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2/7 Infantry Battalion

January 1944

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WAR DIARY OR INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

2/7 AUST INF BN

JANUARY 1944.

PLACE	DATE	REMARKS
	Jan 1.	The Bn greeted the New Year in a quiet manner, the day being free of training and devoted mainly to sporting activities. A Race Meeting was held at TIMOULAIN to which a party from the Unit proceeded. Tales after the meeting however did not disclose anybody who could claim a really successful day.
	Jan 2.	The usual Church Parade was conducted in the Y.M.C.A. Hut and the remainder of the day was devoted to administration and sporting activities.
	Jan 3.	The Bn settled down to training again after the interruption of the festive season. All were engaged in sporting activities during the afternoon and the vigor displayed in the cricket and soft ball would indicate a definite improvement in the physical condition of the Unit. However the incidence of malaria remains relatively high.
	Jan 4.	The C.O and Adjt attended a conference at Bde H.Q on combined ops. It is apparent that these types of exercises will constitute a large proportion of our future training. Training at night was introduced when certain fundamentals were explained and practiced.
	Jan 5.	Constant improvements to the camp area are being carried out, including the laying of gravel paths, draining of the whole area and the erection of wooden frameworks around the tents. This framework gives the tent a strong support and at the same time increases the ventilation. During the morning Lt Gen HERRING accompanied by Brig MOTEN visited the Unit lines. They were conducted by the C.O on an inspection of the Bn area.
	Jan 6.	The Pioneer Pl has erected rope ladders and nets for exercises in scrambling over the sides of ships, a tangible result of the Combined Ops Conference. At night compass marches by pls were carried out. The results were very good.
	Jan 7.	A series of TEWTs in which the C.O and Coy Comds have taken part have been held during the past few days. The basis of which is the development of possible tactics to be used against strongly constructed bunker defences

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- Jan 8. Transport was made available this afternoon to allow a party to attend a Race Meeting at ATHERTON.
The erection of a large prefabricated steel picture theatre in the 16 Bde area has now been completed and to-night transport was provided to convey 50 % of the Unit to a show.
- Jan 9. Church Parade was conducted in the Y.M.C.A Hut at the usual time this morning. After the parade many of the troops took part in sporting events including a cricket match in which the Bn team was defeated. Further games in the inter Coy cricket competition were played and A. Coy just succeeded in snatching a victory from HQ. Coy by 3 runs.
- Jan 10. Training as laid down in the syllabus was continued today. At 1600 hours a swimming party was conducted by transport to Lake Eachim which is a delightful spot and very suitable for the aquatic sport.
Lieut GUDE and Capt DIXON, who have been in hospital, paid a visit to the Unit prior to proceeding to 6 Div HQ to take over their duties as Div I.O and L.O respectively.
A series of lectures on Combined Ops was commenced to-night when the C.O introduced the subject, followed by Capt Duell who spoke on the various types of craft employed. The Adjt Lieut TROON gave an insight into the intricacies of staff work in relation to the subject. All NCOs' were in attendance.
- Jan 11. The first full Bn parade since the return of the Unit to WONDECLA was conducted at 0830 hrs this morning. It has been decided to make these parades a daily event as far as possible.
The night training took the form of night patrols.
- Jan 12. Transport was provided to-night to convey a percentage of the Unit to a Unit dance which was held in HERBERTON commencing at 1930 hours. The female element of the entertainment came from the neighbouring AGH and Ordnance Stores and all those in attendance voted the occasion a very happy one.
The NCOs' were not fated to attend this function as the second lecture in the series on Combined Ops was delivered by the I.O Lieut Fleming in the Officer's Mess. Subject of the lecture was "Intelligence in relation to Combined Ops".
For those unable to attend the dance a film from the mobile cinema was shown.

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- Jan 13. The allotment of Unit Training areas has now been made by Bde HQ and the Int Sec has been moving in this area checking maps and adding detail. After the night exercise to-night a hot drink was provided which was appreciated by all.
- Jan 14. The training programme was interrupted somewhat today to allow Lieut PROPOSCH Bde Educational Officer to deliver lectures to the troops on current affairs. These lectures are of great ~~importance~~ interest to all as is indicated by the numbers of questions asked.
- Jan 15. After the normal morning training period the afternoon was devoted to Sport. There are quite a number of soft ball pitches in operation now and these are being fully employed by enthusiastic contestants. Cricket matches also take place while others prefer Australian Rules football for their recreation.
- Jan 16. There was the usual Church Parade this morning. During the afternoon the troops turned to sport. A party proceeded to Lake Eachim to enjoy a swim there.
- Jan 17. Quite a comprehensive set-up has now been completed by the Bn Int Sec with the assistance of the Pioneer Pl. Commencing from today a Coy Comds conference will be held in the ops room in which situation maps covering the whole world situation are displayed. At this conference the I.O will give a short resume of the events as they occur on each front. A new element in training was introduced this morning when Coys were required to clamber over the rope ladders and nets erected by the pioneers. Quite a few experienced qualms at the prospect but to date no reports of bodies crashing to the ground have been received. HQ Coy has now settled down to its specialist training while A and C Coys proceeded with section training in the new training area. D. Coy moved out to conduct range practices on the open range.


