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36 Infantry Battalion
May - September 1942

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 36 Bn.

Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Sydney	18 May 42		<p>Lt-Col A. Brown, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., of 2/1 Aust. Pioneer Bn, A.I.F., assumed command of 36 Bn Home Forces vice Major W.E. Rees who was administering command of the Unit. Lt-Col A. Brown received Warning Order to assume command at 0145 hrs 18 May 42, and definite orders to assume command at 0615 hrs. Capt J.M. Riley, also of 2/1 Aust. Pioneer Bn, A.I.F. was also seconded to 36 Bn as Adjt, and after receiving orders at 0650 hrs, both Lt-Col A. Brown and Capt J.M. Riley embarked on H.M.A.T. "BONTEKOE" at 0830 hrs.</p> <p>The number of personnel who embarked from SYDNEY was 39 Offrs and 314 O.R's. It was accordingly decided to leave 19 Offrs to collect the rest of the Unit comprising men and bring them to TOWNSVILLE.</p> <p>The entire Bn organisation and equipment was in</p>	<p><i>R</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Sydney.	18 May 42		<p>chaotic condition . It was not possible to ascertain on which ship equipment was loaded, nor was it possible to reproduce Routine Orders owing to the fact that Orderly Room equipment was loaded on different ships. The following were the Bn. appointments as at 18 May 42.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bn . H. Q.</u></p> <p>C. O. Lt. Col. A. Brown, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C. 2 i/c. T/Maj. J.H. Throsby. Adj. Capt. J.M. Riley. Asst /Adj. T/Capt. L.W. McGlynn. R.M.O. Capt. W.J. Pullen. Padre. Chap. N.G. Anderson. I.O. P/Lt. G.W. Mort.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>A. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Maj. C.D. Douglas. 2 i/c. T/Capt. A.K. Drew. P/Lieut. C.J. Wooldridge. " J.T. Butler. " D.W. McKenzie.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>H. Q. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Capt. C.B. Finner. Q.M. Lieut. J.E. Meinrath. Sig. Offr. P/Lt. A.H. Greer. Mort " Lt. F.A. Smith. A/A. P/Lt. J.P. Davis. T.O. Lt. W.A. McArthur. Carrier. Lt. R.L. McKew.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>B. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Capt. S.W. Powers. 2 i/c. T/Capt. A.J. Watson. P/Lieut. C.C. Eling. " R.R. Young.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
S y d n e y	18 May 42.		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>C. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Capt. A.M. Powers. 2 i/c. Lieut. M.J. Gaudron. Lieut. H.A. Taffe. " J.N. Flint. P/Lieut. J.R. Napier.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>D. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Capt. E.A. Elphick. 2 i/c. " G.E. Moyes. Lieut. A.K. Eedy. P/Lieut. J.W. Hope. " R.S. Young.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>E. Coy.</u></p> <p>O.C. T/Capt. N.P. Lyons. 2 i/c " H.M. Maguire. Lieut. G.G. Morse. " E.R.A.D. Meares. P/Lieut. R.P. Cummins.</p>	<i>R</i>
			<p>Lt. Col. A. Brown was appointed O.C. Troops H.M.A.T. "Bontekoe"</p> <p>Capt. J.M. Riley Ship's Adj. H.M.A.T. "Bontekoe" sailed at 1615 hrs.</p>	
	19 May 42		<p>Ship routine commenced. Space allotted to Coys. and work commenced in sorting Coy. equipment into separate dumps.</p> <p>Boat drill carried out and 24 L.M.Gs. mounted for Anti-Aircraft defence. Training carried out for three hours.</p>	<i>R</i>

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Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	19 May 42		Ship's canteen opened.	R
	20 May 42		Further Boat drill carried out and training continued.	R
	21 May 42		Boat drill again practised and normal training.	R
	25 May 42		Convoy arrived at TOWNSVILLE. No leave granted personnel but pay arranged for all personnel aboard "BONTEKOE"	R
	26 May 42		72. personnel joined 36 Bn. and the undermentioned units boarded "BONTEKOE."	R
			35 U.S. Air Base Group.	
			138 U.S. Army Medical Corps.	
			Detachments from: 3 Bn. 55 Bn. 14 Inf. Bde. H.Q.	
			Ship departed at 0130 hrs. Also in convoy H.M.A.T.	
			"TAROONA." Escort consisted of 2 corvettes.	
	27 May 42		Vessel very crowded Boat drill carried out and space allocated to various units. Australians and Americans fraternised well.	R

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Date and Time.—From 28-5-42 To 31-5-42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	28 May 42		Another Bo at drill carried out.	<i>R</i>
	29 May 42		"BONTEKOE" followed "TAROONA" into PORT MORESBY and berthed at 1615 hrs. Disembarkation commenced at 2015 hrs. and was completed by 2130 hrs. Bn. moved into camp area 16 miles from PORT MORESBY. Australian Com forts Fund provided hot cup of tea, slice of cake and packet of cigarettes per man. Bn. fostered in by 30 Inf.Bde. Camp site primitive with no facilities beyond one water tap. Incessant rain from time of disembarkation.	<i>R</i>
	30 May 42		"BONTEKOE" unloaded throughout day. Unloading parties supervised Bn. equipment after it had been unloaded and guards were placed on each dump owing to prevalence of thieving by other units and soldiers. Steps taken to improve camp. Rain incessant.	<i>R</i>
	31 May 42		Rain made road to camp area impassable necessitating carrying	<i>R</i>


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Unit 36 Bn. Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	31 May 42		parties carrying equipment over last two miles to Camp Area.	

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WAR DIARY

36 AUST. INF. BN.

For Month of MAY 1942

Appendices attached to copy of Diary

1. Extracts from W3008's for month - Appendix No.A
2. Extracts from W3009's for month - Appendix No.B

G. W. Mort
.....Lieut.
(G.W. Mort) I.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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EXTRACTS FROM W/3008

AS ON 2 MAY 42

Appendix A.

Ranks	W/E	Posted Strength Counting against authorized est. (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinf. Required
Lieut.-Colonels.	1	.	.	1
Majors	3	1	.	2
Captains	11	7	.	4
Lieutenants	20	26	.	1
2ND Lieutenants
Quartermasters	1	.	.	1
Total	36	34	.	9

PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING THE MONTH OF MAY

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
A/CSM	CUMMINS R.P.	36 BN	26-4-42	First Appt. R/c. Appt. Order No 91 13-4-42
Lieut.	ROBERTSON E.A.	"	5-5-42	JOINED EX. 8 INF. TRNG. BN.
"	OLIVER R.A.	"	"	" " " " " "
"	HASLER W.P.	"	"	" " " " " 5
"	CLARKE I.S.	"	"	" " " " " "

EXTRACTS FROM W3009

2 May '42

Appendix B.

Detail	W.E.	Posted Strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements Required
W.Os. Class 1	1	1		
W.Os. " 2	8	7		1
Company Serjeant M	6	6		
Staff Serjeants	1			1
Serjeants	41	35		6
Corporals	86	92	6	
Privates	432	811	77	33
Totals	875	952	83	41

Includes 67 who failed to report on 23 Dec 41.

O.Rs. Attached from other Corps

Detail	Number	Unit & Corps to which they belong
W.O. Class II	3	A.I.C.
Sjt	1	A.A.P.C. (M).
Sjt	1	A.A.S.C. (P)
Cpl	1	A.A.O.C.
Cpl	1	2 Div. Postal Unit.

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Unit 36 Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Jun 42 To 6 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	1 Jun 42		C.O. and Adjt visited PORT MORESBY and arranged for house in PORT MORESBY to be kept as Kit-Store for all Bn gear.	
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	2 Jun 42		Working Party of 120 O.R's and 3 Offrs under Capt FISHER despatched to PORT MORESBY as unloading and working party on vessels. Party to remain until further notice. Raid on PORT MORESBY - W.O.(II) GROVE injured in foot and evacuated SOUTH.	
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	3 Jun 42		Improvements to camp continued. Dengue Fever claimed 12 men sick. Total sick now 30.	
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	4 Jun 42		More men with Dengue. Working Party in PORT MORESBY reinforced.	
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	5 Jun 42		Sorting out of Bn gear proceeded.	Bn Routine Orders No.1 issued. See Appx. U.H.D.
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	6 Jun 42		Owing to pilfering on wharf, all Bn Tommy Sub-Machine Gun ammunition except 2000 rounds disappeared. This is a	

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Unit 36 Bn

Date and Time.—From 6 Jun 42

To 14 Jun 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	6 Jun 42		serious loss owing to shortage on the Island.	Bn R/O. No.2 issued. See Appx "B" "D"
12 MILE VALLEY RD.	10 Jun 42.		Bn received verbal Warning Order to relieve 39 Bn by 2359 hrs on 12 Jun 42. Coy Comds immediately left on recce of 39 Bn Area, and Warning Order was issued to Coys to move on 11 Jun 42. Major DOUGLAS appointed Town Major of PORT MORESBY.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	11 Jun 42.		Relief of 39 Bn in BOOTLESS INLET Area completed.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	12 Jun 42.		Settled into new positions. Orders received to increase strength of PORT MORESBY Working Parties to 160. "A" COY and "B" COY sent to PORT MORESBY to carry out these Working Parties and H.Q. COY returned to Area in BOOTLESS INLET. Capt S.W.POWERS assumed command of PORT MORESBY detachment.	Bn R/O. No.3 promulgated. See Appx "B" "D"
BOOTLESS INLET.	14 Jun 42.		Total sick now 142. Bn settled in new positions. Lieut R.R.YOUNG and Lieut A.H.GREER relieved of duty by Cept S.W.POWERS, they being returned to H.Q. COY without duty.	

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Unit 36 Bn

Date and Time.—From 15 Jun 42. To 18 Jun 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET.	15 Jun 42		Owing to shortage of men, Reinforcement Coy was split up and divided amongst Bn. The following Offrs were posted to Coys: Lieut CLARK - "A" Coy, Lieut HASLER - "B" Coy, Lieut OLIVER - "C" Coy.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	16 Jun 42.		C.O. went on tour of inspection of "C" Coy Area. Much improvement necessary. Orders received from Bde H.Q. that C.O. would be required at conference at 0900 hrs 17 Jun 42.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	17 Jun 42.		C.O. attended Bde conference. Matters which came up for discussion included training, tactical situation, field courtesy, and equipment.	Bn Tng Instruction No.1. See Appx "D".
BOOTLESS INLET.	18 Jun 42.		In order to provide fields of fire for riflemen and light automatics, the burning off of large areas of high grass throughout the Bn Area commenced. Instructions were issued that wiring in mangroves was to continue. Major J.H.THROSBY	Bn Tng Instruction No.2. See Appx. "E".

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Unit 36 Bn. Date and Time.—From 18 Jun 42 To 23 Jun 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET.	18 Jun 42		was appointed Bn Works Officer.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	19 Jun 42		The C.O. called for returns of shortages of equipment and arms throughout the Bn, and the Q.M. was instructed to endeavour to clarify the position as early as possible. Application was made for the services of Lieut A.H.GREER, Lieut R.R.YOUNG, and Capt C.B.FISHER to be dispensed with.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	21 Jun 42.		Bn N.CO. Cadre students arrived at Cadre Tng Area.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	22 Jun 42.		N.C.O. Cadre commenced. Capt J.M.RILEY was appointed Chief Instructor, and Capt L.W.McGLYNN Assistant Instructor.	Bn R/O No.4 promulgated. See appx. "D".
			Students showed keenness, but instructors for weapon tng were not procurable in the Bn with sufficient knowledge and experience to satisfy the requirements of the Training Cadre.	
	23 Jun 42.		It was decided to test the fire power of the Bn on a date to be fixed with the object of demonstrating the fire power	Bn Tng Instruction No.3, See appx. "E".

23 Jun 42.

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Unit 36 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 23 Jun 42. To 27-6-42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET.	23 Jun 42.		which can be produced by the Bn, and to give all ranks confidence in their weapons. Coys were instructed to manufacture targets which could be placed out to sea in suitable areas and engaged with fire.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	24 Jun 42.		C.O. and Capt RILEY made a recce by sea of the coast as far as KAILE village approximately 25 miles SOUTH-EAST of PORT MORESBY. The coastline proved to be suitable for landing in more than one area, one beach of approximately 4 miles in length being reconnoitred. Dr. STRONG was interviewed at KAILE village and some information of local conditions gained.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	26 Jun 42.		C.O. visited Coys in PORT MORESBY.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	27 Jun 42		In pursuance of the C.O.'s policy of providing as much recreation as possible for the troops, the jazz band was re-organised, and will move to Coy or Pl. areas on succeeding	Bn R/O No.5 promulgated. Appx. "D".

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Unit 36 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 27 Jun 42. To 30 - 6 - 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET.	27 Jun 42.		nights and entertain the troops. At 1000 hrs the N.C.O. Cadre embarked on lakatois for a recce of TUPUSLEI Area.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	28 Jun 42		Second intake of N.C.O. Cadre students arrived.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	29 Jun 42		Second Cadre commenced. These students were disappointing in so far as material work was concerned, as their elementary training was of such a standard that the syllabus proved far too advanced. The syllabus was altered to provide training in the rudaments of parade ground soldiering. The C.O. sat as President of F.G.C.M. at N.G.F. H.Q., with Capt LYONS as Waiting Member, and Capt McGLYNN as Defending Officer.	
BOOTLESS INLET.	30 Jun 42		C.O's conference was held to discuss the shoot, which it was decided to hold on Mon 6 Jul 42.	

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WAR DIARY

36 AUST. INF. BN.

For month of JUN 1942

Appendices attached to copy of Diary

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| 1. | Extracts from W3008's for month | ----- | Appendix | No. A |
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G.W. Mort
.....Lieut.
(G.W. Mort) I.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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APPX A.

EXTRACTS FROM W 3008

AS ON JULY 4th. 42

Ranks	W/E	Posted strength (Excluding attached)	Surplus to Estab.	Reinf. Required
LIEUT. COLONELS		1		
Majors		2		1
Captains		9		2
Lieutenants		23 (INCLUDING RE-IN)		4
2ND Lieutenants		-		-
Quartermasters		-		1
TOTAL		35		8

PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED
OFFICERS JOINED DURING MONTH
of JULY.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Capt.	LYONS N.P.	36 BN.	16-6-42	Rej'd EX HOSPITAL
"	MAGUIRE M.H.	"	15-6-42	"
Lieut.	MORSE G.G.	"	16-6-42	"
"	HASLER W.P.	"	20-6-42	"
CHAP	ANDERSON N.G.	"	20-6-42	"
Capt.	FISHER C.B.	"	2-7-42	"
Lieut.	DAVIS J.P.	"	8-7-42	"
"	ELING C.C.	"	7-7-42	" N.G.F.H.Q. HOSPITAL
"	MEINRATH J.E.	"	8-7-42	Conv. Depot.
"	MORT G.W.	"	22-7-42	Rej'd EX 14 Inf. Bde HQ
"	BUTLER J.B.	"	23-7-42	" HOSPITAL
"	DAVIS J.P.	"	"	"

OFFICERS QUITTED

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Capt.	FISHER C.B.	36 BN.	19-6-42	EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL
"	ELPHICK E.A.	"	1-7-42	DET TO 14 INF. TRNG BN.
Lieut.	DAVIS J.P.	"	22-6-42	" A.N.G.A.U.
"	ELING C.C.	"	27-6-42	EVAC TO HOSPITAL
Capt.	POWERS S.W.	"	3-7-42	"
Lieut.	MORT G.W.	"	9-7-42	Det. to 14 Inf Bde HQ
"	KNOTT C.W.	"	5-7-42	Evac to HOSPITAL
"	FLINT J.N.	"	9-7-42	ACCIDENTLY KILLED
"	SMITH F.A.R.	"	8-7-42	"
"	BUTLER J.B.	"	15-7-42	EVAC. TO HOSPITAL
"	MORSE G.G.	"	12-7-42	"
CAPT.	FISHER	"	17-7-42	Detach. to TRNG. BN.
Lieut.	YOUNG R.R.	"	"	"
"	MEINRATH J.E.	"	"	"
"	GREER A.H.P.	"	17-7-42	"

EXTRACTS FROM W/3008

Appendix A

June 1942.

Ranks	W/E.	Posted strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinf. Required
Lieut. - COLONELS	.	1	-	.
Majors	.	2	-	1
Captains	.	9	-	2
Lieutenants	.	23 (INCLUDING RC-IN)	-	4
2nd Lieutenants	.	.	-	.
Quartermasters	.	.	-	1
TOTALS.	.	35	-	8

PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED
DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE.

Officers QUITTED DURING Month.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Capt.	LYONS N.P.	36 B.N.	6-6-42.	EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL
"	MAGUIRE M.H.	"	5-6-42.	" " "
Lieut.	YOUNG R.S.	"	6-6-42	" " "
"	MORSE G.G.	"	"	" " "
"	MEINRATH(Q)	"	"	" " "
"	HASLER W.P.	"	12-6-42	" " "
CHAP.	ANDERSON N.G.		30-5-42	" " "

14 June '42

EXTRACTS FROM 3009

Appendix B.

Detail	W.E.	Posted Strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements Required
W.Os. Class I	1			1
W.Os. Class II	8	2	-	6
Company Q.M. Serjeants	6	4	-	2
Staff Serjeants	1			1
Serjeants	41	20	-	21
Corporals	86	69	-	17
Privates	732	673	-	59
Totals	875	768	-	106

O.Bs. Attached from other Corps

Detail	Number	Unit & Corps to which they belong
W.O Class II	1	AIC
Sjt	1	AAPC
Sjt	1	AASC
Cpl	1	AAOC
Cpl	1	2 Div Postal Unit

JUNE 1942.

