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## 11 Australian Division
## Adjutant General
## Quartermaster General
## Branch - Milne Force (11 Aust Div AQ Branch - Milne Force)

## April 1943

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# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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| PORT MORESBY | 1 Apr '43 | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party rehearses | |
| | | | Movement - Summary of miscell. stores & personnel by air to WAU | App 1 |
| | | | Movement of units & dets, mail position and shipping position | App 2 |
| | | 1630 hrs | "Matafele" arrives from ORO BAY<br>Capt T.S. BODDAM-WHETHAM detached to 7 Aust Inf Bde for duties (31/3/43) | |
| | 2 Apr '43 | | G.O.C., A.D.C. and ADMS, 3 Aust Div, 21 personnel & 1450 lbs stores , 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit and miscellaneous personnel & stores leave by air for WAU | App 3 |
| | | | Capt J.C. RISHWORTH of 5 Aust Div attached for LSO duties. Instn by ADOS to Ord W.Os re preparation of indents for ord stores | App 4 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party , performance for L of C Area | |
| | | | W'shops - attendance 1050<br>Movement of units and dets, mail position and shipping position | App 5 |

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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
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| PORT MORESBY | 3 Apr 43 | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party, performance at No.4 A.C. Sqn RAAF attendance 900. | |
| | | | Instn by ADOS to Ord WOs re indents for special size clothing. | App. 6 |
| | | | Movt of units and dets, mail position and shipping posn ) 808 US Engr Bn embarked for mainland per Duntroon and ) President Grant; 48 Aust Fd Bty disembarked from mainland) Duntroon and Wanaka arrived from mainland ) | App. 7 |
| | | | Field Return of Officers - W.3008 | App. 8 |
| | | | Summary of Movements: Brig FIELD left by air for mainland ) 40 Reinfts and Jeep trailer by air to KANGA. Capt. THOMPSON ) Major McQUEEN, Capt. BAIN and Capt. CLIFFORD embarked ) Duntroon for mainland. 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will move from ) 3 Mile Valley to KOITAKI AREA - 58/59 Aust Inf Bn will move ) from KOITAKI area to 3 Mile Valley ) | App. 9 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Routine Order Serial No.13 | App.10 |
| | 4 Apr 43 | | Summary of Movements: 40 Reinfts by air to KANGA, 110 lbs ) stores by air to DOBODURA. 61 Reinfts for 7 Aust Inf Bde ) 11 Aust Div Concert Party rehearsal prior to opening of new ) show. ) | App.11 |
| | | | Movement of units and dets, mail position and shipping posn. | App.12 |
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| PORT MORESBY | 5 Apr '45 | | Recommendations for Awards (periodical) . all are personnel of 2.6 Aust Armd Regt | App 13 |
| | | | Summary of movements - 40 Reinfts by air to KANGA. Lt-Col Moyes by air to DOBODURA | App 14 |
| | | | Instn by ADOS to Ord W.Cs re indents for replacement of unit equipment. Ord W.Os to police disposal of items replaced | App 15 |
| | | | Movement of units & Dets, mail and shipping position. 65 Engr and Svypersonnel leave by Matafele for Bulldog | App 16 |
| | | | General report by ADME . M.T. Inspection. 25 pr guns serviced Mobile Armourers Wkshop to commence operations on 7 Apr '43. Check of Wireless and signal equipment, defective equipment to be reconditioned. Inspection of instruments at all Arty units. Equipment left behind by 2/59 LAD who are to move from this area taken over by 266 LAD | App 17 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party rehearsal | |
| | 6 Apr '43 | | Summary of movements . 40 reinfts by air to KANGA. 14 tons of stores 14 Aust Fd Regt by Wanaka to MILNE BAY | App 18 |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets , Mail and shipping position | |
| | | | Aroona and Key Pitman arrive from mainland with U S personnel & misc cargo | App 19 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party rehearsal | |
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| PORT MORESBY | 7 Apr '43 | | Movement of units and dets, mail and shipping posn. 6 Offrs ) and 96 ORs, 14 Aust Fd Regt, embarked for Milne Bay per WANAKA ) | App 20 |
| | | | Summary of movements 40 reinfts by air to KANGA | App 21 |
| | | | Instn by ADOS to ORD WOs . Amendments and adjustments to E2 tables | App 22 |
| | | | When notified in G.R.Os essential all units carry out amendments, where directed that surplus eqpt be returned, must be carried out. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party Rehearsal. | |
| | | | Camp Comdt reports new mess hut for O Rs finished and started repairing roadway to M.T. park | |
| | 8 Apr 43 | | Camp Comdt reports, started to concrete floor of ORs Mess | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party Rehearsal. | |
| | | | Report of last 12 days activities by Educ. Offr. Educ. Service delivered 31 lectures to 20 units and sub-units. | |
| | | | Aggregate attendance totalled approx. 1900. Eight Discussion Groups have been started. Applications for Correspondence Courses completed and forwarded: Total 35. Libraries, five boxes of books exchanged and 110 books privately borrowed. | |
| | | | ~~Music: Sgt. DORMAN gave a recital at 5 CCS to an audience of~~ approx. 135. Eight lectures given at 7 Aust Inf Bde with attendance of 550. | App 23 |
| | | | Major L.V. ARMATI taken on strength as DADMS. | |

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| PORT MORESBY | 8 Apr 43 | | Movement of Units and Dets. Mail and Shipping Position. | App. 24 |
| | | | Summary of Movements: Chaplain Morgan, 3 Aust Div, 40 Reinfts sent by air to WAU. | App. 25 |
| | 9 Apr 43 | | Report from ADME: 2nd. Echelon Wkshops are at full capacity but absence of welding gases and spare parts still a hindrance. Modifications to further 25-pr eqpt have been brought up to date. Number of guns serviced: 9. Mobile Armourers' Wkshop commenced on 7 Apr 43 at 2/1 Fd Regt. Wireless and Signal eqpt has been further inspected. Reports indicate greater care must be exercised with unit maintenance. Matter discussed with Lt.-Col. WATKINS (ADME NGF). Inspection of Arty instruments. Approx. 50% require repairs; indications are that 600 instruments require repair, which is beyond capacity of present Wkshop facilities. Mobile gas chamber is now in operation at 113 Aust Ind Bde Sp Wkshop. A series of First Aid Lectures for LAD and Wkshop personnel now in progress. | App.26 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party Rehearsal. | |
| | | | Lieut. R.F. LOCKIE taken on strength as ADME AC to date 15/1/43. Lieut. E.J. ELSTON taken on strength as A nities Offr to date 22/3/43. | |
| | 10 Apr 43 | | Field Return of Officers - W.3008. | App.27 |
| | | | Lieut. A.E. McMillan taken on strength as Assist Camp Comdt to date 7/2/43. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Routine Order Serial No.14. | App.28 |

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| PORT MORESBY | | | Movement of Units and Dets. Mail and Shipping position: "Joseph Holt" and "George ?. McGarry" arrive from mainland with miscellaneous cargo and US Personnel. Details not yet known. | ~~App.29~~ |
| | | | Adm Instn No.10. Movement by Sea, issued to all units under comd. Instructions to be carried out when moving by sea to Australia or other operational stations in New Guinea. How to prepare Nominal Rolls and other documents. | ~~App.30~~ |
| | 10 Apr 43 | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party Rehearsal. | |
| | 11 Apr 43 | | Instns to CO's on Anti-Malarial Campaign issued by ~~Rigg~~ HGF | App.31 |
| | | | Summary of Movements 22 Offrs and 15 NCO's 15 Aust Inf Bde, and 40 Reinfts by air to MAU. | App.32 |
| | | | Circular AG 3191: Accumulation of and Expenditure of balances in regimental trust funds. Based on LHQ memo 48077 of 24 Mar 43. | App.33 |
| | | | Circular AG 3209 issued from copy of HQ HGF A/8790 of 7 April 43. ~~No official commemoration of Anzac Day will be held this~~ year, but special mention of Anzac Day made at Easter Day Church Services. | App.34 |
| | | | Routine Order Part I, HQ 11 Aust Div issued by Camp Comdt. | App.35 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. Opening performance of the revue "~~HARRY DAZE~~" postponed because of heavy rain. | |
| | | | Major Brierley, HQ 3 Aust Div, attached for duty to ADOS. | |



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| PORT MORESBY | 12 Apr 43 | | Summary of Movements. | App. 37 |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets - Mail and Shipping position. | App.38 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. First performance of new show. Attendance poor - 400. | |
| | 13 Apr 43 | | Circular AQ 3329 issued. Conference of Hygiene Offrs and NCOs. held at HQ NGF. Report on Units Hygiene, Malaria Control. Discussion of Hygiene appliances and exchange of ideas. | App.39 |
| | | | Circular AQ 3346 issued. Attention of units to NGF Order 149/43. Check to be made of all tentage and excess to be return to Ord Depots. Certificate to be rendered that tentage on hand is used to maximum capacity and all other returned. | App.40 |
| | | | Camp Comdt Reports: Started to build bridge on new road to MT Park. Camouflage of MT Park started. | |
| | | | Instn to Ord WOs issued by ADOS. Return of Rifles with "Starred" Barrels. Procedure of exchange for serviceable rifles to cease for time being. Exchange of rifles limited to those definitely US. | App.41 |
| | | | Instn to Ord WOs issued by ADOS. Information of number of Cleavers Butcher to be returned. Ref GRO 234/43. | App.42 |
| | | | Instn to Ord WOs issued by ADOS Controlled Stores. Accuracy of | |

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| PORT MORESBY | 13 Apr 43 | | Census of Warlike Stores. | App.43 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party performs again at HQ 11 Aust Div. ~~Attendance 1000.~~ | |
| | 14 Apr 43 | | Camp Comdt Report: Started excavating position for MT ORs. Kitchen and Store. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party gives another performance at HQ 11 Aust Div. Record Attendance 5000. | |
| | | | Summary of Movements: Lt.-Col. TALBOT leaves by air for mainland to take appt as Comd ARC 6 Aust Div. | App.44. |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets. Mail and Shipping position. | |
| | | | 208 pers of 2/1 MG Bn arrive from BUSABUNA. | App.45. |
| | | | Circular AQ 3351 issued to all units. Names of Hebrew personnel desirous of attending Passover Seder Service at US Advanced Base (USA 303) on 19 Apr 43 at 1830 hrs. | ~~App.46.~~ |
| | | | Capt. C. JAMES, Catering Adviser, returns from 2/9 AGH. | |
| | | | REPORT FROM ADOS: Notice received that 14 Aust Fd Regt placed on 24 hrs warning Order. Arrangements made for making up deficiencies in Warlike Stores and delivery of outstanding indents. ~~Unit's web eqpt not dyed green due to shortage of~~ dye. | |
| | | | INDENTS FOR ORD STORES: Number of indents high - 3000 in two months. Irregularities cause delay. Ord POs instructed in preparation. | |

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| PORT MORESBY | 15 Apr 43 | | Camp Comdt Report: New Schedule for morning parade, 0815 hrs. Finished concreting ORs Mess Floor. | App. 47 |
| | | | Report from ADME. Wkshops keeping abreast of LT repair work. Arty guns serviced: eight. Mobile Armourers Wkshop operating at 2/1 Fd Regt. Inspection of Wireless and Signal Eqpt. 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshops damaged by stick of 5 bombs from enemy a/c during raid on 12 Apr. '43. Lieut. CROSSMAN and 3 ORs injured. Unit moved to new location. Tng Instns issued to Wkshops. | App. 48 |
| | | | Movements of Units and Dets. Mail and Shipping Position. | App. 49 |
| | | | Summary of Movements - 1 Sec 15 Aust Fd Coy and Stores leave by air for WAU. | App. 50 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party: Fourth performance of new show. Attendance 2000. | |
| | 16 Apr 43 | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party: Performance - attendance 1050 | |
| | | | Major H.W. Hawkeswood, DADM returned from leave. Camp Comdt report - started concreting ORs Kitchen. | |
| | | | Summary of movements: Arrived by air from DOBADURA 42 pers 2/1 Aust MG Bn and 11 plane loads of stores. Completes move. | App. 51 |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets Mail and Shipping position. | App. 52 |
| | 17 Apr 43 | | Circular AQ 3486 issued. Tentage ORs will be accommodated on basis six per tent, 14 x 12. | App. 53 |
| | | | Field Return of Offrs - W.3008 | App. 54 |

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| PORT MORESBY | 17 Apr 43 | | Camp Comdt report - Finished concreting ORs kitchen. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. Sixth performance of present show at Hq 11 Aust Div. GOC NGF, Lt.-Gen. Sir Iven Mackay and Staff Officers attending with Maj-Gen. C.A. CLOWES GOC 11 Aust Div. Attendance 3000. | |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets - Mail and Shipping position. | App.55 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Routine Orders - Part I - Serial 15. | App.56 |
| | | | Summary of Air Movements. | App.57 |
| | | | AQ 3492 List of Offenders of NGF Order 110 of 29 Mar 43 - Improper Dress by Night. | App.58 |
| | 18 Apr 43 | | Summary of Air Movements - A Coy 2/1 MG Bn, 138 pers and ~~20812 lbs stores, 11 plane loads to WAU.~~ 3 Aust Div Sigs, 75 pers and 11250 lbs stores to BULOLO. Maj LARKINS, LSO ~~ORs~~ to WAU. | ~~App.59~~ |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets - Mail and Shipping position. 164 ORs 2/7 Aust Indep Coy emplane for WAU. | App.60 |
| | | | Camp Comdt report - started making drains for ORs Mess. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party: Performance at 160 Tpt Coy. Attendance 800. | |
| | 19 Apr 43 | | Letter of appreciation to 11 Aust Div Concert Party by GOC ~~11 Aust Div.~~ | ~~App.61~~ |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets - Mail and Shipping position. 20 | |

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| PORT MORESBY | 19 Apr 45 | | Offrs 290 ORs 2/8 Aust Armd Regt. 5 Offrs 217 ORs 2/103 Aust Gen Tpt Coy 42 Offrs 448 ORs 'A' List and General Reinfts. All arrive per KATOOMBA. | |
| | | | 166 personnel 2/1/25 Aust Carr Coy arrive from WAU. | |
| | | | KATOOMBA arrived from Mainland 1745 hrs. | App.62 |
| | | | Summary of Movements. | App.63 |
| | | | AQ 3587 Further list of Personnel offending order, Improper Dress by Night. | App.64 |
| | | | Camp Comdt reports - started construction of ramp for MT inspection. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party moved to DONADABU AREA. Rained heavily. Show cancelled. | |
| | | | Major W.M. IRWIN returned to ~~unit~~ 2/2 Fd Amb. (acting DADMS) | |
| | 20 Apr 45 | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party showed DONADABU AREA. Attendance 3500. | |
| | | | Camp Comdt reports - finished making ramp for MT inspection. | |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets - Mail and shipping position. | |
| | | | 2/6 Aust Armd Regt and attached tps, 2/1 Aust Coy ASC, 2/59 LAD, 61 Aust Dental Unit embarked KATOOMBA for mainland. ~~KATOOMBA sailed 1515 hrs for Mainland.~~ | ~~App.65~~ |
| | | | Summary of Movements. | App.66 |

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| PORT MORESBY | 20 Apr 43 | | Capt. J.R. ATKIN, Camp Comdt, returned from Leave. | [illegible] |
| | 21 Apr 43 | | Summary of Movements - 24 Aust Inf Bn, 31 plane loads pers and Eqpt for WAU. HQ 3 Aust Div including 3 Aust Div Sigs, 22 plane loads for WAU-BULOLO. | App. 67 [illegible] |
| | | | Movement of Units and Dets, mail and shipping position. Cremer arrives from mainland at 0930 hrs with misc cargo. | App. 68 [illegible] |
| | | | Camp Comdt reports - Started making road through Camp Area. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party - Performed at NGF Sch of Sigs. Attendance 2000. | [illegible] |

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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MORESBY | 22 Apr '43 | | 11 Aust Div Educ Service report covering period April 15 | |
| | | | - April 22 '43. Educ service policy . Seven debating teams formed. American co-operation . Trade tng plans | App 69 |
| | | | Amenities Sect. Report. Contact with units . Cricket matches arranged. A.C.F. distribution. | App 70 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party . Repeat performance at NGF School of Sigs. Attendance 2000 | |
| | | | Major Brierley HQ 3 Aust Div returned to unit Camp Comdt re ort. Road through camp area completed. | |
| | | | Movement of units and dets . Mail and shipping position. | App 71 |
| | | | Summary of movements . 24 Aust Inf Bn personnel and stores , 20 plane loads for WAU - BULOLO | App 72 |
| | 23 Apr '43 | | Summary of movements . 24 Aust Inf Bn personnel and stores , 8 plane loads to WAU-BULOLO. 2/2 and 15 Aust Fd Amb, personnel and stores . 3 plane loads to WAU-BULOLO | App 73 |
| | | | Col J.C. Litchfield returns from leave Movement of units and dets. Mail and shipping posn | App 74 |
| | | | Camp Comdt report. Construction of grease traps for men's mess commenced | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party . Third performance at NGF School of Sigs. Attendance 2000. | |
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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MORESBY | 24 Apr '43 | | Field return of officers - W 3008 | App 75 |
| | | | Camp Comdt report. Repair work carried out on latrines which had caved in. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party . Performance at 2/2 CCS at KOITAKI . Attendance 800. | |
| | | | Summary of movements . 3 Aust Div Sigs personnel and stores , 3 plane loads to WAU-BULOLL. 2/2 and 15 Aust Fd Amb personnel and stores , 2 plane loads to WAU - BULOLO | App 76 |
| | | | Movement of units & dets. Mail and shipping posn Report from AEME. Wkshops have MT repairs in hand. Arty guns overhauled. Mobile Armourers' Wkshop at 2/1 Aust Tk A Regt . Repairs to wireless and signal eqpt. A report, copy of which is attached, forwarded to NGF concerning number of Arty instruments requiring repairs. 7 M3 light tanks repaired. | App 77 |
| | | | 241 LAD moved eqpt to DONADABU to repair 7 Aust Inf Bde eqpt. Syllabus of first aid lectures and Inf Minor Tactics to AEME personnel | App 78 |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Routine Orders . Part 1 . Serial No 16. | App 79 |
| | 25 Apr '43 | | AQ3805 circular based on LHQ 62768 of 17 Apr '43. Leave - X List personnel of units in New Guinea. Procedure and conditions of leave for X List personnel who are on the mainland and whose unit is in N G. | App 80 |
| | | | AQ 3788 memo. Restriction of traffic on track from 6 mile Valley Rd to 3 mile Valley Road. | App 81 |

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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Moresby | | | Camp Comd report. Grease traps completed | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. Performance at 113 Con Depot Attendance 1500 | |
| | | | Summary of movements. Rear details 3 Aust Div move to 3 mile valley( 15 Aust Inf Bde area) . 14 Aust Fd Regt embarked | |
| | | | "Van Heutz" for Milne Bay<br>Movement of units and dets. Mail and shipping position. 151 US | App 82 |
| | | | Army Casuals embark Cremer and Stephen B Elkins for mainland. Cremer and Stephen B Elkins sail at 1700 hrs | |
| | | | for Townsville. Van Heutz sails at 1700 hrs for Milne Bay. | App 83 |
| | 26 Apr '43 | | Camp Comdt report. Men's mess concreted | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. Performance again at 113 Con Depot . Attendance 1500 | |
| | | | Summary of movements. Lt-Col Cameron, Lt-Col Marshall, Maj McBean of 2/6 & 2/8 Aust Armd Regts leave by air for | |
| | | | n DOBADURA<br>Movement of units and dets . Mail and shipping position. | App 84<br>App 85 |
| | 27 Apr '43 | | Aq 3871 memo issued. AA Amenities service- Organisation and | |
| | | | administration. Attention drawn to GRO A 301/43 and GRO A325/43 | App 86 |
| | | | Capt Rishworth,(attached for LSO duties) returned to HQ N G F. | |
| | | | Camp Comd Report. Electricity installed in the men's mess | |

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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
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| Moresbyv | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party . Free night, no performance. | |
| | | | Circular AQ 3899 issued. Maintenance of ammunition Movement of units and dets. Mail and shipping position. | App 87 |
| | | | 87 personnel 67 Aust AASL Coy embarked for ORO BAY per Pulganbar. Pulganbar sailed for Milne and Oro Bay 1430 hrs | App 88 |
| | | | Summary of movements | App 89 |
| | | | AQ 3915 issued. Units to submit returns of Fire fighting appliances held and required. | App 90 |
| | Apr 28 '43 | | Camp Comdt report. Men's mess hut opened for evening meal. | |
| | | | Special menu prepared and music supplied by 11 Aust Div Concert Party. | |
| | | | AQ 3925 issued. Authorisation of new services. Proper relations between and functions of staffs and services | App 91 |
| | | | Movement unit and Dets. Shipping and mail position. 16 Bde Carrier Coy 153 personnel returned from WAU by air. | App 92 |
| | 29 Apr '43 | | Camp Comdt report. Work on men's mess hut completed. | |
| | | | 11 Aust Div Concert Party. Performance at Officers' Club Moresby. Attendance 500. | |
| | | | Chaplain Blake returned from leave. | |
| | | | Summary of movements | App 93 |
| | | | Movement of units and Dets, mail and shipping posn. 188 personnel 21 Aust Fd Coy disembarked from Milne Bay per | |
| | | | Mulcra. U.S. Army personnel disembarked Henry D Thoreau from mainland. Mulcra arrived 0900 hrs. Henry D Thoreau arrived 0700 hrs | App 94 |

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| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c. |
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| Moresby | 30 Apr '43 | | Movement of units and dets. Mail & shipping position | App 95 |
| | | | Camp Comdt report. Area for new cooking school inspected<br>11 Aust Div Concert Party. Performance at 2/8 Aust Armd Regt attendance 600. | |
| | | | Chaplain Reynolds evacuated to hospital. | |
| | | | Report from AEME. W'shops at full capacity with M T repairs. Arty guns repaired. Mobile Armourers Wkshop completed inspection at 2/1 Aust Fk A Regt. Wireless and signal eqpt maintenance. Arty instruments repaired. | |
| | | | Syllabus of tng carried out by AEME units | App 96 |
| | | | Consolidated monthly return by RMO's under comd issued by ADMS. Total new sick 74 offrs - 3609 OR's of which 30 offrs 563 ORs evacuated to hospital . Malaria cases 5 - 116, dysentry 11 ORs , V.D. nil. Average daily percentage sick, officers 0.7 and ORs 1.6. Battle casualties nil killed. | |

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## SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 1 APR '43

AIR

| Called Forward | | Destination | Arrived |
|---|---|---|---|
| 152 Gen Tpt Coy ~~9~~ 7 Jeeps, ~~1 Jeep Trailer~~ Detached (~~[illegible]~~) | | KANGA | ALL |
| H Q No. 1 Coy Supply Depot 3 pers & 2500 lbs stores | | " | ALL |
| 3 Aust Div Salvage | 21 pers & 1450 lbs stores | " | NIL |
| 3 Aust Div ASC | Cpl Hughes | " | No ~~[illegible]~~ |
| 15 Aust Fd Amb | 10ff, 3 NCO's | " | ALL |
| 40 Reinforcements from Corps Rec Camp - (including Maj Ellery ASC 3 Aus Div, 5 pers 2/2 Fd Amb - Sgt Riley 152 Gen Tpt Coy) | | " | ALL |

LOCAL

17 OR's Corps Rec Camp to 7 Bde Area

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MOVEMENTS OF UNITS AND PERSONNEL APRIL 43 Q Branch
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PART I - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL Offrs | PERSONNEL ORs | Destination & Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 156 Aust Lt AA Bty | - | 3 | |
| 2. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | - | 3 | |
| 3. | 2/16 Aust Fd Coy | - | 2 | |
| 4. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | - | 14 | |
| 5. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | - | 9 | |
| x 6. | HQ 1 Aust Supply Depot Coy | 1 | 2 | |
| x 7. | AASC 3 Aust Div | 1 | - | |
| x 8. | 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | - | 1 | |
| x 9. | 15 Aust Fd Amb | 1 | 4 | Emplaned for Wau. |
| x10. | 2/2 Aust Fd Amb | - | 5 | |
| x11. | 3 Aust Fd Amb(att RAE 11 Aust Div) | - | 5 | |
| 12. | HQ 6 AAD | 1 | 4 | |
| 13. | ANGAU | 1 | - | |
| 14. | LO US Army | 1 | - | |
| 15. | AMF Concert Party | - | 26 | |
| 16. | Misc Aust Personnel | 2 | 2 | Emplaned for Dobodura |
| 17. | Misc Aust Personnel | 1 | 10 | Emplaned for KOKODA |

PART II - INWARD

I. EVACUATIONS

Medical AUST : WAU 24
DOBODURA 1
U.S. : BULOLO 1
DOBODURA 7

MAIL POSITION AS AT 2030 HRS 1 APRIL 43

PORT MORESBY Letters Received 1 Apr 1268 lbs
On hand TOWNSVILLE 1095 lbs 31 Mar

MILNE BAY Letters Received 31 Mar NIL
On hand TOWNSVILLE 346 lbs 31 Mar

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 1 Apr '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| ARRIVAL | | |
| MATAFELE | 1630 hrs from ORO BAY | |
| Harbour Position | | |
| PASIA MONIKOS / MATAFELE | Discharging at wharf | |
| LADY ISOBEL / PRESIDENT GRANT | Lightering in stream | |
| EDWARD R GILL / WEST CACTUS | Working at TATANA | |
| Sailings | | |
| VAN DER LIJN | 1230 hrs for TOWNSVILLE | No troops or cargo |
| CHARON | 0630 Hrs for Townsville | Misc cargo |
| Expected arrivals | | |
| KHOEN KOKA | 1630 hrs 2 Apr from MILNE BAY | |
| WANAKA / DUNTROON | 0800 hrs 3 Apr from mainland | |
| MANGOLA / GENERAL VERSPIJK | 1600 hrs 3 Apr from mainland | |
| KEY PITMAN / AROONA | 1800 hrs 6 Apr | (x Responsible 11 Aust Div ) |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 2 April,1943

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION | ARRIVED |
|---|---|---|
| 21 personnel and 1450 lbs of stores, 3 Aust.Div.Salvage Unit. | KANGA. | ALL. |
| Cpl.Hughes,3 Aust.Div.AASC. | do | 1 |
| 7 Jeep Trailers. | do | All less 1 |
| 40 reinfts.from 1 Aust.Corps Reception Camp. | do | All. |
| G.O.C;A.D.C;A.D.M.S;and 1 OR; 3 Aust.Div. | do | All. |
| 1 case containing 3 Radiator Oil Coolers for Tanks; 2/6 Aust.Armd.Regt. | DOBADURA. | 1 |

SEA

NIL.

LOCAL

NIL.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS.

E.T.A. "Duntroon" AM 3 April - 48 Bty. 13 Fd.Regt. - 12 Offrs.and 184 ORs.

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MEMO TO OFC WOs

Eq 11 AUST DIV
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PREPARATION OF INDENTS - ONE STORES

1. As indents are passing through ADOS office the following points have been noticed in most cases, and it will be necessary to advise units generally in the following points:-

(a) As regards unit's address etc - The unit is usually correctly stated, but the address should be "In the Field", or, if more convenient, "C/o ADOS Dump". Address for vouchers should always be stated as "C/o ADOS 11 Aust Div".

(b) As regards sizes of clothing - It has been noticed that some units indicate the quantity/quantities required with the sizes shown underneath the quantity. The [redacted] correct way to indicate sizes and/or fittings is by use of Column 5 on the G 907, but, as supplies of these forms are rather limited, it is quite in order for units to indicate sizes and quantities required across the page, quoting sizes, and underneath each size the quantity required, e.g. -

"Shirts, khaki, green

| Size | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Quantity | 18 | 30 | 35 | 10 |

"

Please ensure that all units adopt this standard method of indicating sizes - except where only a couple of sizes are required - and then Column 5 may be used.