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	Jan 18.	<p>Trg with rope ladders and nets is to become a daily practice and normally indulged in after the Bn parade. A list of those who have been M.I.D was received by the Unit today. The following names appeared -</p> <p align="center"> Capt B.H.PETERSON. " F.B.PRINGLE Lieut A.J.McDONALD (posthumous) " D.B.McINTOSH " WO.11 R.N.DORAN (since deceased) Sjt H. LANG. Cpl R.R.VAUGHAN. </p>
	Jan 19.	The third lecture on Combined Ops was delivered to the NCOs' to-night by Major NELSON. He covered the organisation required in the loading of both personnel and vehicles.
	Jan 20.	All Coys less 'D' Coy conducted pl exercises in the Bn Trg area. 'D' Coy moved to open range . Brig MOTEN met Lt Col GUINN at Bn HQ and from there the C.O accompanied him on a visit to the training areas. The usual night exercises were carried out by all Coys to-night and took the form of stalking and ambush.
	Jan 21.	Daily immediately after Bn parade, all ranks have been indulging in ladder climbing and it is noticeable how adept they are becoming. The Unit received a visit from the G.3 "I" 6 Aust Div Capt McRAE, who inspected the "I" arrangements of the Unit.
	Jan 22.	<p>During the morning all Coys marched to the trg area to watch a demonstration by "A" Coy of an ambush. This was successfully carried out and many lessons learned.</p> <p>Four members of the R.A.N arrived at the Bn today and accommodation was provided for their 48 hours stay. These men visited the unit in pursuance of a policy allowing members of the Army and Navy to become acquainted with the life of the opposite service. It is anticipated that members of this Unit will pay a return visit to a ship of the R.A.N.</p>


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- Jan 23. After Church Parade at 0800 hours the Coy Comds proceeded to BUNKERS HILL to carry out a recce of the defences constructed there and also of the surrounding terrain. This was done in view of Coy exercises which are to take place in that area during the week.
A draft of 190 reinforcements arrived at Bn HQ at 1700 hrs and unfortunately arrived in a very wet condition due to a very severe storm through which they had to pass in open trucks. After a short address by the C.O they were quickly drafted to Coys who in turn had them accommodated very speedily. Amongst the reinforcements were 9 Officers who were immediately posted to Coys.
- Jan 24. A Pl exercise where both attack and defence are practiced has been arranged by the Bn and to-day 'A' Coy put their three pls through it.
The new reinforcements are very keen and seem to be fitting in with the rest of the Unit.
Two members of the Unit left to-day to pay a return visit to the R.A.N. at CAIRNS. It is understood that they will be on board ship and will see a naval unit at work.
- Jan 25. 'B' Coy moved out to the pl exercise area and carried out the same exercise as did 'A' Coy yesterday. The night exercise was carried out by all Coys. Raiding parties endeavouring to secure a lighted lantern protected by enemy in a defensive position.
- Jan 26. 'A' Coy was the first Coy to carry out the BUNKER HILL exercise. A very elaborate system of pill-boxes or bunkers have been constructed on a high feature and the attacking Coy has a difficult task in dealing with the defence. Capt Duell was chief umpire for the enemy which was provided by HQ Coy while Major Nelson was umpire for the attackers. The C.O watched the exercise and at the conclusion delivered a very keen criticism pointing out the mistakes made and improvements necessary. Meanwhile 'C' Coy was carrying out the pl exercise in the pl training area.
- Jan 27. The BUNKER HILL exercise was to-day carried out by 'B' Coy and on this occasion Lieut Troon acted as umpire to the attackers in the absence of Major Nelson who has been evacuated to hospital. The C.O again watched the demonstration and at the conclusion delivered his criticism of the manner in which it had been executed. The I.O Lieut Fleming proceeded to CAIRNS with the B.M, Major Eskell, in order to carry out a recce of the area in which the Unit will be conducting its amphibious training.

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Jan 28. The Coy attack exercise was to-day carried out by 'C' Coy. For the purposes of the exercises a skeleton Bn HQ was established complete with administration, Int and Sig organisation all of whom carried out their normal roles in the field. Stretcher bearers were also operating and dealt with the personnel made casualties by the umpire. The GOC Maj Gen Stevens and the DMT visited the area and watched part of the exercise.

Jan 29. A most impressive ceremony took place on the Bn parade ground this morning with the hoisting of the new unit flag in commemoration of the landing at WAU. All available personnel were on parade. Lt Col Conroy adm Comd of the Bde inspected the Bn after which he made a brief speech recalling the events at WAU and the later operations. He said the defeat of the Japs at WAU altered the whole complexion of the war in this theatre. He mentioned the influx of new recruits to the unit and told them that they had a wonderful tradition to uphold in the 2/7 Bn, a tradition built up both in the last war and this. The new flag was presented to the unit by members of the original 7th Bn. It was hoisted during the playing of the "last post" in honour of those from 7th bns who had made the supreme sacrifice. The Bn led by the C.O then marched past Lt Col Conroy who had with him the B.M Maj Eskell and Capt Gullett, (MC) 2/6 Bn. Upon completion of the parade normal training was continued, while 'D' Coy moved to the BUNKER HILL area to carry out the exercise already completed by the remainder of the Coys.

