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APPX JA 5



58/59 AUST INF BN

presents

PACIFIC PREMIERE

Souvenir

Program

58/59 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

PRESENTS

"PACIFIC PREMIERE"

with the 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Players

Producers

Rep M. WHARTON (YMCA)
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Tivoli Theatres

Costumes

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Pte K. BRADIEY

Lighting

Signal Platoon

Stage

Pioneer Platoon

Scenery

Pte J. POWER

Publicity

Intelligence Sec.

The assistance provided by the above members and all other personnel who contributed to the production is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

PACIFIC PREMIERE

1. OVERTURE "Strike up the Band"
2. INTRODUCING "PACIFIC PREMIERE"
3. SCENE "MARCHING ON TO VICTORY"
4. SKETCH "I WANT TO BE AN ACTOR"
5. SOLO "SELEATED"
6. SKETCH "COHEN"
7. DUET "TRUMPET HARMONY"
8. SKETCH "FRENCH COURT SCENE"
9. "THE BAND SWINGS IT"
10. "OUR COMFERE"
11. INTRODUCING "THE BLONDE BOUGAINVILLE BEAUTIES"
12. "OUR CHROMATIC KING"
13. SKETCH "WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH HITLER"
14. "THE PILL BROTHERS"
15. SKETCH "HOTEL DeLUXE"
16. "MORE LAUGHS WITH YOUR FAVOURITE"
17. "AGG THE BAG"
- "SMITH AND JONES WITH BLONDE BEAUTIES"

INTERVAL

19. BAND "SELECTIONS FROM STUDENT PRINCE"
20. "OUR BARITONE"
21. "PRESENTING THE BOUGANNVILLE BOMBSHELL"
22. SKETCH "HE'S IN THE ARMY NOW"
23. SCENE "LAMP LIGHTER'S SERENADE"
24. "THE GAY NINETIES"
25. "SWINGING ALONG WITH THE BAND"
26. SKETCH "BROWN EYES"
27. "BITS OF TODAY AND YESTERDAY"
28. SKETCH " ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? "
29. "HE PAINTS A SONG"
30. "TEX AND HIS GUITAR"
31. SKETCH "THE RATIONING COMMISSIONER"
32. "AGG AND WEN"
33. FINALE "CHEER UP - CHEERIO - CARRY ON"
- " GOD SAVE THE KING"

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45/82
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The exercise was of a satisfactory standard and worked well.

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Following unit cadres were conducted during the week :-

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Two pistol cadres of two days duration for specialist personnel armed with pistol (18 personnel attended each cadre). The range practices held at the conclusion of the cadres illustrated the necessity for much more firing practice with this weapon.

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- (i) Two advanced 2 in mortar cadres of 3 days duration for all 2 in mortar personnel and 100% reserves ending in practices with live ammunition.
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Stretcher bearers cadre commenced on the 10 Jan, but as a result of the first days training syllabus has been amended to make the cadre a course in first aid rather than for training of reserve stretcher bearers.

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(a) Movement to new site

Movement to new site was commenced on the 12 Jan, and as all personnel are now familiar with the routine drill for movement, the transfer is proceeding most smoothly.

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School	Fail	50%-65%	66%-79%	80%-100%
FAA Regt training				
M.R.&.F.S. wing	-	1	1	-
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The education centre in the new site has been expanded to include reference library and tuition room, study room, and library. A wireless has been added to the education equipment, but lighting is still badly needed.

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A stage revue was presented in the Battalion theatre on 13 Jan, and all the resources of the battalion went into making the show a success. Due to splendid co-operation from all personnel engaged in the production of the show, the larger proportion of whom worked behind the scenes, results were considered really excellent.

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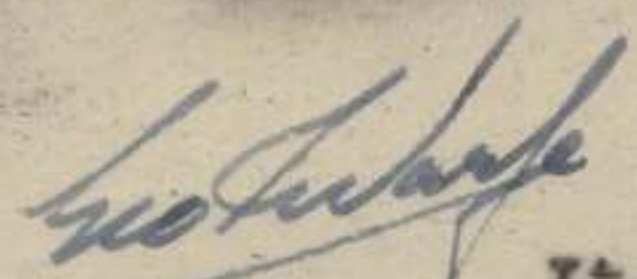
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DAY	0830-0915	0915-0955	1015-1050	1050-1130	1300-1340	1340-1420	1445-1530	1900-2000
1	Opening address and adm	LECTURE Function of Bn Int Sect	LECTURE message writing and mil abbreviations	LECTURE message writing	LECTURE Description of maps	LECTURE Conventional signs	LECTURE General description of compass & protractor	
2	LECTURE Map references and practical map	LECTURE and practical reading	LECTURE Org of Int Bn Jungle Scale	LECTURE Security of Inf'm	LECTURE AND PRACTICE Use of compass and protractor		LECTURE Recapitulation map reading	
3	LECTURE AND PRACTICE Orientation and finding position				SPORT			
4	LECTURE Sitreps	LECTURE Sitreps	LECTURE AND PRACTICE SCALES		LECTURE Sitreps	LECTURE Office procedure	LECTURE Comms within Bn - Lt ZIMMER	LECTURE Phonetic alphabet
5	PRACTICAL Scales		LECTURE Road lettering	LECTURE Traversing	PRACTICAL Road traverse			
6	LECTURE Triangulation		PRACTICAL Traversing with detail					
7	LECTURE OP logs and selection of OPs	PRACTICAL Selection of OP and OP logging			LECTURE AND PRACTICAL Traces and overlays			
8	LECTURE Patrol briefing	LECTURE Interrogation and patrol reports	LECTURE Org on Inf Bde on Tropical scale	LECTURE Handling of P's	SPORT			
9	LECTURE Sources of Inf'm Intreps Int summaries etc	LECTURE Fireplans		LECTURE Handling captured eqpt & documents	PRACTICAL Recce patrol and patrol reports			

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10	<u>LECTURE</u> Form lining	<u>LECTURE AND PRACTICAL</u> Photo interpretation. Use of stereo- scope, marginal information			Form lining		<u>PRACTICAL</u>	Discussion of patrol reports
11	<u>PRACTICAL</u> Sitreps	<u>LECTURE</u> Recording and filing film	<u>LECTURE</u> Japanese Organisation	<u>LECTURE</u> Int Sect in night attack	<u>LECTURE AND PRACTICAL</u> Enlargements			Questionaire
12	<u>LECTURE</u> Operation Orders	RECAPITULATION				<u>PRACTICAL</u> Road traverse		
14		FIELD SKETCH						
15		MAP MARCH			Discussion of Road Traverse and field sketch		Return stores etc	

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TRG SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN. A. COY.

Time	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN	28 JAN	REMARKS.
0800								
0845	Bde	Bde	Bde	BN	BN PDE.	BN	Church	Note
0850	Ceremonial	Ceremonial	Ceremonial	PARADE	COND + CAM. MTP 26. MTP 33(1)	PDE	Pde.	TK. Trg.
0935					concealment + camouflage MTP 26. MTP 36(1)	AND		ORGANISED BY BN.
0940	Parade	Parade	Parade	TK. TRG. DEMONSTRATION OBSTACLES	FIELD SIGS. IT 44 SEC 9.	ADM.	Rest.	
1025				TKS CAN	IMT 41 APPXA	DUTY COY		
1040				AND CANNOT	SCOUTS AND SENTRIES			
1130				NEGOTIATE	IMT 41 3 (44) MTP 33. (20, 21)			
1300	OCCUP OF	GRN. BAT PAM 13 LESSON 1.	DIGGING COY DEF POSN.	PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.				Intell Unit
1345				LESSONS -	SPORT	DUTY COY	Sports	
1350	BN DEF	RIFLE BAT PAM 3. LESSON 2, 3.		FORMATIONS			Football	
1435				INTERCOMN			cricket	
1445	POSN.	BAYONET SAT PAM 12 LESS. 1.	INDIC OF TARGETS	basketball				
1530			CONSOLIDATION				Swimming	
1530				ATM 36 (44)			Parade.	
1600	NOTE	SPORT		ATM 30 (9)				
NIGHT	DUTY COY. FOR DAY.	OCCUP OF BN DEF POSN.	OFFERS & NCO'S TEWT PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.	IMT 41 (100)				
TRG.				IT 43 (102)				
				MTP 2 (48)				
				MOVT AND OBSERVATION BY NIGHT				
				Fd CRAFT + BATTLE DRILL 43 (13, 14)				

SMOKE + DRINK PERIODS
1025 - 1040
1435 - 1445



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TIME TABLE	22 JAN.	23 JAN	24 JAN.	25 JAN.	26 JAN	27 JAN.	28 JAN	REMARKS.		
0800	BDE CEREMONIAL			BN PARADE	BN DOE	BN PDE.				
0845					CON + Cam. MTP 26 MTP 33(1)	PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS				
0850						LESSONS - FORMATIONS INTER COMM INDIC OF TARGETS CONSOLIDATION				
0935						REF: ATM 36 (14) ATM 30 (9) IMT 41 (100) IT 43 (102) MTP 2 (48)				
0940						TRG TRG OBSTACLES TKS CAN AND CANNOT NEGOTIATE.			FIELD SIGNALS IT 44 SEC 9 IMTAI APPXA.	
1025	PARADES.			BN DEMO.	SCOUTS AND SENTRIES		CHURCH AND REST.	see front page.		
1040						IMTAI 3 (44) MTP 33 (20,21)				
1130										
1300						GRN SAT PAM 3 LESSON 1			LMG SAT. PAM 4 LESSONS 3, 4.	SELECTION OF TYPES OF ADV. MTP 33 (13) KEEPING DIRECTION MTP 33 (14)
1345	OCCUP OF BN DEF POSN.	DUTY COY.					SPORT -			
1350					RIFLE SAT PAM 3 (2, 3)	PL FORMATIONS AND INTERCOMM WITH TKS. INDICATION OF TARGETS ATM 36 (4) IMT 41 (100) ATM 30 (9)			ADM.	
1435					BAYONET SAT PAM 12 (1)	BAY. SAT PAM 12 (2)				
1445										
1530		SPORT.	SPORT							
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1600										
NIGHT TRG.	OCCUP OF BN DEF POSN.		OFFERS NCOS. TEWT. PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.	MOVT AND OBSERVATION BY NIGHT. FACRAFT + BATTLE DRILL (43) (13, 14)			DUTY COY.			

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1345									
1350		RIFLE SAT PAM 3 (2,3)							
1435									
1445		BAY. SAT PAM 12 (U)			BAY SAT PAM 12 (2)				
1530									
1530		SPORT			SPORT.				
1600									
NIGHT TRG		OCCUP OF BN DEF Posn.	TEWT ALL OFFERS NO ³ PL INATT WITH TKS		MORT & OBSERV by NIGHT Fd CRAFT & BATTLE DRILL 43 SEC (13,14.)				

— TRG SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45 — D Coy —

TIME TABLE	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN	28 JAN
0800	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADES.			BN	BN PDE	BN PDE.	
0845				PDE.	CON + CAM. MTP 26 MTP 33 (w)	ADM- PDES	
0850				TK TRG BN DEMO OBSTACLES TKS CAN & CANNOT NEGOTIATE.	FIELD SIGNALS IT 44 (a) IMTHI APPXA.		
0925					SCOUTS + SENTRIES IMT 41-3 (44) MTP 33 (20, 2)		
0940					PL EXER ATTACK WITH TKS. LESSONS: FORMATIONS INTERCOMM INDICAT. OF TARGETS CONSOLID. ATM 36, 14 ATM 30, 9. IMT 41, 100 IT 43, 102 MTP 2, 48.		
1025	SPORT.						
1040							
1130	OCCUP OF BN DEF DEF POSN	DIGGING COY DEF POSN.	GREN SAT PAM 13 LESSON 1.	DUTY COY	SPORT.	-SPORT- ADM- PDES	REST.
1300			RIFLE SAT PAM 3 (2, 3)				
1345			BAYONET SAT PAM 12 (1, 2)				
1350			SPORT.				
1435							
1445							
1530							
1530	MONT & OBSERV BY NIGHT. FO CRAFT + BATTLE DRILL 43 (13, 14)	OCCUP OF BN DEF POSN.	TENT OFFERS & NCO. PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.				
1600							

See front page

TRG SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45 — No. 1 PL —

	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN	28 JAN							
0200														
0845				BN PDE	BN PDE	BN PDE								
0850	BDE	CEREMONIAL	}	BN PDE										
0935														
0940														
1025				IPDES		TRENCODE				NOTE TRG by organised by BN				
1040														
1130				TRENCODE				SMOKE AND DRINK PERIOD 1025-1040						
1300	OCCPN OF BN DEF POSN	MORSE PROCEDURE MORSE PROCEDURE SPORT PROCEDURE	MORSE MORSE MORSE PROCEDURE SPORT PROCEDURE	MORSE PRACTICAL TRENCODE PRACTICAL TRENCODE SPORT	DUTY COY	ADM SPORT	CHURCH PARADE REST							
1345														
1350														
1435														
1445														
1530														
1530														
1600														
NIGHT TRG		OCCUPN BN DEF POSN	TRWT. OFFRS NCO PLAN ATTACK WITH TANKS											

1435-1445

TRG SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45 — No 2 PL —

TIME TABLE	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN	28 JAN.	REMARKS	
0800 0845	BDE	CEREMONIAL	}	BN	BN POE	BN POE.			
0850 0935				PDE	MECH. LESS 11				
0940 1025				PDES.	TK TRG OBSTACLES TKS CAN 9	RECAPIT EGD LESS 55 & 56			
1040 1130		CANNOT NEGOTIATE	MECH LESS 12				SMOKE & DRINK PERIODS. 1025 - 1040 1435 - 1445		
1300 1345	OCCUP OF BN DEF Posn.	RECAPIT. EGD LESS 45, 46 47	RECAPIT. MECH LESS 4 and 5	MECHANISM LESS 8 & 9	EGD LESS 57				
1350 1435		RECAPIT LESS 2, 3	RECAPIT. EGD LESS 50, 51 52	RECAPIT. EGD 53, 54, 55	MECH LESS 13				
1445 1530		RECAPIT LESS 4 & 49	MECHANISM LESS 6 and 7	LESS 10	EGD LESS 58				
1530 1600			SPORT.	SPORT	SPORT.	SPORT			
NIGHT TRG.		OCCUP BN DEF Posn.	TENT. OFFERS NO PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.		DUTY Coy.				

ADM
SPORT.

PDE
CHURCH
REST.

TRG SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45

No 3 PL

Time Table	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN	25 JAN	26 JAN	27 JAN	28 JAN	REMARKS	
0300									
0845				BN	BN PDE	BN PDE			
0850									
0935	BDE CEREMONIAL			PDE	LECTURE ENGAGEMENT OF AREA TARGETS				
0940				TH TRG OBSTACLES.	CONTROLLED & RAPID CORRECTIONS	A D A D A M			
1025		PDES							
1040					THS CAN + CANNOT NEGOTIATE.		RECCE FOR DET POSN.		
1130									
1300	Occup OF	AIMING. Laying FOR DIRECT	Laying ON AUXILIARY AIMING MARKS.	ACTION + CEASE FIRE USING FIRE CONTROL SIGNALS.	TEST & ADJUST SIGHTS FOR RANGE +	PDE		SMOKE & DRINK PERIODS	
1345		Laying FOR ELEVATION							
1350	BN DEF	Laying FOR ELEVATION + DIRECTION	FIELD SIGNALS	LECTURE ON FLAMING + OVERHEAD FIRE	DIRECTION			1025-1040	
1435								1435-1445	
1445	POSN	MAINTENANCE ALL STORES.	MAINTENANCE STORES.	MAINTENANCE STORES.	COMPLETE MAINTENANCE ALL STORES.	SPORT	CHARCH	PAST.	
1530									
1530									
1600		SPORT	SPORT	SPORT	SPORT				
NIGHT TRG		Occup BN DEF POSN	TEWT OFFERS NCO'S PL IN ATTACK WITH THS.		Duty Coy				

TRG SYLLABUS 22 - 28 JAN 45 — No 4 PL. —

TIME TABLE	22 JAN	23 JAN	24 JAN.	25 JAN.	26 JAN	27 JAN.	28 JAN.	REMARKS
0800								
0845				BN	Bn. Pde.	Bn. Pde.		
0850	BDE CEREMONIAL PDES.				GD 1939 CHAP II LESS 12			
0935				Pde				NOTE: -
0940				TK TRG.				TK Trg
10 25				Obstacles TKS CAN +			Adm.	organised by Bn.
1040				CANNOT		2 PR MANUALS Suspension Springs		SMOKE & DRINK PERIODS
1130			NEGOTIATE		ARTILLERY + SUBALIVE BRACKETS		1025 - 1040 1435 1445	
1300	OCCUP OF BN DEF.	2 PR MANUALS	GD 1939	GD 1939	GD 1939			
1345		Introductory	CHAP II Lessons 2-4	CHAP II Lessons 8-11.	CHAP II Less 13			
1350		Gun Drill 1939	GD 1939	2 PR MANUALS	GD.			
1435		CHAP I Less. 1-4	CHAP II Less. 5-7	REAR Leg.	RECAP.			
1445		POSN.	✓	2 PR MANUALS	2 PR MANUALS	MECHANISM		
1530			Pivot Bracket	Front Legs Left + Right	RECAP.			
1530		SPORT	SPORT	SPORT	SPORT.			
1600								
NIGHT TRG		OCCUP Bn. DEF. POSN.	TENT OFFRS + NCOs. PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS.		DUTY COY.			

was done

17 Jan 45.

Ref Map TOROKINA 1 in to 1 mile

INFORM

1. Enemy

- (a) Enemy is not in contact with any part of the TOROKINA base area and at least 48 hrs warning may be anticipated of any intended attack.
- (b) It is, however, possible that small enemy suicidal raiding parties may attempt to b-pass the fwd tps and infiltrate with the object of destroying base installations and inflicting maximum cas.

2. Own Tps

- (a) 3 Aust Div is responsible for right sector of TOROKINA base area, and 11 Aust Inf Bde under comd 2 Aust Corps for left sector.
- (b) 15 Aust Inf Bde is defending EAST sector of TOROKINA base area on line of TOROKINA river.
- (c) (i) 57/60 Aust Inf Bn is defending line of FDLs from 636926 - 649943.
- (ii) 24 Aust Inf Bn less two coys is defending line of FDLs from 637904 - 636923, and remaining two coys ~~are~~ to occupy outposts def localities in area feature 500 square 6393 and feature 501 square 6790.
- (iii) One Bd Regt less one bty is to be retained within TOROKINA base in sp 3 Aust Div and 11 Aust Inf Bde and all fire tasks will be co-ordinated by RAA 3 Aust Div.

INTENTION

- 3. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn will defend right flank along a line of FDLs from coast 637875 - 637904.

METHOD

4. Summary

Four coy defended localities, one coy right, one coy left and two coys in centre with res roles.

5. Ground Vital to Defence

- (a) JABA RD - TOROKINA RIVER crossing square 6387.
- (b) Line of TOROKINA RIVER.

6. FDLs

Line from coast 637875 to 637904.

7. Disposns of Tps

(a) Fwd Tps

- RIGHT (i) Tps - D Coy with under comd one sub sec MFG, and one det Mortars.
- (ii) Area - Line of FDLs from coast 637875 to 633884. See appx "A" attached.
- (iii) Tasks - Will be responsible for local defence of area against ground and air attack and will prevent enemy penetration of FDLs.
- LEFT (i) Tps - A Coy with under comd one sub sec MFGs, one det Mortars
- (ii) Area - Line of FDLs from 635900 - 637904. See appx "A" attached.
- (iii) Tasks - Will be responsible for local defence of area against ground and air attack and will prevent enemy infiltration of FDLs.

(c) Res

RIGHT

- (i) Tps - C Coy with under comd one det Mortars, in sp one sec Tk/A.
- (ii) Area - Def locality astride road from incl BRIDGE 631884 - 627890. See appx "A" attached
- (iii) Tasks - Will be responsible for local defence of area against ground and air attack and will prevent enemy infiltration of def locality.

LEFT

- (i) Tps - B Coy with under comd one det mortars, in sp one sec Tk/A.
- (ii) Area - Def locality astride AMERICAL RD with line of FDLs from 634891 - 637897. See appx "A" attached.
- (iii) Tasks - Will be responsible for local defence of area against ground and air attack and will prevent enemy infiltration of def locality.

8. HQ Coy

Will occupy def locality. See appx "A" attached.

9. Bdys

See appx "A" attached.

10. Time of Occupation

- (a) 48 hrs warning can be anticipated, consequently FDLs and def localities will NOT be occupied until orders received from this HQs.
- (b) Rehearsals of occupation of def posns will be carried out once by night and once by day within one week of movement in def area. Range cards will also be prepared by all secs within this period.

11. Development

Degree and priorities will be advised; posns will be prepared accordingly.

12. Inf Weapons

(a) MG

- (i) Allotment - One sub sec under comd D Coy
One sub sec under comd A Coy
- (ii) Res - One sec
location 629890
Task, counter penetration along AMERICAL Rd. Mobile res.
- (iii) Fire plans of sub secs under comd will be co-ordinated by MG offr.
- (iv) Fwd gun sites in C and B Coys will be reconnoitred and prepared.

(b) Mortars

- (i) Allotment - One det under comd D Coy
One det under comd A Coy
One Det under comd C Coy
One det under comd B Coy
- (ii) Res - 4 dets
location 631890
task - will operate under bty control as in res. for D.F. tasks see appx "A" attached.
Will engage opportunity targets by observation from OPs.

- (i) Allotment - One sec in sp C Coy
One sec in sp B Coy.
- (ii) Area - One sec 632895.
One sec 630886.
- (iii) Tasks - Sec in sp C Coy will cover approaches
along AMERICAL Rd and open ground
WEST of stream 631895.
Sec in sp B Coy will cover AMERICAL Rd.

