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2/43 Infantry Battalion

September 1945

WAR DIARY
Sept

Place	Date	Hour	
MONTENIOR	1	0730	Due to landslide at JIMPANGA loop no trains were able to run to BHQ 14 Japs were seen in br and house area 427880 during the morning.
		1300	CO moved up to visit B Coy rest area and 2 IC moved down to inspect landslide vicinity JIMPANGA loop
		1545	The Bn train arrived at BHQ. The jeep which was at the Bn school was fitted with flanged wheels and a van also from the school were used to transport rations from the EAST side of the landslide. The normal train bringing them to the west side of the slide. During the afternoon 11 Japs were seen in the house area normal activity of digging in garden and carrying timber from house. Japs seen fishing in MONTENIOR KECHIL from time to time also.
		2000	Another landslede occured on EAST side of JIMPANGA loop which is now between the two slides. The Bn train is unfortunately on the said loop. Heavy rain still falling as it has been for last 24 hours.
2			Working parties both from Bn and engineers at work cleaning landslide.
		1000	CO visited fwd Coys and 2IC inspected work at landslides. As Padre McLiver was indisposed Padre KERLE 2/28 Bn conducted a service in the Bn HQ area.
		1130	LCM brought Bn rations up river to Bn rest area from where they were delivered by hand trolly. 26 Japs seen in the house and br area normal activity only. Scattered showers only today and the river dropping NO trains ran at all today.
3			Work still proceeding on landslide, very wet making the progress slow.
		0930	CO and Adjt moved to D Coy area.
		1100	Rations brought up river by LCM and delivered by trolly again.
		1500	Rly cleared but only jeep on line as heavy trucks may cause further slips as bank is still very soft. 27 Japs seen in house and bridge area normal activity only, some shots or explosions heard during day in Jap area.
		1800	Conference of Coy Comds at BHQ to discuss amenities and entertainment for troops.
4			Rations brought up by LCM again as only a limited number of light trains served the Bn Personnel for the Bn School at JIMPANGA moved down to school area. CO visited Bn rest area when B Coy is at present situation 34 Japs were seen during day vicinity of house and br These figures are sightings and no doubt some Japs were seen more than once.
5		0745	CO moved out to conference at Bde . Bn school at JIMPANGA commenced this mornig, all courses being well filled with keen and enthusiastic students. B Coy relieved A Coy who are now in rest area. Some other minor changes also as detailed in Appx &
		1345	Brig PORTER visited Bn area and with CO moved up to 17 Pl D Coy.
		1515	The long awaited Jap party came into the Bn area at D Coy the party consisted of four, a major Lt and two privates, all were unarmed and one private carried a whi flag. At the time the OC D Coy Capt ANDERSON was at 17 Pl with the BRIG and CO but made a hurried trip down the hill to meet the party The Major carried a dispatch from Lt General BABA the Jap officer commanding all BORNEO with the exception of

BA

TENIOR 5Sep 1515

~~822~~
BALIKPAPAN. This dispatch was for the GOC 9 Div
APPX

The Lieutenant acted as the interpreter and the two privates carried the flag and apparently acted as escort to the officers. The dispatch was handed to OC D Coy and the party asked permission to leave which was granted and they were escorted to our FBL from where they proceeded to their own lines.

26 Japs seen in house and bridge area during day. The restrictions on photography have been lifted to some extent and cameras may be used by any member of the AMF.

6 Quiet day. light trains being used only, in a shuttle service on both sides of landslide, although line is open trains are not being used on the dangerous sector CO visited rest camp in evening. 10 Japs seen throughout day and a number shots and explosions heard in Jap area. 17 Pl was relieved by one Sec of 12 Pl. 17 Pl to the rest area.

7 1500 Another quiet day
Maj THOMAS Capt STEELE Lt DOBBINS of 2/16 Fd Coy visited BHQ to discuss railway line and service to TENOM and various engineering problems. 32 Japs sighted during day activity all unarmed. Censorship relaxed No unit franking although parcels may be opened by the Fd censorship Det at LABUAN. A blessing to both officers and men. Outline plan issued for proposed move to TENOM Coys making preparations.

8 1200 CO moved out to 2/28 Bn luncheon at Officers Club Weather has cleared up and the river has dropped rapidly 29 Japs were seen during day in the house area normal activity only.

9 0920 Party of 4 Japs came into the Bn lines at D Coy reported to ~~knw~~ be the same party as came in on the 5 Sep. Major WATUNABE carried two dispatches for the GOC 9 Div. Jap Maj gave information that there are no Jap troops are on NORTH side of br over MONTENIOR KECHIL and that orders have been given to the Jap forces that there will be NO firing under any circumstances. Maj states that there is line communication to SADOMG estate at TENOM but it is broken down in places by landslides but these are covered by runner. Arrangements were made for Maj WATANABE to contact our forces again at 1000 11 Sep subject to approval by Lt Gen BABA

APPX

1100 17 Japs seen throughout day in house area 427880 excl Jap emissaries. CO proceeded to Bde with dispatches.

TENIOR 16 0900 Engrs working on br 427881 recovering jeeps
 1430 Lt SUZUKI reported in to D Coy and brought into BHQ by
 one jeep recovered from br escorted to A Coy area at
 where he will stay over night awaiting mov to LABUAN.
 1945 A Jap runner arrived at D Coy as instructed by phone to
 receive dispatch from us to Maj WATANABE. Maj Gen AKASHI
 is now at Maj WATANABES HQ.

17 0830 BM and Capt Rose moved out by special train with escort
 party to pick up Maj Gen AKASHI and party of 3 for the
 surrender ceremony (incl swords)
 0900 Lt SUZUKI moved out from A Coy for onward mov LABUAN
 1200 Party of Japs working on line 300 yds South br 427881 on
 repairs.
 1630 Maj Gen AKASHI's party mov back to own lines minus swords
 1750 The second jeep involved in accident at br 427881 has
 now been recovered
 9 Pl A Coy mov to B Ech rest area
 12 and 16 Pls mov back to Coy areas

18 0845 Party of Japs came in to surrender Sitrep att as Appx
 1130 4 Indian PWs brought in to D Coy area and sent by train
 to MDS Names of PWs LCpl GAMPAT GHORI Ptes RAJA
 LAMBAGUI, APAJIOEREKA, and DALA SALUNGKHI
 101 Japs pass through our hands 1 sick to MDS 99 reach PW
 compound 7 offrs 92 ORs.

19 0900 BEAUFORT town cleared of troops and picquets patrol
 area through which Japs taken to cage. 2/43 Bn instr
 to take prisoners right to compound.
 0940 Japs at br area waiting to come in Sitrep as appendix No
 1510 Time extended for clearance of town until 1800

20 0830 Final body of Jap forces stationed MONTENIOR KEHEL surrend
 67 Japs disarmed searched and dispatched.
 0845 Beaufort out of bounds to troops between 1000 hrs and 1130
 1400 Maj WATANABE met Lt Col JEANES and supplied all infm asked
 for at previous meeting. WATANABE reports all his force
 disarmed.
 1430 All weapons, eqpt, and amn forwarded to Bde and Salvage
 Mortar outpost withdrawn and rejoin Pl.

21 0830 D Coy patrol 1 off 8 ORs with att engrs personnel moved to
 mile 64 map ref 435840 made contact Maj WATANABE and
 returned.
 Report line jeepable to 64 mile post.
 1430 B Coy with att medical and engr personnel moved out met
 Maj WATANABE at mile 63 $\frac{1}{2}$ and moved to area mile 64 made
 camp on line with 10 and 11 Pl fwd and 12 Pl in rear
 (Reports att appendix No)

22 0930 CO moved up to B Coy area and inspected area with MO
 and engrs.
 1020 D Coy move to Rest Area C Coy move to old D Coy posn
 427889
 1150 4 natives from MELALAP reported to BHQ and were interro-
 gated they have been working for Japs at KENINGAU and
 MELALAP but were paid off some days ago. They had travell-
 ed by night and say the rly is in fair order and easy to
 walk along although many trees were over the line and
 some landslides. At mile 76 there is a big land slide and
 the br at mile 67 is out of commission but can be crossed
 on foot. NO PWs seen. Some Japs still at MELALAP but
 few others seen except at mile 81 where two were reported
 moving this way.
 1220 Japs reported at mile 81 now identified by Maj WATANABE
 as working party clearing line.
 1230 Questions from TENOM submitted to CO 1. Will Maj
 WATANABE's force in BEAUFORT be supplied with food cloth-
 ing and medicines. 2. Are all the shooting guns to be
 dumped here. 3. Can we retain steel helmets and cooking
 pots. CO has answered subject to confirmation by bde comd
 1. all supplies will be used further arrangements will
 be made here. 2. Yes except the 10% of rifles allowed
 3. Yes. Confirmation requested and granted at 1340 hrs
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~.
 1330 B Coy patrol strength 1 sec arrived Mile 68 hospital with
 CO on way to Mile 71 Report 1 Jap offr and 6 sigs

MONTENIOR 22 1330 at Mile 65½. Food dump Mile 66 staffed by 1 Jap offr and 6 ORs. Indent taken of food dump. ~~XXXXXX~~ br
 Mile 67 is a major repair job from our bombing. Hospital staff mile 68 1 offr 17 ORs full report att appendix
 1640 B Coy patrol returned to camp Mile 64½ CO returned to BHQ.
 1800 Two messages from Bde Comd sent to Maj WATANABE to be sent to TENOM
 1835 Maj WATANABE has received messages will ring TENOM tonight
 2010 TENOM has asked the two messages tonight and expect the CO and Adjt of KEMPAITAI to receive them tonight.
 2040 Capt KOBAYASHI will move to MONTENIOR KECHHEL tomorrow morning arriving 0900 hrs for purpose of patrol
 2250 Two offrs CO and Adjt of KEMPAITAI left TENOM tonight en route for BEAUFORT
 23 0910 Hospital report sent in by B Coy (appendix)
 Capt KOBAYASHI contacted C Coy and moved out on patrol (Patrol report and trace att)
 1210 Two natives sent on by B Coy at 0940 has arrived BHQ and were interrogated. Report:- Natives left TENOM at 0830 I of 22 Sep and walked along the line which is at 0830 of 22 Sep and walked along the line which is in fair condition except for a few small landslides and the br at Mile 69 which has been damaged by our bombs. There are some Japs in the rubber plantations at miles 89, 86, 84, and 70. For the past month the Japs have treated the natives fairly well, but they are still demanding food sometimes paying with Invasion Currency. Natives are living on sago starch but have returned to their ~~hiv~~ gardens. Two months ago Japs made the natives transport grain and food to jungle and to KENINGAU.
 1345 C Coy report finding two 250lbs bombs at 425871 five yds from the line on the EASTERN side. A UKB was handed in by the Engrs marked F.C.O. REID SX9600 Serial No157 which was found at mile 62. The Jap doctor moved through to BEAUFORT. PETER NG (Chinese) reported that an Indian FARA SINGH a member of the Indian Police Constabulary stationed at KENINGAU killed five Chinese who he accused of being revolters.
 1630 B Coy patrol to mile 64½ returned to Coy area. 10 and 11 Pls moved to Rest Area 418894
 24 0900 Special jeep train brought in Col MACHIGACHI and KEMPAITAI Sgt for transportation to LABUAN
 1000 Some natives still going through report Japs still demanding food.
 Troops given TAB needles
 Five year men selected for movement to SINGAPORE for special duties medically examined and move to B Ech for onward mov.
 25 0800 Capt NAGAI of KEMPAITAI passed through by special jeep for mov LABUAN. Draft for SINGAPORE mov out by barge for onward mov.
 1700 Three javanese civilians ex prisoners of Japs passed through to BEGAU Beaufort.
 26 0900 IO visited PW compound to return personal property to Japs as arranged.
 1600 Bde Comd visited Bn area
 1640 Peter NG passes on infm gained from escaped Chinese who stated that Dr Stokes (an English Dr) 3 American airmen and the Chinese Comd were alive at KENINGAU
 1730 Heavy landslide over rly line at JIMPANGA
 27 0800 CO moved to conference at Bde.
 0900 Barges being used for transporting supply's.
 Japs working on clearing landslide under guard
 1900 Further landslide during afternoon
 Chaplain MacIver rejoined unit ex hospital
 D Coy adv party left for PAPAR stopping overnight at B Ech
 28 0900 A Coy less 1 Pl move out to mile 67 648814 arriving 1600 hrs
 CO and Maj BRETT 2/3 Fd Amb inspect Jap hospital area. Plans for new Jap hospital drawn up
 29 0900 D Coy and elements HQ Coy move by barge to BEAUFORT
 Bde issues instrs that large bodies of natives are to be

MONTENIOR 29 1200 turned back by A Coy NOT to proceed to BEAUFORT
CO and MO visit Hospital with plans for new Hospital and
moved on to A Coy at mile 67
Lt Col MATSUMOTO moved through to Bde as LO
Volunteers called for occupation of JAPAN
1900 One barge load of 2/11 Cav Cdo arrived at 418894 and came
under comd this Bn. Three barge loads stuck on mud bank
WESTON Bay.
30 1100 Remainder of 2/11 Cav Cdo arrive in area
1500 Cav officers receive instr from CO
Lt Col MATSUMOTO returned to TENOM

September 1945.

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

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

2/43 AUSTRALIAN INF BN

Nominal Roll of personnel who have relatives PW

Army No	Rank	Name	Particulars of PW							Locality if known
			No	Rank	Name	Unit	Relationship			
VX106057	Lt	WATERS	R B	VX39046	Wol	WATERS	H H	2/29 Bn	Brother	Malaya
SX19259	Pte	MOYSE	R J	SX	Pte	MACHONIGY	R	Salvage Coy	Brother-in-law	
SX8977	Capt	POLLOK	J A		?	DOLE	J		Cousin	Singapore
"	"	"	"		?	DOLE	T		Cousin	Singapore
SX10858	L/Cpl	MINEAR	L R		Cook	MINEAR	W H	HMAS "PERTH"	Brother	
VX15542	"	STRATTON	R	VX30873	Pte	STRATTON	D	2/21 Bn	Brother	Nth Borneo
QX39129	Pte	HARLOW	E A		PO	SKELLY	D	HMAS "PERTH"	Cousin	
SX5768	"	CLARKE	M P		Pte	DALY	G N		Cousin	Singapore
NX114151	"	DINGWELL	G W		"	DINGWELL	J H	2/30 Bn	Brother	
TX2694	Capt	CONN	J C		2 Lt	GODFREY-SMITH	A	A & S Highlanders	Cousin	
SX5389	Pte	COREY	W T		s/sjt	COREY	J W	8 Div Amn SubPk	Brother	
SX6486	Sjt	LINDSTROM	W A		Pte	SCHMELZKOPH	P	2/3 MG Bn	Cousin	
NX109973	Pte	ARNETT	L W		"	ARNETT	F		Cousin	
WX11519	"	STARCEVICH	L T		"	STARCEVICH	J F	2/4 MG Bn	Brother	
TX4901	"	STUBBINGS	J E		"	STUBBINGS	F	2/40 Bn	Cousin	
VX136419	"	BEGG	S J		"	BEGG	R		Cousin	
TX15845	"	HARPER	A J		"	HARPER	S F	2/40 Bn	Brother	
VX82346	"	CLELAND	G E		"	CLELAND	A B	2/29 Bn	Brother	
WX10738	"	CLOTHIER	E T		"	CLOTHIER	W E	2/4 MG Bn	Brother	
"	"	"	"		"	HAMBLEY	E H	"	Nephew	
"	"	"	"		"	HAMBLEY	A	"	Nephew	
WX26632	"	FINLAY	F W	WX7886	"	FINLAY	T A		Brother	
NX89212	L/Cpl	HOWE	E B		"	HOWE	G	2/19 Bn	Brother	
SX39704	Pte	GOOLEY	D E		Dvr	GOOLEY	L W		Brother	
SX16905	Pte	LEONARD	W G	SX8019	Sjt	LEONARD	J R	2/3 MG Bn	Brother	
NX36413	"	GRAHAM	R		Pte	GRAHAM	R		Brother	
SX28749	Cpl	McINNES	A A		Pte	CLIFTON	A J		Uncle	
NX203741	Pte	BOYCE	M H		Pte	LEE	G D		Cousin	
WX40049	"	RIED	S T J		"	McCALL	W		Cousin	
NX136833	"	HARPER	J E		"	ADAMS	F		Cousin	
SX7216	Cpl	SHAKESHAFT	W J		"	GASMIER	A		Cousin	
VX124897	Pte	JACKSON	R		"	JACKSON	G		Cousin	
VX124822	"	JOHNS	M J		"	VENABLE	L	2/20 Bn	Cousin	
NX102110	Cpl	ANTHONY	G H		"	CHARLSWORTH	A		Cousin	
NX203020	Pte	MURRAY	G W		"	DONNOLLY	J	2/18 Bn	Uncle	

Army No	Rank	Name	No	Rank	Name	Particulars of PW Unit	Relationship	Locality if known
WX12374	Pte	SMITH	D R	Pte	SMITH	H J 2/2 Pnr Bn	Brother	
"	"	"	"	"	BAKER	J R 2/4 MG Bn	Brother-in-law	
"	"	"	"	"	DORIZZI	T H 2/4 MG Bn	Brother-in-law	
VX82333	Lsjt	BRADLEY	G T	Cpl	BOYCE	C V 2/21 Bn	Uncle	
"	"	"	"	Pte	DOCKING	E 2/21 Bn	Cousin	
VX102074	Cpl	O'SHANNESY	P	"	WILSON	K 2/21 Bn	Brother-in-law	
QX15880	Cpl	TUCKER	A H	Sig	MANNELL	A 2/10 Fd Regt	Nephew	
"	"	"	"	"	MEDCALFE	H British War Photographer	Cousin	
NX39428	Sig	DEVRELL	T E	Pte	POSTER	C 2/19 Bn	Brother-in-law	
SX6319	Lsjt	BROWN	A M	"	COMBES	2/4 Aust Wk'shps	Cousin	
SX33339	Pte	FOREMAN	R J	"	FAME	J 2/3 MG Bn	Cousin	
NX203519	"	MOLONY	F A L	"	ACKLAND	W 8 Aust Div	Cousin	
VX94189	"	McKEOWN	R H	"	HOGAN	E 2/21 Inf Bn	Cousin	
QX58097	"	SAUNDERS	T E	"	SAUNDERS	C E Civilian- Oil Engineer	Uncle	Believed PW TOKIO
TX5536	"	HAYES	R H	"	HAYES	W 2/40 Bn	Brother	
VX82284	Cpl	GROVES	G	"	MATTHEWS	J	Uncle	
"	"	"	"	"	JELLETT	J	Uncle	
NX96139	Pte	MILLER	W G	"	MILLER	E U	Uncle	
QX60042	"	BROWN	R D	"	HYDE	R	Uncle	
SX17091	Cpl	TURNER	R J	"	TURNER	H R	Brother	
NX89153	Pte	PEARCE	C P	"	PEARCE	R N 2/30 Bn	Brother	
NX79572	"	CARROLL	A J	"	FILLAN	S Civilian	Uncle	Rebsul
VX94339	"	ROMERIL	E T	"	SMITH	E	Cousin	Java
TX5535	"	DAVEY	W J	"	RAINBOW	R 2/40 Bn	Brother-in-law	

2/43 AUST INF BN

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Army No	Rank	Name	No	Rank	<u>Particulars of PW</u>		Relationship	Locality if known
					Name	Unit		
5X17297	Pte	TAYLOR	N R SP4538	Bdr	TAYLOR	F 8 RAA	Brether	Rebe 1 42

PATROL REPORT No 1

Strength 2 officers

PC Capt McKee

TO 261330I

TI 261630I

Task Study Jap defence on Nippon Nole 430885 House 431884 and fences on N bank of Montenor

Route SP 427890 then general area Heart shape feature 430885 - to SP.

Report On Razor back spur 430885 facing sniper post, Japs had outpost of 6 men(.) Well dug camouflaged posn in vicinity of N House. 431884 suggested that this sector had been allotted to Platoon (.) Other defence works were in evidence around heart shaped feature 430885 and followed heavy contour line below S House 429883 down to Rly Bridge 427881 (.) Continuing East along N bank of Montenor for distance of $\frac{1}{2}$ mile other defence were noted and it is estimated that at one time the whole area traversed had been occupied by E strength of a Coy (.) Time did not permit further recce of Montenor river for possible defensive works (.) All tracks were well worn which suggests past continual use by the Japs (.)

PATROL REPORT NO 11

Strength 1 Officer & 5 ORs

PC Capt McKee

TO 271345I

TI 271645I

Task To verify "ative report of 80 E dead on Southern bank of Montenor.

Route SP 427890 - House 427880 followed S Bank of Montenor to a trk
junc 437877 followed Southern trk which led over High feature sq
4387 - track continued West down reentrant to Rly line at 425874 -
427880 - 437877 - 440871 - 437877 - SP

Report The whole of trk traversed was pitted with E foxholes the peak
of feature in sq 4387 had apparently been u sed for a headquarters
possibly a Coy (.) Along whole of trk there was evidence of damage
done by Arty (.) some fox holes received direct hits (.) Along parts
of the trk the usual Jap tunnelling system was in evidence (.) Patrol
returned along Rly line to House 427880 again proceeded E along
S Bank of Montenor continued at least a thousand yds beyond trk
Junction 437877 (.) No signs of E occupation (.) Patrol returned to
trk junction 437877 crossed to N side of Montenor following river
back to rly (.) On N side of Montenor traversed well padded Jap
track interspersed with fox holes at 434882 5 E dead counted, appar-
ently K by our Arty fire (.) Despite the fact that there appeared to
be no Jap defences sighted to cover rly line between 427880 and
426873, it is apparent that Japs intended to strongly resist any
Southern thrust of ours across Montenor (.)

FROM

B Coy

221750I

TO

2/43 Bn

1105(.) Left Mile 64 with Major Watanabe at 0830(.) Inspected Sig Office
mile 65 $\frac{1}{2}$ sig office has phone small quantity of wire(.) sufficient food
issued to all troops till end of month(.) Mile 66 food dump contains salt
7 cwt dried peas 6 cwt flour 4 cwt rice 7 cwt coffee 60 lbs rice flour
2 cwt also 2 sewing machines(.) At 66 $\frac{3}{4}$ bivouac area suitable for 2 coys
(.) Br at mile 67 blown onto side but NOT destroyed engineers can repair
but major job(.) Hospital mile 68 staffed by one doctor 17 ORs(.) Medical
and engineers report will follow seperately(.) Rly line in good condition
apart from br(.) Sig wires poor to mile 63 then improved to Watanabes
HQ(.) From HQ 3 wires run through to mile 68 and continues(.) Wire from
Mile 64 to 68 only needs minor repairs(.) Arrived SP 1630 hrs(.) Bivouac
mile 64 $\frac{1}{2}$.

FROM Lt Bailey

221830I

TO 2/16 Fld Coy

GB41 UNCLASSIFIED(.) Report on EAST line mile 66(.) Slip cribbed by
gaps(.) Improved by our party and made trafficable(.) 67 mile (.)
Details of gaps sent back to HQ 1700 hrs (.) 68 mile (.) Small slide
in cutting (.) Barely passable(.) 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile (.) Dead in loop (.) 96 feet
3 inches of 30ly rail missing(.) 3 box cars (.) 69 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile (.) Near hit
by bomb (.) opers for hand trolley(.) estimate 1 sect 3 days(.) about
20 sleepers required (.) 69 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile(.) recent slide close to line (.)
NOT yet dangerous(.) 69 $\frac{3}{4}$ mile(.) Slide in cutting (.) passable (.)
20 men one day (.) 70 mile (.) end of recce

21st Sept 1945
From Major Watanabe,

To Lt Col Jeanes,

Sir,

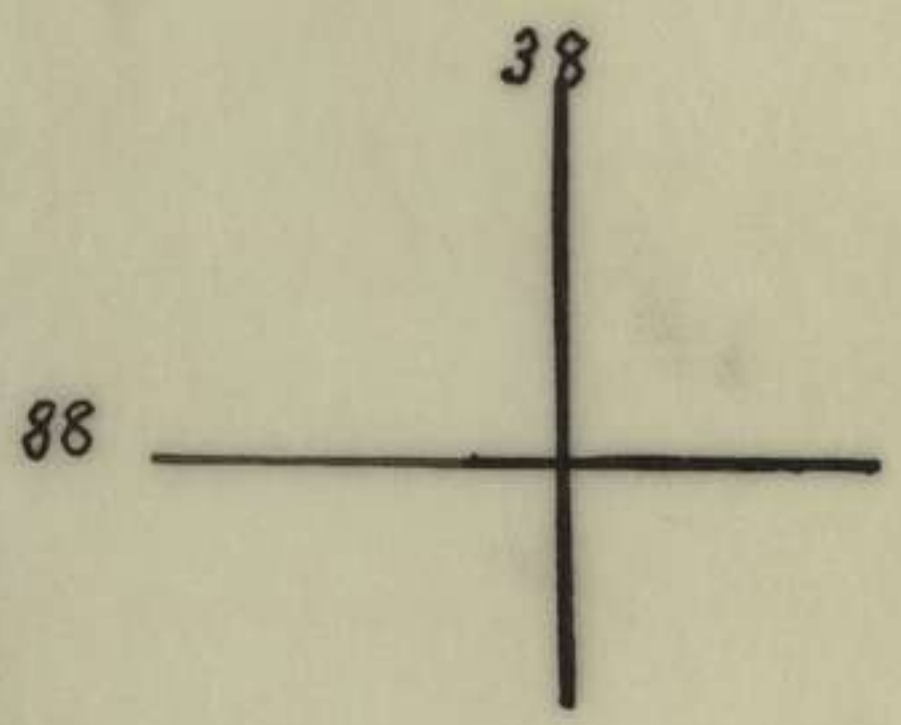
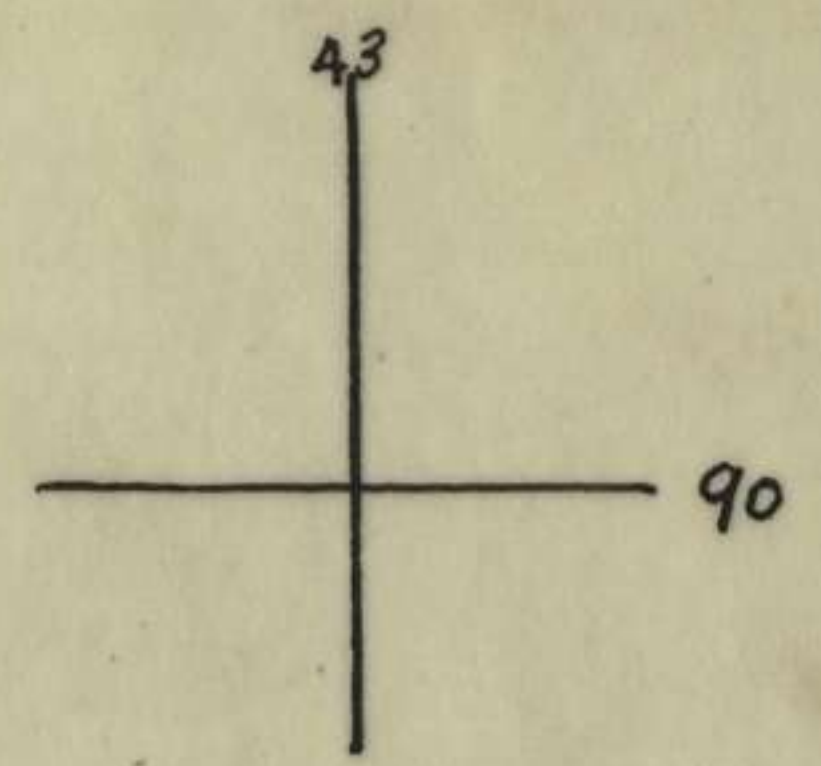
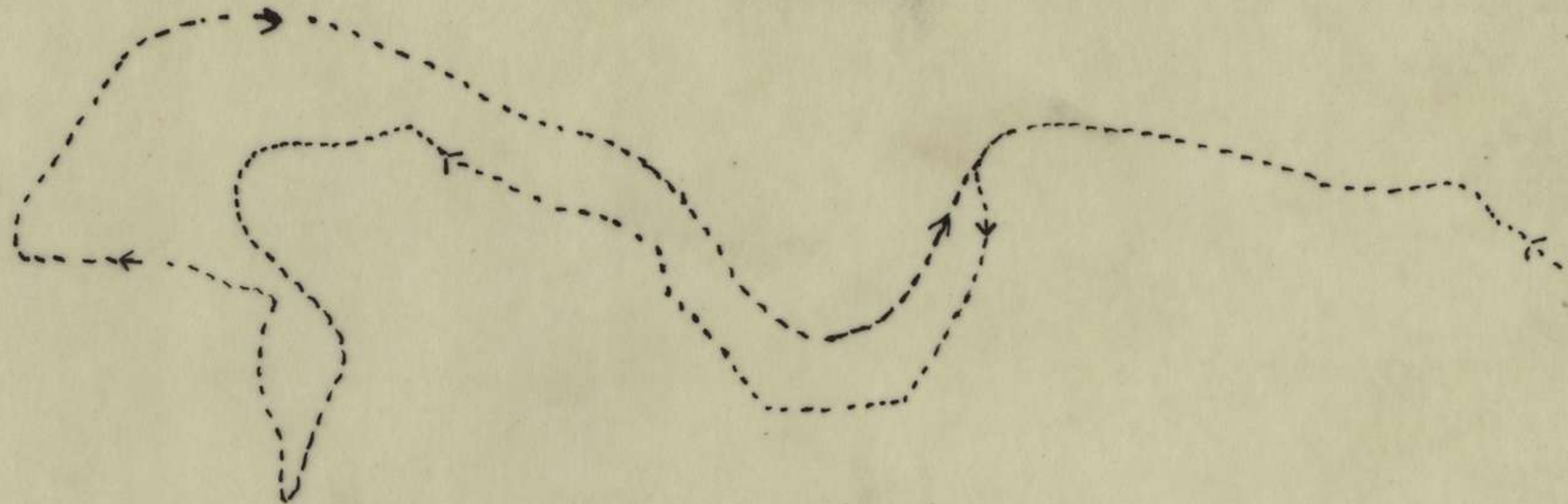
I report as follow

1. Re Trench mortar Shell
 - (a) For 81 mm Trench mortar we prepared to use 97 Howitzer 100 style common shells but as the war had been suspended we kept them in store.
 - (b) The shells on 17th Sept, were 88 instead of 87 Being ordered yesterday the 20th Sept. I sent Capt Kobayasi to make sure of it but he found nothing there, and so I am quite sure that there are none of them remain.
 - (c) It is certainly mistake that Major Okoohi's information given to you that there were 885 shells.
 - (d) Capt Okuzawa knows well whether the shells have been transported or not.
Corporal Morita, the store keeper, knows how many shells were stored, therefore, will you please investigate them once more.
 - (e) Capt Okuzawa and Corporal Morita have already moved into Beaufort
2. Re Indian WP remained in Tenom
 - (a) Among 8 Indian WP remained in Tenom 5 to 6 have fever of Malaria every day.
 - (b) Since then they have not being working they have supply of food as much as 600 grm per day including 2nd main food. They have been carefully looked after by hospital staff.
3. Re change in No of men reported yesterday.
 - (a) Patients died in hospital
At Mile 64 Hospital 2 men
At Mile 68 7/8 " 1 "
 - (b) One medical officer was transferred from Mile 68 7/8 Hospital to Mile 64 Hospital for hospital duty
 - (c) No changes in other forces.