Whilst on "The Bontekoe" steaming from Sydney to Port Moresby the health of the troops was generally good. However, two infectious diseases, German measles and mumps and a few cases of Dengue Fever presaged a minor epidemic of these ailments. This was certainly borne out during June, when during one week there were 79 evacuations and during a second week 80 evacuations due mainly to Dengue Fever (137 per month) and measles (33 for month) There were 5 cases of mumps, 17 cases of dysentery and total evacuations for month were 231, a very impressive total. The cases of dysentery were contracted mainly in Moresby where the troops were unloading ships. In the field deep trench latrines kept the cases to very small figures. During this month the battalion were unable to obtain mosquito nets and despite suppressive quinine eight cases of probable malaria were sent to Hospital the first cases in this unit. There were three persons sensitive to quinine two of them developing massive oedema of penis and prepuce and the third developing a Raynauds disease - like condition of his hands and feet. These three men were evacuated South. The conditions we experienced on arrival were somewhat primitive, but were improving towards the end of the month.

 Capt.

R.M.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
 Lt. Col. A. BROWN, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
 Comd. 36 Bn. Home Forces.

5 Jun. 42.

No. 1.

1. GENERAL.

Routine Orders will be issued on a distribution down to Pl. and equivalent comds. It will be the responsibility of Coy. Comds. to ensure that ALL ranks under their Command are conversant with ALL Routine Orders.

Pending the arrival of the balance of the Bn. Routine Orders will be preserved and read to incoming troops on at least three occasions. A copy will also be posted on each Coy. Notice Board.

2. FIELD COURTESY.

Correct compliments will be paid by ALL times by ALL ranks both to Officers of this Unit and visiting Officers, including Allied Officers.

Saluting is the outward and visible sign of a well disciplined Bn. Visiting Officers form their impressions of the efficiency of this Unit largely in the appearance and demeanour of the men. Correct compliments go a long way towards building such a favourable impression.

ALL Officers and N.C.Os. will enforce this order as from this date.

3. DRESS.

ALL ranks will wear hats, fur felt, with chin straps removed, shirts and shorts, socks and puttees short and boots A.B.

Picquets and personnel on duty in danger areas will wear helmets steel. Coy. Comds. will ensure uniformity of dress.

4. HYGIENE.

Personnel must realize the importance of personal cleanliness. Every man must endeavour to shower daily and wear clean clothes. A big improvement is necessary in the personal appearance of all personnel.

5. PILFERING.

At the present time this obnoxious habit is prevalent and MUST cease forthwith. Stealing from one's comrades is a dispicable act and on active service is a serious offence. Offenders will be dealt with severely and will incur the maximum penalty.

6. ARMS.

The importance of men NOT leaving arms or equipment which are in their care under any circumstances, is stressed. Drivers M.T. and D.Rs. will remain with their vehicles and send a message to Bn. H.Q. for assistance in the event of mechanical breakdown.

Personnel WILL NOT leave any equipment unguarded at any time.

{Sd/} J.M. Riley, Capt.

Adjt. 36 Bn. Home Forces.

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7. DRESS. Coloured with the exception of khaki sweaters will NOT be worn but side shirts at any time. If necessary these will be worn under shirts. Officers and N.C.Os. will wear badges of rank on all occasions. All names and writing of any sort will be removed from tin hats forthwith.

8. TRAINING. Until further notice Parade hours will be from
0830 hrs. to 1130 hrs.
1500 " to 1700 "

Night Training will be carried out three times weekly.
Training Syllabus will be issued separately.

9. CANTEN. All troops in the Bn. will either pay in the sum of one pound or sign an acquittance for this amount at Coy. H.Q. This will be credited to the account of each man who may then purchase Canteen goods, including stamps, to the value of one pound.

10. MEAL PARADES. These are a definite parade and troops will be marched to mess by an N CO. Stragglers will NOT be fed at kitchens, nor will men who precede the parade. One Officer from each Coy. will attend every meal parade.

11. DEFAULTERS PARADE. These parades will be held at 0630 hrs. and 1700 hrs. and will be of 30 minutes duration. Bn. Orderly Officer will supervise the parade which will be taken by Bn. Orderly Sgt. Dress will be normal dress of day with webbing and full pack.

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12 ENLISTMENT OF A.M.F. PERSONNEL IN A.I.F.

Volunteers for enlistment in the A.I.F. are called for. Enlistment will be restricted to personnel medically fit Class 1 between the ages of 19 and 40 years. Applicants under 21 must produce consent of their parents in writing on A.A.F. A203.

Coys. will submit names of personnel desiring to enlist to reach Bn. H.Q. by 18 Jun.42.

13 Patrol Officers A.N.G.A.U.

New Guinea Force Routine Order 233A is repeated;-

"With reference to N.G.F. R/Os No.22 of 6 May 42 para 206A further applications for the position of Patrol Officer A.N.G.A.U. with the rank of Liéut. will be received from members of N.G.F. (including Subaltern Officers) up to and including 15 Jun.42.

"For the benefit of intending applicants, it is advised that para. giving general information relative to the duties etc. of Patrol Officers of the Australian New Guinea Administration was published in the issue of Moresby Army News Sheet dated 25 May 42."

Any Officers desirous of applying for position of Patrol Officer will forward his application to Bn. H.Q. by 1200 hrs. on 15 Jun.42.

14 Reinforcements for Engineer Units - N.G.F.

There is an acute shortage both in Australia and New Guinea Force of qualified engineers and tradesmen for appointment to Engineer Units.

Application for transfer to Engr. Units and for first appointment to commissioned rank are required from qualified persons who should have University Degree in Engineering, or Allied, or Technical College Diploma in Engineering, or have necessary equivalent qualifications.

Applications for transfer to Engrs. Units are also needed from tradesmen in New Guinea Force, who are not being employed in their trade capacity within W. Est. of the Unit. All Coys. will ensure that this information is made available to all personnel, and forward applications to Bn. H.Q. not later than 1200 hrs. 14 Jun.42.

Applications should state No. Rank Name Present Unit, whether applicant for commissioned rank or otherwise, and full particulars of qualifications and experience both civil and military.

Applications for first appointment to commissioned rank should have recommendation of C.O. or O.C. attached.

15 PAY IN LIEU OF WAR SERVICE ~~XXX~~ LEAVE

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The question has been raised as to whether members of the A.I.F. on their return to Australia are eligible for pay in lieu of War Service Leave.

It is advised that the grant of pay in lieu of War Service Leave to members of the A.I.F. who are precluded from taking such leave prior to the commencement of duty with the A.M.F. cannot be approved.

16. MISUSE OF LONG AND SHORT IRON PICKETS.

It has come to notice that many units are using long and short pickets for tents pegs. This misuse of Engr. stores is causing an shortage of pickets for defensive wiring This practice will cease and O.C's of all units will ensure that all iron pickets so employed are returned to Dickson's Dump or No. 14 Salvage Unit immediately

17. ISSUE OF LIME JUICE.

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17. ISSUE OF LIME JUICE.

Owing to the fact that lime juice was forded to this area in 56gal. casks, Coys. will return to their C.Q.M.S's who in turn will return to Bn. Q.M. all available cordial bottles, so that issues in small quantities can be made available. Q.M. will be responsible for the return of bottles to D.I.D.

18. RETURNS.

Coys. will ensure that returns called for are delivered on time. Strengths States, which must be accurate, will reach Bn.H.Q. by 0700 hrs daily. Unless returns from Coys. are received on time it is impossible for the Bn. returns to arrive at Bde. at the time laid down.

(SGD.) J.M.RILEY, Capt.
ADJT. 36 Bn. Home Forces.

NOTICES.

The loss of Respirator A/Gas has been reported by 186296 Cpl. Procter H.G. in the vicinity of A.D.S., 12 Mile, a red identification disc with name stamped on it was attached to the respirator. All units are to make enquiries and if located return to Fort Engrs., H.F.D.

The loss of one pack has been reported, marked with the name VX67340 Gnr. A. Pridmore, containing one towel, 2 shirts, 1 pr. W.D. pants, 1 pr. socks 1 pr. boots, 1 pr. sandshoes, 1 singlet and tobacco. All units are to make enquiries and if located return to 13 Fd. Regt.

Paybook No. 353802 of Q38923, Pte. Murray, F.E., 49 BN., has been lost. The sum of £4 in notes was enclosed in the book. Finder is requested to return to H.Q., 49 BN., immediately.

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19. RECOGNITION OF AIRCRAFT - MARKINGS.

Reference M.G.F. R/O 51-G, the National markings on U.S. operational Aircraft both Navy and Army is now a five pointed Star white on a circle blue. The red and white stripes on rudder are being eliminated.

20. INDISCRIMINATING FIRING OF RIFLES.

Many instances are occurring wherein irresponsible personnel fire rifles and other weapons at game or other objects. This practice, while indicating lack of discipline, may cause injuries to natives or our own troops with serious repercussions.

While much practice is needed in handling and firing of Small Arms, indiscriminate firing of live ammunition will cease forthwith.

Any firing practice, in future, will be carried out under the control of a responsible officer or warrant officer in an area which, having been reconnoitred, is found to be safe and fulfills the following requirements:

- (a) Provides a natural stop butt.
- (b) Avoids the vicinity of Native Villages and habitations.
- (c) Avoids frequented roads and tracks.
- (d) Provides flanking safety of 90° in regard to camps, troops, positions, etc.

Troops near the selected area will, at all times, be warned when firing practice with ball ammunition is proposed.

Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel who, in future fire ball ammunition indiscriminately.

Practice firing of ball ammunition will be carried out in localities as authorised by Commanding Officers concerned who will satisfy themselves that the above requirements are fulfilled and that maximum training value is derived from the expenditure of ammunition.

Attention is directed to the necessity for preventing wastage of ammunition.

21. CENSORSHIP LOCAL PUBLICATIONS.

H.A.N.S. and all other publications are banned for transmission by any means, outside the Moresby area, until further notice.

Publications the subject matter of which has been submitted and passed by N.G. Force Censorship Authorities, only, will be transmitted outside Aust. New Guinea.

Arrangements will be made by censors concerned direct with N.G.F. Printing Section for the endorsement of each Publication.

22. RELATIONSHIP WITH NATIVES.

Native races of any country which exist by tribal economy will give allegiance to what they consider the strongest power. The power of the British race has been shown in the past by the administration of justice and general maintenance of dignity.

General familiarity of our troops with natives breeds the latter's contempt, and reduces our control. All Commanders will ensure as far as practicable that except when on duty soldiers have no relationship with natives whatsoever.

All matters of native discipline posting etc. will be referred to A.M.G.A.U. and native police will be stationed in all native camps by that unit for security and disciplinary purposes therein.

The striking or mistreating of natives by members of the forces will be regarded as an offence and dealt with accordingly.

23. INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION.

Considerable looting is taking place from crashed and/or damaged enemy and allied aircraft.

The loss of information for Intelligence from the taking of portions of these planes and manufacturers and inspection plates is very serious and damaging to our cause.

The taking of any portion of a crashed or damaged aircraft is absolutely forbidden and severe disciplinary action will be taken against any personnel found looting or in possession of any such portion of aircraft, without proper authority.

24. DRESS.

No dress or equipment other than issued by the A.M.G. of A.M.F. or A.I.F. will be worn by members of this Unit. The wearing of all ~~foreign~~ clothing or equipment will cease by ALL ranks forthwith. *Allied*

A number of personnel of the Unit are wearing white pugarees. Regulation coloured pugarees will be worn, and pugarees other than regulation pattern will cease to be worn forthwith.

The wearing of Sand Shoes between dawn and dark is forbidden except on the express orders of a Coy Comd.

25. LEAVE PASSES.

All personnel proceeding to PORT MORESBY will be in possession of a Leave Pass issued by the Coy which has sent them on the duty. Personnel apprehended in PORT MORESBY without the licence will be the subject of disciplinary action.

(SGD) L.W. McGlynn, Capt,
Adjt, 36 Bn, Home Forces.

NOTICE.

LOST - Nickel match-box cover with photograph of wife on front, lost at Customs House Port Moresby, by Cpl Rowe, 3 Bn.

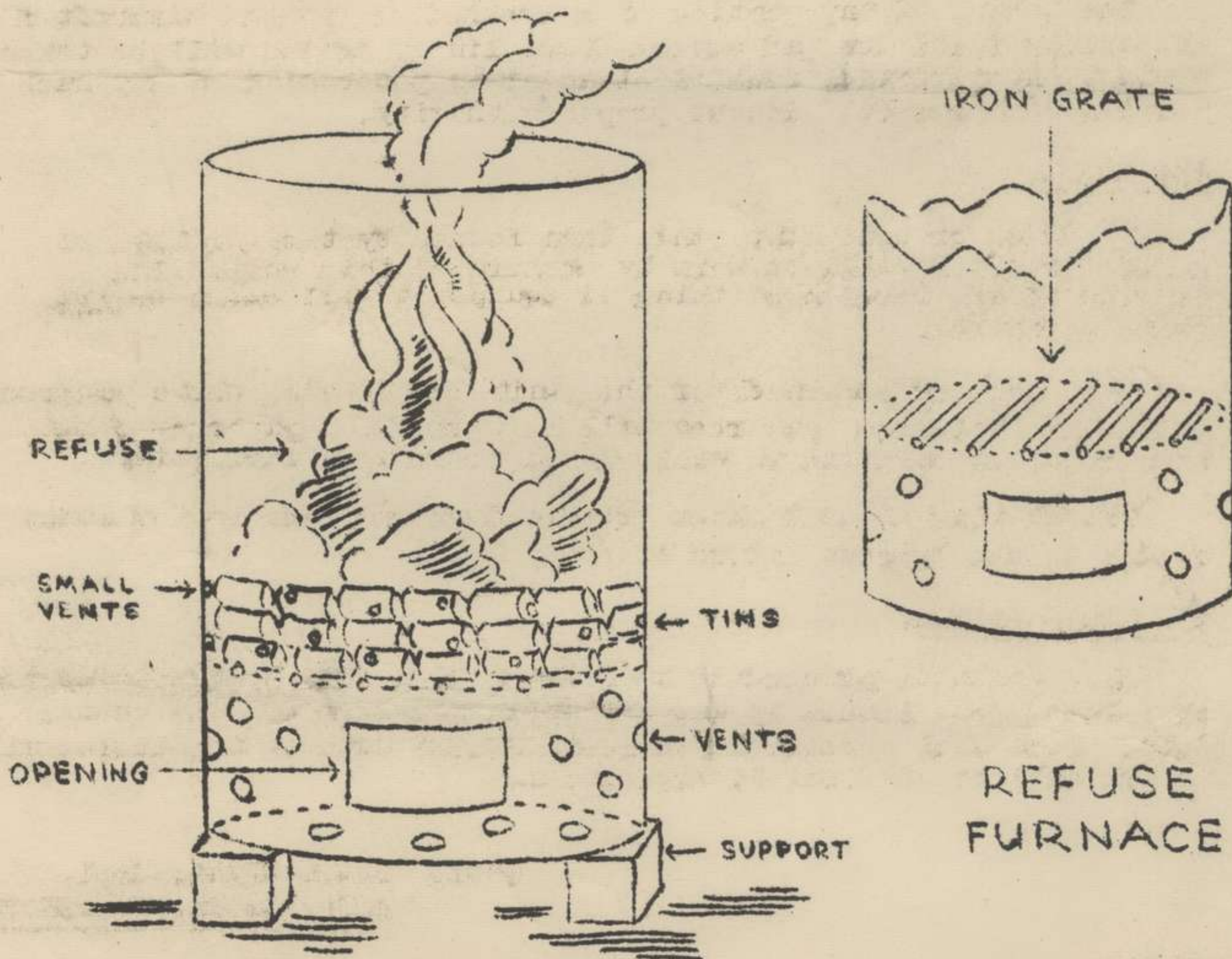
APPENDIX "A".

INCINERATORS. All Coys will construct incinerators in all bivouac areas - one incinerator at each point in Coy or Pl. locality where food is cooked or eaten.

2. CONSTRUCTION. Q.M. will supply to Coys during 24 Jun 42, 44-gall. drums as provided above. Top and a section of side of drum will be cut out close to base. Fire bars of iron, piping or the like will be fixed transversely across drum to form grating. Side of drum will be punctured to form vents - large vents in base and in sides of fire box, smaller holes up to level for packing of tins. See diagram below.

3. USE. Firing under grating - layers of tins immediately on top of grating - Refuse, waste food, and perishable matter thrown on top of tins. Burnt waste will be cleaned out daily and tins every two or three days. Fire box and tins will require raking regularly to maintain draught

4. ALL waste food, garbage, refuse, and perishable matter will be burned before being buried. ALL waste and refuse will be buried after incinerating.



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26. FIELD COURTESY.

There is still room for much improvement in respect to field courtesy and general smartness of troops both on and off parade. It has recently become apparent that many men do NOT know how to pay correct compliments. Coy Comds will ensure that each Pl. Comd instructs his Pl. forthwith in the paying of correct compliments by day and by night, and to whom appropriate compliments are paid.

27. DRESS.

(a) Many men are still observed in dirty clothes. There can be no excuse for this as the Bn Q.M. has been instructed to issue to Coys Shorts and Shirts to bring men up to at least two pairs of each.

(b) Whenever Boots are issued by C.Q.M.S's, the Pl. Comd of the person to whom the boots are being issued will be present to ensure that the boots fit correctly, and the choice of the soldier is not too small.

(c) All Anti-Gas Capes at present on issue to personnel will be returned by Coys to Bn Q.M. forthwith.

28. TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS.

Far too much time is wasted in telephone calls between the time when the caller makes the call and the call has been received by the person called. The following procedure will be observed in future:

- (a) A Junior Officer will NOT call a Senior Officer on the 'phone and keep him waiting until he has been called.
- (b) The terms, "Hello", "Good-bye", will NOT be used. Small talk and operator's chat will cease forthwith.
- (c) The Caller and the person called, when answering the ~~phone~~ phone, will merely give their name, rank, and appointment.
- (d) Telephone calls will be kept to a minimum.

29. VEHICLE MAINTENANCE.

The C.O. has directed that all Officers, particularly Coy Comds having vehicles under their comd, give their immediate attention to the maintenance of vehicles under their comd. Coy Comds will ensure that the T.O. is given every opportunity to maintain vehicles and to ensure a high standard of training among drivers. The importance of all ranks Preserving vehicles is stressed owing to the present lack of transport. Officers concerned and drivers will ensure that the following points are attended to at the intervals stated:-

- (i) All nuts and bolts to be gone over daily, with special attention to the "U" bolts.