(c) Some units are also crossing out either "Normal" or "Special", and they should be advised that this is reserved for the AAOC, as indicated at the bottom of the indent. From past experience, this applies mostly to technical units, such as LADs and workshops.

(d) It is the practice of some units also when more items are required than will go on one sheet to paste the indents together, with the bottom of the sheets except the last one turn away. This is not in accordance with normal practice, and units should be discouraged from so doing.

(e) Units should be advised to avoid the use of multiple indents - i.e., indents consisting of more than one sheet, and not more than seven items on each indent should be allowed.

2. All Ord WOs are required to initial indents which pass through their hands at the top right-hand corner.

[signature] Capt
LT-COL
AQ 11 AUST DIV

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 2 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. X | HQ 3 Aust Div | 3 | 1 | |
| 2. X | HQ AASC 3 Aust Div | | 1 | |
| 3. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 18 | |
| 4. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 2 | |
| 5. | 13 Aust Fd Bakery | | 5 | |
| 6. | 10 AAOD | 1 | 7 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 7. | Det AAOC | | 14 | |
| 8. X | 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit | | 21 | |
| 9. | Sigs Courier | | 1 | |
| 10. | ANMAU | | 2 | |
| 11. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 2 | |
| 12. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | 1 | 11 | |
| 13. | 2/3 Aust Indep Coy | 1 | 7 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 14. | Misc Aust Pers | 3 | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 15. | Sigs HQ L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for BULEDOC |
| 16. | 2/1 Aust Army Topo Svy Coy | | 2 | Emplaned for BORONA |

### PART 11 - INWARD

1. Evacuations

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Troop | : | H Q HQF | 2 from DOBODURA |
| Medical | : | AUST | 10 from WAU |
| | | | 1 from DOBODURA |
| | | | 2 from MILNE BAY |
| | | US | 7 from DOBODURA |
| P.W. | : | | 1 from DOBODURA |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 2 APR '43 PRO FORMA QG/29

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Port Moresby | Letters : | Received 2 Apr | 741 lbs |
| | | on Hand at TOWNSVILLE 1 Apr | 746 lbs |
| Milne Bay | Letters : | Received 1 Apr | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 1 Apr | 379 lbs |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 2 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/29

| Vessel | Information | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals - NIL | | |
| Harbour Position | | |
| PRESIDENT GRANT | Discharging at wharf | |
| MATAFELE | At wharf | |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS ) | | |
| LADY ISOBEL ) | Lightering in stream | |
| EDWARD R STI ) | | |
| WEST CACTUS ) | Working at TATANA | |
| Sailings - NIL | | |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| KHORN HORA ) | | |
| DESIKOKO ) | 1830 hrs 2 Apr from MILNE BAY | |
| DUNEROON ) | | |
| WANAKA ) | 0800 hrs 3 Apr from MAINLAND | |
| MANGOLA ) | | |
| GENERAL [illegible] ) | 1600 hrs 3 Apr from MAINLAND | |
| AROONA ) | | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | 1600 hrs 6 Apr from MAINLAND | |

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MEMO TO ORD WOs

SUBJECT: INDENTS FOR SPECIAL SIZES CLOTHING

Considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining measurements for special-size clothing.

To overcome this difficulty, all WOs will ensure that all future indents for special-size clothing are accompanied by self-measurement forms (AAF F 49's), which are to be completed in all respects for items demanded.

These forms are obtainable from the Stationery Office, and in cases of urgency, a few are available in the ADOS Office.

A G Rider Capt
LT-COL
ADOS 11 AUST DIV

DIST: ~~WO [illegible]~~ SGT Webster
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WO MARX
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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 3 APR '43

PART 1 -- OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Misc Aust Personnel | 18 | 48 | Embarked for m/lnd |
| 2. | 808 US Engr Bn | 20 | 500 | " " " |
| 3. | CE (Brig A.TORR) | 1 | | |
| 4. | K Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div | | 1 | |
| 5. | Sigs NG L of C Area | 1 | 1 | |
| 6. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 7. | HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 1 | |
| 8. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 18 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 9. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 20 | |
| 10. | ANGAU | 1 | 1 (Native) | |
| 11. | ANGAU | | 4 | Emplnd for BENA BEN |
| 12. | 2/17 Aust Lt AA Bty | | 2 | |
| 13. | Salvage Unit | | 8 | Emplaned for |
| 14. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 1 | DOBODURA |
| 15. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 1 | Emplaned for |
| 16. | Canteens Service | | 1 | BULLDOG |

PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 48 Aust Fd Bty | 12 | 184 | |
| 2. | 2/4 Aust Fd Sqn | 7 | 236 | |
| 3. | 24 Aust Line Sec | 2 | 30 | |
| 4. | 25 Aust Line Sec | 2 | 39 | |
| 5. | 26 Aust Line Sec | 2 | 57 | |
| 6. | 18 DE Sec Ho, 3 Coy | 1 | 24 | |
| 7. | 38 Operating Sec | 1 | 37 | Disembarked from |
| 8. | 2/105 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | 1 | 91 | mainland |
| 9. | Aust Red Cross | 1 | | |
| 10. | Prisoners under escort | | 14 | |
| 11. | Reinforcements | 8 | 35 | |
| 12. | X list | 5 | 273 | |

13. Evacuations :

| | |
|---|---|
| Troop | 1 from WAU |
| Medical | No figures available |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1945 HRS 3 APR '43 PRO FORMA QQ/30

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letters : | Received 3 Apr '43 | 69 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 2 Apr '43 | 664 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Letters : | Received 2 Apr '43 | 429 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 2 Apr '43 | 534 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 3 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| KOKEN HORA | 1730 hrs 2 Apr from MILNE BAY | Misc cargo |
| DESIKOKO | 1840 hrs 2 Apr from MILNEBAY | " |
| DUNTROON ) | | |
| WANAKA ) | 1000 hrs 2 Apr from MAINLAND | Personnel as above |
| | | Misc cargo |
| MANGOLA ) | | |
| GENERAL VERSPIJK ) | 1230 hrs 2 Apr from MAINLAND | Misc cargo |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| MANGOLA ) | | |
| LADY ISOBEL) | discharging at wharf | |
| MATAFELE | loading from wharf | |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | lightering from stream | |

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| WANAKA | Anchored in stream | |
| WEST CACTUS )<br>EDWARD R STILL )<br>GENERAL VERSPIJK ) | working at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| KOKEN HORA | 0600 hrs for Mainland | No troops or cargo |
| DESIKOKO | 1300 hrs for mainland | " " " " |
| DUNTROON ) | 1800 | |
| PRESIDENT GRANT ) | [illegible] hrs for mainland | 620 pers 808 Engr Bn |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| AROONA )<br>KET PITMAN ) | 1600 hrs 6 Apr from mainland | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| MATAFELE | am 5 Apr for TERAPO | |

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Serial No. 123 Inf.

A.I.F. 11/10

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. Reference 2 Australian

A.M.F.

W.E. 9 X 18

Attached

Allowed by W.E. - X -

Date 2 Oct 43

HQ 11 Aust Div Unit

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

| 1 Ranks and W.E. | | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) | 3 Surplus to Establishment | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Major-General * | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Colonel * | 1 | 3 | 2 | - |
| Lieut.-Colonels | 5 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Majors | 13 | 7 | - | 6 |
| Captains | 12 | 10 | - | 2 |
| Lieutenants | 2 | 5 | 3 | - |
| 2nd Lieutenants | 3 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Quartermasters | | | | |
| Totals | 37 | 30 | 5 | 12 |

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary

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

### Officers JOINED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CAPT | KISHWORTH J.C. | 3 Aust Div | 4/10/43 | ASO Hutton |

### Officers QUITTED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| LIEUT/CAPT | ROBERTSON - WESTMAN T.S. | HQ 11 Aust Div | 2/10/43 | Attached to 10 Aust Fd Amb |

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

| Rank | Name and Initials | Unit or Corps | (Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known) |
|---|---|---|---|
| T/CAPT | JAMES C. | HQ 11 Aust Div | on Q - HGA |

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## PART D. — NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH

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

| 1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | 2 Personal Number | 3 Name and Initials | 4 Appointment | 5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No) | 6 If not present with Unit, state how employed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt Col (Maj-Gen | TX.2050 | CHOWES C.H. | Comd | YES | - |
| Col | TX.2051 | SHEEHAN C.L. | GSO (1) | YES | - |
| Lt Col | WX.1502 | MAITLAND G.E.G. | ADMS | YES | - |
| Lt Col | NX.100054 | HITCHFIELD F.C. | ARTILLERY | NO | MEDICAL CASE |
| Capt Maj Lt Col | NX.10001 | MOVES J.T. | GSO 3 (Ops) | YES | - |
| A/Lt Col | QX 6217 | VIDGEN H.L. | ADOS | YES | - |
| Lieut/Major | NX.111771 | SINGE C.W. | GSO II | YES | - |
| Lieut/Major | NX.100064 | WILLIS J.W. | DAAG | YES | - |
| Lieut/Major | N.270191 | LARKINS A. | LSO | YES | - |
| Lieut/Major | NX.100046 | BAILEY K.G. | DAAG | NO | HOSP - TO HOSP |
| Capt/Major | VX.81195 | McQUEEN E.H. | DA&QMG | YES | - |
| Capt/Major | VX.41753 | BRAIN H.B. | ADMS | YES | - |
| Lieut/Major | NX.100069 | HAWKINS-WOOD H.W. | DAPM | NO | MEDICAL SERVICE |
| Chaplain 3/Major | VX.40540 | BLAKE J. | Sen Ch of Aust Forces | NO | RETURNED TO AUST |
| Chaplain 3/Major | NX.70219 | REYNOLDS P.F. | Sen R/C Chaplain | YES | - |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.81148 | SPEIGHT W.L. | GSO III | NO | SCHOOL |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.100063 | BEDDAN-WESTMAN T.S. | LO | YES | - |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.100072 | ROBERTSON W.E. | LO | NO | HOSP - REINFORCE |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.107675 | THOMPSON R.H.B. | IO | YES | - |
| Capt | QX 6053 | HOOPER P.C. | DAAG | YES | - |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.108508 | ATKIN J.R. | CAMP COMDT | NO | HOSP - REINFORCE |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.100040 | RIDER A.C. | DADOS | YES | - |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.100071 | JAMES C. | SENIOR ENGR | NO | HOSP - TO HOSP |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.100050 | BORTHWICK T.A. | GSO III (3) | YES | - |
| Lieut | N.40513 | CLARKE T.J. | MAC | YES | - |
| Lieut | NX.131997 | BRANCHAM W.T. | ENGR (A) | YES | - |
| Lieut/Capt | SX.4337 | CLIMAN K.W.T. | GSO III | YES | - |
| Lieut | NX.122951 | MORTON R.F. | GSO III (2) | YES | - |
| Lieut | NX.115[illegible] | WOOD K.R. | ADOS | YES | - |
| Lieut | NX.110980 | JOSEPH R.W. | GSO III (2) | NO | HOSP TO AGH |

### (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS

| Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | Personal Number | Name and Initials | Unit or Corps | Date of Attachment | Nature of Attachment | Allowed by W.E. (Insert Yes or No) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lieut | NX.19320 | HOOKER E.B. | HQ 11 Aust Div | 2.10.43 | Admin Staff | YES |
| Lt Col | WX.3313 | CARR K.G. | 2/10 Aust Fd Amb | 2.10.43 | Staff Officer | No |
| Capt/Lieut | SX.3916 | IRWIN W.T. | 2/10 Aust Fd Amb | 2.10.43 | Admin Duties | YES |
| Lieut | NX.16121 | McMILLAN A.H. | 2/10 Aust Fd Amb | 2.10.43 | Admin Duties | YES |
| Lieut/Capt | NX.103966 | JOHNSON C. | 2/10 Aust Fd Amb | 2.10.43 | Admin Duties | YES |

HQ 11 Aust Div (Unit)

3 Oct 43 (Date of Despatch)

(Signature of Commander)

HQ 11 Aust Div (Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving)

655—N.G.P.P.S.—3/43—5m.

The under mentioned Officers have submitted A.A.F. 200's and D.I's and have not yet received 'X' numbers.

N.270296 Capt. T/Major LARKINS A. L.S.O.
N.49513 Lieut CLARKE I.T. A.D.C

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 3 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| | DESTINATION | ARRIVED |
|---|---|---|
| CALLED FORWARD. | | |
| Brig.Field. | Mainland. | |
| 1 Jeep Trailer - 152 General Transport Coy. | Kanga. | |
| 40 reinfts.from 1 Aust.Corps Reception Camp. | do | |

LOCAL

57/60 Aust.Inf.Bn.will move from 3 Mile Valley to Koitaki area.
58/59 Aust.Inf.Bn.will move from Koitaki area to 3 Mile Valley. Vide AQ2812 of 1 April.

~~[illegible]~~

SEA

48 Aust.Fd.Bty.due "DUNTROON" proceeding to 13 Aust.Fd.Regt.Area.

Embarked "DUNTROON".

| | |
|---|---|
| Capt.Thompson. | HQ 11 Aust.Div. |
| Maj.McQueen. | do |
| Capt.Pain. | HQ Sigs.11 Aust.Div. |
| Capt.Clifford. | HQ AASC. |
| Lt.Col.O'Connell. | 2/1 Aust.Fd.Regt. |

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# 11 AUST DIV ROUTINE ORDERS
## PART 1

By

Major-General C.A. CLOWES
COMD 11 Aust Div

HQ
11 Aust Div
3 Apr '43

GENERAL STAFF

NIL

for Col
G.S.,11 Aust Div

ADJUTANT AND QUARTER MASTER GENERAL'S STAFF

123. ROUTINE ORDERS

The undermentioned Orders have been issued and will be noted for information, necessary action and filed for future reference :-

NGF O's Serial 13 Nos 108-115 of 29 Mar '43.

124. CIRCULARS

The following circulars have been issued since promulgation of 11 Aust Div R.O. No 12 of 27 Mar '43 :-

| Subject | Branch | Date | Roneo | Distribution |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Breaches of AFCI | A | 29.3.43 | AQ2681 | A |

125. PERSONNEL WITH 18 MONTHS' CONTINUOUS MILITARY SERVICE IN TROPICAL STATIONS ( NGF O 28/43)

Units are reminded that the abovementioned quarterly return is due at this HQ by 10 Apr '43.

126. ISSUE OF STORES TO RAP's

Ref DDMS NGF circular M45/75/30 issued to all concerned.

CO's will ensure that units comply with its provisions.

Ref para 4, where expendable stores are obtained from Fd Ambs, units will submit indents for non expendable stores to ADMS through that Fd Amb.

Col
A & QMG 11 Aust Div

CHURCH NOTICES - C of E - 0900 Church parade : YMCA near 30 Club
0930 Holy Communion : HQ 11 Aust Div
R.C.-Mass- YMCA Murray Barracks - 0930 hrs
Confessions-Friday 1900 hrs to 2200 hrs at Chaplain Reynold's tent (near office CC HQ 11 Aust Div )

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# SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 4 APRIL, 1943.

## AIR

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. ARRIVED. |
|---|---|
| 40 reinfts. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp. | KANGA. |
| 110 lbs. stores - 2/6 Aust. Armd. Regt. | DOBADURA. |

## LOCAL

61 reinfts. for 7 Aust. Inf. Bde. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp.

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 4 APR '43

**PART 1 - OUTWARD**

| Serial | Unit | Personnel OFF | Personnel ORS | Destination and Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 2. | 2/16 Aust Fd Coy | | 2 | |
| 3. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 4. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 19 | |
| 5. | ALC (Wing Comd RAE,RAAF) | 1 | | |
| 6. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 3 | |
| 7. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | | 19 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 8. | 2/3 Aust Indep Coy | | 1 | |
| 9. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | 2 | | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 10. | AASC | 1 | | |
| 11. | FS Sec | 1 | | |
| 12. | ANGAU | | 1 | |
| 13. | CE's Branch NGF | 1 | | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 14. | HQ NGF | 1 | | Emplaned for TERAPO |
| 15. | CE's Branch NGF | | 1 | |

**PART 11 - INWARD**

1. Evacuations

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Troop : | Misc Aust Pers | 1 | WAU |
| | | 2 | DOBODURA |
| Medical : | Aust | 2 | WAU |
| | | 1 | DOBODURA |
| | US | 24 | DOBODURA |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1845 HRS 4 APR '43 PRO FORMA QC/31

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letters : | Received 4 Apr '43 | 252 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 3 Apr '43 | 1340 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Letters : | Received 3 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 3 Apr '43 | 714 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 4 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/31

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Harbour Position** | | |
| MANGOLA, WANAKA, LADY ISOBEL | discharging at wharf | |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | lightering in stream | |
| WEST CACTUS, EDWARD R SILL, GENERAL VERSPIJK | discharging at TATANA | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| AROOHA, KEY PITMAN | 1600 hrs 6 Apr '43 | |
| CENTAUR | 12 Apr '43 | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| MATAFELE | am 5 Apr '43 for TERAPO | Engr & Svy pers and stores |

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AWARDS (PERIODICAL)

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
5 Apr '43

HQ N G Force

... Forwarded herewith are AF W3121's in the cases of pers as shown in para 5 below.

2. It is realised that these recommendations are considerably overdue. The unit states, in explanation of this, that the C.O. was wounded in the first action and has NOT been available for the purpose of considering recommendations. This is, in fact, the case and the offr now adm comd, who was NOT present during the ops, further states that owing to those circumstances it has taken him an abnormally long time to collect the necessary infm.

3. It is felt that the circumstances are such that, in order to avoid prejudicing the pers concerned, consideration should be given to the recommendations, in spite of the lateness in submission.

4. It is desired to state, further, that the unit concerned was NOT, at the times referred to in the recommendations, under comd of this formation, which, therefore, has NO direct knowledge either of the facts or circumstances bearing on the cases. Therefore, though there is NO reason to doubt their authenticity, I do NOT feel justified in appending my supporting recommendation, and submit that the AF W3121's should be referred for consideration by the authority conducting the ops at the times in question.

5. In view of para 3 above, the AF W3121's have NOT been dealt with by me but are forwarded for consideration as suggested.

5. DETAILS OF AF W3121's

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2/6 Aust Armd Regt | NX11008 | Lt (T/Capt) C.M. DIMOND | Rec'd for M.C. |
| do | NX70814 | Lt (T/Capt) R.N.G. MAY | do |
| do | NX661 | Lieut V.H. McCROHON | do |
| do | NX37404 | Cpl E.H.M. BARNET | Rec'd for M.M. |
| do | NX43691 | Tpr (L/Cpl) F.R.T. LYNN | do |
| do | NX85684 | Tpr K.F. KENNEDY | do |
| do | NX43844 | Tpr N.T. NYE | do |

C.A. CLOWES
Maj-Gen
COMD 11 Aust Div

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 5 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lt.Col.Noyes. | | DOBADURA. | |
| Lt.Col.Hiscock.<br>Capt.Horan. | 14 Aust.Fd.Regt. | MILNE BAY. | |
| 40 reinfts.from 1 Aust.Corps Reception Camp. | | KANGA. | |

LOCAL.

Nil.

SEA.

Nil.

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5 Apr 45

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MEMO TO ORD WOs

Each day a considerable number of indents pass through the ADOS Office for replacement of unit equipment. The chief items needing replacement appear to be:-

Certain cooking gear

Web equipment, sheets ground, etc etc.

An essential part of the functions of Ord WOs is to constantly police the disposal of the items replaced. It is assumed that most of it goes back to RSD, but, as there is no clerical check on this, the personal supervision and investigation by WOs that undue wastage is not occurring is essential, and that the U.S. or repairable stores are promptly returned to RSD.

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ADOS/11 AUST DIV

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 5 APR '43

PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DEASTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 2. | 2/14 Aust Fd Coy | | 8 | |
| 3. | 2/16 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 4. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 30 | WAU |
| 5. | Misc Aust Personnel | 1 | 1 | |
| 6. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 2 | |
| 7. | PELO | 1 | 4 | |
| 8. | Misc Aust Personnel | 2 | 1 | DOBODURA |
| 9. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | 13 | |
| 10. | 9 Aust Fd Coy | | 2 | |
| 11. | 14 Aust Fd Coy | | 2 | BULLDOG on 'MATAFELE' |
| 12. | 2/1 Aust Mech Equipt Coy | | 6 | |
| 13. | 2/55 Aust LAD | 1 | 13 | |
| 14. | 3 Aust Fd Svy Coy | 2 | 25 | |

PART 11 - INWARD

1. Evacuations

Troop : NIL

Medical : Aust 2 WAU
US 15 DOBODURA

MAIL POSITION AS AT 1830 HRS 5 APR '43 PRO FORMA QC/32

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letter : | Received 5 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 4 Apr '43 | 1725 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Letters: | Received 4 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 4 Apr '43 | NIL |

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 5 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/32

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals NIL | | |
| Harbour Positions | | |
| MANGOLA, WANAKA, LADY ISOBEL | discharging at wharf | |
| WEST CACTUS, EDWARD R SILL, GENERAL VERSPIJK | working at TATANA | |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| TAROONA (Milne Bay) | 1600 hrs 6 Apr '43 | |
| KEY PITMAN | 1600 hrs 6 Apr '43 | |
| GEORGE MORANY, JOSEPH HOLT | am 10 Apr '43 | |
| ULOOLOO, CARDROSS, STAGEN | 12 Apr '43 | |
| CENTAUR | 12 Apr '43 | Hospital ship |
| Sailings | | |
| MATAFELE | 0600 hrs 5 Apr '43 | TERAPO - Engr and Svy pers (see above) and Engr and Svy Stores |

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HQ 11 AUST DIV.
5 APR 43.

AEME 11 AUST DIV - NOTES FOR WAR DIARY.

PLACE - Port Moresby - Map ref 904367 Port Moresby (Special) 1-in to 1-mile.

DATE - 4 APR 43.

TIME - as at 2359-hrs

MT

1. The AEME MT inspection is now nearing completion and vehs requiring repairs are keeping 2nd echelon wkshop secs up to full capacity.

2. 2nd echelon wkshops are gradually repairing vehs to be returned to 11 Aust Div VRS for reissue, but continued lack of Oxygen and Acetylene, timber and spare parts is still a hindrance. The introduction of work from outside formations has been restricted as far as possible so that more time can be given to vehs of this formation.

ARTILLERY.

3. Modifications to further 25-pr equipments have been brought up to date. The following is the number of guns serviced during past week:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Ord QF 25-pr | 6 |
| 6-pr A/Tk | 5 |

ARMOURY

4. A Mobile Armourers Wkshop is to commence operations on 7 Apr 43, the motive being the complete inspection and repair where necessary of all small arms in the Div; Appendix A attached hereto sets out the complete organisation.
The following list shows arms reconditioned during past week :-

| | |
|---|---|
| Rifles SMLE | 46 |
| SMGs | 10 |
| MG (LMG & MMG) | 27 |
| Mortars ML 3-in | 10 |

WIRELESS AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

5. A complete check of all above equipment is at present being carried out by EME (Radio) NG Force. Reports already received indicate that unit maintenance is not completely satisfactory, particularly because of greater care necessary in this climate. Arrangements are already in hand through "M" Sec Sigs and wkshops to have defective equipment reconditioned. During past week fourteen (14) wireless sets have been passed through 2nd echelon wkshops.

INSTRUMENTS.

6. An inspection of instruments at all Arty Units(ref Appendix B) is being carried out by Armt Artificer Insts from 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop AEME and reports submitted tomthis office.

TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT.

7. Eqpt left behind by 2/59 Aust LAD who are to move from this area, has been taken over by 266 Aust LAD.

Major.
ADME 11 AUST DIV.

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HQ 11 AUST DIV.
4 APR 43.

ME/708/93

16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop AEME
21 Bde Sec 7 Aust Div Wkshop AEME
113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME.

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MOBILE ARMOURER'S WORKSHOP.

1. The following instructions are issued with regard to the temporary formation of an 11 Aust Div Mobile Armourers Wkshop AEME.

2. Intention is for aboge 'shop to visit units,staying long enough to enable a thorough arms check and reconditioning, comprising stripping,beeswaxing,reblueing,where necessary, replacing components as required,reassembling,zeroing and if necessary rebedding rifles.Mortars M.L. 2" and 3" will also be checked over;MG's and SMG'S to be stripped,checked,reblued where neceassary,parts replaced if required,and zeroed on range.

3. Units without attached armourers,will,as far as possible be visited first.First unit will be 2/1 Aust Fd Regt,commencing 7 Apr 43,and completing if possible by 19 Apr 43.

4. Equipment to be used:-
   (a) Truck 3 Ton Armourers.
   (b) Van 15 Cwt GS.
   (c) Tent 180 lbs,or similar.
   (d) Tools and eqpt-to be brought by each individual armpurer as required,to be under his care,and later returned to his own unit after completion of programme.

   Item (a) to be made available by 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop and to be delivered under own arrangements to 16 Bde Sec Wkshop by 1000 hrs 6 Apr 43.
   Items (b) and (c) to be supplied under arrangements ADME.

5. Armourers will be made available as follows,and will report at 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop at 1000 hrs 6 Apr 43.Blankets, personal and messgear required.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| From 16 Bde Sec Wkshop. | WOII | 1 |
| | OR's | 2 |
| From 21 Bde Sec Wkshop. | Cpl's | 1 |
| " 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop. | Sgt. | 1 |
| | OR's | 1 |
| | | 6 |

6. WOII Horsborough,16 Bde Sec Wkshop,will be i/c Mobile Armourers 'shop,directly under the orders of ADME.Personnel in para 5 will not be transferred to Armourers 'Shop,but will remain on their own unit strength,and any disciplinary cases will be referred to own CO's.

7. Wkshop will be attached for rations to each unit visited.

8. Daily assistance of approximately twelve(12) intelligent OR's(Ptes) will be required from each unit visited;arrangements should be made with each unit to allow the same men to remain throughout,owing to waste of time in repeatedly training new personnel.

9. Site near each unit should be chosen with a view to using locally a 25 yard zeroing range.Some such rangeswill be available;agreement of CO will invariably be obtained before range is

used, and safety precautions observed when firing.

10. Sundays will as far as possible be restdays, and members returned to own units for the day, provided proper arrangements are made for guarding equipment.

11. Records of work will be kept by 'shop as previously instructed.

12. SAA for zeroing will be supplied as needed through ADME office (AO) and economy will be observed as far as consistent with good results Supplies of spare parts will be obtained by indents in duplicate to ADME (in name of 16 Bde Sec Wkshop) for signature by ADOS; spares will then be collected by 17 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk.

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ADME NG Force.
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Major.
ADME 11 Aust Div.

APPENDIX B

HQ 11 AUST DIV.
2 APR 43.

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16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop AEME.

INSPECTION OF INSTRUMENTS.

1. Armt Artificer Insts AEME in 16 Bde Sec will inspect the following classes of instruments at Arty Units etc on the revised dates as shown below :-

Classes of Instruments:-

Rangefinders
Watches GS and Stop
Directors
Barometers
Compasses Prismatic etc.
Binoculars Prismatic
Telescopes sighting
Dial Sights
Clinometers, Field and Sight.

Dates of Inspection:-

| | |
|---|---|
| 2/1 Aust Fd Regt | 5 Apr 43 |
| 13 Aust Fd Regt | 6 Apr 43 |
| 1 Aust Mountain Bty | 7 Apr 43 |
| 14 Aust Fd Regt | 8 Apr 43 |
| 2/1 Aust A/Tk Regt | 9 Apr 43 |

2. Report will be required setting out for each unit :-

(a) Type of Instrument
(b) Total number inspected
(c) Whether unit maintenance is good, fair or bad.
(d) Numbers of any instruments which require wkshop repairs.
(e) Particulars of any instruments calling for special mention.

3. One copy of report will be left with CO of Unit, one to attached LAD and two (2) to ADME. Reports may be in pencil with carbon copies.

4. Where wkshop repairs are necessary, unit is to be advised to move such instruments through att LAD to wkshop; unit will also be given any possible advice with regard to maintenance of instruments during the inspection.

H B Evans Major.
ADME 11 AUST DIV.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 6 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 40 reinfts. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp. | KANGA. | YES. |

SEA.