13. Pnrs

- (a) Area - def locality 632899.
- (b) Tasks - (i) def of area against ground and air attack
and will prevent enemy infiltration of def
locality.
(ii) Maintenance of AMERICAL Rd and brs in Bn
Area.

14. Arty

- (a) Allotment - As tactical situation demands.
- (b) D.F. Tasks - See appx "A" Attached.
- (c) Opportunity tasks by OP coverage.
- (d) Allotment of FOOs - Initial one to D Coy
One to A Coy

15. Patrolling Policy

Will be advised as separate instructions

16. Counter attack roles

C and B Coy will prepare counter attack plans, providing for
counter attack by one pl.

ADM

17. No change from present arrangements.

INTERCOMM

- 18. Bn Hqs - 630890
- 19. L/T - alternate L/T will be laid to all coy posns and sp weapons
by alternate route metallic circuit.
- 20. W/T - Allotment of sets - one set D Coy
one set A Coy
one set Mortar Bty
One set Bn Hqs.
- 21. V.S. - Sig offcr will recon and advise coys.
- 22. D.R.L.S. - by ration vehicles
- 23. Code words - will be changed daily and coys advised.
- 24. S.C.S. Sigs - will be advised on occupation of posn.

ACFI

[Signature] Capt
Adjnt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Issued by *Land*

Signed at *17/7 45*

DISTRIBUTION

	Copy No	Appx "A"	Copy No	Appx "A"
A Coy	1	1 15 Aust Inf Bde	12	12
B Coy	2	2 Comd	13	13
C Coy	3	3 Adjnt	14	14
D Coy	4	4 QM	15	15
HQ Coy	5	5 I.O.	16	16
1 Pl	6	6 T.O.	17	17
2 Pl	7	7 RSN	18	18
3 Pl	8	8 RMO	19	19
4 Pl	9	9 Fble	20 - 21	20-21
5 Pl	10	10 War Diary	22 - 23	22-23
24 Aust Inf Bn	11	11		

58/59 AUST INF BN

OP ORDER NO 1 APPX A

RF 1-15840

REF MAP TOROKINA 1 IN TO 1 MILE



62 63 64 65
87 88 89 90 91

SCALE 4 IN TO 1 MILE

17 JAN 45

R. L. [Signature] Plc

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
18 Jan 45

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

Serial No 2/45
Nos 13 to 28

by

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL G.R. WARFE

COMMANDING 58/59 AUST INF BN

13. SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP.

Attention is drawn to GRO 371/44, contents of which will be promulgated again to all ranks by 30 Jan 45. Certificate to be rendered to this HQ to that effect.

14. BREAKING DOWN OF SERVICE OR ENEMY AMMUNITION.
(FAA order Q323 GRO 51/44).

- (a) Accidents have occurred due to unauthorised breaking down of enemy ammunition.
- (b) The breaking down of service or enemy ammunition in any way other than that authorised by training publications, hand books, regulations in existence or instructions issued from L.H.Q., is strictly forbidden.
- (c) The breaking down of any service or enemy ammunition by unauthorised persons is prohibited.
- (d) Information required of the internal construction of any type of service ammunition, reference can be made ICOs posted to HQ; of corps.
- (e) Enemy ammunition will normally be broken down or demolished by R.A.E. units under instructions from formation HQ.

15. CARE OF PISTOLS.

Lanyards will be attached to pistols at all times and worn around the neck. When the pistol holster is carried below the ammunition pouch, it will be securely fastened thereto.

16. SUPPLY OF BOTTLED BEER.

- (a) Owing to extreme shortage of beer bottles and straw or fibre envelopes the supply of bottled beer for members of the A.M.F. in SWPA now depends on the return of empty bottles and envelopes to Salvage.
- (b) It is essential that all envelopes be recovered for re-use, as materials are in short supply in Australia.
- (c) Cases will be opened carefully and envelopes retained so that the empty bottles may be properly packed for return.
- (d) In future, when beer is issued, a signature for the number of bottles and the containers will be obtained from companys. Empty bottles and containers must be returned to Bn Canteen the following morning and the signature obtained from the unit Canteen representative.

17. PRE-SELECTION OF OFFICERS. (GRO 178/44).

It is the privilege of all ranks, if they consider themselves suitable for appointment to commissioned rank, to submit an application to the C.O. for interview by a local board, and to be entitled to be so interviewed.

The object of the pre-selection scheme is to ensure the best possible utilization of personnel available for appointment as Officers and also that the field for selection should be as wide as possible.

18. REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS, DUNNAGE. (3 Aust Div RO 487).

Except with the prior authority of 3 Aust Div, the removal of buildings, materials, dunnage and other items from areas vacated by US Army Forces is strictly forbidden.

19. IMPROPER DESTRUCTION OF SIGNAL EQUIPMENT. (2 Aust Corps RO A54).

- (a) Instances of serious damage to permanent lines continue through carelessness of tree felling parties in dropping trees across wires.
- (b) Serious delays result and valuable time is wasted in effecting repairs.
- (c) The need for care in tree felling near signal lines will be impressed on all ranks. If on investigation of damage negligence by any member is established, the charge will be dealt with by Court Martial.

20. TREATMENT OF DISCHARGED MEMBERS SUFFERING MALARIA. (GRO 117/44)

1. It is possible that malaria may manifest itself for the first time after a member has been discharged.
2. By arrangement with the Repatriation Commission, in such cases, provided the member establishes his identity, e.g., by production of a discharge certificate, medical treatment will be made available forthwith at the expense of the Repatriation Department, pending determination of whether the malaria is attributable to the member's war service.
3. To obtain such treatment, the ex-member -
 - (a) if he resides in the metropolitan area of a capital city, should contact the local office of the Repatriation Department or apply to the Repatriation General Hospital; or
 - (b) if he resides outside the metropolitan area of a capital city, should apply to the nearest local Repatriation Medical Officer.

21. REMITTANCES FROM MEMBERS. (GRO 176/44).

1. A member may remit cash, or undrawn pay up to the credit balance shown in his paybook, through Army channels to
 - (a) Any person or any bank account in Australia, including his own
 - (b) Any other person of the A.I.F. wherever serving and
 - (c) Any person residing overseas, providing statement is signed by member giving reason and full details of the remittance.
2. Remittances are effected by the pay Sgt on completion of form WF 131 or WF 131A. When cash is remitted, a receipt must be obtained from the pay Sgt.
3. Overseas remittances may be made by cable subject to payment of cable charge.

22. EFFECT OF AWL ON FUTURE LEAVE CREDITS.

Attention is again drawn to GRO 598/43 which has been amended so that periods of absence without leave will be debited against authorised recreational leave, with a maximum debit of 24 days in respect of any one period. This debit is not part of the penalty imposed, but is an administrative act made on the basis that the soldier, by absenting himself without leave has used up his leave entitlement.

23. CARE OF RECORD OF SERVICE BOOK - AAB83.

A member will take every possible care to prevent the loss, destruction or defacement of his AAB83. Failure to take such care will be regarded as a serious offence and punished accordingly.

Any member losing his AAB83 will (unless the CO is satisfied that the loss was not due to any negligence on the part of the member) be charged under AA.24 (2) (or, in the case of Officers, under AA.40), the fact of loss be sufficient to found a charge of "losing by neglect public property issued to him for his use" (or of "neglect to the prejudice" as the case may be) and to justify a conviction on such charge in the absence of a satisfactory explanation. Destruction or defacement of an AAB 83 by a wilful act or negligence or the unauthorised alteration of any information contained therein is also an offence in respect of which a charge will be laid under AA.24, AA.25, or AA.40, whichever appropriate.

24. REQUEST HOUR.

Request period will be made available by all company commanders each week.

25. ANTI-MITE PRECAUTIONS.

Personnel proceeding to JABA River area will ensure that clothing and blankets are treated with anti-mite lotion.

26. CONTROL OF TRANSPORT.

(a) Records.

Transport records will be maintained daily and checked by Transport Officer.

(b) Economy of Rubber.

Correct tyre pressures will be maintained at all times.

(c) Loading of Vehicles.

Unless otherwise ordered in writing on the driver's AAF.G2 by an officer, maximum loads of vehicles will not be exceeded; those are for - Jeeps 3 - personnel will not ride in or on trailers. Trucks 3 ton - 16 personnel with arms and equipment, 20 without equipment; to be carried in the body of the vehicle, not on the side.

(d) Instructions to Drivers.

Drivers will maintain road discipline, and drive so that their vehicles are completely under control at all time, not exceeding speed limit which is 20 mph in this area.

(e) Officers will not drive vehicles except :-

- (i) when under driving instruction or maintaining efficiency as driver,
- (ii) when operationally necessary,
- (iii) to rest the normal driver.

27. PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC.

All ranks will walk on the right hand side of the road and face oncoming traffic. Any breach of this order will treated as an offence.

28. AMENITIES.

Receipt is acknowledged of the following comforts from ACF:-

- One bag of comforts per member en route,
- One Christmas parcel per member of main body,

Also acknowledged on loan are the following sporting materials -

6 Jan 45:

Footballs	6
Boxing Gloves	2 sets
Cricket Balls	8
Football Boots	20
Punch Pads	1
Softball bats	6
Softball balls	8
Deck Tennis complete	5
Quoits	1 set
Boxing Ball	1
Jerseys	20
Score Book	1

11 Jan 45:

Boxing Bag	1
Gramophone & Needles	1
Badmington Bats	4
Table Tennis	
Bats	2
Balls	4
Clamps	2
Nets	1
Wireless Set	1
" Battery	1
" Case	1

R. Anderson Capt.
Adj. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTICE

FOUND.

Vicinity of Bm Orderly Room - Cash - owner may obtain on application to Adj..

58/59 AUST INF BN UNIT CANTEN

APPENDIX "A"

TRADING TRANSACTIONS for the period 23 OCT 44 to 24 DEC 44.

Stock at beginning of period	4 - 17 - 4	Sales for period	4120 - 2 - 8
Purchases for Period	4070 - 17 - 4	Beer, Milk, and Soft Drink	52 - 6 - 9
Expenses - Ice, Stationery, etc	10 - 1 - 10	Returns to AACS	29 - 16 - 10
Profit for period	184 - 14 - 5	Stock at end of period	68 - 4 - 9
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	£4270 - 10 - 11		4270 - 10 - 11
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 24 DEC 44.

LIABILITIES

Regt Funds invested in Canteen	555 - 15 - 11
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	£555 - 15 - 11
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ASSETS

Cash on Hand	50 - 0 - 0
Balance as per Trust Book A/c No F.1598	437 - 11 - 2
Stock at end of period	68 - 4 - 9
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	£555 - 15 - 11
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We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Trust A/c Book, and Vouchers relating to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Unit Canteen Trust Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the Accounts as at 24 DEC 44.

(Signed) A. JACKSON Capt Auditor
(Signed) J. McINTOSH Lt Auditor
(Signed) D. HOGAN Lt

58/59 AUST INF BN REGIMENTAL FUNDS

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the period 23 OCT 44 to 24 DEC 44.

To Free Issue - Beer & Soft Drink	43-11- 9	By Share of AACCS Profits (Sep-Oct)	93-13- 6
" " " - Milk	8-15- 0	By Unit Canteen Profits	184-14- 5
" Picnic Expenses	23-12- 6		
" Purchase - 1 Bn Flag	1- 5- 3		
" " - 1 Radio Set	45-16- 6		
" " - Sporting Material	27- 9- 9		
" " - 30 Shower Heads	25-16- 0		
" " - Polish for Band Instruments	5- 7-11		
" " - Timber, Paint etc for camp improvements	62- 1- 4		
" " - Flower & Vegetable Seeds	10- 0- 0		
" " - Xmas Cards	4-15- 0		
" " - 50 Puggarees	7- 1- 8		
" " - 1 Circular Saw Blade	3- 0- 0		
" " - 3 Barbers' Scissors	2-10- 0		
" Excess of Income over Expenditure for the period	7- 4-10		
	<u>£278- 7-11</u>		<u>£278- 7-11</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES as at 24 DEC 44.

LIABILITIES

Accumulated Funds :-	
Balance as at 23 Oct 44	£344- 8- 3
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for the Period	<u>7- 4-10</u>
	£351-13- 1
	<u>£351-13- 1</u>

ASSETS

Amount invested in Unit Canteen	555-15-11
Cash as per Trust Book A/c No F460	182-18- 8
Advance to Unit Postal Sjt for stamps	5- 0- 0
" " 3 Aust Div for canteen goods	100- 0- 0
" " Unit Stores Party for expenses	5- 0- 0
Sundry Debtors for photos	2-18- 6
	<u>£351-13- 1</u>

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Trust Account Book, and vouchers relating to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Regt Fund Trust A/c, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the accounts as at 24 DEC 44.

(Signed)
(Signed)

A. JACKSON Capt Auditor
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War Diary.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
8 Jan 45

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

Serial No 2/45
Nos 13 to 18

by

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL G.R. WARRE **COMMANDING 58/59 AUST INF BN**

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- (b) It is essential that all envelopes be recovered for re-use, as materials are in short supply in Australia.
- (c) Cases will be opened carefully and envelopes retained so that the empty bottles may be properly packed for return.
- (d) In future, when beer is issued, a signature for the number of bottles and the containers will be obtained from companys. Empty bottles and containers must be returned to the Canteen the following morning and the signature obtained from the unit Canteen representative.

17. PRE-SELECTION OF OFFICERS. (GRO 178/44).

It is the privilege of all ranks, if they consider themselves suitable for appointment to commissioned rank, to submit an application to the C.O. for interview by a local board, and to be entitled to be so interviewed.

The object of the pre-selection scheme is to ensure the best possible utilization of personnel available for appointment as officers and also that the field for selection should be as wide as possible.

18. REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS, DUNNAGE. (3 Aust Div RO 437).

Except with the prior authority of 3 Aust Div, the removal of buildings, materials, dunnage and other items from areas vacated by US Army Forces is strictly forbidden.

19. IMPROPER DESTRUCTION OF SIGNAL EQUIPMENT. (2 Aust Corps RO A54).

- (a) Instances of serious damage to permanent lines continue through carelessness of tree felling parties in dropping trees across wires.
- (b) Serious delays result and valuable time is wasted in effecting repairs.
- (c) The need for care in tree felling near signal lines will be impressed on all ranks. If on investigation of damage negligence by any member is established, the charge will be dealt with by Court Martial.

20. TREATMENT OF DISCHARGED MEMBERS SUFFERING MALARIA. (GRO 117/44)

- 1. It is possible that malaria may manifest itself for the first time after a member has been discharged.
- 2. By arrangement with the Repatriation Commission, in such cases, provided the member establishes his identity, e.g., by production of a discharge certificate, medical treatment will be made available forthwith at the expense of the Repatriation Department, pending determination of whether the malaria is attributable to the member's war service.
- 3. To obtain such treatment, the ex-member -
 - (a) if he resides in the metropolitan area of a capital city, should contact the local office of the Repatriation Department or apply to the Repatriation General Hospital; or
 - (b) if he resides outside the metropolitan area of a capital city, should apply to the nearest local Repatriation Medical Officer.

21. REMITTANCES FROM MEMBERS. (GRO 176/44).

1. A member may remit cash, or undrawn pay up to the credit balance shown in his paybook, through Army channels to
 - (a) Any person or any bank account in Australia, including his own
 - (b) Any other person of the A.M.F. wherever serving and
 - (c) Any person residing overseas, providing statement is signed by member giving reason and full details of the remittance.
2. Remittances are effected by the pay Sgt on completion of form WF 131 or WF 131A. When cash is remitted, a receipt must be obtained from the pay Sgt.
3. Overseas remittances may be made by cable subject to payment of cable charge.

22. EFFECT OF AWL ON FUTURE LEAVE CREDITS.

Attention is again drawn to GRO 598/43 which has been amended so that periods of absence without leave will be debited against authorised recreational leave, with a maximum debit of 24 days in respect of any one period. This debit is not part of the penalty imposed, but is an administrative act made on the basis that the soldier, by absenting himself without leave has used up his leave entitlement.

23. CARE OF RECORD OF SERVICE BOOK - AAB83.

A member will take every possible care to prevent the loss, destruction or defacement of his AAB83. Failure to take such care will be regarded as a serious offence and punished accordingly. Any member losing his AAB83 will (unless the CO is satisfied that the loss was not due to any negligence on the part of the member) be charged under AA.24 (2) (or, in the case of Officers, under AA.40), the fact of loss be sufficient to found a charge of "losing by neglect public property issued to him for his use" (or of "neglect to the prejudice" as the case may be) and to justify a conviction on such charge in the absence of a satisfactory explanation. Destruction or defacement of an AAB 83 by a wilful act or negligence or the unauthorised alteration of any information contained therein is also an offence in respect of which a charge will be laid under AA.24, AA.25, or AA.40, whichever appropriate.

24. REQUEST HOUR.

Request period will be made available by all company commanders each week.

25. ANTI-MITE PRECAUTIONS.

Personnel proceeding to JABA River area will ensure that clothing and blankets are treated with anti-mite lation.

26. CONTROL OF TRANSPORT.

(a) Records.

Transport records will be maintained daily and checked by Transport Officer.

(b) Economy of Rubber.

Correct tyre pressures will be maintained at all times.

(c) Loading of Vehicles.

Unless otherwise ordered in writing on the driver's AAF.G2 by an officer, maximum loads of vehicles will not be exceeded; these are for - Jeeps 3 - personnel will not ride in or on trailers. Trucks 3 ton - 16 personnel with arms and equipment, 20 without equipment; to be carried in the body of the vehicle, not on the side.

(d) Instructions to Drivers.

Drivers will maintain road discipline, and drive so that their vehicles are completely under control at all time, not exceeding speed limit which is 20 mph in this area.

(e) Officers will not drive vehicles except :-

- (i) when under driving instruction or maintaining efficiency as driver,
- (ii) when operationally necessary,
- (iii) to rest the normal driver.

27. PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC.

All ranks will walk on the right hand side of the road and face oncoming traffic. Any breach of this order will be treated as an offence.

28. AMENITIES.

Receipt is acknowledged of the following comforts from ACF:-

- One bag of comforts per member en route,
- One Christmas parcel per member of main body,

Also acknowledged on loan are the following sporting materials -

6 Jan 45:		11 Jan 45:	
Footballs	6	Boxing Bag	1
Boxing Gloves	2 sets	Gramophone & Needles	1
Cricket Balls	8	Badminton Bats	4
Football Boots	20	Table Tennis	
Punch Pads	1	Bats	6
Softball bats	6	Balls	4
Softball balls	8	Clamps	2
Deck Tennis complete	5	Nets	1
Quoits	1 set	Wireless Set	1
Boxing Ball	1	" Battery	1
Jerseys	20	" Case	1
Score Book	1		

R. H. ... Capt.
Adj. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTICE

FOUND.

Vicinity of Bm Orderly Room - Cash - owner may obtain on application to Adj. Bn.

58/59 AUST INF BN UNIT CANTEEN

TRADING TRANSACTIONS for the period 23 OCT 44 to 24 DEC 44.

Stock at beginning of period	4 - 17 - 4	Sales for period	4120 - 2 - 8
Purchases for Period	4070 - 17 - 4	Beer, Milk, and Soft Drink	52 - 6 - 9
Expenses - Ice, Stationery, etc	10 - 1 - 10	Returns to AACS	29 - 16 - 10
Profit for period	184 - 14 - 5	Stock at end of period	68 - 4 - 8
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	£4270 - 10 - 11		4270 - 10 - 11
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 24 DEC 44.LIABILITIES

Regt Funds invested in Canteen	555 - 15 - 11
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	£555 - 15 - 11
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ASSETS

Cash on Hand	50 - 0 - 0
Balance as per Trust Book A/c No F.1598	437 - 11 - 2
Stock at end of period	68 - 4 - 9
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We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Trust A/c Book, and Vouchers relating to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Unit Canteen Trust Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the Accounts as at 24 DEC 44.

(Signed) A. JACKSON Capt Auditor

(Signed) J. McINTOSH Lt Auditor

(Signed) D. HOGAN Lt

58/59 AUST INF BN REGIMENTAL FUNDS

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the period 23 OCT 44 to 24 DEC 44.

To Free Issue .. Beer & Soft Drink	43-11- 9	By Share of AACS Profits (Sep-Oct)	93-13- 6
" " " .. Milk	8-15- 0	By Unit Canteen Profits	184-14- 5
" Picnic Expenses	23-12- 6		
" Purchase -- 1 Bn Flag	1- 5- 8		
" " -- 1 Radio Set	45-16- 6		
" " -- Sporting Material	27- 9- 9		
" " -- 50 Shower Heads	25-16- 0		
" " -- Polish for Band Instruments	5- 7-11		
" " -- Timber, Paint etc for camp improvements	62- 1- 4		
" " -- Flower & Vegetable Seeds	10- 0- 0		
" " -- Xmas Cards	4-15- 0		
" " -- 50 Puggarees	7- 1- 8		
" " -- 1 Circular Saw Blade	3- 0- 0		
" " -- 3 Barbers' Scissors	2-10- 0		
" Excess of Income over Expenditure for the period	7- 4-10		
	<u>2278- 7-11</u>		<u>2278- 7-11</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES as at 24 DEC 44.

<u>LIABILITIES</u>		<u>ASSETS</u>	
Accumulated Funds :-		Amount invested in Unit Canteen	555-15-11
Balance as at 23 Oct 44	£344- 8- 3	Cash as per Trust Book A/c No F460	182-18- 8
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for the Period	<u>7- 4-10</u>	Advance to Unit Postal Sjt for stamps	5- 0- 0
	£351-13- 1	" " 3 Aust Div for canteen goods	100- 0- 0
		" " Unit Stores Party for expenses	5- 0- 0
		Sundry Debtors for photos	2-18- 6
	<u>£351-13- 1</u>		<u>£351-13- 1</u>

We certify that we have examined the Cash Book, the Trust Account Book, and vouchers relating to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn Regt Fund Trust A/c, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the accounts as at 24 DEC 44.

