5 A Tps						Unit labour Spr supervision.
	Admin Office					5 A Tps						Not yet commenced.

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	
<u>CANTEENS</u>													
48	OR Club (13,500 sq ft)	26 Feb	5	7	28 Apr	10 Fd	550	96		646			
	Cordial Factory (3,150 sq ft)					10 Fd							Not yet commenced
<u>R A N</u>													
72.	Accommodation	8 Calo H	2 Mar	25	30	16 Mar	5 A Tps	220		220	4		Alteration to American Camp
<u>NG SCHOOL OF SIGS</u>													
73.	Accommodation	9 Mar	30	30	23 Mar	5 A Tps	32		56	88		"	" " " "
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>													
38	Kit store (1080 sq ft)					5 A Tps							Not yet commenced

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5 Aust CRE (Wks)

AS AT 10 MAR 68

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Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Totals	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	WORKS INCLUDE SUPERVISION			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Supr	Othrs	Rate			
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6a	Staging Camp	9 Mar	15	15	-	"	25			25		
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	R A E											
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73	<u>NE SCHOOL OF SIGS</u> Accommodation	9 Mar	30	23 Mar	5 A Tps	32			56	88		" " " "
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Subject: CATERING ACTIVITIESCatering
HQ 4 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)

Mar 45

DAQMG
4 AUST BASE SUB AREA1. RATION ISSUES

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On inspection, all units visited during the week proved to be very satisfactory, storage racks being scrubbed and well cared for.

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13 Mar 45

TECH SUMMARY5 AUST CRE (WORKS)

1. MAP REF TOROKINA 1:63360

2. UNITS UNDER COMMAND:

5 Aust Army Tps Coy	552939
10 Aust Fd Coy	557938
Det 2/2 Forestry Coy	576964
58 Aust Corps Fd Pk	556944
2/1 Aust Rly Constr (less 2 pls)	553944
Det 2 Aust Forest Survey Coy	775748

3. WORKS COMPLETED

Main projects completed as at this date:-

(a) 4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ		
(b) 16 AOD 18 storage sheds 120 x 40		complete
1 " " 300 x 40		"
(c) 13 AAD 35 " " 60 x 18		"
1 " " 100 x 45		"
School for am pers 40 x 18		"
(d) AASC - 2 BSD		"
Refrigeration 17,200 c ft	12,200	"
Ice Cream Plant		"
Storage Sheds 1/300 x 40		"
8/120 x 40		"
8/60 x 40		"
6/120 x 45		5 complete
Air Maint Unit Storage 4/60 x 45		"
(e) 2/1 AGH 1200 bed		"
(f) NGDD Transit Camp		"
(g) AEME Gas Gen Plant		"
12 Adv Wksp - Instrument Wksp 60 x 18		complete
(h) ANGAU Security Stores 11/60 x 18		"
(i) RAE Depot 3/80 x 30)		"
1/100 x 30)		"
3/80 x 40)		"
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" " Reception Camp Bldgs Latrs etc		
(b) 2/3 Com Depot		48%
(c) 3 BSD 1/120 x 45)		
2/60 x 45)		20%
Parachute Drying Room 45 x 25		30%
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Workshop 180 x 45)		
Orderly Room 60 x 18)		15%
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5 Aust CRE (Wks)

TECH SUMMARY

5 AUST CRE (WORKS)

1. MAP REF TOROKIMA 1:63360

2. UNITS UNDER COMMAND:

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10 Aust Fd Coy	557938
Det 2/2 Forestry Coy	576984
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2/1 Aust Rly Constr (1chs 3 pls)	553944
Det 2 Aust Forest Survey Coy	775748