29. VEHICLE MAINTENANCE. (CONT)

- (ii) Gear Box and Differential to be checked over every five days.
- (iii) Battery to be checked every five days.
- (iv) Tyres to be checked every five days.
- (v) C.F.T 15-cwt. Trucks; front tyre pressure - 25 lb., rear tyres - 35 lb.

(SGD)

J.H. Riley, Capt,
Adj. 36 Bn, Home Forces.

36 BN. TNG. INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

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1. Training will be designed to achieve the following results:
 - (a) Harden the men physically.
 - (b) Accustom them to fighting in this type of country.
 - (c) To obtain first class knowledge of patrolling, especially by night.
 - (d) To continue with and improve the works already commenced by 39 BN.
2. Each Coy according to its locality and the work on hand will carry out a vigorous training policy. The following however MUST be incorporated in each day's programme:-
 - (a) Rifle drill- 30 minutes.
 - (b) Bayonet training - 30 minutes.
 - (c) Each Coy will send out one day patrol every day and set each a definite route and definite questions to answer on their return.
 - (d) Two nights per week covering at least two hrs. each night will be used for night exercises including swift stand-to, patrols with special emphasis on the using of a compass and quiet movement by night.
 - (e) Coys occupying water front areas will carry on with and improve on the work already commenced by the 39 BN. This must be vigorously pursued and every available man utilised in this respect.
3. At the same time all Coys will detail two fire parties each consisting of one N.C.O. and 4 O.R's to burn off suitable areas to give our troops a good field of fire. Coy Comds will indicate to fire parties areas to be burned, every precaution being taken to control spread of fire. H.Q. Coy will be responsible for burning off the area on the neck of Idumava.
- 4/. Unless pressure of work intervenes Coys may allow one day a week for hygiene. There, however, must be a definite and organised hygiene parade, and Coy Comds will ensure that all washing and personal hygiene is carried out before the troops indulge in other activities.

Capt.

(J.M.RILEY)

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36 BN TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 2.

1. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn will carry out a beach defence operation on the morning of 6 Jun 42 at 0700 hrs. The period when fire will be laid down is five minutes.
2. OBJECT. To test the efficiency and the co-operation of all arms partaking in the exercise, the placement of M.M.G.'s and L.M.G.'s and to all ranks in the Bn an opportunity of seeing the column of fire power which a Bn is able to produce with its own Weapons.
3. METHOD. Targets have been constructed, and a party under command of Capt. Powers (EAST of IDUMAVA) and Capt. E. Phick (WEST of IDUMAVA) with Major Throsby supervising, will lay targets along suitable lines so that targets may be readily engaged by the respective weapons and a minimum margin of 5° is assured. For the purpose of the exercise the following will be the number of rounds which will be fired by each weapon:

L.M.G.'s	-	250
M.M.G.'s	=	500
T.S.M.G.'s	-	40
Mortars	-	20 rds. per mortar.
Artillery	-	No. of rounds to be fired and targets will be advised.

Tracers will be loaded one round in every ten in all automatics. Floating targets will be placed in position by 1700 hrs on the day proceeding the practice.

(a) Two sections of Carriers will take up position in Bootless Inlet, Bn. H.Q. Area, as advised and placed by Major Throsby, and will engage pre-arranged targets. (For the purpose of this practice two sections are placed in the Bn. H.Q. Area whereas normally one section would engage target West of Idumava.)

(b) One section of Bren Carriers will take up position on LEFT of flank of "C" coy area at position as determined by Major Throsby, and engage pre-arranged targets EAST of BOOTLESS INLET. (This position would normally be further EAST, on LEFT Flank of "C" coy area, but for the purpose of practice has been contracted in Bn. H.Q. Area.)

(c) Dispositions of Coys will be as follows:-

"D" COY	-	RIGHT flank; present positions.
"C" COY	-	LEFT flank; Present positions.
"H.Q. COY	-	Standing to; in present positions.
"A" COY	-	EAST side of IDUMAVA; as reconnoitred.
"B" COY	-	Supporting "D" Coy, as reconnoitred.
"E" COY	-	As at present attached.
MORTARS	-	As at present attached.
A/A	-	Position as arranged; Bn H.Q. area.

4. INTERCOMMUNICATION.

(a) By telephone and visual signalling.

(b) The signal for the commencement of the practice will be one red flare fired from Bn. BATTLE H.Q., which will be immediately answered by a red flare from "C" Coy Area on RIGHT flank. Coy Comds will arrange for sentries to be posted in Platoon Areas where they can observe flares and immediately fire two rounds rapid as a signal to gunners who cannot see flares.

(c) CEASE FIRE will be FIVE minutes after the flare fired from Bn. BATTLE HQ.

(d) Watches will be synchronised at 0400 hrs. Bn H.Q. time.

5. MEDICAL. R.A.P. will be established in H.Q. Coy area. R.M.O. will attach R.A.P. personnel to all Coys.

6. AMMUNITION. All expended ammunition will be unloaded from magazines and guns cleared at completion of practice.

7. CLEANING OF WEAPONS. Coy Comds will arrange for boiling water for cleaning of weapons immediately on completion of practice.

8. TRANSPORT. All vehicles available will be allotted proportionally to Coys. During practice all vehicles will be dispersed.

9. All Coys and attachments will be in position and report to Bn. H. Q. by telephone or visual by 0630 hrs.

Capt.

Adj. 36 Bn. Home Forces.

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36 BATT TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 3.

1. The C.O. has directed that Coy Comds will pass on to Platoon and equivalent comds the following points which will be put into effect immediately.

(a) All ranks must familiarise themselves with the different varieties of Native food, their availability, how and when they may be obtained, method of cooking the food, edibility of such indigenous foods as yams, sweet potatoes, taro, sago, coconuts, breadfruit, etc.

(b) Patrols will be exercised by being sent on a two-day patrol with one day's rations, thus compelling patrol to live on the country. Other patrols will leave with two days' rations, one day of which may be eaten, and the other must be traded for native food on which the patrol must subsist for the specified period.

It is suggested that Pl. Comds contact English speaking natives and obtain from them the above information.

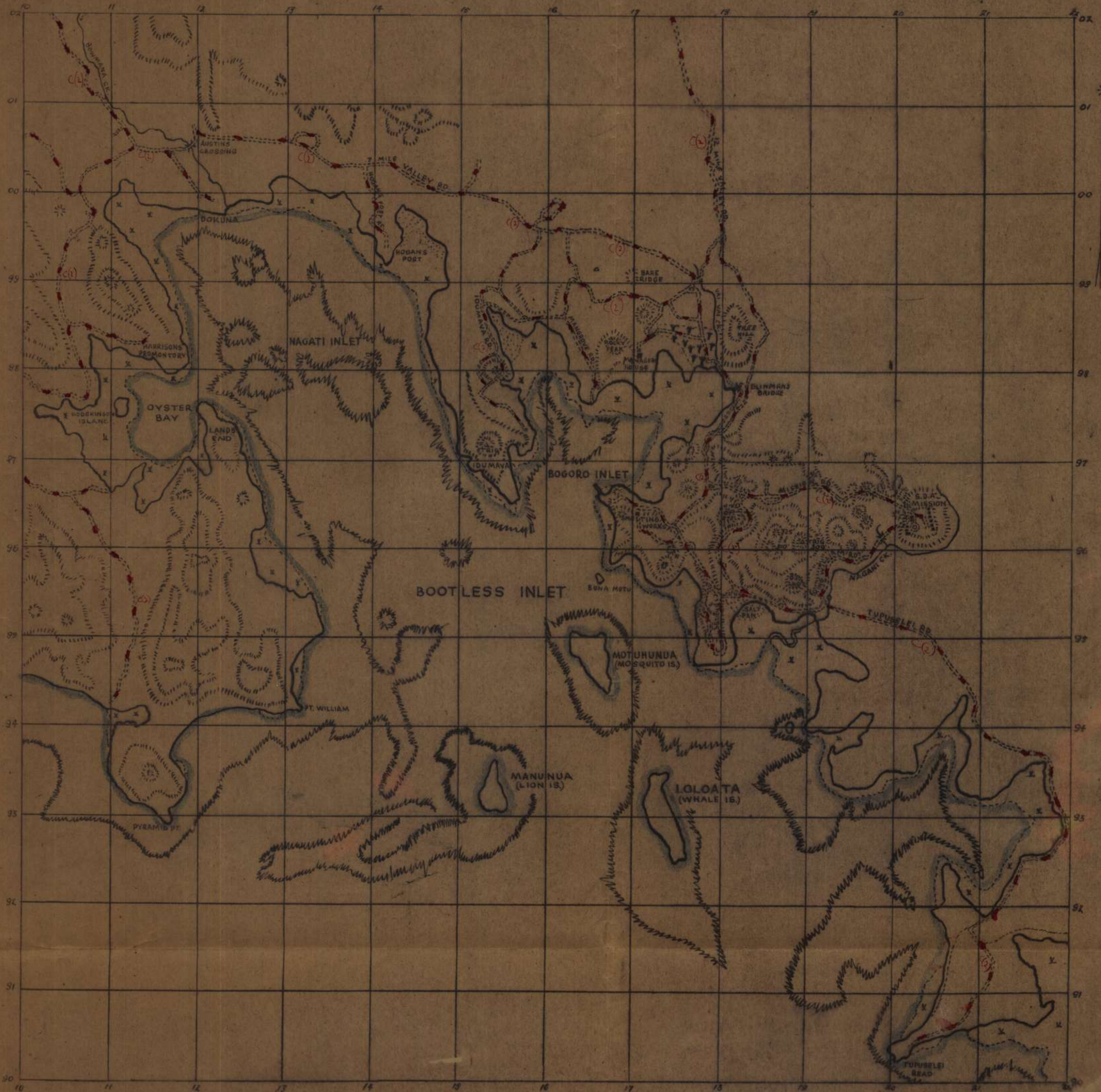
2. NIGHT TRAINING. Recent exercises have revealed the necessity for more night training. Coy Comds will ensure that ALL ranks in their Coy undertake at least two nights per week night training with a minimum of two hours training each night.

3. It has been observed that in areas that have been burnt off movement is not only more silent at night, but is quicker, and advantage can be taken of shadow on the edge of unburnt country, creeks, timber, and boulders. In addition to the above advantages the burnt off country provides the defenders with a much better field of fire, and consequently better visibility. All Coys will accordingly ensure that previous instructions with regard to burning off are intensified, the object being ultimately to have the entire area devoid of cover except in such localities as are considered tactically to our advantage.

J. R. [Signature] Capt.
Adjt 36 Bn, Home Forces.

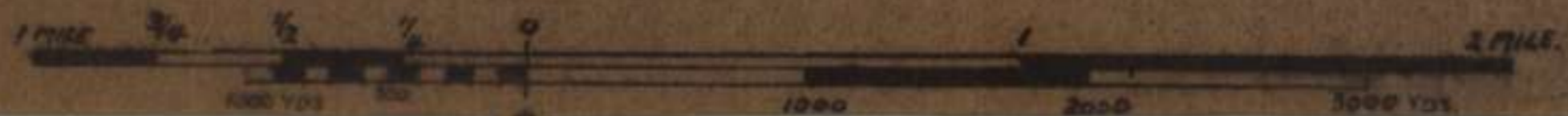
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 42 To 2200 hrs 4 Jul 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET	1 Jul		C.O., Capt. RILEY and Lieut. FLINT visited Bde H.Q. to interview the Brig. with reference to shortages of equipment and arms due to losses en route from port of embarkation. Every effort being made to ascertain exact shortages and to replace same.	
			Coy Comds conference discussed Bn shoot to take place 6 Jul, conservation of water and "A" and "Q" returns. C.O. ordered all Coy Comds to make returns of all shortages. Any future shortages to be charged to the soldier. Kit inspection to be held monthly and shortages return to be forwarded to Bn H.Q. R.M.O. attended conference with A.D.M.S. at N.G.F. H.Q. Bde. Armourer sgt reported Bn H.Q. for repairing of rifles.	
			Rifle return called for by 0800 hrs 4 Jul.	
	2 "		R.M.O. reported to C.O. recommendations of Medical conference held at N.G.F.H.Q. As a result of these recommendations, it was decided that Bn personnel must wear trousers K.D. and shirtsleeves rolled down after 1800 hrs daily to minimise chances of malaria infection.	
			Capt. FISHER interviewed by Brig. at 0025 hrs. 101 personnel sick.	
	3 "	0900	C.O. attended unit comds conference at Bde H.Q.	For agenda of confce see Appdx N . G
			Dental officer attached to unit from 3 Jul.	
		1900	Coy Comds conference.	
	4	2200	Major WALKER, N.G.F. and Major TOWNSEND, A.N.G.A.U., arrived at Bn. H.Q.	

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Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2200 hrs 4 Jul To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET	5 Jul	1000	Air raid by 20 enemy bombers. Two members of 55 Bn killed, others injured. slight damage to some grounded aircraft at seven Mile Drone. Jap formation broken up by A/A fire.	
			Major WALKER, H.Q. N.G.F. and Capt. RILEY made recce of our left flank position.	
			Instructions issued for destruction of pandanus palms in Bn area to reduce incidence of malaria-bearing mosquitoes.	
		1900	Coy Comds conference.	
	6 "		C.O. attended conference at Bde H.Q. with C.O.'s of 3 and 55 Bns, 13 and 14 Fd. Rgts.	
			Water ration fixed at three gallons per man per day.	
			Bn Armourer sgt sent to Coys to repair and zero rifles.	
			Bde nominated Maj. THROSBY for command school course at Narellan, N.S.W.	
		1300	Native boy, apparently ill, picked up on road near Bn H.Q. Refused food, told garbled and incoherent story about Japs forcing him and other natives to carry food through jungle "long time" Also spoke of Austr soldiers being killed by Japs, white women being raped. questioned by officers' mess native cook without satisfactory result. taken to lakatoi settlement near C Coy area, again questioned by natives there. story differed in details each time questioned. Apparently delirious; no value in story so far. Boy left at settlement in very weak condition.	

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Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 6 Jul 42 To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET	7 Jul		C Coy took over wharf duties at MORESBY with one pl. H.Q. COY under comd. Lieut. BENSTEAD, A.N.G.A.U., visited Bn. H.Q. New Guinea born and bred, he has lived on island many years, speaks native languages fluently and knows the country thoroughly.	
	8 "	1800	Lieut. F.A. SMITH killed and Lieut. J.N. FLINT fatally injured by explosion of mortar bomb in H.Q. Coy area. Capt. H.M. MAGUIRE and pte. ASKEY injured. Inquiry proceeding under Maj. THR OSBY.	
	9 "	0900	Lieut. TAAPPE appointed A/Q.M. Lieut. FLINT died of injuries received in mortar bomb explosion on 8 Jul. patrols arranged: (1) Maj. DOUGLAS and party on foot - coastal area TUPUSEIBI-KAILE-return via WADIRI; to leave 11 Jul (departure later postponed owing to lack of native bearers) (2) Lieut. MCKEW and party by carrier - approx. same area; to leave 10 Jul (departure postponed; patrol left 0630 11 Jul)	
	10 "	1010	Raid by 21 Jap bombers. Formation broken up by A/A fire. Several bombs jettisoned, some falling in sea.	
		1115	Raid by undetermined number of enemy bombers. visibility hazy. Engaged by A/A. Natives later reported that one bomber down in sea near KAILE and that they buried one dead jap.	
			Patrol officer BROWN arrived by launch from RIGO, reporting enemy bomber crashed in sea near BARACAU. Objects observed in water; believed all of crew were killed.	

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(adapted.)

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Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 10 Jul 42 To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET	11 Jul		Natives from KAILE recovered four bodies from wrecked Jap bomber which came down in sea.	
		0630	Lieut. MCKEW and patrol left by Carrier to recce left flank position of Bn and Twelve Mile Valley area, also to find alternative route from TUPUSELEI to Bn. H.Q. .	See report special report Appx 1
" "	12	0600	Patrol from 17 Pl. left to recce for defensive position facing S.E. along range from Mission to foothills and to observe number of natives, villages, streams and plantations in area.	See special report Appx 2
" "	12	0900	Lieut. MORT advised from 14 Bde. that 55 Bn. patrol had salvaged maps and gear washed up from crashed enemy bomber approx. 1 mile S.E. of KAILE.	
" "	13		R.M.O. attendd lecture at N.G.F.H.Q. on medical Entomology.	
" "	14	1112	C Coy moved from MORESBY to bivouac area at ref. 16209995. A/A Pl. " " " " H.Q. Coy 135006.	
" "	15	0600	A Coy patrol left for KAILE .	
" "	15		C.O. directede that until further notice Coy Comds conferences would be held every second night.	
" "	16	0820	Lieut. J.E. MEINRATH and. Sgt. R.B.McKEAN interviewed by Brig.	
" "	17	1000	C Coy patrol left to make recce of RAILWAY TK. proceeding NORTH	See special report Appx 3
" "	17	1900	Coy Comds conference for 1900 hrs cancelled.	

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(adapted.)

Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1900 hrs 17 Jul 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET	17 Jul		Capt. C.B.FISHER, Lieuts. R.R.YOUNG, R.S.YOUNG, J.E.MEINRATH, A.H.F.GREER and Sgt. R.B.McKEAN proceeded to LOW LEVEL and reported to 14 Inf. Bde. Tng. Bn. under instructions from N.G.F.	
	17	1925	A Coy advised that five mortar bombs exploded. Three bombs not yet accounted for. Area marked DANGEROUS. UNEXPLODED MORTAR BOMBS.	
	19	1530	C.O.'s conference called for this night cancelled. A Coy patrol report situation normal. Mobile talkies visited area.	
	20		Third intake of Bn. N.C.O. Cadre commenced studies and training.	
	20	1030	Raid on Seven Mile Drome by 25 heavy bombers. Several bombs fell $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from H.Q. and D Coy positions. At least three bombs fell in scrub in foothills about two miles N.N.E. of Bn. H.Q., causing bushfires.	
	20	1930	E Coy ad reported presence of unidentified sloop or cruiser close in to shore. Advised by 14 Bde. that H.M.A.S. LYSANDER accompanied by other vessels would be manoeuvring in this vicinity from daylight 20 Jul for several days.	
	20		C.O. left for few days convalescence at KOITAKI.	
	21		D Coy moved to MORESBY with 79 OR's under command.	
	22 22	1010	A Coy patrol returned.	
	22c	1600	C.O. returned to unit.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit ~~36 Aust. Inf. Battalion~~ Date and Time.—From 1600 23 Jul 42 To 0330 hrs 30 Jul 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET.	23 Jul 42.	1415	C.O. called for volunteers for A.I.F. Nominations secured.	
"	23 Jul 42	1900	Coy. Comds conference.	
"	"	24	0910 C Coy took over B Coy Positions & B Coy took over C Coys positions at 1040.	
"	"	24	1400 Jap Bombers over, above clouds, engaged by A/A. Bombs dropped approx. 1/4 mile from 14 Fd. Regt. H.Q. & none on drome, no damage or cas. reported.	
"	"	25	1355 I Sec. on A Coy O.P. reported five unidentified planes flying north, very high, single ^{engine} fighters, advised Bde. at 1410 hrs.	
"	"	25	1530 Grass fires burning fiercely in valley, vicinity Mission. Bn to be reorganised, A.I.F. to fill all specialists units, whole of A Coy, 1 pl. of B Coy, B, C, & D Coys to be Militia	
"	"	26	Bn participated in competitive rifle shoot in 3 Bn area, 4 N.C.O.'s reported to N.C.F. Jnr. Leaders Course	See Appx. F Bn Debits
"	"	26	1855 C Coy H.Q. (New Ref. 123004 changed with 14 pl. new Ref. 120999)	
"	"	27	1000 Commenced preparing defensive positions at Bn H. Q.	
"	"	27	2400 Coy Comds conference summoned urgently.	
"	"	28	0300 Patrol of 53 Bn engaged on manoeuvres in Bn H. Q. area.	
"	"	28	0850 Orders received from 14 Bde to detail one rifle Coy for Defence against air-borne and Para troops. Coy to be available immed. and sufficient M.T. to stand in bivouac area.	
"	"	28	Blinmens Bridge blocked by breakdown of Artillery Wagon.	
"	"	28	1900 Coy Comds conference.	
"	"	29	All Coys on short rout marches over hilly country to harden troops. D Coy returned from wharf duties at Port Moresby.	
"	"	29	1130 Mortar dump caught by bush fire near Dokana. Rd from Dokana to 7 mile drome closed, no casualties.	
"	"	29	1900/2030 In full moonlight three Jap bombers made two runs over seven mile area at 12,000 and 17000 ft respect. A/A fire caused formation to open out, no damage or casualties. Incendiary and A.P. bombs dropped.	
"	"	30	0245/0330 Three enemy bombers made three runs over 7 mile, engaged by searchlights and A/A. No damage or cas.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 36 Aust. Inf. Bn

Date and Time.—From 0330 hrs. 30 J1 To

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOOTLESS INLET B	30 Jul 42		All natives cleared from Bn. Area with the co-operation of Lieut. Powman of A.N.G.A.U.	
" "	31		Area to which Bn is to withdraw if necessary, hill on western side of 12 mile valley road, approx. 3 miles from Bn H.Q. and to be known as MACS AREA.	
" "				
			During the month the Bn rifle position was cleared up and rifles were issued to all men who previously were short. The equipment position was stabilised by issuing shortages where they existed and " " records which were lost on the boat coming up to Port Moresby were recommenced, No records whatsoever existed within the Unit and a start had to be made from the beginning. Work continued in Bn defensive area with the erection of wire, improvements to catwalks for machine guns and the digging of slit trenches and alternative positions where necessary. Patrols were undertaken in a south easterly direction, along the coast as far as Kaile and inland as far as Dabunari. The equipment position was found to be satisfactorily and a general improvement in the health of the troops has taken place. It is still evident that many men are being sent out of Australia who are NOT fit for active service in the field. Whenever opportunity offered these men were medically boarded.	
			Lt. Col.	
			(A. BROWN.) Comd. 36 Aust Inf. Bn.	

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WAR DIARY 36 AUST. INF. BN.

For month of JULY 1942

Appendices attached to copy of Diary

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| 1. Extracts from W3008's | Appendix | No. A |
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G. W. Mort
.....Lieut.
(G.W. Mort) I.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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EXTRACTS FROM W3009

4 July 42

Detail	W. E.	Posted Strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements Required
W.Os. Class I	1			1
W.Os. Class II	8	3	-	5
Company QM Serjeants	6	4	-	2
Staff Serjeants	1			1
Serjeants	41	31	-	10
Corporals	86	76	-	10
Privates	732	729	-	3
Total	875	843	-	32

O.B.s. ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS

Detail	Number	Unit & Corps to which they belong
W/O Class II	2	AIC
Sjt	1	AA.PC
Sjt	1	AASC
Cpl	1	AAOC
Cpl	1	2 Div Postal Unit

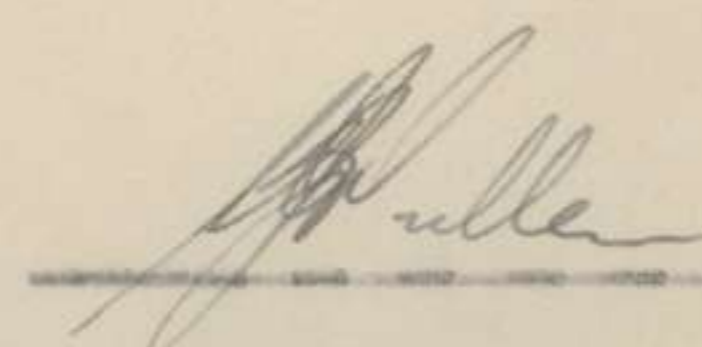
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Appendix C.
NEW GUINEA FORCE

HEADQUARTERS

JULY 1942.

During this month the Unit was dispersed in the Bootless Bay Area and a percentage of the unit were in Port Moresby unloading ships. The epidemic of Dengue Fever and German Measles had been reduced to occasional cases. Thirty-five cases of clinical malaria, twenty-one cases of clinical dysentery were evacuated. The unit was greatly troubled with sandflies and these occasioned many infected bites which tended to ulcerate. Mosquitoes were prevalent but were greatly reduced by the burning of the dying tall grass in the vicinity. The evacuations for the month were still high, totalling 122. The Unit sick were being treated at ~~Meri~~geda Mission by A Coy. 3 Fd. Amb. and the arrangement worked admirably.



Capt.
R.M.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

36 BATTALION.

POSTING OF OFFICERS.

29 - 7 - 42.

Append D

<u>Bn. H.Q.</u>	C.O.	Lt.Col. A. Brown O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
	2 i/c.	Capt. J. M. Riley.
	Adjt.	Capt. L. W. McGlynn.
	A/Adjt.	Lieut. J. R. Hasler.
	I.C.	Lieut. G. W. Mort (Abs. Hospital)

<u>H.Q. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Capt. N.P.G. Lyons.
No. 1	Pl. Sigs.	Lieut. J. T. Butler.
No. 2	"	Lieut. J. P. Davis.
No. 3	"	(No Appointment)
No. 4	"	Lieut. R. L. McKew.
T.O.		Lieut. McArthur W. A.
Q.M.		Lieut. H. A. Taaffe.

<u>A. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Major C. D. Douglas.
	2 i/c	Lieut. I. S. Clarke.
	Lieut.	" R. A. ROBERTSON.
	"	R. A. Oliver.
	"	C. J. Wooldridge.

<u>B. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Capt. S.W. Powers.
	2 i/c	Lieut. C.G. Morse (hosp.)
		LIEUT. C.C. Eling.
		Lieut. C.W. Knott "

<u>C. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Capt. A. M. Powers.
	2 i/c	Capt. A. K. Drew.
		Lieut. J. R. Napier.
		Lieut. D. W. McKenzie.

<u>D. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Capt. A. J. Watson.
	2 i/c	" G. E. Moyes.
	Lieut.	J. W. Hope.
	"	A. K. Eedy.
	"	J. M. Gaudron.

<u>E. Coy.</u>	O.C.	Capt. H. M. Maguire.
		Lieut. E.R.A.D. Meares.
		" R.P. Cummins.

UNATTACHED.

	Capt. C. B. Fisher.
	Lieut. R. R. Young.
	" A. H. Greer.
	" J. C. Meinrath.

14 INF. TNG. BN.

Capt. E. A. Elphick.

Appendix D.

WORKS PROGRAM.WIRING.

"C" COY. Wiring of mangroves for thirty yards on either side of M.M.G. platforms of 21 Pl. (Bn H.Q. Area).
Wiring of mangroves on either side of gun (Bren and M.M.G. Platforms).
Thickening of wiring in breaks in mangroves on "C" Coy's front.

"D" COY. Repair of wiring on "D" Coy's H.Q. area front.
Thickening of wiring in mangrove breaks on HOGAN'S POST.

CONSTRUCTIONS.

"D" COY. Construction (completed) of one footbridge floating at "D" Coy H.Q. Area, also completed fixed footway over creek in same area.

Sinking of well at "D" Coy H.Q. Area which proved brakish. Fresh water obtained a quarter of a mile up creek in shallow well - suitable for washing personnel and clothes.

Clearing of sand lanes for M.M.G's at DAKUNA.

Construction of new kitchen at 18 Pl.

"C" COY. Completed construction of re-sited Mortar Posns. Additional strengthening of plank-walks to gun platforms at No.13 Pl. section.

Commencement of construction of additional gun platform on left of 13 Pl sector to cover wire obstacles across creek mouth.

BN. H.Q. Construction of Bayonet Assault Course.

Reconstruction of kitchens and sealing and constructions of three latrines - two being new latrines.

Sinking of well for additional water to 24 feet. A moderate amount at that depth and (4 Jul 42) appears to be increasing.

Demolition of collapsed shed and cleaning up of area.

BURNING OFF.

"D" Coy Area. Salt pan grass and about section positions. Peninsular of Idumava burnt off, also vicinity of H.Q. Coy, "B" and "A" Coy Areas.

Gullies burned off on right of Bn H.Q. also on ridge on left.

"C" Coy area, small section burned in C Coy H.Q. area.

PROJECTED WORKS.

Miniature rifle range in each Coy area.

Site for classification range of up to 300 yds.

Repair of BOOTLESS ROAD BRIDGE by 14 Fd Coy.

INCIDENTAL WORKS.

Completed construction of approximately 140 floating targets for proposed shoot.

(J.H. THROSBY), Major.
2 i/c, 36 Bn, Home Forces,

PROPOSED RULES FOR INTER BN. RIFLE SHOOT.

1. Each Bn. may nominate a team of 12 shooters and one non-shooting captain.
 2. Each team shall consist of two men per Coy. in accordance with Coy roll as at 16/7/42.
 3. Butt party will be provided by 3 Bn. scoring party at butts by rep. from each Bn.
 4. Each Bn. will provide its own arms and amm., subject to any mutual arrangements.
 5. No nomination fees.
 6. Prize money will be provided, £3 for team of 12, 30/- for team of 6, £1 for team of 4, and £3 for team winning aggregate.
 7. Every member of team must complete in not less than 3 events and not more than 4.
 8. Competition commences at 0930 hrs. Break at lunch time 12 till 3.
- Each C.O. nominate judge for events but not necessarily for each separate event, i.e., might prefer separate judge for snipers and L.M.G. events.
10. Names for each event and names of judges to be submitted to Major Grantham, 3 Bn before 0930 hrs on day of competition.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS.

1. The "PAUL" CHALLENGE MATCH. Team of 12, 5 rds. application practice bayonets fixed, no rests or use of slings, range 300 yds. Prove.
2. The "NUGENT" Mad MINUTE. Team of 6, 15 rds. rapid practice 10 yds. Loaded to commence and 15 rds to be fired in 60 seconds. Reloading other than at shoulder will disqualify. Bayonets fixed, no rest or slings to be used. Range 300 yds. Prove.
3. The "BROWN" CUP MATCH. Team of 6, 5 rds. application practice to be fired in respirator, bayonets fixed, no rest or slings to be used, range 300 yds. Correct respirator drill to be observed.
4. The "GRANTHAM" TRIAL. Team of 4, 6 rds application, 2 rds to be fired at 200 yds from prone position, 2 rds from 200 yds, kneeling position, 2 rds from 100 yds standing position, respirator on, bayonets fixed, time allowed 5 minutes, from order to fire at 300 yds until sixth shot is fired.
5. THE "JEFFREY" SNIPE Team of four unit snipers with snipers rifles, 10 rds. application at 300 yds, No respirator, no bayonet, rest allowed, fire from any position. A 4" inner bulls eye will be marked inside normal bull which will count six points, Telescope sights to be used. Bulls only to score.
6. THE "THROSBY" TOMMY COMPETITION. Team of four, 20 rds application 10 at 100 yds and 20 at 50 yds, standing position at 100 yds single shots and bursts of 5, at 50 yds 5 single shots and 2 bursts of 5 from shoulder 1 burst of 5 from hip 3 magazines to be carried (one for each)
7. THE "ERIG" ALL ROUNDER COMPETITION. Team of four.
 - (a) Fire five rds. from snipers rifle at 300 yds 4" bull, no rest, bayonet or respirator.
 - (b) Fire 20 rds from Bren, 5 single and 3 bursts of 5 at 300 yds from tripod.
 - (c) Fire 5 rds from rifle at 200 yds, bayonet fixed, no rests.
 - (d) Fire 10 rds from Tommy gun at 100 yds, 5 single shots from shoulder and 5 single shots from hip.
 - (e) By unarmed combat disarm opponent to be selected.

14A UST. INF. BDE. GP.

CONFERENCE OF UNIT COMMANDERS 0900 Hrs. 3JULY. '42.

AGENDA.

- TNG (1) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MESSAGES-- Ack. means immediately.
- (2) ~~D.R.'S and Runners.~~
- (2) D.R.'S and Runners.
- (3) BATTLE PROCEDURE.-- Inf. Bn. to be issued - other units to stress also.
- (4) MOBILITY OF H.Q.--- (a) Unit H.Q. must be constantly practised in movement and establishment.
(b) Bde. Gp. H.Q. Signal Exercise.
- (5) INSPECTIONS -- (a) Periodical Bde. inspections.
(b) Necessity for Unit inspections-- particular attention to cooks clerksetc
(c) Kit inspections at least once monthly- Certificate to Bde. 1st. of month
(d) M.T. Maintenance and inspections by Bde. T.O. L.A.D. and W/Shops Officers.
- (6) GENERAL STANDARD OF CLEANLINESS; TIDINESS; HYGIENE.- Burn all waste.
- (7) OFFICER'S. (a) Need for training to replace, actual and anticipated.
(b) Potential officers with units.
- (8) FIELD COURTESY. - some improvement, still more required.
- (9) STAFF LEARNERS. - One "A" Learner required immediately.
- (10) CORRESPONDENCE. - signing of.
- (11) DUTY OFFICERS. - Duty officer of Unit will contact Bde. Hq. each hour from 2200 Hrs. till 0600 Hrs.
- (12) BDE. HQ. - Layout.
- (13) DEMONSTRATION OF FIRE POWER BY 36 BN.
- (14) WATER. - Necessity for conservation.
- (15) UNFIT PERSONNEL. - Immediate arrangements for Medical Boarding.
- (16) D.R.L.S. - Daily service.
- (17) RETURNS. (a) still not on time.
(b) Calendar to be amended - for 1000 hrs. daily read 1045 hrs. daily.
- (18) INDISCRIMINATE FIRING = steps taken to control.
- (19) WEARING OF SHIRTS.-

GENERAL.

- (21) MIRAMA RD.
- (22) KOKODA.
- (23) BOOTLESS RD. WATER SUPPLY.
- (24) FALL RIVER.
- (25) GALDEY REACH RECCE.
- (26) 14 BDE? WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.
- (27) HEALTH OF THE GROUP.

SIGNED
(A.P. WILLIAMS) Major.
B.M. 14 AUST. INF. BDE.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

LT-COL A. BROWN, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
Comd 36 Bn, Home Forces.

9 Jul 42.

Part 1.

No. 6

30. COURT OF INQUIRY.

The undermentioned Officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry to enquire into and report on the circumstances surrounding an explosion occurring on 8 Jul 42 in H.Q. Coy lines and resulting in the death of N.21216 - Lieut F.A.R. SMITH, and injuries to N.21182 - T/Capt H.M. MAGUIRE, N.21151 - Lieut J.N. FLINT and N.21292 - Pte ASKEY L.T.

Major J.H. THROSBY - President.
Capt G.E. MOYES - Member.
Lieut J.V. HOPE - Member.

The Court will assemble at the headquarters of H.Q. Coy at 0900 hrs on 9 Jul 42.

31. DRESS.

Trousers, Long, W.D., will be worn, and shirt sleeves will be rolled down, by all troops between 1800 hrs and 0600 hrs, for the purpose of combating the effect of mosquitoes and insect pests. This provision applies to Guards and Sentries ^{and} of all Bn duties.

32. SPEED LIMIT.

The speed limit of all vehicles travelling in the Unit area will be 10 m.p.h.

(SGD) L.V. McGLYNN, Captain,
Adit. 36 Bn. Home Forces.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

LT-COL A. BROWN, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
Comd 36 Bn. Home Forces.

10 Jul 42

Part 1.

No. 7

33. SIGNAL TELEPHONE LINES.

Inspection of Signal Telephone Lines shows that in many cases wires are still laid on the ground. All telephone lines within the Unit Area will be raised from the ground to clear grass and undergrowth. Certificate of compliance with these instructions will be rendered to Bn H.Q. by Sig. Offr by 1800 hrs 11 Jul 42.

Where necessary Bn H.Q. will detail fatigue parties to work under supervision of sigs to complete raising of lines.

34. GRENADES.

Grenades on issue to Coys have been found in certain instances to be fitted with detonators. Detonators will be removed from ALL Grenades held by Coys or in Bn reserve. Detonators so removed will be securely packed back into detonator tins and requisition for any additional tins required will be submitted to Bn H.Q. forthwith.