/by Lt col BISHOP, an original member of this unit who is now G1 6 AUST DIV,

Jan 30. After the normal Church Parade, sport became the order of the day. The Aust Rules team was successful in defeating the 2/2 Fd Amb by 8 goals. The cricket team was also victorious in defeating the 2/3 Bn by 22 runs. A swimming party were taken by transport to Lake Eachim. Inter Coy matches in soft ball and cricket took place throughout the day.

Jan 31. The advance party for the amphibious training left by transport for the TRINITY BEACH area approx 10 miles NORTH of CAIRNS. The party consisted of 1 offr and 30 ORs', the OC being Lieut Fleming 'I'O. The C.O and Adjt who constitute the recce party also left by jeep for the same area. In the absence of the C.O, the Bn parade was this morning taken by Capt Duell who is at present Adm Comd.

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COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN.

APPENDICIES TO WAR DIARY

JANUARY 1944

Weekly Report (Coy Comds) Week Ending 6 Jan 44.
" " " " " 15 " 44. (HQ.Coy)
Amenities Report 23 " 44.
Coy in Attack - Exercise and Sketch, BUNKER HILL Assault Course.
Letter from 2/7 Bn Womens' Auxillary enclosing £248.
Letter from Old 7th Bn Association forwarded with Bn flag.
Routine Order Q.7 12 Jan 44.
Copy of letter of congratulation to 17 Bde from Lt Gen E. HERRING.
Routine Order Q.8. 17 Jan 44.
Report of R.M.O. 7 " 44.
" " " 14 " 44.
Training Syllabus January 44.
Coy Comds Weekly Reports for week-ending 8 Jan 44.
" " " " " 15 " 44.
" " " " " 29 " 44.
Report of R.M.O. Week-ending 29 Jan 44.
Field Returns " " 29 " 44.

A. POSTED STRENGTH 6 Offrs. and 85 Ors.
REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED Offrs. and 38 Ors.

17 LINES.
1 off 20 ORs

CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK. M/1 1 off 5 ORs
M/0 7 ORs

4 off 56 ORs detached - Beach sq.

PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK. ✓

NO. OF COY. ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK. ✓

NO. REMANDED TO C.O. ✓

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT, WITH REMARKS.

Lines improved greatly, surrounding areas need attention.

SICKNESS. 4 ORs evacuated. 3 ORs returned from Hospital

Q. DEFICIENCIES ON G1098 SCALE. ✓

STORES RECEIVED DURING WEEK. Issue of razor blades. 1 per man

SUPPLY OF RATIONS. Good

MEALS AND COOKHOUSE. Cleanliness excellent. Meals improved

STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY. Generally good

SPECIAL REMARKS. 2 ORs returned from Southern leave
1 off + 2 ORs M/0 on A.H.L. 1 OR M/0 3 mos L.W.O.P.

G. PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/Tng. CARRIED OUT (INCLUDING NIGHT ex.,

Trg was broken by influx of duties + movement of Coy. 1st O.E.T. carried out. Standard Fair.

STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY., FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS. Rmpts - fit.
Still sub-coy - personnel with malaria.

SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL. 3 ORs at J.L. Course

AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRAINING. Nil

GENERAL REMARKS:

A/O.C. Coy, 3 off + 56 ORs detached from Coy for Special Beach sq. Of ORs remaining in lines, 4 are permanent Gen Duties, 5 M/1 during past two days + remainder have had night sq, guard duties + gen duties.

Signed. R.L. Maddison Sgt
O/C A. COY

Henry J. ...
6000 27 AUBREY ST. ...

Why Sgt Maddison's signature?

B. Coy

WEEKLY REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 5 FEB 44

CHANGE IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK

S.O.S. 1 Off 10 ORs

T.O.S. 18

POSTED STRENGTH OF COY.

6 Offrs 90 ORs

STRENGTH ON PARADE

5 Offrs 85 O.R.s.

PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRNG DURING WEEK

95%

NO OF COY ORDERLEY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK

NIL.

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT.

ARMS & EQUIPMENT.

SICKNESS

7 EVAC TO HOSPITAL.

DEFICIENCIES IN Q1098 SCALE AS PER ATT. LIST

STORES RECEIVED DURING WEEK.

18 SHIRTS	4 PA. BOOTS (10.5 - 9.5 - 7.5)
4 BRUSHES (SHAV)	4 SETS OFFICERS EQUIP.
3 SPOONS	WITH AMMO POUCHES & COMPASS
3 KNIVES	+ PISTOL HOLSTERS
2 PANTS	5 MUSS
2 PA. BRACKS WEB	OWN GUN RETURNED
	NO 24865

SUPPLY OF RATIONS — NORMAL.

MEAL AND COOKHOUSE. — Good, improvement on previous week.

STATE OF CLOTHING & EQUIP. GENERALLY. — Good except large size socks

SPECIAL REMARKS. Bed boards are still badly needed.