I Watanabe

C Coy. Patrol. 24 Sep. 45

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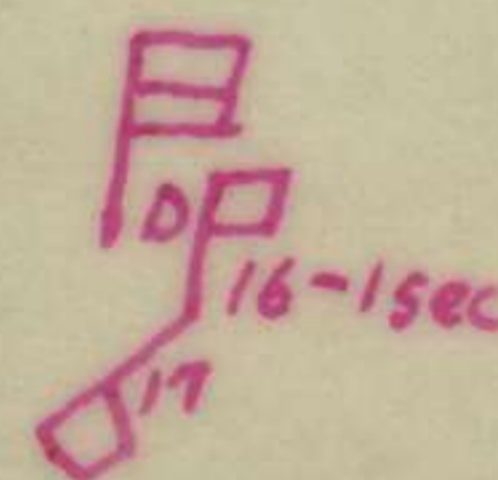
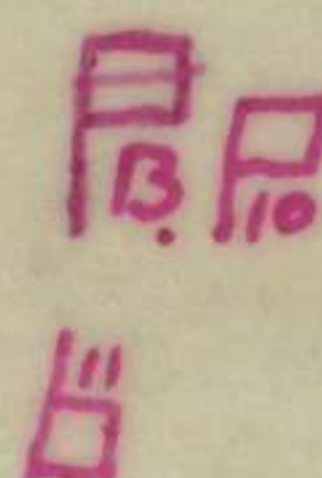
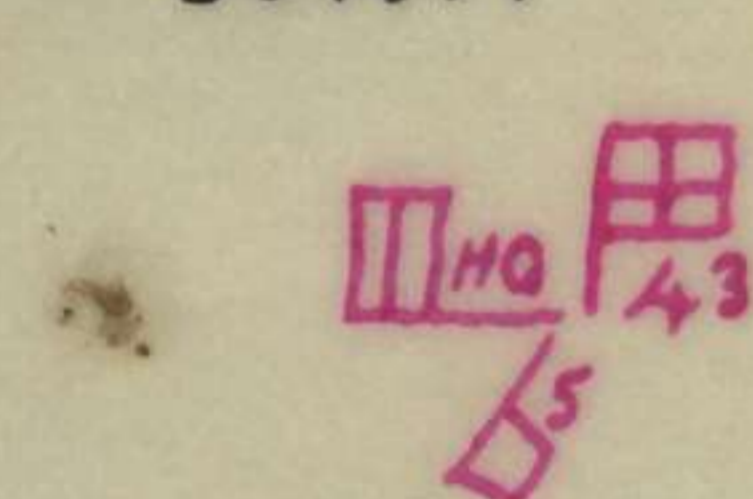
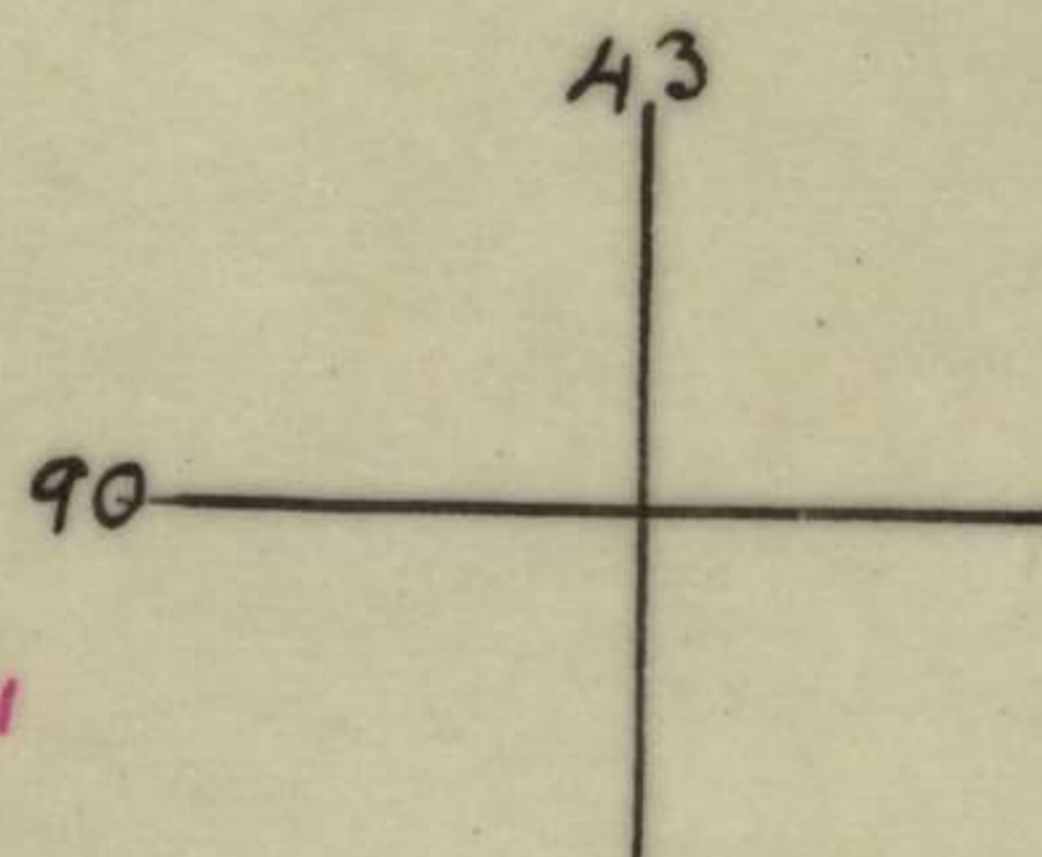
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Disposition 2-43 Bn at 15 Sep 45

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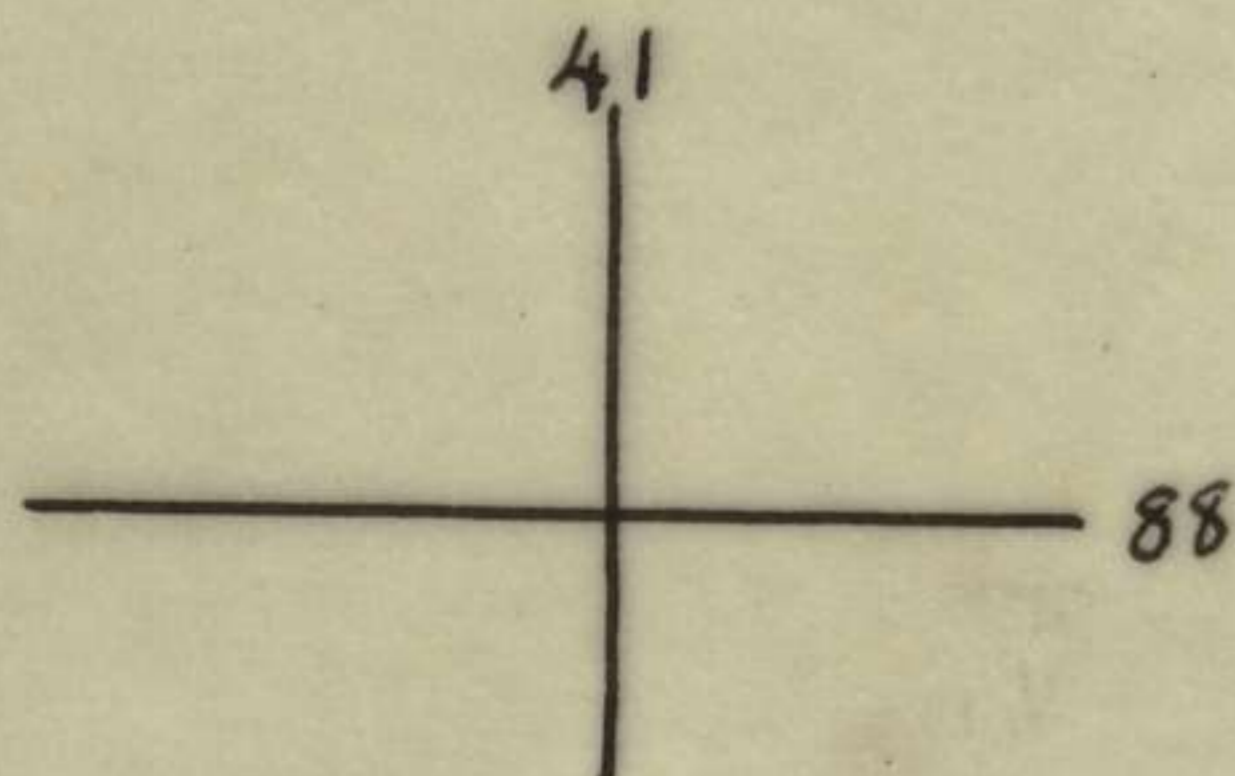
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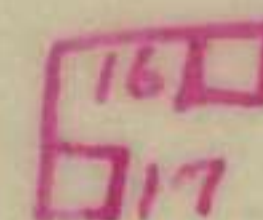
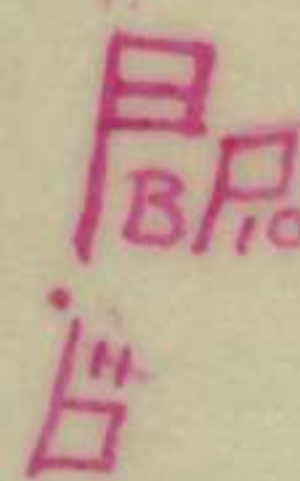
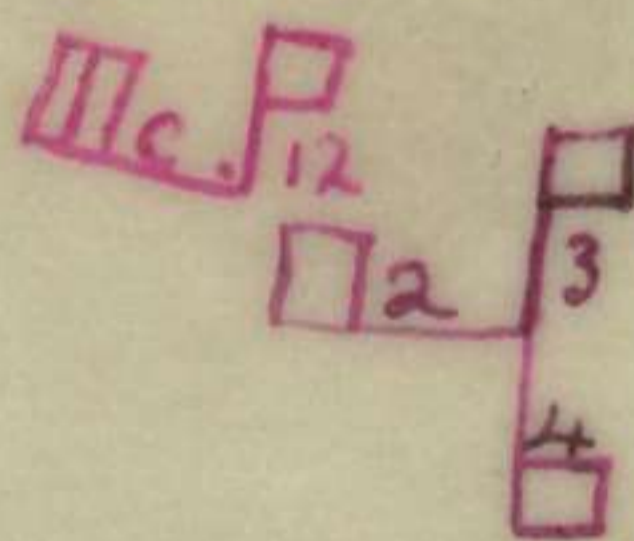
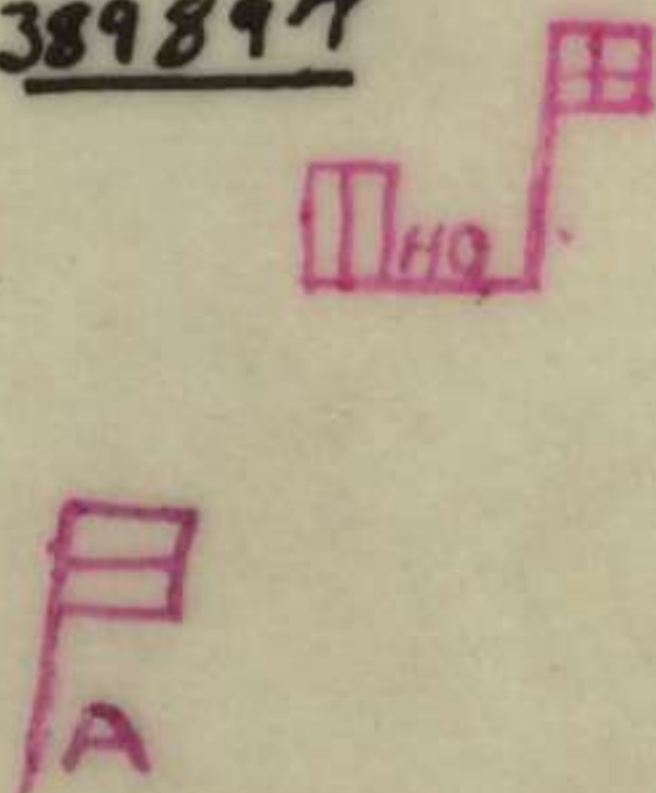
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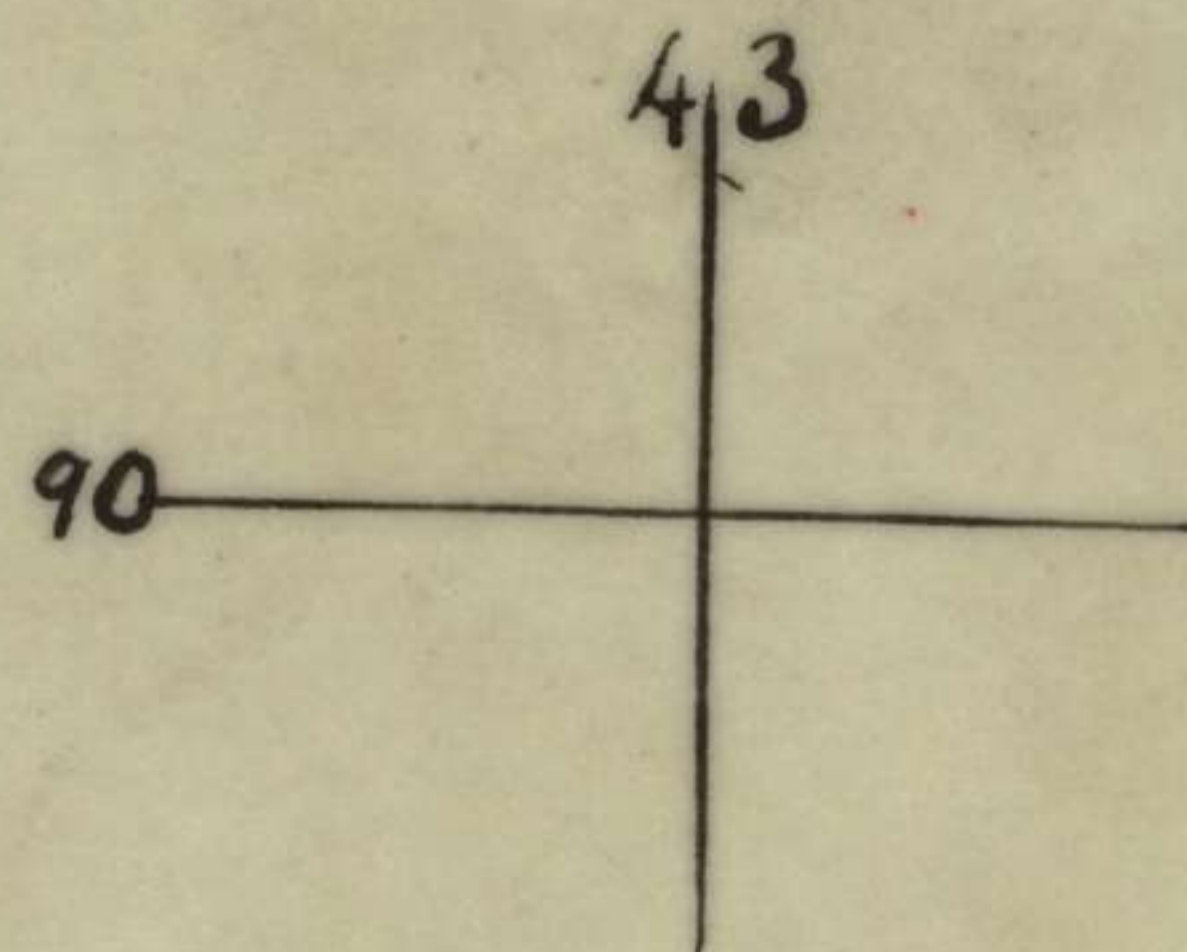
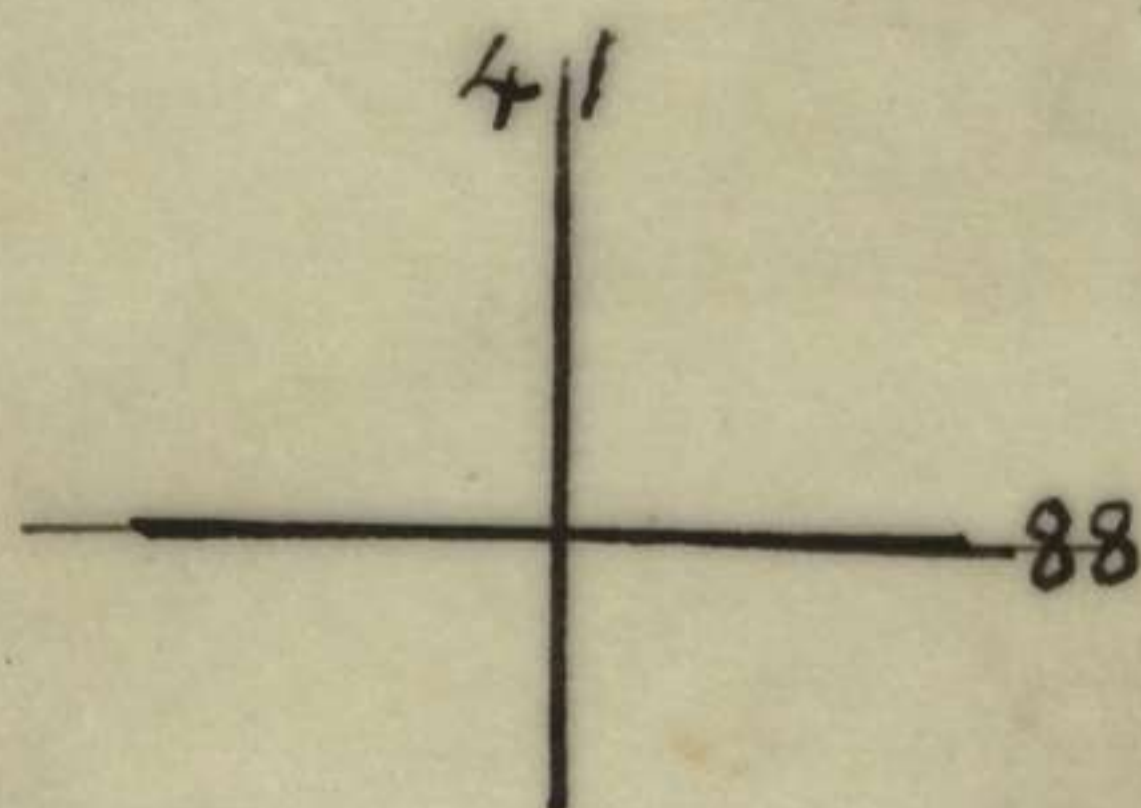
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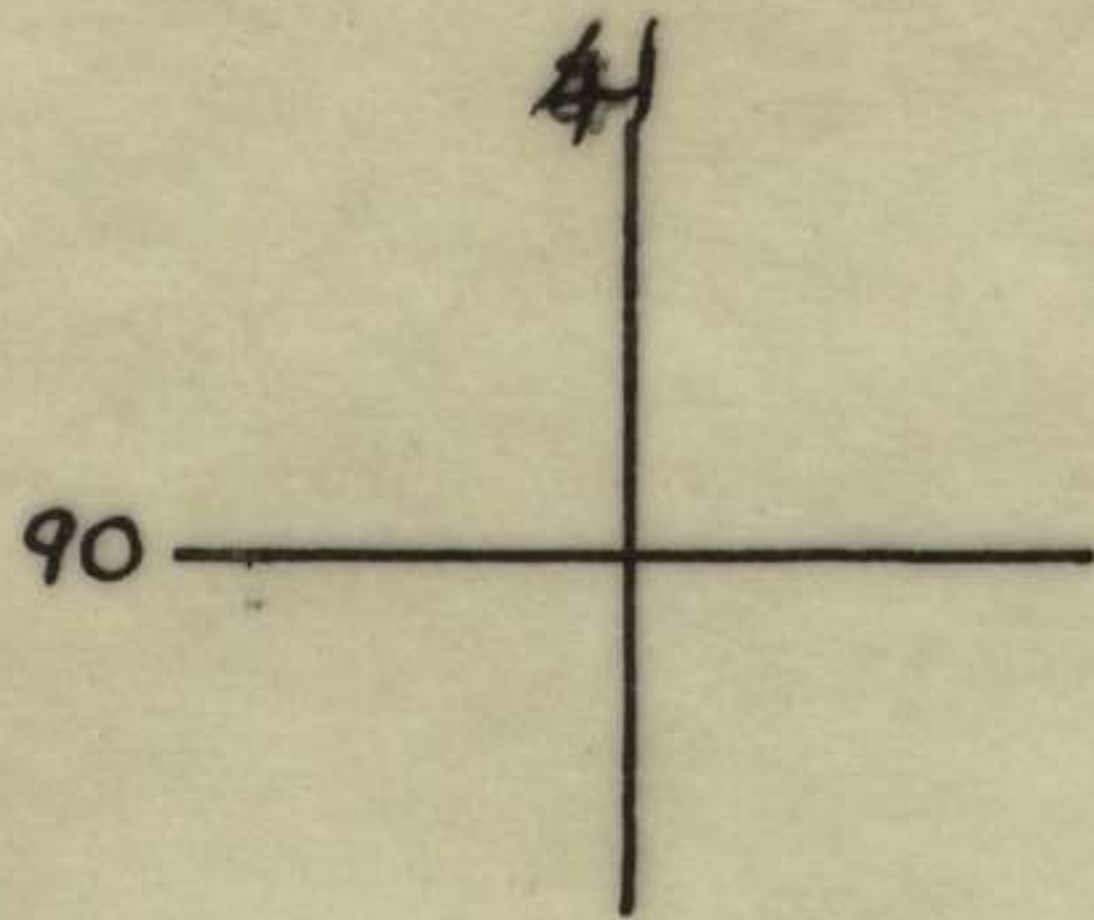