3. WORKS COMPLETED

Main projects completed as at this date:-

(a) 4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ		
(b) 1G AOD 18 storage sheds 120 x 40		complete
1 " " 200 x 40		"
(c) 15 AAD 35 " " 60 x 18		"
1 " " 100 x 45		"
School for am pers 40 x 18		"
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Refrigeration 17,200 c ft	12,200	"
Ice Cream Plant		"
Storage Sheds 1/500 x 40		"
8/120 x 40		"
8/60 x 40		"
6/120 x 45		5 complete
Air Maint Unit Storage 6/60 x 45		"
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(f) HODD Transit Camp		"
(g) AEST Gas Gen Plant		"
12 Adv Wksp - Instrument Wksp 60 x 18		complete
(h) AEST Security Stores 11/60 x 18		"
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1/100 x 30 }		"
5/80 x 40 }		"
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2/60 x 45 }		30%
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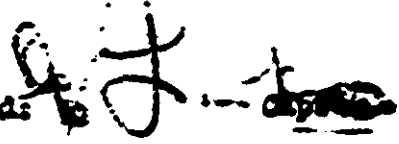
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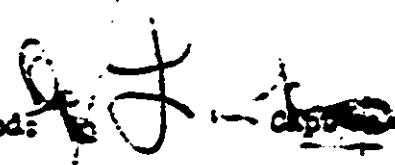
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Battery - As in (f) if under floor.

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Master Cylinder - Fluid level and no signs of leaks.

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Compression - Test compression if warranted by engine performance under test (with guage)

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Electrical - High and low tension leads for cracks and frayed - terminals for tight - generator commutator - generator bearings - distributor seals - distributor points and connections (except Pd) - horn wires and connections - distributor shaft worn or bent (GWT) - starter commutator - solenoid terminals tight - light connection and switches.

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Axles - for end play - no leaks on wheel oil seals - brakes free and not binding.

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Lubrication - Check all nipples and working parts for lubrication

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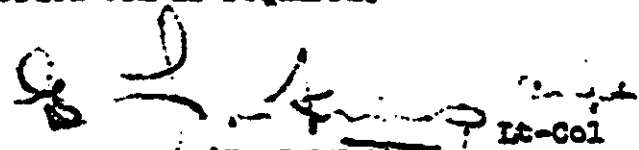
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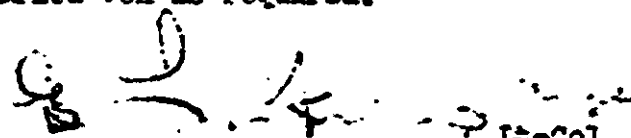
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List "B"

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							Sprs	Oths	Mats			
6.	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u> Accommodation	23/1	Continuous			10 Fd Coy	620			620	16	
37.	<u>RAE</u> Roads, drainage, clearing etc		"			2/1 Rlys	383	240	2466	3059	286	50 miles grading
	Sawmills		"			2/2 Forestry	1530	1254	440	3229	107	91,108 s ft
						5 A Tps	280			280		Logging only
						5 A Tps	15	75		90		Closed 24 Feb
						58 C Fd Plt						8050 s ft 16000 cover strip
2.	<u>AASC</u> 2 BSD 102000 sq ft		2	87		5 A Tps	84			84		85,800 sq ft complete
	Air Mice Unit 108000 sq ft	21/2	35	95		5 A Tps	576			576		8,100 sq ft complete
	Reirle 17,200 cu ft											12,200 cu ft complete
12.	<u>MEDICAL</u> 2/1 AGH (1200 bed)	3 Nov	Continuous			10 Fd Coy	1090	310			16	Minor alterations and maintenance.
13.	2/3 Con Depot (500 bed)	12 Feb			10/3	"	1212	239			18	
13.	<u>ORDNANCE</u> 16 AOD 252000 sq ft	26/2	10	10	25/4	"	400			400		93600 sq ft complete - Block of 5/120 x 40 under construction
50.	3 RAD 7200 sq ft					5 A Tps						
50.	Parachute Drving Room	26/2	5	5	26/3	5 A Tps	275			275		
17.	13 AAD 42,300 sq ft			100	25/2	10 Fd Coy	100			100		Complete
53.	30 Lt Lary			60		5 A Tps						
70.	<u>AREE</u> Instr Wksp 60 x 18	3/2	15	100	26/2	5 A Tps	104			104		Complete
	Wksp 190 x 45					5 A Tps						
	Adm Office 50 x 18					5 A Tps						
48.	<u>CANTEENS</u> ORs Club 13500 sq ft	26/2	2	2	26/4	10 Fd Coy	530			530	16	
52.	Cordial Factory 3160 sq ft					10 Fd Coy						
72.	<u>RAN</u> Accommodation	2/3	5	5		5 A Tps	24			24		