14 tons of stores, 14 Aust. Fd. Regt. "Manaka" MILNE BAY.

LOCAL.

NIL.

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## MOVEMENT OF UNIT AND DETS 6 Apr '43

PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL Offrs | PERSONNEL ORs | Destination & Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | 2 | 18 | |
| 2 | Misc AUST personnel | - | 3 | |
| 3 | RAAF | - | 3 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 4 | NATIVES | - | 2 | |
| 5 | Sigs NG L of C | 1 | 1 | |
| 6 | DFO's Branch | - | 2 | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 7 | ANGAU | 1 | - | |
| 8 | Sigs NG L of C | - | 1 | |
| 9 | ANGAU | - | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 10 | COSC | 1 | - | Emplaned for TERAPO |

PART 11 - INWARD

EVACUATIONS BY AIR

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Troop | ANGAU | - | 1 | |
| | RAAF | - | 1 | From DOBODURA |
| | NATIVES | - | 3 | |
| | Misc AUST personnel | 1 | 1 | |
| | U.S. personnel | - | 1 | From ROENA |
| | 2/1 Aust Svy Topo Coy | - | 2 | From RORONA |
| Medical | | | | |
| | Aust - 2 - | | | From WAU |
| | U.S. - 9 - | | | From DOBODURA |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 6 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| AROONA<br>KEY PITMAN | 1830 hrs from mainland | US personnel & Misc cargo |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| MANGOLA | Discharging at wharf | |
| LADY ISOBEL | Discharging and backloading at wharf | |
| WANAKA)<br>AROONA) | In stream | |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | Lightering in stream | |
| KEY PITMAN | At TATANA | |
| EDWARD R. SILL<br>WEST CACTUS<br>GENERAL VERSPIJK | Working at TATANA | |
| **Expected arrivals** | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT<br>G.W. McRARY<br>VAN HEUTZ | A.M. 10 Apr '43 | |
| ULCOLOO<br>CAIRNROSS<br>STAGEN | P.M. 12 Apr '43 | |
| CENTAUR | P.M. 12 Apr '43 | Hospital ship |
| **Sailings** | NIL | |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1830 HRS 6 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 6 Apr '43 | 3138 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 6 Apr '43 | 286 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 5 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 5 Apr '43 | 206 lbs |

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## MOVEMENTS OF UNITS AND DETS 7 APR '43

**PART 1 - OUTWARD**

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 2 | |
| 2. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 8 | |
| 3. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 27 | |
| 4. | HQ RAA 3 Aust Div | | 1 | |
| 5. | 2/16 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 6. | 85 Aust Dental Unit | 1 | | |
| 7. | ANGAU | | 2 | emplaned for WAU |
| 8. | Misc Aust Personnel | 2 | 1 | |
| 9. | Native Police (FELO) | | 3 | |
| 10. | Postal Service | 1 | 2 | emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 11. X | 14 Aust Fd Regt | 6 | 96 | embarked for |
| 12. | RAAF | 3 | 7 | MILNEBAY |

**PART 11 - INWARD**

1. Evacuations

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Troops | AUST | 3 | 7 | from WAU |
| | | 1 | | from BULOLO |
| Medical | AUST | | 3 | from WAU |
| | | | 2 | from DOBODURA |
| | US | | 5 | from DOBODURA |

## POSTAL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 7 APR '43 PRO FORMA QG/34

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letters : | Received 7 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 6 Apr '43 | 20 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Letters : | Received 6 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 6 Apr '43 | 291 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 7 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/34

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** NIL | | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| MANGOLA, GENERAL VERSPIJK | discharging at wharf | |
| AROONA, LADY ISOBEL | in stream | |
| KEY PITHAN, WEST CACTUS | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| WANAKA | 1800 hrs for MILNEBAY | 14 Aust Fd Regt and RAAF pers as above |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS, EDWARD R SILL | 1700 Hrs for Mainland | Misc cargo |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT, GEORGE H McGARY | 0930 hrs 10 Apr | |
| STAGEN, ULOOLOO, VAN HEUTZ, CITY OF FORTWORTH | 1600 hrs 12 Apr | |
| CENTAUR | 12 Apr | Hospital ship |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| LADY ISOBEL | 1600 hrs 7 Apr | for mainland |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 7 APRIL, 1943. 21

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 40 reinfts. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp. | KANGA. | YES. |

SEA.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 Offrs. and 96 ORs. 24 Aust. Fd. Regt. | "WANAKA". | MILNE BAY. |

LOCAL.

NIL.

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MEMO TO ORD WOs

AMENDMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS TO E2 TABLES

Attention is directed to GRO 234/43

When amendments to E2 Tables are notified in GROs, it is essential that all units concerned carry out these amendments and - where it is directed - that surplus equipment be returned to Adv Ord Depots. It is necessary for you to see that this is done.

For example, the above GRO refers to the return of Cleavers from units which may be holding them, and which have no butcher on establishment.

For information, the following are the only units in this Formation which have a butcher on establishment:-

HQ of a General Transpott Coy

T/Ak Regt

Fd Regts

Inf Bns

MG Bns

HQ Supply Depot Coy

Supply Depot Pl

Div Sigs

Armd Regt

(sgd) A.G. Rider Capt
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AUSTRALIAN ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

11 Aust Div

WAR DIARY .. 28 March - 8 April 1943

A. HQ 11 Aust Div

LECTURES : During above period S/C (Education) and Education Sgt delivered 31 lectures to 20 units and sub-units. Aggregate number of soldiers in attendance totalled approx 1900.

Major ELLIOTT-SMITH ; of ANGAU, delivered a lecture to portion of 14 Aust Fd Regt on "New Guinea and Its Natives." 70 attended.

DISCUSSION GROUPS : 8 Discussion Groups have been started by soldiers.

CLASSES On promulgation of classes available ,the following applications have been made ...

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Theory of Music ... | 27 | soldiers (already started) |
| 2. Metuan | 45 | ( to start April 10) |
| 3. Logic and philosophy | 19 | |
| 4. Reading and writing | 10 | |
| 5. Australian History | 5 | |
| 6. Geography & Industry | 2 | |

Arrangements are in hand for commencement of Nos 3 & 4 above. 5 & 6 will depend on increase in requests.

CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Applications completed & forwarded .. 35
First lessons received 5
All ranks are included in above ,including 1 Bty Commander.

LIBRARIES

Circulating boxes - 5 boxes have been exchanged.
Books privately borrowed (30 Club) .. 110

MUSIC

RECITALS 5 CCS. Sgt DORMAN gave a recital with annotations of Chopin, Schubert, Albeniz, Debussy, Ravel, Scott, De Falla , Chasins and Dohnanyi to an audience of approx 135.

RECORDED RECITALS WITH ANNOTATIONS : A first class stock of celebrity recordings of symphonies, vocalists, and instrumentalists is on its way. Specially constructed gramaphones are being made for use by A.E.S.

At suggestion of this HQ special strip films are being made for use in conjunction with records.

Attached list of projected programmes from available records was compiled by A/Sgt Dorman, S.

MUSIC CLUB

Approximately 30 inquiries have been made by soldiers desirous of attending special recorded programmes of good music.

ACCOMMODATION : Present accommodation of AES, 11 Aust Div, is inadequate. A request has been made to obtain a large American tent or marquee for study and classes.

B. 7 Aust Inf Bde

| | |
|---|---|
| Lectures 8 ... attendance | 550 |
| Discussion groups | 2 |
| Library books distributed | 20 |
| Enrolment C. Courses completed | 1 |
| Chess Club | 7 men. |

Lieut
S/C Educ. 11 Aust Div

ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

11 AUST. DIV.

2/4/43.

GRAMAPHONE RECORDS

1. From the list of records submitted by LHQ, it has been found necessary to draft out two distinctly different types of programme. These are as follows :-

(a) PROGRAMMES FOR ADVANCED LISTENERS:

These are meant to satisfy a surprisingly large number of men in the units being serviced, who already possess a more than average understanding of good music.

(b) MUSIC FOR EVERYMAN:

These programmes have been designed to appeal to the man who knows only a little about good music. The series includes works both known and unknown to this type of listener, and tackle the whole subject from various angles which are likely to claim his attention from the start.

2. Those programmes marked with an asterisk(X) are particularly necessary to the success of the above outlined plan.

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'Q' BRANCH
HQ NG FORCE
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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 8 APR '43

### PART I - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Misc Aust Personnel | | 4 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 2. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 5 | " " DOBODURA |
| 3. | RAAF | 1 | 10 | " " DOBODURA |
| 4. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | " " BUILDOG |
| 5. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | " " KOKODA |

### PART II - INWARD

1. Evacuations

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Troop : | 24 Aust Inf Bde | 5 | 4 ) | |
| | 58/59 Aust Inf Bn | 6 | 4 ) | from WAU |
| | 57/60 Aust Inf Bn | 7 | 4 ) | |
| | Misc Aust Personnel | 1 | ) | |
| | ANGAU | 1 | 2 | from DOBODURA |
| | Misc Aust Personnel | | 10 | from DOBODURA |
| Medical : | | | | |
| | Aust | | 6 | from WAU |
| | | | 3 | from DOBODURA |
| | US | | 17 | from DOBODURA |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1900 HRS 8 APR '43 PRO FORMA QC/35

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letters : | Received 8 Apr '43 | 1793 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 7 Apr '43 | 1242 lbs |
| MILNEBAY | Letters : | Received 7 Apr '43 | 1297 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 7 Apr '43 | 266 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 8 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/35

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** NIL | | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| MANGOLA | discharging at wharf | |
| WEST CACTUS | alongside MANGOIA | |
| AROONA ) | | |
| GENERAL VERSPIJK) | lightering from stream | |
| KEY PITMAN | at TATANA | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT ) | | |
| GEORGE McGARY ) | 0930 hrs 10 Apr from mainland | |
| VAN HEUTZ ) | | |
| ULOOLOO ) | | |
| CITY OF FORTWORTH ) | 1600 hrs 12 Apr from mainland | |
| STAGEN ) | | |
| CENTAUR | 12 Apr | Hospital ship |
| **Sailings** | | |
| LADY ISOBEL | 0600 hrs 8 Apr frommainland | general cargo |

DISTRIBUTION : Send : G, AQ, A, ADOS, War Diary (2)
by Q 11 Aust Div

MOST SECRET.

SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 8 APRIL, 1945. 25

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 22 Offrs. and 25 ORs; 15 Aust. Inf. Bde. | KANGA. | No |
| Chaplain Morgan, 3 Aust. Div. | do | ✓ |
| 40 reinfts. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp. | do | ✓ |

SEA.

NIL.

LOCAL.

NIL.

DISTRIBUTION: COMD; G; AQ; A; Q; ADOS; WAR DIARY(2)

MOST SECRET.

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HQ 11 Aust Div.
9 Apr 43.

ADME 11 AUST DIV-NOTES FOR WAR DIARY.

PLACE Port Moresby. Map ref 904367 Port Moresby(Special) 1-in to 1-mile

DATE : 9 Apr 43.

TIME : as at 2359 hrs.

1. MT.
2nd Echelon wkshops are at full capacity,but the continued absence of welding gases,spare parts etc is still a hindrance.
Tests carried out on a sample of battery acid from 10 Adv Ord Depot indicated the presence of iron,and supplies of acid on hand returned to Ordnance,holding up initial charging of batteries.
Four tipping steel bodied 3- ton trucks were dismantled and prepared for air transport to Wau for RAE.

ARTILLERY.
2. Modifications to further 25-pr equipments have been brought up to date,The following is the number of guns serviced during the past week:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Ord QF 25-pr | 3 |
| " " 6-pr Tank Attack | 1 |
| Trailers | 3 |
| Miscellaneous | 2 |

ARMOURY.
3. A mobile armourers' wkshop commenced operations on 7 Apr 43 at 2/1 Aust Fd Regt,but initial reports as to progress are not yet to hand.
The following list shows arms reconditioned during past week in 2nd echelon wkshops :-

| | |
|---|---|
| Rifles SMLE | 126 |
| SMGs (Owen) | 7 |
| LMGs | 16 |
| Mortars ML 3-in | 36 |

WIRELESS AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.
4. Further inspection of this equipment has been carried out by EME(Radio) and reports indicate that greater care must be exercised with unit maitenance.
It has become obvious that "M" Sec Sigs 11 Aust Divis not carrying out monthly inspections of "all field army Sigs equipment" and in particular are not regarding it as their duty to carry out First Echelon repair on equipment on charge to Bn and Bty Sigs which equipment is consequently seriously deteriorating. This matter has been fully discussed with Lt-Col Watkins (ADME NG Force) with a request that he come to an agreement with Sigs NG Force on the exact scope of operations of both Signal Corps and AEME.
Equipment requiring 2nd echelon attention is being absorbed as time and space permit.
During past week twenty-three(23) wireless sets have been passed through 2nd echelon wkshops.

INSTRUMENTS.
5. An inspection of arty instruments is being carried out by Armt Artificer Insts and reports indicate that humid climatic conditions and fungus are seriously affecting certain instruments.
Approximately 50% of instruments inspected require 2nd echelon wkshop repairs,including 15% which are defective due to fungi growing on glass surfaces. Present indications are that 600 instruments require 2nd echelon repair this being far beyond the capacity of present wkshop facilities in NG.

Another 10% of instruments, such as binoculars show globules of moisture in the graticules, but it is worthy of note that dial sights have not been greatly affected either by fungi or moisture. Apparently their enclosure (luting) is fairly successful in preventing air ingress and egress.

TRAINING.

6. The mobile gas chamber is now in operation at 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME.

A series of eight(8) First Aid lectures for members of LAD and Wkshop recovery crews are now in progress.

Six battalion gun fitters, and two fitters from 241 Aust LAD and 266 Aust LAD, are to receive instruction in repair and maintenance of QF 2-pr Tank Attack Gun in either 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop, 21 Bde Gp Sec 7 Aust Div Wkshop, or 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop.

H.S. Gram Major.
ADME 11 Aust Div.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Serial No 43/15
AIF 11/1/4 as amended
WE Ref AMF
WE 37 x 187
Attached
Allowed by WE - x 2

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ II AUST DIV (Unit)

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

| 1 Ranks | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) | 3 Surplus to Establishment | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Major-General 1 * | 1 | - | - |
| Colonels 1 * | 3 | 2 | - |
| Lieut.-Colonels 5 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Majors 13 | 8 | - | 5 |
| Captains 12 | 10 | - | 2 |
| Lieutenants 2 | 8 | 6 | - |
| Chaplains 3 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Quartermasters - | | | |
| Totals 37 | 34 | 8 | 11 |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

| Rank | Name | Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lieut | Mc Millan A H | HQ 11 Aust Div | 7/2/43 | T.O.S. - AG List 45 |
| Lieut | Elston E C | " | (22/3/43 | T.O.S. - 3 Aust Corps |
| | | | 9/4/43 | Q.1771 19/3/43.) |
| Major | Armati L V | " (AAMC) | 8/4/43 | T.O.S. - NGF MS259 12/4 |
| Lieut | Leckie R F | " | 9/4/43 | T.O.S. 16/1/43 - NGF DALIS 1777 7/4/43. |

Officers QUITTED during week.

| Rank | Name | Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| T/Major | McQueen G H | HQ 11 Aust Div (AAMC) | 2/4/43 | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | Thompson R H B | HQ 11 Aust Div | 2/4/43 | Rec Leave |

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

| Rank | Name and Initials | Corps | Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known) |
|---|---|---|---|
| T/Capt | James C | HQ 11 Aust Div | 2/9 AGH |

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

| 1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | 2 Personal Number | 3 Name and Initials | 4 Corps | 5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No) | 6 If not present with Unit, state how employed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt-Col | | | | | |
| T/Maj-Gen | TX2050 | Clowes C A | Comd | yes | - |
| Col | TX2051 | Sheehan G L | GSO 1 | " | - |
| Lt-Col T/Col | WX1546 | Maitland G B G | ADMS | " | - |
| Maj T/Col | NX100054 | Litchfield J C | AA & QMG | No | Medical Leave |
| Capt T/Lt-Col | NX12020 1 | Moyes J | PP Cts Mtl | yes | - |
| Lt-Col | QX6218 | Vidgen H R | ADOS | yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX111871 | Singe C W | GSO II | yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX100084 | Willis J W | DAAG | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX126730 | Larkins A | LSO | yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX100046 | Bailey K G | DAQMG | yes | - |
| Capt T/Major | VX88193 | Mc Queen [illegible] H | DADH | No | Rec Leave |
| Capt T/Major | VX47758 | Bradin H B | ADMS | yes | - |
| Lieut T/Maj | NX100069 | Hawkeswood H W | DADH | No | Medical Leave |
| Chap T/Major | VX46590 | Blake D | Sen Chap C/E | No | Rec Leave |
| Chap T/Major | NX70219 | Reynolds P F | Sen Chap R/C | yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX81148 | Speight N L | GSO (11) L | No | Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100063 | Boddam-Whetham T S | LO | No | Duty Det (7Bde) |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100072 | Robertson W E | LO | No | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX107675 | Thompson R H B | LO | Yes | Rec Leave |
| Capt | QX6082 | Hooper R C | DAAG (L) | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX108508 | Atkin J R | Camp Comdt | No | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100040 | Rider A C | DADOS | Yes | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100067 | James C | Catering Advr | No | Hosp - 2/9 AGH |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100050 | Borthwick J M | GSO III o | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX102494 | Clarke I J | ADC | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX138997 | Beauchamp W D | DAQMG (L) | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | SX4337 | Cowan R W T | GSOIII (1) | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX122951 | Horton M F | GSOIII | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX115682 | Wood K A | Educ | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX110884 | Freeman R H | GSO III(L) | No | Hosp - 2/9 AGH |
| Lieut | NX101571 | McMillan A H | A/Camp Comdt | Yes | - |
| Lieut | WX32998 | Elston E C | Amenities Offr | No-Not arrived yet | |
| Major | NX83 | Armati L V | DADMS | yes | - |
| Lieut | VX117078 | Leckie R F | ADME AO | yes | - |

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

| Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | Personal Number | Name and Initials | Corps | Date of attachment | Nature of attachment |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt | NX129 | Rishworth J C | 5 Aust Div | 2/4/43 | LSO Duties |
| Lieut | NX76320 | Norrie R F | 1 Aust Corps Rec Cp | 25/3/43 | G Duties |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Lt-Col | WX3373 | Caro A G | 2/16 Inf Bn | 8/2/43 | S/O Moresby Def |
| Capt T/Major | SX2910 | Irwin W W | 2/2 Fd Amb | 5/1/43 | ADMS Duties |

H Q II AUST DIV
(Unit)

10 April 1943
(Date of Despatch)

(Signature of Commander)

HQ II AUST DIV
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving)

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# 11 AUST. DIV. ROUTINE ORDERS

## PART I

by
Major-General C. A. CLOWES
COMD 11 AUST DIV

HQ
11 AUST. DIV.,
AUSTRALIA.

10 Apr. '43.

## GENERAL STAFF

127. USE OF WORDS "AIRCRAFT" AND AIRFIELD" (GRO G.240/43).

All units under comd 11 Aust Div will cease the use of the words "aeroplane" and "aerodrome" and substitute therefore "aircraft" and "airfield".

Such words will apply to all military correspondence, Operation Orders, Messages and Signals.

128. CHANGE IN NOMENCLATURE—A/TK UNITS.

In conformity with GRO G.241/43 the term Anti-Tank will NO longer be used, its place being taken by the term Tank Attack. The authorised abbreviation for Tank Attack is Tk.A.

Commencing forthwith, designation of following units will be altered :-

| Old Designation | New Designation |
|---|---|
| 2/1 Aust A/Tk Regt. | 2/1 Aust Tk.A Regt |
| Inf Bn A/Tk Pls. | Inf Bn Tk.A Pls. |

Similarly A/Tk guns are now known as Tk.A guns.

129. A/GAS TRG (AUST UNITS ONLY).

Current return of TsOET in accordance with Secs 102-103-104 Pam. 1 PAG or Sec 15 Gas Trg (Aust) 1942, will be fwded to reach Div HQ NOT later than 28 Apr. '43. Subsequent returns will be rendered at three monthly intervals.

130. PROCEDURE FOR LAYING OF NEW SIG LINES.

All units under comd 11 Aust Div will, commencing forthwith, submit to Sigs 11 Aust Div for approval, any proposed new sig lines to be laid in area PORT MORESBY for unit or inter-unit comns.

This instruction does NOT apply to lines required for urgent operations or trg exercises where lines are to be recovered immediately on conclusion of the exercise.

131. ALLOTMENT OF TRG AMN FOR AUST UNITS.

Attention is drawn to NGF R/O 117/43. All Aust units

under comd 11 Aust Div will submit indents for trg amn on a monthly basis as allotted in GROs 161/162 as amended to date, to Div HQ NOT later than 25th. day of preceding month.

Where amn in excess of that allotted by GROs 161/162 as amended to date is required, such demands will be fwded to Div HQ NOT later than 20th. day of preceding month. Approval or otherwise will be notified to units concerned and on receipt of notification indents will be fwded to Div HQ through normal channels.

All demands for additional amn must show purposes for which amn required and proposed allotment down to Bns or equivalent units.

132. BEACH WIRING MORESBY AREA.

From reports received it is apparent that insufficient care is being exercised in the maintenance of Beach Wiring in the MORESBY AREA.

Subtended below is NGF R/O 73/43 :-

"Attention is directed to the necessity for maintenance of all def wiring in the PORT MORESBY AREA.

Recently working parties have been observed removing portions of wiring in order to obtain access to the beaches for the purpose of removing sand.

This practice will cease forthwith.

133. SURVEY MARKS (NGF O 118/43).

1. Several cases have occurred recently of Survey marks being destroyed, either inadvertently or deliberately.

2. In the PORT MORESBY area there are a number of Trigonometrical Points marked by a tripod beacon over a brass plug inscribed "R A N Hydrographical Survey" set in concrete. Other marks in evidence are wooden or iron pegs bearing numbers.

3. All ranks must be acquainted with the urgent necessity for preserving survey marks, and, should it be necessary or desirable to destroy or remove any such mark for the purpose of building or road construction, the matter will be referred to HQ NEW GUINEA Force before the mark is destroyed or removed.

4. This paragraph is to be repeated in the orders of all NEW GUINEA Force units located in the PORT MORESBY area.

Col.
G.S., 11 AUST. DIV.

ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF

134. ROUTINE ORDERS

The undermentioned Orders have been issued and will be noted for information, necessary action and filed for future reference :-

GRO's 237 - 263 of 26 Mar. '43

( over )

GRO's 264 - 278 of 2 Apr. '43
NGF O's Serial 14 No's 116-136 of 5 Apr. '43.

135. CIRCULARS

The following circulars have been issued since promulgation of 11 Aust Div R.O., No.13 of 3 Apr. '43 :

| SUBJECT | BRANCH | DATE | RONEO | DISTRIBUTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Adm Instn No.10 - Movt by Sea | Q | 10 Mar 43 | AQ3148 | A and B |

136. GENERAL & NG FORCE ORDERS

The attention of all units is particularly drawn to the undermentioned Orders :-

NGFO 122 "Disposal of Personal Equipment of Casualties."
NGFO 124 "Malaria Control Measures."
NGFO 125 "Cooks - Provision Of".
NGFO 134 "Outward Cargo - Checking and Documentation."

137. SERVICE OVERSEAS—RECORD OF VOLUNTEERS OF PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES (GRO A 670/42).

"After the conclusion of the last war difficulty was experienced in determining which members of the Permanent Military Forces who had not served overseas had volunteered unreservedly for such service, with the result that the rights of certain members who had volunteered were endangered."

In order to prevent a recurrence of this state of affairs, all members who wish their names to be so recorded, and who have not already notified their desire to so serve and received an acknowledgment of that fact in writing, should do so immediately.

An up-to-date list of all such volunteers will be maintained at L of C Area HQ.

138. NATIONAL SECURITY (WAR SERVICE MORATORIUM) REGULATIONS, NATIONAL SECURITY (LANDLORD & TENANT) REGULATIONS. (GRO A270/43).

The attention of all units is drawn to the abovementioned Order and units will take all reasonable steps to make the contents of this Order known to all personnel of the unit and will comply with para. 8 thereof.

139. BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY—SECURITY OF ELEVALA JETTY (NGF O 129/43).

ELEVALA Jetty (Ref PM Special 1" - 1 mile 863378) is out of bounds to all personnel not in possession of a pass signed by OC Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy and is not to be used by any small craft as moorings.

This order will be published in all unit orders.

140. PISTOLS, POSSESSION OF (NGF O 136/43).

1. Pistols of any type or description shall not be sold, purchased or exchanged.

2. On or after 15 Apr 43 it will be an offence for any member of the AMF to have in his possession or custody any pistol other than one issued to him by Army authority or where he has the permission referred to in para. 3 hereof.

3. Permission may be granted by a Formation Comd to any member to have in his possession a pistol other than one issued to him; such permission to be in writing, signed personally by Formation Comd.

4. All ranks in possession of pistols not issued to them or not provided for under the last para will forthwith surrender the same to the QM or HQ Orderly Room of their unit.

5. All ranks having pistols in their possession are held personally responsible therefor and will immediately report the loss of such pistol.

6. The loss of a pistol is to be regarded as an offence for which the offender is to be tried by Court-Martial, unless the Formation Comd otherwise directs. In all cases of loss of pistols, the offender will be charged and a Summary of Evidence, which will be forwarded to the Formation Comd, will be taken.

7. This order will be published in this Unit Routine Orders at least once per week for four consecutive weeks from the date hereof, and thereafter will be repeated once per month in all such orders.

8. NEW GUINEA Force Order 55/42 is cancelled.

Where pistols are held by members, in terms of para (3) of the abovementioned instruction, units will forward applications for permission to retain such weapons NOT later than 1800K, 16 Apr 43.

All applications will indicate full particulars of the weapon in question.

141. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER

It is of the utmost importance that all instructions concerning the conservation of rubber are rigidly enforced. In view of the drastic restrictions in supply, arising from enemy action, it is imperative that all ranks are constantly impressed with the importance of prolonging the life of ALL stores which contain any rubber content and so reduce replacements to an absolute minimum. In this regard the attention of all units is directed to GRO's 150/42 and 294/42. (To be published in all Unit R/O's).

142. POSTAL ADDRESSES—PERSONNEL IN HOSPITAL

It has been noted that personnel evacuated to an AGH or other medical unit are showing as their address in correspondence, the unit designation of the medical unit to which they have been admitted. Such practice is a breach of AFCI and personnel contravening this instruction will be charged accordingly. (To be published in all Unit R/O's).

143. DELIVERY OF MAIL—PERSONNEL IN HOSPITAL

Complaints have been received by this HQ that mail addressed to personnel who have been evacuated to hospital has not been delivered until discharge and eventual return to the unit.

It is the duty of all units to ensure that mail received for such personnel is delivered in the shortest possible time after receipt.

144. LOSSES OF WARLIKE STORES

It is apparent that the procedure following the loss of

warlike stores is NOT understood amongst units of this Formation.

Immediately the loss of an item of warlike stores is revealed the unit will advise ADOS, 11 Aust Div., by signal. Such signal will give full particulars such as date, pattern, number etc., Units will NOT submit indents (G.1033) for replacement.

145. LOSS OF STORES

The attention of all units is directed to AMR & O., 691(a)(b).

146. BLANKETS FOR WASHING AT MOB. LAUNDRIES (NGF O 130/43).

Units may now draw clean blankets for those at present in use, from 1 Aust Corps Mob Laundry, and Decontamination Unit, 1½ Mile.

Returned blankets will be accompanied by a certificate from a medical unit or from 1 Aust Corps Mob Bath Unit that the blankets have been disinfected.

147. REFILLS—FIRE EXTINGUISHERS FOR MECH. VEHICLES.

Refills for Carbon Tetrachloride type fire extinguishers are now available. Units will submit indents for their requirements to ADOS.