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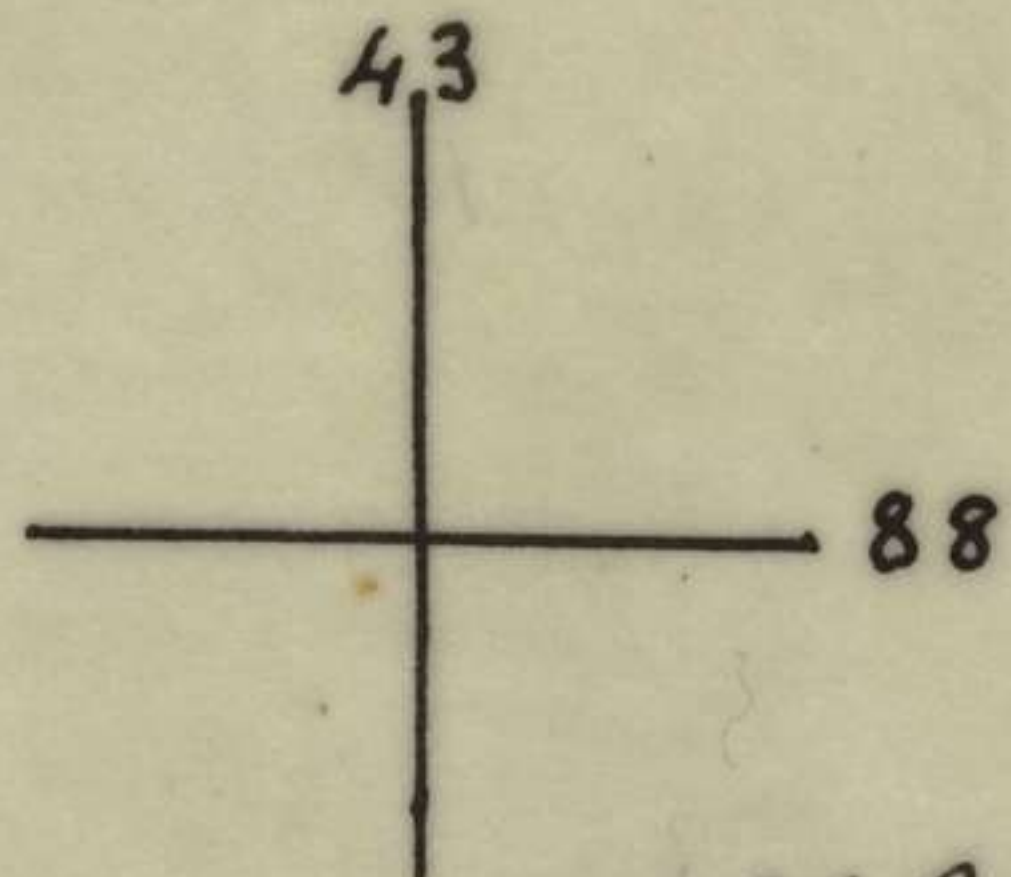
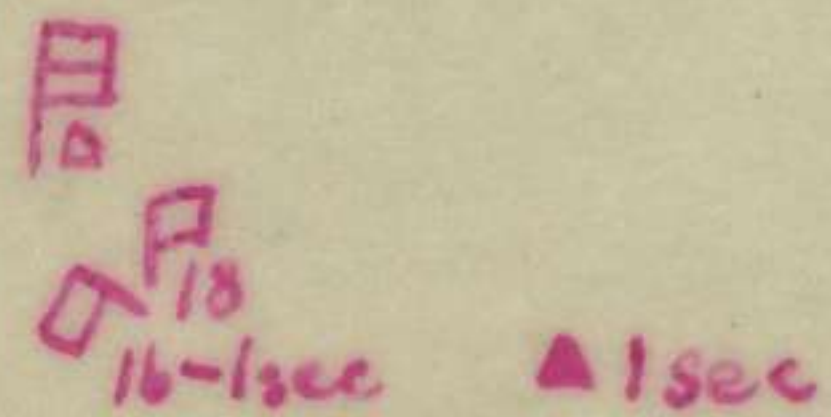
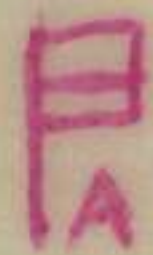
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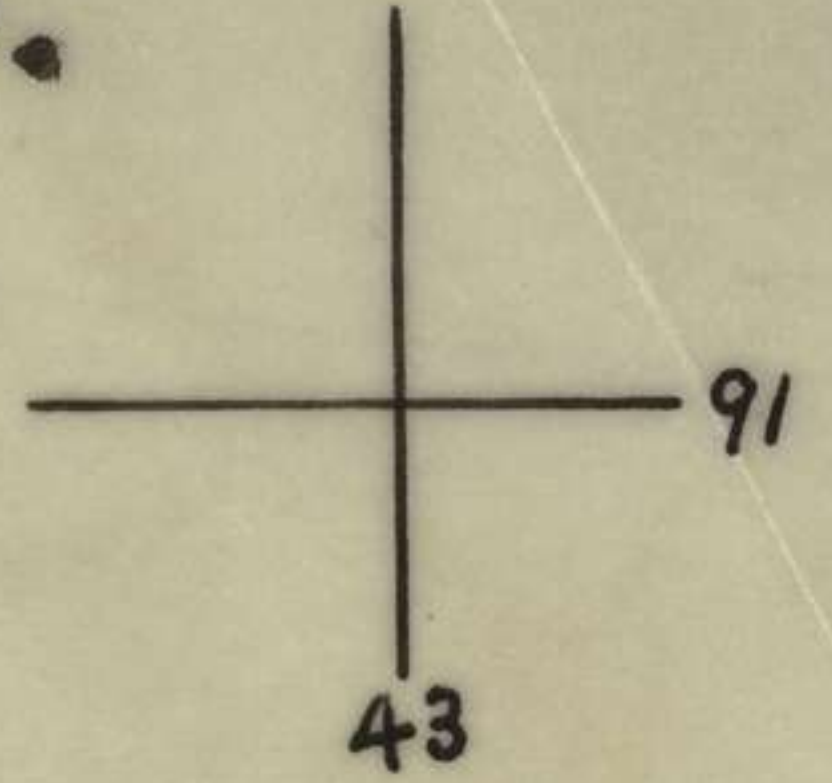
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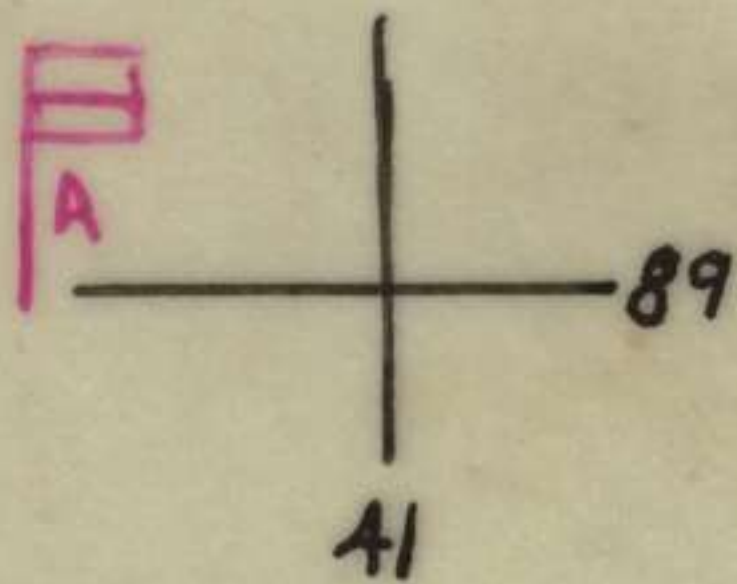
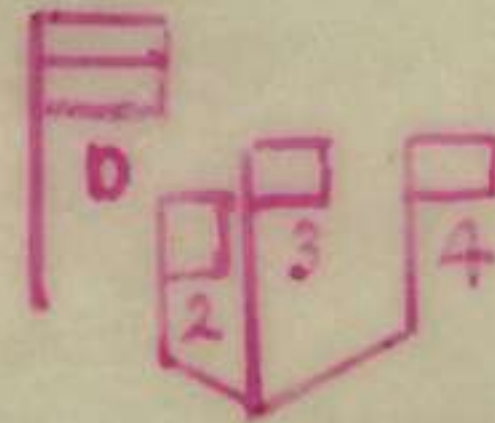
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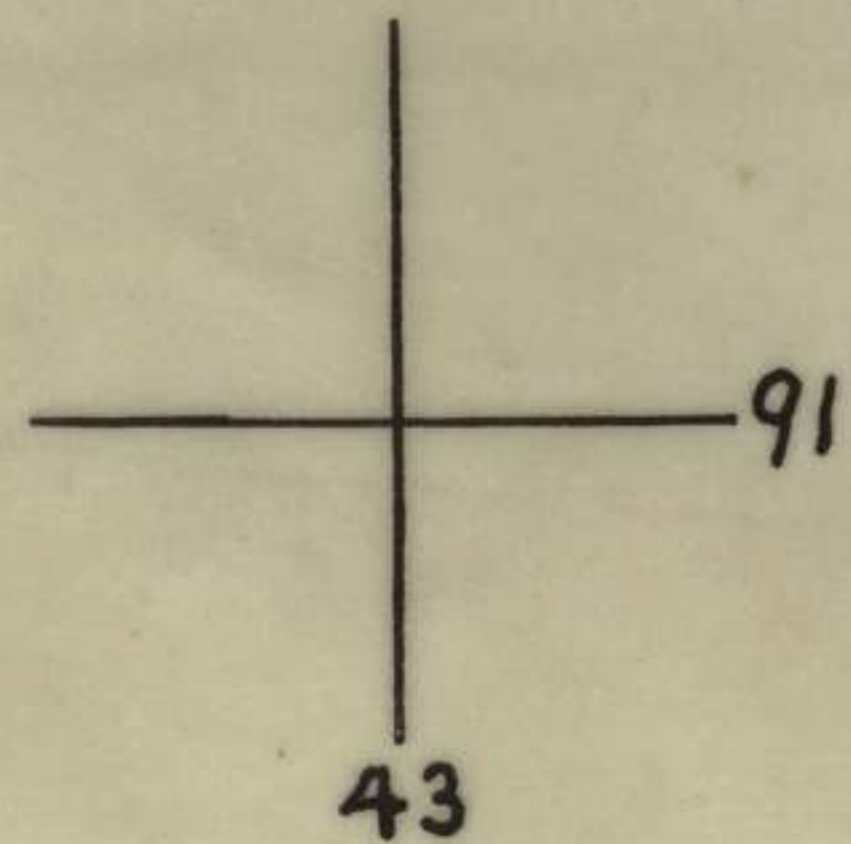


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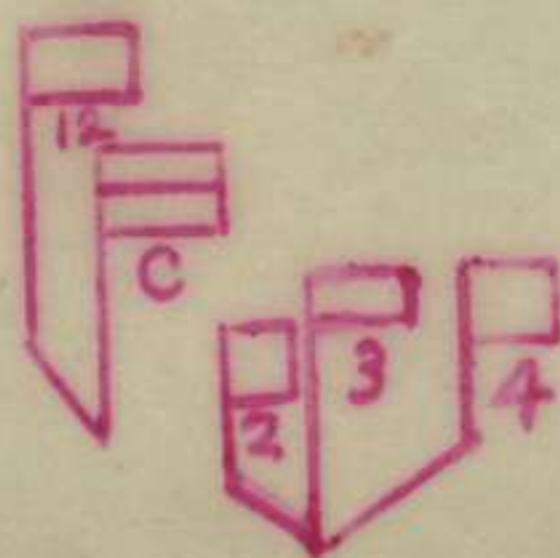
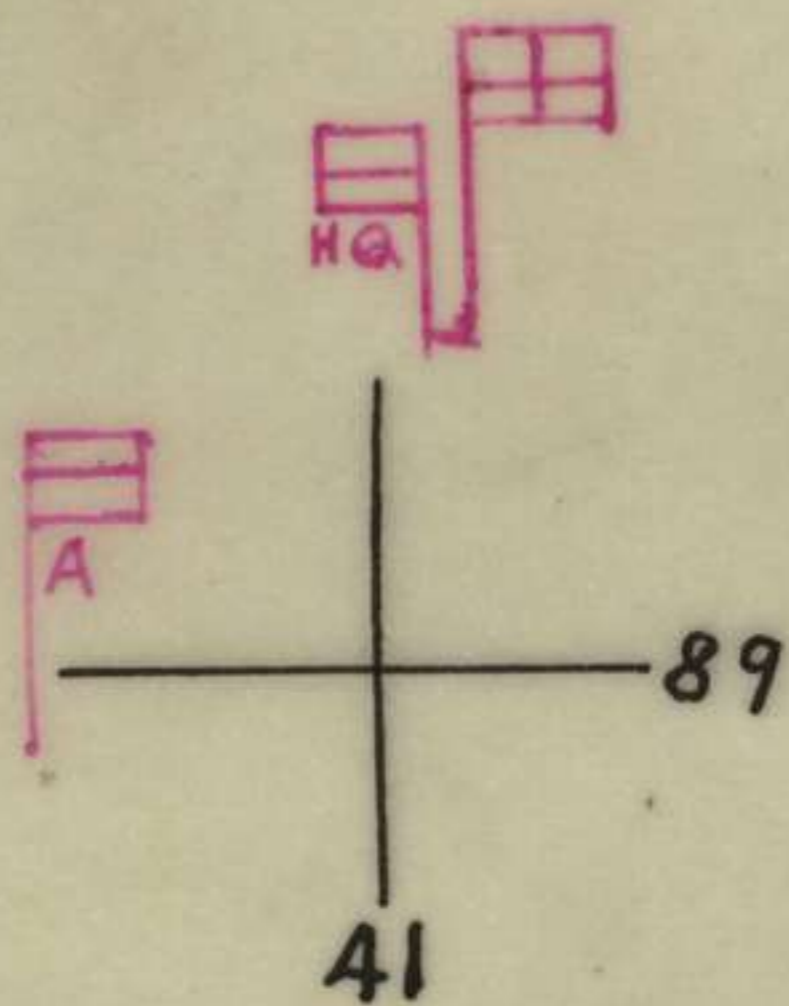
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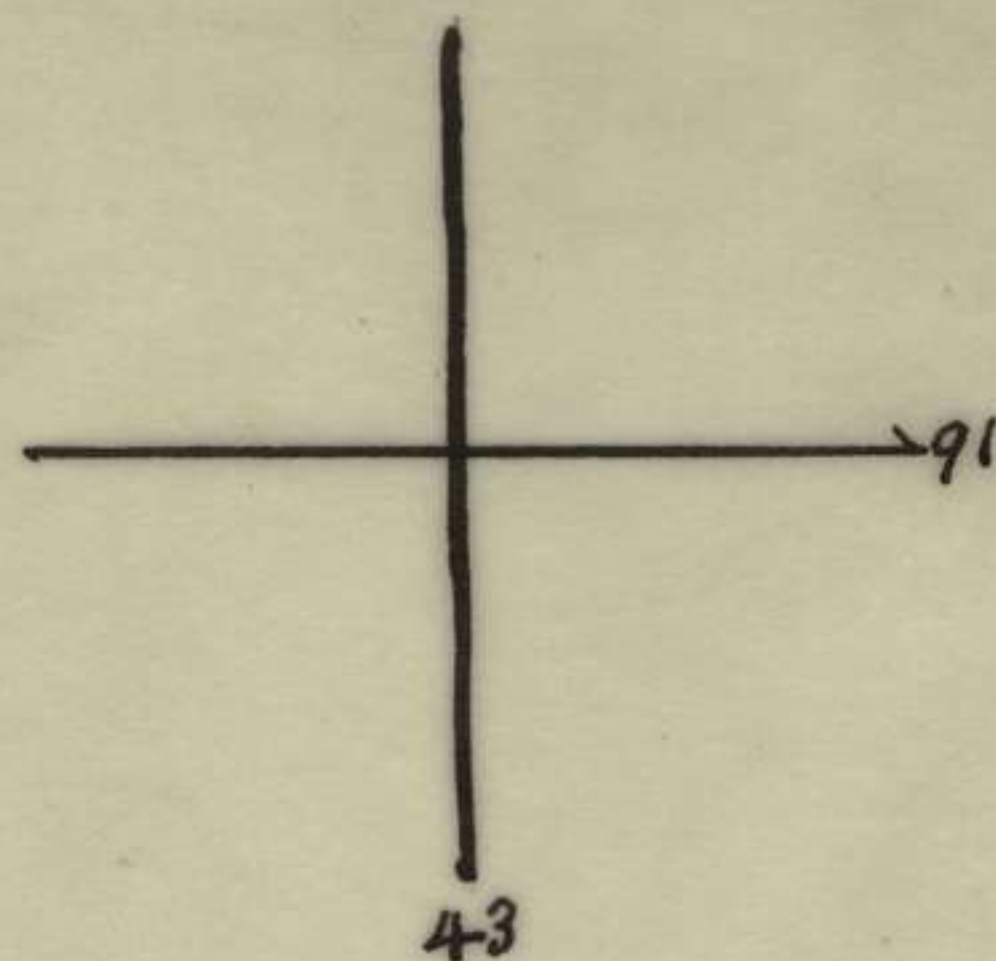


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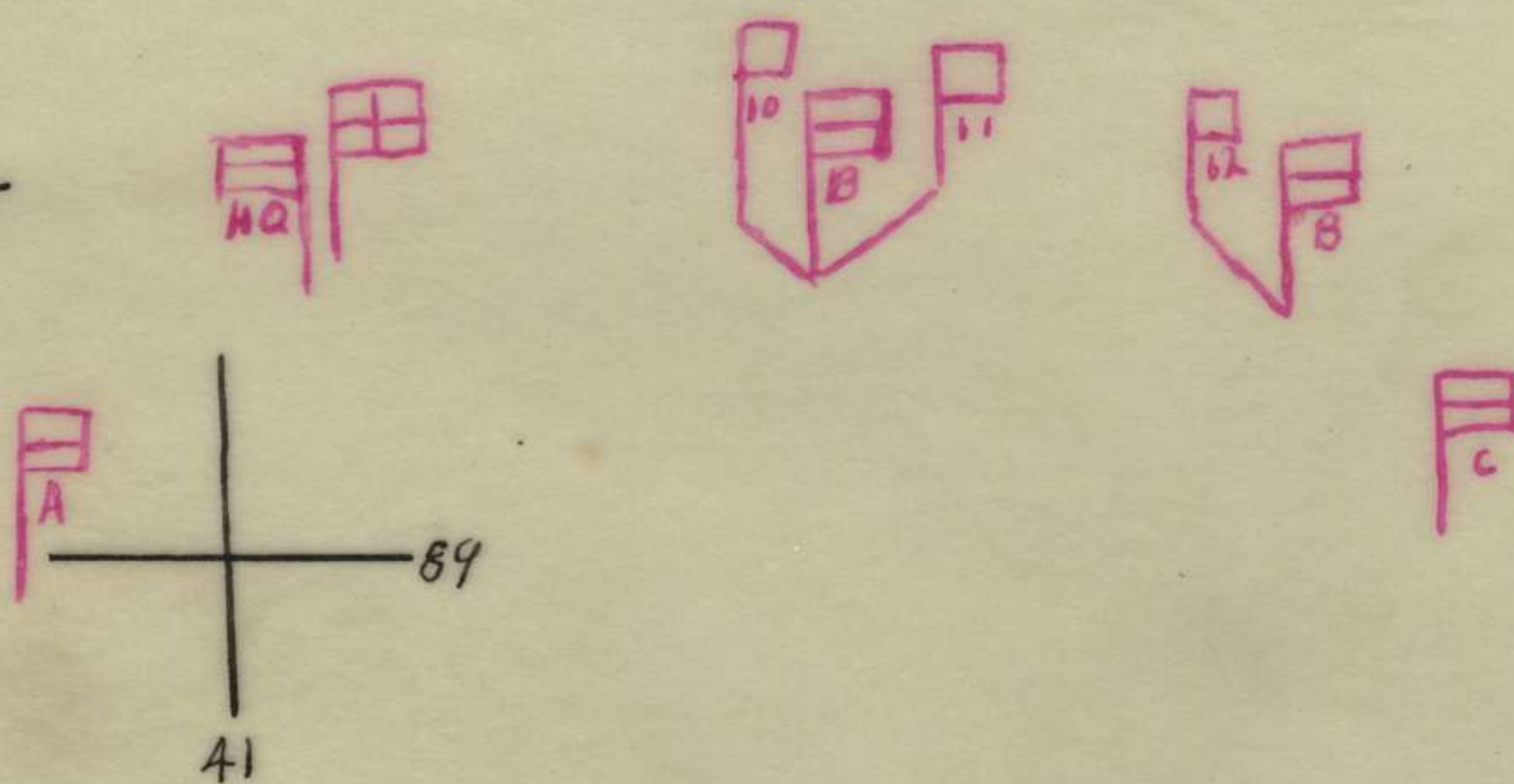
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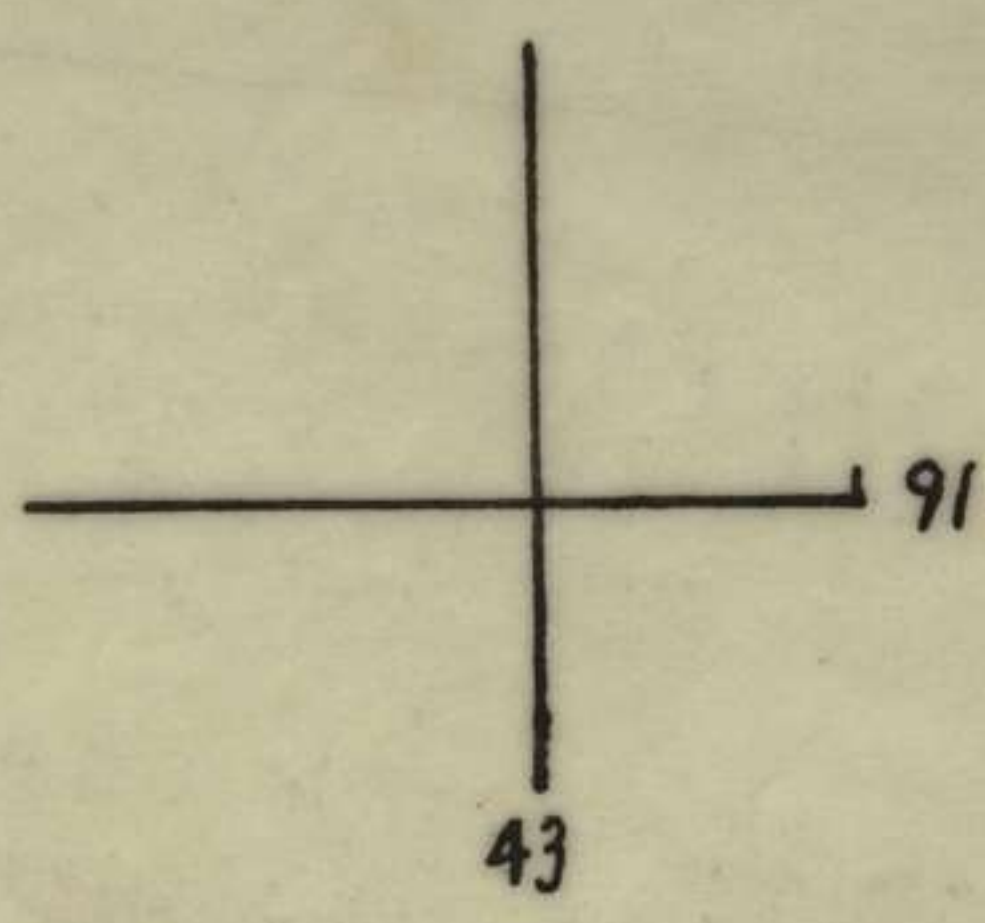
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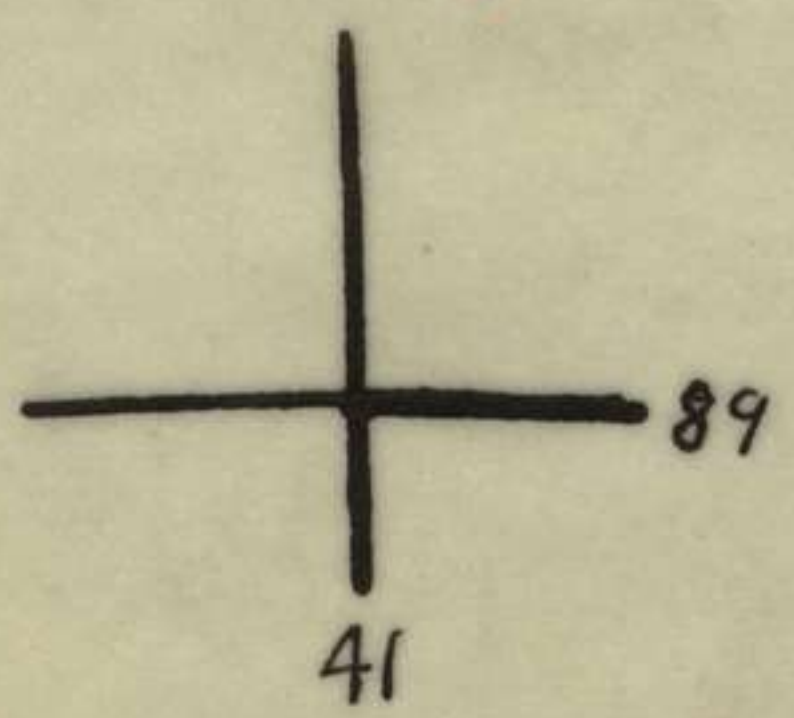
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g/j M. Barolle
Int. Sec 2/43Bn

SUBJECT : RE-ESTABLISHMENT LEAVE

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
Ref: 5/342/408
2 Sep 45.

1. Herewith extracts from LANDFORCES AG66304 of 25 Aug 45.
 - (a) Re-establishment leave has been approved for members of the AMF in accordance with the provisions of part VI of the Re-establishment and Employment Act 1945 operating from 15 Aug 45 incl.
 - (b) This provides for leave or pay in lieu of leave to members immediately prior to discharge unless such discharge is for other than honourable grounds.
 - (c) Where a member has been engaged in War Service for a period of not less than 6 months period of leave will be 30 days or 15 days where War Service is less than 6 months.
 - (d) Re-establishment Leave is in addition to all other leave entitlements authorised in GRO 598/43.
 - (e) Unless a member is required by the army to take the period of Re-establishment Leave as leave, such member will be granted pay in lieu of his credit of Re-establishment leave.
2. This circular is for information only. Accrediting of Re-establishment Leave is the responsibility of the L of C finalising the members discharge.
3. No action will be taken by coys beyond instructing all ranks of the provision of this circular.

H. L. McTaggart Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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SUBJECT :- UNIT CADRE - DEMOBILIZATION

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
 Ref :- 20/ /
 22 Sep 45

1. The following is a list of personnel who will form a Unit Cadre during demobilization of the Bn.

2. These personnel will be required for A and Q duties in connection with the winding up of the bn and the calculation of their discharge priority will be on an entirely separate list under the heading of UNIT CADRE.

Lt Col	M.R. JEANES	CO
Lt	K.L. NOTTAGE	Adjnt
Lt	F.J. WELLS	Demobilization
Lt	L.L. BERRY	
Capt	J.C. COEN	QM

VX 120405	Sjt McLAUGHLAN J.A.	RQMS
SX 15771	Pte BASTIAN M.R.	Tech storeman
QX 47700	" FORREST H.R.	Storeman
NX 200876	" PICKFORD E.N.J.	"
QX 61466	" McINNES B.R.	Q clerk
VX 106273	Sjt JONES L.A.	AA Postal C.
VX 116238	Cpl HENDERSON P.C.	AMPC
VX 93266	Pte COOKE N.R.	Cook
VX 77007	Pte KING E.J.	"
SX 14021	" HEAD G.E.	Hygiene
WX 25920	" COUNSEL W.G.	Tpt
SX 30224	" BREWSTER L.E.	"
QX 49006	" HANSON H.C.	Canteen
QX 46631	" POWELL A.W.J.	Demobilization
SX 15022	Sjt THOMSON B.P.	Bn Ord Rm
SX 32567	Cpl MATTHEWS W.J.	"
NX 129193	Pte BIRT R.J.	"
SX 33090	Pte ROBERTS A.L.	"
SX 20251	Cpl HUDDY J.O.	Bn HQ Adm NCO
SX 11192	L/Sjt HARDY F.T.	P & O cpl "HQ" Coy
SX 20442	Pte HENTSCHKE J.A.	" " "A" Coy
SX 15518	Cpl MANIFOLD A.K.	" " "B" Coy
NX 143046	Pte HOGAN J.	" " "C" Coy
WX 38762	L/Sjt BAKER E.J.V.	" " "D" Coy
TX 8186	Pte BAILEY L.H.	COMS "HQ" Coy
VX 82279	Cpl RITCHIE S.K.	" " " " Coy
NX 118025	Pte GOLLEDGE E.T.	" " "B" Coy
VX 82333	L/Sjt BRADLEY G.T.	" " "C" Coy
SX 11248	L/Cpl MURRAY M.T.	" " "D" Coy
NX 200457	Pte LOVES J.A.	Sig
SX 1846	" SHILL R.D.	"
SX 37131	" LOCKE M.F.	"
WX 13563	Cpl BROCKMAN H.S.P.	"I" Sec
SX 13534	L/Cpl GAY RLL.B.	RP
VX 125103	Pte KANE W.J.	"
SX 24158	Pte NEWELL R.M.	Batman
VX 120366	" POTTER G.C.	"
SX 29211	" BOYLAN M.K.	"
SX 18294	" MOSES T.E.M.	"
VX 134252	Sjt WILSON A.D.	RAP

NX 37663	Pte	HOSEY B.D.	RAP
SX 14848	Pte	WEBBER K.	Carpenter
SX 11365	Pte	LANG J.G.	"
WX 5578	Pte	GRAFFIN A.T.	"
SX 17900	Pte	BAUM H.McG	"
SX 11163	Pte	McLAREN J.P.	"

In addition each coy will nominate 1 OR for gen duties. Names to this HQ by 221800 I Sep 45.

3. Names on the above cadre will not be altered except with prior approval from this HQ and then only in cases of extreme urgency.

4. Future requirements may necessitate the addition of further personnel to the cadre.

R. H. Hettige Lt
Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn.

20 Sep 45

94. CUSTODY OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN 24 AUST INF BDE AREA. Bde R05/34

1. The following order relates to the custody of Japanese soldiers in 24 Aust Inf Bde Area.

RESPONSIBILITY.

2. The following responsibilities are allotted:
(a) for safe conduct of Japanese to surrender compounds, from areas astride BEAUFORT-TENOM ry - 2/43 Aust Inf Bn;
(b) for guarding and administering all compounds in BEAUFORT Area - 2/28 Aust Inf Bn.

SURRENDER COMPOUNDS

3. 2/28 Aust Inf Bn will appoint:
(a) a commandant of surrender compounds in BEAUFORT town area; and
(b) guards for surrender compounds in BEAUFORT town area.

INSPECTION OF COMPOUNDS

4. Maj R.R.MGODY, HQ 2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy is appointed to be inspector of surrender compounds. He will be responsible for reporting whether or NOT the compounds and the inmates of compounds are being administered in accordance with the Laws and Usages of War (MML Chapter 14).