Instances have come to notice where grenade pins have been bent double, preventing efficient removal of Safety Pin. ALL Grenades held by Coys will be examined and inspection carried out by Coy Comds. Safety Pins will be adjusted to allow separation of $\frac{1}{8}$ " (one eighth inch) between points of split pin.

Instructions contained in this para will be completely carried into effect by 1800 hrs on 11 Jul 42, and compliance with instructions will be reported by Coys to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 11 Jul 42.

35. ORDERS.

In every instance where an order is issued by Bn H.Q. a report will be sent by the recipient Coy or Sub-Unit to Bn H.Q. notifying immediately the carrying of the order into effect.

36. MINIATURE RANGES.

Coys will submit by 1800 hrs on 11 Jul 42 Progress Report on the construction of miniature ranges within Coy Areas.

37. WORKING HOURS.

The attention of all ranks will be directed to the fact that the Unit is NOT working on an eight-hour per day basis, but that troops may, if necessary to carry out works or duties ordered, be required to work even twentyfour hours in any day.

38. INSPECTION OF PL. LOCALITIES.

Coy Comds, at least twice weekly, will carry out inspections of each Pl. Area and areas occupied by detachments of other Coys under Comd. Such inspections will be completed by 1000 hrs and reports submitted to Bn H.Q. by 1200 hrs on the day of inspection that such Pl. and detachment areas are clean, tidy, and in order in all respects.

39. INSPECTION BY PL. COMDS.

Pl. Comds will report to Coy Comds daily by 0800 hrs that all rifles and weapons on issue have been inspected, that tents and lines have been inspected, and kits laid out.

40. INCINERATORS.

Coy Comds will ensure and report to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 11 Jul 42 that an incinerator has been constructed and established at each cooking point. Coy Comds will ensure daily that incinerators are used, cleared, and maintained in strict accordance with Orders issued per Bn R/O No. 4 of 22 Jun 42.

41. MESSAGES.

Time of receipt of all messages sent by Bn H.Q. to Coys will be checked by recipient of message, and time recorded. The time of handing of message to Coy Comd or his deputy will be noted on back of Message Form and initialled by recipient.

42. VERBAL ORDERS.

Orders issued to Coy Comds at conferences, or verbally to Officers will be taken down by Adjt, and at end of conference, or when orders have been concluded, the Adjt's notes will be read to Coy Comds or Officers receiving the orders, who will initial such notes.

The same procedure will be followed in respect to all verbal orders issued by Comds of Coys or Sub-Units, except that notes will be taken in the first instance by Officer giving the orders or a subordinate Comd appointed by him. Pl. Comds, which include N.C.O's in comd of Pls at time orders issued, will sign the notes upon completion of the orders.

43. TRANSPORT.

T.C. will furnish a report to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs on Fri of each week, certifying that he has during the week preceeding his report personally inspected every truck on Unit strength, and in such report will state the result of his inspection of each vehicle. Coy Comds will submit the same return in respect to vehicles under comd of the Coy, including vehicles of attached troops under comd. Coy Comds will ensure strictly that all bolts, nuts are tightened daily, radiators filled, and that oiling and greasing, including engine oil, gear-box, differential has been properly carried out during week covered by report, and checked daily by driver.

44. SANDSHOES.

Sandshoes will NOT be worn between the hours of 0600 and 1800 hrs, unless the wearer is in possession of a note authorising such wear signed by his Coy Comd, 2 i/c of Coy, or Pl. Comd, or by the R.M.O.

45. LATRINES.

Coy Comds will report weekly on Fri by 1800 hrs that all latrines in Coy Areas have been inspected and are in a sanitary condition. Advice will be given as required by R.M.O.

46. COCKHOUSES.

Coy Comds will report fortnightly on alternate Fri by 1800 hrs, that cockhouse sites have been moved at least fifty yards to new positions. Coy Comds will ensure also that cocks wash and change shirts and shorts at least every two days, and certify accordingly in fortnightly reports.

47. ABSENT PERSONNEL.

Instances have occurred where personnel who have been absent in hospital or otherwise, at the time of issue of Routine Orders or instructions have NOT been informed thereof. Coy Comds will ensure that all personnel absent from Coy at time of promulgation or issue of orders and instructions are duly notified of the contents of such orders and instructions upon return to Coy strength. This instruction may involve reading of several R/O's or orders to personnel reporting back to Coys after absence in order to ensure that all ranks, without exception, are made conversant with orders issued.

48. CHURCH PARADES.

Church Parades will be held on Sun 12 Jul 42 and upon each ensuing. Times of parades may vary, but until further notice will be as follows:

"B" COY - 0900 hrs.

"E" COY H.Q., "D" Coy and H.Q. Coy - 1000 hrs.

Bn H.Q., and "A" Coy - 1130 hrs.

Every available man will be on Church Parade, and a state will be returned by Coys to Bn by 0830 hrs each Sun, specifying number of men who will be on parade.

Personnel NOT attending Church Parades, other than necessary duty personnel, will commence a route march by Coy groups at the same times as specified for Coy Church Parade. Time occupied by route march will be one hour, dress - full marching order. Coy groups will be placed under cmd of an Officer or H.C.O. Coys will show on state submitted to Bn H.Q. number of personnel on duties during Church Parade times, specifying nature of duty.

49. TRAINING.

Coy Comds will submit daily by 2200 hrs report on Daily Training Syllabus as submitted for the day, showing any variation made in the work laid down.

50. AMMUNITION SHORTAGES.

Coys will submit weekly on Fri by 1800 hrs return of shortages of ammunition issued to personnel.

51. METHOD OF ADDRESS.

All ranks while on parade, or in working hours, or whilst on duty, will be addressed by their proper rank. This applies to Officers and H.C.O's.

52. FIELD COMPLIMENTS.

Coy Comds will ensure that all ranks are instructed in the correct compliments, i.e., sentries will PRESENT to Officers of, and above, Field rank, but will salute Officers of the rank of Capt or Lieut, vide M.E.D.

53. SUPERVISION OF ORDERS.

When any order is issued by any Officer or N.C. O. in the Bn, the soldier receiving the order will report back to ~~such~~ Officer or N.C.O. that the order has been carried out, i.e.- If an Officer instructs a runner to deliver a verbal or written order to any rank, he will report back to Coy Comd that he has delivered the order. The recipient of the order will report to the Officer or N.C.O. who gave the order when the order has been carried into effect.

54. WARNING ORDER.

Coys may be called upon at any time of day or night to render within thirty minutes a working or parade state of every person in the Coy, including troops under comd. Coys may be ordered at any time of day or night to take up Battle positions, i.e., man all guns with troops correctly dressed in Battle Order, and will submit report to Bn immediately the Coy is in position.

55. ROUTINE ORDERS.

Should it be found at any time that the instructions contained in these orders are NOT carried out in full disciplinary action will be taken against offenders irrespective of rank.

56. LOADING OF RIFLES.

Rifles will NOT be carried loaded by troops except when on Guard duty, or as ordered by Coy Comds in special circumstances.

(SGD) L.W. McGLYNN, Captain,
Adit. 36 Bn, Home Forces.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

by
LT-COL A. BROWN, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
Comd 36 Bn. Home Forces.

19 Jul, 42

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57. ENLISTMENT A.I.F.

The following procedure will apply to all personnel desiring to enlist in A.I.F.

(a) All applicants aged between 19 & 40 years (technical personnel up to 45 years) who complete enlistment form AAF A200 and in the case of members under the age of 21 years, forms AAF A203 also, will be transferred to A.I.F. subject to their original medical classification being Class 1.

(b) Personnel accepted will remain with their present units and retain their present rank.

(c) Forms AAF A200 & AAF A203 will be issued with this R/O to Coy. H.Q.

(d) Special casualty returns will be made out by unit H.Q. in respect of each applicant and upon check of each applicants records to ensure Medical Fitness Class 1. those so classified will be included in Unit R/O's Part II as transferred to A.I.F. ~~No transfer~~ will be complete until this action has been finalized.

(e) Army No's will be shown in accordance with following example:
N4231, Pte. Jones W. becomes NXN4231.

The addition of letter "M" is necessary to avoid duplication of Nos' already allotted to A.I.F. personnel.

58. TRADESMEN.

In accordance with M.G.F. R/O's, the Groups of Tradesmen and the specialist pay allotted to them are published in Appendix "A" to this order.

Coy's will arrange a thorough check of all men on Coy strength and will submit to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs Friday 24 Jul, a return of tradesmen under the following headings:

Trade Classification.	No.	Rank & Name	Whether employed in Trade Capacity.
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Under heading, "Trade Classification", only those trades set out in Appendix "A" will be shown. Tradesmen will however be included in the return whether or not their particular trade is included in W.E. of an Infantry Bn.

59. LOADING PARTIES PORT MORESBY.

The following congratulatory letters are published for the information of all ranks.

14 Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.
HOME FORCES.
16 Jul 42.

C.O.
36 Bn.

REPORT ON WORK PERFORMED BY 36 BN: UNLOADING PERSONNEL:

I Direct that you convey to all Officers and men concerned my gratification at the congratulatory report on the work performed in Port Moresby by unloading Personnel from 36 Bn.

(W.E. Smith) Brigadier.
Commanding 14 Aust. Inf. Bde

Movement Control,
Port Moresby.
18 July 42.

Lieut Col Brown. O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.
C.O. 36 Inf Bn.

DOCK LABOUR PARTY.

I would be pleased if you would convey to your Unit my appreciation of the very capable way in which they carried out their duties connected with the loading and unloading of cargo in this Port between the 8th and 15th of this month.

It was very pleasing to see the competitive spirit which existed in Captain Powers' Coy and the cheerful manner in which they obeyed his instructions.

I have not seen a Coy do better work on the Docks either in the Middle East or Australia.

(Sgd.) G.M. Leane, Major.
Movement Control Officer

60. ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE:

Nominations are called for of Officers of the rank of Lieut. and M.C.O.'s of the rank of Sgt. for appointment as Education Service staff attached to Bde H.Q. Nominations will reach Bn H.Q. by 1200 hrs, 27 Jul and Nil returns submitted where applicable.

61. PUNISHMENTS AND AWARDS.

N.185886 - Pte CROSSINGHAM, K.L. - H.Q. Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the field.

Date:- 2 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 2 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET failed to pass a message as a signaller on duty. (A.A.40)

Award:- Admonished.

Date of Award:- 5 Jul 42

N.152366 - Pte CRAIG, W.K. - H.Q. Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the Field

Date:- 4 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 4 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET wore sandals during daylight without the permission of his Coy. Comd. contrary to Routine Orders No.4 of 22 Jun 42 para 24 (A.A.40)

Award:- Fined £1.

Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.

N.286306 - Pte KILKERRY, J.J.E. - "B" Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the field.

Date:- 14 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 12 Jul 42 while being a member of a platoon stationed in the locality known as HOGANS POST did proceed beyond the area of such platoon locality without special permission (A.A. 40). 2. Failed to attend a parade at 0830 hrs 12 Jul 42.

Award:- Fined £1.

Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.

N.186047 - Pte McGLINCHY, H. - "A" Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the field.

Date:- 12 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at 1000 hrs on 11 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET fired one round in "A" Coy Area without the permission of an officer. (A.A.40).

Award:- Fined £1.

Date of award:- 14 Jul 42.

N.185902 - Pte DAVEY, J. - "A" Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the field.

Date:- 12 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at 1330 hrs on 11 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET fired three rounds in "A" Coy Area without the permission of an officer. (A.A.40).

Award:- Fined £1.

Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.

N.286257 - Pte BARKS, A.J. - "A" Coy, 36 Bn.

Place:- In the Field.

Date:- 12 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military Discipline in that he at 1000 hrs on 11 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET fired one round in "A" Coy Area without the permission of an officer. (A.A.40).

Award:- Fined £1.

Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.

N(P)5625 - Sjt McKEAN, R.B. - Bn H.Q., 36 Bn.

Place:- In the field.

Date:- 9 Jul 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- In act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he enclosed in an Active Service Envelope AF 3078 a letter referring to things other than private and family matters contrary to the certificate signed by him upon such envelope. (A.A.40)

Award:- Severely Reprimanded. Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.

PUNISHMENTS AND AWARDS (CONT).

- N.286274 - Pte EMBLETON, L.R. - "A" Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- In the Field. Date:- 12 Jul 42.
Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at 1000 hrs on 11 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET fired four rounds in "A" Coy Area without the permission of an officer. (A.A.40)
Award:- Fined £1. Date of Award:- 14 Jul 42.
- N.286237 - Pte MAHER, R., 36 Bn Attached 14 Aust.Inf.Bde.
Place:- Operational Station. Date 7 Jul 42.
Offence:- While being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service did act in a manner contrary to good conduct and to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he whilst at Operational Stations on 7 Jul 42 did NOT use the Latrine provided but fouled the ground in close proximity to sleeping quarters.
Award:- Fined £3. Date of Award:- 8 Jul 42.
- IX78998 - Pte PAGE, K. - "C" Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- Field. Date:- 25 Jun 42.
Offence:- While on active service conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in that he disobeyed an order given by his superior officer. (A.A.40)
Award:- Fined £1. Date of Award:- 25 Jun 42.
- N.166959 - Pte PAINL, H.A. - H.Q. Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- Field. Date:- 24 Jun 42.
Offence:- Being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- an act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he did, Refuse to obey the lawful order of his superior officer. Refused to commence duty when ordered to do so. (A.A.40(1).)
Award:- Admonished. Date of Award:- 25 Jun 42.
- N.185836 - Pte BOTTRELL, K. - H.Q. Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- Field. Date:- 23 Jun 42.
Offence:- Being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Was guilty of an act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at Battle Station on 21 Jul 42 did move without carrying his rifle and equipment. (A.A.40(1).)
Award:- Admonished. Date of Award:- 23 Jun 42.
- N.286268 - Pte COUPER, J.B. - "E" Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- In the Field. Date:- 5 Jul 42.
Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 5 Jul 42 at BOOTLESS INLET did disobey Camp Orders by failing to shave. (A.A. 40).
Award:- Admonished. Date of Award:- 9 Jul 42.
- N.185847 - Pte BRADDICK, E. - H.Q. Coy, 36 Bn.
Place:- Field. Date:- 17 Jun 42.
Offence:- Being a soldier of the military forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Was guilty of an act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at the Ration Store on 17 Jun 42 did use to his superior officer, insubordinate language. (A.A.40(1).)
Award:- Fined £3, 14 days C.B. Date of Award:- 19 Jun 42.

(SGD) L.W. McGLYNN, Captain,
Adj. 36 Bn, Home Forces.

TRADE GROUP SPECIALISTS.

Army Trade Designation.

Civilian Trade Designation.

GROUP 1: Specialists' pay 3/- per day.

Armament Artificer
 Artificer, Arty
 Blacksmith
 Bricklayers
 Computers

Journeyman Fitter and Turner or Toolmaker
 Fitter
 Blacksmith
 Bricklayers
 Computer - requires knowledge of Trigonometry & be good at Maths-neat with figures.

Cooks Hospital
 Coppersmith
 Dispensers
 Draughtsmen
 Draughtsmen - Architectural

Cooks Hospital
 Coppersmith
 Dispenser or Chemist (Pharmaceutical)
 Draughtsmen
 Draughtsmen Architectural

Electricians

Electricians or Electrical Mechanics

Electrical Fitter

(Journeyman
 (Elect. Fitter

Electricians Sigs

Journeyman Electrician

Fitters
 Fitters and Turners

Journeyman Fitters
 Journeyman Fitters & Turners

Fitters Signal
 Fitters Gun
 Fitters' Mate
 Fitters Railway Signal

Motor Mechanics
 Fitter
 Fitters' Assistant
 Railway Signal Fitters

Instrument Mechs.

(Instrument Maker
 (Watchmaker

Instrument Mechs. Surgical
 Instrument Mechanics Signal
 Mechanics Typewriter
 Mechanics Wireless
 Mechanic Radio
 Millwrights
 Pattern Makers
 Photographers
 Plumber
 Surveyor
 Surveyors Engineering
 Toolmakers
 Turners
 Watchmakers
 Welders

Surgical Instrument Maker
 Wireless Mechanic
 Typewriter Mechs.
 Wireless Mechs.
 " "
 Millwrights (or Fitters & Turners)
 Pattern Makers
 Photographer
 Plumber
 Surveyors
 Surveyors
 Journeyman Toolmakers
 Journeyman Turners
 Watchmaker
 Qualified Welders (Electric & Oxy)

GROUP 2: Specialists' pay 2/- per day.