PROGRESS IN TRNG EXERCISES Amphibious exercises in Progress.

STATE OF TRNG WITHIN COY — FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS. Steady Improvement.

SCHOOLS & COURSES ATTENDED & RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL.

VX 42593 CAPT R.N. ROOKE — 3 DIV JUNGLE SCHOOLS (Completed) ✓

VX 8967 LIEUT S. HEDT	} INSTRUCTING
VX 55697 MAJOR HARE, L.D.	

VX 29276 CPL POLLARD, H.R.	} 1 TRADE JNR LDR SCHOOLS ✓
VX 11437 " FOX, E.V.	
VX 55605 MAJOR THOMAS, H.	

VX 45098. A/SSGT WILTON, C.H. — DET. AS INSTRUCTOR. ✓

AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRAINING. NIL.

DISCIPLINE — Very good.

GENERAL REMARKS. All training carried out showing interest & keenness. Night exercise 1 Feb compass march in Brn Army area.

Denny Dunning
47 1098 101 000

Signed: R. Rooke Capt
O.C. "B" Coy.

O.C. Coy.

RECEIVED, FROM R.Q.M.

WEEK ENDED 5th 2. 44

ARTICLE	NO.	ARTICLE	NO.
SHIRTS.	4.	WATCHES.	4.
PACKS.	3.	BINOCULARS, SETS	3.
SHEETS, GROUND	2.	HOLSTERS, PISTOL	4.
TORCHES, HAND	3.	POUCHES, BASIC	2.
DISCS, IDENTITY	28.	MAGAZINES, BREN	40
HAVESACK.	2.	BOOTS. PAIR.	3.
BELTS, WEB	2.	HOLDALLS.	4
RAZOR.	1.		

J. W. Howell.
O.C. Coy.

....."C"..... COY 2/7 AUST INF BN
WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING ..5 Feb. 44.....

- A.
(a) POSTED STRENGTH5..... and9.2....
(b) REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED and 3.5
(c) CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK 1 OFF 17 OFS marched in 7 OFS marched out.....
(d) PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK ...75%.....
(e) No. OF COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK1.....
(f) No. REMANDED TO C.O.1.....

(g) INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT :-

- (i) BOOTS
- (ii) FEET
- (iii) PAYBOOKS
- (iv) RESPIRATORS
- (v) KIT AND CLOTHING GENERALLY
- (vi) ARMS AND AMMUNITION
- (vii) MEDICAL AND DENTAL All reinforcements have had medical and dental inspection.....
- (viii) VEHICLES, INCLUDING BICYCLES

(h) SICKNESS 4 OFS Evac. during Week.
Slight increase of Personnel on sick parades.

B.
(a) DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE As per E 2 Extract.....

(b) STORES RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK As per attached list.....

(c) SUPPLY OF RATIONS

(d) MEALS AND COOKHOUSE

[Signature]
Lt. Col.
27 Aust Inf Bn

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(e) STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY

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(f) SPECIAL REMARKS

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C.

(a) PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/TRG CARRIED OUT (Including night exercises and lectures)

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(b) STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

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(c) SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

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(d) AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRG - MATERIALS, LECTURES ETC.

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GENERAL REMARKS eg. DISCIPLINE, OUTSTANDING N C Os AND MEN, SPORT AND RECREATION, INFORMATION FOR AUSTRALIA, WAR DIARY NOTES

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J. J. Ransall
O.C. COY.

NOTE:- THIS REPORT TO REACH HQ BY 1200 hrs EACH SATURDAY.

D. Coy. Weekly Report

Week - ending 6 Feb 44

Posted Strength 5 OFFR. 95 ORS
 Reinforcements Required 29 ORS
 Changes in Strength 1 OFFR. 4 ORS MARCHED IN
 1 " 2 ORS MARCHED OUT
 Percentage of Men on TRNG. 80%
 Orderly Rooms Held Nil
 Sickness 3 Cases of MALARIA EVAC. & N° of Personnel with
 Colds.

G1098 Scale AT PRESENT AT B HQ.

Stores Received OFFRS. Equipment. 2 Sets
 11 SHIRTS
 8 DRAWERS
 10 STRAPS SUPPORTING
 2 PR. BOOTS AB
 2 HATS FUR FELT.

Supply of RATIONS STILL ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT.
 MEALS & COOK HOUSE See. Orderly OFFICERS' REPORTS

[Signature]
 Lt. Col.
 217 Aust. Inf. Bn.
 M. S. George. *[Signature]*

Weekly Report

Week ending
5 Feb 44

HQ Coy

A. Posted strength: 6 offrs 249 ORs att 21 ORs
Changes in strength during week: m/f: 1 off 49 ORs
m/o: 1 off 18 ORs

Dissection of movement out:

leave to hospital: 10

" schools: 3

" leave: 2

Yfer to Bde Depo: 2

" 6 Div keep: 2

% age en Tsg: 70%

Sickness: en sick pde: 58
evacuations: 10
No duties: 14
hight " : 22

Q. W.B. deficiencies: complete lists prepared and passed
to QM during week
US mortar & MAB equipment being replaced

Rations: Good

Meals: Satisfactory

Clothing: Clothing shows signs of wear; trousers T.G. in
poor condition

Inspections: Rifles - clothing - lines - weapons

G. Progress in Tsg: Broken web caused upset.
2 + 34 Pts continued Tsg
5 + 6 Pts on normal duties

General: Tents in bad condition; tent flies
not matched to tents, wet weather aggravates
conditions

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Comd. 47 Aust. Inf. Bn.