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS FROM JAPANESE

5. No member of 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp will personally acquire any article of Japanese equipment, any personal possession of a Japanese soldier, any Japanese arms or any article whatsoever that has been brought into the area of occupation of 24 Aust Inf Bde by a Japanese soldier. In particular, no member of the Aust Army Provost Corps under command 24 Aust Inf Bde, an escort or guard or garrison unit performing duties relating to the custody of Japanese soldiers will acquire any such articles as are covered by this order.

CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS

6. Japanese soldiers will complete the construction of accommodation, in surrender compounds, under direction of OC 2/16 Aust Fd Coy. The priority of work will be:
(a) hygiene facilities;
(b) hospital or similar accommodation within the compound.
(c) shelters for offrs and ORs; and
(d) other facilities.

WASTE OIL AS FUEL FOR COOKING

7. 2/122 Aust Bde Wksp will be responsible for the provision of equipment in surrender compounds for using waste oil as fuel for cooking.

(The contents of this order will be read to all ranks and COs' certificates rendered to this HQ by 1800hrs 21 Sep to the effect that same has been done)

95. ATEBRIN (bde RO 5/35)

Instances have occurred where members of the AMF have "traded" atebirin with natives. This will cease. Coys will conduct weekly checks of yellow spot outfits and investigate any shortages noted.

96. INFLAMMABLE MATERIALS.

1. Instances have occurred recently of accidents being caused as a result of the use of inflammable liquids and materials as destructor agents.

2. En RO 31 of 31 Jul 45 is repeated.

- (a) Fatal accidents have been caused by petrol, cordite and other inflammable fluids and materials being used for lighting and boosting fires.
- (b) This practice will cease and under no circumstances will inflammable fluids or materials be used for this purpose.
- (c) Sub units will ensure that inflammable fluids and materials are not brought within close proximity of naked flame whereby damage might be caused to equipment or personnel.

3. Any future breaches will be treated as prima facie evidence of disobedience of an order.

97. CIVILIAN LAUNDRIES (Bde RO 3/26)

No civilian laundries have been authorised by this HQ. Sub Units will warn personnel that they are NOT permitted to take their clothes to any civilian for laundering.

98. CORRECT CHANNELS OF COMMAND (DRO 69/355)

Several instances have arisen of units and sub units of arms and services operating in an area of responsibility of a formation or unit, receiving orders direct from parent HQ, on matters calling for action by the HQ of the formation or unit responsible for the area.

This is a direct contravention of principles of command laid down in PSRs Vol 1 and the expressed policy of GOC 9 Aust Div and will cease immediately.

Comds of Arms and Heads of Services will take necessary implementing action on this instruction, and formations or units responsible for specific areas as detailed by this HQ, will report by signal any future breaches of this instruction giving brief relevant details.

99. LOSS OF EQUIPMENT - PERSONNEL DISCHARGED (DRO 69/359)

1. Cases are being reported from Ls of C that personnel are moving to GDDs for discharge with papers obviously incorrect.

2. Steps are to be taken to ensure that all entries in basic documents are complete and special attention is to be paid to AAB83 and AAF 204.

3. The following is an example of what has occurred:-

NX _____ Aust Div ASC is found by NSW
L of C Area to be deficient, amongst 18 items of
equipment, of one Owen SMG. The soldier had been
evacuated through medical channels.

4. When personnel march out of the unit coys will ensure by inspection that items shown in AAB83 and F204, are actually held.

A. J. O'Rourke Lt
A Adit 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES.

LOST. A wallet containing one security pass No. 157, army drivers' licence and personal items. Finder please return to this HQ. Reward.

LOST. A gold pencil has been lost in BEAUFORT Area. Initials "DK" scratched on same. Finder please return to this HQ.

ORDER OF THE DAY

by

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR LESLIE MORSHEAD
General Officer Commanding, 1 Aust Corps

Headquarters
1 Australian Corps,
14 September, 1945.

On the eve of the closing down of Corps Headquarters and my return to Australia, I wish to express my gratitude to you all for your unfailing support, and my pride in your long record of achievements. I shall ever cherish the memory of my service with you, and of your great deeds and successes.

In taking leave of you I ask you never to lose hold of the comradeship forged in six years of war, and I know that you will keep fresh and green the memory of our fallen comrades.

To you all, every one of you, I offer my warmest wishes for your future welfare, health and happiness. Goodbye, good luck, and may God bless you always.

(Sgd) L.J.Morshead

Lieutenant-General
Commanding 1 Aust Corps

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SECRET

SUBJECT : MEETING WITH JAP EMISSARIES 2/43 AUST
INF BN CONTACT POINT 1000 HRS 11 SEP 45

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
REF : G38/ /
11 Sep 45

24 Aust Inf Bde

1. At 0940 hrs 11 Sep 45 the party which had made the previous contacts with our force again approached our lines. Maj Watanabe again led the party.

2. Object

- (a) To make contact as previously instructed on 9 Sep
- (b) To discuss matters raised at the previous discussion

3. CO 2/43 Aust Inf Bn, acting on instrs received from the Bde Comd conducted the following talks with the emissaries, through a staff officer.

(a) Maj Watanabe was informed that Lt Gen Baba had visited Maj Gen Wootten Comd 9 Aust Div at Labuan yesterday, 10 Sep 45.

4. (a) Question
Have you received any instructions yet from Lt Gen Baba. If not, are you prepared to discuss the local situation?

(b) Answer
I know that Lt Gen Baba saw Maj Gen Wootten yesterday, but I have had no instructions yet. I am able to discuss only certain matters which I know would be permitted by Lt Gen Baba.

He was informed that only those questions would be asked which it was considered he should be in a position to answer. He need not answer any question which he considered outside his scope.

Noted . 4. The fact that Maj Watanabe knew of the visit of Lt Gen Baba to Labuan indicated that communications to Tenom may not be as unreliable as he has continually taken pains to stress.

5. (a) Question
Are you the comd of the local force?

(b) Answer
Yes. I am in comd of a narrow section immediately in front of your troops.

6. (a) Question
What is the strength of your force?

(b) Answer
I am not quite certain. I have a lot of my men sick and the strength changes from day to day. However, I will obtain the figures and submit them to you whenever you -

He was instructed to submit them at the -

7. (a) Question

Are there any PW or internees in the area, either locally or in the Tenom area?

(b) Answer

There are no Australian PW either here or at Tenom. I do not know of any at all, but will find out and inform you at the next meeting.

8. (a) Question

Are you conversant with the situation at Tenom? If so, who are the subordinate comds to Lt Gen Baba?

(b) Answer

I know very little of Tenom, and I do not know who the next senior officer would be.

Note: This is considered to be an evasion, but the subject was not pursued.

9. Maj Watanabe then stated that his troops could not do anything about clearing away the landslides between here and Tenom, as they had no tools. The railway line was badly damaged by the landslides.

10. (a) Question

Why did you make that statement?

(b) Answer

I thought we might be required to do this work.

Maj Watanabe was told that his assumption was quite correct.

11. (a) Question

If you have no tools, how do you dig your holes?

(b) Answer

He here explained that they used a tool similar to a hoe, but larger.

He was informed that these would serve the purpose.

12. (a) Question

What rolling stock is there which could be used for the purpose of moving spoil?

(b) Answer

There is one locomotive in a bad state of repair, and the rolling stock has been badly damaged by air attacks. There are a few hand trolleys but we have no oil or grease to overcome the rust.

13. As it seemed that Maj Watanabe was reaching the stage where he could no longer answer questions no further interrogation was made.

14. He was then instructed to :

- (a) lay a telephone line from his HQ to the contact point
- (b) repair the telephone line from his HQ to the HQ at Tenom.
- (c) Clear and repair the railway line from the Montenor Kechil bridge South towards Tenom.

All tasks to be commenced immediately.

- (d) make contact every second day at the same place and time, until comms were established to his HQ when he would receive instructions by telephone.

15. Following these instructions Maj Watanabe asked the following questions :

Question

I would like to lay the telephone line only as far as the bridge. Is this permissible.

Answer

No. You are to lay the line to this point.

Question

I am suffering from sickness and would like permission to send a representative in my stead on the contact days if I am not well. Further, would the bn Comd (2/43 Aust Inf Bn) be present on each day?

On being asked, he stated that the representative would hold the rank of Captain.

Answer

Yes, but when you receive your instructions from Lt Gen Baba, or when you are required by us you will come. The bn comd will be here when he considers it necessary.

16. Maj Watanabe was finally told

- (a) to bring or send details of the strength and dispositions of his force, PWs and internees (if any) to the next contact.
- (b) that, as the local comd, he would be required to surrender himself and his force to the Comd of the Australian Forces in this area at a time to be given him later.
- (c) in view of the fact that, notwithstanding his previous assurance his men were still moving over to the NORTH side of the Montenor Kechil bridge, he was to place a picquet on the South side to prevent this.

Maj Watanabe again offered his apologies and stated that all these orders would be carried out.

17. The party departed at 1110 hrs.

NOTE: Maj Watanabe is not wholly cooperative and information was given in some cases grudgingly. He gave the impression that the surrender of the Japanese forces is but an incident and nothing more. The fact that he is, at the moment, acting without instruction from higher authority no doubt influenced his attitude to some extent.

In the field 11 Sep 45

 Lt Col
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

SUBJECT : CHANGEOVER OF SUB UNITS 11 and 12 Sep 45

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
9 Sep 45.

1. The following sub units will change over on 11 and 12 Sep 45 in accordance with the following schedule.

Serial	SUB UNIT	AREA		METHOD	TIME BY WHICH TO BE COMPLETED	REMARKS
		FROM	TO			
1	16 Pl less one sec	V & O Beaufort	New ar ea DCoy	Train	11 Sep time to be advised	
2	one sec 16 Pl	V & O Beaufort	7 Sec 12 Pl area	Train	11 Sep time to be advised	
3	12 Pl	Present area	V&O Sec Beaufort	Train	11 Sep time to be advised	
4	C Coy	Present area	Unit Rest Camp	Merch Route	111000I	
5	A Coy	Unit Rest Camp	New ar ea to be des igned	March Route	111130I	
6	4 Pl	Unit Rest Camp	New ar ea near Mortar Pl	March Route	111100I	
7	2 Pl less det	Unit Rest Camp	New ar ea near Mortar Pl	March Route	111100I	
8	5 Pl less dets	Unit Rest Camp	Own area Bn HQs	March Route	111130I	
9	17 Pl	V & O Beaufort	18 Pl D Coy area	Train	12 Sep time to be advised	
10	18 Pl	Present area	V & O Beaufort	Train	12 Sep time to be advised	

2. Changeover of all stores, stretchers etc by mutual arrangements between Coy Comds concerned.

3. Lt J.S. Foster assumes comd of V & O Sec Beaufort 11 Sep.

4. 12 Pl less 7 sec may concentrate before relief of 7 sec if desired.

R. L. Attridge Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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SUBJECT: 2/43 AUST INF RE SECURITY FORCE

1. The following personnel have been selected to form a Security Force to operate in the TERNON area if required.

	OC	WX7395	Lt	B L HARVEY	
	Asst	SX1606	WO1	DAVIES R H L	A Coy
		SX7190	Sjt	SEAMAN H.D	B Ech
<u>1 Det</u>		SX6319	LSjt	BROWN A H	C Coy
		VX75905	Pte	CUTTS E J	D Coy
<u>2 Det</u>		SX7127	SSjt	GEORGE R A	A Coy
		SX6230	Cpl	KRECH O H	B Coy
<u>3 Det</u>		SX7227	Sjt	KABISON B C	B Ech
		SX38769	Pte	STEPHENS H A	A Coy
<u>4 Det</u>		SX10229	Sjt	BROWN C J	A Coy
		MX102110	Cpl	ANTHONY G H	B Coy
<u>5 Det</u>		SX6353	Sjt	MCCABE V H	B Ech
		SX12795	Pte	FIEBIG W L	C Coy

2. OC of the force will call a conference of all members at a date and time to be advised.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by
Lt. Col M. R. JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

11 Sep 45

88. CENSORSHIP (DRO 353/68)

1. This order is issued in amplification of Bn RO 87 (8 Sep 45):

2. The suspension of unit censorship does NOT mean that a member of the AMF may disclose information which is in the security classifications of TOP SECRET, SECRET and CONFIDENTIAL or such information in the RESTRICTED category as may NOT be disclosed to the public.

3. The following provisions of GRO 371/44 will continue to apply.

(a) Prohibited information.-

A member must not disclose any communication containing any prohibited information. In particular, reference shall not be made to any of the following matters:-

- (i) strength of any organization of our own or allied forces (including navy and air forces) or reference to their morale;
- (ii) armament or equipment of any kind;
- (iii) plans or forecasts of orders for current, future or cancelled operations or movements, whether known, rumoured or surmised;
- (iv) state of the maintenance services (including any reference to reserves);
- (v) casualty figures before official publication;
- (vi) criticism and statements which may bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.

(b) Prohibited articles.-

- (i) any document or equipment captured from the enemy or found in places occupied by the enemy, or any document containing information about the enemy, other than documents or equipment stamped with a War Souvenir Stamp, signed by an authorized officer certifying that the article is not required by Intelligence.
- (ii) official documents, including Intelligence summaries, orders, maps etc;
- (iii) official documents belonging to the civil authority in allied or enemy territory;
- (iv) propaganda leaflets, whether issued by the enemy or by Australian or allied forces or authorities.

(c) Codes and ciphers.-

A member will not post or send any communication containing -

- (i) any writing which bears any meaning other than the contained on the face of it;
- (ii) any instructions or request to use any means of secretly conveying, receiving or recording any information or to use any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

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- (iii) any writing, mark, sign or thing secretly conveying or recording information;
- (iv) any code, cipher, shorthand or any writing, mark or sign in any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

- 4. The names of casualties among Allied P^r will NOT be disclosed until it is reasonable certain that next of kin have been informed by Records. The co-operation of all ranks is requested particularly in this regard in order to prevent any further distress being suffered by next of kin.
- 5. It will be appreciated that Base Censorship and censorship of parcels will continue.
- 6. Breaches of National Security Regulations and of this order are an offence against military law, and the abolition of unit censorship merely places an obligation of honour upon all ranks.
- 7. Unit censor stamps will continue to be used in order to obtain concession rates of postage.

89. TRANS-PACIFIC AIR SERVICE

- 1. Arrangements have been made for the carriage of commercial Air Mail by the RAF Transport Command Pacific Service, and it has been decided to commence despatches from Australia to Canada, United States of America and to intermediate countries by this route forthwith.
- 2. The service is scheduled to depart Sydney at 0930 hrs on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week.
- 3. The Air Mail charges, together with the necessary super-description where required in respect of the countries served by this route may be obtained from Postal Sjt.

[Signature]
Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

13 Sep 45

90. PROHIBITION OF ENTRY OF ANIMALS INTO AUSTRALIA (Corps RO 118/24)

1. Australia is at present free from many of the animal and bird diseases which are prevalent in some of the foreign countries and adjacent islands where Australian Forces have been deployed and the introduction of such diseases to Australia would be a national calamity.

2. Bn RO 97/45 covers the prohibition of the return of all animals, birds or reptiles including those on unit WEs and the enforcement of its provisions is the responsibility of every officer and NCO.

3. Small animals, birds or reptiles can be concealed in bits and special vigilance by all officers and NCOs is necessary to prevent the evasion of the Quarantine Regulations. Any animals, birds or reptiles discovered after embarkation will be destroyed immediately.

91. OFFICERS VISITING LABUAN (Bde RO 41/4)

In future all applications for permission for officers to visit LABUAN for any purpose other than when travelling on duty will be submitted on the Proforma attached as Appendix A.

92. HEARING OF CHARGES LAID AGAINST PERSONNEL CONTRACTING MALARIA (Bde RO 45/4)

When an individual is charged with a breach of anti-malarial precautions, the charge will NOT be finalized in the individual's Coy or equivalent Orderly Room. It will, at least, be heard in the Bn Orderly Room by the CO.

93. CANCELLATION OF BN RO'S

The following Bn RO's have been cancelled.

32	Bn	RO	Serial	B6/45
44	"	"	"	B7/45
86	"	"	"	B13/45

Part 1 (b) PUNISHMENTS

An FCGM convened by Brig S H PORTER Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde was held in the field on 23 Aug 45

President: Maj P MASEL - 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

SX5790 Pte BALDWIN F H - 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

AA Sec 9(2) WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer

IN THAT HE

In the field on 27 Jul 45 while on active service did not move as a member of a patrol when ordered to do so by WO1 BOURNE.

He pleaded NOT GUILTY and was found GUILTY by the Court.

On 23 Aug 45 he was sentenced to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 28 days.

the accused was NIL days in close arrest and one day in open arrest.

on 9 Sep 45 Maj-Gen G F WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the finding and sentence.

Promulgated to the accused in the field on the 14th day of Sep 45.

A DCM convened by Maj-Gen G.F.WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div was held in the field on the 1 Sep 45 and the following accused were charged jointly.

NX176105	Pte	FOX	P.T.	SX5790	Pte	BALDWIN	F H
QX53934	Pte	LOOK	R	VX94547	Pte	ASH	A 7
VX94331	Pte	DELANEY	P	all of 2/43 Aust Inf Bn			

President: Major A.J.GREVILLE - HQ 9 Aust Div

AA Sec 40 When on active service conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

IN THAT THEY

In the field on 23 Jul 45 improperly used a truck 1/4 ton 4 x 4 the property of the United States Government.

the accused pleaded NOT GUILTY and were found GUILTY as charged.

on 1 Sep 45 each accused was fined the sum of ten pounds (£10).

the accused were NIL days in arrest awaiting trial.

on 7 Sep 45 Maj-Gen G.F.WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the finding and sentence in respect of each accused.

Promulgated to the accused in the field on the 13th day of Sep 45.

H. L. Stagg Lt
A Adj 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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NOTICES

SURRENDER OF JAPAN

The following message, dated 15th August 1945, has been received by General Sir Thomas Blamey, Commander-in-Chief, AMF, from the Governor-General (His Royal Highness, The Duke of Gloucester):-

"Please convey my heartiest congratulations to all personnel under your command on today's thrilling news. Henry, Governor-General."

The following reply has been sent to His Royal Highness by General Sir Thomas Blamey :-

"I am honored on behalf of all ranks of the AMF to receive your congratulations and rejoice with you in the great victory of our Arms."

APPLICATIONS BY OFFICERS OF THE AMF FOR CIVIL AFFAIRS APPOINTMENTS IN FAR EASTERN RE-OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

Approval has been given for the release of a limited number of officers of the AMF for appointment to Civil Affairs staff posts in the British military administrations to be set up when Burma, Malaya, Borneo, Hong-Kong and other Far Eastern territories are re-occupied.

Further particulars from this HQ.

REPATRIATION COMMISSION:

In order to cope with the activities of the Repatriation Commission arising out of the demobilisation of the forces, the Commission is desirous of securing the services of a number of clerks for its branch office in each State.

Further particulars from this HQ.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER - MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

Duties: Related to the preparation and editing of matter for release to the general public, and associated duties, and to edit the departmental technical journal.

Qualifications: Applicants should state their journalistic experience and knowledge of aviation matters.

Salary: £490-£562 p.a.

WARDERS AND LIGHTERMEN, NEWCASTLE (NSW) EXPLOSIVES BRANCH:

Qualifications: Applicants should be of good physique used to the lifting of heavy weights and the handling of small boats. The possession of a Harbours and Rivers Certificate will be an advantage.

Salary: £307 p.a.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

HAWKESBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE - AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER:

Duties: Will be required to assist the Lecturer in Farm Engineering and will be responsible for the maintenance and repair of the college machinery and engines. Experience with agricultural machinery will be an advantage.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a Higher Trades Certificate of the Sydney Technical College or its equivalent in motor construction or fitting and machining.

Salary: £390 p.a.

Appx "A" to 2/43 Aust
Inf Bn Routine Order 91
Serial B15/45 of 13Sep

APPLICATION FOR SOCIAL VISIT TO LABUAN

1. Unit
2. No, Rank and Names of Offrs desiring to visit LABUAN
3. Date dep BEAUFORT
4. Date returning to BEAUFORT
5. Accn arrangements at LABUAN
6. Purpose of Visit
7. Recommendation of C.O.
date.....C. O.
8. Recommendation of Bde Comd
date.....Br lg
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde
9. Decision of 9 Aust Div.
(i) application will be submitted in triplicate to this HQ 7 days prior to date on which visit is desired.
(ii) before submitting applications arrangements for accn at LABUAN must have been completed.
(iii) this order does NOT in any way alter the instructions already issued with regard to movement of offrs on duty.

W/D
21 SEP 45DEFINITION AND SCOPE OF THESE INSTRS1. Meaning of "Demobilization"

Demobilization comprises the complete process whereby the Aust Defence Forces will be converted from a War to Peace basis. In relation to the members of the forces it involves, in addition to their actual dispersal, such action incidental to their re-establishment in civilian life as may be possible up to the point of discharge. Demobilization also involves the dispersal of animals, materials and real assets surplus to peace-time requirements, the disposal of records and the finalization of certain accounts.

2. Date of commencement of Demobilization

Although numbers of personnel have for some time been released to essential employment, and it is possible that further releases will be authorised, the reduction in str of the forces thus effected has no connection with the process of general demobilization as covered in these orders.

3. Operation Date of Orders

These orders are designed to lay down general principles which will be followed in the demob of the AMF in such detail as may be considered firm at this stage.

In view of the commencement of demob it is necessary to have a cessation date for the long service release scheme so that demob and long service release points will NOT be confused.

Orders for demob will take effect from the following dates:

- (a) for personnel other than those who are eligible for discharge under the long service release plan - 1 OCT 45
- (b) Long service release personnel - 31 AUG 45

NOTE: To define sub para (b) - Personnel who are eligible for release under the long service release plan as at 31 AUG 45 and who have elected discharge. Personnel who become eligible after 31 AUG 45 will be disposed of in accordance with the demob procedure.

4. Application of orders

The orders are of general application throughout the AMF with the following exceptions :

- (a) PW, the reception, repatriation and rehab of whom will be dealt with in accordance with the instr issued separately.
- (b) Members becoming medically unfit for service during the demob period who will be dealt with in accordance with current procedure.

5. Meaning of priority

Priority means the order of precedence accorded a member for demob. It includes

- (a) Normal priority is the order of precedence accorded a member based solely on length of service, age on enlistment and dependency state is which are the basic factors on which priority is assessed. It is represented by a number of points known as a "Priority Classification."
- (b) Special Priority is the order of precedence accorded the member whose demob is to be accelerated regardless of normal priority - para 30 (a) (iii)
- (c) Deferred Priority is the order of precedence accorded a member whose demob is to be delayed regardless of normal priority of eligibility or a special priority - ref para 30(b)

(i) & (ii)

THE OUTLINE PLAN6. Principles governing disposal of personnel

The main principles governing the dispersal of personnel are as follows :

- (a) All members, whatever the terms of their engagement will be subjected to a common demobilization scheme.
- (b) Every effort will be made to set free for early dispersal those with the greatest claim under the rules.
- (c) Members who desire a deferred priority will be permitted to remain in the Army provided that they are required and that

- they fulfil the conditions laid down
- (d) Members whose continued service is considered to be essential will be retained regardless of their priority
 - (e) Subject to paras (c) and (d) members whose early return to civilian life is essential in the national interests will be accorded a special priority.
 - (f) Members whose applications for discharge on compassionate grounds are approved will be accorded a special priority
7. High and low priority personnel and members available for dispersal
- (a) From time to time the Govt will decide what reduction is to be effected in the Army and, according to the numbers to be released, Land HQ will nominate certain priority classifications, the members holding which, will, subject to army requirements be discharged.
 - (b) Members holding classifications nominated will be referred to as high priority personnel and the remainder as low priority.
 - (c) High priority personnel whose priorities are not deferred or withheld and members granted special priorities will be available for dispersal.
8. Redundant Units
- (a) In addition to the reduction of personnel, certain units not required for the Interim Army will be nominated as early as practicable. Such units will be referred to as redundant units and will be reduced to a cadre of sufficient size to effect their disbandment.
 - (b) As demob proceeds interim army units will, in their turn, become redundant.
9. Sorting out of personnel
- (a) As part of the plan for demob, steps will be taken by transfer, posting or attachment, to move Low Priority Personnel from redundant units to Interim Army units to replace High Priority personnel, thus allowing the latter to be dispersed.
 - (b) Equalization of opportunity between members outside Aust and those in Aust will, as far as possible, be arranged by the early despatch of members for demob from overseas.
10. Constitution of Post-War Army
- (a) Meanwhile the constitution of a post-war Army must be borne in mind. However, personnel will be required initially for the interim army and will only become available for the post-war Army as national interest dictates. Eventually the post war army will replace the interim army.

DISPERSAL MACHINERY

11. Organization for dispersal of members

- (a) A special organization, known as a dispersal centre, will be established in Western Comd and each L of C area.
- (b) The dispersal centre will be organised on an inter-service basis and will incl separate service discharge depots and inter service medical and civil re-establishment wings.

12. Dispersal areas

Six dispersal areas will be established viz Qld incl PAPUA and NG, NSW incl NORFOLK ISLAND NAURU and Aust Capital Territory, Vic, SA incl NT, West Aust. and Tas.

13. Rate of dispersal

The rate of dispersal within the AMF will be controlled by LHQ and will be the maximum possible taking into consideration the number available for dispersal, the limitations of transport and the capacity of the Demob machinery to handle personnel

14. Living Out Period

In order to regulate the intake into the Dispersal Centre and avoid unnecessary holding of personnel, members who have been made available for dispersal may, if they so desire, live out during the waiting period.

15. Finalization

At the dispersal centre each member will go through all the processes necessary to return him to civil life. Documentation will be completed and the member will then be given a free travelling warrant and will proceed independantly to his home.

DOCUMENTATION

16. Documents for recording Infrm

The information about the member which has to be recorded on Demob falls under 3 headings, namely that required by

- (a) The army
- (b) Other Govt departments
- (c) The member

Under (a) are included notifications to LHQ of certain Infrm required for statistics; to Ech and Rec to enable documents to be made up and the discharge to be effected, to the accounts office to enable the final payment to be made and the account to be closed.

Under (b) are included notifications to the departments of post war reconstruction and Labour and National service and the Directorate of Manpower and, in the case of those claiming disability pensions, to the Repatriation Dept.

Under (c) are included a discharge certificate and instrs as to such matters as rationing, electoral and Manpower registrations, notification of change of address etc.

17. Demobilization Procedure Book (AAB87)

Where practicable these notifications will be made on special demob forms in sets in the form of a Demob Procedure book, which will be issued to all members. The forms are perforated, where necessary, so that they may be detached.

For instr for compilation of this book see Appx "A"

18. Documentation in units

The maximum amount of adm work possible has been allotted to units, leaving the minimum to be completed at the Dispersal Centre.

REHABILITATION

19. Rehabilitation booklet

Full Infrm concerning re-establishment in civil life (incl eligibility for pensions, loans, professional and trade trg, provision of civilian clothing, war service homes, income tax provisions and civil entitlements) and the repatriation of members and their dependants to Aust, or from Aust to other countries, will be found in a rehabilitation booklet which will be issued to all members, on receipt of stocks from Formation HQ.

PRIORITY FOR DISPERSAL

20. Assessment of priorities - method of -

(a) Normal priority -

- (i) 2 points for each month or part thereof of continuous FT service up to 30 Sep 45 incl.
- (ii) 2 points for each completed year of age at date of enlistment for FT service
- (iii) 1 point for each month or part thereof of continuous FT service for members with a dependant or dependants (See para 23)

21. Determination of length of service

(a) Service will be regarded as dating from the day of commencement of continuous FT war service, and will terminate on 30 Sep 45.

(b) Time spent in camps of trg or on other duty prior to the commencement of continuous FT war service has been excluded

(c) Non effective service (i.e. periods for which service pay was not credited between the dates of commencement of continuous FT war service and the 30 Sep 45 will not be deducted (e.g. Seasonal Leave WOP)

(d) Members who rejoin the AMF after having been discharged in respect of a previous continuous FT war service engagement, and members who join the AMF subsequent to discharge in respect of a similar engagement in another service, will be credited with both periods of service provided that in all cases the earlier service was acknowledged when the member entered into the latter engagement. Claims in respect of this service will be fwded to En HQ as soon as possible so as verification can be made with Ech & Rec. Fullest Infrm will be given after interrogation

by the Coy Demob Offr, who will satisfy himself that there is a definite claim.