J. W. Wells Lucy
Col.
for DA & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

N O T I C E S

LOST: 1 box, tool armourers (Aust) with colour strips of brown, white, brown and marked 46009. Finder will contact 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

LOST: Watch wristlet, black face, Dunkling's Stainless Steel, in leather cover. Finder please contact 15 Fd Coy RAE.

LOST: M/C Norton No. C.4390203, Engine No. W.30177 - Model 1940.

Any unit or person knowing the whereabouts of the abovementioned M/C will contact 11 Aust Div Provost Coy.

CHURCH NOTICES

C. of E. 0900 Church Parade: YMCA near 30 Club Building.
0930 Holy Communion: HQ 11 Aust Div.

R.C. MASS - YMCA Murray Barracks, 0930 hours.

CONFESSIONS: Friday 1900 hrs to 2200 hrs at Chaplain Reynold's tent (near office CC HQ 11 AUST DIV).

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HQ NG FORCE
PRO FORMA QA/37

## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 10 APR '43

**PART 1 - OUTWARD**

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Misc Aust Personnel | 1 | | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 2. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 8 ) | |
| 3. | ANGAU | | 2 ) | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 4. | RAAF | | 2 ) | |
| 5. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 1 | Emplaned for HOOD POI |

**PART 11 - INWARD**

1. US Army personnel — deatils NOT yet known

2. Evacuations
   Medical : Aust 3
   US 25 from DOBODURA

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1830 HRS 10 APR '43 PRO FORMA QG/37

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Letters : | Received 10 Apr '43 | 1426 lbs |
| | | On hand Townsville 9 Apr '43 | NIL |
| MILNE BAY | Letters : | Received 9 Apr '43 | 726 lbs |
| | | On hand TOWNSVILLE 9 Apr '43 | NIL |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 10 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/37

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT ) GEORGE W McGARY) | 1200 hrs from mainland | Misc cargo and US pers |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| GEORGE W McGEARY ) CORINA ) | Discharging at wharf | |
| MATAFELE | At wharf | |
| JOSEPH HOLT | Anchored in stream | |
| ARGONA | Lightering in stream | |
| KEY PITMAN ) WEST CACTUS ) | at TATANA | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ ) ULOOLOO ) CITY OF FORTWORTH) | 1600 hrs 12 Apr '43 from mainland | |
| CENTAUR | 1000 hrs 13 Apr '43 | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| MANGOLA | 1730 hrs for mainland | Misc cargo |

Distribution : Comd, G, AQ, A, ADOS, War Diary (2)
by Q 11 Aust Div

KGB/GLG

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 10

MOVEMENT BY SEA

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
10 Apr '43

The following instruction will be carried out by units of this Formation moving by sea to Australia or to other operational stations in NEW GUINEA.

1. MOVEMENT TO AUSTRALIA- EMBARKATION OF PERS AND LOADING OF STORES

On receipt of a Warning Order for movement, units will advise HQ 11 Aust Div by signal, the following particulars :-

(a) Number of personnel for embarkation - Offrs and ORs - Fd Offrs and officers of higher rank will be shown separately;

(b) Deadweight tonnage of stores;

(c) Shipping tonnage of stores ;

(d) Heaviest lift ;

(e) Where guns trailers or vehicles are required to be shipped, particulars will be shown;

(f) Transport required for movement of (a) stores (b) personnel from unit site to wharf;

(g) Prepare,in accordance with Appx 'A' attached ,embarkation nominal rolls and Strength Return on Embarkation and Disembarkation (AAF T. 51) , eight copies each, which will be handed to MCO 8 Aust Movement Control Gp, by an officer not later than 12 hours after the Warning Order has been received. NOTE:- Extreme accuracy is to be observed in the compilation of these returns otherwise difficulty arises in connection with detailed allotment of accommodation.

(h) Prepare Leave Nominal Rolls - Pro Forma- in quadruplicate and forward to HQ 11 Aust Div . Pro formas will show the following information :-

(vii) Number,name,rank - all pers;
(viii) L of C Area in which the member resides.

In addition, units will ensure that the following instructions are carried out :-

(i) All pers must carry seven days' suppressive atebrin;

(j) Seven days' rations will be loaded for consumption during voyage. Where this instruction does NOT apply, units will be notified;

(k) Cooking gear, for use during the voyage, will be provided by the unit. Where this instruction does not apply, units will be notified;

(l) Medical stores sufficient for the needs of all pers will be provided;

(m) Three days' emergency rations (dehydrated) will be carried on the man;

(n) All water bottles must be filled prior to embarkation;

(o) Personnel must move with personal arms, web eqpt, nets mosquito and TWO blankets per man;

(p) When cargo is forwarded for shipment, loading lists, in accordance with NG Force R/O 154/45, will be prepared.

NOTE :- Where it is necessary for a ship's staff to be appointed from unit pers or an advance party for loading unit eqpt is detailed, all such personnel will report in the first instance to MCO 8 Aust Movement Control Gp and will NOT approach ship's master direct.

In such cases as the above, CO party will be in possession of a nominal roll which will be handed to MCO.

9. RETURN OF STORES AND VEHICLES

(q) STORES - ORDNANCE. In accordance with NGF RO 113/45 of 29 Mar '45.

(r) STORES- TRANSFER TO INCOMING UNITS. AAF G.1035 will be prepared in quadruplicate and will be forwarded to ADOS, 11 Aust Div.

(s) M.T.- RETURN TO 17 AUST INF BDE VRD- Where instructions are issued for the return of MT, units will transfer vehicles on AAF G52 to 17 Aust Inf Bde VRD for subsequent inspection by ADME 11 Aust Div.

AAF G52 ,in triplicate, will be forwarded to ADOS, 11 Aust Div.

(t) TRANSFER TO INCOMING UNITS- Where instructions are issued for vehicles to be handed over to incoming units, AAF G52 will be prepared in triplicate and forwarded to ADOS, 11 Aust Div.

(u) POSSESSION OF UNAUTHORISED ARMS AND EQUIPMENT

Certificates in accordance with N G Force R/O 90/45 will be rendered in duplicate to HQ 11 Aust Div.

MOVEMENT TO OPERATIONAL STATIONS IN NEW GUINEA

(v) Leave Nominal Rolls will NOT be required.

(w) All units leaving PORT MORESBY for BULLDOG will ensure that they have in their possession for all ranks :-

One month's supply of Atebrin- dosage six days a week
Dover's Cream or Mosquito repellent.

Sweaters will be taken by all ranks

Two blankets will be carried for all ranks.

Col
AA & QMG 11 Aust Div

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APPENDIX "A"

1. EMBARKATION - DOCUMENTATION

Nominal rolls will be prepared by units, groups, detachments and/or individual persons on draft by headings shown hereunder :-

Nominal rolls will be clearly headed with name of unit of personnel on draft and are to be signed by an officer authorised to despatch the personnel. The date and authority for movement will be included and shown on the top right hand corner of AAF T. 206, e.g. HQ 11 Aust Dist AQ/206/26 Dec '42.

The following are the headings :-

Serial No, Army No, Rank and Surname (blocks) and full Christian names. Personnel will be so loaded in vehicles at unit camp sites so that on arrival at wharf it is a simple matter to arrange pers in their correct positions.

Movement to ship's side will be in order of Nominal Rolls. Officers will accompany their respective troops.

Officers will be shown in order of Army No's at the head of the Nominal Roll. Other ranks will be shown in order of Army No's by Platoons or equivalent sub-units. Officers and other ranks will be given a serial number commencing with one and continuing through to the last name on the roll.

The personnel will insert card showing serial number in hat bands ( copies AAF T. 206 and AAF T. 51 attached).

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## EMBARKATION NOMINAL ROLL

UNIT..... AUTHORITY.....

| Serial No. | Army No. | Rank | Surname (IN BLOCKS) | Christian Names | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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# AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

A.A.F. T.51—Sheet 1
(To be prepared in sextuple)
(a)

1. STRENGTH RETURN on Embarkation and Disembarkation of.....(Complete unit, portion of unit or draft) (b)

(Serial No. (c).....) on moving from.....on.....19.....to.....

To be rendered by Officers Commanding Units for complete Units, Portions of a Unit, or drafts (of a strength of 5 or over (d) ) for Embarkation. A separate form to be rendered for all Parties. If Advanced Party this should be stated.

| DETAIL | Personnel (of which a complete nominal roll must be rendered with this Form). | | | | | | | | | Animals | | Tons, d.w. (e) | | | | | Remarks (including Full particulars of any Casualties) |
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| | Officers | Warrant Officers | S/Sgts. and Sgts. | Corporals | Privates | Total Other Ranks | Total All Ranks | Nurses (A.A.N.S.) | | | | S.A.A. | A.A.F.2 Equipment | Baggage | | | |
| Strength Authorised to be Embarked | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Strength as Entrained for Port of Embarkation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Casualties en route for Port of Embarkation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Strength actually Embarked | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Casualties during the Sea Voyage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Strength actually Disembarked for Service | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Extreme accuracy is to be observed in the compilation and amendment of this return.
It will be signed as follows:—
(i) By O.C. furnishing return. (ii) By Embarkation Staff Officer at the Port of Embarkation. (iii) On Disembarkation by O.C. Unit or by O.C. Troops on Board. (iv) By Embarkation Staff Officer at Port of Disembarkation.
The particulars required below will be entered by the Embarkation Staff Officers.

EMBARKED at.....per.....on.....19.....

DISEMBARKED at.....on.....19.....

(a) To be disposed of as set out overleaf. (b) Delete as necessary.
(c) On Embarkation from Australia, if Unit is allotted to Expeditionary Force this number (as laid down in Order of Battle) should be given.
(d) For Parties of less than Five, A.A.F. T.50 Embarkation Card will be used.
(e) In these Columns will be entered the weights of accompanied stores, Equipments, etc., which are not shipped loaded in vehicles, and which will, therefore, require transport on landing.

NOTE.—THIS FORM IS IN A SET OF THREE SHEETS AND IS TO BE SUBMITTED AS A COMPLETE SET.

SIGNATURES :

O.C. Furnishing Return

E.S.O. (Port of Embarkation)

O.C. Troops (for Signature on Disembarkation)

E.S.O. (Port of Disembarkation)

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# INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMANDING OFFICERS ON ANTI-MALARIAL CAMPAIGN

Headquarters,
NEW GUINEA Force,
11 April, 1943.

The following instructions are issued to all Commanding Officers in NEW GUINEA for their advice and immediate compliance therewith upon their entry into this Area:—

## MALARIA IN OPERATIONS FROM WAU AREA

(i) The foremost malarial danger in this Area does not lie in the risk of heavy local infection. It resides rather in the fact that, adjoining this Area of minimal malarial intensity there are hyperendemic areas such as the MARKHAM VALLEY, into which it may conceivably be necessary to send large bodies of troops at short notice.

(ii) The eminently satisfactory malarial state of the WAU area is dangerous if its condition of security leads to any relaxation at all of the methods of malarial prevention. The possibility of sudden movement across the range into heavily infected areas must always be kept in mind.

(iii) If, through a fallacious aspect of safety, Unit anti-malarial measures and supplies are not fully and continually maintained (even though the necessity is not obvious) and as a consequence of sudden movement unprotected troops occupy such highly malarious areas as the MARKHAM VALLEY, heavy casualties are certain.

(iv) It was shown, both in SYRIA and in PAPUA that the establishment of adequate anti-malarial drill and suppressive drug supply, is most difficult even in times of lessened activity. In the rapidly changing conditions of jungle warfare these, if disrupted, cannot be adequately re-established for such a time that, if the area is hyperendemic, heavy losses must result before they can be resumed.

(v) It is obvious that the grouping of malarial conditions in this region is comparable with that pertaining during the OWEN STANLEY—GONA CAMPAIGN. Here the comparative malarial safety of the ranges led to an abandonment of all precautions and a complete disruption of the involved supply of anti-malarial drugs. During the advance into the malarious coastal country these could not be quickly re-established under the difficult conditions of the campaign, and heavy casualties were inevitable. **It cannot be stressed too firmly that a repetition of this is certain if this lesson is not constantly remembered during operations of a similar nature.**

## ADVICE TO COMMANDERS IN AREA

(i) The implication of these facts is so important that their establishment with local commanders must form one of the most important duties of the Medical Services as long as the area is occupied under present conditions. The longer the area is held in comparative malarial safety the more firmly must this be kept in mind.

(ii) The danger will be reinforced if the present command and force are relieved by troops who are not imbued with the danger of malaria, and whose anti-malarial discipline is not of the standard of the brigade now in occupation. In such a case no effort towards a rapid rectification should be spared, for if a quick move is made to malarious country, their success will depend on this.

(iii) It is regarded as most necessary that commanders of troops be firmly warned of the insidious malarial position, and a clear indication presented of the hazard if any deviation from the principles indicated.

(iv) Unit Commanders should be told the reasons for insistence on the strictest malarial discipline and the maintenance of adequate anti-malarial supplies in a situation in which the necessity will surely not appear obvious to them.

## MOSQUITO NETS

(i) Only by the regular use of nets by every person can it be ensured that each individual is in possession of a net, and is ready to use it under conditions in which it is utterly necessary. The mosquito net forms the most effecient single method of prevention, and it is certain that heavy infection is assured in persons sleeping without nets in such areas as the MARKHAM VALLEY.

(ii) For the reasons of training and readiness mentioned above, the use of nets must not be discarded even when there appears no obvious reason for their use, as in some parts of this district. In addition, though the anopheline mosquito is ubiquitous here, its attack is silent and insidious, for which reason it must never be left to individuals to decide whether or not they will use them.

(iii) Deficiencies in nets should be remedied as soon as possible. At present there is a shortage of nets in some Units, due to losses during action or through individuals proceeding to the area without them. Such shortage is hazardous as long as troops may be called on to move at short notice to adjacent malarious areas.

(iv) In the event of such movement by troops with existing deficiencies, these should be made up from those remaining in the area of low incidence.

(v) If it can be avoided, troops should never be taken into a hyperendemic area with the hope of supplying them later. For apart from the certainty of casualties from even minor exposure, the difficutly of such supply is notorious.

(vi) In the case of a planned advance into the highly malarious area, dumps of nets should be made as far forward as possible to make up deficiencies of advancing troops. This is especially desirable on the entering mountain routes on which there is a great possibility of their abandonment through difficulty of progress.

## REPELLANT

(i) The new mosquito "Repellant" is effective up to 3-4 hours and should be on issue to all troops.

## SUPPRESSIVE TREATMENT

The taking of suppressive Atebrin must be carefully supervised. For apart from the certainty of heavy wastage from malarial relapses in troops who have been infected in other areas, there is the overwhelming danger, previously stressed, which may follow any break in the continuity of distribution, or in the routine taking of the drug in the event of movement at short notice into heavily infected areas.

This has been repeated, for it is of basic importance to the success of such operations.

## SUPPRESSIVE ATEBRIN DOSAGE

(i) Although the locality of WAU is of low endemicity, the present suppressive Atebrin dosage of G. O. 6 a week should be maintained.

(ii) The following are the reasons for this —

(a) 17 Aust Inf Bde, at present holding the area, can be expected to be heavily infected from their tour of duty in MILNE BAY, and have undergone such physical stress in recent action as to enlarge the possibility of relapses.

(b) The necessity of sending parties into the MARKHAM VALLEY.

(c) The malarial endemicity of the BULWA area has not yet been estimated.

## CONCLUSION

(i) Although malarial infection in the WAU district itself is minimal, in the event of certain operational movements there arises a grave danger to the existence of a force if any departure is allowed from basic procedures which are set out above.

(ii) The situation is comparable with that of the OWEN-STANLEY GONA Campaign, where disregard of these caused heavy malarial casualties.

(iii) The insidious malarial situation here should be clearly set out for all subsequent commanders in the area, and this must be regarded as a most important duty of the Medical Services as long as the place is occupied under present conditions.

(iv) Anti-malarial Regulations as laid down in NEW GUINEA Force Orders should be strictly enforced at all times.

V. C. SECOMBE, Brigadier,
DA & QMG NEW GUINEA Force.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 11 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 22 Offrs. and 15 R.O.R.'s 35 Aust. Inf. Bde. | RANGA. | ✓ |
| 40 reinfts. from 1 Aust. Corps Reception Camp. | do | ✓ |

LOCAL.

NIL.

SEA.

NIL.

MOVEMENTS, 9 April, 1943. NIL.
MOVEMENTS, 10 April, 1943. NIL.

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ACCUMULATION OF AND EXPENDITURE OF BALANCES
IN REGIMENTAL TRUST FUNDS

HQ
11 AUST. DIV.
11 Apr. '43.

CIRCULAR NO: AQ 3191

1. The following information is based on LHQ memorandum 48077 of 24 Mar. '43 and is circulated for the information and action where necessary, of all concerned:

2. It has come to notice that some units are accumulating abnormally high credits in Trust Accounts and that in many instances such credits represent a large proportion of allocation from canteen profits which were distributed for the benefit of members of the unit. Such accumulations defeat the intention of these distributions and the following directions have been given by LHQ :-

(a) As on and from 1 Jun. '43 a quarterly review of Regtl Trust A/c balances will be made by LHQ and in cases where the credit exceeds £1 for each member of the unit, the surplus will be transferred, in the case of units in this area, to the funds of GOC NG Force unless satisfactory reasons are advanced that such action should not be taken. Any amounts so transferred are to be spent at the discretion of GOC NG Force for the general benefit of troops under his command.

(b) Should the GOC NG Force so direct, Units concerned may be excluded from further canteen profits distribution until further notice.

(c) Where a considerable proportion of the personnel of a Unit is transferred to another unit, the transferor unit shall contribute to the transferee unit a fair proportion of the cost of amenities provided. Similar action will be taken when a unit or detachment is attached to or being provided with amenities by another unit.

Failing agreement as to the amount of such contribution, the assessment shall be referred to and determined by the relative Div or Higher Commander.

3. Funds derived from allocation of canteen profits are intended to be applied for objects of collective benefit to members. The purchase of sporting material is specifically authorised. Articles of equipment, furniture or clothing which are authorised Government issues are not to be purchased from such funds.

4. GRO's F.251/42 and Q.54/43 detail method of establishing, operating and auditing Unit Trust Fund accounts.

J. W. Wells Lt-Col.
for AA & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

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War Diary (2)

ANZAC DAY

Circular No AQ3209

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
11 Apr '43

1. There follows for information a copy of HQ N G Force memo A/8790 of 7 Apr '43 :-

" Though no official commemoration of ANZAC DAY will be held this year, it is the intention of this H.Q. to have special mention made of ANZAC DAY at Easter Day Church services.

This information is forwarded to procure uniformity in commemoration of ANZAC DAY."

for A/A & QMG 11 Aust Div
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Senior Chaplain C of E
" " R.C.

War Diary



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The information contained in this document is not to be communicated, either directly or indirectly, to the Press or to any person not holding an official position in H is Majesty's Service.

Serial No 4/43
Paras 20 - 26
12 Apr '43

ROUTINE ORDERS

Part I

H Q 11 AUST DIV

by

Captain J.R. ATKIN, Camp Commandant - HQ 11 Aust Div

20. BEACH WIRING MORESBY AREA

From reports received it is apparent that insufficient care is being exercised in the maintenance of Beach Wiring in the Moresby Area.

Subtended below is HGF R/O 73/43 :-

"Attention is directed to the necessity for maintenance of all def wiring in the PORT MORESBY AREA.

Recently working parties have been observed removing portions of wiring in order to obtain access to the beaches for the purpose of removing sand.

This practice will cease forthwith."

21. SURVEY MARKS (N GF 0118/43)

i. Several cases have occurred recently of Survey marks being destroyed, either inadvertently or deliberately.

ii. In the PORT MORESBY area there are a number of Trigonometrical Points marked by a tripod beacon over a brass plug inscribed " H & N Hydrographical Survey" set in concrete. Other marks in evidence are wooden or iron pegs bearing numbers.

iii. All ranks must be acquainted with the urgent necessity for preserving survey marks, and should it be necessary, or desirable to destroy or remove any such mark for the purpose of building or road construction, the matter will be referred to HQ N EW G WINEA FORCE before the mark is destroyed or removed.

22. BULK PETROLEUM STORAGE COY - SECURITY OF ELEVALA JETTY (HGF [illegible]).

ELEVALA Jetty (Ref PM Special [illegible] - 2 mile [illegible]) is out of bounds to all personnel not in possession of a pass signed by OC Petroleum Storage Coy and is not to be used by any small craft as moorings.

23. 1. Pistols of any type or description shall not be sold, purchased or exchanged.

2. On or after 15 Apr 44 it will be an offence for any member of the W.S to have in his possession or custody any pistol other than the one issued to him by Army authorities or that he has the permission referred to in para 3 hereof.

3. Permission may be granted by a Formation Comd to any member to have in his possession a pistol other than one issued to him; such permission to be in writing signed personally by Formation Comd.

4. All ranks in possession of pistols not issued to them or not provided for under the last para will forthwith surrender the same to the O.C. Orderly Room of this unit.

5. All ranks having pistols in their possession are held personally responsible therefor and will immediately report the loss of such pistol.

6. The loss of a pistol is to be regarded as an offence for which the offender is to be tried by Court Martial, unless the Formation Comd otherwise directs. In all cases of loss of pistols, the offender will be charged and a Summary of Evidence, which will be forwarded to the Formation Comd, will be taken.

24. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER

It is of the utmost importance that all instructions concerning the conservation of rubber are strictly enforced. In view of the drastic restrictions in supply, arising from enemy action, it is imperative that all ranks are constantly impressed with the importance of prolonging the life of ALL stores which contain any rubber content and so reduce the replacements to an absolute minimum.

25. POSTAL ADDRESSES -- PERSONNEL IN HOSPITAL

It has been noted that personnel evacuated to an MDS or other medical unit are showing as their address in correspondence, the unit designation of the medical unit to which they have been admitted. Such practice is a breach of AFCI and personnel contravening this instruction will be charged accordingly.

26. NATIONAL SECURITY (WAR SERVICE LAND SALES) REGULATIONS
NATIONAL SECURITY (WAR SERVICE LAND SALES) REGULATIONS.

The attention of all personnel is directed to the provisions of the abovementioned regulations which afford protection to member of the A.I.F, their female dependants and in some cases their parents, during the member's war service and for a certain time thereafter, in respect of the following matters :-

(a) Payment of principal monies due under mortgages or contracts for the sale of land entered into before the commencement of war service or under contracts for the sale of land entered into after the member became engaged on war service, in pursuance of an option to purchase land granted before the member became engaged on war service.

(b) The enaction of penal rates of interest on mortgages.

(c) The enforcement of judgments in respect of liabilities incurred before the commencement of war service.

(d) The exercise of legal remedies (as defined in the regulations) in consequence of any default in the payment of debts or the performance of obligations by members of the forces or female dependants of members where the debts or obligations were under contracts entered into prior to the commencement of war service.

(e) [illegible] agreement, [illegible] the forces or [illegible]

(f) Bankruptcy proceedings.

(g) The lapsing of policies of life insurance issued to members and the rate of interest to be charged on overdue premium.

(h) Termination of tenancies, recovery of possession and ejectment of tenants of premises (other than premises licensed for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors).

(i) Increases in the rental of land used for the purpose of carrying on farming or dairying pursuits, or of gardens, service stations or premises used for kindred purposes and of any other land used for such other purposes as are specified in the Commonwealth Gazette.

(j) Proceedings or other action against a member for dissolution of, or for the forfeiture of his share in, a partnership in which the member is a partner or for his expulsion therefrom.

(k) The compulsory acquisition of land, without the consent of the Attorney-General, for any purpose other than a purpose in connection with the Defence of the Commonwealth or the efficient prosecution of the war.

In the regulations -

"female dependant of a member" means a female who is wholly or partly dependent for her support upon the pay of, or upon a pension payable in consequence of the incapacity or death of, a person who is or has been a member of the forces, and includes the wife of a person who has been a member of the forces but who, having been discharged without receiving a pension is receiving from the Commonwealth medical treatment of such a nature as to prevent him either wholly or partly from engaging in his occupation;

"land" includes messuages, tenements, and hereditaments, and houses and buildings, and also includes any estate or interest in land (legal or equitable), and any easement, right, power or privilege over, in, or in connection with land;

"legal remedy" means -

(a) the levying of distress on, or the taking of possession of, any property, other than goods the seizure or taking possession of which is prohibited by sub-para. (e) of para-graph (2);

(b) re-entry upon any land;

(c) the realization of any security or the forfeiture of any deposit;

(d) the rescission of any agreement for the sale or purchase of land;

"member of the forces" means a member of the Commonwealth Naval, Military or Air Forces engaged on war service, and includes any person -

(a) who, during any [illegible] has been [illegible] service, or is serving in active service, [illegible] or the Forces of any part of the King's dominions [illegible] Commonwealth; and

[illegible]

[illegible]

For the purposes of [illegible] a person specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of the definition of "[illegible] of the forces" shall be deemed to be engaged on [illegible] so long as he is called up for active [illegible] or is serving [illegible] with the Naval, Military or Air Forces of any part of the Single Commonwealth [illegible].

"parent of a member" means a parent of a person who is, or has been, a member of the forces who is wholly or partly dependent for his support on the pay or pension of that person, and includes a parent of a person who has been a member of the forces but who, having been discharged without receiving a pension, is receiving from the Commonwealth medical treatment of such a nature as to prevent him either wholly or partly from engaging in his occupation, and upon whose pay that parent was, immediately prior to the discharge of that person, wholly or partly dependent for his support;

"war service" means -

(a) the service of a member of the Citizen Forces when called out for war service in pursuance of the Defence Act 1903-1941, or during continuous training under that Act or the Naval Defence Act 1910-1934, or the Air Force Act 1923-1939;

(b) the continuous service under any of those acts of any person who volunteers and is accepted for such service during war; and

(c) the service during war of such other members or classes of members of the Naval, Military or Air Forces (not being members of the Citizen Forces) as the Attorney-General specifies by order published in the Gazette.

4. Provision is also made for the following :-

(a) the re-opening of transactions where in consequence of the exercise of legal remedies between the date of the repeal of the National Security (Courts Emergency Powers) Regulations on 10th September 1940, and 21st March 1941, members of the forces or their female dependants have suffered loss or damage;

(b) the re-opening of transactions between members of the forces and others by a court where such transactions have become unduly onerous;

(c) the postponement of the payment of interest and rates on land upon application being made for the purpose of a court;

(d) the preservation during war service and a [illegible] period of six months after the termination of the war of rights to commence legal proceedings, or enforce any legal right or remedy;

(e) requiring the owner of any dwelling-house which is vacant or about to become vacant to let the dwelling-house at a reasonable rental to a member of the parent or female dependant of a member unless the owner has reasonable cause for refusing so to do.

5. [illegible] DEPENDANT OF A [illegible] TION STATING [illegible] OTHERWISE [illegible] PUBLICATIONS.

NATIONAL [illegible]

The National Security (Debtors' Relief) Regulations enable a debtor unable to pay certain types of debts by reason of circumstances attributable to the war, to apply to a tribunal specified in the regulations for relief in respect of those debts.

Any member of the AEF who may be affected by these regulations should seek legal advice which may be obtained free of charge in camps from visiting lawyers or from one of the officers or institutions set out hereunder :-

Queensland L of C Area

Commonwealth Deputy Crown Solicitor, Inns of Court,
21 Adelaide Street, Brisbane.

Queensland Law Society, National Mutual Life Buildings,
293 Queen Street, Brisbane.

New South Wales L of C Area

Commonwealth Deputy Crown Solicitor, Commonwealth Bank Building
Martin Place, Sydney.

Incorporated Law Institute of NSW, 5 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.
Australian Service Movement, 9 Bligh Street, Sydney.

Victoria L of C Area

Commonwealth Deputy Crown Solicitor, 450 Law Courts Place,
Melbourne.

The Law Institute of Victoria, Cnr. McKillop and Little Collins
Streets, Melbourne.

South Australia L of C Area

Commonwealth Deputy Crown Solicitor, Epworth Building,
Pirie Street, Adelaide.

The Law Society of South Australia, Exchange Buildings,
Pirie Street, Adelaide.