O. Edwards
Lieut
A/O.C. HQ Coy



2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

OVERSEAS BASE.

HEADQUARTERS,

Swimming:

Parties to LAKE KACHAM on Sunday 16 Jan (10hr 2500) and on Monday 17 Jan (700)

This is proving a most enjoyable outing for those personnel whose duties prevent them from taking part in daily sporting activities.

As the lake is deep, it is unsuitable for weak and non-swimmers.

Daily swimming parties to the local pool have been curtailed during the week owing to lack of hot.

58 non-swimmers have applied for instruction and 32 good swimmers for instruction in life saving and resuscitation. Classes for the latter commenced Friday 21 Jan. and for non-swimmers, classes will commence as soon as sufficient instructors have been passed. This should be early next week.

TENNIS: Played at HERBERTON - 16 Jan Sat.

Primarily games only - no results.
Six players.

Boxing:

Training is at present held up awaiting location of trg. platform.

SOFT BALL.

Becoming increasingly popular.

27 Br. V. Bde H.Q. - Played Sat. 22 Jan.

Won by Bde H.Q. - 31/28 (12 innings.)

FOOTBALL.

Training commenced 20 Jan. Men are few and should procure good unit teams. More books are required, and these have been ordered.

First match to be played 30 Jan. V 1/2 Ft. Amb.

BASKET BALL.

Facilities are available, but was not taken on as yet.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Exhibition tournament, arranged for Wed 19 Jan was postponed owing to the unit being allotted two picture sessions on that night.
Eventually held Friday 21 Jan. in Y.M.C.A. and

H Q: COY 2/7 AUST INF BN

WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING *15 Jan 43*

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| (a) POSTED STRENGTH | <i>5</i> | and | <i>113</i> | <i>+ 12 ORS att</i> | |
| (b) REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED | <i>3</i> | and | <i>108</i> | | <i>19</i> |
| (c) CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK | <i>no</i> | | <i>17</i> | | <i>16</i> |
| (d) PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK | | | | <i>5</i> | <i>43</i> |
| (e) No. OF COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK | <i>one</i> | | | | <i>6</i> |
| (f) No. REMANDED TO C.O. | <i>NIL</i> | | | | <i>25</i> |
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(g) INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT :-

- (i) BOOTS *one*
- (ii) FEET *one*
- (iii) PAYBOOKS *one*
- (iv) RESPIRATORS
- (v) KIT AND CLOTHING GENERALLY *good excepting*
- (vi) ARMS AND AMMUNITION *satisfactory*
- (vii) MEDICAL AND DENTAL *as required*
- (viii) VEHICLES, INCLUDING BICYCLES *daily & weekly*
maintenance satisfactory
- (h) SICKNESS *12 malaria to CCS* *Health*
generally good

B. (a) DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE *as req to Q.M.*

(b) STORES RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK *as per attached book*

(c) SUPPLY OF RATIONS *satisfactory*

(d) MEALS AND COOKHOUSE *satisfactory*

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(e) STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY

..... *Good*

(f) SPECIAL REMARKS

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C.

(a) PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/TRG CARRIED OUT (Including

night exercises and lectures). *owing shortage pers... all
pls... are restricted... Progress on try... 2 & 4 hrs
good... Sigs depleted owing schools etc...
Patrol reports attached*

(b) STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

*Try is satisfactory but shortage of pers renders
it impossible to take field for ops. Coy
needs of possible trained recruits at once.*

(c) SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

4 Sigs from Bde before school results unknown

(d) AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRG - MATERIALS, LECTURES ETC.

nil

GENERAL REMARKS eg. DISCIPLINE, OUTSTANDING N C Os AND MEN,

SPORT AND RECREATION, INFORMATION FOR AUSTRALIA, WAR DIARY

NOTES *Discipline Good morale Good*

*Sporting activity very keen. All ranks
appreciated. Doneil & suggest another one.*

Roman & Bull
O.C. COY. *Capt.*

NOTE:- THIS REPORT TO REACH HQ BY 1200 hrs EACH SATURDAY.

Patrol Report.

Map Ref —

Scale —

Date ÷ 13-1-44.

Patrol By ÷ MMG & Pioneer Platoon. HQ. by Patrol Comm - D'Chalmers Sgt

Patrol Strength ÷ 28.

Nature of Patrol ÷ Light Recce. —

Time out ÷ 2040hrs.

Time in 2115hrs.

Object ÷ To recce and ascertain 1) strength. 2) arms. 3) disposition of enemy.

Route out ÷ No 1 Sect. Left flank. No 2 Sect. centre. No 3 Sect. right flank of patrol area. Route in ÷ Same as route out.