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30.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u> ENGAU Stores 11880 sqft		5	100		5 A Tps	20			20		Complete
32.	Docks Transit Shed 5600 sq ft		10	100	2/3	Pt Myce Pl						Complete
38.	Kit Store 1080 sq ft					5 A Tps						

Sgd:

H.B. Murn Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Wks)

AS AT 3 MAR 45

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50.	5 HMD 7200 sq ft					5 A Tps						
50.	Parachute Drying Room	28/2	5	5	28/3	5 A Tps	275			275		
17.	13 AAD 42,300 sq ft			100	23/2	10 Pd Coy	100			100		Complete
53.	30 LE Ldry			60		5 A Tps						
ARMY												
70.	Instr Wksp 60 x 18	8/2	15	100	26/2	5 A Tps	104			104		Complete
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WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT OF ENGINEER WORKS

Report by 5 AUST CRE(WES)

as at 24 Feb 45

Sheet 1 WAR DIARY

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	Jawmills			Continuous		5 A Tps	231	470		700		62700 s ft
						2/2 Forest	1656		480	2736	95	2500 s ft
						58 Fd Fk	37			37	18	
37	2/1 Rlys Wksp 50 x 45	16/2	90	100	28/2	10 Fd Coy	230			230		
	<u>AASC</u>											
2	2 BSD Storage 94800 sq ft		20	85		5 A Tps	1328			1328		85000 sq ft complete
	Air Maint Stores 8100 sq ft		60	60		5 A Tps	520			520		4900 sq ft complete
	2 BSD Refrig					5 A Tps	313			313		Now working 1x5000, 4 x 1800 c ft 2nd 5000 (housing only) arrived ex Ring Lardner
	<u>MEDICAL</u>					5 A Tps	238			238		
12	2/1 AGH (1200 beds) 3/11					10 Fd Coy	1373	132		1505	32	Minor alts and maint
	2/3 Con Depot					10/3 10 Fd Coy	1813	328		2141	40	Ready for occupation by 250 patients 24 Feb 45
	<u>ORDNANCE</u>											
13	16 AOD 234300 sq ft											95,100 sq ft complete
17	13 AAD 31500 sq ft					10 Fd Coy	240			240		30,000 sq ft complete
50	3 RSD 27800 sq ft					5 A Tps						5400 sq ft frame only
	Parachute drying room					5 A Tps						
53	30 Lt Laundry			60		5 A Tps						
	<u>ARMP</u>											
70	Instr Room 60x 18	8/2	25	85	26/2	5 A Tps	272			272		
	Wksp 180 x 45											
	Adm Office 60 x 18											
	<u>CANTEENS</u>											
48	Ors Club 16,850 sq ft											Recommenced 24 Feb
52	Cordial Factory 3150 sq ft					10 Fd Coy						

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							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
MISCELLANEOUS												
5	Base Post Office			100		5 A Tps	3			3		Complete
30	ANGAU stores and Accn	29/1	10	95		5 A Tps	330			330	8	
32	Docks Transit Shed		20	90		Pt Maint Pl						
38	Kit Store 60 x 18					5 A Tps						
42	NGDD	8/1		100		5 A Tps	648			648		

Sgd: H.B. MURN Lt-Col
5 Aust CRE (Wks)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT OF ENGINEER WORKS