(Signed) A. JACKSON Capt Auditor
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War Diary

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

19 Jan 45

58/59 AUST INF BN SECURITY INSTR 1

1. UNIT LOCATION

It is not permitted at present for personnel to mention in correspondence that they have left Australia.

However, commencing 28 Jan 45 troops will be permitted to mention the fact that they are in the SOLOMON ISLANDS but they will not be allowed to refer to any specific Island on which they are serving.

With the exception of the above normal security regulations particularly with regard to movement of Allied troops will apply.

2. USE OF LETTERS NSA

The use of letters NSA on envelopes is NOT permitted. Where it is not possible for personnel in action to obtain stamps Bn HQ will arrange for stamps to be affixed.

3. GREEN ENVELOPES

There have been instances of late of personnel abusing the privilege allowed by the use of Green Envelopes.

Coys will advise troops of matters which may be mentioned in Green Envelopes.

Any further instances of breaches of security in Green Envelopes will result in the privilege being withdrawn.

[Signature] Lt
I.O. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

<u>Distribution</u>	<u>No of copies</u>
A Coy	2
B Coy	2
C Coy	2
D Coy	2
HQ Coy	2
Adjt	1
QM	1
YMCA	2
File	1
War Diary	2

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UNIT 58/59. Aust. Inf. Co.

Week Ending 19/1/45

Diseases or Injury	Total new cases reported for treatment	Number evacuated to Medical Units
Diarrhoea & Dysentery	5	5
U.R.T.I.	1	-
P.U.O. (incl Clinical Malaria & Dengue)	4	4
Skin	19	3
All Other Diseases	47	4
Non-battle Injuries	3	1
Battle Casualties		
TOTAL	84	11

Daily rate per cent of strength incl attached 0.87% 0.021%

Average daily strength 36
 Tpt: Senior Adm Medical Officer,

1. Attach as Appx "A" any special report exceeding the scope of the form.
 2. When applicable.

REPORT BY R.M.O.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

- (a) General Physical condition of personnel..... Good
- (b) General Standard of Reinforcements received..... Nil
- (c) Severity of Work or Training..... Moderate
- (d) General Remarks..... Nil

2. STORES - Details of stores requisitioned for, but not yet received.

- (a) Medical..... Nil
- (b) Expense Stores. Coffee, Kaffin and cloths sponge in short supply.
- (c) Malaria Control Stores (i) Ordnance..... Nil
(ii) AASC..... Nil

3. MALARIA CONTROL

- (a) Measures of personal protection (good, fair, bad)
Nets..... Good Atebrin..... Good Clothing..... Good
Repellent..... Nil
- (b) Larvae Control..... Malaria squad making survey of new site.
- (c) Adult Destruction..... Nets sprayed daily.
- (d) General Comments..... Numerous Culex in area but few Anopheles.

4. RATIONS - SWP Rations

5. HYGIENE - Battalion moved into new site satisfactory progress being made with hygiene.

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO - Instructions to company representatives on First Aid. (Signed)

[Signature] Capt
R.M.O. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

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All Other Diseases	17	1
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Battle Casualties		
TOTAL	46	11

Daily rate per cent of strength incl attached

0.187%

0.021%

Average daily strength 360

To: Senior Adm Medical Officer,

NO

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PRO FORMA - SKIN DISEASES

UNIT: 58/59 AUST INF BN

Week Ending: 2359 Saturday

20 JAN 45.

Type	New Cases	Total Treated	No Evacuated
Tinea Circinata	.	.	.
" Cruris	2	2	.
" Pedis	24	26	.
" of Beard Region	.	.	.
Trichomycosis	48	53	.
Cheilopomphlyx	.	.	.
Discoid Eczema of feet	4	4	1
Dermatitis from overtreatment of Tinea	.	.	.
Intertrigo	8	8	.
Impetigo Contagiosa	2	3	1
Bullous Impetigo	3	5	.
Secondary infected bites & scratches	14	14	.
Furunculosis	2	2	1
Acne (of degree to cause disability)	1	1	.
Dermatitis (from other causes)	2	3	.
Prickly Heat	1	5	.
TOTAL	102	126	3

Remarks:

There are 4 acne cases not mentioned on this report causing no disability. In the tropics these cases may become worse.

M. H. H. H. Capt.
RMO 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

War Diary

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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Church Parades, rest	1 "

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Foot and arms drill, battalion parades	1/2 day
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Signals
First Aid

(d) Officers and NCOs

Demonstration Tank Exercise.

3. STANDARD OF TRAINING.

Standard of drill fair. More practice at co-ordination of rifle and GSMG movements is required during arms drill.

4. STANDARD OF FITNESS.

(a) Generally good.

(b) Personnel treated by RAP compared with previous week as follows :-

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URTI	17	2
Skin	14	26
Accidents	2	3
Other Comp	40	24

NOTE: PUO due to heatstroke, NOT malaria.

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- (ii) Recreation centre functioned on a skeleton basis during the week, but will open on normal basis 21 Jan.
- (iii) Considerable delay has occurred in receipt of musical instruments, gramophones and records ordered, whilst the battalion was at WATSONIA, and the formation of a unit swing band is consequently held up.

(e) Sports.

- (i) Half hour sport played daily by all available personnel.
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Battalion parades were held on 18 and 19 Jan. Dress fair, standard of arms drill was spoilt by lack of co-ordination between rifles and OSMGs.

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2 Officers and 30 ORs have been detached for works at TOROKINA Docks since 18 Jan 45.

(h) Training programme 22 Jan - 28 Jan.

Whilst present Cadres are being conducted and work parties called for it will only be possible for 3 rifle Coys or HQ Coy and 1 rifle Coy to carry out training each day.

(i) Priority of Works.

Summary of man hours worked since arrival is :-

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Amenities	1900
Sport	1900
Training	11100
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Miscellaneous	2000
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12. Lessons Brought out and Learnt.

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First 3 days of syllabus has been completed, and satisfactory results are being achieved. Number of students - 15.

(c) Signal Cadre.

3 days of syllabus has been completed, and progress is satisfactory. Number of students - 36.

(d) First Aid Cadre.

3 days of syllabus has been completed. Number of students - 8.

8. TENTS and DISCUSSIONS.

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TRAINING SYLLABUS - 22 - 28 JAN 45

A COY

No diary

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Org.
22 Jan	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADE D U T Y C O M P A N Y				OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN				
23 Jan	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADE				Grenade SAT Pam 13 Lesson 1	Rifle SAT Pam 3 Lesson 2 & 3.	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 Lesson 1	Sport	Occpn of Bn Def Posn.
24 Jan	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADE				DIGGING COY DEF POSN.				TEWT. Offrs and NCOs. Pl in Attack with Tks.
25 Jan	BN PARADE		DEMONSTRATION Obstacles Tks can and cannot Negotiate		PLATOON EXERCISE Attack with Tks. References: ATM 36 (14), ATM 30 (9), MTP 2 (48), IMT 41 (100), IT 43 (102)				
26 Jan	Bn Parade	Concealment & Camouflage. MTP 26 MTP 36 (11)	Fd Signals IT 44 Sec 9 IMT 41 Appx A	Scouts & Sentries IMT 41 3 (44) MPP 33 (20-21)	S P O R T				Movt & Ob- servation by Night. Fd- craft & Batt Drill 43. (13-14).
27 Jan	Bn Parade	D U T Y C O M P A N Y							
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADE REST				INTER-UNIT SPORTS Football, Cricket, Basketball. Swimming Parade.				

NOTES. Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods 1025-1040, 1435-1445.

TRAINING SYLLABUS - 22-28 JAN 45.

B COY

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg	
22 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES	OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN						
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES D U T Y	C O M P A N Y						Occpn of Bn. Def Posn.
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES	Grenade SAT Pam 13 Less 1.	Rifle SAT Pam 3 (2-3)	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 (1)	Sport	TEWT. Offrs & NCOs. Pl in Attack with Tks.		
25 Jan	Bn	PARADE	Tk Trg Ob- stacles. Tks can and cannot Negotiate BN DEMONSTRATION.	LMG SAT Pam 4 Less 3,4.	Pl Form- ations & Intercomm with Tks. Indication of Targets. ATM 36 (14) IMT 41 (100) ATM 30 (9)	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 (2)	Sport	Mvt & Observ- ation by Night.		
26 Jan	Bn Parade	Con & Cam MTP 26 MTP 33 (11)	Fd Signals IT 44 Sec9 IMT 41 Appx A	Scouts & Sentries IMT 41 3 (44) MTP 33 (20-21)	ADMINISTRATION			Sport	Mvt & Observ- ation by Night. Fd Craft & Battle Drill 43 (13-14)	
27 Jan	Bn Parade	PL IN ATTACK WITH TKS Lessons: Formations, Intercomm, Indic of Targets, Consolidation. Ref; ATM 36 (14); ATM 30 (2); IMT 41 (100); IT 43 (102). MTP 2 (48).			SPORT					
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADES D U T Y			AND	REST C O M P A N Y					

NOTES. Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods. 1025-1040; 1435-1445.

TRAINING SYLLABUS - 22-28 JAN 45.
C COY.

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1445	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg	
22 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN					
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		Grenade SAT Pam 13 (1).	Rifle SAT Pam 3 (2,3)	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 (1)	Sport	Occpn of Bn Def Posn.	
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES D U T Y	C O M P A N Y						TEWT. All offrs & NCOs. Pl in Attack with Tks.
25 Jan	BN	PARADE	BN DEMONSTRATION Tk Trg; Obstacles Tks can and cannot Negotiate	DIGGING COY DEF POSN.						
26 Jan	Bn Parade	PL ATTACK EXERCISE WITH TKS Lessons: Formation, Intercomm, Indic of Targets, Consolidation. Refs: ATM 36 (14); ATM 30 (9); IMT 41(100); IT 43 (102); MTP 2,2 (48).			Con & Cam MTP 26 MTP 33 (2).	Fd Signals IT 44 Sec 9 IMT 41 Appx A.	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 (2).	Sport	Mvt & Observation by Night. Fd craft & Battle Drill 43 Sec (13,14).	
27 Jan	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT				
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADES and REST									

NOTES: Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods - 1025-1040; 1435-1445.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45.
D COY.

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg.
22 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN.				Mvt & Observation by Night. Fd craft & Battle Drill 43 (13,14).
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		DIGGING OF COY DEF POSN.				Occpn of Bn Def Posn.
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES	Grenade SAT Pam 13 Less 1	Grenade SAT Pam 13 Less 1.	Rifle SAT Pam 3 (2,3).	Bayonet SAT Pam 12 (1,2).	Sport	TEWT. Offrs & NCOs. Pl in Attack with Tks.
25 Jan	BN	PARADE	BN DEMONSTRATION Tk Trg: Obstacles Tks can and cannot Negotiate		D U T Y C O M P A N Y				
26 Jan	Bn Parade	Con & Cam MTP 26 MTP 33 (2)	Fd Signals IT 44 (9) IMF 41 Appx A.	Scouts & Sentries IMF 41 - 3 (44). MTP 33 (20-21).	PL EXERCISE ATTACK WITH TKS Lessons; Formations, Intercomm, Indic of Targets, Consolidation ATM 36, 14; ATM 30, 9; IMF 41, 100; IT 43, 102; MTP 2, 48.			Sport	
27 Jan	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION			SPORT				
28 Jan		CHURCH PARADES			and REST				

NOTES: Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods - 1025-1040; 1435-1445.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45
No 1 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg.	
22 Jan 45	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN.					
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		Morse	Procedure	Procedure	Sport	Occpn of Bn Def Pos	
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		Morse	Morse	Procedure	Sport	TEWT. Offrs & NCOs. Pl in Attack with Tanks.	
25 Jan	BN PARADE		Treencode	Treencode	Morse	Practical Treencode	Practical Treencode	Sport		
26 Jan	Bn Parade	D U T Y C O M P A N Y								
27 Jan	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT				
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADES				and	REST				

NOTES: Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods; 1025-1040; 1435-1445.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45
No 2 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0845	0950-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg
Jan 22	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADES				OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN				
Jan 23	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADES				Recapit EGD Less 45,46 47.	Recapit Mech Less 2,3.	Recapit Less 48,49.	Sport	Occpn of Bn Def Posn.
Jan 24	BDE CEREMONIAL PARADES				Recapit Mech. Less 4,5.	Recapit EGD Less 50,51, 52.	Mech. Less 6,7.	Sport	TEWT. Offrs & NCOs. Pl in attack with Tks.
Jan 25	BN PARADE		TK TRAINING Obstacles Tks can and cannot negotiate.		Mech Less 8,9.	Recapit EGD 53,54.	Less 10.	Sport	
Jan 26	Bn Parade	Mech. Less 11.	Recapit EGD Less 55,56. D U T Y	Mech. Less 12.	EGD. Less 57. C O M	Mech. Less 13. P A N Y	EGD. Less 58.	Sport	
Jan 27	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT			
Jan 28	CHURCH PARADES and				REST				

NOTES: Tk Trg organised by Bn. Smoke and Drink Periods; 1025-1040; 1435-1445

TRAINING SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN'45
No 3 PLATOON.

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Org.	
22 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN					
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		Aiming, Laying for Direct Laying for Elevation.	Laying for Elevation & Direction.	Maintenance all Stores.	Sport	Occpn of Bn Def Posn.	
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		Laying on Auxiliary Aiming Marks	Fd Signals	Maintenance Stores.	Sport	TRNG. Offrs & NCOs. Pl in Attack w th Tk	
25 Jan	BN	PARADE	TK TRAINING Obstacles Tks can and cannot negotiate.		Action & Cease Firing, Using Fire Control Signals.	Lecture on Flanking & Overhead Fire.	Maintenance Stores.	Sport		
26 Jan	Bn Parade	Lecture: Engagement of Area Targets.	Controlled & Rapid Corrections.	Rece for Det Posn.	Test & Adjust Sights for Range & Direction.		Complete Maintenance all Stores.	Sport		
D U T Y C O M P A N Y										
27 Jan	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT				
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADES and				REST					
NOTES:	Tk Trg organised by Bn.		Smoke and Drink Periods:		1025-1040; 1435-1445.					

TRAINING SYLLABUS 22-28 JAN 45

No 4 PLATOON.

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg.	
22 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		OCCUPATION OF BN DEF POSN.					
23 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		2 pdr Manual Introductory	Gun Drill 1939. Chap 1, Less 1-4.	Gun Drill 1939. Chap 1, Less 1-4.	Sport	Occpn Bn Def Posn	
24 Jan	BDE	CEREMONIAL	PARADES		G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 2, 4.	G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 5,7.	2 pdr Manual Pivot Brack- et.	Sport	TEWT. Offrs & NCO Pl in Attack with Tks.	
25 Jan	BN	PARADE		TK TRAINING Obstacles Tks can and cannot negotiate.	G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 8-11.	2 pdr Man- uals Rear 1-3.	2 pdr Manual Front Legs, Left & Right	Sport		
26 Jan	Bn Parade	G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 12.	G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 12.	2 pdr Manual Suspension Springs, Axle-tree & Stubaxles, Brackets.	G.D. 1939 Chap 2 Less 13.	G.D. Recapit.	Mech. Recapit.	Sport		
D U T Y C O M P A N Y										
27 Jan	Bn Parade	ADMINISTRATION			SPORT					
28 Jan	CHURCH PARADES and				REST					

NOTES.

Tk Trg organised by Bn.

Smoke and Drink Periods: 1025-1040; 1435-1445.

COY COMDS CONFERENCES 21, 22, 23 JAN 45.HQ, 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
24 Jan 45.MEMO FOR COY COMDS, QM, I.O., RMO, RSM.

These notes are in confirmation.

1. Preparation of trg syllabus and notes for following weeks trg - more detail is required in notes on preparation e.g. lessons to be taught, location, personnel taking part, instrs, stores, preliminary preparations etc.
2. Coy Comds Conference.
Will be held at 0900L each Sunday to discuss trg. Coy comds will hold discussion with pl comds and NCOs each Saturday in preparation for COs conference.
3. Trg
Although it is anticipated that there will be many interruptions to trg programme due to works, it will be coy comds personal responsibility to see that the maximum amount of trg is carried out - every spare minute will be utilized and organisation of works 7 trg must be thorough.
4. Tank Trg
 - (a) Details will be advised by 2 A/c. TEWT will be conducted for Offrs and NCOs at 1900L 24 Jan in the Officers' Mess. Following this the offrs will discuss with their troops the lessons learnt and further discuss the points brought out during the exercise on its completion.
 - (b) during trg as in action coy comds are placed in comd of tks and will treat them in the same manner as other sp arms, i.e. lay down the task for the tks and receive advice as to how tasks may be carried out.
5. 15 Asut Inf Bde TEWT No 1
 - (a) This TEWT will be the basis of jungle trg to be carried out during the present period, and will be conducted first by Bn for all Offrs, second by Coy Comds for all NCOs, and third by Pl Comds for all personnel in his pl.
 - (b) TEWT for Offrs will be held at Sandtable 1900L 25 Jan, 1900L 26 Jan and 0930L 27 Jan.
6. Testing of weapons
In view of the adverse reports on LMGs tested recently, all unit weapons will be tested by unit armourer and report forwarded to C.O.
7. Out of Hours Shooting
 - (a) The period 1530 - 1630 hrs daily may be used for out of hours shooting by any personnel desirous of participating. Coys will advise Orderly Officer should pers desire to practice during week-ends and after evening mess, and he will make the necessary administrative arrangements through the range offr provided by the Duty Coy.
 - (b) Range Offrs & NCOs will be provided by duty coy daily to
 - (i) supervise out of hours shooting
 - (ii) provide amm, targets, and, if asked for advice.
 - (iii) act as safety offrs.

- (c) To ensure keenness attendance of pers will be purely voluntary and shooting will not be regimental in any way. Competitions will be organised on the following basis:
 - (i) Individual
 - (ii) Inter section
 - (iii) Inter pl
 - (iv) Inter coy
 - (v) Inter unit.
 Prizes will be given for successful competitors.

8. Malaria

Precautions as previously laid down must be rigidly adhered to. Revised standing orders will be issued by Battalion.

9. Swimming

- (a) 15 Aust Inf Bde pool on TOROKINA RIVER is available for swimming during sport period. Parties will be on a Coy Basis with an Offr or NCO in charge.
- (b) Coys will requisition through A/Adjt for tpt for swimming at beach during weekends.

10. Bde Ceremonial Parade

The following points will be observed in connection with the Bde Ceremonial Parade.

- (a) Offrs will check dress to be worn 26 Jan to ensure that as nearly as possible a standard color is achieved.
- (b) hats will be worn with the brim one inch above the right eye - regulation dints will be enforced, Puggarees, color patches, chin straps and chin straps must be worn. Clasps supporting sides of hats will be checked to ensure they are securely sewn on.
- (c) all pers badly requiring hair cuts must be completed before Fridays parade on following basis.

AM 24 Jan	Bn HQ	AM 25 Jan	B Coy
PM 24 Jan	D Coy	PM 25 Jan	HQ Coy
- (d) Cards will be obtained from orderly offr.
- (e) QM will advise ingredients of Blanco mixture and coys will prepare for afternoon 25 Jan.
- (f) cloth will be carried by all pers to clean boots, bayonets, whilst on parade ground.
- (g) bayonets must be fitted to rifles.
- (h) an interval of two paces will be maintained between files during march past
- (i) heads will tilted during eyes right, and arms swing high. Offrs will salute. Pers will look at reviewing offr.
- (j) coy comds will prevent ballying out when wheeling on to road by disregarding previous coy and wheeling on crown of road
- (k) coy comd will ensure that correct intervals are maintained between coys - any endeavour to make up distance will result in rear of coy straggling

R. H. H. H. Capt
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

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BHQ
58/59 Aust Inf Bn
24 Jan 45.

REPORT ON CAMP HYGIENE

C.O.
58/59 Aust Inf Bn

1. Prior to moving to this camp site it was proposed that the RMO should do a complete inspection at the end of one week. This report is the result of the inspection.

BHQ Officers' Mess kitchen has no cover for food. Showers in BHQ area have no drainage or soakage pit. An attempt has been made to place a soakage pit under the showers, but this has now become a hole full of water. I would suggest that this be filled in and proper drainage be instituted.

HQ Coy

Latrine 1. Fly trap in present position is not working effectively - to be refitted.

There are a large number of flies around this latrine. I would suggest that the sides be netted in to make the latrine fly proof.

Latrine 2. To be completed.

Latrine 3. This latrine was used by USA troops suffering with ringworm. This should be closed.

Urinals. Urinal in 6 Pl area needs replacing.
4 Pl Urinal needs replacing.

Ablution Benches.

All benches are too close to platoon lines and have insufficient drainage.

Showers Top of soakage pit run over by water truck- to be repaired. Otherwise these showers are working satisfactorily and the drainage is good.

Kitchens No covers for food. There is no top for the soakage pit. Refuse is being burnt satisfactorily.

Transport Latrine Faeces burners are being used for latrine tops. These were never meant to be used for this purpose. The top is not fly proof and it is impracticable to attach a fly trap to this type of latrine seat. I suggest that it be replaced.

Showers A soakage pit is necessary.

YMCA Possess no urinal.

WCO Cadre No fly trap on latrine

A Coy

Kitchen No covers for food. New lid necessary on soakage pit.

Showers Earth drains are not successful. I have suggested that drains be constructed from 44 gal drums. There is a good example of this in HQ Coy. Soakage pit to be completed.

B Coy

Kitchen More food covers necessary. Disposal of waste to be improved. Maintenance man attached to B Coy has been advised as to the necessary steps to be taken.

Showers Soakage pit satisfactory ~~satisfactory~~ but drains need improving.