22. Determination of age at enlistment

Age at enlistment will be the age in completed years at the date upon which the member commenced continuous FP war service.

23. Determination of dependancy status

Only those members who have dependants in respect of whom dependants allowance is being paid at 30 Sep 45. In the case of Long Service release personnel with dependants as at 31 AUG 45, will be deemed to have dependancy status.

24. Verification of service and age

Members length of service and age at enlistment can be verified by reference to personal docs, viz (AAB83) and WF5.

25. Verification of dependancy status

(a) Reference to the daily rates of pay pages of a members paybook will reveal whether or not an allotment is in force, and if so details of the allottee and the relationship to the member are shown on the pages at the back of the paybook and the AAB83.

(b) Where the allotment is payable to the member's wife, he will be deemed to have dependancy status. In other cases it will be necessary to ascertain whether or not a dependance allowance is being paid in respect of such allotment

(c) Where doubt exists about the correctness of a members claim irrespective of what is revealed by examination of his docs, a statutory declaration will be obtained from the member and will be forwarded to this HQ for verification with DFO. The member will be warned of the consequences should his declaration prove false.

26. Members to check personal documents

In accordance with existing orders, members will have been warned that they should check personal docs in order to ensure that the infm contained therein is correct, and make representations to have inaccuracies adjusted.

Claims made during the demob period that incorrect age was given at enlistment, that a false statement was made concerning marital status or that entries in personal docs concerning these matters are incorrect will NOT be recognised.

27. Reference to Ech and Rec and District Accounts Office

Applications for reference to Ech and Rec and DA office for advice concerning length of service, age at enlistment or dependancy status will be made only as a last resort.

28. Normal priority to be fixed

A member's normal priority will be assessed as at 30 Sep 45, in the case of Long Service personnel 31 Aug 45, and such priority will be fixed and will not thereafter be subject to any variation as a result of continued service.

RECORDING OF PRIORITIES

29. Preparation of AAFs A102 - Proceedings for discharge - OTHER RANKS

Preparation of AAFs A209 - Proceedings for termination of an Officer's appointment

Demob particulars as required by these forms will be compiled by this HQ from AAB87 after they have been completed by coys in accordance with the instr set out in Appx "A".

DEPARTURE FROM ORDER OF NORMAL PRIORITY

30. Reasons for Departure from Normal Priority

(a) Members will be discharged in the order of their normal priority except in the following cases:

(i) Members whose services are required on occupational grounds in the national interest.

NOTE: Persons seeking the release of members on occupational grounds will apply to Manpower Directorate. Members will NOT apply through service channels. Therefore requests for releases on occupational grounds will be instituted by

the employer and forwarded to the Manpower, and this unit will be advised should discharge be approved.

(ii) Members who are approved applicants for full time trg courses
Members wishing to resume or commence full time trg courses will make application through their coy Demob offr who will ascertain infm from this HQ for further details.

(iii) Members who applications for discharge on compassionate grounds are approved.

Applications will now be submitted on Form A331 (Appx "B")

(b) Discharges to be deferred regardless of priority

(i) Irrespective of para 30 (a) (i) & (ii) members whose continued employment in the Army is regarded as essential

(ii) Members who volunteer to forego priority with a view to continuing their service, either permanently or throughout the demob period, and whose continued employment is desirable.

(c) Priorities withheld

Priorities of members who are incl in any of the following categories will be withheld and members will be notified of the fact and the reason therefor -

Patients in hospital and soldiers undergoing sentences of imprisonment or detention. Priorities will become effective when these members return to their unit or GDD.

31. Applications for Permanent Military Forces and for service throughout demob

Applications will be submitted through Coy Demob Offr, who will have full particulars.

32. Determination of priority on compassionate grounds

It is reasonable to assume that, when demob commences applications by members for early discharge on compassionate grounds are likely to increase considerably. It is therefore emphasized that a special priority should be requested only in cases of extreme hardship the facts relating to which have been verified.

33. Applications by personnel serving outside Australia
The urge to return to Australia will be very strong among a large number of Low priority personnel serving outside Australia, consequently applications for leave pending investigations for discharge in advance of normal priority will only be granted in authenticated cases of great hardship.

34. Assistance in domestic problems

At HQ L of C area there is in operation a special duties section the members of which are experienced in welfare work and maintain close liaison with the various civil bodies interested in welfare activities.

DISPERSAL OF PERSONNEL
UNIT PROCEDURE

35. Unnecessary delays in members finalisation

(a) Delays in the finalisation of members service are most likely to occur in those cases where they have incomplete or incorrectly compiled documents or where such documents are not available.

(b) Therefore it is incumbent on all sub units to ensure that all documents are correctly made out and that all necessary entries are made therein up to the date on which the member leaves the unit. To ensure this sub units will carefully follow the instructions and complete the procedure laid down.

36. Issue of Demobilisation Procedure Book (A.B87)

- (a) Immediately a member becomes available for dispersal he will be issued with a Demob Procedure Book and action will be taken to complete such forms as may be necessary at this stage in accordance with instructions (vide Appendix "A")
- (b) The forms in question are perforated and will be detached, where applicable, at the appropriate stage during the members dispersal and passed to the responsible authority.

37. Rehabilitation Booklet

- (a) In order that members will become conversant with their demobilisation procedure, and any entitlements or benefits for which they will be eligible on account of their service, a rehabilitation booklet will be issued to all members.
- (b) These will be issued to coys when stocks become available.

38. Dental Examination

- (a) It is a unit responsibility to ensure that all members are dentally examined and that Dental Cards 15033 are completed prior to despatch of members for dispersal.
- (b) Further details on this procedure will be issued later.
- (c) Where new dentures are to be issued every effort will be made to provide them before the member leaves the unit. If this is not possible the letter D (in red) will be written on the top right corner of the Dental Card in addition to the usual entries.
- (d) Treatment at Dispersal Centres will be limited to that required to the supply of dentures and the urgent relief of pain.

39. Medical Examination prior to Discharge

- (a) Members available for dispersal will be subjected to a medical examination the result of which will normally be recorded on A.F D2(a)
- (b) If, however, a member claims to have a disability, or if the examining Medical Officer considers that a Final Medical Board is necessary -
- (c) Parts 1 and 11 of A.F D 2 will be completed
- (d) If a member who does not require a Final Medical Board and is not marched out for dispersal within one month of the examination, he will again be examined prior to departure from the unit.

40. "Dispersal Data" Form

- (a) Coys will ensure that all members, prior to despatch, for dispersal, will complete the Dispersal Data Form, which, together with instrs for compilation, is contained, in duplicate, in the Demob Procedure Book - Form 16 and 16(A)
- (b) One copy of the Dispersal Data Form, which provides basic infm for the compilation of the Rehabilitation form (Demobl) will be despatched by the quickest method by bn HQ the Discharge Depot through which the member is to be discharged.

41. Return of Arms, Clothing, and Equipment

- (a) Members will retain all articles of clothing, arms and equipment.
- (b) Members will NOT be despatched for dispersal until all discrepancies revealed in the AAF204 and the AAB83 have been satisfactorily adjusted, lit stoppage sheets, WF22, prepared where necessary.

42. Personal and Regimental Documents

- (a) When a member is despatched to L.F.D. he must be in possession of:-
 - Pay Book
 - Personal Equipment Card (AAB204)
 - Record of Service Book (AAB83)
 - Demob Procedure Book (AAB87) - issued by Bn HQ immediately prior to departure

(b) The following documents will be placed in an envelope and handed to the Draft Conducting Officer, and will accompany the member:-

- Field Conduct Sheet (B122)
- Dental Card (15033)
- Record of Leave (AAF63)
- Medical Form AAF D2(a) or D2 and other Medical Documents

(c) Personal and Regimental documents will be checked by Demob Staff at this HQ.

LTD PROCEDURE

43. Current Practice at LTDs

LTDs will continue to function in the normal manner and current procedure will be observed with certain variations which are referred to in the following paragraphs.

44. Completing Unit Procedure

(a) Immediately a Demobilisation Draft reports to the LTD, the personnel, together with their documents, will be checked and action taken, where necessary, to correct and to carry out any unit procedure not previously effected.

45. X-Ray Procedure

- (a) Where practicable, X-Ray examination of the Chest by the Micro Film Method will be made before members proceed on their "living out" period.
- (b) Where a possible disability is revealed a large film will be taken and movement of the member will conform to subsequent medical advice.

46. Members to "Live Out"

LTDs will permit members to "Live Out" whilst awaiting their turn to be marched into the AMF Discharge Depot except in the following cases.

- (a) Where it is considered by HQ Comd or L of C area that the travelling to the place where the member desires to proceed is excessive. Four days will be regarded as the maximum time allowable.
- (b) Where a member is granted a special priority.

47. Varying the period of "Living Out"

Members will be granted a definite "Living Out" period of not less than 28 days and not more than 40 days, but will be warned prior to their departure that it may be necessary to curtail or extend the period granted.

NOTE The period granted for "Living Out" will not be debited against any periods of leave.

48. Pay and Allowances while "Living Out"

- (a) Members "Living Out" will be issued with necessary travelling warrants. Pay and Subsistence allowances, where applicable, for the period granted, will be advanced under current leave procedure. In addition, advances against the security of deferred pay may be paid to members on their request, in accordance with instructions governing such advances.
- (b) Prior to members being marched out to AMF Discharge Depots, any adjustment necessary for subsistence allowance by reason of amendment to the "Living Out" period will be effected in members paybooks in accordance with current procedure.

49. Engaging in Civil Employment

Members whilst "Living Out" will be permitted to enter civil employment. When employment is entered upon the member will advise his employer that he is not discharged from the Army and that he will be required to report back for finalisation at a future date.

50. Medical Attention whilst "Living Out"

The normal service medical arrangements for members on leave will apply to those members "living out"

51. Forfeiture of Gratuity

The War Gratuity Act provides for the Forfeiture of gratuity by members who absent themselves without leave, and this provision will be applied to members who fail to report back on the required date.

52. Holding members at LTD

Members not granted permission to "live out" will be held at Holding Coys of the LTD, until marched out to the AMF Discharge Depot.

53. Amending date on which members are to report back after "Living Out"

This date will coincide, where possible, with the date on which the member has been ordered to report back to the LTD after the "Living Out" period. Where this is not possible, it will be necessary for the LTD to send a notice to the member advising him of the amended date on which he is to report at that depot. A "Notice of amended date of reporting for finalisation" Form is included in the members departure to "live out", it first being ensured that full personal particulars incl his address while "living out" have been entered.

54. The value of the "living out" period in relation to the consideration of re-establishment problems will be emphasised before the members leave the LTD. Army Rehabilitation representatives will be located at the LTD and will give all possible information and assistance in relation to re-establishment in civil life as may be desired by the member at this stage.

AMF DISCHARGE DEPOT PROCEDURE

55. Object

The AMF Discharge Depot will accommodate and ration members during the finalisation of demobilisation procedure, ensure that members are afforded every opportunity available which will assist in their re-establishment in civil life, and, after discharge, despatch them to their homes as civilians.

56. Organisation

AMF Discharge Depots will be organised as follows:-

- (a) HQ
- (b) Reception Coy
- (c) Disposal Coy (with Holding Units as required)
- (d) Transit Coy
- (e) Attached Dental section, Depot Cash Office, Ech and Rec Section, Rehabilitation Unit, and Vocational Guidance Unit.

The facilities of the Inter Service Medical and Re-establishment wings of the Disposal Centre will be made available.

57. Action on arrival

On being marched in to the AMF Discharge Depot from the LTD, members will report to the Reception Coy, which will:-

- (a) Check members documents i.e. Pay Book, Record of Service Book AB83, Personal Equipment Card AAF204 and Demob Procedure Book AAB87.
- (b) Pass members, together with their documents to the Disposal Coys.

58. Medical Wing Procedure

(a) Members who are to have a final medical board will be sent to the medical wing and on completion:-

- (i) Entries concerning any restriction in relation to civil employment will be made on the Medical Rehabilitation Advice Form which will be passed to the Army Rehabilitation Unit;

(ii) Members will be interviewed by representatives of the Repatriation Department, who will advise and assist them in any claims for pension they may wish to make.

(b) Information regarding further medical attention will be given to members concerned by Repatriation or Social Service Representatives.

59. Rehabilitation and Vocational Guidance

(a) Members will be despatched to the Rehabilitation Unit for completion of Form Demobl (and possible CR 1) and determination as to whether they should be referred to the Vocational Guidance Unit.

(b) After Rehabilitation interview members, with forms Demobl will be conducted to either to the Vocational Guidance Unit or to the Civil Re-establishment Wing as determined by the Rehabilitation Officer. Those for vocational guidance will be psychologically tested, where necessary, interviewed and advised by Vocational Guidance Officers, who will record on Form Demobl and send members on to the Civil Re-establishment wing.

60. Service Finalisation

From the Re-establishment Wing members will return to Discharge Depot for finalisation and dispersal to their homes.

61. Dental Examination

(a) A member whose Demobl Indicator shows that new Dentures are required will be despatched to the Dental Section.

(b) If dentures are not supplied there, he will be issued with an order and instr as to the dental post he will attend, or, if his normal place of residence is more than ten miles from a dental post he will be given an order on a civilian dentist.

62. Return of arms

(a) Members will return any outstanding articles of arms, eqpt and clothing and the appropriate entry will be made in their Demobl Procedure Books and AAF F 25 issued.

(b) Kit stoppage sheets will be prepared as required and together with kit clearances, forwarded to the Depot Cash Office.
(This para will NOT be confused with para 41)

63. Assessment of leave

Members Record of Leave Forms (AAF A63) will be checked with their Record of Service Books (AAB 83) and their entitlements to pay an lieu of leave assessed. Form 11 of Demobl procedure will be completed to accompany the member to the Depot Cash Office.

64. Finalization of pay matters

(a) The Depot Cash Office will withdraw members paybook and issue the receipt provided in form 13 of the Demobl Procedure Book.

(b) Members will be permitted to draw up to the credit in their respective paybooks and may on request, receive an advance against the security of their deferred pay in accordance with instr governing such advances.

(c) Bank Authorisation Forms (WF 92) in duplicate will be obtained for all members except where the DFO approves in special circumstances of payment by cheque. In such a case a written application in lieu of form WF 92 will be obtained from the member.

65. Issue of discharge certificates, Medals and badges.

On receipt of Nominal Rolls, Ech and Rec will prepare discharge certificates for confirmation, issue any available medals and badges to which members are entitled and return to the members their wills.

66. Despatch of members to their homes

(a) On completion of discharge and re-establishment procedure members will be handed over to the transit coy, which will issue the necessary rail, etc, warrants to enable them to proceed independently to their homes.

67. Accommodation and rations at AMF discharge depot.

The Disposal Coy will be responsible for rationing and quartering members whilst they are at the AMF Discharge Depot. Separate accommodation is provided for those members who have completed the discharge procedure and are merely awaiting transportation to their homes.

GENERAL

1. It will be noted that quite a lot of infm contained in this order will not apply until members are at Discharge Depots and it is therefore promulgated in the event of personnel desirous of knowing certain procedures. However, portion of the instr will be made known to all tps so as to help in the smooth running of the Demob plan.

2. A large percentage of the procedure has been based on a bn level and it is therefore essential that Coy Demob offrs make themselves fully conversant with this order, so as complete liaison with them and the Bn Demob Centre will be possible.

3. AAB87s (1 per coy) will be forwarded to Coy Demob Offrs for reference when approached by personnel. Completed AAB87 will be issued to personnel immediately prior to their marching out of the unit for onward movt to GDD.

K. L. Vottage Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION

A Coy	2	CO	1
B Coy	2	QM	1
C Coy	2	PMO	1
D Coy	2	RSM	1
HQ Coy	2	W/D	2
School	2	File	1

DEMOBILIZATION PROCEDURE BOOK (AAB 87)

1. The purpose of the Demob Procedure book is to ensure that the progress of a member, from the time he becomes available for dispersal until he becomes a civilian, is made with simplicity speed and efficiency. It also provides a record of action taken with each member, enabling the member himself or any authorised person to determine by referring to the book,

- (a) what stage has been reached in the demob procedure and
- (b) whether any stage of the procedure has been omitted.

2. On discharge the book will be retained by the soldier as it may contain information which will be of value to him at a later date.

3. The purpose of each page of the book is set out briefly below :-

Front cover

Personal details of the soldier incl his demob indicator (which may have to be added to at some stage of the procedure, e.g., when, after leaving the unit, it is decided that he is to appear before a final medical board) are given here.

This will obviate the necessity for repeatedly having to ask for such information.

Inside front cover

Advice is here offered the soldier, with a view to obtaining his active interest and cooperation in his demob.

Form 1 - change of address

Completion, detachment and delivery of this form to the Postal Orderly prior to leaving the unit, will ensure that the soldier's mail is correctly re-addressed after his departure.

Form 2 - Authority for discharge

A certificate by the member's commanding officer to the effect that discharge has been authorised. Where special priority is granted the authority must be quoted.

Form 3 - Unit procedure

A record of dispersal action taken before the member leaves the unit. It also notifies the date of departure from the unit for dispersal.

NOTE - When a member stages with any unit or LTD prior to proceeding on "Living out" this form will be checked by the staging unit or LTD, to ensure that all appropriate action has been taken.

Any action which has been omitted will be completed.

Form 4 - LTD procedure

Completed by the LTD which despatches the member on "Living out" it records his date of arrival at LTD, action taken at LTD, dates of reporting back from "living out" and marching out to Discharge Depot.

Form 5 - AMF Discharge Depot procedure

As each phase of Army procedure through which the member passes in the discharge depot is completed entries will be made in the appropriate panel on this form.

Form 6 - Inter service and civil procedure

This form records stages of action in the medical wing and general action only in the civil re-establishment wing.

Form 6 A - Civil re-establishment action record

A record of detailed civil re-establishment action is entered on this form which will be detached and held in the civil re-establishment wing.

Forms 7, 8 and 9 are cancelled if member not permitted to live out.

Form 7 - Notice to the member

This notice is a reminder to the member of his entitlements before proceeding to live out and gives him directions on action he may be required to take regarding sickness, etc., whilst living out.

Form 8 - Authority to engage in civilian employment during living out period

This constitutes an authority for the member to engage in civil employment and to wear civilian clothes whilst living out and will be completed at the LTD.

Form 9 - Notice of alteration of date of reporting back

This form is detached and held by LTD. Should it be necessary for any reason to alter the date on which a member is to report back to LTD the amended date is entered on the back of this form which is then posted to the member.

Form 11 - Leave credits

Completed at the discharge depot to show the member's leave credit as at date of discharge. After Esh and Rec unit has made its entry, the leave section, disposal coy, will complete the form and obtain the member's signature thereon and detach the right hand half for forwarding to the Depot Cash Office with the AAF A63.

NOTE - When the member reports to the Depot Cash Office for pay finalization the left hand half will be checked and signed by the OC Depot Cash Office.

Form 12 - Certificate - arms, eqpt and clothing on issue

Completed before the member leaves the unit, it certifies that his personal documents (AAF F204 and AAB 83) agree with the items held by the member on his departure from the unit and that other items have been accounted for. The Discharge Depot is therefore able to take the required action on discharge regarding arms, eqpt etc without reference to any other docs than the personal documents of the member.

Form 13 - Receipt for paybook

Completed by Discharge Depot Cash Office when member's paybook is withdrawn for finalization of his account. The receipt remains in the procedure book.

Form 14 - Educational record

Completed before the member leaves the unit. enlistment
The front of the form, showing the member's pre-education standard, is completed by the member under the supervision of the Unit Education offr or his representative
The back of the form showing study done through AAES and the training required under CTS is completed by the Unit Educational offr or his representative.

Form 15 - Vocational guidance report

This form is completed by a representative of the AA Psychology Service when he interviews the member for vocational guidance either with the unit or at Discharge Depot. The form remains with the member and may be used as a testimonial when seeking employment.

Form 16 and 16 A - Dispersal data form

This is a Manpower Form and is completed in duplicate in

the unit. One copy (form 16) is extracted and despatched to the Discharge Depot through which the member will be discharged. The other copy (form 16) remains with the member.

Blank pages - Notes

Six blank pages are provided in the back of the book for any notes the member may wish to make.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COYS FOR COMPLETION OF AAB 87 AT THIS STAGE

The following portions of this book will be completed by coys :-

1. Army No, rank and name to be entered only on all forms where required unless otherwise stated hereunder :-
2. Form 1 - To be fully completed excluding soldier's signature.
3. Form 12 - The date on which all arms, eqpt etc was checked against AAFP204 and AAB 83. It will NOT be signed.
4. Form 14 - To be filled in by Coy Comd and signed by him in the Unit Educ Offr's space and dated.
5. Form 16 and 16 A - To be filled in by an offr in the presence of the soldier. Soldier's signature will NOT be appended at this stage.

Cover - Army No, rank and names, and home address will only be entered. Date issued and soldier's signature will be completed on issue of this book to the soldier immediately prior to marching out.

AAB 87s are in sufficient supply to permit the completion of one for each member eligible for release under the Long Service Release Plan as at 31 Aug 45 and those personnel mentioned in out TD 1 (not to all addresses) for discharge on occupational grounds.

When further books become available they will be issued to coys for completion for the following -

- (a) ALL unit personnel present on 1 OCT 45
- (b) ALL personnel attached from other units on 1 OCT 45.

AMF war service ceases at 31 SEP 45 and 1 OCT 45 is therefor known as RECORDING DAY for the purpose of Demobilization.

AAB 87s together with AAF A63s and AAF B 122s will be forwarded to Bn HQ as soon as possible.

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS

A. Army No:- Rank :- Unit :-

Name :-

Age :- Med Class:- Trade Group :-

B. 1. Pre-service employment :-

2. War Service (Brief)

3. Grounds on which application made (Brief)

4. Full home address :-

5. Married or single :- Date of marriage :-

6. Number of children, ages and sex :-

7. Who is caring for the home?:-

8. Details of any relatives or friends who can help :-

9. If application is made for business reasons state -

(a) Nature of business :-

(b) Particulars of any other persons interested :-
and in what way they are helping to conduct it -

10. List of documents and statements attached in support of application

11. Comments and recommendation by Coy Comd :-

.....Date

.....
(Signature of applicant)

.....
(Coy Comd's signature)

W/O

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SUBJECT: ANTI-DISEASE

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
22 Sep 45.

- 1 (a) The following cases of MT malaria were reported today
Pte Francis D Coy
Pte Romano A Coy
both of these have a high MT parasite count which indicates that they have been exposed to heavy infestation and that NO atebirin has been taken for a considerable period.
 - (b) The total cases to date are
A 4
B 3
C Nil
D 1
Various 5 (HQ Coy det personnel)
 - (c) All those other than the ~~four~~ shown as "various" were under the direct comd of their Coys during the period in which the disease was contracted.
 - (d) It is significant that the majority of those who have contracted the disease are those who normally require rigid supervision in all other matters. It is further proof that the good soldier who takes the necessary precautions does NOT contract malaria.
2. Personnel of the following Coys have been observed bathing in the Padas River during the past four days. HQ Coy (HQ area)
A Coy, Mortar Pl.
Doubtless others are doing so as well.
 3. There is great laxity in water purification. Some sub units are NOT chlorinating water in accordance with instrs issued.
 4. All offrs will:
 - (a) Again study 2/43 A.I.B. Instrs for Anti Malarial precautions dated 14 May 45 with special reference to Paras 1(c) 3(a) (approx time) 4(b)(by 1900hrs) 5(a)(c) (g) 9(c)
 - (b) Again study memo "Malaria Incidence and Control" dated 7 Jul 45.
 5. Coy Comd will
 - (a) take steps to ensure that NO personal of his Comd bathes or washes in the Padas River.
 - (b) Personally supervise the atebirin parades of his Coy as from 24 Sep and will personally report to the CO by telephone daily that this has been done and that all persons have taken atebirin. This will be done until it is apparent that Coy Comds and offrs generally are aware of their responsibilities as offrs of this bn.
 - (c) report by 231700I the system of water supply and purification carried out in his Coy.

[Signature]
Lt Col
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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AMENDMENT No 1 TO

2/43 AUST INF BN DEMOB INSTR No 1

Para 21 Determination of length of service
add new sub paras (e) and (f)

- (e) War service defined in DEFENCE ACT sec 4 and includes all types of military service in time of war but continuous full time war service has been performed only by those personnel who were enlisted for the duration of the war or called up for full time duty.
- (f) All service during time of war by members of the PMF AIF GARRISON BNs AANS AAMWS will therefor be full time war service but service by members of the CMF and VDC prior to being called up for full time duty is NOT full time war service notwithstanding that the service may in fact have been in continuous camps of training.

Para 46 Members to "Live Out"

Delete first sentence and insert the following

Where it would be necessary to hold members in LTDs while awaiting their turn to be marched into AMF DISCHARGE DEPOTS, LTDs will permit members to live out except in the following cases -

Para 47 delete and substitute

47. Varying the period of living out

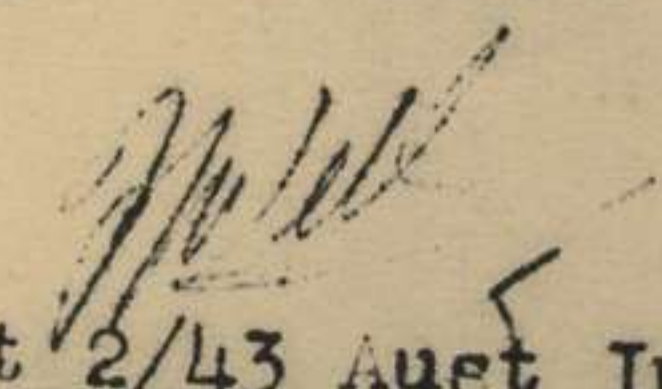
(a) Duration of the living out period will be the shortest period consistent with the regulation of the maximum practicable flow into the AMF DISCHARGE DEPOTS and the availability of the necessary documents.

(b) Members permitted to live out will be informed of the date and the time of their return but will be warned this is subject to alteration, notification of which will be forwarded to them.

NOTE - The period of living out will NOT be debited against any credits of leave.

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AAdjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn Lt

24 Sep 45

AMENDMENT No 2.

TO 2/43 AUST INF BN DEMOBILIZATION INSTR No 1.

Ref para 30 (a)

Delete sub para (i) and NOTE and substitute

- (i) Members whose services are required on occupational grounds in the national interest. Applications for discharge on occupational grounds for the purpose of resuming civil employment in certain industries listed in GRO 206/45 as amended from time to time will be accepted from members of the AMF. The procedure for making applications and method of dealing with them are contained in GRO 206/45.

Ref para 47

Add new sub para -

- (c) The provisions of sub paras (a) and (b) above will NOT necessarily apply to members granted discharge in advance of the normal priority (i.e. occupational, compassionate or long service releases etc). HQ Comd or L of C Areas will determine whether a "living out" period will be granted to such members.

Ref para 31

Delete and substitute new para -

31. Applicants for service in the PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES:

- (a) It is not yet possible to advise the conditions of enlistment and service in the Permanent Military Forces and a decision on these matters is not expected for some time.
- (b) It can be stated, however, that there will be opportunities for enlistment in the Permanent Military Forces and publicity will be given to this fact.
- Any members desirous of volunteering for such service should be advised to apply for continued service throughout the demobilization period with a view to being accepted at some future date for service in the Permanent Military Forces.
- (c) Subject to qualifications of age, physical fitness and any other conditions of enlistment in the Permanent Military Forces, preference will be in the following order :-
- (i) Serving members who have served overseas
 - (ii) Ex-members of the Services who have served overseas
 - (iii) Serving members without overseas service
 - (iv) Other applicants.

Ref Appx "A" - INSTRUCTIONS TO COYS FOR COMPLETION OF AAB 87 AT THIS STAGE - 3.

Delete and substitute -

Form 12 - Army No rank and name ONLY will now be filled in.