Tasmania L of C Area

The Overseas Service Advisory Committee, Chamber of Commerce,
Hobart.

Western Australia L of C Area

Commonwealth Deputy Crown Solicitor, 6 the Esplanade, Perth.

The Law Society of Western Australia, Warwick House,
20 Howard Street, Perth.

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11th Aust. Div. Concert Party

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—THE REVUE—

# "P'ARMY DAZE"

SUNDAY

11th April, 1943



Souvenir Programme

New Guinea Premiere

● SOUVENIR PROGRAMME

# "P'ARMY DAZE"

● SOUVENIR PROGRAMME

Introduction: "The New Soldier" (by Louis de Courcey)
(Special musical arrangement by Anton Sorgato)

1. On Parade —
   (a) Headquarters Band of 1,000 players
   (997 still A.W.L.)
   (b) The "Sar-Major" arrives ..... CLIFF MORRIS
   (Cliff served in World War I with Stanley McKay's Concert Party, and has been associated with McKay's parties on overseas and Australian tours.)
   (c) "Everybody's Darling" ..... Sgt. SALLY
   (Chas. Stanton) assisted by her warriors.
2. Trumpet Melody — "Solitude" ..... KENNY CAUSE
3. Ron Morris in his original burlesque —
   "EGYPTYNELLA"
   (Featured with Rene Riano in the revue: "Let's Go Dancing")
4. Golden voiced tenor ..... GIB DALZELL
   "Begin the Beguine"
   "All the things you are"
5. "Yours for Magic" ..... KEITH ABSON
6. The Meanest Man —
   Wife ..... "Virginia" (Chas. Stanton)
   Husband ..... Cliff Morris
   Maid ..... Frank Creswell
7. Accordiana ..... KENNY CAUSE
8. Musical Tramp ("Picolo Pete") ..... LES CHAPMAN
9. Veterans of Variety —
   Chas. Stanton and Ron Morris as "Peggy Pride" and "Clarkson Rose" in Musical Hall Memories.
10. Violin virtuoso ..... HAROLD TABERNER
    "Zeigenermaiser"
    "Flight of the Bumble Bee"
11. Tony and his boys in —
    "Music a la Mode"
    "Casa Loma" Stromp
12. "Over the Garden Wall" —
    Mr. (Butch) Knockem ..... Cliff
    Mrs. (Nagger) Knockem ..... Ron
    Mr. (Percy) Goon ..... Louis
    Mrs. (Aggy) Goon ..... Chas.
    Brats ..... Gib and Phil
13. Musical gems —
    Stage Band in popular selections
    and
    JOHN TODD at the piano playing
    "Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2"

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ENTR'ACTE ..... The Band
Swing movements by Tony and his boys
"TIGER RAG"

Anton Sorgato ..... Leader
Jack Wiseman, Kenny Cause, Ralph Butler ..... Trumpets
Freddy Seager, Billy Mannix ..... Saxaphones
Harold Taberner ..... Violin
Artie Symons ..... Guitar
John Todd ..... Piano
Allan Tisdell ..... Drums
Bill Noonan ..... Bass

1. Two charming lasses — "Virginia" and "La Renee"
   with Artie Symons and Gib Dalzell
2. Wizard of the Zylophone ..... ALLAN TISDELL
3. "Momma Don't Like" ..... TONY and the Boys
4. Kisses for Sale .....
   Virginia — Gib
   Cliff — Louis
5. Sweet Singer ..... PHIL BRESNAN
   "Vilia"
   "The Shrine of St. Cecilia"
6. A glimpse of present day Paris —
   "La Renee" and her French "matelot" give you "En Soir de Paris"
7. Saxaphobi — "The March of the Bobcats" —
   Sax Trio ..... Freddy Seager, Ralph Butler, Billy Mannix
8. Romance in Rio .... Singing Gaucho — GIB DALZELL
   and presenting
   **that A.I.F. personality—"Virginia" as**
   CARMEN MIRANDA
   (the Bombshell from Brazil)
9. ARTIE SYMONS and his Guitar.
10. Hiking .....
    Him ..... Cliff — That ..... Ron
    Her ..... Chas — This ..... Louis
    Her 2 ..... Frank

AU REVOIR ..... The Company

# 11 AUST. DIV. CONCERT PARTY

O.C. and Director of Productions ..... Lieut. R. A. E. MORRIS
Producer ..... S/Sgt. J. C. MORRIS
Musical Director and Arranger ..... Sgt. A. SORGATO
Wardrobe Master ..... Sgt. C. STANTON
Stage Manager ..... Sgt. W. NOONAN
Mechanists ..... R. McMANNIS, E. FISHER
Librarian ..... Cpl. R. BUTLER

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| Sgt. WISEMAN, V. R. C. | Pte. BRESNAN, P. G. |
| " SEAGER, F. C. | " SYMONS, A. |
| Cpl. CAUSE, K. | " TABERNER, H. |
| " DALZELL, C. | " CHAPMAN, L. |
| " TODD, V. | " AHSON, K. O. C. |
| " MANNIX, W. | " TISDELL, A. |
| | " DE COURCEY, L. |

Drivers — LUDWIG, P. H.
McCAWLEY, E. G. F.
MORELY, M. H.

Guest Artist — F. CRESWELL (La Renee)
(Through courtesy R.A.N.)

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# PROLOGUE TO "P'ARMY DAZE"

Born of the troubled and turbulent 1913 was the historic year 1914, which before its end presented to the world The Great War.

Forced on a worried and unwilling people, a war that was to bring four years of pain and suffering to the whole world.

Such memorable years 1914-15 when we heard the strange new names of Gallipoli and Mons. The Marne in '15 and on to 1916 The Somme, '17 Vimy Ridge, and then the dark days of 1918, when all seemed lost and a worried world prepared to face the worst.

But it was only the last kick of a beaten dog, for very soon there stood proudly and welcome above a broken and pitted world a new and fair friend beautiful to behold — her name was Peace.

Yet during these years when our fathers and brothers were giving their all for us, though now we see in vain, it was not always that their faces were creased with worry or shoulders burdened with care. No! For into the field of battle had come a new soldier — a soldier who stood at their side in the mud of Flanders and the sands of Palestine. Bearing not in his hand a sword, but a new weapon that cut just as surely. The weapon of Song, Dance, Music and Comedy. A weapon that cut and blasted away gloom and despair and produced a smile of hope, a gladdened heart and a stronger man to carry on the fight.

Such names as George Formby, Jnr., Fred Barnes, and Ben Williams. Names, and personalities that to-day are household words in England and our own Australia, were in this field of battle.

The Pip Squeecks, Very Lights, Starlights and Sixes and Sevens. Names of Concert Units that England sent to the Front Line with smile and song in their hearts.

Australia was not behind in this field. Some of you may remember, or will have heard, of the Smart Set Diggers, Pat Hanna's and Stanley McKay's. Concert units that gave to the world such notable figures as Joe Valli, Jim Gerald, Ci Meredith, Fred Hughes, Charlie Holt, Tikie Carpenter. The late Bertie Foy who recently passed on to a greater stage under rather tragic circumstances, and our own indomitable comedian, Cliff Morris, back in harness again, and with this show this evening.

With Peace enthroned the world smiled and prospered again. These men who had lightened the burden of the soldier continued to bring their cheer to a world that wanted to be gay.

1938! The shadows once again descend and before the end of 1939 World War No. 2. Black as the years 1914-18 may have appeared, this new war was even darker. But despite the fall of France, the ackal action of Italy, and the bestial moves of Japan, Right and Truth are conquering, and WILL conquer.

So once again in the field we have this new soldier with his new weapon, but not so strange now, for he and his weapon have been tried and found of the right metal.

Very soon after the first clarion call to the youth and age of Australia had sounded to take up arms once more in the cause of Right, there was formed the 8 Aust. Div. Concert Party, who saw service in Syria, Greece and Crete. Many were wounded, some killed, others taken prisoners. All equipment lost in the evacuation of Greece. That same unit is back in Australia to-day carrying on the good work.

Also we must mention Jim Gerald, Star of the last war and of peacetime, back into uniform again and for a time Colonel in charge of Entertainment. His show did great work for our troops in the Middle East.

Into action England has sent her stars with the Spotlight Co., the English 10th Army Party, and Sir Seymour Hicks and Alice Delysia have taken shows to English and Australian camps in the Middle East.

One of the greatest trumpet players the world has known, Henry Sax, was there also with his swing band.

As a point of interest, two very popular shows in this area, Mitzi Bara and the Troopers and Dr. Low's Wooden Troup of Marionettes were managed for some time by Lieut. R. A. E. Morris, now O.C. of this Unit.

So the much criticised and condemned Concert Party came to New Guinea. First in the field were the 30 Club Shows, this party eventually becoming the new 6 Div. Unit.

The 7 Div. Concert Party which arrived in Moresby in the dark days of August went into action as a Labour Platoon. They are now back in Australia to be equipped.

The 6 Div. Unit carried on the good work until the arrival of the A.M.F. Show usually known as Jim Davidson's.

Also, we must mention Lieut. Harry Crowe's N.G. Party, which in conjunction with the Milne Force Unit showed to Australian and U.S. Troops in the Milne Bay Area.

The Milne Force Concert Party has now become the 11 Aust. Div. Concert Party, and has been showing in Port Moresby Area for some two months.

And so entertainment is carried on!

The stage is set, the curtain rises on the second revue by the 11 Aust. Div. Concert Party — "IT'S P'ARMY DAZE."

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 12 April 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 6 Offrs. 158 U.S.Combat Team.<br>Lt.Mitchell,15 Fd.Coy.<br>10 reinfts.from 1 Aust.Corps<br>Reception Camp. | DOBADURA.<br>KANGA. | |
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND PTS 12 APR '43

PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ NGF | 1 | | |
| 2. | Public Relations FD UNIT | 1 | | |
| 3. | NGIC | | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 4. | 158 US Inf Regt | 6 | | |
| 5. | Sigs HG L of C Area | 1 | | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| 6. | ANGAU | | 1 | |
| 7. | Native Police | | 3 | Emplaned for CARAINA |
| 8. | CCSC | 1 | | Emplaned for TERAPO |
| 9. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |

PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | ANGAU | | 1 | From BULLDOG |
| 2. | Evacuations : | | | |
| | Medical : | AUST | 1 | From DOBADURA |
| | | US | 5 | From DOBADURA |
| | | US | 1 | From RORONA |

MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 12 APR '43 PRO FORMA 43/39

PORT MORESBY : Received 12 Apr '43 1636 lbs
On hand TOWNSVILLE 12 Apr '43 NIL

MILNE BAY : Received 11 Apr '43 427 lbs
On hand TOWNSVILLE 11 Apr '43 164 lbs

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 12 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/39

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| ULOOLOO, STAGEN, CITY OF FORTHNORTH | 1600 hrs from mainland 12 Apr '43 | General cargo |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| GEORGE McCRARY | Discharging at wharf | |
| LORIMEA | Loading at wharf | |
| MATAFELE | Berthed at wharf | |
| ARCONA, JOSEPH HOLT, ULOOLOO | Anchored in stream | |
| WEST CACTUS, KEY PITMAN, CITY OF FORTHNORTH, STAGEN | At Tatana | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| CENTAUR | 1000 hrs 15 Apr '43 | |
| VAN HEUTZ, DAVID BUSHNELL, ASSOCIATED | am 16 Apr '43 | |
| KHORE HOEA | 18 Apr '43 | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| ARCONA | am 13 Apr '43 for mainland | |

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CONFERENCE OF HYGIENE OFFICERS AND NCO'S

HQ
11 AUST. DIV.

CIRCULAR NO AQ: 3329

13 Apr. '43.

1. A conference of Hygiene Officers and NCO's will be held at 1000 hrs on 19 April, '43 at HQ NEW GUINEA FORCE in the Marquee beside the Sgts' Mess.

2. All addressees will make necessary arrangements for personnel concerned under their command to attend.

BUSINESS

1. Report on Unit Hygiene, Malaria control, availability of personnel and stores for Hygiene and Malaria control.

2. Discussion of Hygiene appliances and exchange of ideas as to their improvement..

Note books and pencils are required.

DAD of Hygiene, NEW GUINEA FORCE, will arrange with camp to provide lunch.

J. W. Wells-May Col.
for AA & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

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## MESSAGE FORM

TO ..... All units under Comd

FROM.... HQ 11 Aust Div AQ 3346 13

Refer N G Force R/O 149/45 (.) TENTAGE (.) Attention is directed to the above mentioned Order (.) Certificates must reach this HQ NOT later than 1800 hrs K/20 (.) If NGF 383/42 not available refer GRO 451/42 (.) TENTS oblong 14 x 12 read 2 offrs NOT 4 offrs.

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MEMO TO GRD WOs

HQ 11 AUST DIV
13 Apr 43

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RETURN OF RIFLES WITH "STARRED" BARRELS

With reference to G.O 139/43 in connection with the return of all starred rifles in exchange for serviceable rifles, it is adviced that this procedure is to cease for the time being.

A GRO may be anticipated amending or cancelling above GRO, and in the meantime, the exchange of rifles must be strictly limited to those which are definitely U.S.

This is to take effect immediately.

H Shidin Capt
LT-COL
ADDS 11 AUST DIV

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15 Apr 43

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SUBJECT: [illegible] OF CLEAVERS BUTCHERS

With reference to [illegible] 234/43 and memo to [illegible] of 7 Apr, information is requested as soon as possible as to the number of cleavers butchers to be returned - or returned so far.

Advise when action has been completed.

A G Hider Capt
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[illegible] 11 [illegible] DIV

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There are many items of equipment, such as Sits, Instrument Sets, Sets [illegible] etc, some of the components of which are controlled stores, while the major items may not be controlled.

Examples are:-

| | Major Items | Controlled Stores [illegible] |
|---|---|---|
| (a) | Sheets Tool filled Signals Inst Necks | Insts Testing No 1 ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Test sets portable |
| (b) | Instruments Drawing (all types) | Protractors Test Tvarine |
| (c) | Boxes Intell & [illegible] filled | Compasses proportional |
| (d) | Sets [illegible] Nos 11, 1[illegible] & 1[illegible] | Watches Non-magnetic |

These are only examples and there are many others.

It is necessary for all Ord [illegible] to go into this question very thoroughly and advise units where there appears to be doubt, in order that the Census of Verlike Stores is accurate in every respect.

It will be the responsibility of Ord [illegible] to ensure that the next census is correct in all detail as regards any Controlled Stores which form part of a "major" item.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 14 April '43

Air

Called Forward

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 4 O/R's 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | for | DOBADURA |
| 10 Reinforcements from Corps Rec Cmp | " | KANGA |
| Chaplain Morgan & Batman (3 Aus Div) | " | KANGA |
| Lieut Nichols (15 Aust Fd Coy) | " | KANGA |
| Lt Col Talbot | " | MAINLAND |

Due to Arrive

A & B Coys from DOBADURA (1st Flight) 10 off 198 ors

On Warning 24 hours

One sect 15 Aust Fd Coy for KANGA

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 14 APR '43

PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Misc Aust Personnel | 3 | 1 ) | Emplaned for WAU |
| 2. | 4 AC Sqn | | 1 ) | |
| 3. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 4 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 4. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | | 26 ) | |
| 5. | 9 Aust Fd Coy | | 23 ) | |
| 6. | 14 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 ) | |
| 7. | 15 Aust Supp Pers Coy | | 15 ) | Embarked for TERAPO |
| 8. | 2/7 AANGU | 1 | 1 ) | |
| 9. | 46 Aust Camp Hospital | | 2 ) | |
| 10. | 91 US Engr Bn | 1 | 11 ) | |
| 11. | 96 US Engr Bn | 2 | 95 ) | |

PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/1 Aust MG Bn | 10 | 198 ) | |
| 2. | LHQ Observer Party | 5 | ) | From Dobadura |
| 3. | Misc Personnel | 2 | 1 ) | |
| 4. | Evacuations | | | |
| | Medical : Aust | | 11 | from WAU |
| | US | | 15 | from DOBADURA |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 14 Apr '43 PRO FORMA QG/41

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY : | Received 14 Apr '43 | 1604 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 13 Apr '43 | 842 lbs |
| MILNE BAY : | Received 13 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 13 Apr '43 | 253 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1300 HRS 14 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/41

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals NIL | | |
| Harbour Positions | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT | discharging at wharf | |
| MATAFELE | at wharf | |
| GEORGE McGRARY | lightering from stream | |
| ULOOLOO | anchored in stream | |
| STAGEN ) | | |
| WEST CACTUS ) | AT TATANA | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | | |
| CITY OF PORTH ORTH ) | | |
| Sailings | | |
| LORINEA | 0900 hrs for MILNE BAY | Personnel as above & cargo |
| Naval corvette | am for TERAPO | |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| VAN HEUTZ ) | | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL ) | am 16 Apr '43 | |
| ASSOCIATED ) | | |
| KHOBE HOSA | approx 21 Apr '43 | |

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# MESSAGE FORM

TO: 2/6 Aust Armd Regt, HQ 6 Aust Div RAA, 2/1 Aust Fd Regt, 55 Bty 2/5 Aust Fd Regt, 2/6 Aust Fd Regt, 13 Aust Fd Regt, 14 Aust Fd Regt, 2/1 T.K.A. Regt, 1 Aust Mtn Bty, 2/6 Svy Bty, 2/7 Svy Bty, HQ MFD, Bootless Bty, Paga Bty, 1 Aust Spec Radio Unit, HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps Tps, 15 Aust Fd Coy, 19 Aust Fortress Coy, HQ 11 Aust Div Sigs, 15 Aust Inf Bde 'L' Sec Sigs, Ind Corps of Sigs att 2/6 Aust Armd Regt, 'E' Sec Sigs 2/1 Aust Fd Regt, 'G' Sec Sigs 13 Aust Fd Regt, 'F' Sec Sigs 14 Aust Fd Regt, 'H' Sec Sigs 2/1 Tk.A Regt, 'J' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Inf Bde, Fortress Sigs, HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde, 9 Aust Inf Bn, 25 Aust Inf Bn, 61 Aust Inf Bn, 7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl, HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde, 24 Aust Inf Bn, 57/60 Aust Inf Bn (Rear), 57/60 Aust Inf Bn (Forward), 58/59 Aust Inf Bn, Rear Details HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde, 2/5 Aust Inf Bn, 2/6 Aust Inf Bn, 2/7 Aust Inf Bn, Rear Details 2/3 Aust Indep Coy, 7 Aust MG Bn, HQ 6 Aust Div Carr Gp, R/F 2/1 MG Bn, HQ Comd ASC 11 Aust Div, 152 Gen Tpt Coy, 1 Aust Supply Depot, 2/43 LAD, 2/53 LAD, 217 LAD, 219 LAD, 241 LAD, 206 LAD, 292 LAD, 306 LAD, 316 LAD, 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div W/shop, 21 Bde Sec 7 Aust Div W/shop, Indep Armd W/shops, 113 Indep Bde Gp W/shops, HQ 7 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk, 17 Bde Sec 6 Div Ord Fd Pk, 21 Bde Sec 7 Div Ord Fd Pk, 113 Indep Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk, Rear 2/2 Aust Fd Amb, 11 Aust Fd Amb, 15 Aust Fd Amb, 11 Aust Div Pro Coy, 11 Aust Div Fd Cash Office, 11 Aust Div Postal Unit, 11 Aust Div Concert Party, NGF Camp Donadabu, HQ 3 Aust Div, 3 Aust Div Sigs, Cipher Section, 3 Aust Div Postal Unit, 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit, HQ Comd ASC 3 Aust Div, 231 LAD.

FROM: HQ 11 AUST. DIV. Originator's No: AQ 3351 Date: 14

Passover Sedor Service is to be held by Base Chaplain, US Advanced Base (USASOS) on 19 Apr. '43 at 1930 hrs (.) Units will advise this HQ direct by signal before 0800K/17 Army No, Rank, Full Name of all Hebrew personnel desirous of attending this service (.) Passover leave for the purpose of attending this service only will be granted by all Australian Army Units to all Hebrew personnel (.) No other leave will be granted.

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Signature J. W. Wallace Maj

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Camp Commandant
HQ 11 Aust Div

13 April '43

Subject : MORNING PARADE

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1. As from 15 Apr 43, morning parades will be at 0815 hrs, NEAR RATION TENT.

2. Only 1 duty clerk from each branch will be granted leave from parades.

3. Officers in charge of branches are requested to notify Camp Commandant if they require any other clerk to be absent from parade.

4. Breakfast as from 15 April 43 will be at 0715 hrs. Warning bell will be sounded at 0700 hrs.

(Sgd) A.H. McMillan Lieut
A/Camp.Commandant 11 Aust Div

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HQ 11 AUST DIV.
15 APR 43.

ADME 11 AUST DIV - NOTES FOR WAR DIARY.

Place: Port Moresby. Map Ref 904367 PM (Special) 1-in to 1-mile.

Date: 15 APR 43.

Time : as at 2359 hrs.

1. MT

2nd echelon wkshops are keeping abreast of work, but insufficient welding gases have been received for effective work, and shortage of spare parts are holding certain vehicles in wkshops which would otherwise be available.

ARTILLERY.

2. Modifications to further 25-pr equipments have been brought up to date. The following is the number of guns serviced during past week:

| | |
|---|---|
| Ord QF 25-pr | 3 |
| " " 6-pr Tank Attack | 5 |

ARMOURY.

3. The Mobile Armourers Wkshop operating at the 2/1 Aust Fd Regt have completed the following arms:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Rifles | 538 |
| Boys A.Tk Rifles | 12 |
| Owen SMGs | 49 |
| Bren LMGs | 22 |
| Thompson SMGs | 3 |
| Pistols | 56 |

WIRELESS AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

4. Altogether ten (10) Sets of various types have been repaired by 2nd echelon wkshops during the past week.
Wireless and Signal Sections have three weeks work in shops as a result of the inspection carried out by EME (Radio). Arrangements have been made whereby Sigs 11 Aust Div assume their proper maintenance role as set out in GRO 190.

INSTRUMENTS.

5. The inspection of arty instruments throughout the formation, has been continued, and altogether 493 instruments have been inspected; where necessary instruments requiring 2nd and 4th echelon repairs, have been recorded, and as the wkshops have the time and space available these instruments will be called in. The work in sight is however far beyond wkshop capacity, and a special report is being prepared.

AFVs.

6. Three (3) Gen Stuart Tanks M3 Light have had minor repairs effected, in order to keep them at Class I fighting efficiency.

DAMAGE BY ENEMY ACTION.

7. 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME received a stick of 5 bombs in their area during the Air Raid on 12 Apr 43. Casualties were light, Lieut Crossman and three (3) ORs being injured.
Damage to vehs and equipment was extensive, three machinery trucks being destroyed by fire together with equipment therein, which included a 25-KVA Generating Set, a Battery Charging outfit, and garage lorry eqpt. These three vehs were not properly dispersed and wkshops and LADs are being ordered to increase dispersal and adhere rigidly to maximum dispersal allowed by their sites, frequently too small for their requirements.

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NOTES FOR WAR DIARY(CONTD)

CHANGE OF LOCATION.

8. 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME moved to new location at Port Moresby (Special) 1-in to 1-mile 963380 16 Apr 43.

TRAINING

9. A training instruction has been sent out to all AEME units in the formation; see Appendix "A" attached hereto.

Major.
ADME 11 AUST DIV.

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HQ 11 AUST DIV.
11 APR 43.

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| | Initials | Date |
|---|---|---|
| 16 Bde Coo 6 Aust Div Wkshop AEME | | |
| 21 Bde Coo 7 Aust Div Wkshop AEME | | |
| 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME | | |
| Ind Arml Wkshop AEME | | |
| 306 Aust LAD (AIF) | | |

TRAINING.

1. The attached instructions will be carefully studied by each of the above units. Each recipient will return to ADME office quickly (after signing) for passing by ADME to next on list this memo remaining attached to file throughout.

CW TRG POLICY (G/837/3D)

2. "Measures to be taken by Formations and units in Rear and L of C Areas" will apply. Booklet "Gas Trg (Aust) 42" is not available; instead Pam 1 PAG will be forwarded to all AEME units shortly. CW Trg will be carried out as required for 2 hrs weekly, and personnel when sufficiently trained will be passed through a gas chamber. (
(Arrangements may be made direct with CO 113 Aust Ind Bde Gp Wkshop AEME for use of gas chamber; units using chamber will provide own "Capsules lachrymatory" obtainable on indent through ADOS.)

It is to be the objective that all personnel will be trained in CW and pass TsOET, also have passed through gas chamber, as soon as possible, but not later than 10 weeks from present date.

NOF TRG INSTN NO. 2.

3. This will be studied closely. The heavy volume of work handled in recent months has tended to cause inf trg of AEME units to slip somewhat into the background, but this cannot long be allowed to continue; all units as addressed will therefore arrange a programme of trg which will cover all personnel, and which will provide 2 hrs trg per week, scheduled so as to cause as little dislocation as possible to normal work. Weapon trg (rifle, LMG, SMG and grenade) mapreading and direction finding will first be revised of the items set out in para 7 of the above instn.

It will be the aim of all wkshops and LADs to have reached a state of training in approx 3 months, whereby minor tactics, siting of weapon pits, planning of most effective use of available firepower and initial organisation during attack of a locality, will have been studied sufficiently to ensure effective organisation and action in the event of an attack.

To this end, lectures for AEME officers and later for senior NCOs on minor tactics will be arranged at an early date.

H B Kram Major.
ADME 11 AUST DIV.

War Diary

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HQ NG FORCE
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 15 APR. '43.

PART I - OUTWARD.

| SERIAL | UNITS | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION AND REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 4 | |
| 2. | 15 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | 30 | |
| 3. | 8 AAD | | 10 | |
| 4. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 2 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 5. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | | 2 | |
| 6. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 2 | |
| 7. | Misc Aust pers | 4 | 3 | |
| 8. | 15 Aust Fd Coy | | 22 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 9. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | | 2 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 10. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 3 | |
| 11. | 2/17 Aust Lt AA Bty | | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 12. | RAAF | | 1 | |
| 13. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| 14. | 46 Aust Camp Hospital | 1 | 14 | Embarked for BULLDOG |

PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/1 Aust MG Bn | 10 | 222 | from DOBADURA |
| 2. | Medical Evacuations | | | |
| | Aust | 6 | all ranks | from WAU |
| | US | 13 | all ranks | from DOBADURA |
| | Native | 18 | | from DOBADURA |

MAIL POSITION AS AT 1200 HRS 15TH APR '43 PRO FORMA QC/42.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY : | Received 15 Apr '43 | 330 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 14 Apr '43 | NIL |
| MILNE BAY: | Received 14 Apr. '43 | 437 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 14 Apr '43 | NIL |

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 15 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/42

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals | NIL | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| ULOOLOO<br>MATAFELE | At wharf | |
| JOSEPH HOLT<br>GEORGE McGRARY | In stream | |
| KEY PITMAN<br>STAGEN<br>WEST CACTUS<br>CITY OF FORTWORTH | at TATANA | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| ASSOCIATED<br>DAVID BUSHNELL<br>VAN HEUTZ | 1630 hrs 16 Apr. '43 | |
| KNOSE HOEA | 21 Apr '43. | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| WEST CACTUS | 1000 hrs 16 Apr '43 | for mainland |
| GEORGE McGRARY | 1730 hrs 16 Apr '43 | for mainland |
| LAUNCH AM 53 | 0530 hrs 16 Apr '43 | for TERAPO and BULLDOG |

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by 'Q' 11 Aust Div.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 15 April '43

Air

Called Forward

One sec 15 Aust Fd Coy and Stores for KANGA Arrived

3 O/R's 2/6 Aust Fd Regt " DOBADURA

Due In

13 Plane loads stores and Personnel of A & B Coys 2/1 Aust MG Bn. 6 plane loads arrived

DISTRIBUTION : Cond
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| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 6 ORs.from 2/5 Aust.Fd.Regt. | DOBADURA. | |

ARRIVED FROM DOBADURA.