Armourer
 Bakers
 Boilermakers
 Carpenter & Joiner
 Cooks
 Electrician Eng. Units
 Grinders
 Lincemen
 Lincemen Sigs.
 Lithographers
 Machinists
 Masons
 Masseurs
 Mechanical Dental

Fitters' Apprentice of Motor Mechanic
 Bakers
 Boilermakers
 Carpenter & Joiner
 Cooks
 Journeyman Electrician
 Grinders, precision
 G.P.O. Lincemen
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 Lithographers
 Machinists - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, class
 Masons
 Masseurs
 Dental Mechanics

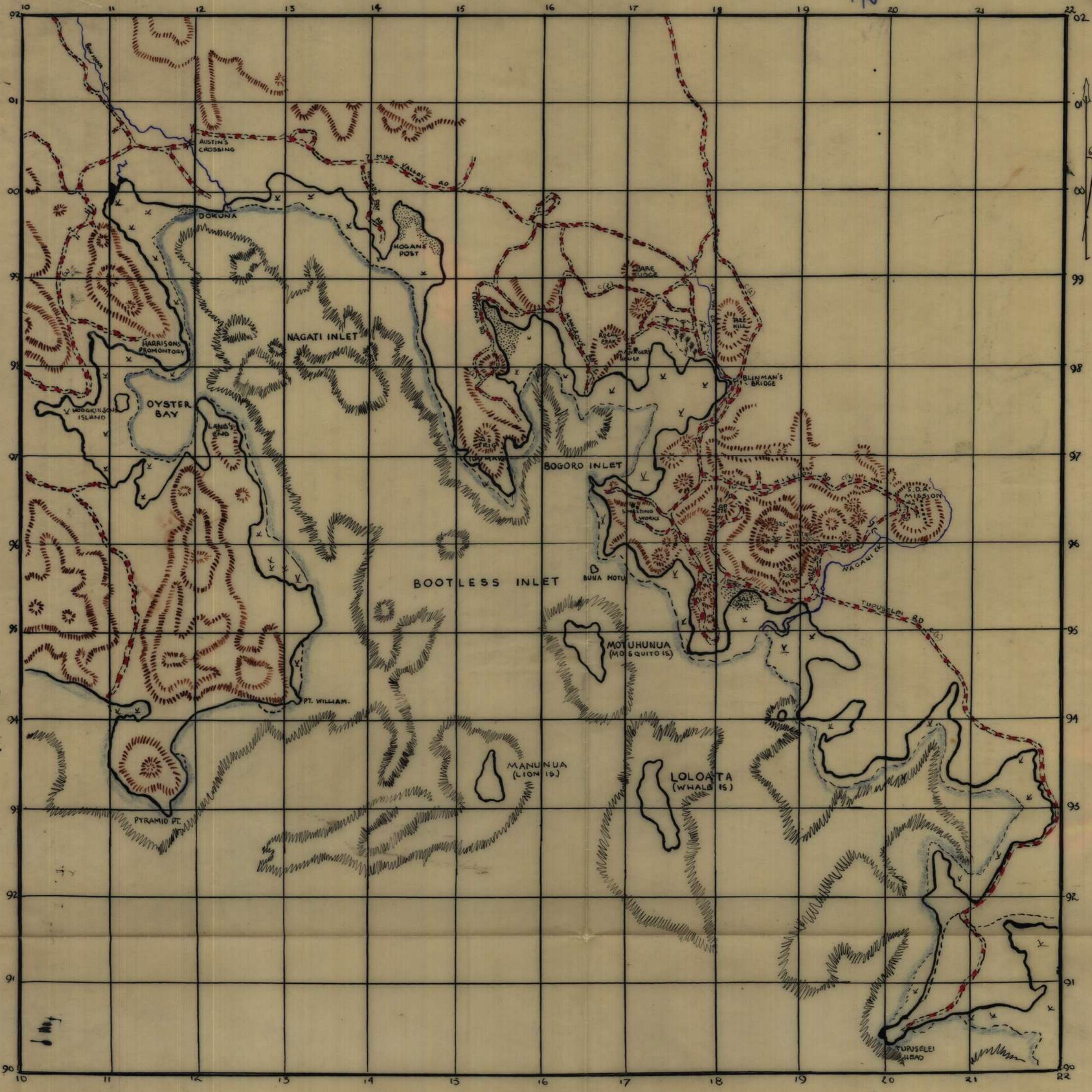
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TRADE GROUP SPECIALISTS (CONT.)

Army Trade Designation	Civilian Trade Designation
Mechanics M.T.	Motor Mechanics (not garage improvers)
Miners	Miners
Moulders	Moulders, Brass
Operating Room Assts,	Male Theatre Attendants (Hospital)
Opticians	Opticians
Painters	Painters
Panel Beaters	Panel Beaters or Sheet Metal Workers
Printers	Printers
Radiographers	Radiographers
Riggers	Riggers (Constructional)
Saw Doctors	Saw Doctor
Whealers	Whealrights or Wagon Builders
GROUP: 3 Specialists' Pay 1/- per day.	
Butchers	Butchers
Concreters	Concreters or Builders' Labourers
Draughtsmen-Signal	Draughtsmen) Civil Engineering
Draughtsmen-Topographic	Draughtsmen)
Driver Mechanics) Truckdrivers doing own maintenance repairs
Driver Operators) (operating wireless tanks)
Drivers Transportation Plant	Transporter Drivers
Equipment Repairers	(Canvas Workers
	(Leather Stitchers
Farriers	Farriers
Hammermen	Hammermen Strikers
Nursing Orderlies	Male Nurses
Nursing Orderlies, Mental	Mental Attendants
Plate Layers	Plate Layers
Riveters	Riveters
Saddlers	Saddlers or Harness Makers
Saddle Trees Makers	Pattern Makers
Sawyers	Sawyers
Shoemakers	Boot Repairers
Storemen Technical	Spare Parts Storemen (30% each Ford and Chev. Balance Dodge and International)
Tailors	Tailors
Textile Refitters	Upholsterers or Canvas Workers.
Tinsmiths	Tinsmiths
Vulcanisers	Vulcanisers or Tyre Retreaders.
Whitesmiths	Whitesmiths.

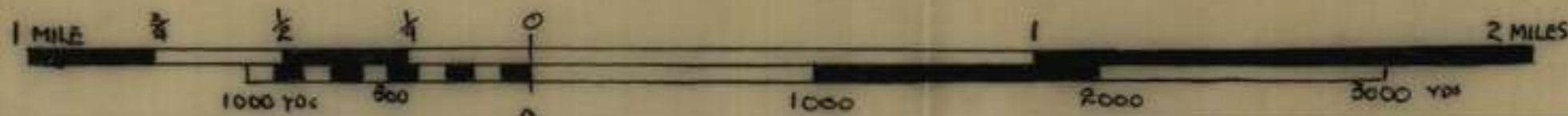
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SCALE 2" TO 1 MILE

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)Unit *36 Aust Inf Bn*Date and Time.—From *1000 hrs 1 Aug 42* To *0240 hrs 3 Aug 42*

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Boothless Area</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1000</i>	<i>Continuation of recce by Coys and Bn of MAC'S AREA</i>	
"	<i>2</i>		<i>Lieut. Hasler took up duties as A/Adj.</i>	
"	<i>2</i>		<i>A Coy moved to MAC'S AREA and relieved in forward areas by D Coy.</i>	
"	<i>2</i>		<i>C Coy moved to bivouac area</i>	
"	<i>2</i>		<i>Interchange of Pl. areas carried out by F Coy, SMELTER'S AREA, DOKUNA and HOEAN'S POST.</i>	
"	<i>2</i>	<i>2130</i>	<i>Patrol carried out by A Coy to investigate very lights reported by Arty. No result.</i>	
"	<i>3</i>	<i>0030</i>	<i>Lieut Robertson, leading patrol investigating lights, reported two more lights seen on bearing 55° from old A Coy HQ position 2400 hrs 2 Aug.</i>	
<i>S D A Mission</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0240</i>	<i>Capt Fotheringham at mission reported his spotters saw blue-green very lights due north 2-3 miles away</i>	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 0240hrs 3 Aug 43 To 2215hrs 4 Aug 43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Boothless Area	3	0255	Bde advised of Capt Fotheringham's Report	
" "	3	0316	Maj Douglas advised of above	
SDA mission	3	0312	Further report from Capt Fotheringham that blue-white lights seen on bearing 250° from mission followed by a similar light from the north. Bde advised 0324 hrs	
A Coy	3	0355	Patrol returned. Instructed by Capt Mc Glynn to maintain picket & observe and maintain vigilance in area. Bde advised 0400hrs	
Mac's Area	3		C Coy moved to MAC'S AREA HQ A, B & C Coys preparing defences new area Detailed disposition and fire plan map called for by Bde. Bn NCO cadre resumed. Recel of MAC'S AREA by CO & OC A Coy.	
Bn HQ	3	2045	Report from 30 Bde that lights were seen off TUPUSELEI. Request reports from our OPs. 14 Fld Regt report no lights observed.	
"	3	2145	Bde advised no lights in area	
"	3	2300	14 Fld Regt reported several lights 10°-20° east of TUPUSELEI	
"	3	2315	CO left to investigate lights. Bde advised.	
"	4	0105	CO returned & reported lights to be burning logs. Bde advised.	
"	4	2012	Flares observed by A Coy south. Bluey-white reported to flare at zenith. Also reported by T.O. as definitely a flare.	
A Coy	4	2020	Patrol sent out by A Coy. Bde advised 2042hrs. Bde report other patrols also out	
Bn HQ	4	2215	Advised through Bde that Hudson plane will be dropping flares (6). Also advised of a naval vessel in bay.	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From 4 Aug 42 To 5 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn HQ	4		C Coy ordered to move on shortest notice to 20 MILE dump for fatigue duties. C Coy troops recalled from work on MAC'S AREA.	
" "	4	1630	C Coy reported troops left for 20 MILE dump. Arrived late due to insufficient warning from Bde.	
" "	5		Bde advises that 14 Fld Regt would conduct a shoot on 6 Aug 42 in localities DOKUNA, HOGAN'S POST and IDUMAVA neck.	
" "	5		A Coy night patrols investigating flares; reports produced no result. Bde instructed that all very pistols & amm be checked. No shortages reported.	
" "	5		Capt J.M. Riley appointed 2 i/c during absence of Maj Thorsby at a school in Austoria.	

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Unit 96 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 2200 5 Aug 42 To 1140 hrs 11 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn HQ	5	2200	Adj conference. Warning order for move to new HQ during shoot	
"	6	0745	New HQ established at ref 2 "enclgt Bootless Inlet 165996	See appendix "I" in July diary.
"	6	0905	Arty shoot completed	
"	6	1100	Bn returned to normal HQ at ref 171982	
Bootless Area	6	2000	Practise Vercy lights sent up by A&D Coys also tracer	
"	7	1945	C Coy arrived back at bivouac area from 20 miles ^{depth}	
Bn HQ	8	0710	Sub ships observed on horizon proceeding S.E. Each had 1 funnel 2 masts. Bde advised.	
"	8		Bde required explanation of shortage of Vickers Lockson MGs of Carrier Pl. Bde advised by letter that shortage was due to unserviceable parts replacements for which had been applied for.	
"	9	1600	C.O.'s conference. Attention was directed to linking up of fire plan between Pls & Coys in MAC'S AREA. Check up of discipline and strict carrying out of orders directed. Capt P.A. Elphick took over duties of I.O. Lieut G.W. Mort transferred to H.Q. Coy. for duties.	
"	10	0900	Lieut R.G. McNamara joined unit. Attached to B Coy 19 Pl (Hogans Post) and 20 Pl (Dokura) evacuated to North 7 mile rd. for duration of 14 Fld Regt shoot.	
Dokura-Hogans Post	11	0915		
"	11	1140	19 Pl and 20 Pl returned to respective positions.	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 11 Aug 42 To 2145 hrs 15 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn HQ	11		Bde defensive Pl. disbanded. Units supplied quad to Bde for duty every third day, one Pl in strength.	
" "	11		Capt. G. Moyes appointed Unit Secy Officer.	
" "	12		C.D.F. signals allocated to zones E and W of IDUMAVA respectively.	
" "	12	1300	Bde advised that V/T will be operating from PYRAMID PT ref 116929 to Pl en route to GAILE 13 & 14 Aug by 55 Bn.	
" "	12	1900	Reg shoot with H.F. will be fired by Artillery 13 Fld Regt edch seawards 0800 hrs to 1300 hrs. Targets IDUMAVA, MOTUHUNVA, LOLOATA, MANHUNVA danger areas to seaward.	
" "	1			
" "	12	2010	Corps comd shortly to visit 36 Aust Inf Bn	
1620 9995	12		B Coy returned from MORESBY to bivouac area.	
Boothless Area	13		14 Fld Regt carried out shoot. Troops moved where required.	
" "	13		Bde ordered working party of 6 affrs, 195 O.R.s plus Admin Staff to commence duty on MORESBY wharf at 0800 14 Aug.	
" "	14	0540	A, C & 60 O.R.s from B Coy ordered to move to MORESBY early on 14 Aug. Move duly carried out.	
Bn HQ	14	1216	Warning order issued to D Coy for interchanging of Pls at time to notified later.	
" "	14		Adjt advised to attend Court Martial 17 Aug as defending officer.	
" "	15		B Coy and E Coy forward troops divided into three groups tactically for purpose of command.	
" "	15	2145	Movement orders issued for 16 Pl to proceed to SMELTERS 17 Pl to DOKUNA, composite Pl from HQ Coy under [unclear]	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 2115 hrs 15 Aug 42 To 1917 hrs 22 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn H.Q.	15	2145	Continued from previous page. Lieut Knott to HOGAN'S POST, 18 Pl to Bn H.Q. area Move to be complete by 1200 hrs '16 Aug.	
Bn HQ	16	1125	D Coy advise move completed.	
Seven Mile	17	0925	Raid 48. 23 Jap bombers flew over MORESBY and SEVEN MILE. Drome. They came in from SE. and dropped delayed action and anti-personnel bombs. A/A guns opened fire but no hits were observed.	
Bn HQ	17	1620	Brig Smith arrived to see the C.O. Left at 1645 hrs.	
B Coy	17		Bivouac area moved from 164998 to 166998	
Bn H.Q.	19	1540	Maj. Gen. Allen, New Staff, visited 36 Bn Left at 1715 hrs.	
Moresby	19		B Coy and two Pls C Coy relieved from duty at MORESBY. Balance of A Coy in MAC'S AREA moved to MORESBY to make up party of approx 130.	
Bn H.Q.	20	1540	Lieut Butler left for 14 Aust Inf Bde school.	
" "	20	1733	All Coys advised that arty will be signalling from vic old A Coy OP. SMELTER'S AREA to Arty OP. MAC'S AREA Tonight.	
Mac's area	21		Range Finder obtained from 55 Aust Inf Bn for rdng taking at MAC'S AREA.	
Bootless area	22	1500	Balance of B Coy (60) and 35 of C Coy returned from MORESBY to bivouac area 166998 and MAC'S AREA respectively. A Coy remain at MORESBY.	
Bn H.Q.	22	1917	B Coy ordered to send out patrol of 1 Cpl and 12 O.R.s. to investigate a fire S of river crossing on TUPUSELEI road. Lieut Kling reported in at 2140 that fire had been extinguished by heavy rain. No trace of any personnel in area patrolled.	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1948 hrs 22 Aug 42 To 1025 hrs 29 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn H.Q.	22	1948	C.O. ordered occupation of forward positions by D and E Coys across to take up forward positions. All PIs in position by 2020 hrs. Umpires reported well of exercise, attention was drawn to delay caused by sig communication lack of transport deficiencies in night firing equipment of M.M.C.S.	
Bn HQ	23	0930	Bde advise that C.Os conference will be held at 1400 24 Aug at 3 Aust Inf Bn HQ.	
" "	23	1945	Bde advise of M.G. Coy Comds conference Bde HQ 1400 hrs 25 Aug	
" "	24		C.Os conf. of Coy Comds. Forward area divided into zones. Right zone E of IDUMAVA inclusive of E edge under Capt Lyons. Left zone E of IDUMAVA exclusive of E edge under Capt Riley. Elementary training to be completed by 30 Aug and then six weeks programme. Ten days Sec. leading, ten days Pl leading, ten days Coy training. Syllabi called for from Coys. MAC'S AREA directed to be secondary to training as from 1 Sep 42. An extra two hrs per day to be done in training in addition to normal hours. Orders issued for E Coy to march to LOW LEVEL and remain for one week.	
Bde HQ	26	1900	Conf of C.Os and Adjts.	
Bn HQ	27		Bde cancelled to Coy's movement order to LOW LEVEL. all available men working in MAC'S AREA.	
" "	28		Continuation of field works and wiring in MAC'S AREA.	
E Coy	28	1012	Coy H.Q. moving to 11, 1999 at 1100 hrs.	
Bn H.Q.	28	2355	Bde advised of move to MAC'S AREA on 29 Aug 1000 hrs.	
" "	29	1025	Bn H.Q. established and communications working at MAC'S AREA 174034. Q.M. and T.O. and staff remained at old H.Q. site. Right zone cond & E Coy H.Q. at HOGAN'S POST	

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Army Form E. 2118.
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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1158 30 Aug 42 To 0900 31 Aug 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bn HQ	30	1158	Bde advise that one sec M.M.C. 55 Aust Inf Bn will come under comd E Coy 36 Bn 1200 hrs 30 Aug HARRISON'S PROM	
Mach area	30		A Coy and 14, 15 Pl C Coy returned from MORESBY.	
" "	30	1800	All Coys to maintain standing patrols on wire. Coys maintained contact with flanking troops by patrols.	
" "	31	0900	Patrols sent from A Coy to FORTRESS HILL and B Coy to TWIN PEAKS.	

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WAR DIARY - 36 AUST. INF. BN.

For month of AUG. 1942

Appendices attached to copy of Diary:

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| 1. | Extracts from W.3008's for month of | Appendix No.A |
| 2. | Extracts from W.3009's for month | " No.B |
| 3. | Report of health of troops during month | " No.C |
| 4. | Routine Order No.9 Parts 1 and 2 | " No.D |
| 5. | Enlgt. of MAC'S AREA 8" to 1 mile | " No.E |

G.M. Mort
.....Lieut.
(G.U. Mort) I.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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EXTRACTS FROM W3008

AS ON 1st AUG. 42

Ranks	W/E.	Posted Strength (Excluding attached)	Surplus to Estab.	Reinf. Required
Lieut. Colonels		1		
Majors		2		1
Captains		10		
Lieutenants		19		9
2ND Lieutenants				
Quartermaster				1
Totals		32		11

PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED
DURING MONTH OF AUGUST. 42.