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AAdjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

28 Sep 45

103. OMISSION OF "AUST" IN MILITARY WRITING AND SIGNALS (GRO 235 of 17 Sep 45)
1. The full official designations of formations and units will remain as at present and will be used in the OOB AMF published by LHQ.
 2. The abbreviation "Aust" in such designations will not be used in -
 - (i) military writings generally,
 - (ii) signal messages,
 - (iii) telegraphic addresses (e.g. "FIRSTAUSTARMY" will become "FIRSTARMY"). (GRO G 248/1944 is being amended accordingly.)
104. POST-DISCHARGE MALARIA (GRO 237 of 17 Sep 45)
1. (a) The Repatriation Commission will accept responsibility for providing any treatment necessary in respect of the first attack of malaria suffered by an ex-member of the AMF after his discharge from the Army.
 (b) During such treatment, the Commission will institute inquiries as to eligibility or otherwise for the treatment of any subsequent attacks of malaria.
 2. On the first occasion after his discharge that an ex-member becomes ill with malaria, he should -
 - (i) if resident in a capital city - report to the Repatriation Department's branch office or general hospital, either in person or by telephone, when immediate examination and treatment will be arranged;
 - (ii) if resident in the country - report to and request treatment from the nearest Repatriation local medical officer, who will send a report to the Repatriation Department, It will be necessary for the ex-member to identify himself by production of his discharge certificate.
 3. (a) If it is not possible so to report, the ex-member should consult and request treatment from his local civilian doctor, and, provided prompt advice is sent by the doctor or the ex-member to the Repatriation Department, the Commission will assume full responsibility for the payment of medical fees, hospital fees and the cost of drugs.
 (b) Arrangements for any further treatment will be notified to the ex-member by the Repatriation Commission as soon as possible.
 4. Information regarding the treatment of malaria, with particular reference to ex-service personnel, has been sent by the Commonwealth Department of Health to civil medical practitioners.

5. In view of the foregoing, it is unnecessary for any member to be examined by a final medical board at the time of his discharge merely on account of a history of malaria. If the member has had an attack during his service, it will be on record in his medical history. Whether or not the member has had an attack during his service, he will be cared for by the Repatriation Commission should he develop an attack of malaria after his discharge.

(AG; 211/4/418)

K. L. V. Attridge Lt
 Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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NOTICES

VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEPTS

Specialist vacancies exist in Commonwealth and State Public Service Depts.

GROs containing full details are available at this HQs and may be inspected from time to time by any personnel interested.

1. (a) The Repatriation Commission will accept responsibility for providing and paying necessary expenses for the treatment of malaria in any member of the armed forces who has been discharged from the service.

(b) During such treatment, the Commission will maintain him in a hospital or otherwise for the treatment of malaria.

2. On the first occasion after his discharge that an ex-member becomes ill with malaria, he should -

(1) If resident in a capital city - report to the Repatriation Commission's office or general hospital, either in person or by telephone, when immediate examination and treatment will be arranged.

(2) If resident in the country - report to and request treatment from the nearest Repatriation local medical officer, who will send a report to the Repatriation Commission. It will be necessary for the ex-member to identify himself by production of his discharge certificate.

3. (a) If it is not possible to report, the ex-member should consult and request treatment from his local civilian doctor, and, provided prompt advice is sent by the doctor or the ex-member to the Repatriation Commission, the Commission will assume full responsibility for the payment of medical fees, hospital fees and the cost of drugs.

(b) Arrangements for any further treatment will be notified to the ex-member by the Repatriation Commission as soon as possible.

4. Information regarding the treatment of malaria, with further local reference to ex-service personnel, may be obtained from the Commonwealth Department of Health to civil medical practitioners.

SUBJECT: UNIT DEMOBILIZATION SECTION

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
Ref 20/2/
17 Sep 45.

1. In order to implement preparations for Demobilization there has been formed a Unit Demobilization Section under control of the following.
Maj N.M.Cahill OC
Lt R. Scott
Lt P.J.Wells
Sjt B.P.Thomson.
2. The functions of the Demobilization Section is to handle all matters concerning the demobilization of personnel of the unit.
3. All relevant forms and instructions are held by the section and the present intention is that documentation as far as possible will be kept on a battalion level.
4. For the present, coys will concentrate on checking and bringing up to date all personal and regtl documents both A & Q. It is pointed out that if when the time comes, there is any hold-up during demobilization procedure it will be due entirely to the fact that members personal documents are not in order. Special attention will be given to this matter forthwith for these records may be called for at short notice and must be accurate.
5. Each coy will nominate 1 officer who will be known as Coy Demobilization Officer. Function of this officer will be for close liaison with Unit Demobilization Centre.
6. Arrangements are in hand for medical and dental inspection of all members.
7. Instructions as regards demob procedure will be issued from time to time by the Unit Demobilization centre to whom all enquiries in these matters should be made.
8. Retention of certain specialist personnel for a limited time may be anticipated.

K.H. Hattage Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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16 Sep 45

2/43 AUST INF BN OP ORDER No 7.

Ref maps LUMAT SW 1:25000
LUMADEN NW 1:25000

INFORM1. Enemy

- (a) Enemy strength on the EASTERN front is approx 500, disposed between Miles 61 and Mile 80.
- (b) The force is a composite one, the main strength being that of 20 Indep MG Bn and probably 368 IIB
- (c) Condition
100 of the force are hospital patients and an additional 200 are reported to be sick.
- (d) Offrs
The Force comd is Maj I WATANABE, with 41 other offrs, probationary offrs and WOs.

2. Own tps

24 Aust Inf Bde is to take into custody all troops stated in para 1 (a) above

INTENTION

3. 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will receive and disarm all forces as above and will escort them to JIMPANGA SIDING 38858965.

METHOD4. Summary

The enemy force will be received in parties of 50 commencing 18 Sep 45 and will continue until all are in custody. They will be totally disarmed, searched and escorted to an entraining point and thence to 38858965 where they will be handed over to 2/28 Aust Inf Bn for movement to PW compounds.

5. Allotment of tasks(a) Covering party

D Coy with under comd No 2 (MMG) Pl

- (i) will be responsible for security of FDLs
- (ii) will cover the assembly point, approaches over the MONTENIOR river and the arms dump area, from concealed posns.
- (iii) will be responsible for the safeguarding of all arms, amm and eqpt in the Arms Dump area.

(b) C Coy

- (i) will provide escorts for all prisoners on the basis of 3 guards to each 5 prisoners
- (ii) Capt R.R. MCKEE will be OC escorts
- (iii) Escorts will be in posn 200 yds south of the Arms Dump by 0830 I on each day required
- (iv) OC escorts will take over each party of prisoners after they have passed through the hands of the Searching offrs, assemble them and march them to the entraining point.
- (v) One offr or senior NCO will be appointed to comd each escort party
- (vi) On reaching the JIMPANGA siding, prisoners will be checked and handed over to a responsible offr of 2/28 Aust Inf Bn
- (vii) Escorts will move back by return train
- (viii) Escorts will be armed with OSMGs and rifles.

(c) B Coy

- (i) will have one pl ready as covering party on JAP food dump
- (ii) further details later

(d) A COY

(i) will provide one pl as guard over weapons at Salv dump BEAUFORT

(ii) This pl will move to V&O Sec 2/43 Aust Inf Bn B Ech area on Mon 17 Sep and will operate from that area.

(iii) OC will be Lt. Berry.

(iv) Lt Berry will receive all arms c'eqpt, amn etc fwded by Bn HQ, will deliver them to OC Sal Det Beaufort and obtain detailed receipts. Receipts will be fwded by safe hand to this HQ.

(v) Notwithstanding the obtaining of these receipts, Lt Berry will be responsible for the continued safeguarding of all such arms, amn and eqpt until such time as he is relieved of that responsibility by this HQ.

6. RECEPTION OFFR AND PARTY

(a) Capt H.B.Langford with an escort of two from B Coy and a flag bearer from D Coy will constitute the Reception Party.

(b) Tasks

(i) Assemble the party at the CONTACT POINT by 0840H 18 Sep 45.

(ii) Await the arrival of the Jap contact offr. When contact is made, and he is satisfied that all instrs as contained in appdx A att have been complied with, will signal the first group of 50 across the br.

(iii) He will keep a close check on all enemy and ensure these instrs continue to be complied with.

(iv) He will be responsible for the control of the movement of all enemy individuals or groups across the br.

(v) He will maintain telephone conn with the weapons checking offr at the ARMS DUMP to ensure coordination of mov.

7. WEAPONS CHECKING OFFR

(a) Capt A.J.Mitty with Sjt L.R.Gates assisting.

(b) Tasks

(i) Receive each enemy group at the ARMS DUMP.

(ii) Personally check all items of arms by numbers and types against the list provided by the offr or NCO i/c of the group.

(iii) Adjust any discrepancies immediately.

(iv) When satisfied, hand the group over to the OC ARMS DUMP.

(v) Hand checked and corrected list to the Reception Offr.

8. OC ARMS DUMP

(a) Lt W.J.Keane with such members of his pl as are necessary.

(b) Tasks

(i) See that all weapons, amn (if any) and articles of equipment are placed in separate and appropriate dumps in the Arms Dump area.

(ii) See that the number and types of weapons checked by the weapons checking offr are actually received by him and placed in the appropriate dumps. Suggested segregation is

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Rifles | 5 Pistols |
| 2 (HMGs | 6 Knives, doggers |
| (MMGs | 7 Swords |
| 3 LMGs | 8 Gen eqpt |
| 4 Mortars (all types) | 9 Sundry |
| | 10 Grenades) |
| | 11 S.A.A.) if applicable |

(iii) Will ultimately prepare complete lists of all such articles of arms, eqpt received and fwd immediately to bn HQ.

- (iv) Will place all pistols, knives & daggers in sandbags and all swords in bundles of 6, and on instrs, hand to I.O. for mov to Bn I Sec for safekeeping.

Note. The I.O. will be responsible for the checking and safeguarding of these pending despatch to Solv Dump.

9. SEARCHING OFFERS

- (a) Capt W.R. Bray
Lt F.J. Wells (Bn I.O.)
I Sec - 4

(b) tasks

- (i) To thoroughly search all prisoners as they leave the ARMS DUMP.
(ii) Remove all articles, documents, etc of an Intelligence nature, and any lethal weapons.
(iii) If any lethal weapons are found, to hand the prisoner concerned over to OC escorts who will hold pending further instrs.
(iv) Full details of articles to be removed will be issued later.

10. PERSONNEL CHECKING OFFR

- (a) Lt A.R. Clues

(b) Tasks.

- (i) personally check the numbers of prisoners against the nominal rolls carried by the offr or NCO of the group.
(ii) If satisfactory, hand the group over to OC escorts.
(iii) Hand completed and corrected nominal rolls to Reception Offr.

11. ENTRAINING STAFF

- (a) Lt J.S. Foster
6 NCOs HQ Coy

(b) Tasks

- (i) Take over from escorts at entraining pt.
(ii) Entrain the prisoners.
(iii) Each group of 50, plus escort, will be accomodated on one train.
(iv) entraining pt 300yds South of Rest area.
(v) Liaise with Adjnt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn with regard to all train matters.

12. CONTROL - Control point at present contact point 100 yds South of FDLs

13. MOVEMENT AND TIMINGS OF JAP FORCES (See also appdx "A" att)

(a) General

- (i) The following will carry white flags.
Contact Offr
Probably all offr or NCOs in comd of groups, but at least the first group.

(b) Adv party

- (i) Two groups of 50, under Capt Kano will move in at approx 0845. 18 Sep.
These constitute an adv party and will incl:
Carpenters
Cooks
Med Offr
Med orderlies
Hygiene duties
Gen duties (incl an interpreter)
Adm and Q Staff

- (ii) It is possible that some of these may be authorised to carry tools. These will not be taken from them.

(c) Main body

This sub para is subject to alteration as a result of a discussion with Maj Watanabe later.

(i) The main body will be accepted in groups of 50, commencing 0830hrs 19 Sep and will continue until all enemy forces are in custody.

(ii) groups will move in as follows.

First 190815I

Second 191015I

Third 191215I

Fourth 191415I

Fifth 191515I

Sixth 200815I

Seventh 201015I

(iii) Special arrangements are being made for the mov of sick personnel.

14. SECURITY

(a) The covering party will be sited as previously instr on 15 Sep. No action will be taken except on orders of the pl or Coy cmd.

(b) Fire will be opened if the Jap

(i) opens fire first

(ii) takes up a fire posn

(iii) takes up a loading posn

(iv) acts suspiciously so as to indicate that he may open fire.

15. DRESS AND CONDUCT

(a) The highest standard of dress, bearing and conduct will be maintained by all tps of the bn.

(b) During the period, jungle berets will not be worn.

(c) There will be no brutality shown, at the same time, orders, if it is known that they are understood by the recipient, will not be issued ~~unless~~. It will be indicated to them as they enter our area that we will not tolerate any reluctance or failure to obey orders.

16. ADM Rations.

The Jap adm party will carry 5 days rations. This will not be taken from them

17. Shelters

It is probable that most, if not all Japs will carry bivouac or other shelters, and possibly some tents. They will be permitted to retain these, but if rolled, they will be searched

18. MEDICAL Med

The Jap offr with the adv party will carry out any necessary medical work required by his party.

INTERCOM

19 Bn HQ

No change

20 Line Comm

L/T will be established between the following points.

D Coy - control tent - ARMS DUMP - Contact Point

Signals D Coy one ring

Contact tent two rings

Arms Dump three "

Contact pt four "

ACKNOWLEDGE

H. J. ... Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION OF

2/43 AUST INF BN OP ORDER NO 7 DATED 16 Sep 45

A Coy	1
B "	2
C "	3
D "	4
HQ "	5.6
CO	7
Adjt	8
IO	9
QM	10
RMO	11
Capt Langford	12
" Mitty	13
" McKee	14
Lt Foster	15
" Berry	16
D Coy (add. copies)	17-18
Lt Clues	19
Capt Bray	20
Lt Keane	21
W/D	22-23
File	24

INSTRS ISSUED TO MAJ I WATANABE, COMD LOCAL FORCES, REGARDING
THE DISARMING AND MOV. OF HIS FORCES

1. Your forces will be required to surrender to Brig Porter Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde soon. The instrs now to be given are in the form of a warning order, and are to be passed to Maj Gen AKASHI on his arrival in your area. You are to make all preparations which you consider necessary. The orders will be confirmed when Maj Gen AKASHI reports here.

2. At a date and time to be given, you will -

- (i) Assemble such forces as are ordered at ASSEMBLY PT 300 yds South of the Montenor br. They will be grouped in parties of 50, comd by an offr, WO, or Senior NCO. This comd will receive orders and will issue those orders to his party.
- (ii) The comd of the party will carry a white flag; will have a nominal roll of all persons in his party and also a list of all weapons carried by his party.
- (iii) An offr will then move fwd under a white flag and report to an Australian offr who will be at the CONTACT POINT at the North end of the Montenor br to receive him
- (iv) When our offr is satisfied, he will signal the first party of 50 to come in. This will be done with each successive party, in turn
- (v) On being signalled, the comd of the party will march his men in single file over the br, and thence to the ARMS DUMP at 427886 where our offr in comd there will issue orders for the placing of the weapons

Note: The ARMS DUMP area was pointed out to Maj Watanabe at the conclusion of the meeting.

- (vi) All weapons will be unloaded prior to reaching the ASSEMBLY POINT. Amn (incl grenades) will be dumped in accordance with instrs to be issued on Monday.
- (vii) At the ASSEMBLY PT, and until dumped, weapons will be carried as follows :

Rifle)	On the shoulder with muzzle to the rear and
LMGs)	bolts open
MMGs)	
HMGs)	will be broken down into one-man loads and
Mortars)	carried in separate pieces
&c.,)	
- (viii) When weapons have been placed in the ARMS DUMP the comd of the party will hand the nominal rolls and list of weapons to our offr there. He will then march his men off on orders either into our area, or back across the br, depending on our requirements at the time.

3. Maj Watanabe was then warned :

- (a) that his tps were to conduct themselves in an orderly manner, and that under no circumstances would any shouting or other noise be permitted.
- (b) that our security measures are, and will be, such, that we will fire without hesitation if any of his tps :

Open fire	take up fire position
adopt the loading posn	in any other way, act suspiciously

4. Question: Are these instrs clearly understood and do you understand why they are being given to you now?

Answer Yes, it is all understood.

Note: In order to ensure complete understanding Maj Watanabe was given 10 mins to go over his notes and prepare any questions.

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**AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1**

Ser. No. B12/145
Nos. 81 - 82

by
Lt Col M R JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

7 Sep 45

81. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - CRUDE AND SYNTHETIC TYRES (GRO 227/45)

1. Tyres in use in the field are now both of crude and synthetic construction and, as tyres of synthetic construction are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber, their introduction into the service has made it more imperative than ever that all instructions for care and maintenance of pneumatic tyres be strictly observed.

3. All concerned will, therefore -

(i) Exercise the utmost care to avoid all forms of tyre abuse, the principal of which are -

Overloading, under inflation, incorrect fitting of tyres, harsh braking, fierce acceleration, speeds exceeding those laid down in GRO Q340/1944, driving over obstructions and other causes of severe impact;

(ii) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly;

(iii) ensure that tyres are "changed round" periodically in accordance with current instructions;

(iv) remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maintenance

(v) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stage for re-capping

(vi) submit damaged tyres for repair without delay.

Units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occur.

82. OFFICERS DRIVING VEHICLES (DRO 339/45)

1. Certain officers have been reported driving vehicles in 9 Aust Div area.

2. For each Army vehicle a driver is provided, whose duty it is to drive and maintain the vehicle. Normally, no person other than the allotted driver should drive an Army vehicle.

3. In future, an officer will not drive an Army vehicle except in the following circumstances:

(a) When necessary whilst training

(b) In case of urgent necessity when no driver is available

(c) On trips of 150 miles or over, to give relief to the driver and then only if necessary.

4. In each case, the work ticket will be suitably endorsed by the CO or XO of the officer authorized to drive, or, in case of urgency when the CO is not available by the officer himself.

M R Jeanes Lt
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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N-O-T-I-C-E-S

The following vacancies occur in Public Service Departments :

Assistant Research Officer-Commonwealth Forestry Bureau - Mount Burr - Millmoe S.A.

NSW Tech Education Branch-Teacher of Accountancy.

NSW Public Works - Assistant Engineers, Engineering Draftsmen(Elec)

Engineering Draftsmen (Structural) Mechanical Draftsmen, Full

details re applications at Bn HQ.

2/43 AUST INF BN REGIMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS MONTH-ENDING 31 Aug 45

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

Brought Forward			
Trust Book	325	6	1
Cash	80	19	0
Profit AACS	52	3	1
Received from PFCF	100	0	0
	<u>£558</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>

Free Issue	153	1	8
Childrens Carnival	177	1	5
Prizes Talent Quest			
En Concert	22	3	9
Football Photos M.H.S.	55	18	6
Sporting Equipment	82	19	-
	<u>451</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Cash in hand	33	17	6
Trust Book	73	6	4
	<u>£558</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>

We certify that we have examined the cash book, trust book and vouchers relating to 2/43 Aust Inf Bn Regt Trust Funds Account and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 31 Aug 45.

Robert Scott Lt
Brady
Auditors
6 Sep 45

W. J. ...
Lt Col
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

2/43 AUST INF BN UNIT CANTEEN

TRADING ACCOUNT FOR MONTH-ENDING 31 AUG 45

Stock 31 July 45	79	19	3
Purchases	1494	14	2
Profit for Month	59	17	1
	<u>£1634</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>

Sales	1597	0	3
Stock	37	10	3
	<u>£1634</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUG 45

Liabilities

Assets

<u>Sundry Creditors</u>			
D Coy	54	18	11
Australian Canteens			
Services		5	11
Balance 31 Jul 45	295	6	11
July Profit	54	14	5
Aug Profit	59	17	1
	<u>£465</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Canteen Trust A/c	295	12	5
Cash on Hand	2	8	5
Stock	37	10	3
<u>Sundry Debtors</u>			
D	34.35	5	0
HQ Coy	284.39		
A Coy	131.78		
B Coy	254.68		
C Coy	144.64		
Rest Area	58.90		
	<u>854.39</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>12</u>
		<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

We certify that we have examined the cash book, trust book and vouchers relating to 2/43 Aust Inf Bn Unit Canteen Accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 31 Aug 45.

Robert Scott Lt
Brady
Auditors
6 Sep 45

W. J. ...
Lt Col
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

SUBJECT :- AMENDED TRAIN TIME TABLE

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
7 Sep 45

<u>UP TRAIN</u>				
TRAIN SERIAL	JIMPANGA	BN HQ	REST AREA	FWD COY
2.	0835	0850	0900	
4.	0945	1005	1025	1040
6.	1125	1140	1150	
8.	1230	1245	1300	
10.	1335	1350	1400	
12.	1435	1450	1500	
14.	1635	1630	1700	
16.	1835	1850	1900	
18.	2235	2250	2300	

<u>DOWN TRAIN</u>				
TRAIN SERIAL	FWD COY	REST AREA	BN HQ	JIMPANGA
1.		0805	0815	0830
3.		0905	0915	0930
5.	1045	1055	1105	1120
7.		1155	1205	1220
9.		1305	1315	1330
11.		1405	1415	1430
13.		1605	1615	1630
15.		1805	1815	1830
17.		-	2215	2230

NOTE :- 1. Trains leave BEAUFORT at the following times daily to contact above trains at JIMPANGA loop.

0815	1415
0915	1615
1105	1815
1215	2215
1315	

2. Picture personnel when allotted travel on train serials 1, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 18.

3. Train serial 4 is the daily ration train. Only essential personnel will travel.

4. Special trains and various other exigencies of the service will cause amendments to the above timetable from time to time.

R L Nottage Lt
AAdjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION -

HQ	A	B	C	D	COYS
CO					
Adj't		Rest	Camp	W/D (2)	
"I" Sec		File		Spares (4)	
RMO					
QM					
RSM					

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Serial B11/45
Nos: 75 -

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

3 Sep 45

75. CIVILIANS TRAVELLING ON TRAINS (Bde RO 22 Serial 3)

- (a) The question has been raised as to the liability of the AMF whilst operating the Borneo State Railways as an operational necessity and, later when operations have officially ceased, in respect of the carriage of civilians.
- (b) Even although civilians may be carried out of goodwill and without being charged a fare, the AMF is open to a claim for compensation, if, while being carried, the native is injured.
- (c) It is therefore the duty of every member of the AMF to do all within his power to avoid such possible claims.
- (d) Until such time as passengers are charged fares, the following precautions will be taken:
- (i) 2(2A) Det BBCAU will issue railway passes to all civilians including labourers who travel on the railways. The passes issued to labourers may be periodical passes. Others will be single journey passes.
- (ii) Railway Control, operating under 2/16 Aust Fd Coy, will ensure that no civilian travels who is NOT in possession of a pass.
- (iii) Passes will have printed clearly on them in three languages (English, Chinese and Malay):
- (iv) Notices will be posted at all stopping places in three languages, as above.
- (e) No member of the AMF will invite a civilian to travel on trains without first obtaining a pass from BBCAU for such civilian. It is appreciated that many soldiers invite children to travel out of kindness. However, disobedience of this order may result in an additional risk to the soldier concerned having to pay damages.

76. CIVILIANS RIDING ON MILITARY VEHICLES (Bde RO 23 Serial No 3)

- (a) Civilians will NOT be carried on military vehicles for reasons as stated in Bn RO above.
- (b) If it is necessary to transport labour, passes will be issued as in Bn RO above.
- (c) Attention is drawn to GRC Q694/1943 which states -
1. Civilians may be transported in army vehicles on production of a certificate signed by an officer to the effect that they are travelling by reason of authorized duties on behalf of the Army, the performance of which

makes it necessary and desirable that they should so travel.

The expression "an officer" shall mean an officer of or above the rank of Lt Col.

2. Work tickets of a vehicle carrying a civilian will be endorsed with a statement of the general nature of the duty on which the civilian is being transported.

77. DRESS EARLY MORNING (Bde RO 24 Serial No 4)

Attention is drawn to the fact that several types of disease bearing mosquitoes in the BEAUFORT - PAPAR area, are particularly active in the early morning up to approximately 0800 hrs. Many of these species do NOT give any warning and the soldier may be unaware that he is being bitten. All ranks will therefore ensure that during early morning ablutions shirts are removed for a minimum period only.

78. OFFENCES COMMITTED WHILST ATTENDING BDE SCHOOL (Bde RO 25

Serial No 3)

Any soldier who commits an offence whilst attending the Bde School, will be returned forthwith to his unit, and any necessary disciplinary action will be taken by his CO or OC.

79. DEMOLITION OR DESTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS (Bde RO 29 Serial No 3)

Abandoned or damaged building will NOT be demolished without approval of this HQ.

80. ENGINES, SPARK IGNITION - FIRE HAZARD (Bde RO 35 Serial No 3)

(a) Attention of all ranks is drawn to the danger of priming petrol engines by pouring liquid petrol into induction manifolds. In addition to this practice being harmful to cylinder bores, piston rings and valve guides, etc grave fire risk is involved which has in the past been responsible for loss of life, loss of valuable equipment and painful injuries to personnel.

(b) The introduction of petrol into the inlet manifold of a petrol engine by removing the air cleaner and pouring the petrol through the carburettor air intake will only be resorted to as an emergency.

(c) Not more than approximately one tablespoon of petrol will be introduced by this method.

(d) Under no circumstances will any attempt be made to start the engine until the air cleaner has been replaced.

R. L. McKeage Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

GOODS BROUGHT BACK TO AUSTRALIA BY RETURNING AUSTRALIAN
SERVICEMEN : CUSTOMS TREATMENT.

1. Attention is directed to a statement issued by the Minister for Trade and Customs, Senator the Hon. R.V. Keane, dated 27th July, 1945, as follows:-

"The question has been raised as to whether returning members of the Australian Forces who wish to bring back with them to Australia goods subject to the Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations, such as motor cars and wireless sets, will be allowed to import them.

I have given a direction that import licences are to be issued, where required, for any goods which returning Australian servicemen or servicewomen may bring back with them, provided that such goods are not intended for sale or exchange.

The grant of an import licence does not, of course, exempt the goods from any Customs duty that may be payable. A special concession has been made to members of the forces enabling them to bring back goods (other than tobacco and spirituous liquors) to the value of £10 without payment of duty. However, where the value of the goods exceeds £10, duty is payable at the same rates as if the goods had been imported commercially."

2. For information, it is advised that the Australian Customs Representatives in Australia House, London, and at 630 Fifth Avenue, New York, are available to supply information to returning Australian servicemen on any questions of duty payable.

(AG; 103/1/23)

AUSTRALIAN ARMY CANTEENS SERVICE.

The Australian Army Canteens Service distributed out of profits accumulated from the inception of the service to 31st December 1944 the following amounts :-

GPO for Unit Trust Funds	£1,604,419
GOCs' Amenities Funds and AMF Special Amenities Fund	1,070,382
Xmas fare and other amenities	45,134
Contributions to ORs' Clubs	262,251
	£2,982,186

The amount of profits accumulated at 31st December 1944, but as yet undistributed, totals £2,409,843, and is used as capital to finance the business of the service. The Canteens Service Regulations provide that, at the winding up of the service, the fund of accumulated profits is to be vested in trustees to be appointed by the Minister for the benefit of members and ex-members of the military forces and their dependants or the dependants of deceased members, the intention being to provide for those cases of hardship which do not fall within the necessarily exact definitions of the Repatriation laws.

2/43 AUST INF BDE OUTLINE PLAN FOR JAPANESE SURRENDER

Ref Maps	Scale
LUMAT SOUTH EAST	1:25000
BEAUFORT TENOM TRACK MAP	1:100000
BRUNEI BAY	1:250000
KUDAT	1:250000

INFORMATION

1. Enemy
Reference 2/43 Aust Inf Bde Int Summary No 1 issued separately.

2. Own Troops
(a) 9 Aust Div less 26 Aust Inf Bde and plus certain specially constituted forces are to implement the surrender terms in the areas:-

- BRITISH NORTH BORNEO
- SARAWAK
- LABUAN
- BRUNEI
- NATUNGA

(as part of this task)

(b) 24 Aust Inf Bde is to implement the surrender terms in the areas

- JESSELTON } 2/28 Aust Inf Bn
- } 2/32 Aust Inf Bn
- TENOM } 2/43 Aust Inf Bn
- KENINGAU }

(c) 2/12 Aust Fd Regt is to relieve 2/43 Aust Inf Bn at a time to be notified and will assume the responsibility for the defence of BEAUFORT.