"A" and "B" Coys. 2/1 MG/Bn.1 Offr.
and 31 ORS. 11 plane loads of stores.
Completes move.

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 16 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| | SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1. | 12 DCRE(Works) | 1 | | Emplaned for WAU |
| | 2. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| | 3. | ANGAU | 1 | | |
| | 4. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 1 | |
| | 5. | Red Crpss | 1 | | |
| X | 6. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 6 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| | 7. | 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt | 1 | | |
| | 8. | Sigs NG L of C Area | 1 | 2 | |
| | 9. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| | 10. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| | 11. | 1 Aust Water Tpt Gp | 1 | 3 | |
| | 12. | BIPOD | | 1 | Embarked for TERAPO |
| | 13. | 45 Aust Camp Hospital | | 3 | |

### PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1. | HQ NGF | 1 | | from WAU |
| | 2. | 7 Aust MG Bn | 1 | | |
| | 3. | 2/5 Aust Indep Coy | | 1 | |
| | 4. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 1 | from KOKODA |
| X | 5. | 2/1 Aust MG Bn | 1 | 35 | from DOBADURA |

6. Evacuations

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Medical : | Aust | 3 | all ranks from WAU |
| | Aust | 8 | all ranks from DOBADURA |
| | US | 18 | all ranks from DOBADURA |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 16 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 16 Apr '43 | 220 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 15 Apr '43 | 1554 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 15 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 15 Apr '43 | 405 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 16 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL<br>VAN HEUTZ<br>ASSOCIATED | 1630 hrs from mainland | TANKER |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| ULOOLOO | at wharf | |
| JOSEPH HOLT | in stream | |
| GEORGE McCRARY | in stream | |
| STAGEM<br>KEY PITMAN<br>CITY OF FORTWORTH | at TATANA | |
| ASSOCIATED | discharging | |
| VAN HEUTZ | in stream | Details of pers not yet available |
| **Sailings** | | |
| LAUNCH AM 53 | 0600 hrs 16 Apr '43 | for TERAPO pers as above |
| WEST CACTUS | 1000 hrs for mainland | cargo |
| MATAFELE | 1730 hrs for TOPI | cargo |

'X' : Responsible 11 Aust. Div.

**Expected Arrivals**

KATOOMBA — am 19 Apr '43
KHOSE HOEA )
CREMER )
STEPHEN BALKIN ) — am 21 Apr '43
HENRY DEARBORN )
GENERAL VERSPIJK )

**Projected Departures**

GEORGE McCRARY — pm 17 April '43 for mainland

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# MESSAGE FORM

TO: All units (except US Army).

From: HQ 11 Aust Div AQ 3486 Date: 17

Tentage (.) Ref 11 Aust Div AQ 3346 of 13 April (.) O/R's will be accommodated on basis six per tent 14 x 12 NOT repeat NOT 8 O/R's (.) Certificates rendered will in addition state number tents by type complete and flys separate to be returned to Ordnance .

This message may be sent as written by any means except WIRELESS

This message must be sent in CYPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands

Originator's Instns:
Degree of Priority:

Time of Origin: 1620K

Signature..... Signature.....

T.H.I.
T.O.R.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. War Diary 54

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AIF 11/1/4 as amended

A.I.F.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. Reference

A.M.F.

W.E. 37 x 187

Date 17 April 43

Attached

Allowed by W.E. - x 2

H Q II AUST DIV Unit

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

| 1 Ranks and W.E. | | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) | 3 Surplus to Establishment | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Major-General | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Colonels | 1 | 3 | 2 | - |
| Lieut.-Colonels | 5 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Majors | 13 | 8 | - | 5 |
| Captains | 12 | 10 | - | 2 |
| Lieutenants | 2 | 8 | 6 | - |
| Chaplains 2nd Lieutenants | 3 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Quartermasters | | | | |
| Totals 37 | 37 | 34 | 8 | 11 |

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary

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

### Officers JOINED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maj | BRIERLEY | HQ 3 Aust Div | 11.4.43 | ADOS Duties |
| Capt | JAMES C | HQ 11 Aust Div | 14.4.43 | Ret to Unit ex 2/9 AGH |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

### Officers QUITTED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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## PART C. — DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED

| Rank | Name and Initials | Unit or Corps | (Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known) |
|---|---|---|---|
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## PART D. — NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH

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

| 1<br>Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | 2<br>Personal Number | 3<br>Name and Initials | 4<br>Appointment | 5<br>Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No) | 6<br>If not present with Unit, state how employed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt-Col T/Maj-Gen | TX2050 | Clowes C A | Comd | yes | - |
| Col | TX2051 | Sheehan G L | GSO 1 | yes | - |
| Lt-Col T/Col | WX1546 | Maitland G B G | ADMS | yes | - |
| Maj T/Col | NX100054 | Litchfield J C | AA & QMG | No | Medical Leave |
| Capt T/Lt-Col | NX120201 | Moyes J | PP Cts Mtl | Yes | - |
| Lt-Col | QX6218 | Vidgen H R | ADOS | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX111871 | Singe C W | GSO II | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX100064 | Willis J W | DAAG | Yes | - |
| Capt T/Major | NX126730 | Larkins A | LSO | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX100046 | Bailey K G | DAQMG | Yes | - |
| Capt T/Major | VX88193 | McQueen G H | DADH | No | Rec Leave |
| Capt T/Major | VX47758 | Brain H B | ADME | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Major | NX100069 | Hawkeswood H W | DAPM | ~~Yes~~ No | ~~Medical Leave~~ |
| Chap T/Major | VX46590 | Blake D | Sen Chap C/E | No | Rec Leave |
| Chap T/Major | NX70219 | Reynolds P F | Sen Chap R/C | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX81148 | Speight N L | GSO (ii) L | No | Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100063 | Boddam-Whetham T S | LO | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100072 | Robertson W E | LO | No | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX107675 | Thompson R H B | LO | No | Rec Leave |
| Capt | QX6082 | Hooper R C | DAAG (L) | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX108508 | Atkin J R | Camp Comdt | No | Rec Leave |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100040 | Rider A C | DADOS | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100067 | James C | Catering Advsr | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | NX100050 | Borthwick J M | GSO iii C | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX102494 | Clarke I J | ADC | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX138997 | Beauchamp W D | DAQMG (L) | Yes | - |
| Lieut T/Capt | SX4337 | Cowan R W T | GSO iii(i) | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX122951 | Horton M F | GSO iii | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX115682 | Wood K A | Educ | Yes | - |
| Lieut | NX110884 | Freeman R H | GSO iii(L) | No | Hosp - 2/9 AGH |
| Lieut | NX101571 | McMillan A H | A/Camp Comdt | Yes | - |
| Lieut | WX32998 | Elston E C | Amenities Of | Yes | - |
| Major | NX83 | Armati L V | DADMS | Yes | - |
| Lieut | VX117078 | Leckie R F | ADME AO | Yes | - |

### (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS

| Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | Personal Number | Name and Initials | Unit or Corps | Date of Attachment | Nature of Attachment | Allowed by W.E. (Insert Yes or No) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt | NX129 | Rishworth J C | 5 Aust Div | 2/4/43 | LSO Duties | |
| Lieut | NX76320 | Norrie R F | 1 Aust Corps Rec Camp | 25/3/43 | G Duties | |
| ~~Lt-Col~~ | ~~WX3373~~ | ~~Caro A G~~ | 2/16 Inf Bn | 8/2/43 | S/O Moresby | Def |
| Capt T/Maj | SX2910 | Irwin W M | 2/2 Fd Amb | 5/1/43 | ADMS Duties | |

HQ II AUST DIV
(Unit)

17 April '43
(Date of Despatch)

(Signature of Commander)

HQ II AUST DIV
(Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving)

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HQ NG FORCE
PRO FORMA QA/43

## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 17 APR '43

PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ 3 Aust Div | 2 | 2 | ) |
| 2. | 2/1 Aust Fd Regt | | 2 | ) |
| 3. | 166 Lt AA Bty (Aust) | | 1 | ) |
| 4. | Sig Courier | | 1 | ) Emplaned for WAU |
| 5. | 2/3 Aust Indep Coy | | 2 | ) |
| 6. | 231 Aust LAD | 1 | | ) |
| 7. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 1 | ) DOBADURA |
| X 8. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 2 | Emplaned for MENADARA |
| 9. | RAAF | 2 | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 10. | 8 Aus Graves Reg & Enq Unit | 2 | | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| 11. | 2/1 Aust Mech Equip Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 12. | ANGAU | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |

PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 8 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | ) |
| 2. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 2) | |
| 3. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | 3 | 1 | ) from WAU |
| 4. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 1 | ) |
| 5. | ANGAU | 1 | | ) |
| 6. | P I B | | 30 | ) |
| 7. | Natives | | 100 | ) from DOBADURA |
| 8. | 11 US Fighter Control | 1 | 1 | ) from BULOLO |
| 9. | Evacuations | | | |

Medical : AUST 3 all ranks from WAU
AUST 1 all ranks from MILNE BAY
US 20 all ranks from MILNE BAY
US 12 all ranks from DOBADURA

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 17 APR '43 — PRO FORMA QB/43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 17 Apr '43 | 1761 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 16 Apr '43 | 1286 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 16 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 16 Apr '43 | 70 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 17 APR '43 — PRO FORMA QB/43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals | NIL | |
| Harbour Positions | | |
| ULOOLOO | discharging and backloading | |
| VAN HEUTZ ) | | |
| JOSEPH HOLT) | lightering from stream | |
| ASSOCIATED | discharging at ELAWALA | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | in stream | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | | |
| CITY OF FORTWORTH ) | at TATANA | |
| STAGEN ) | | |
| Sailings | | |
| GEORGE McCRARY | 1800 hrs for mainland | No cargo or personnel |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| KATOOMBA | am 19 Apr from mainland | |
| KHOEN HOEA ) | | |
| STEPHEN B BLEIN ) | | |
| CREMER ) | | |
| HENRY DEARBORN ) | | |
| GENERAL VERSPIJK ) | 21 Apr from mainland | |
| Projected Departures | | |
| ULOOLOO | 1730 hrs 18 Apr '43 for mainland | |
| CITY OF FORTWORTH | 1500 hrs 18 Apr '43 | |
| ASSOCIATED | 1730 hrs 18 Apr '43 | |

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by Q 11 Aust Div

X Responsible - 11 Aust Div.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 17 APRIL '43

AIR

Called Forward

2 pers 2/6 Aust Fd Regt for DOBADURA

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IMPROPER DRESS BY NIGHT

Quote AQ 3492

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
18 Apr '43

1. The under mentioned personnel were reported by 11 Aust Div Pro Coy on the occasions shown for breaches of MGF Order 110 of 29 Mar '43.

2. Disciplinary action will be taken against these members and this HQ advised of results thereof. If such report is made on weekly B2069 a reference to this circular memo should appear thereon.

3. It is noted that in some instances individuals have stated that gaiters have NOT been issued. If it appears that gaiters or equivalent have NOT been issued in any instance, disciplinary action will be taken against the member of the unit whose duty it is to see that such articles are issued to and in the possession of the member concerned.

4. Similar action will be taken with regard to other articles of clothing where appropriate.

5. Reports of action taken in consequence of paras 3 & 4 above will also be made to this HQ as in para 2.

6. O.C. 11 Aust Div Pro Coy will make members of his unit available as witnesses if requested.

J. W. Wallis Murray
Col
for AA & QMG 11 Aust Div

11 Aust Div Concert Party - MURRAY BARRACKS - 15 April 1943

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| NX103899 Pte H.E. POWELL<br>21 Bde Group Sec 2/7<br>Aust Div Workshops | Not wearing Gaiters | Gaiters on issue |
| NX130216 Pte C.E. WALKOM<br>HQ 11 Aust Div | " " | " " " |
| VX76328 Spr C. DOWNIE<br>15 Field Coy R.A.E. | " " | "No Gaiters on issue" |
| VX77097 Spr E.W. COLLINS<br>15th Field Coy R.A.E. | " " | "No Gaiters on issue" |
| VX109978 Pte W. FORRESTER<br>15th Field Coy | " " | "Did not know that they had to be worn" |
| VX250434 Pte O.H. LIONS<br>15th Field Coy R.A.E. | " " | "I haven't been issued" |
| NX6102 Gnr S.W. NORTH<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " | "Have not been issued" |
| QX2227 Gnr M.THER<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " | "Have not been issued" |
| NX46153 Gnr [illegible] N.G.<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " | "Have not been issued" |

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| NX37832 Gnr L. SNAPE<br>1st Mountain Bty | Not wearing gaiters | "Have not been re-issued with gaiters yet" |
| VX9012 Pte C. JAMES<br>2/3 Ind Coy | " " " | "Have not been re-issued" |
| NX47146 Pte D.H. MASCORD<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " | Nil |
| VX132513 Pte J.W. McKENZIE<br>24 Aust Inf Bn | " " | Nil |
| NX36326 Gnr MILLS L.P.<br>Bootless Battery | " " | Nil |
| VX74414 Sig I.R. PITTS<br>11 Aust Div HQ | " " | Gaiters on issue |
| NX78180 Pte H.E.C. MAY<br>2/3 Aust Ind Coy | " " | Nil |
| VX76487 Sig D. SPARKS<br>11 Aust Div Sigs | " " | Gaiters on issue |
| QX20943 Pte F. DURNER<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " | Nil |
| VX84829 Spr A.V. GREGORY<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | " " | Nil |
| NX326137 Pte H.E.KESCHENKA<br>57/50 Bn C Coy | Sleeves rolled up | Nil |

MOBILE CINEMA - CIRCUIT NO 1 - JOHN'S GULLY 15 April 1943

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| NX43312 Pte F.A. CAVALCHINI<br>B Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn | Sleeves rolled up<br>Not wearing gaiters | Nil |
| NX113247 PTE J.A. ERVIN<br>2/1 Aust MG Bn | " " " | Nil |

11 AUST DIV CONCERT PARTY - MURRAY BARRACKS - 16 APRIL 1943

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| V215593 Spr A.S. HUDSON<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | Not wearing gaiters | "Not issued" |
| VX69627 Cpl R.J. COCKERELL<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | " " | "Not issued" |
| VX89234 Cpl C.E. DOWNS<br>15 Aust Field Coy Engrs | " " | "Not issued" |
| VX84827 Spr C.H. CHURCHILL<br>15 Aust Field Coy Engrs | " " | "Not issued" |
| NX8718 Sgt A.E. PEARCE<br>1 Bty 2/1 Reinfts RAA | " " | "Just out of hospital -no gaiters issued" |
| V197430 Spr D.J.CONROY<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | " " | "Have not been issued" |

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| V285790 Spr C. BUTTERWORTH<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | Not wearing gaiters | "Have not been issued" |
| WX2387 Bdr SCOTSON S.<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " " | "Not issued" |
| Q76758 Spr BURKE D.T.<br>19 Fortress Engineers | Sleeves rolled up | Nil |
| NX81089 Pte PATTERSON G.<br>7 Aust MG Bn | Not wearing gaiters | "Has a sore leg" |
| N268072 Pte MAPLES J.J.<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " " | "Have not been told to wear them" |
| NX150814 Pte DENT G.W.<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " " | "Have not been told to wear them" |
| VX113504 Sgt SANDRY J.E.<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.A.E. | " " " | "Been handed in" |
| VX34637 Spr SHARPE V.<br>15 Aust Fd Coy R.A.E. | " " " | "Been handed in" |
| V34690 Cpl BRIDGER J.G.<br>15 Aust Field Coy R.E | " " " | "Been handed in" |
| NX36326 Gnr L.P. MILLS<br>Bootless Bty | Sleeves rolled up | "Forgot" |
| VX356047 Gnr S. NEALE<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " " | Nil |
| NX20667 Gnr F. RIXON<br>2/5 Aust Field Regt | Not wearing gaiters | "Not issued" |
| N243402 Pte T.J. ANDERSON<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " " | "Lent them to mate" |
| N268081 Pte N. SUTHERELL<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " " | "Left them in camp" |
| N243410 Pte L.J. CUMMINS<br>7 Aust MG Bn | " " " | "Left them in camp" |
| NX73816 Cpl K. McLEAN<br>306 L.A.D. | " " " | "Not issued" |
| VX132348 Pte T.F.FAULKNER<br>58/59 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | "Left them back in camp |
| Q58227 Sgt S.E. ABRAHAM<br>19 Aust Fortress Coy | Sleeves not rolled down-not wearing gaiters | "Gaiters lost" |
| QX11535 Sgt S.C. LUCAS<br>58/59 Aust Inf Bn | Shirt unbuttoned not wearing gaiters | "Gaiters in the wash" |
| V45233 Pte R.A. BUTT<br>58/59 Aust Inf Bn HQ | Not wearing gaiters | "Left them at home" |
| VX113054 Pte R.A. WILLIAMS<br>58/59 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | "Forgot them" |
| V335351 Pte S. RALPH<br>58/59 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | "Forgot them" |

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| V310947 Pte D.A. APPLEBY 58/59 Aust Inf Bn | Not wearing gaiters | "Forgot them" |
| N213564 Pte L.C. ANDERSON HQ 11 Aust Div | Sleeves rolled up | "Forgot" |
| NX6418 Pte W. SIMPSON 2/1 Aust MG Bn | Sleeves rolled up not wearing gaiters | "Didn't know about it" |
| NX7850 Pte W.L. LITTLEJOHN 2/1 Aust MG Bn | Not wearing gaiters | "Didn't know about it" |
| VX109978 Pte W. FORRESTER 15 Aust Fld Coy | " " | Nil |

(Pte FORRESTER reported for same offence on 15 Apr '43)

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DISTRIBUTION

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| R.A. 6 Aust Div | .... | 3 |
| HQ MORESBY Fixed Defs | .... | 1 |
| HQ R.E 1 Aust Corps Tps | .... | 2 |
| Sigs 11 Aust Div | .... | 1 |
| 15 Aust Inf Bde | .... | 4 |
| 2/3 Aust Ind Coy (Rear) | .... | 1 |
| 7 Aust MG Bn | .... | 2 |
| ADME | .... | 3 |
| Camp | .... | 1 |
| NGF (for infm) | .... | 1 |
| 11 Aust Div Pro Coy (for infm) | .... | 1 |
| DAPM | .... | 1 |
| ADMS (for infm) | .... | 1 |
| War Diary | .... | 2 |
| File | .... | 1 |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 18 APR '43

AIR

| Called Forward | | Destination | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|
| 'A' Coy 2/1 Aust MG Bn - 11 plane loads (138 all ranks & 20812 lbs stores) | | Wau-Bulolo | |
| 3 Aust Div Sigs - 6 plane loads (75 personnel & 11250 lbs stores) | | | all less 1 plane |
| 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | 30 O/Rks | Dobadura | |
| Major Larkins | | Wau | |

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 18 APR '43

### PART I - OUTWARD

| | SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| x | 1. | 11 Aust Div | 1 | | |
| | 2. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| | 3. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 4 | |
| | 4. | Sig Courier | | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| x | 5. | 2/1 Aust MG Bn | 5 | 133 | |
| | 6. | 2/7 Aust Indep Coy | | 164 | |
| | 7. | HQ AASC 3 Aust Div | | 1 | |
| | 8. | 15 Aust Fd Amb | 1 | 3 | |
| x | 9. | Sigs 3 Aust Div | 3 | 60 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| x | 10. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 3 | |
| | 11. | 'H' Sec FSS | 1 | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| | 12. | COSC | 1 | | Emplaned for TERAPO |

### PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 15 Aust Inf Bde | 1 | | |
| 2. | 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 1 | from Wau |
| 3. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | 1 | 1 | |
| 4. | 2/3 Aust DID | 2 | 33 | |
| 5. | Misc Aust Personnel | 1 | | from DOBADURA |
| 6. | RAAF | | 2 | |

7. **Medical Evacuations**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Aust | 3 all ranks | from Wau |
| | 1 all ranks | from Milne Bay |
| US | 20 all ranks | from Milne Bay |
| | 12 all ranks | from Dobadura |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 18 APR '43 — Pro Forma QC/44

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 18 Apr '43 | 1050 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 17 Apr '43 | 1174 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 17 Apr '43 | 518 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 17 Apr '43 | 432 lbs |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 18 APR '43 — PRO FORMA QB/44

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| KINTORE | 1030 hrs from MILNE BAY | No personnel or cargo |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ, JOSEPH HOLT | in stream | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL, STAGEN, KEY PITMAN | discharging at wharf | |
| CITY OF FORTWORTH | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| ASSOCIATED | 0600 hrs for mainland | tanker |
| KINTORE | 1600 hrs for mainland | |
| ULOOLOO | 1730 hrs for mainland | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| KATOOMBA, KHORN HORN | 1800 hrs 19 Apr '43 | |
| STEPHEN B BLAINE, CREMER, HENRY DEARBORN, GENERAL VERSPIJK | 21 Apr | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| CITY OF FORTWORTH | 1500 hrs 19 Apr '43 | |

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O.C.,
CONCERT PARTY, 11 AUST. DIV.

*Address* HQ
11 AUST. DIV.

19 Apr. '43.

With the conclusion, for the present, of the performances of the Concert Party in this vicinity, I should like to convey my appreciation of the efforts of yourself and all members of the Party in staging such an excellent production as the current one.

I am sure that in all respects it would be difficult to conceive of a more enjoyable performance, and one adapted better to the varied tastes of the types of audience you encounter. To my mind the whole show reflects great credit on everybody concerned, and this view is borne out by many officers who have spontaneously volunteered their high approval.

I wish to place on record my sincere thanks for the results achieved and my recognition of the hard work put in by all members of the Party for the benefit of the troops.

I wish you all the best of luck in your travels on the forthcoming circuit and for times to come.

I should be glad if my remarks herein could be communicated to all members of the Party.

C.A. CLOWES Maj-Gen.,
COMD., 11 AUST. DIV.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS
19 Apr '43

HQ N G Force
"Q" Branch
PRO FORMA OA

PART I - OUTWARDS

| Serial | Unit | Personnel Offrs | Personnel ORs | Destination & Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HQ 3 Aust Div | 5 | 5 | |
| 2 | HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde | 1 | - | |
| 3 | 156 Aust Lt AA Bty | - | 1 | |
| 4 | 2/16 Aust Fd Coy | - | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 5 | Sig Courier | - | 1 | |
| 6 | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | - | 2 | |
| 7 | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | - | 3 | |
| 8 | 4 AC Sqn RAAF | - | 1 | |
| 9 | HQ AA Gp | 1 | - | |
| 10 | 2/4 Aust Hy AA Bty | 1 | - | |
| 11 | 67 Aust AASL Coy | 1 | - | |
| 12 | 67 Aust AASL Wkshop | 1 | - | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 13 | Sigs 2 Aust AA Bde | 1 | - | |
| 14 | 4 AC Sqn RAAF | 1 | - | |
| 15 | Sigs NG L of C Area | - | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| 16 | Sigs NG L of C | 1 | - | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 17 | Coco | 1 | - | Emplaned for TERAPO |

PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| x 1 | 21/25 Aust Carrier Coy | 4 | 162 | From WAU |
| 2 | Misc Aust Personnel | - | 1 | From GARAIMA |
| x 3 | 2/8 Aust Armd Regt | 20 | 290 | |
| 4 | NOF Cipher Sec | - | 26 | |
| 5 | 2/103 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | 5 | 217 | |
| 6 | HQ 12 AA Wkshop | 1 | 4 | From mainland on KATOOMBA |
| 7 | 2/5 AGH (incl 9 AAMS) | 10 | - | |
| 8 | Red Cross | 1 | - | |
| 9 | X List general reinforcements | 42 | 448 | |
| 10 | Prisoners under escort | - | 25 | |
| 11 | Medical Evacuations | | | |

Aust 2 all ranks from DOBODURA
US 39 all ranks from DOBODURA

MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 19 Apr '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 19 Apr '43 | 1206 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 18 Apr '43 | 504 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 18 Apr '43 | 426 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 18 Apr '43 | 178 lbs |

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 19 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| KATOOMBA | 1745 hrs from mainland | Personnel as above |
| **Harbour Position** | | |
| KATOOMBA | Discharging | |
| VAN HEUTZ, JOSEPH HOLT | Lightering in stream | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | Anchored in stream | |
| STAGEN, KEY PITMAN | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| CITY OF PORTWORTH | 1100 hrs for mainland | No troops or cargo |
| **Expected arrivals** | | |
| KHOEN HOEA, STEPHEN B. ELKINS, CRIMER, HENRY DEARBORN | 21 Apr '43 from mainland | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| KATOOMBA | early a.m. 20 Apr '43 for mainland | |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 19 APRIL, 1943.

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SAILED FORWARD.

NIL.

ARRIVALS. ([redacted])

4 Offrs. and 160 ORs. } 21/25 Carrier Coy. due from Wau.
3000lbs. Stores }

"Katoomba" due from mainland
2/8 Aust. Armd. Regt; 20 Offrs. and 295 ORs.

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## IMPROPER DRESS BY NIGHT

Quote AQ 3587

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
19 Apr '43

1. The under mentioned personnel were reported by 11 Aust Div Pro Coy on the occasions shown for breaches of MGF Order 110 of 29 Mar '43.

2. Disciplinary action will be taken against these members and this HQ advised of results thereof. If such report is made on weekly B2069 a reference to this circular memo should appear thereon.

3. It is noted that in some instances individuals have stated that gaiters or equivalent have NOT been issued. If it appears that gaiters or equivalent have NOT been issued in any instance, disciplinary action will be taken against the member of the unit whose duty it is to see that such articles are issued to and in the possession of the member concerned.