Water Spring at rear of B Coy had an "Unfit for drinking" notice. This has disappeared.

C Coy

Kitchen No covers for food. Soakage pit needs a lid. The burning of refuse and tins to be improved. The maintenance man attached to the coy has been advised. Roof is at present under construction.

Latrine Drainage is inadequate and there is no soakage pit.

Showers

D Coy

Showers & Ablution benches Have insufficient drainage and no soakage pit.

Kitchen No covers for food. No grass in soakage pit. Stove and lid needs replacing. Room for improvement in disposal of refuse. Maintenance man instructed.

Signed:
W. H. M. D. M. D.
Capt.

REPORT BY R.M.O.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) General Physical condition of personnel.....

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received.....

(c) Severity of Work or Training.....

(d) General Remarks..... NIL

2. STORES- Details of stores requisitioned for, but not yet received.

(a) Medical..... NIL

(b) Expense Stores..... Shortage of Calico and Muslin

(c) Malaria Control Stores (i) Oranox..... NIL
(ii) AASC.....

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of personal protection (good, fair, bad) GOOD
Nets..... Atebrin..... Clothing.....
Repellent..... Rifle. Gun marking on control.
(b) Larvae Control..... Larvae being sprayed three times daily.
(c) Adult Destruction.....
(d) General Comments..... Satisfactory

4. RATIONS..... Satisfactory

5. HYGIENE.....

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY R.M.O. First-aid course of two Riflemen from
(Signed) [Signature] Capt.
[Signature] Capt. Inf. Bn.

1. Attach as Appx "A" any special report exceeding the scope of pro forma.

ii. When applicable.

WEEKLY RETURN BY RMO

UNIT 53/52

Week Ending 26/1/45

Diseases or Injury	Total new cases reported for treatment	Number evacuated to Medical Units
Diarrhoea & Dysentery	1	1
U.R.T.I.	1	1
P.U.O. (incl Clinical Malaria & Dengue)	-	-
Skin	1	1
All Other Diseases	38	3
Non-battle Injuries	5	-
Battle Casualties	-	-
TOTAL	44	6
Daily rate per cent of strength incl attached	1.05	0.11%

Average daily strength

To: Senior Adm Medical Officer,

NO.

any report exceeding the scope of this form

if non applicable

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26 Jan 45.

Ref Maps : 1 in to 1 Mile TOROKINA
1 in to 1 mile MOTUPENA POINT

To Capt A.C. JACKSON, OC A Coy.

INFM

1. As for Sitreps and Int summaries already issued.

INTENTION

2. A Coy 58/59 Aust Inf Bn will move to TAGESSI RIVER area 26 Jan and occupy def posn vicinity ref 772804 with a view to
(a) providing protection for DID ref 772804 from enemy tais 772804
(b) providing protection for MDS ref 781785 from enemy tais. 781785

METHOD

3. Summary

Coy will be disposed with coy less one pl vicinity DID, one pl vicinity MDS.

4. Disposals and Roles

- (a) (i) A Coy less one pl vicinity DID at mouth of TAGESSI RIVER.
(ii) Role - provide protection for DID.
(b) (i) one pl vicinity MDS
(ii) Role - provide protection for MDS.

5. Additional tasks (in order of priority)

- (a) Supply work parties to DID as ordered by Area Comd TAGESSI RIVER.
(b) Construction of a permanent coy camp, which will be handed over to relieving coy.
(c) Construction of def necessary to carry out op role. This will be carried out thoroughly by means of trg exercises dealing with various phases of def.
(d) Recce for and construction of 30 yd range and grenade range.
(e) Trg. As far as above instns permit, trg will be carried out on the following basis:-
(i) Sec in def.

Lessons - siting of weapons	IT 1944 Sec 41
	Chap 173-176.
digging, concealment,	
fields of fire.	IT 1944 Sec 4
	Chaps 175, 177, 178,
	182.
range cards.	IMT 1941 Sec 33
	SAT Pam 2 Sec 5.
Routine in def	IT 1944 Sec 41
posns	Chaps 183 - 186
Man-management	IMT 1941 chap 1.

(ii) Sec in adv and contact.

Lessons - control in sec.	IMT 1941 chap XI.
Mov of scouts	IT 1944 Sec 17,
	IMT 194k Sec 44.

(iii) Sec in attack

Lessons - fire and mov	IT 1944 Sec 26
battle drill	IT 1944 sec 27
re-organisation	ISL 62. IT 1944
& consolidation	Sec 31.

(iv) Weapon trg

(v) rifle, LMG, OSMG, range practices.

Full details of trg carried out during week and time actually spent on each lesson will be included in trg report submitted 2 Feb 45

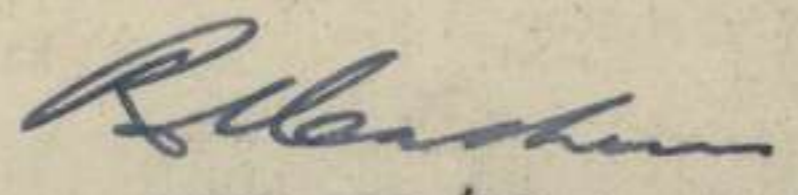
6. Time of Mov
1300 hrs 26 Jan 45.
7. Method of Mov - M.T.
8. Duration of Task
From 26 Jan until relieved by another coy 58/59 Aust Inf Bn on 3 Feb 45
9. Action on arrival TAGESSI RIVER
Contact DAGMG HQ 3 Aust Div and show him copy of this instr.
Coy will be under comd 3 Aust Div for ops and provision of working parties, under Bn for Adm
- ADM
10. Med
(a) cases requiring attention of RMO will be evacuated to MDS.
(b) allotment of S.B's - two.
(c) Normal skin inspections will be held.
11. AMN
(a) WET - full scale
(b) Trg - 5000 rounds 303
5000 rounds 9 mm
72 grenades HE hand.
12. Sups
(a) Provided by Bn to incl 29 Jan
(b) thence indent locally under arrangements 3 Aust Div.
13. Tools
Full W.E.
14. Eqpt & Dress
Marching order plus cots folding.
15. Tpt
(a) 7 x 3 ton vehicles will report A Coy HQ 1300 hrs 26 Jan.
(b) 1 x $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle and trailer will be placed under comd for duration of task.
16. Canteen
Indent will be made in bulk through Area Comd TAGESSI RIVER
17. Water
(a) all water will be chlorinated before being used for any purpose.
(b) water for drinking and cooking will be supplied under arrangements with Area Comd TAGESSI RIVER.
18. Accn
Tentage scale "A" plus full accn stores.
19. Signposting
As required - special signs may be requisitioned for through Bn HQ
20. Malarial Precautions
(a) two Atebrin tablets per day will be taken by all pers.
(b) full malarial precautions will be carried out in accordance with 2 Aust Corps RO A62/45 of 15 Jan, 3 Aust Div Adm Instr 1/45, Battalion Standing Orders on Malarial precautions.

21. Mite Repellant
(a) will be applied to all blankets and clothing prior to mov and on ~~9 Feb~~ 45.
(b) full precautions will be carried out in accordance with 3 Aust Di: Adm Instr 2/45 and Battalion Standing Orders on prevention of Scrub Typhus.
22. Hygiene
As for Battalion Adm Instr 15 of 13 Jan 45 para 6 (b).
23. Returns
All normal returns will be submitted to this HQ.
AFW3006 will be submitted to Area Comd TAGESSI RIVER.

INTERCOMN

24. By line to 3 Aust Div and Bn
25. Pers - three sigs will be attached.
26. L/T - allotment three hand sets, two miles cable.
27. Liaison - Ration vehicles and visiting offrs will be used to maximum extent for liaison purposes with Bn.

Ack.

 - Capt.
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

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Signed at *26/02/54*

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Cpl R SANDILANDS 58/59 aust inf bn

A3927 restricted from brig HAMMER (.) my heartiest congratulations
to you all on today's review (.) if the parade at MAPEE was
described as magnificent words fail me to describe the precision of
today's parade (.) I was most impressed by the grand show put up and
the grit and determination by every man to play his part (.) I am
prouder than ever of my command (.) the Famous Fighting Fifteenth
can show them all how to do it all infm

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27 Jan 45.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL W.M. MAYBERRY

COMMANDING 58/59 AUST INF BN,

29. DUTIES. (a) Orderly Officer to mount 1800 hrs

22 Jan 45	Lt J.G. McINTOSH
23 Jan 45	" H.J. WALKER
24 Jan 45	" L.R. MARSH
25 Jan 45	" E.A. DAVEY
26 Jan 45	" D.A. HOGAN
27 Jan 45	" N.H. KELLY
28 Jan 45	" J.H. PIMM

Next for Duty " " " " " " " " " " " "

(b) Duty Company to mount 1800 hrs

22 Jan 45	C Coy
23 Jan 45	HQ Coy
24 Jan 45	HQ Coy
25 Jan 45	HQ Coy
26 Jan 45	B Coy
27 Jan 45	D Coy
28 Jan 45	A Coy

Next for Duty " " " " " " " " " " " "

30. ABANDONED US LETHAL CW EQUIPMENT.

1. The following US Chemical Warfare equipment was recently found in 3 Aust Div area in an unoccupied dugout :-

1 Circular tin (size 9" x 5" diameter) containing 3 each samples in sealed glass ampoules (size 3 1/2" x 1" diameter) of the following LETHAL gases.-

<u>US Symbol</u>	<u>Chemical Content</u>
HS	MUSTARD
CG	PHOSGENE
M - 1	LEWISITE
PS	CHLOROPICRIN

2. The attention of all ranks will be drawn to :-

- (a) The possibility of locating similar samples.
- (b) The necessity for immediate reporting through normal channels to HQ 3 Aust Div.
- (c) The danger of tampering or interfering in any way with the samples of lethal gases.

31. CORRESPONDENCE COURSES - UNIVERSITY TUITION.

Applications for enrolment in University subjects to be studied in 1945 should be made through Unit Education Officer as early as possible. The closing dates for the various Universities are as under :-

SYDNEY	-	12 Mar 45
MELBOERNE	-	28 Feb 45
ADELAIDE	-	28 Feb 45
QUEENSLAND	-	31 Jan 45
TASMANIA	-	31 Jan 45
WEST AUSTRALIA	-	Applications will be accepted only in exceptional cases.

32. LETTER POSTAGE - NO STAMPS AVAILABLE.

1. Airmail letters without stamps marked "No Stamps Available" will NOT be accepted, as adequate facilities exist at present to obtain stamps. Franking officers will ensure that such letters are stamped before leaving the company.
2. Surface mail to Australia is free of charge, and is despatched by air to Townsville, thence by rail to destination.

33. PERSONNEL MARCHING IN.

All personnel marching in to the unit will be paraded to the RMO on arrival for complete inspection. Such personnel returning from the mainland will be given two atebirin tablets daily.

34. BOUNDS - NATIVE VILLAGES.

Except for operational reasons, native villages will not be visited by personnel of the forces.

35. UNAUTHORISED DISASSEMBLY OF EQUIPMENT.

The disassembly of equipment, other than by authorized trade-grouped personnel, will not be permitted. This instruction applies particularly to Watches GS, cases of unauthorised attention to which have been reported recently.

36. MISFIRES, BLINDS, PREMATURES and ACCIDENTS.

Attention is drawn to amendment to GRO 51/44 which alters the system of reporting in the event of any of the above occurrences.

[Signature]
Capt.
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bns

NOTICE

LOST - In the Battalion area on the night of 19 Jan, on "Conway Stewart" fountain pen inscribed "L. WAIDRON" on the side. A reward is offered to the finder on its return to A Coy Orderly Room.

21 Jan 45	-	TASMANIA
22 Jan 45	-	QUEENSLAND
23 Jan 45	-	ADLAIDE
24 Jan 45	-	WEST AUSTRALIA
25 Jan 45	-	VERBY
26 Jan 45	-	WARRIMOO
27 Jan 45	-	ADLAIDE
28 Jan 45	-	QUEENSLAND
29 Jan 45	-	TASMANIA
30 Jan 45	-	WEST AUSTRALIA

Applications for medals to be awarded in 1945 through Unit Inspection Officer as early as possible. The closing date for the award is 31 Jan 45.

Applications will be accepted only in exceptional cases.

HQ 59/59 Aust Inf Bn
27 Jan 45.

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RSM
with for diary
Subject: COMPANY COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE 251615L

Memo for Coy Comds, QM, RMO, I.O., RSM.
These notes are in confirmation.

1. Church Parades.

(a) Will be held in accordance with GRC A353/44. Those wishing to attend will fall in on Protestant or RC markers and be marched off to respective parades, and the remainder marched off to Coy lines for duties during duration of Service.

(b) Names will be taken on 28 Jan of those not desiring to attend, with reason therefore.

2. HWY No 1.

Will be conducted by CO on following dates :-

27 Jan	1045L to 1200L.
28 Jan	1030L to 1200L.
28 Jan	1900L to 2055L.

3. L.O.A.T.s Week 29 Jan - 4 Feb 45.

The period of L.O.A.T. exercise (four days) will be adapted to fit in with the Ceremonial Parade for the Corps Commander Lt-Col SAVIGE, which will probably be held on Tuesday 30 Jan 45. Should the exercise not be completed by 3 - 4 Feb it will continue during those days, and 1 1/2 days will be allotted for Adm, sport, and rest at its completion.

4. Lighting in Tents.

QM has ordered sufficient to enable one lantern to be issued to each tent. At present there are no supplies available on the island.

5. Swimming Parades.

Allotment of transport :-

(a) 1300 hrs 27 Jan	HQ Coy	25
	C Coy	30
	D Coy	15
	BnHQ	10

CC party - Lt BALL A.B.
RV - Tpt lines.

All Coy parties will be in charge of offr or NCO, and personnel will be correctly dressed.

(b) 0900 hrs 28 Jan	HQ Coy	40
	CC party - Lt ZERNER R.S.	
	RV - Tpt lines.	

(c) 1300 hrs 28 Jan	HQ Coy	25
	B Coy	40
	C Coy	10
	D Coy	25
	BnHQ	20

CC party - Lt BALL A.B.
RV - Tpt lines.

(8)


6. Concert 27 Jan 45.

Allotment of Tpt :-

HQ Coy	45
B Coy	20
C Coy	10
D Coy	25
Brig	10

OC Party
BV

LT WALTER H.J.
Tpt lines 1025 hrs.

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Adjt 59/59 Aust Inf Bn.

PRO FORMA - SKIN DISEASES

UNIT: 58/59 AUST INF BN

Week Ending: 2359 Saturday

Type	New Cases	Total Treated	No Evacuated
Tinea Circinata	1	1	-
" Cruris	3	3	-
" Pedis	9	12	-
" of Beard Region	-	-	-
Trichomycosis	38	40	-
Cheilopomphlyx	3	3	-
Discoid Eczema of feet	-	2	-
Dermatitis from overtreatment of Tinea	-	-	-
Intertrigo	10	15	-
Impetigo Contagiosa	3	4	-
Bullous Impetigo	4	4	-
Secondary infected bites & scratches	2	3	1
Furunculosis	2	3	-
Acne (of degree to cause disability)	-	-	-
Dermatitis (from other causes)	3	3	1
Prickly Heat	10	10	-
TOTAL	88	103	2

Remarks:

There were no increase in the incidence of skin diseases on personnel on wharf duties during last week.

L. M. Mottelton, Capt.
RMO 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

War diary

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58/59 AUST INF BN

STANDING ORDERS FOR PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF MALARIA

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
27 Jan 45

PART 1.

Introductory

1. The effects of malaria on the strength and fighting efficiency of the Battalion are so serious that effective control of it is essential to the successful conduct of operations in the tropics.
2. It has been established that malaria can be effectively controlled by the application, under strict military discipline, of the proven methods detailed in this instruction. Wastage from malaria, is therefore, a reflection on the standard of discipline of the unit concerned.
3. Regular instruction as to the nature of malaria, its effect upon military operations, and the methods by which it may be controlled will form, in future, an integral part of training.
4. (a) All officers and NCOs, will at all times be vigilant and unremitting in the enforcement of these instructions.
 (b) Neglect to comply with this instruction will be treated as a serious offence and will be punished accordingly.
 (c) The occurrence of cases of malaria in a Coy or Sub-unit which has been directed to take the dosage of atebirin prescribed in this order will be regarded as prima facie evidence that the Coy Comd or Sub-unit Comd has failed to ensure the observance of such instructions.

Suppressive Atebrin - Uses and Administration

5. Large scale research and experience in the field have now shown conclusively that wastage from malaria can be practically eliminated by the continued use of suppressive atebirin.
6. If the dosage of suppressive atebirin laid down in this instruction is taken regularly, as prescribed, then,
 - (a) Malignant tertian malaria will not develop.
 - (b) symptoms of benign tertian malaria will be suppressed as long as the taking of suppressive atebirin is continued.
 - (c) members will not become carriers of malaria while taking it and, therefore, will not transmit malaria to others.

7. Continued consumption of suppressive atebtrin in the dosage ordered has no harmful effects. Its beneficial effects are not affected in any way adversely by exertion, diet or extreme of temperature.
8. (a) Prevention of malarial wastage in the field consequently depends on the adequacy of arrangements for administration of suppressive atebtrin. If the proper dosage of suppressive atebtrin is taken regularly, as prescribed, malaria will be suppressed. If, on the other hand, the taking of suppressive atebtrin is neglected or avoided, heavy malarial casualties are certain.
(b) The importance of regular administration of suppressive atebtrin cannot be too strongly stressed; and it will be repeatedly impressed upon troops that the health of every member, and possibly his life, depends upon strict adherence to this simple routine.
9. To ensure that the necessary dosage is taken by all members, suppressive atebtrin will be given, whenever possible, on a formal parade held ~~either~~ immediately after evening meal.
10. Suppressive atebtrin, however, does not prevent malarial infection. It cures malignant tertian malaria, but only suppresses benign tertian malaria. Personnel who are exposed to infection in malarious areas will become infected unless they take stringent precautions against mosquitoes. When the taking of suppressive atebtrin is discontinued, most of those infected will suffer relapses of benign tertian malaria. Measures of personal protection, including the use of mosquito nets, mosquito repellent lotion and protective clothing, are therefore, still absolutely essential.

PART 11 DAILY ROUTINE

11. At 1730 hrs daily Bn HQ and Coys will have a muster parade of all ranks.
12. A separate roll book will be kept for malaria parades. Pl Sjts will call the roll under the supervision of Pl Comds, each man will step forward on his name being called and will receive and swallow one atebtrin tablet. Mosquito lotion will then be applied. Pl will then be inspected by the Pl Comdr to ensure that gaiters are worn sleeves rolled down and clothing is not torn. Personnel not present on parade for any reason (including Guards and duties) will be personally checked for these precautions by Pl Comd as soon as practicable and name marked off in malaria roll book.
13. The Pl Comd will inspect sentries whose tour of duty will be between 1800 hrs and 0700 hrs the next day to ensure that such personnel are in possession of mosquito lotion. All personnel on duty between these hours will apply lotion before leaving mosquito net (if applicable) and thereafter every two hours. Officers & NCOs in charge of parties will render certificate of compliance on completion of tour of duty.

14. Each Pl Comd will then report by means of signed certificate compliance to orders to his Coy Comd. On receipt of the reports from all Pls the Coy Comds will telephone Bn Hqs certifying that orders have been complied with.
15. If for operational reasons, e.g., because of distances involved, it is impracticable for Pl Comds to inspect their tps, then the NCO in comd will act.
- THIS IS AN OFFICER'S RESPONSIBILITY AND WILL NOT BE DELEGATED TO NCOs EXCEPT IN CASES ABOVEMENTIONED.
16. At 2030 hrs daily Bn duty officer will notify Coy Comds, and OsC Staging Camps, that it is time to reapply lotion. This will be done by phone, signal or runner.
17. At 2145 hrs Pl Comds will inspect beds to ensure that all personnel are in bed, under nets, with nets properly tucked in and free from mosquitoes. They will check that the hut or tent has been sprayed immediately prior to inspection. If on account of duty, or any other reason, personnel are not in bed by 2145 hrs, or later, the Pl Comd will delegate NCO in charge of flying squad to make the inspection.
18. Coy, etc, Comds will detail a flying squad in charge of an NCO. They will work in shifts of two. During the hours of darkness they will inspect all personnel and move away from nets any personnel whose bodies are touching. They will carry arms and torch and may act as roving picquet. This rule will not apply to outposts whose numbers preclude the provision of this guard.
19. All tents and huts will be sprayed by mosquito squads at reveille, 1800 hrs, and 2145 hrs.

PART III GENERAL

20. Guards
Bn Orderly Offr will supervise the application of mosquito repellent by guard and duties every two hours between Retreat and 2145 hrs, or until personnel are under a mosquito net. Certificate of compliance with this instruction will be rendered in Orderly Offrs Report. Prior to leaving net for purposes of going on duty, personnel will reapply mosquito lotion and continue application every two hours. Gd Sjt will render certificate of compliance with this order in Gd Report.
21. Personnel R.T.U. from Mainland
Personnel returning to unit from Mainland will take two atabrin tablets each day for fourteen days.
22. Patrols
Every member must carry a bottle of repellent, 24 atabrin tablets in a watertight tin, and his net, except in cases of patrolling in very close contact with the enemy, when an officer may authorise nets to be left behind, but will report such order to his superior with reasons. Patrol comds orders will include instructions relative to malaria precautions. He will be interrogated on return to ensure that such orders were carried out.