Report by 5 AUST CRE(WES)

as at 24 Feb 45

Sheet 1

WAR DIARY

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% comp within period	Prog Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works incl supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Suprs	Other	Notes			
6.	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u> Accommodation	23/1	-	-	-	10 Pd Coy	1015	35	1100	1100	24	Continuous
	<u>RAE</u> Roads drainage clearing etc			Continuous		2/1 Rlys	839	210	2458	5485		20 miles (accountable by reason of dry weather)
	Sawmills			Continuous		5 A Tps	251	470		700		8000 s ft
						2/2 Forest	1656		480	2756	95	62700 s ft
						53 Pd Rk	37			37	18	2500 s ft
37	2/1 Rlys Wesp 50 x 45	13/2	90	100	23/2	10 Pd Coy	230			230		
	<u>WASC</u>											
2	2 BSO Storage 94800 sq ft		20	25		5 A Tps	1328			1328		95000 sq ft complete
	Air Mail Stores 2100 sq ft		60	60		5 A Tps	520			520		4500 sq ft complete
	2 BSO Repair					5 A Tps	313			313		Now working 1x5000, 4 x 1300 c ft 2nd 5000 (housing only) arrived ex King Learner
	<u>MEDICAL</u>					5 A Tps	230			230		
12	2/1 AMH (1200 beds) 3/11					10 Pd Coy	1375	132		1505	32	Minor alts and maint
	2/5 Con Depot					10/3 10 Pd Coy	1815	328		2141	40	Ready for occupation by 250 patients 24 Feb 45
	<u>ORDNANCE</u>											
13	16 AOD 234300 sq ft											95,100 sq ft complete
17	13 AOD 31500 sq ft					10 Pd Coy	240			240		50,000 sq ft complete
50	3 ASD 27830 sq ft					5 A Tps						5400 sq ft frame only
	Parachute drying room					5 A Tps						
53	30 Lt Laundry			60		5 A Tps						
	<u>ABSE</u>											
70	Instr Room 30x18	2/2	25	85	26/2	5 A Tps	272			272		
	Wesp 180 x 45											
	Adm Office 30 x 12											
	<u>ENTREPRENEURS</u>											
48	Ork cld 16,850 sq ft											Recommenced 24 Feb
52	Cordial Factory 3150 sq ft					10 Pd Coy						

Sheet 2

Job No.	WORK AND LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Work incl Supervision			Total	Plant Each Hour	REMARKS
							Supr	Other	Rate			
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>											
5	Base Post Office			100		5 A Tps	S			S		Complete
30	ANGAU stores and Accn	29/1	10	95		5 A Tps	530			530	3	
32	Docks Transit Shed		20	95		PT Maint	PI					
38	Kit Store 60 x 18					5 A Tps						
42	EMD	8/1		100		5 A Tps	648			648		

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S Asst CRE (Wks)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT OF ENGINEER WORKS

Sheet 1.

REPORT BY 5 AUST CRE (WKS)

as at 17 Feb 45

WAR DIARY

Job No.	WORK & LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works Incl supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>												
6	2 Aust Corps Accom	23/1	10	75		10 Fd Coy	1015	85		1100	24	
<u>RAE</u>												
	Roads, drainage clearing		Continuous			2/1 Rlys	966	464	2914	4344	706	
	Sawmills		Continuous			2/2 Forest	1500		448	1948	86	61,120 s ft
						5 A Tps	524	470		994	20	9,000 s ft
						58 Fd Pk	80			80	50	5,550 s ft
37	2/1 Rly Wksp 50x45	16/2	10	10	28/2	10 Fd Coy	40			40		
<u>AASC</u>												
2	2 BSD 94,800 s ft			66	17/2	5 A Tps	1328			1328		62,400 sq ft completed
	Refrigeration					5 A Tps	150			150		
12	<u>MEDICAL</u>						2050	210		2260		
	2/1 AGH (1200 bed)	3/11	1	99		10 Fd Coy	111	11		111	11	
	2/3 Con Depot	13/2	15	15		10 Fd Coy	738	32		770	14	
						5 A Tps	35	70		105		
<u>ORDNANCE</u>												
13	16 AOB 234,300 sq ft											85,100 sq ft complete
17	13 AAD 31,500 sq ft					5 A Tps	240			240		28,250 sq ft complete
	8 Ord Veh Pk VOL Stores	9/2		100		5 A Tps	16			16		Supervision only
50	3 RAS 27,800 sq ft											5400 sq ft frame only
	Parachute drying room											In hand
53	30 Lt Laundry			60		5 A Tps						
<u>AEME</u>												
62	Mod Gas Gen		40	100								Completed by unit labour
	12 Adc Wksp Instrument											
	Room 60 x 18	8/2	30	60	24/2	5 A Tps	208			208		