4. Similar action will be taken with regard to other articles of clothing where appropriate.

5. Reports of action taken in consequence of paras 3 & 4 above will also be made to this HQ as in para 2.

6. O.C. 11 Aust Div Pro Coy will make members of his unit available as witnesses if requested.

J. W. Willis Gray
Col
for AA & QMG 11 Aust Div

11 Aust Div Concert Party - MURRAY BARRACKS - 17 April 1945

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| NX95333 Gnr C.E. LEABEATER 2/1 Aust Field Regt | Not wearing gaiters | "Not issued" |
| V45928 Pte V. JAMES 24 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | Nil |
| V970053 Pte W. WILLIAMS 24 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | Nil |

MOBILE CINEMA - SCREENING MURRAY BARRACKS - 17 April 1943

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SX26310 Pte L. INVERARITY 219 L...D. | Not wearing gaiters | "In the wash" |
| N203693 Cpl J. CARDY HQ 11 Aust Div | " " " | Nil |
| W19486 Sig J. ALDER Sig 11 Aust Div | " " " | Nil |
| NX90302 Pte W. WILSON 14 A/T Bty | " " " | "Gaiters gone off" |
| N153162 Pte B.J. AYERS 24 Aust Inf Bn | " " " | "Not issued " |

| PARTICULARS | OFFENCE | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| N247674 Pte R.H. CORNISH<br>6 Aust Div Carrier Gp | Sleeves rolled up | Nil |
| V121193 Pte G. ROE<br>57/60 Aust Inf Bn | Not wearing gaiters | "Not issued" |
| NX37202 Gnr R.W. CLARK<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " " | Nil |
| NX145589 Dvr R. BOND<br>HQ 11 Aust Div | " " " | Nil |
| NX44295 Gnr B.G. GRIFFITH<br>2/1 Aust Field Regt | " " " | Nil |
| NX107988 Gnr J.P. McMAHON<br>36 Aust Hy Bty A/A | Sleeves rolled up | Nil |
| NX106201 Gnr J. DONOVAN<br>36 Aust Hy A/A | Not wearing gaiters | "Buckles broken" |
| V43292 Pte L.C. WELLS<br>57/60 Aust Inf Bn Rec Camp | Sleeves rolled up | "Forgot" |
| NX79303 Gnr W. BELL<br>HQ R.A. | Not wearing gaiters | "Did not know had to wear them." |
| N27820Spr T. CULTER<br>15 Field Coy R.E | " " " | "Not issued" |
| N437333 Spr A. NICHOLSON<br>15 Field Coy R.E | " " " | Nil |
| VX132565 Dvr. WHIPP<br>HQ 3 Aust Div ASC | " " " | Nil |
| | Sleeves rolled up | |
| VX285289 Dvr E.J. MORTON<br>HQ 3 Aust Div ASC | Not wearing gaiters | Nil |
| N21261 Pte COULTER<br>6 Aust Div Carrier Gp | " " " | "Just returned from working party " |
| NX150595 Pte H. BARBER<br>6 Aust Div Carrier Gp | " " " | " |
| VX78978 L/Cpl H. GARDINER<br>3 Aust Div Salvage | " " " | "Forgot" |
| V310784 Pte V. PARKES<br>3 Div HQ D & E Pltn | Sleeves rolled up | " |
| V40467 Pte F. JAMESON<br>3 Div HQ D & E Pltn | " " " | NIL |
| VX113059 Pte W. PETRI<br>3 Div HQ D & E Platoon | " " " | NIL |

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| R... 6 Aust Div | .. 2 | [illegible] | .. 1 |
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| HQ R.E 1 Aust Corps Tps | 2 | DGF ( for inf ) | .. 1 |
| Sigs 11 Aust Div | .. 1 | 11 Aust Div Pro Coy (for inf) | 1 |
| 7 Aust Inf Bde | .. 2 | D.P.M | .. 1 |
| 15 Aust Inf Bde | .. 2 | DDS ( for inf) | .. 1 |
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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 20 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNITS | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Sig Courier | | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 2. | HQ 3 Aust Div | | 1 | |
| 3. | HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 1 | |
| 4. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | | 3 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 5. | 2/5 Aust Indep Coy | | 3 | |
| 6. | 2/7 Aust Indep Coy | | 2 | |
| 7. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |
| 8. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 3 | Emplaned for GARAIBA |
| 9. | GOSC | 1 | | |
| 10. x | 158 US Regt | 6 | | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 11. | ANGAU | 1 | | Emplaned for ABAU |
| 12. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 1 | Emplaned for RORONA |
| 13. x | 2/6 Aust Armd Regt (incl signals troopand 2/92 LAD) | 23 | 378 | |
| 14. | 2/1 Aust Coy AASC | 6 | 219 | |
| 15. | 2/59 LAD | 1 | 15 | |
| 16. | 61 Aust Dental Unit | 6 | 25 | Embarked KATOOMBA |
| 17. | AAMC | 1 | | for mainland |
| 18. | X list personnel | 3 | 117 | |
| 19. | Medical Evacuations | | 14 | |
| 20. | RAN | 1 | 5 | |

### PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ NGF | 1 | 1 | |
| 2. | 17 Aust Inf Bde | 2 | 1 | |
| 3. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | 1 | | From WAU |
| 4. | 7 Aust MG Bn | 1 | | |
| 5. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 1 | |
| 6. | RAAF | | 1 | from DOBADURA |
| 7. | MEDICAL EVACUATIONS | | | |
| | Aust | 46 all ranks | | from WAU |
| | | 1 | | from DOBADURA |
| | US | 10 all ranks | | from DOBADURA |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 20 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 20 Apr '43 | 331 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 19 Apr '43 | NIL |
| MILNE BAY | Received 19 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 19 Apr '43 | 436 lbs |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 20 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | NIL | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | at wharf | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | lightering in stream | |
| STAGEN ) | | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| KATOOMBA | 1515 hrs for mainland | personnel as above |
| JOSEPH HOLT | 1515 hrs for mainland | No personnel or cargo |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| STEPHEN B ELKINS ) | | |
| CREMER ) | | |
| HENRY DEARBORN ) | am 21 Apr '43 from mainland | |
| KOHEN HOEA | 27 Apr '43 | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | 22 Apr '43 for Milne Bay | |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 20 APR '43

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Called Forward

6 officers 158 US Combat Team for DORADURA

1 officer 2/6 Aust Armd Regt for MILNE BAY

Arrived

SEA

2/6 Aust Armd Regt embarking 'KATOOMBA' for mainland

90 X-11st personnel from Corps Rec Camp embarking 'KATOOMBA' for mainland

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 21 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 3 Bns. 2/6 Aust Fd Regt. 24 Aust. Inf. Bn. 31 'plane loads personnel and equipment. | Dobadura. | All |
| | Wau-Bulolo. | All less 1 load. |
| HQ. 3 Aust. Div. 22 'plane loads personnel and equipment. (Includes 3 Aust. Div. Sigs.) | do | All. |

LOCAL. NIL.

SEA. NIL.

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## MOVEMENTS OF UNITS AND DETS 21 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ NGF | 1 | | |
| 2. x | HQ 3 Aust Div | 6 | 100 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 3. x | Sigs 3 Aust Div | 2 | 34 | |
| 4. | Sigs Courier | | 1 | |
| 5. x | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 9 | 229 | |
| 6. x | H Q 3 Aust Div | 2 | 47 | |
| 7. x | Sigs 3 Aust Div | 1 | 11 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 8. x | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 5 | 159 | |
| 9. | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | | 3 | |
| 10. | Sigs HQ NGF | 2 | | |
| 11. | 2 Aust AS Control | | 1 | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 12. | ANGAU | | 1 | |
| 13. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | 2 | 2 | |
| 14. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for GARAINA |
| 15. | 2/1 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 16. | COSC | 1 | | Emplaned for BULLDOG |

### PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/14 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | |
| 2. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | From WAU |
| 3. | MEDICAL EVACUATIONS | | |
| | Aust (all ranks) | 5 | from WAU |
| | | 6 | from DOBADURA |
| | | 1 | from BULOLO |
| | US (all ranks) | 26 | from DOBADURA |

## POSTAL INFORMATION AS AT 1800 HRS 21 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 21 Apr '43 | 985 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 20 Apr '43 | 357 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 20 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 20 Apr '43 | 620 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 21 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| HENRY DEARBORN ) | | |
| STEPHEN B ELKINS ) | | |
| CREMER ) | 0930 hrs from MAINLAND | Miscellaneous cargo |
| **Harbour Position** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | backloading for MILNE BAY | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL ) | | |
| CREMER ) | lightering in stream | |
| HENRY DEARBORN | anchored in stream | |
| STEPHEN B ELKINS ) | | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | | |
| STAGEN ) | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** NIL | | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| KHOEN HOEA | approx 27 Apr '43 | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | 22 Apr '43 for MILNEBAY | |

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11 AUST DIV

WAR DIARY - April 15-April 22, '43.

**POLICY:** AAES 11 Aust Div has progressed materially towards the objective of a sound balanced programme from the points of view of vocational guidance and correspondence courses, increased interest in Discussion Groups (which number in all 31 Groups covering approximately 160 men); direction of lectures to factual knowledge of Australia, and development of a scheme to systematic Music Recitals.

**EXTRA DIVISIONAL SERVICE** Corps Signals and 2/8 AGH are serviced by this Div at request of DAD (Education).

**DEBATES** Seven (7) Debating Teams have been formed and several Debates held. Plans are going ahead for inter-Unit Debates.

**AMERICAN CO-OPERATION** American Red Cross Services show particularly keen interest in AAES and arrangements are in hand to co-operate with a view to assisting Australian-American relations. Joint presentation of Music and Debates will be scheduled at American Red Cross Canteen Services No.2.

**ARMY TRAINING** Text books on Motor-Mechanics and complete Courses on Signals Trg Scheme and Oxy-Acetylene Welding are in stock.

Twenty-six requests have been received for notes on Welding and plans are going forward to arrange and supervise this trg. in co-operation with ADME of 11 Aust Div and NGF.

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# W A R  D I A R Y  -  AMENITIES SECTION

22nd April, 1943.

1. Amenities Officer, 11 Aust Div has just taken over duties having been transferred from HQ 4 Aust Div.

2. Since commencing duties with this Div (10 Apr. '43) majority of time has been spent contacting Amenities Offrs of Bdes, RAA and Units in Area.

3. Until 19 Apr. '43 Amenities had been sharing office with Div Education Offr on this date I took over office on ground floor of "Thirty Club".

4. Cricket matches arranged and played during past week.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 11 AUST DIV | V. | NG FORCE |
| 11 DIV SIGS | | INTER-UNIT MATCH |

Pictures were shewn at Murray Barracks open air theatre 15 Apr. '43. Approx. attendance - 2000.

On 17 Apr. '43 11 Aust Div Concert Party finished giving performances to tps at "Thirty Club" Amphitheatre and have now commenced tour of outlying units, at present the party are around the DONADABU AREA.

5. During the week ACF distributed an issue of comforts to all tps on and under command of 11 Aust Div.

Lieut.
(C. ELSTON)
AMENITIES OFFR, 11 AUST. DIV.

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 22 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ NGF | 2 | | |
| 2. | HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 3 | |
| 3. | 2/1 Aust Fd Regt | 2 | | |
| 4. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 5. | 2/14 Aust Fd Coy | | 2 | |
| 6. | Sig Courier | | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 7. x | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 3 | 97 | |
| 8. | 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit | | 1 | |
| 9. | 3 Aust Div Cash Office | | 1 | |
| 10. x | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 6 | 125 | |
| 11. | 91 US Engr Bn | 2 | | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 12. | HQ NGF | 2 | | |
| 13. | 10 Aust Fd Amb | 1 | | |
| 14. | ADFR | 1 | | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 15. | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | | 2 | |
| 16. | RAAF | | 1 | |
| 17. | Sigs NG L of C Area | | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |

### PART 11 - INWARD

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | |
| 2. | 2/14 Aust Fd Coy | 1 | |
| 3. | 2/5 Aust ~~Fd Coy~~ Inf Bn | 3 | From WAU |
| 4. | 28 Aust L of C Salvage Unit | 1 | |
| 5. | Misc Aust Personnel | 2 | From BULOLO |
| 6. | MEDICAL EVACUATIONS | | |
| | Aust (all ranks) | 10 | from MILNE BAY |
| | | 7 | from WAU |
| | | 2 | from DOBADURA |
| | US (all ranks) | 10 | from DOBADURA |
| | | 1 | from MILNE BAY |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 22 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 22 Apr '43 | 1089 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 21 Apr '43 | 252 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 21 Apr '43 | 631 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 21 Apr '43 | 214 lbs |

### SHIPPING POSITION ASAT 1800 HRS 22 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| NOORA | 1915 hrs 21 Apr from MILNE BAY | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | backloading for MILNE BAY | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL ) | | |
| CREMER ) | lightering in stream | |
| HENRY DEARBORN | anchored in stream | |
| NOORA | backloading | |
| STAGEN ) ) | | |
| STEPHEN B ELKINS ) | | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | NIL | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| GENERAL VERSPIJK | 0800 hrs 25 Apr '43 | |
| KHOEN HOEA | approx 27 Apr '43 | |
| **Projected Departures** | | |
| NOORA | am 23 Apr '43 | |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 22 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2/4 Aust.Inf.Bn. | 28 'plane loads of personnel and stores. | Wau-Bulolo. | 20 'plane loads. |
| 2/5 Aust.Fd.Amb.<br>2/2 Aust.Fd.Amb. | 5 'plane loads of personnel and stores. | do | NIL. |
| Sigs.3 Aust.Div. | 3 'plane loads of personnel and stores. | do | NIL. |

SEA. NIL.

LOCAL. NIL.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 23 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CALLED FORWARD. | | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2/ Aust. Inf. Bde. | 8 'plane loads personnel and stores, etc. | Wau-Bulolo. | ALL |
| 15 Fd. Amb. ) 2/2 Fd. Amb. ) | 5 'plane loads personnel and stores, etc. | do | 3 planes |
| Sigs. 3 Aust. Div. | 3 'plane loads personnel and stores, etc. | do | NIL |
| 2/6 Aust. Fd. Regt. | 4 personnel. | Dobadura. | ALL |

SEA. Nil.

LOCAL.

21/25 Bde. Carrier Coys. Move from 6 Mile Valley to 3 Mile Valley. (15 Aust. Inf. Bde. Area.)

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 25 APR '43

**PART 1 - OUTWARD**

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL Offrs | PERSONNEL ORs | Destination & Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sig Courier | - | 1 | |
| 2 | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | - | 8 | |
| x 3 | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 1 | 20 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 4 | 2/48 Aust LAD | 1 | 1 | |
| 5 | NGF AL Gp | - | 1 | |
| 6 | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | - | 1 | |
| x 7 | 24 Aust Inf Bn | 5 | 59 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| x 8 | 2/2 Aust Fd Amb | 2 | 44 | " " " |
| x 9 | 2/6 Aust Fd Regt | 1 | 5 | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 10 | NGF AL Gp | 1 | - | " " " |
| 11 | 53 Sqn RAAF | - | 2 | Emplaned for KOKODA |

**PART 11 - INWARD**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Hq NGF | 1 | - | |
| 2 | 2/6 Aust Fd Coy | - | 2 | |
| 3 | 2/5 Aust Indep Coy | - | 2 | From WAU |
| 4 | 4 A/C Sqn RAAF | - | 4 | |
| 5 | PIB | - | 1 | From DOBODURA |
| 6 | Natives | - | 12 | " " |
| 7 | Medical Evacuations | | | |
| | AUST (all ranks) | | 4 | From WAU |
| | US (all ranks) | | 16 | From DOBODURA |

## MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 25 Apr '43

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received | 25 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE | 22 Apr '43 | 279 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received | 22 Apr '43 | 474 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE | 22 Apr '43 | 118 lbs |

## SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 25 APR '43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| NIL | | |
| **Harbour Position** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | back loading for MILNE BAY | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL, GREMER | lightering in stream | |
| HENRY DEARBORN | anchored in stream | |
| STAGEN, STEPHEN B. ELKINS, KEY PITMAN | at TATANA | |
| **Sailings** | | |
| KOONA | 1600 hrs for mainland | |
| **Expected arrivals** | | |
| GENERAL VERSPIJK | 0800 hrs 25 Apr '43 | |
| **Expected departures** | | |
| VAN HEUTZ | approx 25 Apr '43 for MILNE BAY | |

X Responsible 11 Aust Div

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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Serial No. 43/17

A.I.F. 11/1/4

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. Reference as amended

A.M.F.

Date 24 April '43

W.E. 37 x 107

Attached

Allowed by W.E. - x 2

HQ 11 AUST DIV Unit

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

| 1 | | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ranks and W.E. | | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) | Surplus to Establishment | Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment) |
| Maj-G on * | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Colonels * | 1 | 3 | 2 | - |
| Lieut.-Colonels .. | 5 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Majors .. .. | 13 | 8 | - | 5 |
| Captains .. .. | 12 | 10 | - | 2 |
| Lieutenants . .. | 2 | 8 | 6 | - |
| ~~2nd Lieutenants~~ Chaplains . | 3 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Quartermasters .. | | | | |
| Totals . .. | 37 | 34 | 8 | 11 |

* Insert detail of higher rank as necessary

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

### Officers JOINED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lieut T/Capt | [illegible] J R | HQ 11 Aust Div | 20/4/43 | Returned from Leave |
| T/Col | [illegible] J G | HQ 11 Aust Div | 23/4/43 | Returned from Leave |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

### Officers QUITTED during week

| Rank | Name | Unit or Corps | Date | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt T/Maj | Irwin W H | 2/2 Fd Amb | 19/4/43 | H/C to [illegible] |
| Maj | Priorley | HQ 3 Aust Div | 22/4/43 | Returned to unit |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

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

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

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH

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

| 1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held | 2 Personal Number | 3 Name and Initials | 4 Appointment | 5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No) | 6 If not present with Unit, state how employed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt-Col | | | | | |
| Maj | | | | | |
| Capt | | | | | |
| Lieut | | | | | |
| 2/Lieut | | | | | |
| 2/Lieut | | | | | |
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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 24 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

| CARRIED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 3 Div.Sigs. 3 'plane loads of personnel and stores.etc. | Wau-Bulolo | All |
| 15 Fd.Amb. } 2 'plane loads of personnel and<br>2/2 Fd.Amb. } stores etc. | do | All |
| Maj.Vickery,Capt.Hayward and Capt.Manning of 2/1 Aust.Fd.Regt. | Mainland. | |

SEA. Nil.

LAND.

57/60 Aust.Inf.Bn.from Koitaki to 3 Mile Valley.

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 24 APR 43

PART I - OUTWARDS

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL Offrs | PERSONNEL ORs | DESTINATION & REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | RAE 11 Aust Div | 1 | - | |
| 2. | 2/8 Aust Fd Coy | | 4 | |
| 3. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | 1 | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 4. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | | 4 | |
| 5. | ANGAU | | 1 | |
| 6. | Sigs 3 Aust Div | | 18 | |
| 7. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 8. | 2/2 Aust Fd Amb | | 18 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 9. | 15 Aust Fd Amb | 2 | 2 | |
| 10. | 2/2 Aust Fd Amb. | | 1 | |
| 11. | ANGAU | 1 | 1 | Emplaned for BENA BENA |
| 12. | Natives | | 7 | |
| 13. | 2/17 Aust L. AA Bty | | 1 | |
| 14. | E Sec FS | | 1 | |
| 15. | NGF Public Relations Fd Unit | 1 | - | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 16. | YMCA | | 1 | |
| 17. | NOIC | | 1 | |
| 18. | 2/1 Aust Army Topo Svy Coy | | 3 | Emplaned for KOKODA |

PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | ANGAU | 2 | - | |
| 2. | Natives | | 8 | From BENA BENA |
| 3. | Chinese | | 1 | |
| 4. | NGF | 3 | - | |
| 5. | PIB (incl 40 natives) | 1 | 42 | From DOBADURA |
| 6. | K Sec Sigs 17 Aust Inf Bde | | 1 | |
| 7. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 1 | |
| 8. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | 2 | - | |
| 9. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | | 1 | From WAU |
| 10. | 2/3 Aust Indep Coy | | 1 | |
| 11. | 2/6 Aust Indep Coy | | 1 | |
| 12. | 2/7 Aust Indep Coy | | 1 | |
| 13. | 2/1 Aust Army Topo Svy Coy | | 1 | From KOKODA |
| 14. | Medical Evacuations - Aust (all ranks) | 4 | | From WAU |
| | | 2 | | " DOBADURA |
| | US (All ranks) | 17 | | " DOBADURA |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 24 APR '43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY - | Received 24 Apr 43 | 1437 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 23 Apr 43 | 214 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 25 Apr 43 | Nil |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 23 Apr. | 339 lbs. |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 24 APR. - PRO FORMA QB/

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| NIL | | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| VAN HEUEZ | | back loading for MILNE BAY |
| DAVID BUSHNELL<br>CREMER | | lightering in stream. |

| | |
|---|---|
| HENRY DEARBORN | anchored in stream |
| STACKM<br>STEPHEN D ELKINS<br>KEY PITMAN | at TATANA |

**Sailings**

NIL

**Expected Arrivals**

| | |
|---|---|
| GENERAL VERSPIJK | 0800 hrs 25 Apr. '43. |
| PULGANBAR | approx. 25 Apr. '43. |

**Projected Departures**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| VAN HEUTZ | 1700 hrs 25 Apr 43 for MILNE BAY. | Personnel and cargo. |

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24 APR 43.

ADME 11 AUST DIV - NOTES FOR WAR DIARY.

Place: Port Moresby. Map ref 904367 P.M.(special) 1-in to 1-mile.

Date: 23 Apr 43.

Time: as at 2359 hrs.

1. MT

2nd echelon wkshops are keeping abreast of work. Carbide is now available for acetylene generators, but the scarcity of oxygen precludes the carrying out of welding repairs.

Seven (7) vehicles are at present in wkshops for conversion to "drop sided" vehs for use by RAE units.

2. ARTILLERY.

2-pr Tk.A. guns have been forwarded to 2nd echelon wkshops from 7 Aust Inf Bde for overhaul.
Bn and LAD artificers are attached to wkshops in order to obtain a thorough knowledge of gun and to assist with repairs.

The following is the number of guns serviced during the week:-

ORD [redacted] 3.7 How. ... 1.

3. ARMOURY.

The Mobile Armourers Wkshop is now operating at 2/1 Aust TkA Regt. Reports as to number of arms serviced have not yet come to hand.

4. WIRELESS & SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

Wireless and Signal Sections have continued to repair eqpt forwarded as a result of inspection carried out by EME (Radio)

Altogether twenty-one (21) sets of various typ es have been repaired by 2nd echelon wkshops during past week.

5. INSTRUMENTS.

A report, a copy of which is attached hereto in the form of Appendix "A" has been forwarded to HQ NG Force, on the number of instruments within the formation requiring repair and the approx time embodied, to carry out such repairs.

During the past week thirteen (13) various instruments have passed through 2nd echelon wkshops.

6. AFVs.

Seven (7) M3 Light Tanks have been repaired by Ind Armd Wkshop AEME, three of which have had their engines removed for complete overhaul.

7. TEMPORARY CHANGE OF LOCATION.

241 Aust LAD attached HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde have temporarily moved their equipment to DONADABU in order to carry out necessary repairs to equipment of 7 Aust Inf Bde.

8. TRAINING.

First Aid lectures are still being held bi-weekly at 21 Bde Sec 7 Aust Div Wkshop.

A lecture on Infantry Minor Tactics was given to AEME officers on 19 Apr 43 at 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop and again to AEME WOs and NCOs on 21 Apr 43.

[redacted] Major.
ADME 11 AUST DIV.

SECURITY.

HQ 11 ARMY DIV.
17 JUN 43.

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ADMIN (2)
HQ 8TH CORPS.

INSPECTION OF INSTRUMENTS - 11 ARMY DIV.

1. An inspection of instruments has been carried out by a well qualified S.Sgt (Armt Artfr Instr) from 16 Ste 2nd 6 Armd Div Wkshop ADMS with results set out below.

2. In each Arty Regt, it was only possible to examine the insts of HQ and one Bty, so that total work anticipated has to be extrapolated for all Arty in Div, and a reasonable estimate of repair requirements for inf units added.

| Type | INSPECTION RESULTS: No. inspected | Require 2nd echn repair | No with Fungus | TOTAL 2nd echn repairs estimated within Div | Man-days required to repair (estimated) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dialsights | 35 | 15 | - | 45 | 180 |
| Telescopes sighting | 69 | 38 | 1 | 114 | 57 |
| Directors | 16 | 14 | 6 | 42 | 84 |
| Clinos field sight | 26 | 9 | - | 27 | - |
| | 39 | 11 | - | 33 | 33 |
| Binocs prism | 111 | 66 | 30 | 300 | 300 |
| Compass prism | 92 | 10 | - | 60 | 40 |
| Watches | 38 | 4 | - | 16 | - |
| Rangefinders | 6 | 6 | - | 12 | 48 |
| Stands inst | 33 | 7 | - | 30 | - |
| | 473 | 160 | 37 | 769 | 822 |

3. Up to date, work has been accepted up to full capacity by inst secs in Div Wkshops, and L of C Wkshop also kept up to capacity. The average time to repair the average inst in 2nd echelon shops has been found to be nine (9) man hours, and it is apparent that the total output of inst repair facilities on the Island is inadequate to recover the present bad position and as well carry out normally required current repairs.

4. Fungus infection has affected it is estimated, more than 100 instruments in Div. Dialsights and telescopes sighting have apparently almost entirely escaped fungus, owing it is presumed to their fixed focus and good sealing. Binoculars are badly affected.
Microscopic study of growth of this fungus and search for a fungicide has been arranged with the bacteriologist at E/S Armd Coy, who has accepted also an American bacteriologist experienced with funfi. Cultures are being prepared to discover whether darkness is necessary for growth, the conditions of growth, whether (a) carbon-tetrachloride (b) thymol, (c) mercuric chloride will act as a fungicide.

5. Turning to the repair of the instruments in Div, the only trained and part trained men available are as follows:-

17 FEB 43.

Inspection of Instruments (contd)

Para 5 contd.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop | 1 | experienced S.Sgt |
| | 1 | partly experienced Inst Mech. |
| 113 Aust Ind Bde Sp Wkshop | 1 | " " Sgt |
| | 1 | " " inst mech |
| 366 Aust LAD (Type J) | 1 | " " " " |
| | 5 | |

Equipment is not adequately available for these men to work thoroughly efficiently, but if they could be regarded as staying in this area even for seven or eight weeks, it is proposed to build at once a suitable sealed room with filtered air to allow them to work together under best conditions (Early advice would be appreciated as to whether to proceed in this regard.). A simple collimator for binoculars is urgently required; instrument artificer's eyes are suffering and they are tending now to incorporate their own eye errors into collimation.
Even so, repair would take about six (6) months, by which time binoculars first cleaned would again be fungussed.

6. Could steps please be taken to ascertain what number of instruments of the various types as above could be made available by DDOS for issue to units in place of faulty insts; in this way the amount of local repair could be reduced, and those replaced be sent, for instance, to Sydney University for repair.

7. It is mentioned that new American binoculars which have not yet been issued from 2 stores, are suffering with water globules internally, an graticule gleam particularly.

H B Frame Major.
ADOS 11 AUST DIV.

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Serial No 16
No. 161- 169

# 11 Aust Div Routine Orders
## PART 1

By

Major-General C.A. CLOWES
Comd 11 Aust Div

HQ
11 Aust Div
24 Apr '43

## GENERAL STAFF

161. SMALL ARMS FIRING RANGES - PORT MORESBY AREA

1. The following areas only are approved for Aust and US firing practices in the PORT MORESBY Area (Ref Map Port Moresby (special) 1: 63,360).

| SER. | NAME | Location ref MORESBY Special 1:65,360 | No of targets | Length | Dirn of fire |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Burns Peak 30 yard range | 886372 | 6 | 30 yds | N |
| 2 | Burns Peak Classification Range | 885375-889371 | 10 | 600 yard | NW |
| 3 | Mount Pullen Range | 883386-885383 | 8 | 300 " | N |
| 4 | Oyster Bay 30 yard range | 958338 | 5 | 30 " | ESE |
| 5 | CIMANA Field Firing Range | 017407-017410<br>027415-028408 | — | 1000 " | E |
| 6 | FORTRESS HILL machine gun range | 037390-041376<br>014576-015582 | — | 1500 " | E |
| 7 | RIGO ROAD mortar range | 015582-019561<br>998361-999382 | — | 2100 " | N |
| 8 | RIGO ROAD 200 yard range | 005402-005400 | 4 | 200 " | WSW |
| 9 | RIGO ROAD 30 yard range | 005403 | )) | 30 " | — |
| 10 | WARDS 30 yard range | 911419 | — | 30 " | SW |

Serials 5 to 9 temporarily controlled by 158 US Inf Combat Team.

2. Small arms firing practices will NOT be carried out except on firing ranges notified in these orders.

3. Additional small arms and fd firing ranges will be proclaimed when inspected and approved. Application for approval of ranges will be made to HQ 11 Aust Div. All such applications will be accompanied by trace (in duplicate) of proposed range. Trace will show No of targets , length of range and direction of fire.

4. Units using ranges proclaimed in para 1 will provide own targets.

5. Application for use of ranges will be made to HQ 11 Aust Div NOT less than three weeks prior to the date on which range required.

6. Firing practices on Small Arms Ranges will be carried out by Aust Army units in accordance with GRO G. 165/42. Safety precautions and conduct of practices are governed by Small Arms Training Vol IV.

7. Other units desirous of using ranges as in para 1 will forward copy of their safety precautions with application for use of range.

Lt Col
G.S. 11 Aust Div

## ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF

162. ROUTINE ORDERS

The under mentioned Orders have been issued and will be noted for information, necessary action and filed for future reference

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| GRO's | 279 - 293 | of 9 Apr '43 |
| GRO's | 288 | of 9 Apr '43 |
| HGF Os Serial 16 | No 153 - 166 | of 19 Apr '43 |

163. CIRCULARS

The following circulars have been issued since promulgation of 11 Aust Div R.O. No 15 of 17 Apr '43.

| SUBJECT | BRANCH | DATE | RONEO | DISTRIBUTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tentage | G | 17.4.43 | AQ3486 | A |
| Officers suitable for Appointment to Command and for Staff Appointments | A | 21.4.43 | AQ3611 | C |

164. RETURN OF "X" LIST PERSONNEL (43/259)

Instructions have been issued by Allied Land Forces Headquarters that where transfers of "X" List personnel have not been agreed to by the parent unit, or where reposting has not been necessitated by reduced medical classification, all such cases must be investigated by 2nd Echelon and these personnel returned to unit.