Narrative ÷ The full patrol divided into 3 sections. No 1 Sect. moved on the left flank. At approx 150-200' from R.V. they crossed open country for about 250'. came to timber & scrub. Moved about 300' through scrub. Did not contact enemy. No 2 Sect. Moved across approx centre of patrol area. At approx 200' crossed open country for about 150'. Then into timber & scrub. At about 400' from R.V. contacted enemy sentry, who challenged, but who was apparently doubtful of their presence. Patrol was able to move round him. Estimated that enemy had a standing patrol of approx 7 men in that area. No 3 Sect. Moved across right flank of patrol area. Open country to about 500'. Then timber & scrub. Contacted enemy at about 600' from R.V. Estimated stand^{ing} patrol of approx 9 men. Arms & supporting weapons of enemy doubtful.

Patrol section reports attached

All patrols in at R.V. by 2120 hrs. D'Chalmers Sgt.

WAC Sect

Map - Herberton Eastern Half

Ref — —
Date Jan

Patrol found by MMG Plt - 2/7 Bn

Patrol Comdr Lt. H. Half - CPL.

Patrol Strength 10 M.G.O. 5. O.R.

Route out. as ordered by Plt Comdr

Route in " " " " "

Time out 2040 hrs

Time in 2125 hrs

Object of Patrol.

To find out if there were any enemy
in or around area indicated by Plt Comdr

Narrative

On leaving starting point we went
for about 300 yds in the open then got
into heavy timber on hill went through
heavy timber over hill for about 60 yds

to more open country, we then returned
on different route, and returned to
Plt area. No Enemy were seen or
were there any indications of any
enemy being about.

Remarks.

I was left section of the patrol



USE OFFICIAL ADDRESS ONLY.

From No.

Name C/O 2 Sgt

Unit or Troop

In association with the Aust. Comforts Fund.

Date

Patrol Report 13-1-44. Pte Saugat.

I moved from Pt. H in a easterly direction with 5 men, about 400 yds in open level ground and then into timber on rising ground, falling away at left and right about 150 yds into the timber the leading scout was challenged but managed to get back, he noticed that the party was wearing khaki trousers.

I sent him back on a slightly different route to contact the same party with 1 man 10 yds behind him and 1 man on each flank to observe.

The leading scout was surprised by another party and would probably have been shot, the flank man observed no other movement, and after 5 minutes I withdrew the patrol, taking precaution if we had been surrounded.

The enemy could easily have allowed us to pass their first defenses without being observed, I estimated a standing patrol of approximately 7 men.

Patrol Report
N^o 3 Section

13/1/44

Moved across to the right flank
passing through clearings to about 500
yds turning right again passed through
into thickly timbered country for about 100
yards where we contacted enemy there strength
approx 7000 what weapons they had, were
doubtful ~~about~~ so made our way back
& reported to patrol comd, at 2120.

PTE B. Chinnery

H.Q. COY.

14 JAN. 44

REPORT ON NIGHT EXERCISE.

Exercise combined Standing and Recce patrols - composite platoon moved out to Area allotted for purpose of practicing standing patrols.

Men were keen - and showed interest in exercise - Movements were quiet and, good night Discipline was carried out.

Conditions were good for purpose of Exercise - and Area allotted suitable for patrolling and bringing out lessons to be observed.

Pd. Comd. Reports were comprehensive and good. and shows interest was maintained by troops.

H.W. Lewis Lieut

FOR SAFETY.

Patrol report

IN YOUR LETTERS DO NOT REFER TO:—

The name of your ship or other ships in the convoy or its escorts;

The date of sailing, ports of call, or probable destination;

The description of troops aboard, any other information which, if intercepted, would be of value to the enemy.

Map ref — Scale —

Date 13-1-44.

Patrol by. Y/A + Motorer plus HQ boy

Patrol com. B. Sinclair Sgt

Patrol strength ÷ 30

Nature of patrol. — Standing

Time out — 2015 hrs.

Time in 2130 hrs

No object. To give warning of enemy approach and strength

Route out ÷ 210°

Route in 120°

Narrative. — The plbu took up a defensive position in the area allotted standing patrols of three men were stationed 50 yds in front of defensive position. At 2100hrs the patrol reported seeing enemy patrol of 4 men who moved across our front from right to left ~~from~~. No further patrol activity was noticed or heard.

B. J. Sinclair Sgt.

COMPANY IN ATTACK.

OBJECT :

- i. To give Coy Comd of the BN the practice in the tactical handling of their comd against INFANTRY DEFENCES as used by the Japanese in 1943 GUERRA.
- ii. To practice En H.Q. in establishment of En H.Q. in the field.

LESSONS:

1. BATTLE PROCEDURE.

Time is a vital factor in battle and every device should be used to shorten period of recess and preparation and make it effective.

To achieve this object the essentials are :

- (i) Intelligent anticipation of all commands.
- (ii) The issue of warning orders.
- (iii) An organised system which avoids unnecessary delays.

(I.T. *37 Sec. 37, Para 1).

2. ISSUE OF VERBAL ORDERS.

The manner in which a verbal order is given has a profound psychological effect on the recipients.