Officers Joined.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Capt.	POWERS S.W.	36 BN		Rejd UNIT. EX HOSPITAL
Lieut.	MEARES ERAD.	"	29-7-42	"
"	OLIVER R.A.	"	27-7-42	"
Capt.	ELPHICKEA	"	4-8-42	14 INF TRNG
Lieut.	KNOTT C.W.	"	4-8-42	HOSPITAL
"	MORT G.W.	"	4-8-42	"
"	McNAMARA R.G.P.S.	"	8-8-42	Taken on strength from DDS INGLEBURN.
Lieut.	MORSE G.G.	"	18-8-42	Rejd UNIT. EX HOSPITAL
"	McKENZIE D.W.	"	19-8-42	"
Capt.	POWERS A.M.	"		"

QUITTED DURING MONTH

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Major	THORSEBY J.H.	36 BN	26-7-42	Evac to Aust. Gen. Off. Sch
Lieut.	MORT G.W.	"		" " HOSPITAL
"	MEARES ERAD	"	25-7-42	" " "
"	McNAMARA R.G.P.S.	"	17-8-42	" " "
Capt.	POWERS A.M.	"	14-8-42	" " "
Lieut.	BUTLER J.B.	"	20-8-42	Det. 14 Inf Bde HQ (Duties)
"	McKENZIE D.W.	"	10-8-42	Evac to HOSPITAL

EXTRACTS FROM W3009

1 August 42

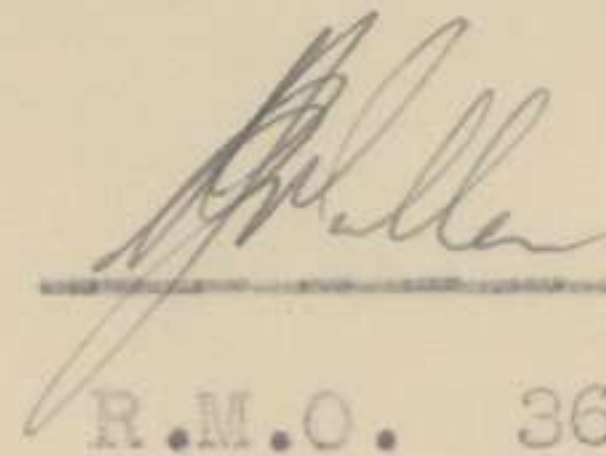
Detail	W.E.	Posted strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements Required
W/Os Class I	1	1	-	
W/Os Class II	8	4	-	4
Company QM Serjeant	6	4	-	2
Staff Serjeants	1			1
Serjeants	41	28	-	13
Corporals	86	86	-	
Privates	732	808	76	
Total	875	931	76	20

OBs Attached From Other Corps

Detail	Number	Unit & Corps to which they belong
W/O Class II	1	AIC
SjK	1	AAPC
SjK	1	2 Div Postal Unit
Cpl	1	AAOC
P/Ke	1	AASC

AUGUST. 1942.

The health of the unit was fair only, and the evacuations for the month totalled 106. Infected sandfly bites were common, and the infectious diseases took their toll. Clinical Dysentery was sporadic and despite vigorous hygiene thirty-six cases were evacuated for the month, and there were also fifteen clinical malarias. Deep trench latrines were and had been used exclusively, and incineration of all refuse strictly carried out but the flies were increasing. No fly-spray was available. The area was becoming dry and with the burnt off grass dust constituted a minor problem.



R.M.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Capt.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. ... BROOK, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., CMD. 36 BR. HOME FORCES.

11 AUG. 42.

Part 1.

No. 9

62. INDEPENDENT (COMBIDO) COMPS. A.I.F.

The following extract from M.G.F., R.O.'s is published for information.

"Personnel in all units (A.I.F. and M.F..) are informed that recruiting of officers and N.C.O.'s for Cadre Courses, and Other Ranks for Training Courses, for the abovementioned Companies, will be proceeding continuously until October and December, 1942 respectively.

In addition, the following specialists are required:-
R...E. SECTION - (Lts. N.C.O.'s, sappers,). Fitters, Carpenters and Joiners, Electricians, Pioneers.

CORPS. OF SIGS. SECTION. - (Lts., N.C.O.'s., signalmen).
Instrument Mechanics, Operators (Sigs.), signallers, Clerks, Drivers, M.T., Mechanics, M.T.

COOKS - Sergeants, Corporals, Other Ranks.

A.A.C.C. - Armourers (Cpls).

A...M.C. - (Captains, Sgts.), Cpls. Medical Orderlies.

Applicants for allotment of Independent Companies must possess the following qualifications:-

- (a) Age over 20 years and under 35 years.
- (b) Medically fit and active with a liking for physical training.
- (c) Amenable to discipline and able to keep own counsel.

It is desired that applicants should have completed at least three months individual training.

Volunteers must be willing to take risks outside those normally taken by personnel serving in fighting units.

Successful applicants will be trained in guerilla warfare. In the case of Officers and N.C.O.'s the period of training will be ten weeks and in the case of Other Ranks 5 weeks.

Training will cover the following:-

Fieldcraft, Night Operations, Unarmed Combat, All Weapons, Explosives, Demolitions, Booby Traps, Raids, Riding, Swimming and Rowing".

63. NATIONAL SECURITY (LANDLORD AND TENANT) REGULATIONS.

The following extract from M.G.F., D.R.O.'s is published for information.

"Members of the Forces or their dependants who desire to complain of breaches of the National Security (Landlord and Tenant) Regulations should NOT Communicate with members of Parliament or with Federal or State Departments, but should write or approach the nearest Clerk of Courts for advice as to their rights and obligations under these Regulations."

64. CENSORSHIP.

The following extract from F.G.F., R.O.'s., is published for information.

1. Personnel will not at any time allude or refer to the following matters in private correspondence:-

- (i) Strength, morale or physical state or organization of our forces, including any comment on the absence or presence in the area of a Unit or formation, or disclosure regarding the formation to which any Unit is attached or belongs.
- (ii) Location or movement of any naval, military or air force Units or detachments, arrival or lack of reinforcements.
- (iii) Armament or equipment of any kind.
- (iv) Distinguishing signs used for the identification of formations, Units, and their transport.
- (v) Plans and forecasts or orders for future operations, whether known or merely rumored or surmised.
- (vi) Communications - such as the use, condition or probable extensions of roads or other transportation facilities bridging operations etc.
- (vii) State of the maintenance services, including any reference to reserves.
- (viii) Position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps.
- (ix) Casualties before official publication.
- (x) Effect of any action by the enemy. Any remark which might tend, if published, to encourage the enemy, or to cause dependency in our own forces or people.
- (xi) Criticisms and statements calculated to bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.

2. Private correspondence will be in plain language. Codes, Ciphers, and shorthand will not be used. It is not permitted either in the address or text of correspondence to connect the name of a place with that of a Unit, or the name of a Unit with the designation of an Army post office.

3. Personnel will not send or attempt to send to unauthorised persons:-

- (i) Official documents, including intelligence summaries, orders, reports, maps, etc., or to disclose their contents except in the course of duty.
- (ii) Any documents captured from the enemy, or found in the places occupied by the enemy, and any document containing information about the enemy.
Photographs or pictorial matter or films except those
- (iii) taken under proper authority.

4. Personnel will not communicate with the PRESS except when specially authorised and then only through the duly authorised channels."

PERSONNEL FOR Y.M.C.A. AND SALVATION ARMY.

The following extract is from N.G.F. Memo of 3 Aug. 42.

"Personnel are required for duty with the Y.M.C.A. and Salvation Army organisations in this Area.

It is considered that men unable, because of age or for other reasons, to carry out the normal work in their units, should find this a useful field of service. Ranks may be from Sergeant down.

66. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT FROM TRUCKS.

Axes, picks and shovels forming part of the equipment of trucks will not be removed there from except for use in the immediate vicinity of vehicle and will be promptly replaced before the vehicle is allowed to move off. Drivers will be responsible at all times to ensure that no vehicle is driven without its complement of such tools. These tools will not be lent or borrowed.

67. ECONOMY IN THE USE OF STATIONERY AND PAPER.

The utmost economy will be exercised in the use of paper and stationery of all kinds and waste will be checked immediately.

68. RETURN OF EMPTY AMM. & CARTRIDGE BOXES.

Empty Amm. Boxes and Cartridge cases to go returned to Q.M. Stores H.Q. COY. Amm. expenditure to be shown on each weekly Amm. Return.

69. FITTING OF BOOTS.

Sufficient care is not being exercised by Pl.Comds. to ensure men's boots fit well and are maintained in good condition. Pl.Cmdrs. will be present at all times when men are fitted or issued with boots. The Hand-Book "Fitting of Boots and Care of Feet" will be studied by all Coy. Officers.

70. SANDSHOES.

will be dyed with solution of Mangrove Bark by 1800 hrs. Wednesday 19 Aug. 42.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE CASES

by

LT. COL. ... BROOK, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., COMD. 36 BN. HOME FORCES

11 Aug. 42

part 11.

No. 9.

... A. L. JENKS & A. J. JONES.

F01612 Pte. Raymond Charles KELLY, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the 300, 15th L. of C Area, was held at H., 15th L. of C Area on 19 Jun. 42, for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with Deserting His Majesty's Service in that he after having been warned for embarkation and with intent to avoid such embarkation absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs. 25 May 42 until 0130 hrs. 26 May 42. The accused pleaded not guilty to the charge. The court found the accused guilty of the charge. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for six months. The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 17 days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 29 Jun. 42 by the 300, 15th L. of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Holsworthy on 2 Jul. 42.

F22022 Pte. Ronald BYRNE, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the 300, 15th L. of C Area was held at H., 15th L. of C Area on 19 Jun. 42, for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with Deserting His Majesty's Service in that he after having been warned for embarkation with intent to avoid such embarkation absented himself without leave from 28 May 42 until 2 Jun 42.

The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused not guilty of desertion but guilty of absence without leave from 0615 hrs. to 2215 hrs. on 28 May 42. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for sixty days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 29 Jun 42 by the 300, 15th L. of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Holsworthy Detention Barracks on 2 Jul. 42.

N38691 /Cpl. Stuart Dunbar ROSE, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the 300, 15th L. of C Area, was held at H., 15th L. of C Area on 19 Jun. 42 for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with deserting His Majesty's Service in that he, after having been warned for embarkation with intent to avoid such embarkation, absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs. on 28 May 42 until 3 Jun. 42. The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused not guilty of desertion but guilty of absence without leave from 0800 hrs. on 28 May 42 to 0615 hrs. on 29 May 42. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for sixty days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 29 Jun. 42 by the 300, 15th L. of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Orange Detention Barracks on 4th Jul. 42.

61. PUNISHMENTS & AWARDS. (Continued)

M185077 - Pte. Palmer, 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date:- 29 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Whilst a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service failed to obey Camp Standing Orders in that he appeared on parade at 0815 hrs. on 29 Jul. 42, unshaven, with dirty rifle and dirty bayonet. ll.

Award:- Fined £1.

M185062 - Pte. Price, 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date:- 29 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Whilst a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth on active service failed to obey Camp Standing Orders in that he appeared on parade at 0815 hrs on 29 Jul. 42, unshaven, with dirty rifle and dirty boots. ll.

Award:- Fined £1.

M29181 - Pte. Blomfield, 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date 7 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Whilst a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service showed conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that being the driver of truck 664472, 15 cwt. did fail to maintain said truck in good running order and condition.40.

Award:- Admonished.

M163959 - Pte. Paine H. H. Coy., 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date 24 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- In act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 24 Jul. 42 at SCOTLESS ILET did not make a form after being ordered to do so by Sgt. Hayes G.L. 40 (1).

Awarded:- Admonished.

M112021 - Pte. Trammell J. H. Coy., 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date:- 31 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on the 31 Jul. 42. at SCOTLESS ILET failed to appear at a place of parade appointed by his superior officer. .../A
40 (1)

Awarded:- Admonished.

M429329 - Pte. Cyphers R. J. A Coy. 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date 21 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 21 Jul. 42 at 0800 at SCOTLESS ILET refused to go on duty as Coy. Number when detailed to do so by Cpl. Coplice. 40.

Awarded:- 14 days detention.

M135871 - Pte. Collins J. B Coy. 36 Bn.

Place:- In The Field. Date 16 Jul. 42.

Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on Active Service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline in that he on 16 Jul. 42. at Scottless Ilet failed to hand over his orders as a sentry.

Awarded:- 7 days extra guards and picquets.

61 PUNISHMENTS & AWARDS (Continued)

721706 Pte. Albert Charles PIKE, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the GOC, 15th L of C Area, was held at H. ., 15th L of C Area, on 23 Jun. 42 for the trial of the above named.

The accused was charged with deserting His Majesty's service in that he, after having been warned for embarkation with intent to avoid such embarkation, absented himself without leave from 17 May 42 until 1145 hrs. 22 Jun. 42. AA 12 (1)(a) The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused not guilty and this finding was announced in open court.

W185158 Pte. Frederick Walter WITTEBORN, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the GOC, 15th L of C Area, was held at H. ., 15th L of C Area on 22 Jun. 42 for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with deserting His Majesty's service in that he, after having been warned for embarkation with intent to avoid such embarkation, absented himself without leave from 28 May 42 until 1500 hrs on 9 Jun 42. AA 12 (1)(a). The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused guilty of the charge. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for six months. The accused was in custody awaiting trial for fifteen days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 10 Jul. 42 by the GOC, 15th L of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Holsworthy Detention Barracks on 11 Jul. 42.

W91 666 Pte. C. H. RAYMOND, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the GOC 15th L of C Area was held at Victoria Barracks on 24 Jun. 42 for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with Desertion in that he absented himself without leave from 2359 hrs. 17 May 42, until 0700 hrs. 17 Jun. 42. The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused guilty of the charge. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for six months. The accused was in custody awaiting trial for seven days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 10 Jul. 42. by the GOC, 15th L of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Orange on 15 Jul. 42.

W176046 Pte. Sidney Richard BERSHEL, 36 Bn.

A DCM convened by the GOC, 15th L of C Area, was held at Victoria Barracks on 26 Jun. 42, for the trial of the above named. The accused was charged with Desertion in that he absented himself without leave from 17 May 42, until 2020 hrs. 18 Jun. 42. The accused pleaded not guilty. The court found the accused guilty of the charge with the exception that he at Gang Gang on 12 May 42 with intent to avoid service absented himself without leave. The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for six months. The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 8 days. The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 15 Jul. 42 by the GOC, 15th L of C Area. The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Holsworthy Detention Barracks on 16 Jul. 42.

61. PUNISHMENTS & AWARDS (Continued)

- M135834 - Pte. Bennett G. S. 3 Coy. 36 Bn.
 Place - In The Field. Date:- 8 Jul. 42.
 Offence:- Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service, committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline in that he on 8 Jul. 42 at BUSHBUSH ILET did NOT keep rifles allotted to his care in a clean condition.40.
 Award:- 7 days extra guards and pickets.
- M237206 - Pte. Heffally J. K. 3 Coy. 36 Bn.
 Place:- In The Field. Date:- 21 Jul. 42.
 Offence. Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline in that he on 20 Jul. 42 disobeyed a lawful order given by his superior officer, in that when ordered to dig a hole replied, "I will do so when the others do" and did not move immediately. 40(1).
 Award:- Admonished.
- M21981 - Pte. Blomfield L. 36 Bn.
 Place :- In the field. Date. 14 Jun. 42.
 Offence. Being a soldier of the Australian Military Forces on active service committed the following offence:- Absent without leave in that he absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42 to 1530 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42 15 (1)
 Award:- Fined £1 and informed of forfeiture of 1 days pay.
- M236293 - Pte. Hoops G. K. 36 Bn.
 Place:- In the field. Date:- 14 Jun. 42.
 Offence:- Being a soldier of the Australian Military Forces on active service committed the following offence:- A.L. In that he absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42 to 1530 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42. 15 (1).
 Award. Fined £1 and informed of forfeiture of one days pay.
- M426112 - Pte. Samuels, 36 Bn.
 Place:- In the field Date:- 29 Jun. 42.
 Offence:- Being a soldier of the Australian Military Force while on active service committed the following offence. When in a camp being found in a place prohibited by Camp Standing Orders without a pass or written leave from his commanding officers. In that he was found lying on his back in his tent at 1100 hrs which was during parade hrs. 15 (3).
 Award :- Fined £2.
- M176048 Dvr. Brogan M.S. - 36 Bn.
 Place:- In the field. Date:- 29 Jun. 42.
 Offence:- While being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active Service did bring or produce infirmity in that he maintained that he was unable to march because of a sore knee.
 Award:- Fined £2.15 (1)
- M135991 - Pte. Kirwin M.D. 36 Bn.
 Place.- In the field. Date. - 14 Jun. 42.
 Offence. Being a soldier of the Australian Military Forces on active service committed the following offence. A.L. In that he absented himself without leave from 0800 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42 to 1530 hrs. on 14 Jun. 42. 15 (1)
 Award:- Fined £1 and informed of forfeiture of 1 days pay.

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No. 61 9.(5)

No. 61 ~~MILITARY~~ ~~AWARDS~~ (Continued)

W186101 - Pte. Reynolds F. H., Coy. 36 Bn.
Place:- In the Field. Date:- 8 Aug. 42.
Offence:- Is charged with having, while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service, committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline in that he on 8 Aug. 42. at BOONLESS LLET drove Military Vehicle No. 64485 without permission and without holding a Military Licence G 11. S. 40 (1).
Award:- Admonished.

W286259 - Pte. A. K. Braithwaite. D Coy., 36 Bn.
Place - In the Field. Date:- 4 Aug. 42.
Offence. Is charged with having while being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- Neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he on 3 Aug. 42 while posted as a sentry at BOONLESS LLET at No. 1 Post, neglected to carry out his duties in an efficient manner. S. 40.
Award:- fined £5 and 28 days detention.

W162351 - Pte. Burgess N. E. C., H. Coy. 36 Bn.
Place:- In The Field. Date:- 18 Aug. 42.
Offence:- whilst being a soldier of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia on active service committed the following offence:- Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military Discipline in that he appeared on parade incorrectly dressed in that he did not wear puttees S. 40(1).
Award:- Admonished.