To assist in such investigations, it is requested that where future cases come to the notice of units, advice of any irregularities is forwarded to this Headquarters.

165. LEGALLY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL (HGF 0160)

Return of all personnel who have legal qualifications will be forwardedto reach HQ 11 Aust Div by 0900 hrs 28 Apr '43.

166. FORMATION OF CORPS OF AUSTRALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS - SECOND PHASE (GRO 290/43)

Units are remined of action necessary in accordance with the above mentioned GRO.

Copy of Casualty Returns referred to in para 2(b) will be forwarded to ADME 11 Aust Div.

167. SPORTING GEAR

A return is required from all units under Comd 11 Aust Div to reach Amenities Officer 11 Aust Div by 0900 hrs 1 May '43 of all sporting gear on hand.

168. AUSTRALIAN ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

Attention of comds is directed to the following information and instructions with regard to AAES :-

GRO A 342 28 Aug 1942
ATM No 16 Sec 1 31 Oct 1942.

The principles set out in MBI A57 of 15 Mar '42 are also still applicable.

169. MEDICAL INSTRUCTIONS - PERSONNEL MOVING TO BULLDOG AREA - NGF 0162 is repeated for information of all concerned

All units etc before leaving PORT MORESBY for BULLDOG will ensure that they have in their possession for all ranks :-

(a) One months supply of Atebrin
(b) Dovers Cream or Mosquito Repellant
(c) Serviceable mosquito nets

Atebrin will be taken 6 days a week.
All river water MUST be boiled before drinking
Sweaters will be taken by all ranks.

The above also applies to individual personnel or small parties moving by air or sea.

The senior officer or NCO in charge of personnel moving by sea will render a certificate to 8 Aust Movement Control Group prior to embarkationto the effect that the above instructions are understood and have been complied with in so far as Atebrin , Mosquito Repellant, Mosquito nets and sweaters are concerned. 8 Aust Movement Control Group will NOT permit personnel to embark until this certificate is received.

Personnel moving by air will render a similar certificate to the NGF Air Transport representative at the airfield. NGF Air Tpt Control will NOT allow personnel to emplane until this certificate is rendered.

Col
AA & QMG 11 Aust Div

CHURCH NOTICES

C of E - 0900 Church Parade : YMCA near 30 Club Building
0930 Holy Communion : HQ 11 Aust Div

R.C. - R.C. Mass - YMCA Murray Barracks ,0930 hrs.

CONFESSIONS Friday 1900 hrs to 2200 hrs at Chaplain Reynold's tent ( near office CC HQ 11 Aust Div)

R.C. Easter Services in YMCA (near Canteen)

Easter Sunday (Anzac Day) April 25- Mass and General Holy Communion at 1000 hrs ,to be offered for the repose of the souls of our fallen comrades.

JW/GLG 43/1037 80.

LEAVE - "X" LIST PERSONNEL OF UNITS IN N G

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
25 Apr '43

Quote AQ 3805

1. The following extracts from LHQ 62768 of 17 Apr '43 are promulgated for information :-

"In the case of a member on the mainland, who is on the "X" list of a unit serving in N.G., and who will normally be returned to that unit, he will not, while his unit remains in N G be granted leave, except under the provisions of paragraph 13 of GRO A559/1942. If the unit of such member returns to the mainland he may, subject to the approval of the CO of his unit, be granted leave on the same conditions as are applicable to other members of his unit.

2. In the case of a member on the mainland and posted to "X" List of a unit serving in NG, who is unfit to rejoin his unit and has been passed to GDD for reposting or discharge and has therefore lost his unit identity, leave may be granted from GDD subject to the provisions of GRO A559/1942.

3. (a) On becoming available for return to his unit a member on the "X" List of a unit serving in N G will be disposed of under orders from the local branch of 2nd Echelon (Records Office), such orders to provide for the most expeditious method of returning him to his parent unit, consistent with the administrative requirements necessary to re-equip him in all respects.

(b) Unless return through a Trg Unit is the most expeditious method of returning an "X" List member with unit identity to his unit, there is no reason for so routing such personnel who have already completed their recruit training.

4. (a) In the case of a member on "X" List of his unit to whom leave is given under the provisions of para 2 above, it will be necessary for the following action to be taken, viz :

(1) As from the day on which he commences leave he will be struck off "X" list by the Records Office, re-posted to his unit and again accounted for in unit strength returns, and except as provided for in (ii) here-under follow the same procedure as if he commenced leave from his unit; and

(ii) Arrangements made for HL1 or HL2 (as appropriate) to cover return journey to unit instead of starting point of leave where locations differ.

(b) To complete records procedure the unit from which leave is granted to such "X" List member will submit the appropriate casualty return marching the member out to his unit and recording the grant of leave while the member's unit will also submit casualty return taking him on strength again from the date on which he commended leave. ".

J. W. Wilkes May
Col
for AA & QMG 11 Aust Div

Dist List "A"

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RECOVERY WORK—AEME

AQ 3788

HQ
11 AUST. DIV.

25 Apr. '43.

HQ 3 Aust Div (Rear).
" 17 Aust Inf Bde (Rear).
ADOS 11 Aust Div.
21 Aust Inf Bde Sec Ord Fd Pk.
7 Aust Div Ord. Fd. Pk.
ADME 11 Aust Div
21 Aust Inf Bde Wkshops
292 Aust LAD
ADMS 11 Aust Div
2/2 Aust Fd Amb.
War Diary (2)
Copies for infm to "G"
DAPM
11 AUST DIV PRO COY.

1. Attention is directed to interconnecting track from 6-Mile Valley Road (PM Special MR 956335) through to 3-Mile Valley Road.

2. Especially during wet weather, vehs frequently bog in this area, and 241 Aust LAD and 21 Bde Gp Sec 7 Aust Div Wkshop AEME are called upon several times daily to recover them.

3. It is accordingly directed that the above road will NOT be used during wet weather except in cases of absolute necessity.

J. W. Wallace Maj.
for AA & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 25 APRIL, 1943.

AIR.

NIL.

LAND.

Rear Details 3 Aust Div. Move to 3 Mile Valley.(15 Aust Inf Bde Area.)

SEA.

1/4 Aust.Fd.Regt.embarked "Van Heutz"for Milne Bay

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 25 APR 43.

### PART I - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFFRS | PERSONNEL ORs | DESTINATION & REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2/8 Fd Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 2 | 2/16 Fd Coy | | 6 | |
| 3 | 2/5 Inf Bn | 1 | 1 | |
| 4 | 2/7 Inf Bn | | 5 | |
| 5 | 2/7 Ind Coy | | 6 | |
| 6 | ANGAU | | 4 | |
| 7 | 4 AC Sqn RAAF | | 1 | |
| 8 | 2/6 Inf Bn | | 2 | |
| 9 | 2/3 Ind Coy | | 6 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| 10 | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 11 | 4 AC Sqn RAAF | | 1 | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 12 | US Army Casuals | | 100 | Embarked per CREMER for TOWNSVILLE |
| 13 | US Army Casuals | 1 | 50 | Embarked per STEPHEN BALKINS for TOWNSVILLE. |
| X 14 | 14 Aust Fd Regt | 32 | 592 | Embarked per VAN HEUTZ for MILNE BAY |
| 15 | Miscellaneous Details from Recep Camp | 9 | 67 | |

### PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2/1 Fd Regt | 1 | | From WAU |
| 2 | 21/25 Carrier Group | 1 | 1 | |
| 3 | Medical Evacuations Aust (All Ranks) | 7 | from WAU | |
| | | 4 | " DOBODURA | |
| | | 3 | " MILNE BAY | |
| | US (all ranks) | 27 | " DOBODURA | |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 25 APR 43 PRO FORMA QQ/52

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 25 Apr. '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 24 Apr 43 | NIL |
| MILNE BAY | Received 24 Apr. '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 24 Apr 43 | 389 lbs. |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 25 APR 43 PRO FORMA QP 52

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** | | |
| GENERAL VERSPICK | Arrived 0905 hrs | from Mainland |
| PULGAMBAR | " 1200 " | from GOODENOUGH IS and MILNE BAY |
| LORINNA | " 1730 " | from MILNE BAY |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| HENRY DEARBORN | Discharging at wharf | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | Anchored in stream | |
| STAGEN<br>HEY PITMAN | At TATANA | |
| PULGAMBAR<br>LORINNA | Alongside wharf discharging<br>LORINNA disembarked troops.<br>Figures not yet available. | |

X : Responsible 11 Aust. Div.

**Sailings**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| CREMER | sailed 1700 hrs for TOWNSVILLE | 100 US Army Casuals |
| STEPHEN B ELKINS | sailed 1700 hrs for TOWNSVILLE | 1 Off 50 EN US Army Casuals |
| VAN HEUTZ | sailed 1700 hrs for MILNE BAY | personnel and cargo 32/592 14 Aust Fd Regt: 9/67 Aust Army details. |

**Expected Arrivals:**

Nil

**Projected Departures:**

Nil

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 26 APRIL 1943.

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| CALLED FORWARD. | | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lt-Col.Cameron.)<br>Lt-Col.Marshall.) 2/6 and 2/8 Armd.Regts.<br>Maj.McBean.) | | DOBADURA. | |

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## MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 26 APR '43

### PART 1 - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL ORS | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | | 4 | |
| 2. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | | 4 | |
| 3. | 2/7 Aust Ind Coy | | 12 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 4. | 4 A/C Sqn | | 2 | |
| 5. | RAAF | 3 | | |
| 6. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 7. | RAAF | | 1 | Emplaned for BULOLO |
| x 8. | 2/8 Aust Armd Regt | 3 | | Emplaned for DOBADURA |
| 9. | 2/2 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | |
| 10. | 9 Aust Fd Coy | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |

### PART 11 - INWARD

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Miscellaneous | 1 from DOBADURA |
| 2. | Miscellaneous | 2 from WAU |
| 3. | MEDICAL EVACUATIONS | Not Available |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 26 APR '43 PRO FORMA QG/53

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 26 Apr '43 | 1433 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 25 Apr '43 | 171 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 25 Apr '43 | 746 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 25 Apr '43 | 178 lbs |

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 26 APR '43 PRO FORMA QB/53

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **Arrivals** NIL | | |
| **Harbour Positions** | | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | Discharging at wharf | |
| LORINNA | At wharf | loading for MILNEBAY |
| PULGAMBAR | At wharf | |
| HENRY DEARBORN ) | | |
| STAGEN ) | | |
| KEY PITMAN ) | At TATANA | |
| **Sailings** NIL | | |
| **Expected Arrivals** | | |
| MELORA | Expected 28 Apr | from mainland |
| HENRY D THOREU | Expected 0900 hrs 29 Apr | " " |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | Expected 2 May | " " |
| **Projected Departures** NIL | | |

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A.A. AMENITIES SERVICE - ORGANISATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Headquarters
11 Aust Div
27 Apr '43

Quote AQ 5871

1. The attention of all concerned is drawn to GRO A 301/43. Action has been taken by this HQ to effect transfers of offrs concerned in accordance with prior instns.

2. It is desired that W.E's for other rank personnel of Amenities Service be filled by suitable members at the earliest possible date. Where such personnel are functioning, Casualty Returns will be passed as at 1 May '43 in accordance with GRO A301/43 para 5 (11) and a copy forwarded to the Amenities Offr at this HQ.

3. GRO A585/43 with regard to the employment of Amenities Offrs is to be observed by the Comds concerned and is to be read as applying also to other ranks of A.A. Amenities Service attached to HQ and units.

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# MAINTENANCE OF AMMUNITION

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HQ
11 AUST. DIV.

27 Apr. '43.

1. Units which have served in action, have on occasions realised the consequence of ammunition failures due to deterioration in tropical climates. Shortages of ammunition hamper every operation in the field and a stoppage, even for a short period, is likely to prove disastrous. Modern warfare, introducing its multiplicity of automatic weapons, has greatly increased the variety and rate of expenditure of ammunition, and, when its importance is considered, the necessity for a complete and efficient organisation to deal with it becomes clear. Part of this organisation must be the unit in the field and from recent examinations of ammunition on charge to units of this Formation, it is quite apparent that wastage occurs through neglect to carry out AMMUNITION MAINTENANCE.

2. The erection of shelters, although of great assistance in the preservation of ammunition, is NOT the termination of the unit responsibility. To be effectively preserved ALL ammunition must be CONSTANTLY, REGULARLY and CAREFULLY inspected, cleaned and replaced wherever necessary. This must be performed by unit personnel and the responsibility of the Commanding Officer to ensure that ammunition is ready for action is perfectly clear.

3. Without this definite routine, wastage of vital munitions must result and must reduce the fighting efficiency of units and the hitting power of all weapons; the difficulty of supply from the Home Base to the Operational Area, caused through shipping losses and problems of transportation and terrain, is greatly increased by wastage in the operational area and the clear cut duty of every unit to reduce unnecessary strain on the supply lines is obvious.

4. Full instructions for the preservation of ammunition are contained in "NOTES ON THE CARE AND PRESERVATION OF AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES IN THE FIELD, PART I—ARTILLERY AMMUNITION, and PART II—OTHER THAN ARTILLERY AMMUNITION".

5. It is proposed at an early date to inspect the ammunition of all units throughout the Formation. Results of such inspection will be forwarded to units concerned for action wherever necessary.

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AA & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

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## MOVEMENT OF SHIPPING ENDS 27 APR '43

### PART I - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL OR | DESTINATION and REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ 3 Aust Div | 2 | 1 | |
| 2. | 1 Dty 3/1 Aust Fd Regt | 2 | | |
| 3. | 156 Light AA Pty | | 2 | |
| 4. | HQ Comd AASC 3 Aust Div | 1 | | |
| 5. | Sigs 3 Aust Div | | 2 | Embarked for MAU |
| 6. | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 7. | 2/2 Aust Fd Amb | 1 | 1 | |
| 8. | 2/5 Aust Inf Bn | 2 | | |
| 9. | 2/6 Aust Inf Bn | 1 | | |
| 10. | 2/7 Aust Inf Bn | 4 | | |
| 11. | 2/7 Aust Ind Coy | | 1 | |
| 12. | AHQAC | | 1 | Embarked for BULLDOG |
| 13. | 67 Aust AASC Coy | | 87 | Embarked for ORO BAY per PULGAMBAR |

### PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 16 AAD Amn Coy | | 4 | |
| 2. | COSO | 1 | | from DOBADURA |
| 3. | MEDICAL EVACUATIONS | | | |
| | | Aust (all ranks) | 2 | from MAU |
| | | | 1 | from DOBADURA |
| | | US (all ranks) | 7 | from DOBADURA |
| | | Natives | 20 | from DOBADURA |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 27 APR '43 PRO FORMA CA

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 27 Apr '43 | 275 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 26 Apr '43 | NIL |
| MILNE BAY | Received 26 Apr '43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 26 Apr '43 | 295 lbs |

### SHIP DISPOSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 27 APR '43

| Vessel | Information | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals | NIL | |
| Harbour Positions | | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | discharging and beckloading at wharf | |
| LORINNA | beckloading at wharf | |
| HENRY P HARBORN ) | | |
| GERMAN, WORSTEJK) | at TATAHA | |
| Sailings | | |
| PULGAMBAR | sailed 1430 hrs for MILNE & ORO BAYS Pors & cargo | |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| SPARKHORNDT | 1800 hrs 28 Apr | from MILNEBAY |
| MANOWA | 2000 hrs 28 Apr | from MILNEBAY |
| HENRY P CHORNAY | 0900 hrs 29 Apr | from mainland |
| ARPACHA HOLTHOS | 2 May | from mainland |
| Expected Departures | | |
| LORINNA | pm 28 Apr | Ferr for MILNE BAY & ORO BAY |
| SPARKHORDT | 0530 29 Apr | for TOWNSVILLE |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 28 APRIL, 1943.

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| CALLED FORWARD. | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| 2 OR's 16 Bde.Sec.6 Aust.Div.H/shops. | WAU. | |

SEA.

NIL.

LOCAL.

NIL.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS.

16 Bde.Carrier Coy.from Wau - 4 Offrs.and 146 OR's. Will join 21/25 Bde Carrier Coys.at present situated in 3 Mile Valley on 24 Aust.Inf.Bn.site.

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## AUTHORISATION OF NEW SERVICES

QUOTE: AQ 3925

HQ
11 AUST. DIV.
28 Apr. '45.

1. Consequent upon the recent authorisation of new services such as AA Amenities Service and AA Education Service, it is desired to bring under notice of the offrs concerned the proper relations between and the functions of Staffs and Services.

2. Firstly, it is to be noted that the power of comd is limited in case of offrs of the new Services and that their employment is limited to matters relating to their own specified duties. This is NOT to be read, however, as relieving a Service member of minor "domestic" duties which fall to the lot of all members of the Forces.

3. The principles to be observed in this matter are set out in FSR Vol. 1 Chap. 3 Sec. 14. It is to be noted that the Comd is responsible for policy and that the staff is responsible for conveying his wishes to the Services. Directions as to policy, other than of a techn nature, can NOT be accepted from Services at higher HQ. Similarly, instructions to subordinate HQ and Units are only to be issued by the Staff or with the concurrence of the Staff.

4. Correspondence direct between representatives of Services is to be strictly limited to technical subjects and will NOT deal with matters of policy.

5. While it is realised that, upon formation of a new Service, compilation of initial records requires that a certain number of purely Service returns be called for, the appropriate member of the Staff should be consulted as to the simplest and most expeditious method of obtaining the required information. Returns which require action by anyone other than Service representatives will NOT be called for by a Service except through the Staff.

F. W. Wells Maj. Col.
for A & QMG, 11 AUST. DIV.

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PRO FORMA QA/55

## MOVEMENTS UNITS AND DETS 28 APR 43

### PART I OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL OR | Destination and Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HQ RAE 11 Div | | 1 | |
| 2 | 156 Light AA Bty | | 1 | |
| 3 | 2/8 Fd Coy | | 4 | |
| x 4 | 16 Bde Sec 6 Div Wkshop | | 2 | Emplaned for WAU |
| 5 | Sig Courier | | 1 | |
| 6 | 2/5 Inf Bn | | 12 | |
| 7 | 4 AC Sqn | 1 | | |
| 8 | DDOS | 1 | - | Emplaned for DOBODURA |

### PART II INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | HQ NGF | 1 | | |
| 2. | 2/6 Armored Regt | 1 | | From DOBODURA |
| 3. | 2/8 " " | 2 | | |
| 4. | 16 Bde Carrier Coy | 4 | 149 | |
| 5. | Misc Units | 2 | | From WAU |
| 6. | Medical Evacuations | | | |
| | Aust (all ranks) | | | 2 From WAU |
| | | | | 2 " MILNE BAY |
| | US (all ranks) | | | 28 " DOBODURA |

### MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 28 APRIL 43

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PORT MORESBY — Received 28 Apr '43 --- NIL
On Hand TOWNSVILLE 27 Apr '43 --- 212 lb

MILNE BAY — Received 27 Apr '43 --- NIL
On Hand TOWNSVILLE 27 Apr '43 --- 457 lb

### SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 28 APRIL 43

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| **ARRIVALS** | | |
| | NIL | |
| **HARBOUR POSITION** | | |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | backloading & discharging at wharf | |
| LORINNA | backloading at wharf | |
| GENERAL VERSPYCK ) HENRY DEARBORN ) | at TATANA | |
| **SAILINGS** | | |
| | NIL | |
| **EXPECTED ARRIVALS** | | |
| SWATENHONDT | Expected 1900 hrs 28 Apr from MILNE BAY | |
| MULCRA | Expected early am 29 Apr- from MILNE BAY | 200 Aust Army personnel for disembarkation from Mainland |
| HENRY D THOREAU | Expected 0900 hrs 30 Apr- | |
| VAN HEUTZ | " 30 Apr from MILNE BAY | 800 Aust Army personnel for disembarkation |

**x Responsible - 11 Aust Div.**

MOVEMENTS UNITS & DETS 28 APR 45 (CONT)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | Expected 2 May | from Mainland |
| KOHEN HOEA | Expected 4 May | from Mainland |

PROJECTED DEPARTURES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SWATENHONDT | 0530 hrs 29 April | for Mainland conveys 100 Army Personnel (Aust) |
| LORINNA | 0800 hrs 29 April | for MILNE BAY |
| DAVID BUSHNELL | 1 May | |

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SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS 30 APRIL 1943.

| | DESTINATION. | ARRIVED. |
|---|---|---|
| AIR. | | |
| 3 Gen.2/6 Aust Fd.Regt.called forward. | DOBADURA. | Yes. |
| SEA. | | |
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| NIL. | | |

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MOVEMENTS OF UNITS AND DETS 29 APR 43

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PART I OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL OR | DESTINATION & REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sigs NG L of C | | 7 | emplaned for BENA BENA |
| 2 | ANGAU | native | 2)<br>1) | emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 3 | Misc Aust Personnel (all ranks) | | 97 | embarked for mainland per SWARTENHONDT |
| 4 | US Army ordnance personnel | 1 | 23 | embarked for MILNE BAY per LORIENA |

PART II INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sigs NG L of C | | 1 | from KOKODA |
| 2 | 2/1 Aust Corps Camouflage Trg Unit | | 5 | from DOBODURA |
| 3 | 21 Fd Coy | 7 | 181 | from MILNE BAY per MULCRA |
| 4 | Medical Evacuations | | | |
| | Aust Army (all ranks) | 2 | ) | |
| | U.S. Army ( " " ) | 14 | ) | from DOBODURA |

MAIL POSITION as at 1800 HRS 29 APR 43

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 29 Apr 43 | 1,430 lb |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 28 Apr 43 | 747 lb |
| MILNE BAY | Received 28 Apr 43 | NIL |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 28 Apr 43 | 694 lb |

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 29 APR 43 PRO FORMA QB/56

Arrivals

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SWARTENHONDT | 1920 hrs 28 Apr | from MILNE BAY |
| HENRY D THOREAU | 0700 hrs 29 Apr | from MAINLAND (disembarked US army pers) figures not available |
| MULCRA | 0900 hrs 29 Apr | from MILNE BAY (disembarked 21 Aust Fd Coy 7 OFF 181 OR) |

Harbour Position

| | |
|---|---|
| HENRY D THOREAU | discharging at wharf |
| GENERAL VERSPYCK) | at TOWNSVILLE |
| HENRY DEARBORN ) | |
| MULCRA | discharging at wharf |

Sailings

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SWARTENHONDT | 0530 hrs 29 Apr | for TOWNSVILLE |
| LORIENA | 1100 hrs 29 Apr | for MILNE BAY and ORO BAY - pers and cargo |
| DAVID DUSHELL | 1730 hrs 29 Apr | for TOWNSVILLE |

SHIPPING POSITION (contd)

Expected Arrivals

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Navy Tanker KURUMBA | 1 May | from MAINLAND |
| ASPASIA NOMIKOS | 2 May | " " |
| KHOEN HOEA | 4 May | " " |

Projected Departures

NIL

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS AND DETS 30 APR 43

PART I - OUTWARD

| SERIAL | UNIT | PERSONNEL OFF | PERSONNEL OR | DESTINATION & REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HQ NGF | 2 | ) | |
| 2 | HQ RAE 3 Div | 1 | ) | |
| 3 | HQ 3 Div D & E Pl | 1 | ) | |
| 4 | 2/1 Fd Regt | | 2) | |
| 5 | 156 Lt AA Bty | | 1) | Emplaned for WAU |
| 6 | Sig Courier | | 1) | |
| 7 | 2/5 Inf Bn | | 8) | |
| 8 | 2/6 Inf Bn | | 6) | |
| 9 | 24 Inf Bn | | 1) | |
| x 10 | 2/6 Fd Regt | | 3 ) | Emplaned for DOBODURA |
| 11 | RAAF | 1 | ) | |
| 12 | AAPC | | 1 | Emplaned for BULLDOG |
| 13 | 8 Aust Mvt Control Group | | 4 | Embarked for TERAPO |

PART II - INWARD

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HQ-NGF | 1 | ) | |
| 2 | 3 Aust Div | | 1) | |
| 3 | 3 Div Sigs | | 1) | |
| 4 | 15 Aust Inf Bde | 1 | ) | |
| 5 | 2/5 Inf Bn | 1 | ) | From WAU |
| 6 | 2/6 Inf Bn | | 1) | |
| 7 | 58/59 Inf Bn | 3 | 3) | |
| 8 | RAAF | 2 | 2) | |
| 9 | RAAF | | 1 | From BULOLO |
| 10 | Medical Evacuations | | | |
| | Aust (All Ranks) | | 18 | From WAU |
| | US (All Ranks) | | 12 | From DOBODURA |

MAIL POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 30 APR 43 PROFORMA QG/57

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| PORT MORESBY | Received 30 Apr 43 | 403 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 29 Apr 43 | 375 lbs |
| MILNE BAY | Received 29 Apr 43 | 891 lbs |
| | On hand TOWNSVILLE 29 Apr 43 | 159 lbs |

SHIPPING POSITION AS AT 1800 HRS 30 APR 43 PROFORMA QB/57

| VESSEL | INFORMATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Arrivals | NIL | |
| Harbour Position | | |
| HENRY D THOREAU | Discharging at wharf | |
| HENRY DEARBORN | Working at TATANA | |
| Sailings | | |
| Tug WAREE | For TERAPO | |
| Expected Arrivals | | |
| VAN SWOLL | Expected pm 1 May | from MILNE 500 pers 2/5 Fd Regt 300 tons cargo |
| VAN SPILLBERGEN | 1600 hrs 2 May | from TOWNSVILLE 270 US Personnel |
| JAPARRA | pm 4 May | from MILNE BAY |
| KOREN HOEA | am 4 May | from mainland |

Projected Departures NIL

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ADME 11 AUST DIV - NOTES FOR WAR DIARY.

1. Place. Port Moresby Map Ref 904367 P.M.(Special) 1" to 1 mile.

Date. 1 May '43.

Time as at 2359 hrs.

1. MT 2nd Echelon Wkshops are at full capacity with work received from both formation units and 11 Aust Div VRS. There are too many extensive panel work jobs awaiting their turn; a small amount of oxygen and acetylene has been received, but not enough to cover work in sight.

2. ARTILLERY

Four 2-Pr Tk/A guns from 7 Aust Inf Bde, have been put into 2nd echelon wkshops for wkshop inspection and repairs. Bn and LAD learner artificers have been assisting with repairs in order to gain knowledge of guns and qualify as gun fitters. The following is the number of guns served during past week:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Ord QF 2-Pr Tk/A | 4 |
| " QF 3.7 How. | 1 |
| Trailers | 1 |

3. ARMOURY

The mobile armourer's wkshop has completed inspection of arms (with all work found to be required) on charge to 2/1 Tk/A Regt. The following is the number of unit arms inspected:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Rifles SMLE | 266 |
| LMG's | 35 |
| Boys Tk/A Rifles | 16 |
| SMG's | 60 |
| Pistols | 40 |

Inspection revealed that arms were reasonably well maintained, although a few rifles were "starred" due to slight scoring and pitting; four were found to be unserviceable for operational area.

4. WIRELESS AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT

Wireless and Signal sections have continued to repair equipment forwarded as a result of inspection carried out by EME (Radio) as well as ordinary repair work from units. Altogether twenty-four (24) sets of various types have been repaired during past week.

5. INSTRUMENTS.

During the past week two (2) instruments have been repaired in 2nd echelon wkshops. Work has been curtailed pending the construction of the special instrument room at 16 Bde Sec 6 Aust Div Wkshop. This room is specially designed to prevent fungus infection when serviceing instruments.

6. TRAINING

Regimental, gas, and first aid training has been carried out. It is hoped to put all AEME units in the formation through a range course in all weapons carried on respective MET's.

7. MOVED OUT OF COMMAND

217 Aust LAD (attached 14 Aust Fd Regt).

H B Brain .....Major.
ADME 11 Aust Div.