A hesitating or confused order can never induce the determination and will to win which are so necessary for success. A clear determined order instils confidence.

3. CONSOLIDATION.

Has as its purpose to secure the objectives which have been reached against counter attack and as a base for further advance.

Includes organisation of the troops, replenishment of am, etc. - quick appreciation and sizing up by the Comd on the ground of the site for his position.

4. MAINTENANCE OF OBJECTIVE.

Maintenance of the objective in a situation complicated by enemy diversions.

5. ORIENTING SITUATION.

17 Arst Inf Bde have been in contact with Jap forces since early Jan and on Jan drove the Jap from the high ground sq 3406, the Jap falling back onto the high ground sq 3607, this country having been in his hands for some weeks. At this time 2/7 AUST INF BN were moving forward along track 349066 to MOUNTAIN VIEW 353078 with orders to maintain contact and prevent the enemy from consolidating on the high ground.

6. NARRATIVE CONTACT AND RECCE BY COYS (Phase A).

Bn Comd decides to move on morning Jan and attack enemy posns ref sq 3607.

7. At hrs explains the position to Coy comds and gives the following orders:

8. The gists which effected the fwd Coy were :

As vanguard to the BN continue axis of advance track 340966 to MOUNTAIN VIEW 353078 maintaining contact and attack on enemy posns ref sq 3607.

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED :

F.U.P. area GATE A.

Your only fire support will be that of your own Coy weapons.

You will move off at hrs.

Dispositions of BN --- RAP, etc.

The time is now hrs.

Are there any questions?

9. NARRATIVE AFTER CONTACT (Phase B).

At hrs Jan leading elements of Coy fired on after crossing the creek 500 yds east of MOUNTAIN VIEW.

10. Leading Sec attempts to find flanks but is pinned down by fire.

11. Pl. comd comes fwd and deploys remaining secs but cannot locate flanks or move fwd without heavy casualties. Ordered to consolidate ground held.

12. Coy comd sends out recce and fighting patrols to establish dispositions of enemy. Reports back to Bn Comd who decides to attack the posn with a fresh Coy.

13. Bn Comd orders as they effect Coy :

(a) Objective BUNKERS HILL.

(b) Coy will support attack from present posn and as soon as fwd enemy posns have beencaptured will move into reserve.

(c) Inter Coy boundaries for Coy;

Right - Line large white bole gum tree - THE DIP.

Left - Rocky outcrop on creek, thence on bearing 40 deg. magnetic.

(d) Limit of attack approx. 250 yds from starting line and then consolidate.

(e) Starting Line WEST CREEK.

(f) Direction of attack 40 deg. magnetic.

(g) "H" hour hrs.

(h) Fire plan includes two dets 3" Mortars, and one TK/A gun placed under comd B Coy.

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED:

Bn. H.Q. - RAP - Success signal - Time is now hrs

Are there any questions? Coy consolidates under own protection -

Attack was successful.

14. FORWARD SUMMARY OF EVENTS.

<u>TIME.</u>	<u>EVENTS.</u>
0855L	Coy Comd receives message from C.O. Coy Comd orders 2 i/c. (a) Check Coy at Assembly Area. (b) Orders Pl coads to RV at by hrs.
0900L	Enemy move to posn.
0900L	C.O. gives Coy Comd his orders
0910L	Coy Comd receives and appreciation
0915L	Coy Comd gives his orders to pl coads.
0920L	Pl coads study approaches - Coy comd moves back to Coy.
0925L	Sec coads receive orders
0935L	Coy crosses S.F.P.
0950L	Leading sec fired on as they cross the creek 500 yds East of MOUNTAIN VIEW.
0950L	Deployment of leading sec and attempt to locate enemy strength and dispositions.
0955L	Sec pinned down, pl comd comes fwd and deploys remaining two secs.
1005L	Pl comd locates enemy bunkers astride track, weapon pits, etc., cannot locate flanks or move fwd, ordered to consolidate ground held.
1020L	Coy comd commits second and third pls sending out recon and fighting patrols to establish dispositions of enemy.
1140L	Coy comd's report and I sketch to En comd.
1150L	Coy withdraw to Assembly Area.
1155L	Discussion
1155L	En Comd has decided to attack Warning Order to Coy Comd Mortars and T.M.A.
1215L	LUNAR.
1315L	Coy Comd orders 2 i/c. (a) Check Coy at F.U.P. (b) Order pl coads to RV at by hrs. Enemy move into position.
1320L	Coy C.O. gives Coy comd his orders
1330L	Coy comd recon of position and appreciation.
1340L	Coy comd signals for pl coads and issues orders
1400L	Pl coads study ground, Coy Comd moves to Coy Assembly Area.
1410L	Pl Sec coads receive orders, study ground, - details explained to tps.
1425L	Pls depart F.U.P. cross start line
"H" HOUR (ref.	supporting fire]. C.O. enemy will receive report from chief umpire re mortar fire as stated in Coy comd's order.
1435L	First pl attack on objective "A" successful, pl comd signals.
1445L	Second pl having passed through first pl attack and consolidate objective "B".
1455L	Coy comd's appreciation of the position from second Pl area.
1500L	Third pl commence next phase of attack on enemy posns East of track (ENEMY COUNTER ATTACK FROM HIGH GROUND).
1510L	Counter attack beaten off and third pl gain objective.
1530L	Consolidation of the posn by all pls.
1530L	Conference of umpires.
1540L	Assembly and discussion of exercise.
1555L	Completion, tps move off area, return to camp.
1630L	Dismiss.