23. Prevention of Mosquito Breeding

Mosquito breeding will be prevented by:-

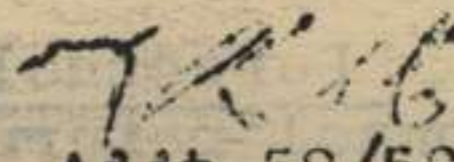
- (a) Cutting undergrowth one hundred yards beyond Coy lines.
 - (b) Filling in trenches not drained by slope.
 - (c) Filling in puddles, depressions, wheel ruts, and the like.
 - (d) If pools cannot be drained or emptied, spraying with malaria oil once a week.
 - (e) Burying tins, cans etc, and punish anyone leaving them lying about.
 - (f) Defining roads and enforcing track discipline.
 - (g) Maintaining trenches and drains in good order -
- Mosquito squads will be used primarily for the above tasks. Coy Comds etc will personally supervise these measures and make frequent inspections to see they are being carried out. Before an area is vacated all trenches, latrines and other excavations will be filled in.

24. Discipline -

- (a) Every breach of this order is a serious offence. If an officer or NCO commits a breach, he will be court-martialled unless the Formation Commander otherwise directs. Every officer and man is responsible for carrying it out.
- (b) Every Commander, Officer, and NCO will be held personally responsible for any failure in carrying out this order on the part of those under him.
- (c) Science has proved that when a man develops malaria, there is a strong presumption that he has not been taking his atabrin. Every case is strong evidence -
 - (i) that the man did not take his atabrin regularly;
 - (ii) that there is a loophole in the supervision.
- (d) Every case of malaria will be investigated by Coys or Sub-units concerned and report submitted immediately to Bn HQ.

25. Movement.

All men moving will carry mosq uito nets, 24 atabrin tablets, and a bottle of repellent lotion.


 Capt
 Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

DISTRIBUTION

	<u>Copy No</u>		<u>Copy No</u>
A Coy	1	Adjt	9
B Coy	2	Q.M.	10
C Coy	3	R.M.O.	11
D Coy	4	I.O.	12
HQ Coy	5	T.O.	13
"C" Sec 63 A.D.U.	6	R.S.M.	14
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
45/58

28 Jan 45.

Subject: REPORT ON TRAINING 22 - 28 JAN 45.

15 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

1. The following report on training is submitted in respect of the period 22 - 28 Jan 45.

2. Outline of Training

(a) Rifle Coys

Bde Ceremonial Parades	2 days
Weapon Trg, field craft, Trg Trg.	1 day
Occupation of Bn Def posn	2 1/2 days
Bn duties, work parties	1 1/2 days
Adm, organised sport.	1 day
Church Parade, rest	1 day
Bayonet training	1 hr daily.

(b) HQ COY

Bde Ceremonial Parades	2 days
Occ Bn def posn	1 day
Bn duties, work parties.	2 1/2 days
Adm organised sport	1 day
Church parade, rest	1 day.

(c) Cadres

Following cadres continued during week, being interrupted only for Bde Ceremonial Parades.

WCOs and Potential WCOs
Intelligence
Signals
First Aid (completed 26 Jan 45).

(d) Night Trg

Practice occ of Bn def posn was carried out as a drill on 25 Jan 45.

(e) Officers & WCO Trg.

- (i) Demonstration exercise by 24 Aust Inf Bn on 'Advance and contact' was attended by all offrs and cadre WCOs.
- (ii) All offrs and WCOs attended TRWT on Tank co-operation with Pl in attack.
- (iii) 15 Aust Inf Bde TRWT No 1 was conducted for all offrs.

(f) Pioneer Pl

The pioneer pl attended weeks course at 15 Aust Inf Coy on Pd engineering.

3. Standard of Trg.

(a) Rifle Coys.

- (i) Ceremonial - good.
- (ii) Weapon trg - fair only, more uninterrupted weapon trg required.
- (iii) Tactical - very weak. Occ of Bn def posn revealed little knowledge of basic principles of locality def.
- (iv) Fieldcraft - fair
- (v) Co-op with tks - weak more trg required.

(b) HQ Coy

Owing to frequent interruptions due to Ceremonial Parades and work parties etc, little specialist trg was carried out by HQ Coy and standard of trg operating (Sig Pl) and gun drill (2, 3 & 4 Pls is deteriorating.

(c) Cadres

Despite interruptions cadres are proceeding satisfactorily and generally considerable keenness is being displayed by both instrs and students.

4. Standard of Fitness

- (a) Generally good.
(b) Personnel treated by RAP compared with previous week are as follows:

	<u>Week ending</u> <u>21 Jan</u>	<u>Week ending</u> <u>23 Jan</u>
P.U.O	1	-
Diarrhoea	3	3
URTI	2	6
Skin	26	21
Accidents	3	6
Other complaints	24	45.

Skin diseases are being kept under control, 3 new cases only reporting for treatment by RAP during week.

5. Preparation of Exercises by Offrs.

TWTS prepared by Bn on Pl tank exercise with the following lessons:-

- (a) Inf formations when co-operating with tanks
(b) Protection of Tks and engineers.
(c) Prior recce essential
(d) Fire & mov, tks giving sp.

The TWWT was of a satisfactory standard and brought out the desired lessons.

6. Specialist Trg

Frequent interruptions to specialist trg prevented such progress being made during week - vide para 2(b) and 3 (b).

7. Unit Cadres

(a) NCOs Cadre

First course has completed 10 days of syllabus and progress to date has been good.

(b) Intelligence Cadre

8 days of syllabus completed. Lack of previous experience in sketching, message writing and traversing is evident but keenness is being displayed by all students. Approx 8 students will be suitable for inclusion in or reserves to Bn Int Sec.

(c) Signal Cadre

7 days of syllabus completed. Approx 90% of students will be satisfactory reserves, some members can already read morse at a speed of 12 words per minute.

(d) First Aid Course

Completed 26 Jan - results were satisfactory, all students gaining a working knowledge of the subject.

8. TWTS AND DISCUSSIONS

(a) All offrs and NCOs cadre pers attended demonstration exercise by 24 Aust Inf Bn on 'Advance and contact'.

(b) TWTS were held

(i) for all offrs and NCOs - pl tank exercise.

(ii) for all offrs - TWWT No 1. On completion of TWWT for offrs, coy comds are conducting TWWT No 1 for all NCOs within their coys and subsequently pl comds will conduct TWWT for all members of their pl.

(c) Discussions with QM FAA was conducted on 23 Jan and the following suggestions regarding improvement to equipment were made

in addition to suggested improvements which we were advised have already been adopted:-

- (i) right hip pocket be moved to front of trousers for carrying of first field dressing
 - (ii) straps supporting pack be made four inches longer.
 - (iii) straps be attached to sides of pack for securing blanket rolls
 - (iv) provision be made in pistol holster for carrying of oil bottle
 - (v) larger compass pouch required for liquid compass
 - (vi) waterproof cover be issued for watches GS
 - (vii) waterproofing material be made available for maps, paper etc.
 - (viii) a more satisfactory method of attaching pistol holster to arm pouch be adopted.
 - (ix) strong cover be given to AS SS.
 - (x) shorts and sandshoes be made a general issue for sports and P.T.
 - (xi) stronger spring be inserted in Colt 303 pistol to enable satisfactory automatic action.
 - (xii) 303 rounds observer indicator MMS be made available for purposes of ranging.
- (d) Notes on C.O.'s conferences with coy comds are attached (Appx A)

9. Discussions before and after Exercises

Exercises

Discussions were held by A & D Coys prior to and after tank exercise, and following points brought out:-

- Method of Mov
- protection of the intercom
- mov along tracks with tank sp
- attack with tk sp fire
- inf and tank attack
- protection of engineer working parties.

The discussion was carried out in conjunction with a hl onboard diagrams, and the complete exercise illustrated diagrammatically.

10. Man Management

- (a) Normal foot and skin inspections were carried out. Incidence of skin diseases decreasing.
- (b) construction of hot water showers and communal washing units still not completed, owing to absence of pioneer pl. Hot water is used however for washing of clothes.
- (c) condition of coy lines showed improvement but considerable cleaning up of area generally is still necessary. Standard kitchens have not been completed in all coys, due to absence of pioneer pl.
- (d) normal kit inspection were held
- (e) hygiene and malarial precautions are satisfactory, but present drainage systems are inadequate.

11. General

(a) Camp construction

Absence of pioneer pl impeded camp construction and following construction has still to be carried out:

- (i) kitchens
- (ii) hot showers and communal washing units
- (iii) theatre and stage
- (iv) officers mess
- (v) chapel

(b) Roads and drainage

Unless mechanical equipment is shortly made available drainage facilities will become seriously inadequate. Camp roads are beginning to show marked deterioration.

(c) Schools and Courses - Nil

(d) Education

- (i) difficult is being encountered in supplying adequate lighting.
- (ii) Unit library now comprises 633 books, approx 50 books being loaned each day.
- (iii) reference library is now functioning satisfactorily
- (iv) large maps showing Allied advances on all front are prominently displayed and amended daily
- (v) local war information is passed on to all tps daily

(e) Amenities

- (i) Two films were shown during the week
- (ii) Bn concert party played 'Pacific Premiere' revue at HQ 2 Aust Corps; approx 100 members of the Bn attended
- (iii) Canteen services are most satisfactory, weekly turnover being approx £600.

(f) Sports

- (i) Inter unit matches resulted
 - Baseball - 21 Jan 58/59 Bn 4 24 Bn 4-3
 - 27 Jan 58/59 Bn 4 57/60 Bn 14-10
 - Football - 28 Jan 58/59 Bn 6-5 lost to 57/60 bn 11-12.
- (ii) Transport to beach was provided for approx 150 pers 27 - 28 Jan
- (iii) Inter coy matches of football cricket, softball, basketball, circles were played on 27 Jan.

(g) Occ of Bn def posn

- (i) The occ of the Bn def posn on TOROKINA RIVER was carried out as a drill on 22 Jan and night 23 Jan, with the object of ascertaining the time taken to move to the posn and allocation of posns. Time taken for all coys to be in def localities - day 2 hr - night 1 hr.
- (ii) Weakness in defence tactics was most evident. locality def generally being ignored in siting of pl and sec posns (vide para 3)

(h) Out of Hours shooting

Interest in increasing daily, and approx 30 pers attended range on 28 Jan. Improved facilities are being made available for shooting and it is considered that much benefit will be derived.

(i) Priority of Work

Summary of man hours worked since arrival is:-

Adm	40000
Hygiene	3500
Camp construction	28000
Amenities and sport	5400
Trg	20000
Works outside Bn	5000
Miscellaneous	2000
TOTAL	103900.

(j) Restriction on Trg

Under present conditions little progressive trg can be carried out. Due to frequent interruptions coys have only 2 - 4 days available each week for trg, and difficulty is consequently experience in carrying out the comprehensive trg programmes it is desired to fulfil.

(k) Testing of Weapons

- (i) As a result of unsatisfactory condition of supposedly reconditioned LMGs as revealed during armourers tests all unit weapons are being tested and returned when necessary for Bn sep. repairs. The following summarizes tests carried out on LMGs.

Guns examined	41
Guns serviceable	19
Guns evacuated to 266 LAD	22
Guns returned from 266 LAD	10
Guns for which certificate of unserviceability received	4
Guns still evacuated	8

(11) OSMSs are in process of being tested.

(1) 30 Yd Ranges

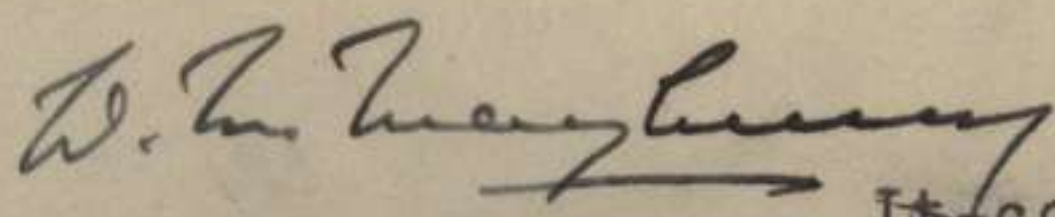
30 yd ranges have been reconnoitred in coy LOAT areas and will be used week 29 Jan - 4 Feb.

12. Lessons Brought out and Learnt

- (a) Earth in this area contains metallic substances which are attracted to magnets in signal equipment. This point must be closely watched.
- (b) Weakness in def tactics (vide para 3). Necessity for def in depth in locality basis.
- (c) Brigade policy regarding patrols and patrol reports.
- (d) Formations when co-operating with tks, and use of tks to sp pl assault, methods of intercomm within inf and difficulties to be met in intercomm inf & tks.
- (e) correct use of scouts, and procedure on first contact within sec, pl and coy.
- (f) individual and collective concealment.

13. Recommendations

- (a) that mechanical earth moving eqpt be made available
 - (i) to prepare rifle ranges
 - (ii) to provide adequate drainage facilities
 - (iii) for road improvement
 - (iv) for cleaning Bn parade and sports groundsIt is realized that eqpt is in short supply but it is considered that drainage in particular is an urgent priority.
- (b) Tank trg to date has revealed many weaknesses in inf - tk co-operation, but improvement is noticeable with each exercise carried out. Tps have acquired sufficient basic knowledge of Tk co-op to enable tks and engrs to be incorporated in coy exercise in due course.


Lt Col.
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
Jan 45

EDUCATION MONTHLY REPORT FORM

1.	<u>LECTURES.</u>	Given by A.E.S. personnel " " Non-A.E.S. "	Nil. Nil.
2.	<u>FILMS.</u>	No.of Shows presented Attendance	3. Bde.
3.	<u>MUSIC.</u>	No.of Recitals given Other Musical activities (Glee Club and Recorded recital - Div H.Q.) Total attendances	1. 2. 12.
4.	<u>CORRESPONDENCE COURSES.</u>	No.of applications received " " acceptances " (Applications forwarded but not yet acknowledged.)	8. Nil.
5.	<u>SCHOOLS.</u>	Illiterates at F.A.A. School Near illiterates discovered	7. Nil.
6.	<u>CLASSES.</u>	No.in operation	Nil.
7.	<u>HOBBIES.</u>	Facilities not yet available thus no activity by those interested. Woodwork Tinsmith Metalwork	11. 2. 1.
8.	<u>LIBRARIES.</u>	No.Books received B.C.L. Y.M.C.A. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn No.returned No.held B.C.L. Held Condition of B.C.L. box	33 A.E.S. 35. 500. Nil. 633. 1 (87b) As received.
9.	<u>SALT - C.A.B.</u>	Being regularly received but slightly out of date. Numbers sufficient. No improvements suggested.	
10.	<u>QUIZZES.</u>	No.of Quizzes held Attendance	1. 220.
11.	<u>DISTRIBUTIONS.</u>	Several interested in land generally have had information on such given them in form of pamphlets and books.	

12. EDUCATION TENT.

Due to movement during the month the tent has not been used to any great extent on Educational purposes: as a Library and reference tent it has been extremely popular, an average of 47 books changing hands each day.

With the receipt of the battery, now being initially charged for the wireless, the popularity will greatly increase.

13. OTHER ACTIVITIES.

Nil.

14. REQUIREMENTS.

Seating accommodation and lighting to give troops the incentive to listening to more broad-minded wireless discussions, appreciations and Current Affairs.

Tent or Hut for hobbies.

REPORT GIVEN BY .-

26 Jan 45

Pte H. INNES.
(O.R. in charge.)

(Signed) D.A. HOGAN.

U.E.D.

HQ 50/59 Aust Inf Bn
Feb 45.Subject: CONFIRMATION OF COY COMDS CONFERENCE 26-30 JAN 45Memo for Coy Comds, QM, RMO, I.O., RSN.

These notes are in confirmation.

1. "Out of Hours" Shooting.

Battalion Orderly Officer and Orderly Serjeant will supervise 'out of hours' shooting, and organize aim and targets and control fire. Each rifleman will have a separate target and after each practice personnel will move forward and inspect targets.

2. Demonstration of Coy in Def.

- (a) A demonstration will be carried out during week 5 - 11 Feb. At approximately 1000 hrs on 1 Feb CO will issue Bn Comds' appreciation and plan to Coy Comds at ref map TOROKINA 1 in 712930, and Coy Comds will site Coy positions in accordance with these orders.
- (b) A TWT will be held at 1400 hrs on 1 Feb 45 on the def of D Coy position, Coy Comds attending. Location - D Coy def posn.
- (c) D Coy Comd will carry out TWT for Pl and Sec Comds on 2 Feb and will issue orders for occupation of D Coy Def locality. D Coy will move out on L.O.A.T. exercise morning 5 Feb and will occupy and prepare def position 5 - 8 Feb and for demonstration on 9 Feb. D Coy will return to camp afternoon 9 Feb. Later each Coy during L.O.A.T. period will do sec, Pl and Coy def exercises in accordance with Bn orders issued for this demonstration.

3. Stretcher bearers and Band.

- (a) Band will in future not act as stretcher bearers, but will be held as supernumary on BnHQ as def detachment. They will NOT be left out of Battle.
- (b) Stretcher bearers will be trained by RMO on basis of additional 4-5 per rifle Coy. Nominations will be submitted to RMO by 4 Feb, and personnel selected by arrangements between Coy Comds and RMO. Stretcher bearer class to commence 5 Feb 45.
- (c) When training completed, Stretcher bearers will be transferred to BnHQ and detached to respective Coys.

4. Priority of Stores for Movement.

Priority of stores for movement will be discussed at trg conference 4 Feb. Coy Comds etc will divide stores into three categories :-

A1	ech
A2	ech
B	ech.

and will be prepared to discuss allocations.

5. L.O.A.T.


Stores to be carried during L.O.A.T. exercises will be confined to stores normally carried during operations, plus one AP tent or fly for office and for purpose of conducting TWTs, and one fly for kitchens.

3. RETURNS.

- (a) Works state return will NOT be required after 10 Feb 45.
- (b) Two (2) copies of Coy Comds notes on syllabi will be submitted to BnHQ and one (1) retained by Coy. Pro Forma issued by Bn will be used.

7. SPORT.

- (a) Sport practices ~~by~~ will be carried out by Bn teams on one afternoon each week, (days will be nominated - first practices - football 3 Feb, other sports 4 Feb), and on Saturday mornings. Battalion teams as selected by sports representatives will practice during these periods.
- (b) Coys will be advised of personnel required for Bn team in respect of each sport.
- (c) Adm, kit inspections, etc, will be carried out on Saturday afternoons.

 Capt.
Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

1 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday, 6 / 1 / 1945 . . . 58/59 Bn (Unit)

W.E. II / 12c / 3 . . . OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
	2	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels	AAMC	1							
	2	-	1	Majors									
	2	-	5	Captains									
		4	24	Lieutenants									
			1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	45	4	33	32		1							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		A.	A	B									34
		E.(1)	33	1									33
		E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX89830	Lt	WHEELER A.B.	X List (School)	5/1/45	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX1159					Dismissed by 58/59 Bn for loss of commission
					Dismissed by 58/59 Bn

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 58/59 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 8 / 1 / 1945

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

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / 1 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-col	VX186	WARFE	G.R.	CO	Yes		
Major	NX97	PIKE	W.A.	OC C Coy	Yes		
Capt-T/Maj	VX7562	SWEET	H.G.	2 1/c	No	X List (School)	1/12/44
Capt	NX115823	TIBBROOK	J.	2 1/c A Coy	No	X List (School)	1/12/44
"	NX113730	MICHAEL	F.	OC D Coy	Yes		
"	NX101551	DUN	N.S.	-	No	Det to 15 Aust Inf Bde	
"	VX102607	JACKSON	A.C.	OC A Coy	Yes		
"	VX114235	ROBY	A.W.	2 1/c C Coy	Yes		
"	VX102647	DEMPSTER	N.A.	QM	Yes		
"	VX102648	CUTBERTSON	C.C.	-	No	X List (Hosp)	16/12/44
"	VX114134	HOCKING	L.J.	OC B Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX51665	GRIFF	E.M.	2 1/c D Coy	Yes		
"	VX112185	BETHUNE	J.F.	2 1/c B Coy	Yes		
"	VX114250	SPINK	D.G.	17 Pl	Yes		
"	TX5326	SHROSBREE	H.J.	OC HQ Coy	Yes		
"	TX4679	ROE	J.R.	I.O.	Yes		
"	TX5207	DAVEY	E.A.	16 Pl	Yes		
"	VX102655	WILLIAMS	G.H.	3 Pl	Yes		
"	NX133591	EWART	R.B.	15 Pl	Yes		
"	VX1921	JACOBS	H.J.	-	No	Rear Details (B Class)	
"	NX76176	BRALE	D.R.	-	No	X List (Hosp)	19/12/44
"	VX104532	WALKER	H.J.C.	13 Pl	Yes		
"	VX104470	MARSH	L.R.	T.O.	Yes		
"	VX104452	HOGAN	D.A.	2 Pl	Yes		
"	VX105847	GRAHAM	P.W.	-	No	X List (DWOP)	30/11/44
Lt-T/Capt	VX106327	MATHEWS	R.L.	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	QX39329	ZERNER	E.S.	1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX144709	PIMM	J.H.	10 Pl	Yes		
"	VX115588	BALL	A.B.	11 Pl	Yes		
"	VX109161	BIDGOOD	N.C.	18 Pl	Yes		
"	TX4464	SMITH	P.O.	14 Pl	Yes		
"	NX119987	ROLFE	R.	9 Pl	Yes		
"	VX118687	McINTOSH	J.G.	7 Pl	Yes		
"	VX89830	WHEELER	A.B.	A/2 1/c A Coy	Yes		
"	NX123187	BAIZER	R.C.	5 Pl	Yes		
"	NX129557	KELLY	N.H.	12 Pl	Yes		
"	NX114337	NORRIE	F.J.	A/Adjt	Yes		
"	NX113231	BREWSTER	D.J.	8 Pl	Yes		
Capt	NX201329	MIDDLETON	L.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain	VX114251	SHOTTON H.	15 Bde	16/2/44	
Rep	B2/348	WHARTON M.	YMCA	3/12/44	