Job No.	Work & Location	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Prog Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works incl Supervision			Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
							Sprs	Oths	Nats			
	<u>AEME</u>											
70	12 Adv Wksp (contd)											
	Wksp 18 x 45											
	Adm Office 60 x 18											
71.	102 Bde Wksp 60 x 30	7/2	40	100	10 Feb	10 Fd Coy	145			145		
	<u>CANTEENS</u>											
16.	Removel & Re-erection	17/1	10	100	11 Feb	5 A Tps	232		336	568		Complete
48	ORs Club 330 x 45											
52.	Cordial Factory 70 x 45					10 Fd Coy						
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>											
30	ANGAU	29/1	30	85	20 Feb	5 A Tps	135		15	150		
42	NGDD	8/1		95		5 A Tps	240			240		
38	Kit Store 60 x 18					5 A Tps						
5	Base Post Office			90		5 A Tps						
57	Broadcasting Station		10	100		5 A Tps	100			100		
32	Docks Transit Area			70		Pl Mtce Pl						Work to re-commence 19 Feb

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5 Aust CRE (WKS)

WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT OF ENGINEER WORKS

Sheet 1.

REPORT BY 5 AUST CRE (WAS)

as at 17 Feb 45

WAR DIARY

Job No.	WORK & LOCATION	Date Comm	% Comp within period	Progress Total	E.D.C.	Unit or Sub Unit	Works Incl supervision Spws' Uans Mats	Total	Plant Mach Hours	REMARKS
<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>										
6	2 Aust Corps Accon	23/1	10	75		10 Pd Coy	1015 35	1100	24	
<u>RAE</u>										
	Roads, drainage clearing		Continuous			2/1 Mlys	966 464 2614	4344 2614	703 444	
	Sawmills		Continuous			2/2 Forest	1500	442	1946	83 51,120 sq ft
						5 A Tps	524 470	994	20	9,000 sq ft
						53 Pd Ft	80	80	50	5,550 sq ft
57	2/1 Mly Wkro 50x45	10/2	10	10	32/2	10 Pd Coy	40	40		
<u>ALSC</u>										
2	2 ASD 91,300 sq ft			63	17/2	5 A Tps	1523	1323		62,400 sq ft completed
	Re-aeration					5 A Tps	150	150		
12	<u>MEDICAL</u>						2050 310	2260		
	2/1 MGR (1200 bed)	3/11	1	99		10 Pd Coy	744 22	744	14	
	2/5 Gen Depot	13/2	15	15		10 Pd Coy	753 32	770	14	
						5 A Tps	35 70	105		
<u>ORDNANCE</u>										
15	16 ASD 251,500 sq ft									25,100 sq ft complete
17	15 ASD 31,500 sq ft					5 A Tps	240	240		23,250 sq ft complete
	2 ord for 4000 stores/2			100		5 A Tps	10	10		Supervision only
50	3 ASD 27,000 sq ft									5400 sq ft work only
	Parachute airtail room									In hand
55	50 lb mortar			50		5 A Tps				
<u>APPRO</u>										
62	500 Gas Gen		40	100						Completed by unit labour
	12 ASD 4000 stores/2									
	Room 60 x 15	3/2	50	50	24/2	5 A Tps	203	203		