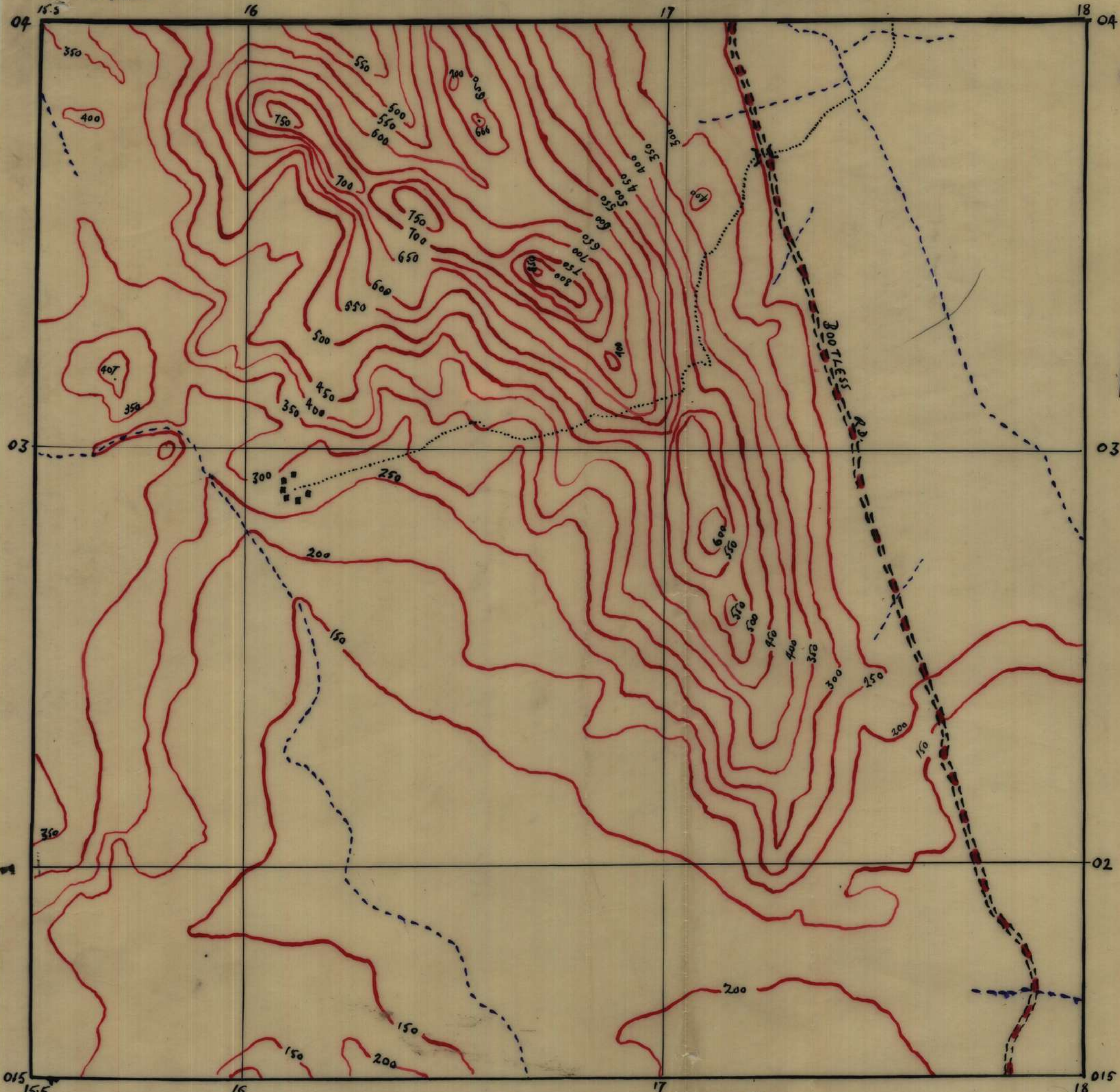
(SGD) L.W. McGLYNN, Captain
Adj. 36 Bn., Home Forces.

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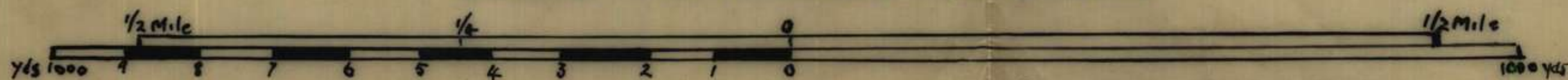
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ENLARGEMENT MAC'S AREA

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Scale 8 inches to 1 Mile



U.I. 50 ft.

Surveyed by N.G.F. Survey Section
Drawn by Cpl G.A. Gustard 1 Sec, 36 Bn 5 Aug 42

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)Unit 36 Aust Inf BnDate and Time.—From 1 Sept 42 To 10 Sep 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Ma's Area	1		9 Pl A Coy left for patrol duties vic. TUPUSELEI with two carriers. Patrol to guard against possible Jap infiltration tactics in that area.	
"	1		B and C Coys left for wharf duties at MORESBY.	
"	2		D Coy left for wharf duties at MORESBY.	
"	3		Bren Carrier caught fire and burnt fiercely for an hour. Court of Inquiry instituted at Bde H.Q.	APPENDIX D R.O. N°10
"	3		All Coys ordered to stand to daily at 0500 hrs till stand down at 0600 hrs.	
"	4		Bris. Smith visited Bn H.Q.	
"	4		All troops advised that three red flares from TUPUSELEI-WADIRI area is warning that enemy had been sighted.	
"	5		8 Pl A Coy relieved 9 Pl at TUPUSELEI.	
"	5		E Coy O.P. reported flare in vic. of IDUMAVA. Patrol sent out and reported it as dropped from plane.	
"	6		Bde advice of C.O.s. conf. at Bde H.Q. 1400 7 Sep.	
"	7		C.O. (Lt Col A Brown) left unit to resume command of 2/1 Pioneer Bn.	
"			New C.O. (Lt Col O.C. Isaachsen) took command.	
"			Air raid on SEVEN MILE drome by 26 bombers escorted by 8 Zeros. No casualties and only slight damage. A/A shot down 1 bomber.	
"	8		7 Pl A Coy left for patrol duties at TUPUSELEI.	
"	8		Evening Stand to ordered daily at 1800 hrs. Stand down 1900	
"	9		All Coys advised that A/A will be firing from all dromes at 1500 hrs 9 Aug.	
"	10		Arty O.P. at SMELTERS reported flares (white) from vic.	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 10 Sep 42 To 22 Sep 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mac's Area	10		continued. HERRIGEDDA MISSION. In future patrol officer to be advised of places in his area and send out patrols.	
" "	11		Composite Coy under Maj Douglas left Bn HQ to form part of HONNER FORCE to patrol tracks vic GOLDIE RIVER.	
" "	12		Brig visited Bn H.Q.	
" "	12		8 Pl (A Coy) ordered to return to MACS AREA from TUPUSELEI immediately.	
" "	13		B, C and D Coys ordered to return from MORESBY	
" "	14	0800	Coy. comds. conf.	
" "	15	1425	Series of loud explosions heard W of MAC'S AREA. Later proved to be amn dump exploded accidentally 4-5 miles away.	
" "	17		7 Pl (A Coy) and carrier Sec. at WADIRI ordered to return to Bn H.Q. immediately.	
" "	17		Bde advise that 36 Bn will move to LOW LEVEL not before 0930 hrs 18 Sep per M.T.	
KOITAKI	18	1400	Bn HQ established KOITAKI. A Coy vic EILOGO. B Coy vic ITIKI. C Coy vic KOITAKI. D Coy vic KOITAKI.	From Handbook Appendix F
" "	18		C.O.'s Conference	
" "	18		Daylight saving time to be in effect from 0200 hrs 21 Sep 42 until 0200 hrs 20 Mar 43.	
" "	20		"B" Echelon stationed at Con Depot	
" "	21	1900	Coy. Comds. Conf.	
" "	22		Movement order for 36 Bn Move to UBERI not before 23 Sep.	
" "	22		The Sub Area Equipment Officer RAAF. expressed his appreciation of the work done by 36 & 55 Aust Inf Bn's working parties.	

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Unit 36 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 24 Sep 42 To 1930 hrs 30 Sep 42

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Koitaki	24		Bde advise that one Coy 2/2 Bn to relieve 36 Aust Inf Bn at KOITAKI area 24 Sep 36 Aust Inf Bn to relieve 2/14 ^{2/16} Bns at	
Koitaki	25	0400	UBERI area 2/14 ^{2/16} Bns to remain in UBERI area 24 hrs after relieved. Bn HQ closed at KOITAKI	
Uberi	25	1300	Bn HQ opened at UBERI	
"	27		N186030 Pte mariner shot himself in foot, also suffering from shock. Condition not serious. Court of Inquiry proceeding.	APPENDIX D R.O. N°9
"	27		A native reported at A Coy 1600 hrs 26 Sept escorted to Bn HQ native said he had been captured while at NAURO by Japs while getting food for our wounded. He escaped when searching for food for Japs while under guard. He said Japs were short of food.	
"	27	1700	Four 2/27 personnel reported into A Coy area 1900. A Coy sent patrol to contact stretcher party carrying wounded man from 2/27 Bn	
"	28		Bde asked for report twice daily on progress of 14 fld Regt 25 pdr while moving through Bn area.	
"	29		Honour Force disbanded. Personnel will return to units as soon as possible.	
"	30	1930	5 Offrs 51 ORs under Maj Douglas reported in from Honour Force.	

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EXTRACTS FROM W/3008

APPENDIX A

AS ON 5 Sep. 42.

Ranks	W/E	Posted Strength (Excluding attached)	Surplus to Establish.	Reinf. required.
Lieut. Colonels		1		
Majors		1		2
Captains		11	1	
Lieutenants		23	2	
2ND Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				1
TOTALS		36	3	3

PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED

DURING MONTH OF SEPT

Officers Joined.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Lieut.	Mc NAMARA R.E.P.S.	36 BN	27.8.42	Rejd Unit Ex Hospital
Capt.	POWERS. S.W.	" "	12.9.42	" " " "
Lieut.	OLIVER R.A.	" "	15.9.42	Rejd Unit ex Honnor Force.
"	KING. P.T.	" "	25.9.42	Taken on strength from MCFARD
"	BEGG C.R.	" "	" " "	" " " "

OFFICERS QUITTED

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
Lieut.	MORT G.W.	36 BN	3.9.42	DET. TO SCHOOL IN AUST.
"	MEARES E.R.A.D.	"		EVAC. TO HOSPITAL
"	GAUDRON. M.J.	"		DET. LOFC AREA KOKODA
Capt.	POWERS. S.W.	"	9.9.42	EVAC. TO HOSPITAL
Lieut.	Mc KEW. R.L.	"	15.9.42	" " "
Major	DOUGLAS C.D.	"	11.9.42	Det to Honnor Force
Lieut.	CLARKE. I.S.	"	" "	" " "
"	OLIVER. R.A.	"	" "	" " "
"	KNOTT C.W.	"	" "	" " "
"	EEDY A.K.	"	" "	" " "
"	TAAFFE. H.A.	"	25.9.42	Det. 14 Inf Bde (Rear Details)
Capt.	MAGUIRE. M.H.	"	" "	(Carrier Gp)
Lieut.	Mc ARTHUR. W.A.	"	" "	(Rear Details)
"	CUMMINGS. R.P.	"	" "	(MMG Group)
"	OLIVER. R.A.	"	" "	(Rear Details)

EXTRACTS FROM W3009

5 Sept 42

Details	W. E.	Posted Strength (Excluding Attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements Required
W.Os. Class I	1			1
W.Os. Class II	8	5	-	1
Company Q.M. Serjeant	6	3	-	3
5 Staff Serjeants	1			1
Serjeants	41	25	-	16
Corporals	86	88	2	-
Privates	732	675	-	105
Totals	875	796	2	127

O.Rs. Attached From Other Corps

Details	Number	Unit & Corps to which they belong
W.O. Class II	1	A.I.C.
SjY	1	A.A.P.C.
SjY	1	2 Div Postal Unit
Cpl	1	A.A.O.C.
Pte	1	A.A.S.C.

TELEPHONE—

APPENDIX C

Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

Please quote this Number when replying.


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Address

Date

SEPTEMBER 1942.

During this month the unit proceeded to Uberi, and much trouble was experienced with unfit personnel. The Unit was reinforced early in the month and many of these men had been sent to New Guinea allegedly as batmen and ~~was~~ in many cases were unfit for an Infantry Battalion. These factors were aggravated by the lack of time to assess their genuineness and some 50 - 60 personnel were left in B echelon as unfit to march into the mountains with the unit. A few cases of dysentery occurred and some skin conditions were troublesome but otherwise the Units health was uneventful.



(W. J. Pullen) Capt.
R.M.O. 36 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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LT-COL. A. BROWN, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.,

Comd 36 Aust Inf Bn.

Part 1No. 103 Sep 42.1. COURT OF INQUIRY.

The undermentioned Offrs will constitute a Court of Inquiry for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting on the damage by fire to Carrier MG LP2(a) and contents occurring at 36 Aust Inf Bn HQ on 3 Sep 42:-

PRESIDENT: N21135 T/Major C.D. DOUGLAS.
 MEMBER: N21166 T/Capt E.A. ELMHICK.
 MEMBER: NX71305 Lieut W.T. HASLER.

L.W. McGlynn
 L.W. McGLYNN, Captain,
Adjt, 36 Aust Inf Bn.

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LT-COL. O.C. ISAACHSEN,
Comd 36 Aust Inf Bn.Part 1.No. 9.27 Sep 421. COURT OF INQUIRY.

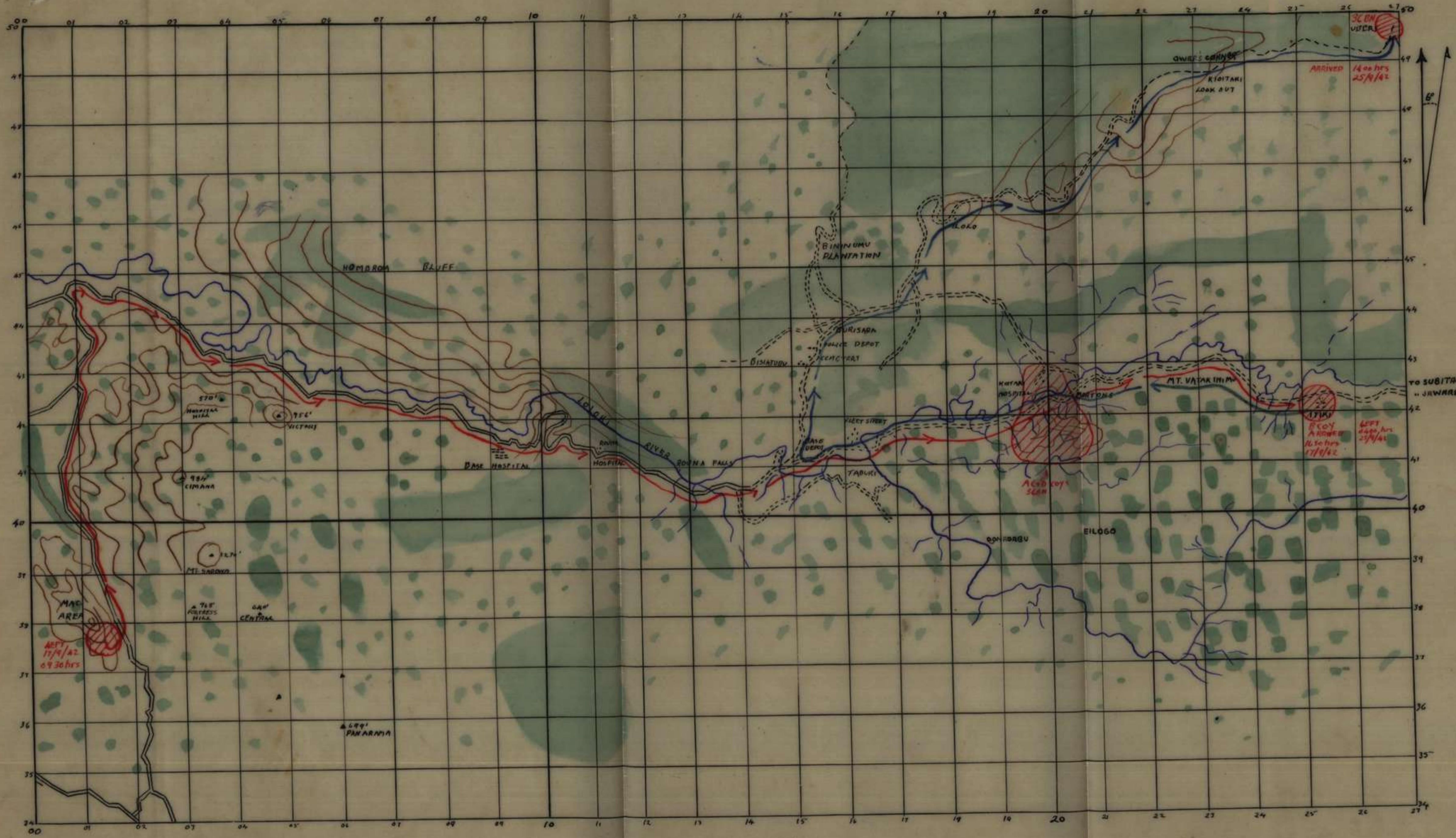
The following Officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting on the injuries sustained by N.126030, Pte MARINER.J.C. on 27 Sep 42:-

PRESIDENT:	Capt L.W.McGLYNN.
MEMBER:	Capt E.A.ELPHICK.
MEMBER:	Lieut W.T.HASLER.

L.W.McGLYNN, Captain,
Adit. 36 Aust Inf Bn.

RF: 63360

— Routes Taken in Occupation of KOITAKI-UBERI AREA —
— Ref. PORT MORESBY Special 1" to 1 Mile —



→→→ MACS AREA, KOITAKI 0930-1630hrs 17/19/42
→→→ KOITAKI-UBERI 0500-1800hrs 24/9/42

— Scale 1 inch to 1 Mile —



1" Sec 36 Bn. 30/9/42

PATROLS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER1942REFERENCE:Map KOITAKI - UBERI AREA 1" to 1 Mile App.E

During the occupation of the KOITAKI AREA by the 36 Aust. Inf. Bn. during September, extensive patrolling was carried out by all rifle Coys. as follows:-

A COY.

From their position through ILOGO towards TUPUSELEI.

B COY

Through ILOGO, KOITAKI and back to ITIKI.

C COY

Cross country by foot-pad to OWERS CORNER.

D COY

Patrolled to immediate front and through DONADABU.

PATROLS DURING OCCUPATION OF UBERI AREA

Extensive patrolling was carried out while at UBERI by all rifle Coys. as follows:-

A COY

Patrolled upstream along the GOLDIE RIVER and also back towards the Bn. area.

B COY

Patrolled towards the IMITA RANGE.

C COY

Patrolled to A Coy. through D Coy. and back through Bn. to Coy. area.

D COY.

Patrolled in a Westerly direction along the course of the GOLDIE RIVER.