6/1/45

Date of Despatch

R. H. ...

Signature of Commander

Adj., 58/59 Aust. Inf. C.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / 194 5. 58/58 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 17 120 3 OFFRS. 330 R's. 769 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
		1	2	W.Os. Class I.						
			6	W.Os. Class II.		AACC	1	-	-	1
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
		1	1	Staff Sergeants						
32 NR	6	-	26	Sergeants		AACC, AAPC, AANC,	8	-	1	9
67 NR	24	-	43	Corporals		AACC, AAPC, AANC,	8	-	1	8
658 30	-	4	662	Troopers, Privates, etc.		AACC, AANC	13	-	1	2
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
769 30	30	6	745	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			30	-	2	2 (AACC)

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years							
A	535	273							775
B(1)									
B(2)									

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Banks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	15 Bde			58	Leave		
4	266 IAD			2	Schools		
				2	15 Bde		
				1	Records		
				25	A.W.L.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 58/58 Bn Particularly Requested. 6 / 194 5

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 6/11/1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)				
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.		
			Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assts.			G.P.O. Assistants				
			Surveyors, R.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard			Hammermen				
			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line			Leather Stitchers				
			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal			Orderlies, Nursing				
			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard			Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
			Turners			Operator, Wireless			Plate Layers				
			Watchmakers			Opticians			Rangefinders	4	4		
			Welders			Painters			Riveters				
						Panel Beaters			Roughriders				
						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers				
						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers				
1	1	-				Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
						Radiographers			Stevadores				
						Riggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine				
			GROUP II.			Sawyers	26	24	2	Storemen, Technical	4	4	
			Armourers			Signallers				Tailors	2	2	
			Axemen			Signwriters				Textile Reftters			
			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
			Bty. Comd's. Asst.			Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
			Boilermakers	6	3	3	Wheelers			Wagon Erectors			
			Carpenters				Winchman			Whitesmiths			
			Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman			Drivers MT	12	12	
			Cooks				Woodturners			W. Duty	2	2	
			Dental Mechanics							Tk/A	19	19	
			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)							S. Bearers	21	18	
			Driver-Operator							Storemen	6	6	
			Drainers							R. Police	6	7	
			Electricians							Batmen	35	35	
			Electricians (M.V.)							Mess Duty	3	3	
			Electricians (Signals)							XXX TRADESMEN			
			Fitters							NON-TRADESMEN.			
			Fitters (Cycle)							Hygiene	4	4	
			Fitters (Electrical)							Rifleman	397	380	
			Fitters (Gun)							Mortar Nos	73	73	
			Fitters (Instrument)							Orderlies	32	32	
			Fitters (M.V.)							Pioneers	32	32	
			Fitters, Railway Signal							Provost	1	-	
			Fitters, Signals							MMG Nos	23	23	
			Grinder, Precision							RSM	1	2	
			Mechanics, Instrument							RMS	1	1	
			Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)							XXXXXXXXX ATTACHED BY W.E.			
			Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)							CSMs	5	6	
			Mechanics, Radio							CCMS	5	5	
			Mechanics, Typewriter							Pl Sjts	24	21	
			Mechanics, Wireless							Total	769	745	
			MHWrights							1 Attached	32	30	
			Operators, Excavator										
			Pattern Maker										
			Pharmacist										
			Photographer, Wet Plate										
			Photewriter										
			Plumber										
			Saw Doctors										
			Surveyors										
1	1	-		17	14	3							
CARRIED FORWARD			CARRIED FORWARD				57	54	6	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801	775	32

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

3/1/45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

2 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13 / 1 / 1945 58/59 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 703 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
	2 3	-	1 1 5 24 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAIC	1							
	5	4	32			1							
		DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.	
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		A.	A 32	B 1								33	
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX101551	CAPT	N.S. DUN	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	13/12/44	Sec as Int and Gas Officer. 15 Aust Inf Bde

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 59/59 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 13 / 1 / 1945

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

63 Aust Inf Bn Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13/1/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	VX186	WARFE	C.R.	CO	Yes		
Major	NX97	PIKE	W.A.	OC C Coy	Yes		
Capt T/Maj	VX7562	SWEET	H.O.	2 1/c	No	X list (School)	1/12/44
Capt	NX115823	TILBROOK	J.	2 1/c A Coy	No	X list (School)	1/12/44
"	NX113730	MICHAEL	F.	OC B Coy	Yes		
"	VX102607	JACKSON	A.C.	OC A Coy	Yes		
"	VX114235	ROBY	A.W.	2 1/c C Coy	Yes		
"	VX102647	DEMPSTER	N.A.	QM	Yes		
"	VX102648	CUTHBERTSON	C.C.		No	X list (Hosp)	16/12/44
"	VX114134	HOCKING	L.J.	OC B Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX51685	GRIFF	E.M.	2 1/c D Coy	Yes		
"	VX112185	BETHUNE	J.F.	2 1/c B Coy	Yes		
"	VX114250	SPINK	D.C.	17 Pl	Yes		
"	TX5326	SHROSBREE	H.J.	OC HQ Coy	Yes		
"	TX4679	ROE	J.R.	I.O.	Yes		
"	TX5207	DAVEY	E.A.	16 Pl	Yes		
"	VX102655	WILLIAMS	G.H.	3 Pl	Yes		
"	NX133591	EWART	R.B.	15 Pl	Yes		
"	VX1921	JACOBS	H.J.		No	Rear Details (B Class)	
"	NX76176	BEALE	D.R.		No	X list (Hosp)	19/12/44
"	VX104532	WALKER	H.J.C.	13 Pl	Yes		
"	VX104470	MARSH	L.R.	T.O.	Yes		
"	VX104452	HOGAN	D.A.	2 Pl	Yes		
"	VX105847	CRAHAM	P.W.		No	X list (IWOP)	30/11/44
Lt-T/Capt	VX106327	MATHEWS	R.L.	Adjnt	Yes		
Lt	QX59329	ZERNER	E.S.	1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX144709	PINN	J.H.	10 Pl	Yes		
"	VX115588	BALL	A.B.	11 Pl	Yes		
"	VX109161	BIDGOOD	N.C.	18 Pl	Yes		
"	TX4464	SMITH	F.O.	14 Pl	Yes		
"	NX119987	ROLFE	R.	9 Pl	Yes		
"	VX118687	McINTOSH	J.	7 Pl	Yes		
"	VX89830	WHEELER	A.B.	A/2 1/c A Coy	Yes		
"	NX123187	BALZER	R.C.	5 Pl	Yes		
"	NX129557	KELLY	N.H.	12 Pl	Yes		
"	NX114337	NORRIS	F.J.	A/Adjnt	Yes		
"	NX113231	BREWSTER	D.J.	8 Pl	Yes		
Capt	NX201329	MIDDLETON	L.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain	VX114251	SHOTTON H.	15 Bde	16/2/44	
Rep	B2/348	WHARTON M.	YMCA	3/12/44	
Capt	NX202098	McDONAGH M.	"C" Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	8/1/45	

13/1/45

Date of Despatch

R. H. Adams
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

2/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13/1/1945 58/59 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 120 5 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 52 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.	WE
		1	2	W.Os. Class I.						
1				W.Os. Class II.						
6			6	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AACG	1				1
5			5	Staff Sergeants						
NR		1	1	Sergeants	AACC AANG AARG	1				NR
32	NR	3	29	Corporals	AACC AANG AARG	9	1			NR
658	67 NR	13	54	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AACC AANG	17				8
658	20	4	655	Civilians counting as O.R.			3			14
769	20*	4	752*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		33*	4 3		3	*32

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).
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Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	A	A	B							485
B(1)	507	278								
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 15 Bde			53	leave		
4	266 LAD			2	HQ 15 Bde		
5	63 Dental Unit			1	Records		
42	15 Pd Coy			19	AWL		
14	2/4 Arm Regt			26	53 Pd Park.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 58/59 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 13/1/1945

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

58/59. *Quint Inf Bn* Unit

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 13/ 1 /1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders	4	4		
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stvedores				
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4		
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	26		Tailors	2	2		
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Drivers M.F.	12	12		
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Water Duty	2	2		
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Tk/A	19	19		
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								S. Bearers	21	14	7	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								R. Police	6	7		
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Batman	35	35		
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Mess Duty	3	3		
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Storemen	6	6		
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Hgg Duty	4	4		
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1		Riflemen	397	386	11	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	12		Mortars Nos	75	73		
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				MWG Nos	25	25		
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Orderlies	32	32		
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Coach Trimmers				Pioneers	32	32		
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Provost	1	-	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				RSN	1	2		
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				RQMS	1	1		
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY WEEK				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				CSM	5	6		
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				CQMS	5	5		
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	20	20		Pl Sjts	24	24		
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpta. Plant				Total				
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.E.				Engine Hands, I.C.					769	752	20	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	-	1	Attached				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers					32	33		
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	17	17		CARRIED FORWARD	57	56		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801		785	20

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Dispatch

Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

3 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 20 / 1 / 1945 58/59 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 12c / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 2 3 4				5	6 7 8 9 10					
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
	2	1	2	*						
	34	-	1	*						
		-	5	Lieut.-Colonels						
		4	24	Majors	AAMC					
			1	Captains		1				
				Lieutenants						
				Quarter-masters						
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.						
	56	54	3331			1				

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	A B									34
	E.(1)		33 1								
	E.(2)										

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX3272	Lt-col	MAXBERRY W.M.	16 Aust Inf Bde	19/1/45	Appointed to Comd. Authority: F.A.A. AMP 123 of 8 Jan).

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX184		WHIFFER	2/24 Aust Inf Bde	21/1/45	transfer authority: 2 Aust Inf Bde 9357.
VY114134	Sgt	HOCKING L.J.	109 CCS	21/1/45	transfer (authority: 2 Aust Inf Bde)

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 58/59 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 20 / 1 / 1945.

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 20 / 1 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-col	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.W.	CO	Yes		
"	VX186	WARPE	G.H.		Superannuated.		
Major	NX97	PIKE	W.A.	OC C Coy	Yes		
Capt-T/Maj	VX7562	SWEET	H.O.	2 1/c	No	X List (School)	1/12/44
Capt	NX115323	TILBROOK	J.	2 1/c A Coy	No	X List	1/12/44
"	NX113730	MICHAEL	F.	OC D Coy	Yes		
"	VX102607	JACKSON	A.C.	OC A Coy	Yes		
"	VX114235	ROBY	A.W.	2 1/c C Coy	Yes		
"	VX102647	DEMPSTER	H.A.	QM	Yes		
"	VX102648	CUTBERTSON	C.C.		No	X List (Hosp)	16/12/44
"	VX114134	HOCKING	L.J.	OC B Coy	Yes		
Lt	VX51665	GRIFF	E.W.	2 1/c D Coy	Yes		
"	VX112185	BETHUNE	J.F.	2 1/c B Coy	Yes		
"	VX114250	SPINK	D.G.	17 Pl	Yes		
"	TX5326	SHROSBREE	H.J.	OC HQ Coy	Yes		
"	TX4679	ROE	J.R.	I.O.	Yes		
"	TX5207	DAVEY	E.A.	16 Pl	Yes		
"	VX102655	WILLIAMS	G.H.	3 Pl	Yes		
"	NX133591	EWART	R.B.	15 Pl	Yes		
"	VX1921	JACOBS	H.J.		No	Rear Details (B Class)	
"	NX76176	BEALE	D.R.		No	X List (Hosp)	19/12/44
"	VX104532	WALKER	H.J.C.	13 Pl	Yes		
"	VX104470	NARSH	L.R.	T.O.	Yes		
"	VX104452	HOGAN	D.A.	2 Pl	Yes		
"	VX105847	GRAHAM	P.W.		No	X List (DWOP)	30/11/44
Lt-T/Capt	VX106327	MATHENS	R.L.	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	GX39329	ZERNER	E.S.	1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX144709	PINN	J.H.	10 Pl	Yes		
"	VX115588	BALL	A.B.	11 Pl	Yes		
"	VX109161	BIDGOOD	R.C.	18 Pl	Yes		
"	TX4464	SMITH	F.O.	14 Pl	Yes		
"	NX119987	ROLFE	R.	9 Pl	Yes		
"	VX118687	McINTOSH	J.J.	7 Pl	Yes		
"	VX89390	WHEELER	A.B.A.	2 1/c A Coy	Yes		
"	NX123187	BALZER	R.C.	5 Pl	Yes		
"	NX129557	KELLY	H.H.	12 Pl	Yes		
"	NX114337	NORRIS	F.J.	A/Adjt	Yes		
"	NX113231	BREWSTER	D.J.	8 Pl	Yes		
Capt	NX201329	MIDDLETON	L.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	VX114251	SHOTTON H.	15 Bde	16/2/44	
Rep	B2/348	WHARTON M.	YMCA	31/2/44 - 3/12/44	
Capt	NX202098	McDONAGH M.	C Sec 63	A.D.U. 8/1/45	

20/1/45
Date of Despatch

R. Beashers
Signature of Commander..... Capt,
Adj., 58/59 Aust. Inf. Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 20 / 1 / 1945 58/59 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

WE	1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					WE
	Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.	
1	-	-	1	2	W.Os. Class I.						
6	-	-	-	6	W.Os. Class II.		1				1
5	-	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
	-	-	1	1	Staff Sergeants						
32	NR	3	4	33	Sergeants <u>AACC, AANC, AAPC, Postal</u>		8			3 (AACC)	NR 9
67	NR	11	-	56	Corporals <u>AACC, AANC, AAPC, AACC</u>		9	1			8
658	32	18	1	641	Troopers, Privates, etc. <u>AACC, AANC</u>		17	3			14
					Civilians counting as O.R.						
769	32	32	7	744	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		33	4	3	"	32

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	509	268								777
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	15 Aust Inf Bde			53	Leave		
4	266 IA.D.			2	15 Aust Inf Bde		
3	63 Aust Dent Unit			1	Records		
3	15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec			19	A.W.L.		
				1	3 Aust Div		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 58/59 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 20 / 1 / 1945

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 20 / 1 / 1945..**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	26	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Drivers	12	12	-
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				W.Duty	2	2	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Tk/A Nos	19	19	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								S.Bearers	21	18	3
Fitters				Driver-Operator								R.Police	6	7	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Batmen	35	35	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Mess Duty	3	3	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Storemen	6	6	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Hygiene	4	4	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	Riflemen	397	382	25
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	12	-	Mortar Nos	73	73	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				MMC Nos	23	23	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Orderlies	32	32	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10	-	Coach Trimmers				Pioneers	32	30	2
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Provost	1	-	1
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				BSM	1	2	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				RQMS	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.A.X.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				CSMs	5	6	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				CQMSs	5	5	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				Pl Sjts	24	28	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Total	789	744	32
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	-	1				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				Attached	32	33	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	17	-	CARRIED FORWARD	57	56	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	801	777	32.

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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20/1/45
Date of Despatch

R. Headman
Signature of Commander

ANALYSIS OF W.Os & N.C.Os.
Posted Strength

W.E.

Trade	WO1	WO11	S/Sjts	Sjt	Cpl	Total	WO1	WO11	S/Sjts	Sjt	Cpl	Total
Int Duties	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	1	2	3
Sig "	-	1	-	1	4	4	-	-	-	1	4	5
Clerks	-	-	-	2	6	8	-	-	-	2	6	8
Tailor	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Tech Storemen	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Riflemen	-	-	-	-	36	36	-	-	-	-	31	31
MMG Nos	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	3	3
Mortar Nos	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	2	2
Pioneers	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	3	3
Provost	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
S/Bearers	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	1
Tk/A Nos	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	1	1
Drivers MT	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2
R.S.M.	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	2
R.Q.M.S.	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
S.S.M's	-	5	-	-	-	5	-	5	1	-	-	6
C.Q.M.s.	-	-	5	-	-	5	-	-	4	1	-	5
Pl Sjts.	-	-	-	24	-	24	-	-	-	24	-	24
TOTAL	1	6	5	32	67	111	2	6	5	30	54	97

ATTACHED

Trade	WE	PS
AAMC		
Chiropodist	1	1
Hygiene		1
Inspector	1	1
Medical		1
Orderlies	2	2
AACC		
Shoemaker	1	1
AAPS		
Postal Duty	1	1
AAPC		
Pay Clerks	2	2
AACC		
Caterer	1	1
Cooks	23	24
TOTAL	32	33

ATTACHED

W.E.

Posted Strength

Trade	WO1	WO11	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total	WO1	WO11	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total
Chiropodist	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Hyg. Inspec.	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Med Orderly	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Shoemaker	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Postal	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Pay Clerks	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Caterer	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
Cooks	-	-	-	5	5	10	-	1	-	2	6	9
TOTAL	-	1	-	9	8	18	1	1	-	6	9	16

SURPLUS W.O.

VX101834 W.O.1 K. ANDERSON RSM

ANALYSIS OF W.Os & N.Os

Trade	W.E.						Posted Strength					
	WO1	WO2	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total	WO1	WO2	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total
Int Duties	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	2	3
Sig "	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Clerks	-	-	-	2	6	8	-	-	-	2	6	8
Tailor	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Tech Storemen	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Rifleman	-	-	-	-	36	36	-	-	-	-	33	33
M/G Nos	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Mortar Nos	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
Pioneers	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	3	3
Provost	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
S/Bearers	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	2	3
Tk/A Nos	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	2	2
Drivers MT	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	2
R.S.M.	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	2
R.Q.M.S.	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2
C.S.M.s	-	5	-	-	-	5	-	5	-	-	-	6
C.Q.M.s	-	-	5	-	-	5	-	-	4	-	-	5
Pl Sjts	-	-	-	24	-	24	-	-	-	28	-	28
TOTAL	1	6	5	31	67	110	2	6	5	34	56	103

Trade	Attached	
	W	P
AACC	-	-
Chiropracist	1	1
Hygiene	1	1
Inspector	1	1
Medical	-	-
Orderlies	2	2
AACC	-	-
Shoemaker	1	1
AAPS	-	-
Postal Duty	1	1
AAPC	-	-
Pay Clerks	2	2
AACC	-	-
Caterer	1	1
Cooks	23	24
TOTAL	32	33

ATTACHEE

Trade	W.E.						Posted Strength					
	WO1	WO2	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total	WO1	WO2	S/Sjt	Sjt	Cpl	Total
Chiropracist	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Hyg. Inspec.	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Med Orderly	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Shoemaker	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Postal	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Pay Clerks	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Caterer	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
Cooks	-	-	-	5	5	10	-	-	-	2	6	8
TOTAL	-	1	-	9	8	18	-	1	-	6	9	16

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ROUTINE ORDERS? PART 1

by

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL W.M. MAYBERRY

COMMANDING 58/59 AUST INF BN

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
28 Jan 45

37. <u>DUTIES</u>	Orderly Officer to mount	1800 hrs	28 Jan 45	Lt D.G. SPINK
(a)	Next for Duty	" "	29 Jan 45	" J.H. HINN
	" "	" "	30 Jan 45	" F.O. SMITH
	" "	" "	31 Jan 45	" E. ZERNER
	" "	" "	1 Feb 45	" N.C. RIDGOOD
	" "	" "	2 Feb 45	" L.R. MARSH
	" "	" "	3 Feb 45	" A.B. BALL
(b)	Duty Company to mount	1800 hrs	28 Jan 45	HQ Coy
	Next for Duty	" "	29 Jan 45	D Coy
	" "	" "	30 Jan 45	HQ Coy
	" "	" "	31 Jan 45	D Coy
	" "	" "	1 Feb 45	HQ Coy
	" "	" "	2 Feb 45	D Coy
	" "	" "	3 Feb 45	HQ Coy

38. SENSORSHIP.

Personnel are now permitted to state in letters that they are serving in the SOLOMONS, but NOT the particular island on which they are.

39. CADRE AREA.

NCOs Cadre area is out of bounds. Personnel will not use the lecture huts for amenities purposes, or the area as a short cut to the canteen or picture area.

40. REQUISITIONS FOR TRANSPORT.

All requirements for transport (other than Jeeps) will be made to A/Adjt by 1200L on the preceding day. Detail of task and estimate of time will be given. Requisitions for Jeeps to Transport Office by 1200L preceding day.

41. BATHING.

Owing to the presence in this area of members of the Aust Army Womens Services, all personnel bathing in streams or pools visible from the road, or on beaches, will wear trunks or other appropriate covering.

42. CASUALTIES GEAR - LABELLING OF.

Personal gear of casualties will be clearly labelled so that the owners number, rank, name and unit remain clearly legible during all stages of evacuation, thus avoiding loss or confusion.

43. GAITERS - AMERICAN PATTERN

When sufficient stocks are available gaiters, American pattern will be worn by all ranks for training. Cutting down the length of these gaiters is strictly forbidden and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders. Anklets web will be retained as personal equipment.

44. USE OF PETROL AND INFLAMMABLES

No members (except MT personnel in the ordinary course of duty) will use petrol or other inflammables for any purpose without the prior authority of an officer. The use of petrol in lighting or feeding of fires is strictly forbidden.

45. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER.

Many tyres are rendered unserviceable by having been run seriously deflated, also by improper use of tyre levers. All tyres returned in future will be examined, and where they are proved unserviceable or prematurely worn by reason of neglect or disobedience of instructions, disciplinary action will be taken against the drivers concerned.

46. MOVEMENT JABA RIVER SECTOR

From 18 Jan 45 NO vehicle will be permitted past the traffic control post MAVAVIA RIVER without a pass endorsed by GS 3 Aust Div. Application for a pass to move into the JABA RIVER area will be made to Bn HQ 48 hours in advance of proposed visit. It will contain following details:-

Number	Destination
Rank	Reason for visit
Name	Duration of visit.
Unit	

47. SALUTING

Attention is directed to GRO 6/45. Personnel will be instructed in saluting and the significance of compliments explained. All personnel moving along or standing on the sides of road, will pay particular attention to cars or jeeps flying pennants and pay the appropriate compliments.

48. MALARIA DISCIPLINE

All personnel will carry 24 atebrin in a waterproof tin on the person at all times. Two atebrin tablets will be taken by all personnel each Wednesday and Saturday, commencing Wednesday 31 Jan 45. Companies will arrange extra supplies with QM.