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	Wksp 15 x 45											
	Adm Office 60 x 18											
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<u>CAMPBENS</u>												
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<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>												
30	ANGAU	29/1	30	35	20 Feb	5 A Tps	135		15	150		
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32	Kit Store 60 x 18					5 A Tps						
5	Base Post Office			90		5 A Tps						
57	Broadcasting Station		10	100		5 A Tps	100			100		
32	Docks Transit Area			70		Plntco	21					Work to re-commence 19 Feb

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WAR DIARY

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TECH SUMMARY

5 AUST CRE (WKS)

1. MAP REF

TOROKINA 1:63360

2. UNITS UNDER COMMAND

5 Aust Army Tps Coy	558939
10 Aust Fd Coy	557938
Det 2/2 Aust Forestry Coy	576964
58 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy	556944
2/1 Aust Rly Constr Coy	553944
Det 2 Aust Forest Survey Coy	775748

3. WORKS

Main projects completed as at this date :

- (a) 4 Aust Base Sub Area HQ
- (b) 16 AOD 48 storage sheds 120 x 40 - 17 complete
 - 1 " " 300 x 45 - complete
- (c) 13 AAD 35 " " 60 x 18 - 33 complete
 - 1 " " 100 x 45 - complete
- (d) AASC - 2 BSD
 - Refrigeration 4/1800 c ft - complete
 - Ice Cream Plant - complete
 - Storage Sheds 1/300 x 18 - complete
 - " " 7/120 x 40 - complete
 - " " 7/ 60 x 40 - complete
 - " " 6/120 x 45 - 50% complete

4. WORKS UNDER CONSTRUCTION:

- (a) 2 Aust Corps HQ - 65% complete
- (b) 2/1 AGH (1200 bed) - 98% complete
- (c) NGDD Transit ~~XXXX~~ Camp - 95% complete
- (d) 3 RSD 1/120 x 45)
 - 2/ 60 x 45) - 20% complete
- (e) AEME Gas Generating Plant 60% complete
 - 12 Adv Wksp Instrument Wksp - 25% complete
 - Workshop - 180 x 45
 - Orderly Room - 60 x 13
- (f) ANGAU Security Stores 3/60 x 18 - 80% complete

5. WORKS PROJECTED:

- (a) 4 Aust Base Sub Area
 - ORs Rec Hut
 - RAP - 40 x 18
- (b) 16 AOD - Stores 120 x 40 being erected in groups of five.
 - 31 still to be built.
- (c) BIPOD - 2/20 x 20 storage sheds
- (d) RAE - 2/1 Aust Rly Constr Coy Wksp 50 x 45
- (e) 2/3 Aust Con Depot
- (f) Officers Club
- (g) ORs Club

6. ENGINEER STORES

(a) Shipments in -

"COORABIE" - 98 tons (M)
"DUNTRON" - 570 tons (M)

These shipments included roll coverage, corrugated iron and cement, and have greatly improved the Stores position. With the arrival of the "RING LARDNER" ex Australia, all existing buildings requiring coverage will be completed and allow a substantial reserve to be held in the RAE Depot. Items in short supply are water fittings 2" to 3" clouts, hessian, sandbags, screws, hinges, turpentine and paint.

(b) It is requested that every effort be made to expedite supply of pumping sets which are required for hospital, water points and Con Depot. Provision of sufficient timber to meet normal requirements is proving most difficult, due mainly to shortage of suitable logs and delay in procuring logs caused by weather conditions.

7. MOVEMENTS

The movement of 6 Aust Army Tps Coy from this Command was completed 16 Feb 45.

8. VISITORS

E in C and CE First Aust Army visited the area and addressed all Engineer Officers.

Major Banallic OC 2/2 Aust Forestry Coy - visiting his detachment.

9. WORKING PARTIES

Requisitioned	83	AWC	87	Natives
Received	83	AWC	87	Natives

10. ACK.

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5 Aust CRE (Wks)

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