3. Tasks in general 24 Aust Inf Bde

Tasks of 24 Aust Inf Bde within its area of responsibility are as follows

- (a) Receive the surrender of Japanese forces of all arms
- (b) Establish control of the Japanese armed forces and Japanese civilians and impose thereon prescribed terms of surrender requiring immediate military action.
- (c) Disarm Japanese forces and their auxiliaries and establish control of military resources as rapidly as the situation permits.
- (d) Destroy hostile elements which oppose by military action the imposition of surrender terms upon the Japanese.
- (e) Recover, relieve and repatriate Allied Prisoners of War and civilian internees without delay.
- (f) Suppress activities of individuals and organizations which may be hostile to the operations of our forces. Secure and safeguard intelligence information of value to the United Nations and arrange with the appropriate Naval and Air Commanders for mutual exchange and unrestricted access by each Service to matters of interest. Control signal communications
- (g) Control principal routes of overland communications and coordinate with Naval elements the control of principal routes of coastwise communication as arranged with the appropriate Naval Commander.
- (h) Occupy such places as are considered necessary and practicable to implement surrender terms.
- (i) The establishment of Military Administration of Civil Affairs.

- (j) Arrange with the appropriate Naval Commander details of employment of amphibious shipping when allotted for short range amphibious operations as required.

INTENTION

4. 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will prepare to move all or part of the force to the TENOM - KENINGAU area with a view to the implementation of such tasks detailed in para 3 above as may be ordered by HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde prior to movement and from time to time.

METHOD

5. Summary

Movement will be by march route or rail to TENOM with subsequent movement of part of the force to MELALAP and KENINGAU. Strength of the force will be as determined by Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde. The Japanese will be totally disarmed and their weapons and amm destroyed. They will be required to maintain their organization particularly supply and medical and their chain of comd. Subsequently they will be assembled and moved at the direction of comd 24 Aust Inf Bde.

6. Preliminary moves

As the situation progressively eases in this area sub-units will be relieved of their responsibilities of defence and will be concentrated for resting and refitting in convenient areas

7. Phasing of the operation

(a) phase 1

- (i) movement to and occupation of the TENOM area
- (ii) relief of PW and internees in the area
- (iii) withdrawal of all arms equipment and amm from the enemy.
- (iv) taking all Japanese in the area into custody.
- (v) execution of the tasks given in appendices A & B attached
- (vi) extension of control of the railways and of the general area by the occupation of MELALAP with part of the force

(b) phase 2

- (i) movement of part of the force to and the occupation of KENINGAU area with subsequent action as for phase 1 where applicable.

(c) phase 3

- (i) occupation of such other areas as may be ordered or as are deemed desirable and necessary with subsequent action as for phase 1 where applicable.

8. Forward troops

- (a) TENOM - 2/43 Aust Inf Bn less 1 Coy and elements of HQ Coy.
- (b) MELALAP - as ordered on completion of phase 1.
- (c) KENINGAU - strength dependent upon the situation at the time but will not be less than 1 coy.

9. Tasks in present area

- (a) Coys will immediately make all preparations for move to TENOM.
 - (i) by march route
 - (ii) by railMovement will probably be by march route
- (b) D Coy with engr assistance will repair Railway line as far East as spur 427886 forthwith and will be prepared to assume responsibility for the initial protection of the line as far East from present FDL as may be ordered
- (c) QM will prepare to establish an adv B Ech in the general area of the present railhead for supply of the force operating in the TENOM-KENINGAU area and for the subsequent forward mov of that Ech East.

10 Probable tasks TENOM-MELALAP-KENINGAU area

- (a) recover Allied PW and internees
- (b) supervise the collection of arms, amn and equipment from enemy forces
- (c) gain information as to food stocks and other sups of the enemy.
- (d) arrange mov of food and other sups to a place or places to be designated for subsequent mov to BEAUFORT.
- (e) supervise the mov and dumping of arms and amn as directed for destruction by fire and/or demolition.
- (f) assemble guard and move enemy forces as directed.
- (g) protect and maintain railway line TENOM-MELALAP.
- (h) provide such working parties for maintenance of L of C and improvement to rds and tracks as may be required.
- (i) the commencement of and method of execution of each task will be ordered separately from this HQ.

11 Reserves

- (a) one Coy will be held initially in present area and will
 - (i) be prepared to assist engr and pnr on repair, clearing and maintenance of L of C.
 - (ii) be prepared to reinforce the TENOM force if required.
 - (iii) provide escorts on all trains and for all working parties East towards TENOM.

12 Sp fire

- (a) MMGs
No 2 MMG Pl will move with the force
- (b) 3" Mortars
No 3 (Mortar) pl will assume an inf role at a time to be notified and will be available for use in that capacity.
- (c) TK A
No 4 (TK A) Pl will assume an inf role at a time to be notified and may be required to assist No 2 (MMG) Pl in the carriage of spms and amn.
- (d) Pnrs
No 5 (PNR) Pl will be built up to full WE forthwith and less det will come under cond 2/16 Fd Coy at a time to be notified.
Tasks
 - (i) assist engr in the preparation and maintenance of BEAUFORT - TENOM railway line and such other tasks as may be required by OC 2/16 Fd Coy.
 - (ii) establish WPs with engr assistance and material.
 - (iii) one det will move with the force for minor engr works as may be required.
- (e) Engrs
Tasks
 - (i) in addition to general tasks already given one det to move with the force for early minor repairs to L of C
 - (ii) recon party 2/16 Fd Coy to move with the force

13 Protection

- (a) Anti Disease
 - (i) full anti-malaria precautions will be observed at all times
 - (ii) each Coy will move with its anti-malaria squads and equipment
- (b) of the force
 - (i) normal protective measures will be observed on the move and at halts.
 - (ii) dispositions by night will be determined by the situation and will be the subject of special orders at the time.
 - (iii) there will be no firing except in cases of extreme emergency: then only in absolute self defence.
 - (iv) booby traps except warning devices where necessary will **NOT BE USED.**

(v) dependent on the situation Coys may from time to time be detailed to form a firm base prior to further fwd mov of the force.

(vi) one Coy to be detailed will hold a firm base on spur 400 yds East of present FDL for the first phase of the move.

14 Action of the occupying force on the approach to TENOM
Fwd elements of the force will act strictly in accordance with instrs to be issued later. On no account will any part of the force enter the township without orders.

ADM

15 Supplies
(a) three days will be carried
(b) seven days expense stores will be carried
(c) It is anticipated that the present reduced scale A accommodation stores will be moved as follow up stores as early as possible
(d) Coys will advise QM as early as possible
(i) what essential stores are not able to be carried on the man and will therefore have to move by rail.
(ii) what stores are required to be held temporarily in the area to be moved as scale A accommodation stores later.

16 Water
(a) In addition to WF to be established by pns and engs the maximum reserve will be carried.
(b) CC HQ Coy will arrange to train additional water duty squads for the operation.

1 17 Amn
First line amn less unit res etc and less certain amn to be advised, will be carried.

1 18 Tools
Normal WE of tools will be carried
The proportion of sups amn etc to be carried on the man will be advised later. This will be dependent on the availability of tpt and the condition of the railway line BEAUFORT - TENOM.

19 Tpt
To be advised.

20 Surrender compounds
It may be necessary to institute temporary transit compounds in each area prior to move to BEAUFORT or other areas as may be ordered by higher authority.

21 Dress and equipment
(a) a high standard of dress and turnout will be maintained by all tps.
(b) pugarees or bands hat will be worn on all hats. Berets will not be worn from a time to be notified but may be carried in the havesack.
(c) Coys will take immediate steps to wash and clean all equipment hats clothing etc and will maintain them in a clean condition. Particular attention will be paid to hats.

22 Discipline
(a) it is imperative that a very high standard of discipline is maintained during the period of contact with the Japanese.
(b) there will be no provocative acts likely to result in friction.

At the same time the enemy will be treated with the coldest formality. There will be no fraternization of any kind and conversation will take place only as is required in the performance of duty

(c) Fraternization by any personnel of this bn will be treated as a grave offence and the severest disciplinary action will be taken against any offender.

23 Captured enemy arms and equipment

(a) It will be made known to all ranks that all arms and equipment etc, once the property of the Japanese forces are now the property of the Allied Govts. Possession of any such articles will be prima facie evidence of theft and will be dealt with accordingly.

24 PW

(a) Isolated Japanese or small parties will be ordered to move to and report to their unit cmd.

25 Refugees

- (a) It must be expected that the refugee problem will present a serious difficulty. All ranks will therefore cooperate to the full in carrying out the detailed orders to be issued later.
- (b) If reps of BECAU are included in the force they will be responsible for admin. However if they are not included an officer of the unit with the necessary staff will be appointed to carry out the necessary adm duties.
- (c) It is most important that natives and Japanese be segregated as early as possible and strict surveillance maintained to ensure that no contact is made.

INTER COMM

26 HQ

- (a) Main Bn HQ remains present location
- (b) Tac Bn HQ will move with the force and will open at TENOM at a time to be advised.

27 Line Comm

- (a) Line Comm will probably be limited to the maintenance of the present area and to the TANGU - KENINGAU area.
- (b) Line BEAUFORT-TENOM will be laid at the discretion of Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde.

28 Wireless

Allotment of sets
108 sets - later
22 sets - one for link to HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde

ACKNOWLEDGE

Signed at I

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A/Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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APPX A
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DETAILED BASIS OF INTELLIGENCE NATURE

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(Note: although the tasks detailed below are of an intelligence nature, they are not necessarily the responsibilities of intelligence personnel only. The implementation of certain of these tasks may rest with branches of the Staff other than GS Branch or separate organisations)

1. Formations etc carrying out the disarmament of the enemy and the occupation of their areas of responsibility will :-
 - (a) Seize and secure as early as practicable such primary intelligence targets, applicable to each area, as specified below :
 - Records and documents found in Army, Navy and Air Force HQ and billets, government agencies, factories etc.
 - Enemy arms, equipment, munitions and materials of all kinds.
 - Communication centres and agencies
 - Industrial plants
 - Military, Naval or Air Force establishments and installations
 - Port facilities and installations.
 - (b) Arrest, detain and interrogate all known persons of the following categories :
 - Puppet officials
 - Collaborationists
 - Enemy agents
 - Persons suspected of treason, espionage, sabotage, atrocities, propagation of rumours and propaganda thought to be enemy inspired.
 - Members of the KEMPEI TAI, TOYUKU MIKAN, HEIHO and other subversive organisations.
 - (c) Establish and report as early as practicable to this headquarters the accurate detailed order of battle, strengths, locations, equipment stocks condition, morale and personalities of the enemy forces in their respective areas.
 - (d) Check and prevent all attempts at evasion and concealment of this information. For this purpose order of battle estimates and information will continue to be maintained.
 - (e) Carry out as practicable the technical examination of all enemy equipment, arms and ammunitions reporting as early as possible any new departures or technical developments.
 - (f) To the extent required by military necessity, prepare, promulgate, issue and enforce such security regulations and orders for the control of civilian movement, communication and publications as are deemed necessary by the Formation Commander.
 - (g) Report all cases of atrocities or breach of the provisions of the Geneva Convention
 - (h) Contact individuals of known loyalty and establish informant networks
 - (i) Supervise the censorship of all newspapers, radio broadcasts, and other means of publication to safeguard the security of military information.
 - (k) Place under strict military control all military, naval, air and civilian owned radio transmitting and receiving stations in the area of occupation. These may be used under appropriate control for civilian traffic at the discretion of the Formation etc. Comd.

2. Intelligence Policy

Responsibility for operational intelligence in its present form will continue but on a diminishing scale and all aspects of tactical intelligence will still be required to establish control over the Japanese Armed Forces and to initiate their disarmament.

Once this is effected there will be a pronounced shift in emphasis from the requirements of operational intelligence to those of security intelligence, although till the repatriation of the Japanese is effected, some tactical intelligence requirements remain.

In view of the peculiar dependence of the Japanese on the written record, every detail of military action and administration is committed to paper.

The vital importance of the intelligence obtained from captured documents has repeatedly been demonstrated and the importance of their seizure, processing and exploitation for security as well as operational intelligence needs no further emphasis.

Intelligence staffs will be confronted with a mass of information requiring analysis and evaluation for the Formation Commander and in particular regard to documents the same principles apply for their handling during this period as hitherto in force and will continue to be in accordance with Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field Pamphlets 1 - 4 1938

UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR DISARMAMENT OF JAPANESE ARMED FORCES
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1. Scope of disarmament

- (a) Complete disarmament (subject to the provisions of paragraph 3 below) of mobile regular JAPANESE Armed Forces is effected as a matter of highest priority. Base and L of C echelons are disarmed as rapidly as practicable.
- (b) Arms of civilian defence units, auxiliaries and other para-military organisations etc are collected through their own organisations in so far as is practicable.

2. Types of war materials initially relinquished by the JAPANESE
(With the exceptions as indicated in paragraph 3 below)

- (a) Rifles, carbines, muskets, revolvers and pistols of all calibres.
- (b) Heavy, medium and light machine guns, heavy, light and med automatic guns and machine pistols of all calibres, their carriages, mountings and accessories.
- (c) Guns, howitzers, mortars and Spigot projectors of all natures and calibres, as well as their carriages, mountings and accessories. All rocket parts, projectiles and non-recoil guns and flamethrowers, their carriages, mountings and accessories.
- (d) Projectiles, fixed ammunition and cartridges, filled or unfilled, for the weapons in (a) (b) and (c) above and all fuzes types or contrivances, to explode or operate them.
- (e) Grenades, bombs, mines, demolition charges, rockets and self propelled projectiles of all kinds, smoke, artificial mists, incendiary and chemical charges of all types, filled or unfilled and all means for exploding or operating them.
- (f) Bayonets, swords, daggers, lances and other side arms.
- (g) Armoured fighting vehicles including tanks, armoured cars and self propelled guns, multi-axled motor vehicles, wheeled, tracked or semi tracked designed for military use. All types of special military vehicles such as wireless, ammunition, bridging or mobile workshops.
- (h) Mechanical and self propelled carriages for any of the weapons listed in the above categories.
- (i) Railway rolling stock especially adapted for war purposes.
- (j) Armour of all types used for protective purposes in war.
- (k) Transport vehicles (prime movers and trailers, wheeled, tracked or semi-tracked), of any type used for war purposes. Pack military equipment.
- (l) Range finding, sound ranging and acoustic apparatus; aiming and computing devices for fire control, including predictors and plotting apparatus; fire direction instruments, gun sights; fuze setters; calibration equipment of all kinds for the calibration of guns, fire control radar and all other types of equipment for war purposes.
- (m) The following types of signal equipment less such equipment as may be necessary for the control of the JAPANESE forces :

All radio/wireless transmitting sets and/or transceivers with ancillary equipment held by formations below Army Headquarters and at corresponding Naval Commands, subject to such exception as Commanding General 9th Australian Division prescribes.

All secrecy equipment whether designed for wire or radio.

All code and cipher systems including cipher machinery and secret writing and equipment with full information regarding their method of working.

Copies of all signal documents

All radar equipment

All military and civil radio broadcast and communication stations.

All signal dumps of the field armies.

Air signal equipment as designated

Naval signal equipment as may be indicated

- (n) Searchlights and their means of direction and control
- (o) Monoculars, binoculars and telescopes for war purposes
- (p) Military survey and drawing instruments and all equipment for flash spotting, sound ranging or any other means of detecting and locating guns, mortars or rockets.
- (q) Maps, map reproduction stores and equipment and survey data adapted to military purposes, aerial photos and photo equipment including stores and cameras.
- (r) Engineering tools, equipment, plants and stores specially adapted for military purposes. Bridging material of military types on fixed or floating supports, infantry footbridges, pneumatic boats, assault boats and assault boat motors.
- (s) All camouflage, dazzle and decoy devices.
- (t) Propellents, explosives, pyrotechnics, liquified gases and any components destined or suitable for the propulsion, explosion, charging, filling of, or use in connection with, the war material in the above categories.
- (u) Asphyxiating, lethal, toxic, incapacitating or similar substances and products in any form intended or capable of being used for war purposes. All contrivances, weapons and containers intended for their use, storage or transport.
- (v) Gas masks and collective protective devices for military purposes and all defensive equipment (including chemicals and clothing) whether for individual or collective use, which are capable of being used to detect or protect against the military use of chemical agents.
- (w) Gasoline, oils and greases used for the operation or maintenance of any of the war materials previously mentioned.
- (x) Marine chronometers
- (y) Other JAPANESE Army Air Forces war materials as designated by Commanding General 9th Australian Division.
- (z) Other JAPANESE Navy war materials as may be indicated by Commanding General 9th Australian Division.

3. Types of War Materials retained by the JAPANESE as required to serve the interests of the Occupation Forces

- (a) Cargo trucks for supply purposes on a scale consistent with availability and minimum requirements.
- (b) The minimum number of engineer, signal, railway and medical services unarmoured technical vehicles required to maintain authorised lines of communications and to care for the sick and wounded.
- (c) Horse drawn vehicles may be retained, together with horses, mules and the necessary type harness therefor

- (d) All signal equipment, except that outlined in sub paragraph 2 (m)
- (e) Necessary maps may be retained for administration purposes
- (f) Engineer tools, equipment, bridging material, plants and stores, necessary to maintain authorised lines of communications.
- (g) Necessary gasoline, oils and greases for two weeks operation of vehicles which are not placed in dumps
- (h) JAPANESE Army Air Forces war materials as may be designated by Commanding General 9th Australian Division
- (j) JAPANESE Navy war materials as may be designated by Commanding General 9th Australian Division
- (k) All remaining war materials and stores required for administrative purposes as not specifically delimited in paragraph 2 above

SECRET

SUBJECT : MEETING WITH JAP EMISSARIES 2/43 AUST
INF BN CONTACT POINT 1000 HRS 11 SEP 45

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
REF : G38/ /
11 Sep 45

24 Aust Inf Bde

1. At 0940 hrs 11 Sep 45 the party which had made the previous contacts with our force again approached our lines. Maj Watana~~be~~ again led the party.
2. Object
 - (a) To make contact as previously instructed on 9 Sep
 - (b) To discuss matters raised at the previous discussion
3. CO 2/43 Aust Inf Bn, acting on instrs received from the Bde Comd conducted the following talks with the emissaries, through a staff officer.
 - (a) Maj Watana~~be~~ was informed that Lt Gen Baba had visited Maj Gen Wootten Comd 9 Aust Div at Labuan yesterday, 10 Sep 45.
4. (a) Question

Have you received any instructions yet from Lt Gen Baba. If not, are you prepared to discuss the local situation?

 - (b) Answer

I know that Lt Gen Baba saw Maj Gen Wootten yesterday, but I have had no instructions yet. I am able to discuss only certain matters which I know would be permitted by Lt Gen Baba.

He was informed that only those questions would be asked which it was considered he should be in a position to answer. He need not answer any question which he considered outside his scope.

Noted . 4. The fact that Maj Watana~~be~~ knew of the visit of Lt Gen Baba to Labuan indicated that communications to Tenom may not be as unreliable as he has continually taken pains to stress.
5. (a) Question

Are you the comd of the local force?

 - (b) Answer

Yes. I am in comd of a narrow section immediately in front of your troops.
6. (a) Question

What is the strength of your force?

 - (b) Answer

I am not quite certain. I have a lot of my men sick and the strength changes from day to day. However, I will obtain the figures and submit them to you whenever you wish.

He was instructed to submit them at the next contact.

7. (a) Question

Are there any PW or internees in the area, either locally or in the Tenom area?

(b) Answer

There are no Australian PW either here or at Tenom. I do not know of any at all, but will find out and inform you at the next meeting.

8. (a) Question

Are you conversant with the situation at Tenom? If so, who are the subordinate comds to Lt Gen Baba?

(b) Answer

I know very little of Tenom, and I do not know who the next senior officer would be.

Note: This is considered to be an evasion, but the subject was not pursued.

9. Maj Watanabe then stated that his troops could not do anything about clearing away the landslides between here and Tenom, as they had no tools. The railway line was badly damaged by the landslides.

10. (a) Question

Why did you make that statement?

(b) Answer

I thought we might be required to do this work.

Maj Watanabe was told that his assumption was quite correct.

11. (a) Question

If you have no tools, how do you dig your holes?

(b) Answer

He here explained that they used a tool similar to a hoe, but larger.

He was informed that these would serve the purpose.

12. (a) Question

What rolling stock is there which could be used for the purpose of moving spoil?

(b) Answer

There is one locomotive in a bad state of repair, and the rolling stock has been badly damaged by air attacks. There are a few hand trolleys but we have no oil or grease to overcome the rust.

13. As it seemed that Maj Watanabe was reaching the stage where he could no longer answer questions no further interrogation was made.

14. He was then instructed to :

- (a) lay a telephone line from his HQ to the contact point
- (b) repair the telephone line from his HQ to the HQ at Tenom.
- (c) Clear and repair the railway line from the Montenor Kechil bridge South towards Tenom.

All tasks to be commenced immediately.

- (d) make contact every second day at the same place and time until comms were established to his HQ when he will receive instructions by telephone.

15. Following these instructions Maj Watanabe asked the following questions :

Question

I would like to lay the telephone line only as far as the bridge. Is this permissible.

Answer

No. You are to lay the line to this point.

Question

I am suffering from sickness and would like permission to send a representative in my stead on the contact days if I am not well. Further, would the bn Comd (2/43 Aust Inf Bn) be present on each day?

On being asked, he stated that the representative would hold the rank of Captain.

Answer

Yes, but when you receive your instructions from Lt Gen Baba, or when you are required by us you will come. The bn comd will be here when he considers it necessary.

16. Maj Watanabe was finally told

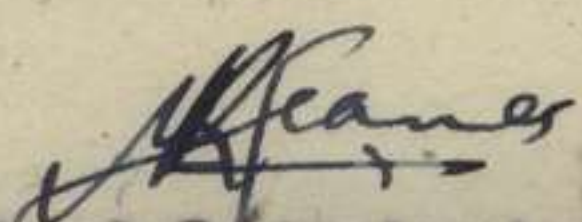
- (a) to bring or send details of the strength and dispositions of his force, PWs and internees (if any) to the next contact.
- (b) that, as the local comd, he would be required to surrender himself and his force to the Comd of the Australian Forces in this area at a time to be given him later.
- (c) in view of the fact that, notwithstanding his previous assurance his men were still moving over to the NORTH side of the Montenlor Kechil bridge, he was to place a placard on the South side to prevent this.

Maj Watanabe again offered his apologies and stated that all these orders would be carried out.

17. The party departed at 1110 hrs.

NOTE: Maj Watanabe is not wholly cooperative and information was given in some cases grudgingly. He gave the impression that the surrender of the Japanese forces is but an incident and nothing more. The fact that he is, at the moment, acting without instruction from higher authority no doubt influenced his attitude to some extent.

In the field 11 Sep 45


Lt Col
Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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2/43 Aust Inf Bn
10 Sep 45

OUTLINE PROCEDURE FOR THE OCCUPATION OF TUSON
BY 2/43 AUST INF BN

1. The occupying force will come in an area on the outskirts of the town on D - 1 day.
2. The following will then proceed to the town.

Tac HQ
RMO and party
Coy Malaria Squads
Reece party picquetting force
Security force under Lt Bl HARVEY
One Pl of the picquetting force for protection
Det HQCAF
Int Sec

TASKS

3. Tac HQ
 - (a) Assume control of civil affairs from enemy comd.
 - (b) Issue all necessary orders to the enemy comd
 - (c) Interview chief reps of native population
 - (d) Select sites for the occupation force
4. RMO & Party
 - (a) Carry out an immediate medical survey of the local area
 - (b) Commence ground malaria control forthwith
 - (c) Select sites for HAP, ADS and native hospital (if required)
 - (d) Submit a written report on the above matters as early as practicable.
5. Coy Malaria Squads will :
 - (a) Accompany RMO on his survey
 - (b) Carry out thorough anti-malaria spraying over the local area as ordered by the RMO
6. Reece party - picquetting force (Coy Comd & necessary staff)
 - (a) Carry out an immediate survey of the town area with a view to the selection of the necessary buildings to be picquetted. Buildings etc. to be incl will be those
 - (i) Containing records - documents
 - (ii) Adm offices
 - (iii) Dumps of enemy arms, capt etc.
 - (iv) Comd centres both Military and civilian
 - (v) Factories and industrial plants
 - (vi) Military establishments and installations
 - (vii) Enemy HQ
 - (viii) Rly sta and ferry
 - (ix) Unoccupied civilian houses and establishments of all kinds
 - (x) Such others as may be ordered or as deemed necessary by OC Picquetting Force.
7. Security Forces (Duties on D-1 day and during occupation)
 - (i) Seize records and documents found in enemy HQ and place them under guard at a central point.
 - (ii) As far as is practicable, segregate such records and documents considered of immediate importance and hand same to HQ Int Sec.
 - (iii) Contact individuals of known loyalty and establish info network
 - (iv) Arrest and detain for interrogation all known persons of the following categories :
 - Puppet officials
 - Collaborationists
 - Enemy agents
 - Persons suspected of treason, espionage, sabotage, atrocities, propagation of rumours, and propaganda thought to be enemy inspired.

Members of the following and other subversive organizations :

KUMPAI TAI
TORUMU KIHAN
HEIHO

- (v) Check and prevent all attempts at evasion and concealment of info.
- (vi) Submit to the bn Int Sec all additional info gained in the course of these duties with particular reference to
 - Order of Battle of the enemy force
 - Strengths
 - Locations
 - Eqpt stocks and condition
 - Morale and personalities of the enemy force
 - All other int info of value
- (vii) Arrange for the establishment of a holding camp for civilian suspects
- (viii) Maintain a written record of all details of action taken in respect to the tasks performed and liaise closely with Bn Int Offr on all matters.
- (ix) Submit a report in writing by 1800 hrs daily on the days activities.

INT SEC

3. Will carry out:

- (a) Normal operational and security duties
- (b) Special tasks as under -
 - (i) Liaise closely with OC Security force in all matters of Int and Security
 - (ii) Collate all papers, documents etc. of int nature, translate where possible and fwd through normal channels without delay. Where translation is not possible fwd ~~signals~~ through normal channels
 - (iii) Interrogate in detail all persons in the categories shown under para 7 (iv) above. Where detailed interrogation is not practicable, arrange for the movement of such personnel through normal channels under guard.
 - (iv) Maintain a daily written record of all conversation, interrogations and tasks performed for submission by 1800 hrs daily.

McNamee
Lt Col
Cmd 2/13 Aust Inf Bn

SUBJECT: JAPANESE CHARACTER

2/43 Aust Inf Bn
9 Sep 45

"Subtended is a copy of LHQ memo M181602 of 27 Aug 45:-

1. Advisers at LHQ, who know the Japanese character, state that Japanese obstructionism and delays of an unimaginably persistent nature can be expected in a proportion of cases, even after the surrender ceremonies are completed. Most well indoctrinated Japanese soldiers, at least, will consider it their duty to make handing over of arms, repatriation, etc. as burdensome to the victors as possible.
2. Allied commanders faced with Japanese apparent inability to get arrangements made on time will instinctively react by trying to be magnanimous and fair-minded. They will consider whether the Japanese are perhaps not being given enough time and thence forth the Japanese will exploit this reaction to the full. If on the other hand any such Japanese apparent inability to get things done is immediately met with a firm intimation of Allied inability to get things done that affect the Japanese vitally, such as issuing food supplies, much trouble will be saved.
3. Japanese under authority instinctively try to find divisions in the authority over them and exploit divided authority with exceptional skill.
4. It is considered that it may not be inappropriate to warn commanders against such characteristics in the Japanese which fairmindedness in the victors will only aggravate."

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES

Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

8 Sep 45

83. CORRECT USE OF AAF G2 (WORK TICKET). (DRO) 345/67
- DRO 128/45 is repeated. All units will take necessary action to ensure strict compliance with this order.
1. A driver when driving a vehicle on duty will always have in his possession his work ticket (AAF G2) and must produce same on demand of a superior officer or a member of the Aust Army Pro Corps.
 2. At all times the form G2 will be set out in full detail, giving:-
 - (a) Place of reporting (name of unit etc);
 - (b) Time of departure;
 - (c) Nature of duty (number of personnel or description and weights of load);
 - (d) Place of commencement of journey;
 - (e) Place of termination of journey;
 - (f) Time of arrival;
 - (g) Signature of passengers on completion of journey.
 3. In compliance with the entry required by Para 2 sub-para (c) such entries as "Unit Administrative duties" and "Unit duties LABUAN" will NOT BE recognised as being adequate, and specific tasks will be detailed.

84. ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS OR BEVERAGES

The possession or consumption by AIF personnel in British Borneo of alcoholic spirits or beverages other than AAC^s supplies is prohibited. Any such alcoholic spirits or beverages found in possession of personnel will be confiscated and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

85. USE OF CAMERAS.

1. The restrictions on the use of cameras by members in operational areas are now lifted.
2. Many articles of equipment and installations are however still on the secret list and are likely to remain so. The list of such equipment is as yet unavailable but as a general guide any item which has appeared in press photographs or is known to have been captured by the enemy would not be considered a prohibited subject. Installations such as RADAR will not be photographed except by official photographers.
3. Exposed films will continue to be sent only to authorised agencies for processing.

86. VENEREAL DISEASE (DRO 270/51)

1. Intercourse with women in Borneo is forbidden.
2. Many of these women are suffering from venereal diseases of a virulent kind, and protection cannot be guaranteed.

3. The fact that a Soldier develops venereal disease in this area will be taken as a prima facie evidence of disobedience of this instruction.

87. UNIT CENSORSHIP

Unit censorship incl censorship of mail from recovered PW will cease as from 7 Sep. Until further instrs are given essential unit censor stamp will continue to be impressed on all comms in order to receive army concession rates. Censorship of parcels will be continued/in order to prevent despatch of explosives and enemy eqpt. (by Fd Censorship units only)

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY CANTEENS SERVICE

The Australian Army Canteens Service distributed out of profits accumulated from the inception of the service to 31st December 1944 the following amounts:-

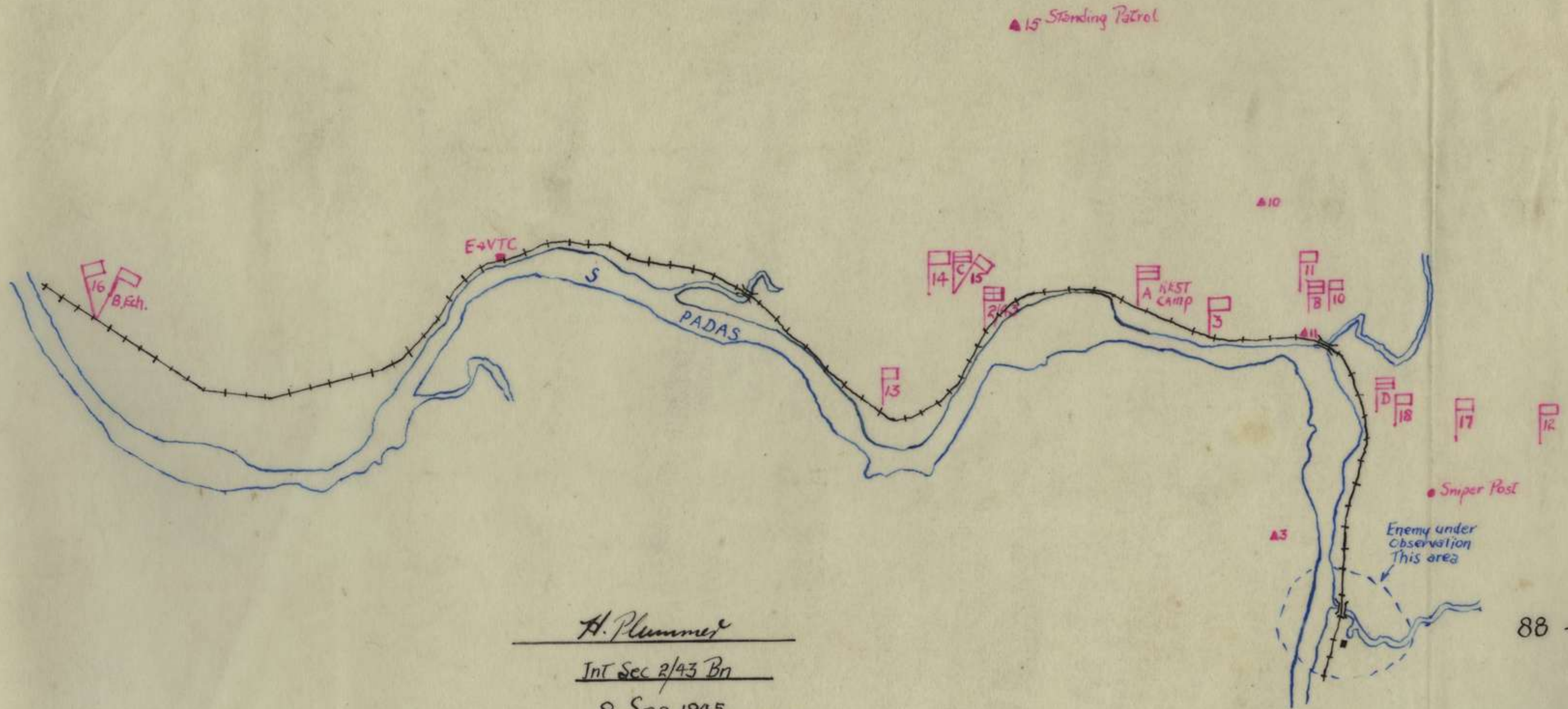
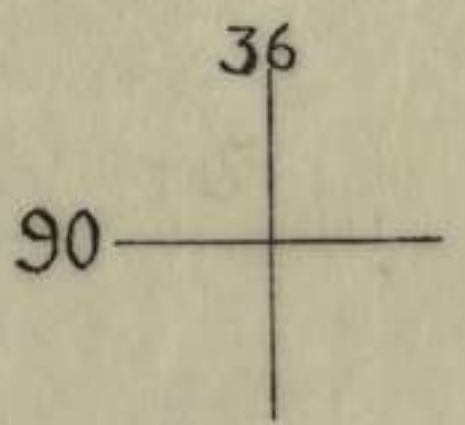
CFO for Unit Trust Funds	£1,604,419
GOC's Amenities Funds and AMF	
Special Amenities Fund	1,070,382
Xmas fare and other amenities	45,134
Contributions to ORs' Clubs	262,251
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The amount of profits accumulated at 31st December 1944, but as yet undistributed, totals £2,409,843, and is used as capital to finance the business of the service. The Canteens Service Regulations provide that, at the winding up of the service, the fund of accumulated profits is to be vested in trustees to be appointed by the Minister for the benefit of members and of members of the military forces and their dependants or the dependants of deceased members, the intention being to provide for those cases of hardship which do not fall within the necessarily exact definitions of the Repatriation laws.

2/43 BN DISPOSITIONS

AS AT 5 SEP 1945

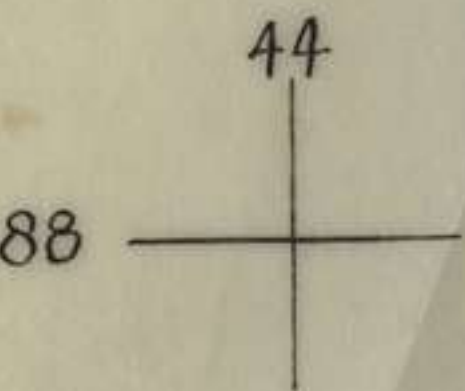
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A. Plummet

Int Sec 2/43 Bn

8 Sep 1945



2/43 Inf Bn
30 Sep 45

SEARCHING JAPS

1. TASKS

- (a) Remove all articles documents etc of int value
- (b) If any lethal weapons are found, prisoner concerned will be handed over to OC escort pending further instrs.
- (c) Cameras will be removed.

2. It has been found through experience that the Jap pte carries little of int value, if anything is found it is usually wrapped in cloth with his personnel papers etc and carried in the pack.

3. Officers and NCOs usually carry a leather case, these appear to contain mainly records rolls etc. If anything of value is carried it is usually in this case although at times documents and maps are carried in a small satchel or haversack. With the interpreter checking documents etc on the spot, time is saved and such needless handling of documents by the I Sec is avoided.

4. Attention should be paid to Jap Officers wearing or carrying field service tunics as these have many pockets both inside and outside.

5. Most Japs carry a small wallet or pouch which contains their religious properties. These should NOT be removed.

6. Pocket knives have been the most lethal weapons found on the Jap to date with the exception of a few blade razors, carried mainly by offrs, these may be retained by Jap.

7. Cameras will be removed from Jap their rank and name being taken and attached to articles. These will then be forwarded to IO.

8. Watches will be labelled and handed in by the OC Jap party. These will be examined by an officer. Any watches of obvious Allied ownership will be retained and handed to IO. Remainder will be taken to compound by the escorting offr and handed to OC compound. A receipt will be obtained.


Lt
2/43 Inf Bn

MESSAGE FORM

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For Action

TO A B C D HQ coy's QM, RSM (w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions GR
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0260. THE WARNING ORDER. A coy

less 9 pl will move to area bridge at
mile 67 on 28 sep @ 12 pl and coy
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by
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Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

8 Sep 45

83. CORRECT USE OF AAF G2 (WORK TICKET). (DRO) 345/67
DRO 128/45 is repeated. All units will take necessary action to ensure strict compliance with this order.
1. A driver when driving a vehicle on duty will always have in his possession his work ticket (AAF G2) and must produce same on demand of a superior officer or a member of the Aust Army Pro Corps.

2. At all times the form G2 will be set out in full detail, giving:-

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- (d) Place of commencement of journey;
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- (g) Signature of passengers on completion of journey.

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H. J. ... Lt
AAAdjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

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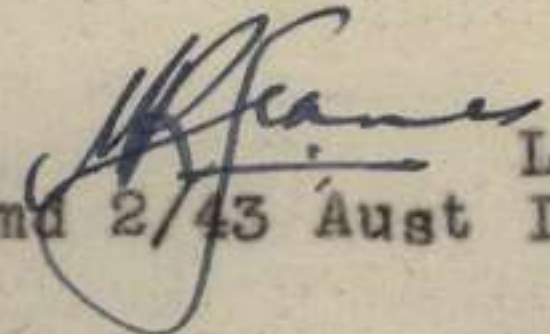
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt Col M R JEANES

Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

3 Sep 45

75. CIVILIANS TRAVELLING ON TRAINS (Bde RO 22 Serial 3)

- (a) The question has been raised as to the liability of the AMF whilst operating the Borneo State Railways as an operational necessity and, later when operations have officially ceased, in respect of the carriage of civilians.
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- (c) It is therefore the duty of every member of the AMF to do all within his power to avoid such possible claims.
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 - (i) Z(2A) Det BBCAU will issue railway passes to all civilians including labourers who travel on the railways. The passes issued to labourers may be periodical passes. Others will be single journey passes.
 - (ii) Railway Control, operating under 2/16 Aust Fd Coy, will ensure that no civilian travels who is NOT in possession of a pass.
 - (iii) Passes will have printed clearly on them in three languages (English, Chinese and Malay):
 - (iv) Notices will be posted at all stopping places in three languages, as above.
- (e) No member of the AMF will invite a civilian to travel on trains without first obtaining a pass from BBCAU for such civilian. It is appreciated that many soldiers invite children to travel out of kindness. However, disobedience of this order may result in an additional risk to the soldier concerned having to pay damages.

76. CIVILIANS RIDING ON MILITARY VEHICLES (Bde RO 23 Serial No 3)

- (a) Civilians will NOT be carried on military vehicles for reasons as stated in Bn RO above.
- (b) If it is necessary to transport labour, passes will be issued as in Bn RO above.
- (c) Attention is drawn to GPO 6694/1943 which states -
 - 1. Civilians may be transported in army vehicles on production of a certificate signed by an officer to the effect that they are travelling by reason of authorized duties on behalf of the Army, the performance of which

makes it necessary and desirable that they should so travel.
The expression "an officer" shall mean an officer of or above the rank of Lt Col.

2. Work tickets of a vehicle carrying a civilian will be endorsed with a statement of the general nature of the duty on which the civilian is being transported.

7. DRESS EARLY MORNING (Bde RO 24 Serial No 4)

Attention is drawn to the fact that several types of disease bearing mosquitoes in the BEAUFORT - PAPAR area, are particularly active in the early morning up to approximately 0800 hrs. Many of these species do NOT give any warning and the soldier may be unaware that he is being bitten. All ranks will therefore ensure that during early morning ablutions shirts are removed for a minimum period only.

78. OFFENCES COMMITTED WHILST ATTENDING BDE SCHOOL (Bde RO 25 Serial No 3)

Any soldier who commits an offence whilst attending the Bde School, will be returned forthwith to his unit, and any necessary disciplinary action will be taken by his CO or OC.

79. DEMOLITION OR DESTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS (Bde RO 29 Serial No 3)

Abandoned or damaged building will NOT be demolished without approval of this HQ.

80. ENGINES, SPARK IGNITION - FIRE HAZARD (Bde RO 35 Serial No 3)

(a) Attention of all ranks is drawn to the danger of priming petrol engines by pouring liquid petrol into induction manifolds. In addition to this practice being harmful to cylinder bores, piston rings and valve guides, etc grave fire risk is involved which has in the past been responsible for loss of life, loss of valuable equipment and painful injuries to personnel.

(b) The introduction of petrol into the inlet manifold of a petrol engine by removing the air cleaner and pouring the petrol through the carburettor air intake will only be resorted to as an emergency.

(c) Not more than approximately one tablespoon of petrol will be introduced by this method.

(d) Under no circumstances will any attempt be made to start the engine until the air cleaner has been replaced.

R. L. Stobbe Lt
A Adjt 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

GOODS BROUGHT BACK TO AUSTRALIA BY RETURNING AUSTRALIAN SERVICEMEN : CUSTOMS TREATMENT.

1. Attention is directed to a statement issued by the Minister for Trade and Customs, Senator the Hon. R.V. Keane, dated 27th July, 1945, as follows:-

"The question has been raised as to whether returning members of the Australian Forces who wish to bring back with them to Australia goods subject to the Customs (Import Licensing) Regulations, such as motor cars and wireless sets, will be allowed to import them.

I have given a direction that import licences are to be issued, where required, for any goods which returning Australian servicemen or servicewomen may bring back with them, provided that such goods are not intended for sale or exchange.

The grant of an import licence does not, of course, exempt the goods from any Customs duty that may be payable. A special concession has been made to members of the forces enabling them to bring back goods (other than tobacco and spirituous liquors) to the value of £10 without payment of duty. However, where the value of the goods exceeds £10, duty is payable at the same rates as if the goods had been imported commercially."

2. For information, it is advised that the Australian Customs Representatives in Australia House, London, and at 630 Fifth Avenue, New York, are available to supply information to returning Australian servicemen on any questions of duty payable.

(AG; 103/1/23)

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by

**Lt Col M R JEANES
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13 Sep 45

90. PROHIBITION OF ENTRY OF ANIMALS INTO AUSTRALIA (Corps RO 118/24)

1. Australia is at present free from many of the animal and bird diseases which are prevalent in some of the foreign countries and adjacent islands where Australian Forces have been deployed and the introduction of such diseases to Australia would be a national calamity.

2. Bn RO 97/45 covers the prohibition of the return of all animals, birds or reptiles including those on unit WEs and the enforcement of its provisions is the responsibility of every officer and NCO.

3. Small animals, birds or reptiles can be concealed in kits and special vigilance by all officers and NCOs is necessary to prevent the evasion of the Quarantine Regulations. Any animals, birds or reptiles discovered after embarkation will be destroyed immediately.

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In future all applications for permission for officers to visit LABUAN for any purpose other than when travelling on duty will be submitted on the Proforma attached as Appendix A.

92. HEARING OF CHARGES LAID AGAINST PERSONNEL CONTRACTING MALARIA (Bde RO 45/4)

When an individual is charged with a breach of anti-malarial precautions, the charge will NOT be finalized in the individual's Coy or equivalent Orderly Room. It will, at least, be heard in the Bn Orderly Room by the CO.

93. CANCELLATION OF BN RO'S

The following Bn RO's have been cancelled.

32	Bn	RO	Serial	B6/45
44	"	"	"	B7/45
86	"	"	"	B13/45

Part 1 (b) PUNISHMENTS

An FCGM convened by Brig S H PORTER Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde was held in the field on 23 Aug 45

President: Maj P MASEL - 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

SX5790 Pte BALDWIN F H - 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

AA Sec 9(2) WOAS disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer

IN THAT HE

In the field on 27 Jul 45 while on active service did not move as a member of a patrol when ordered to do so by WO1 BOURNE.

He pleaded NOT GUILTY and was found GUILTY by the Court.

On 23 Aug 45 he was sentenced to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of 28 days.

the accused was NIL days in close arrest and one day in open arrest.

on 9 Sep 45 Maj-Gen G F WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div confirmed the finding and sentence.

Promulgated to the accused in the field on the 14th day of Sep 45.

A DCM convened by Maj-Gen G.F.WOOTTEN Comd 9 Aust Div was held in the field on the 1 Sep 45 and the following accused were charged jointly.

NX176105	Pte	FOX	P.T.	SX5790	Pte	BALDWIN	F H
QX53934	Pte	LOOK	R	VX94547	Pte	ASH	A 4
VX94331	Pte	DELANEY	P	all of 2/43 Aust Inf Bn			

President: Major A.J.GREVILLE - HQ 9 Aust Div

AA Sec 40 When on active service conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

IN THAT THEY

In the field on 23 Jul 45 improperly used a truck 1/4 ton 4 x 4 the property of the United States Government.

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the accused were NIL days in arrest awaiting trial.

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H. D. Stagg Lt
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NOTICES

SURRENDER OF JAPAN

The following message, dated 15th August 1945, has been received by General Sir Thomas Blamey, Commander-in-Chief, AMF, from the Governor-General (His Royal Highness, The Duke of Gloucester):-

"Please convey my heartiest congratulations to all personnel under your command on today's thrilling news. Henry, Governor-General."

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APPLICATIONS BY OFFICERS OF THE AMF FOR CIVIL AFFAIRS APPOINTMENTS IN FAR EASTERN RE-OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

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Further particulars from this HQ.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER - MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

Duties: Related to the preparation and editing of matter for release to the general public, and associated duties, and to edit the departmental technical journal.

Qualifications: Applicants should state their journalistic experience and knowledge of aviation matters.

Salary: £490-£562 p.a.

WARDERS AND LIGHTERMEN, NEWCASTLE (NSW) EXPLOSIVES BRANCH:

Qualifications: Applicants should be of good physique used to the lifting of heavy weights and the handling of small boats. The possession of a Harbours and Rivers Certificate will be an advantage.

Salary: £307 p.a.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

HAWKESBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE - AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER:

Duties: Will be required to assist the Lecturer in Farm Engineering and will be responsible for the maintenance and repair of the college machinery and engines. Experience with agricultural machinery will be an advantage.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a Higher Trades Certificate of the Sydney Technical College or its equivalent in motor construction or fitting and machining.

Salary: £390 p.a.

Appx "A" to 2/43 Aust
Inf Bn Routine Order 91
Serial B15/45 of 13Sep

APPLICATION FOR SOCIAL VISIT TO LABUAN

1. Unit
2. No, Rank and Names of Offrs desiring to visit LABUAN
3. Date dep BEAUFORT
4. Date returning to BEAUFORT
5. Accn arrangements at LABUAN
6. Purpose of Visit
7. Recommendation of C.O.
date.....C. O.
8. Recommendation of Bde Comd
date.....Brig
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde
9. Decision of 9 Aust Div.
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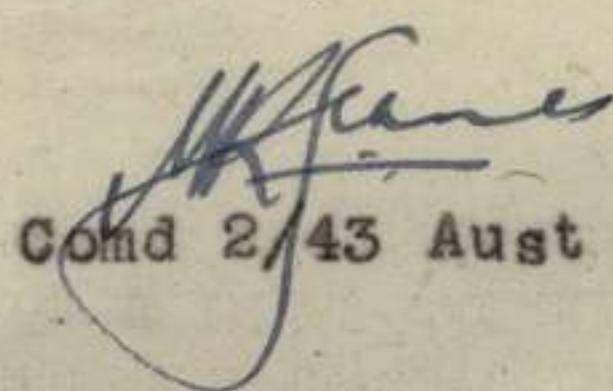
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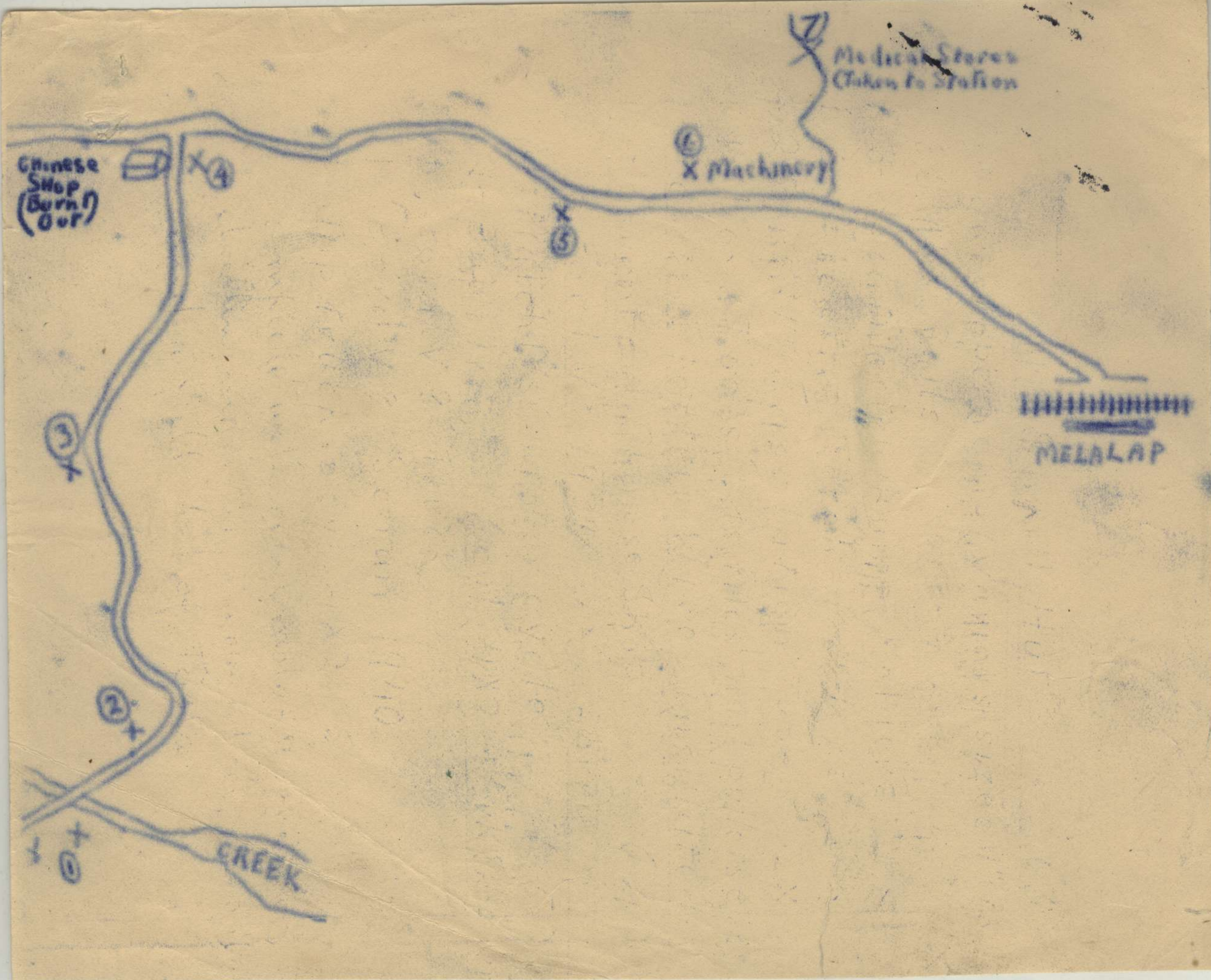
For Major Gen Kuroda. Reference Allied internees.

Your headquarters at Tenom reports.

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Two. The following internees Hwebber, Legros, Clark, J.Mcdonald, Astookes and Chinese consul ChoVan Lai escaped from custody.

Advise immediately dates and cause of death internees mentioned in paragraph one and dates and places of escape of internees mentioned in paragraph two.



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Hospital and Hospital patients - Mile 64.

General

1. A new hospital area has been selected for the housing of the present sick; for the housing of the sick ^{from} in the TENOM area, when they are instructed to move.
2. When the new buildings are constructed, all sick will be transferred there; the present buildings, being unfit for persons to live in, will be destroyed by fire. Certain native huts may be retained, but these will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before being put to further use.
3. The present hospital area will be cleared forthwith and selected buildings will be demolished and used for the construction of the new hospital. All refuse, including papers, tins, bottles, old rags, and clothing, etc, will be gathered together and burned.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOSPITAL

4. Under the direction of Aust troops the new hospital will be built in the area selected, and will be constructed by Japanese troops. It will be built to our requirements. The sequence of work will be -
 - (a) the clearing of the undergrowth in the new area
 - (b) the demolition of old buildings and the transfer of materials to the new site.
 - (c) the construction of latrines in accordance with our directions.
 - (d) the construction of a kitchen for the hospital
 - (e) the cutting of timber and stacking this in the new area
 - (f) the construction of the first building to house approximately 30 patients.

TRANSFER OF PATIENTS.

5. While this work is going on all the patients will be instructed in the matter set out below, regarding hygiene. Posters will be printed and placed in the present huts. These will set out these instructions clearly. The instructions will be obeyed.
6. All blankets, sheets, clothing etc will be progressively boiled and made clean. Priority will be given to those who are to be the first to transfer to the new hospital.
7. When the patients are transferred, their bodies will be thoroughly washed in hot soap and water and their clothes, if possible, will again be boiled and cleaned.

ORDERS FOR HYGIENE IN NEW HOSPITAL

These orders will be strictly obeyed by all the forces under Maj Watanabe's command. Failure to do so will be viewed most seriously. The orders will be displayed in all huts so that all can read it.

8. No person will defecate anywhere but in the latrines provided.
9. Where a patient is too sick to move he will defecate in a large tin and the faeces will be deposited in the latrine immediately. The tin will then be ^{boiled} washed and placed away under a cover.
10. All refuses from the huts, kitchen, dispensary, etc will be burned and then buried and covered over with earth.
11. All water supplies, in particular the creek, will be placed out of bounds to all patients and staff except those necessary for the purpose of drawing water. This will be strictly controlled.
12. All water will be boiled for 5-10 minutes before being used for either cooking, or drinking.

All persons will wash their bodies in soap and water daily. All persons will be shaved each day before the morning ~~breakfast~~ meal.

14. The hair of all persons will be kept short. Beards will be shaved off.

15. A supply of boiling water will be kept in dispensary and surgery at all times for the purpose of sterilizing instruments and other necessary articles.

16. The dead will be buried in the area given and will be placed at least 5 feet below the surface.

17. Containers for urine will be provided and these will be used only by patients who cannot walk to the latrines. The contents will be emptied into the latrines by the Medical orderly; washed out and kept under cover.

18. The dispensary, surgery and all huts will be maintained in a scrupulously clean condition day and night.

19. The surrounding area will be kept clear and tidy at all times.

20. Blankets etc will be aired as often as possible.

PREPARATION OF FOOD

21. All the food for patients and orderlies will be prepared at one kitchen.

22. The kitchen and the general area will be kept clean. All tins and other refuse will be burned and then buried immediately.

23. Those preparing the meals will be clean at all times.

24. Food will be carried to the huts and will be distributed under the direction of a Medical Officer.


25. All medical treatment of patients will be under the direction of the Aust Medical Officers.

26. Picquets will be on duty day and night to ensure, in particular that the order regarding the use of the latrines is enforced.

27. In addition to the instructions, other orders and instructions will be issued from time to time.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTION OF INSTRUCTIONS

28. Maj I Watanabe will be responsible for seeing that all the above instructions, and any other instructions issued, are enforced in all respects. He must of necessity, delegate certain responsibilities and duties to his Medical Officers, who will be responsible to him.


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