49. SALVAGE.

- (a) Articles will not be placed in Battalion Salvage dump unless prior approval is obtained from Quartermaster.
- (b) Salvage materials placed in dump after such approval will be neatly stacked in compartment provided.
- (c) Materials will not be taken from Salvage dump unless approval is obtained from Quartermaster.

50. DRESS.

Sleeves will be kept rolled down between the hours of 1730 and 0700 except for the purpose of washing.

51. CENSORSHIP OF PARCELS - (FAA RO G14/45).

Attention is drawn to GRO G371/44, which states the manner in which parcels despatched through Army Postal channels will contain the name of the sender and his or her official address :-

"This shall be written, in the case of a parcel or newspaper, on a slip of paper enclosed therein."

52. DISCIPLINE, MT DRIVERS - (2 Aust Corp RO A68/45).

Attention is drawn to ASO Ch 21 Sec 21 (x).

- (a) Provost reports indicate that a large number of drivers are not in possession of work tickets (AAF G2) or driver's license (AAF G11) when driving, nor do they obey orders relating to carrying of identification discs, paybook and AAB33 as a means of identification.
- (b) All drivers of transport operating inside the TOROKINA perimeter will be in possession of AAF G2 and AAF G11.
- (c) In all breaches of this nature provost personnel will, if necessary, accompany the driver to his unit lines for identification and will lay charges for breaches of orders committed

R. H. ...
 Capt.
 Adjt 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

NOTICES

SPORTING RESULTS.

Tabloid Sports - 20 Jan 45 - 1st 2 Pl 312 pts.
 2nd 1 Pl 311 "

Baseball - 21 Jan 45

58/59 Bn (Pte SHORE HQ Coy Fitcher) 4
 (Sjt HICKS B Coy Catcher)

defeated

24 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) 3.

- 27 Jan 45

58/59 Aust Inf Bn 14 defeated 58/59 Aust Inf Bn 10.

Football - 28 Jan 45.

57/60 Aust Inf Bn 11-12 defeated 58/59 Aust Inf Bn 6-5.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
B COY

War diary

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1430	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg	
1	BDE PARADE		Officers and NCOs Indication of targets to tanks by Infantry - 1000 - 1200 hrs.				PLATOON ATTACK EXERCISE WITH TANKS IN SUPPORT			Cinema	
2	Bn Parade		Bn range - Rifle and Bren Practices Weapon Trg, Grenade Throwing, Applications of Fire, Orders and Indication of Targets.				Preparation for Brigade Parade				
3			B R I G A D E				P A R A D E			Move to L.O.A.T. area and set up Bivouac	Coy TENT in prepara tion for next days exercise
4			SECTION ADVANCE and ATTACK EXERCISES Lessons; Formations, Scouts, Fire Control Orders, Fire and Movement. IT 44 Sec 17-26; SAT Pam 2.				Owen, Bren and Rifle Practices from Hip Weapon Trg; 2" Mortar - Stripping, Cleaning, Loading, Firing. TsOET Owen Gun.			ditto	
5			SECTION IN DEFENSE EXERCISES IT 44 Secs 171-173, 175-177; IMT 41 Sec 33; SAT Pam 2.							Compass march 5 legs, 800x	
6			March back to Camp				ADMINISTRATION and SPORT				
7			CHURCH PARADE and REST				S P O R T and REST				

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
C GOY

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1430	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg
1	BRIGADE PARADE		Officers and NCOs Indication of Targets by Inf to Tanks			Bn Range - Rifle and LMG Practices Weapon Trg - Application of Fire, Orders and Indication of Targets, Grenade Throwing.		Sport		Cinema
2	Bn Parade		PL ATTACK EXERCISE WITH TANKS IN SUPPORT					Preparation for Brigade Parade		
3	BRIGADE		PARADE					Move to L.O.A.T. area and set up Bivouac		TIEWT on next days exercises.
4			SECTION IN ADVANCE- and ATTACK EXERCISES IT 44 Sec 17-26; SAT Pam 2.					Owen, Bren and Rifle practices firing from hip Weapon Trg - 2" Mortar, Stripping, Cleaning. TsOET Owen Gun		ditto
5			SECTION IN DEFENSE EXERCISES IT 44 Secs 171-173, 175-177; IMF 41 Sec 33; SAT Pam 2							Compass march 5 legs 800x.
6			March back to Camp					ADMINISTRATION and SPORT		
7			CHURCH PARADES and REST					SPORT and REST		

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
D COY

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Prog
1	B R I G A D E P D E		Officers & NCOs Indication of Targets to Tks by Infantry. 1000 - 1200 hrs			Owen Gun Pam 15 Less 1-3.	Grenade Throwing.	Bayonet - Point & Double Pt.	Sport	Cinema
2	Bn Parade	D U T Y C O M P A N Y				Preparation for Brigade Parade				
3	B R I G A D E P A R A D E					Application of Fire, Fire Orders, Indic of Targets.	Sec Form- ations. IT 44 Sec 17.	Fire Posns IT 44 Sec 18.	Sport	Concert
4	D U T Y C O M P A N Y									Compass march 5 legs 800yds
5	Bn Range - Bren, and Rifle Practices TsOET Owen Gun.		2" Mortar - Stripping, Cleaning, Loading, Firing.			Administration, kit inspection, make and mend Lecturette by "I" Sec Position on BOUGAINVILLE.			Sport	Cinema
6	D U T Y C O M P A N Y									
7	C H U R C H P A R A D E S and R E S T				S P O R T and R E S T					

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 Jan - 4 Feb 45

Co 1 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg
29 Jan	BRIGADE		PARADE		Procedure R/T	Procedure R/T	Horse	Sport	
30 "	In Parade	Horse	Practical Trenchcode	Practical Trenchcode	PREPARATION FOR HDB PARADE			"	Compass March
31 "	BATTALION				DUTIES				
1 Feb	Bayonet Trg.	RANGE PRACTICES (WRBB)			RANGE			"	1900-2100 Practical Traffic handling L/T
2 "	ditto	Procedure W/T	Procedure W/T	Sig. Office Records	Sig. Clerk Duties	Recapit.	Horse	"	
3 "	ditto	COY ADMINISTRATION				sport			
4 "	CHURCH PARADES				REST				

Morning Tea : 1025 - 1040

Afternoon Tea : 1435 - 1445

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 Jan - 4 Feb

No 2 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0945	0950-1035	1040-1125	1130-1215	1230-1345	1350-1435	1445- 1530	1530-1600	night Trg
29 Jan	BRIGADE		PARADE		BATTALION			DUTIES	
30 "	In Parade	R.O.D. Less 45-47	Recapit. Tech 2 - 3	R.O.D Less 48-49	PREPARATION FOR BRIGADE PARADE				Compass March 5 legs total 800 x
31 "	BRIGADE		PARADE		Recap. Tech less 1 - 5	Recap R.O.D. Less 51-53	Recap R.O.D Less 53-54	Recap Tech. Less 6 - 7	Sport Concert
1 Feb	RIFLE			PRACTICES			(WEBS RANGS)		"
2 "	TESTS OF ELEMENTARY GUN DRILL				Tech less 0	R.O.D Less 55-56	Lecture Tactical Handling	"	Cinema
3 "	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT				
4 "	CHURCH PARADES AND REST				SPORT AND REST				

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 Jan - 4 Feb 45.

Co 3 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935 0940-1025	0940-1025 1040-1130	1040-1130 1200-1245	1200-1245 1300-1345	1300-1345 1445-1530	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night trg
29 Jan	BRIGADE	PARADE			Action & cease fire	Controlled & rapid corrections	Maintenance	Sport	Cinema
30 "	In Parade	RANGE PRACTICES (Webb Range)			PREPARATION FOR BDE PARADE			"	Compass March 3 legs 800x
31 "	BATTALION				DUTIES				Concert
1 Feb	Bayonet Trg	Competitive Drill	Action on miss-fire	Laying on Posts.	Laying on auxiliary aiming marks	Competitive drill	Maintenance	"	
2 "	BATTALION				DUTIES				Cinema
3 "	ADMINISTRATION				SPORT				
4 "	CHURCH PARADES AND REST				SPORT AND REST				

NOTES : Each day instructors will give one definition and one characteristic.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 Jan - 4 Feb

NO 4 PLATOON

DATE	0800-0845	0850-0935	0940-1025	1040-1130	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1550-1600	Night Trg	
29 Jan		BRIGADE		PARADE		G.D. 39 Chap 2 Lesson 12	G.D. 39 Chap 2 Lesson 12	Maintenance	Sport	Cinema
30 "	In Parade	2 pdr manual suspension, springs, axle grease, stub axle brackets	2 pdr man- ual, wheels	G.D. 39 Chap 2 Lesson 13	G.D. 39 Chap 2 Lesson 14	2 pdr man- ual, base ring and supporting ring	Battle Procedure	Sport	Compass & 14 5 logs 800x	
31 "	Rifle & L.M.G. practices					WEBB RANGE		"	concert	
1 Feb	Coy Parade Bayonet Trg	2 pdr manual Body.	G.D. 39 Chap 2 Lesson 15	G.D. 39 Chap 2 Less 17	2 pdr man- ual trav gear	ditto	Maintenance	"		
2 "	ditto	G.D. 39 Chap 2, less 19	2 pdr man- ual cradle	REP 59 Definitions	G.D. 39 Recapit.	G.D. 39 Recapit.	Maintenance	"	Cinema	
3 "	ditto		ADMINISTRATION			SPORT				
4 "		CHURCH PARADES			BATTALION		DUTIES			

NOTE: Tuesday afternoon Syllabus cancelled. Substitute - Preparation for Brigade Parade.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
B COY

DAY	0300-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1430	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Log
1	BDE PARADE	Officers and HQs Indication of targets to tanks by Infantry - 1000 - 1200 hrs.				PLATOON ATTACK EXERCISE WITH TANKS IN SUPPORT				Cinema
2	En Parade	En range - Rifle and Bren Practices Weapon Trg, Grenade Throwing, Applications of Fire, Orders and Indication of Targets.				Preparation for Brigade Parade				
3	BRIGADE		PARADE		Move to L.O.A.T. area and set up Bivouac				Coy TENT in prepara tion for next days exercise	
4	SECTION ADVANCE and ATTACK EXERCISES Lessons: Formations, Scouts, Fire Control Orders, Fire and Movement. IT 44 Sec 17-26; SAT Pam 2.				Owen, Bren and Rifle Practices from Hip Weapon Trg; 2" Mortar - Stripping, Cleaning, Loading, Firing. TSWT Owen Gun.				ditto	
5	SECTION IN DEFENSE EXERCISES IT 44 Secs 171-173, 175-177; INT 41 Sec 33; SAT Pam 2.								Compass march 5 legs, 800x	
6	March back to Camp				ADMINISTRATION and SPORT					
7	CHURCH PARADE and REST				SPORT and REST					

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
C COY

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1430	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Trg
1	BRIGADE PARADE		Officers and NGOs Indication of Targets by Inf to Tanks			Bn Range - Rifle and LMG Practices Weapon Trg - Application of Fire, Orders and Indication of Targets, Grenade Throwing.			Sport	Cinema
2	Bn Parade	PL ATTACK EXERCISE WITH TANKS IN SUPPORT				Preparation for Brigade Parade				
3	BRIGADE PARADE					Move to L.O.A.T. area and set up Bivouac			TWT on next days' exercises.	
4	SECTION IN ADVANCE and ATTACK EXERCISES IT 44 Sec 17-26; SAT Pam 2.					Owen, Bren and Rifle practices firing from hip Weapon Trg - 2" Mortar, Stripping, Cleaning. TsOET Owen Gun				ditto
5	SECTION IN DEFENSE EXERCISES IT 44 Secs 171-173, 175-177; IMP 41 Sec 33; SAT Pam 2					Compass march 5 legs 200x.				
6	March back to Camp					ADMINISTRATION and SPORT				
7	CHURCH PARADES and REST					SPORT and REST				

TRAINING SYLLABUS 29 JAN-4 FEB
D COY

DAY	0800-0845	0850-0935	0950-1035	1040-1120	1120-1200	1300-1345	1350-1435	1445-1530	1530-1600	Night Reg
1	BRIGADE PDE		Officers & NCOs Indication of Targets to Tks by Infantry. 1000 - 1200 hrs		to	Owen Gun SAT Pam 15 Less 1-3.	Grenade Throwing.	Bayonet - Point & Double Pt.	Sport	Cinema
2	Bn Parade	D U T Y C O M P A N Y				Preparation for Brigade Parade				
3	BRIGADE PARADE					Application of Fire, Fire Orders Indic of Targets.	Sec Form- ations. IT 44 Sec 17.	Fire Posns IT 44 Sec 18.	Sport	Concert
4	D U T Y C O M P A N Y									Compass march 5 legs 800yds
5	Bn Range - Bren, and Rifle Practices TsOET Owen Gun.		2" Mortar - Stripping, Cleaning, Loading, Firing.			Administration, kit inspection, make and mend Lecturette by "I" Sec Position on BOUGAINVILLE.			Sport	Cinema
6	D U T Y C O M P A N Y									
7	CHURCH PARADES and REST				SPORT and REST					

low duty

HQ 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
30 JAN 45

SUBJECT: GUARD COMPETITION

- To improve standard of Guards and foster competitive spirit, a guard competition will be organised on a pl basis in the following manner:
- Points will be allotted for each guard as follows:

(a) Mounting.

Turnout	20	
Bearing	10	
Drill	20	
Dressing	5	
Orders	5	
Marching	10	
Steadiness	10	70

(b) Conduct of Sentries on beat.

Turnout	10	
Bearing	20	
Steadiness	20	
Movement along beat.	20	
Compliments	20	80

(c) Relief of Sentries.

Drill	10	
Orders	10	20

(d) Turning out

Speed	20	
Dress	20	
Drill	20	60

(e) Dismounting

Turnout	20	
Bearing	10	
Steadiness	10	
Drill	10	
Marching	10	60

3. Adjudicators Possible 300

(a) Mounting and dismounting =

Ordinary Offr and R.S.M.

(b) Conduct of Sentries, relief, turning out of Guard =

C.O., S i/c., Adjts., Ordinary Offr, R.S.M.

4. Method of scoring = Maximum points will be allotted to each guard and two points will be deducted for each fault pointed out by adjudicators. R.S.M. will maintain score chart and advise Guard-Sergeant Messrs for deductions. R.S.M. will signal score to Coy at conclusion of dismounting

5. Prizes = (a) Best pl Guard each fortnight will receive 2/6 cartons soap each and one day's complete holiday, during which all possible assistance for recreation in the way of lpt etc. will be provided.

(b) Best pl Guard each month will receive a trophy in addition to above.

R. Blaker CAPT.
Adjts. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

TACTICAL EXERCISE WITH TROOPS NO 1

PL ATTACK WITH TKS IN SUPPORT

Prepared by - Major W.A. PIKE
Ref Map - TORCHINA 1" to 1 mile 631926 (sketch attached).
Troops taking part - All Rifle Pls, each pl to be exercised as fwd pl.
Duration of exercise - 90 minutes.

OBJECT.

To exercise all rifle platoons in the attack with tanks in support :-

- (a) Attack along jungle track.
- (b) Attack when tanks cannot reach objective, but can give
- (c) fire support.

LESSONS.

- (a) Infantry formations when co-operating with Tanks.
- (b) Prior recon essential.
- (c) Protection of Tanks.
- (d) Fire and Movement (Fire by Tanks).
- (e) Protection of engineers working for tanks.

OPENING SITUATION.

A Coy plus one tp tanks and one sec engineers acting as Adv Gd to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn which is adv NORTH along NORTH-SOUTH track. A Coy's formation is -

fwd pl, Coy recon party (incl tanks and engineer recon parties), reserve pl, Coy HQ, Engineers, tanks protected by third pl.

Situation 1.

Leading scouts are fired on at point B, fwd pl pushes fwd but is held up at point B, but recon patrols push round flanks and locate two enemy bunkers with MGs and several riflemen astride track at point B.

Coy Comd orders third pl plus two tanks to move through and attack bunkers position. Limit of exploitation 75 yds.

D.S. Notes.

Pl Comd orders -

1. Topographical - track, clearing.
2. Infra - enemy, strength.
own tps. Coy picture and posn of fwd tps.
3. Intention - pl plus tanks will destroy bunker posn with view to continuing advance.
4. Method - Summary,
Fwd tps, objectives, exploitation,
Formations,
FUP, SL,
Reserve,
Fire Plan,
Action on capture.

ST.

D.S. Notes (Cont)

5. Adm - Normal.
6. Intercom - Coy HQ, Pl HQ, method of intercom with tanks, posn of tp leaders.
Time,
Questions.

Situation 2.

Fwd pl completes operation successfully and A Coy adv 50 yds when fwd troops fired on by bunkers on side of HILL (point C). Fwd pl held up - tanks engage enemy from edge of clearing.

Coy Comd sends out recon patrols on either flank of clearing. These report no enemy other than around bunkers. Coy Comd orders fwd pl plus tanks to attack. Tanks to give support from EAST side of clearing

D.S. Notes

Pl Comd plan -

Attack with two sections by left flank under cover of fire from tanks and one section location EAST side of clearing.

Orders -

Normal - treat tanks as support weapons, e.g., target, duration of fire, location of tanks.

Situation 3.

Pl attack successful and adv continues in original formations. At point D fwd pl discovers natural tank obstacle. Pl takes up posn astride track and fwd of obstacle and reports to Coy Comd, who moves fwd to obstacle with engineer and tank officers. Engineers decide how to remove obstacle. Coy Comd disposes Coy to protect engineers and tanks.

Points for Umpires to Note :-

1. Formations.
2. Action of scouts fwd sec on contact.
3. Conduct of fwd pl and recon patrols.
4. Passing back of information.
5. Orders - sequence, delivery.
6. Protection of Tanks and Engineers.
7. Intercom with Tanks.
8. Reaction of troops to tanks.

Action of Umpires :-

Reasonable control of exercise and report.

Administration.

Each Coy is responsible for providing enemy and liaising.

W.H.L. Major

MONTHLY AMENITIES REPORT FOR JAN 1945

(a) Financial Reconciliation Statement

(i)	Cash on hand at 1 Jan 44 :-	851-13-1
(ii)	Cash received during month:-	92- 0-5
(iii)	Cash expended during month:-	24-16-0
(iv)	Cash on hand at end of month:-	919-17-6
(v)	Funds required for special purposes:- (give detail)	Nil

Comments

(b) Organised Sport

	<u>Number of Competitions</u>	<u>Number of Teams</u>	<u>Number of Matches Played</u>	<u>Number of Spectators</u>
Aust Rules	Nil	4	4	50
Rugby	Nil	Nil	Nil	--
Soccer	Nil	Nil	Nil	--
Cricket	Nil	5	2	40
Soft Ball	Nil	6	6	30
Baseball	Nil	1	2	150
Hockey	Nil	Nil	Nil	--
Basket Ball	Nil	Nil	Nil	--
Volley Ball	Nil	10	5	--

Comments

See Appendix "A"

(c) Sports Meetings

	<u>Number Held</u>	<u>Number Participating</u>	<u>Number of Events</u>	<u>Number of Spectators</u>
Athletics	Nil			
Boxing	Nil			
Swimming	Nil			
Horse Racing	Nil			
Tableid Sports	1	150	15	50

Comments

Athletic and swimming carnivals and Boxing tournament are to be held in Feb prior to Bde Carnival.

(d)

Other Sports (brief summary of main features)

(i) Swimming Parties of 100 - 150 have visited the beach each Saturday.

(ii) Fishing Nil

(iii) Boating Nil

(iv) Any other

(e)

Entertainments

	Number of Screenings	Number of sites at which held	Estimated No of Audience
Mobile Cinemas AAS	6	2	2000 at each
Other Cinemas			

Comments

Amenities Concert Parties

	Number of Performances	Number of sites at which held	Estimated Audience
	Nil	Nil	Nil

Comments

(e) Continued

Formation of Unit Concert Parties

Unit Concert party has been organised and so far has given two excellent concerts. 1 in unit area - the 2nd at HQ 2 Aust Corps.

Other Entertainment

Number of performances - Nil

Comments

(f) Distribution of Amenities (value of amenities received)

- (i) Sporting materials (approx) £150
- (ii) Radios £30
- (iii) Other

(g) Philanthropic Activities

(i) Australian Comforts Fund

Nil

(ii) Y.M.C.A.

- (a) 2 Recreational Centres maintained with indoor games and writing materials.
- (b) 1 Mobile Canteen in service (2 ton)
- (c) 1 Jeep and trailer equipped with canteen supplies
- (d) 13400 cups of tea and 10 tins of biscuits supplied for unit.
- (e) Own "radio station" supplied news and musical entertainment at night.
- (f) Concert party directed by YMCA Rep.
- (g) Library of 633 books maintained.
- (h) 3 Radios and 2 pick-ups in area.

(iii) Salvation Army

Nil

W. M. Mayberry

Lt-Col
Comd 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

APPENDIX "A"

Aust Rules:

2 inter-coy and 2 inter-unit matches were played. Unit team was defeated by both 24 Aust Inf Bn and 57/80 Aust Inf Bn teams. Players are to be given more facilities for training in future and a team will be entered in the Bde competition.

Cricket:

Only 2 inter-coy games were played due mainly to wet weather and the lack of suitable wickets in the area. A team will be entered in the Bde competition. Owing to a severe shortage of composition balls, Coys have been unable to have much practice each afternoon but as soon as balls become available Coys will be able to practice for a least 1 hour per day.

Soft Ball:

Interest in Soft Ball is very keen and it is intended to play more games, both inter-coy and inter-unit during Feb. At present there is a shortage of soft ball gloves in the unit. Grounds are being laid out within the unit area.

Rugby:

No matches have been arranged to date but a team is to be entered in the Bde competition.

Baseball:

2 inter-unit matches have been played and the unit team has won both, defeating 24 Aust Inf Bn and 57/80 Aust Inf Bn. Unfortunately we have no equipment in the unit with which to practice.

Basket Ball:

2 courts have been made within the unit area and it is hoped that an inter-coy competition can be started.

SPORTING MATERIAL ON HAND AS AT 29 JAN 45

<u>Cricket</u>	<u>Own</u>	<u>Loan</u>
Bats	4	6
Pads	14 pr	
Balls	--	6
Stumps & Bails	30	
W/K gloves	6 pr	

Football

Aust Rules Balls	4	6 (3 u/s)
Boots		20 pr
Jerseys		20
Soccer Balls	7 (2 w/s)	

BOXING

Gloves	10 pr	2 pr
Bags Punching	1	1

Deck Tennis

Nets	9	5
Rings	8	5

Basket Ball

Balls	4	
Nets	2	

Medicine Balls

Soft Ball

Bats	7	6
Gloves	6	
Balls	12	6
Face guards	2	

Table Tennis

Bats		4
Balls		4
Net		1

AMENITIES & SPORTING MATERIAL REQD BY UNIT

Cricket.

Composition Balls	4 doz
Batting gloves	6 pr
W/K guard	2
Bat oil	3 tins

Soft Ball

Gloves	24
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Hockey

Sticks	22
Balls	3

Football

Aust Rules Balls	12
Rugby Balls	6
Pumps	1

Volley Ball

Nets	12
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Baseball

Sets complete incl 4 bats & 6 balls	2
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Basket Ball

Balls	6
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Soccer Balls

6

Sand shoes and shorts

334 prs

Darts & boards

12

Quoits

6 sets

Pressure lamps

12

Radios

4

Mouth Organs

48

CLOTH Red and purple (or blue) as available

Trophies

50 (reqd for athletic and)
(swimming carnivals)

Adhesive tape

3 reels

Boxing

Ropes for Boxing ring

Gloves

12 pr (all sizes)

AMENITIES & SPORTING MATERIAL REQD BY UNIT (CONT)

Musical

Saxophones	2	1 tenor	1 alto
Drums	1 set		
Trombone Orchestral	1		
Trumpets	2		
Clarinet	1		
Bass Fiddle	1		
Guitar Strings	1 set		

Props for Concert Parties

Comedian suit (oversize)	1
Short frocks	3
Evening gowns	2

Appx JA 17

MESSAGE FORM

Date TOO
31 Dec 41

FROM 15 aust inf bde

TO 24 aust inf bn 57/60 aust inf bn 58/59 aust inf bn
15 aust fd coy 15 aust inf bde sig sec 14 pl 2/1 aust gd regt
53 aust tpt pl 3 aust sup dep pl 15 aust fd amb 266 aust LAD
TO Sjt C SCOTT 24 aust inf bn Cpl G W FOWLER 57/60 aust inf
bn Cpl R SANDILANDS 58/59 aust inf bn

A4028 restricted from brig HAMMER (.) please convey to all ranks
my sincerest congratulations on todays fine parade which was right
up to the Brigade standard laid on for our recent ceremonials (.)
Lt Gen SAVIGE was delighted with the quality of the parade and said
it was a pride and honor for him to be given the opportunity of
reviewing the Famous Fighting Fifteenth all infm

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means {except} wireless

Originator's instructions
Degree of priority

Handwritten signature
Capt

HQ COY

31 Jan 45

UNIT BOXING COMPETITIONS

1. Boxing competitions will be conducted within the unit. The first one will take place on 14 Feb 45.
2. PRIZES : There will be a prize for every fight as follows:
- | | | |
|------|-----------|------|
| Win | £1 - 10 - | |
| Lose | 10 - | |
| Draw | £1 - | each |
3. In addition there will be £1 each for the two competitors of the best fight of the night. The best fight will be decided by the judges.
4. Initially it is guaranteed that no novice will be matched against an experienced boxer and that weights will be strictly observed.
5. TRAINING
3 two hour periods will be devoted to training under In arrangements. Times 1330K to 1530K. In addition, any personnel taking part in fights will do NO training except for fight 2 days prior to bout. Training to begin next week. All competitors will be examined by RMO on afternoon of fights.
6. A return of personnel wishing to take part will be submitted to HQ Coy by 1200K 3 Feb. Particulars required :
Name - Weight - Experience (Civil or Army Competitions)

WRESTLING

A return of any personnel having had any experience at all in wrestling will also be submitted. Prizes will be given for wrestling as for boxing and training periods allotted.

Ed Turner Lt
Boxing Representative

P.O.
please return
for War Diary. R

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FIELD SKETCH

58/59 AUST. INF. BN. AREA.

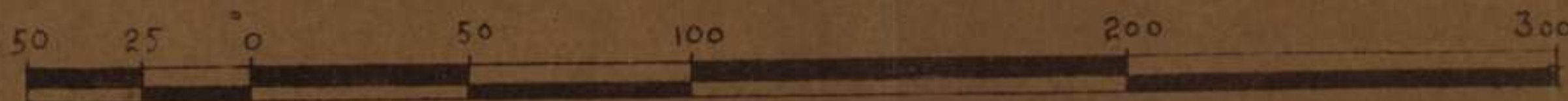
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Legend

	Watercourse
	Form Line
	Garden
	Road

Scale 1 inch = 50 yds.



V.I. 10 ft

Datum Level - Collins St.

Reliability

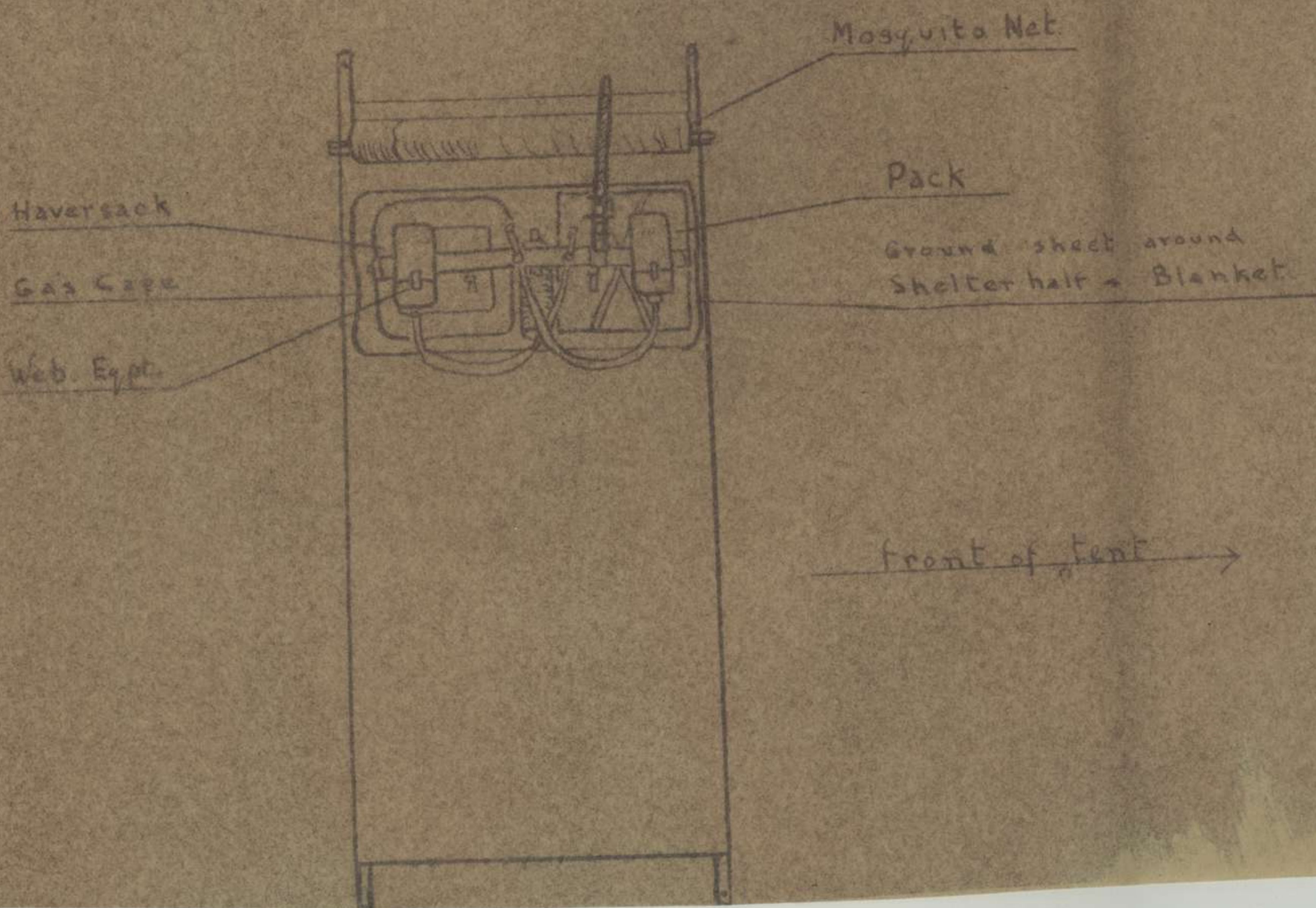
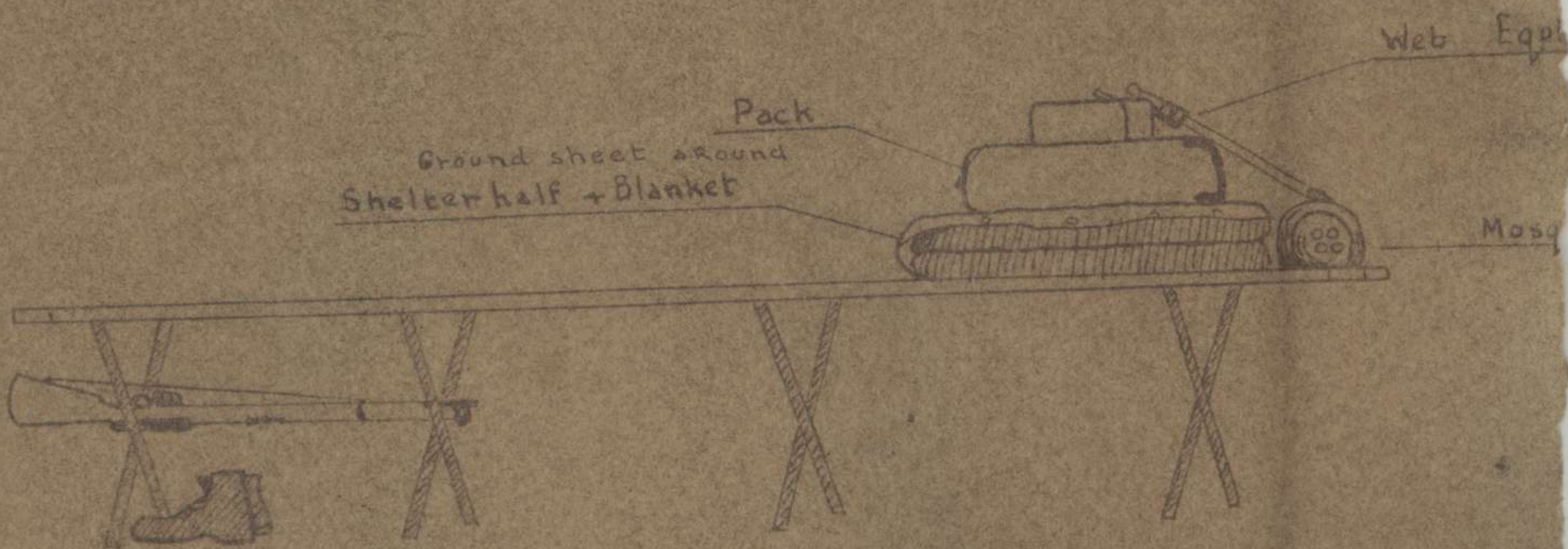
Time taken - 3 hours.
Weather - Dull
Visibility - Fair
Method used - Pacing
and Compass
1400 hrs. 2 Jan 45
M. Dowden Pte.
INT. SEC. 58/59 AUST. INF. BN.

58/59 AUST INF BN

MODEL

STRETCHER

LAYOUT.

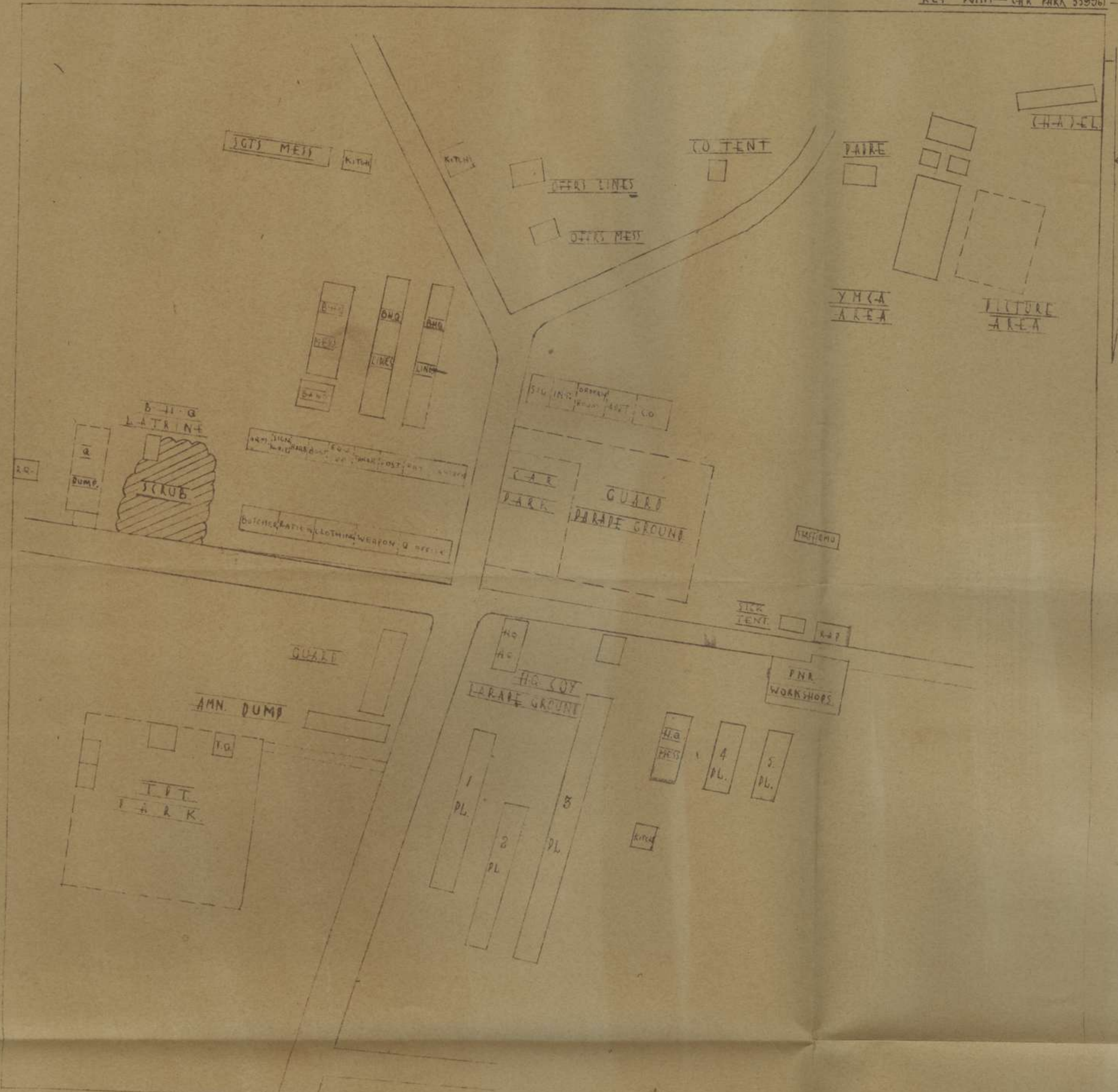


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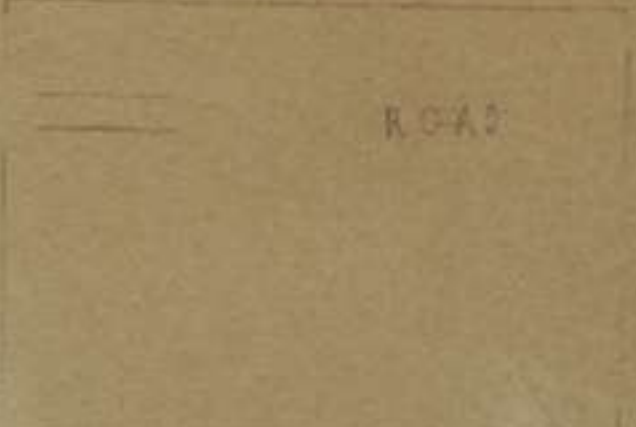
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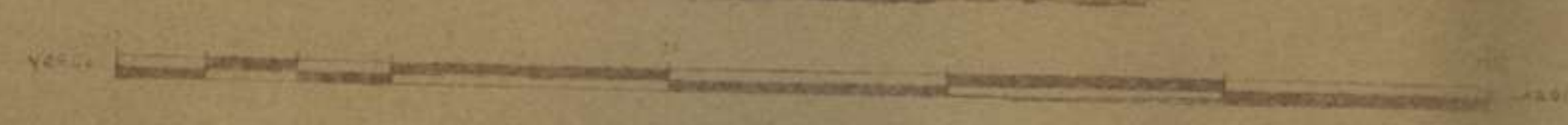
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— LEGEND —



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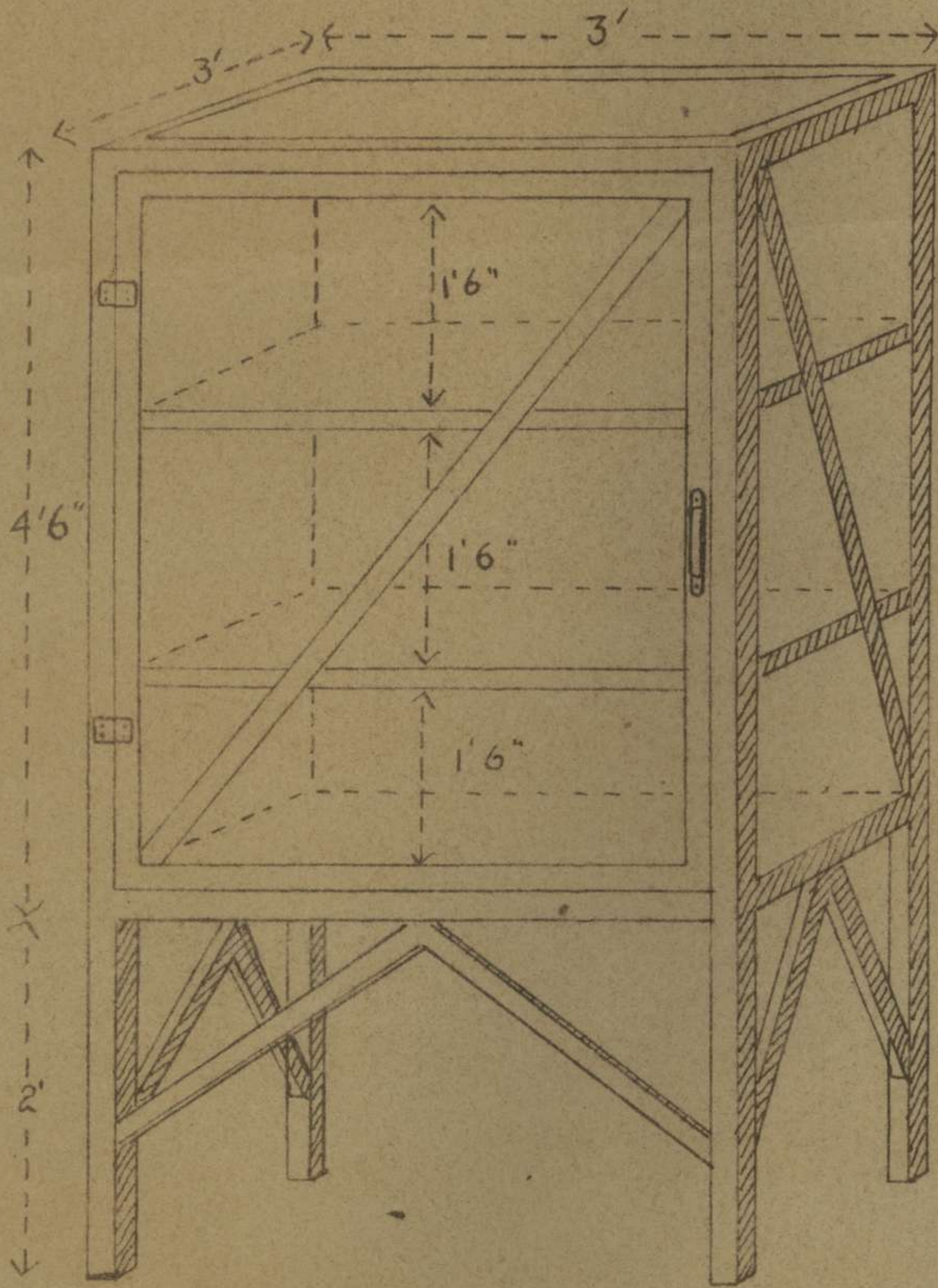


— RELIABILITY —

TIME TAKEN 2 1/2 HRS
 WEATHER FINE
 VISIBILITY GOOD
 METHOD USED PLYING
 AND COMPASS
 MAX. 500 YDS
 INT. TO 500 YDS AND 100 YDS

MEAT SAFE

war
diary



APPX - B.

58/59 AUST. INF. BN.

HOT PLATE FOR DISPOSAL OF SCRAPS