15. DIRECTING STAFF.

1. DIRECTOR - Lt. Col. Henry G. Guinn, C.S. 2/7 Aust Inf Bn.
2. CHIEF UMPIRE - Major St. Elmo D. Nelson
3. MEDICAL OFFICER - Capt. Marsden
4. PL UMPIRES - Capt. M. Smith
5. Lieut R. Bennett
6. Lieut A. McTorqudale
7. ENEMY UMPIRE - Capt. W. E. Duell
8. KENNERS - 5 to be supplied by Coy not being exercised

DS HQ will be marked by white flag on

All members of DS will wear white armbands to be supplied by CM

A conference will be held at DS HQ at 1530 hrs; all members of DS will attend.

16. INSTRUCTIONS TO UMPIRES.

Umpires will study and learn the exercise thoroughly prior to DI so that they will be competent to assist in all comb gaining knowledge and lessons from the exercise.

The umpire must realize that he paints the picture only, HE DOES NOT GIVE ORDERS. Any umpire failing to obey the above instns will be disciplined.

Medical Officer will umpire stretcher bearers and issue separate report.

Umpires will render to chief umpire at 1530 hrs their reports, which will be based on the following :-

- (i) Coy Comd's appreciation.
- (ii) Dispersion of resce gp when receiving their orders.
- (iii) Battle procedure down to secs.
- (iv) Verbal orders
 - (a) Time taken to issue;
 - (b) Clearness - deliberate - full detail.
- (v) Control within pl and secs especially when notified under fire Leadership, fire discipline and orders.
- (vi) Maintenance of direction during attack.

17. INSTRUCTIONS TO ENEMY.

Strength 5 secs.

Distinguishing marks. All ranks will wear felt hats with white puggies.

- Action -
- (a) One sec will be established fwd weapon pits
 - (b) One sec vicinity first bunker and adjacent pits
 - (c) One sec second bunker and adjacent pits
 - (d) One sec third bunker and adjacent pits
 - (e) One sec situated on high ground North of Bunker 4 for counter attack role during second phase.

REPRESENTATION OF FIRE AND DECEPTION.

Booby traps (harmless) arrange to be tripped -

- (a) on flanks by resce patrols
- (b) in front of fwd weapon pits by assaulting tys.

Two men vicinity ck 100 yds North of Rocky Outcrop.

Two men 100 yds East of No. 4 Bunker. These personnel will be chopping timber and will have on them rough sketch maps and security documents, object being to test action taken by patrols investigating noise - re searching of POWs killed and/or wounded.

G.C. enemy will be informed by signal of attacking Coy's fire plan. Mortar smoke and HE will be represented by 69 grenades, smoke generators as per fire plan.

Gas rattles will be used to represent LMG or MMG fire.
Blank will be fired by enemy on all occasions when recon pts approach too close to enemy positions.

18. ADMINISTRATION. . Coy arrangements.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

Assembly area, deployment area, and enemy positions will be connected by I/T and R/T to enable director and chief umpire to be in communication with O.C. Enemy during conduct of exercise.

19. D.S. NOTES.

Procedure as set out in sequence of events.
Appreciation by Coy comd of all information given.
Clarity of verbal orders by Coy and pl comd.
Explanation by set comd to men of their job as to their task

- (a) Objective
- (b) Route
- (c) Supporting fire
- (d) Task on arrival
- (e) Pl. M.

~~GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS~~

CONSOLIDATION.

1. Collection of Coy casualties incl. weapons and am.
2. Re-organization of pl comd.
3. Reports to En M, casualties - personnel - arms - weapons.
4. Replenishment of am
5. Patrols - contact on flanks.
6. Arrangements for A Echelon.
7. Above points should be attended to immediately attack has been a success.

GUIDE FOR UNPIERS.

COY.

Sec ops hel. Sec comd gives infan to pl comd.

Pl. comd issues order for further testing of enemy posns using other two secs.

Pl. comd sends infan back to Coy comd who moves fwd to gain first hand infan.

Coy comd issues orders for gaining fuller infan, one pl. to right, one pl. to left fighting and recon patrols from these pls.

Bn Comd - orders to Coy comd on receipt of reports from patrols.

Coy comd orders to pl. comds

Pl. and sec comds orders

Leading pl. cross start line

Leading pl. assaults first bunker posn.

Second pl. moves through first pl onto crest of hill

Third pl. moves through second pl to attack bunker on East of track.

Pl. committed against third bunker posn.

Coy commences re-organization and consolidation on posn.

ENEMY.

Continue to fire from fwd weapon pits.

Enemy continues engage all recon patrols moving within range.

Continues to engage any patrols which move in sight.

Engage secs as they come within range, use grenades and smoke for representation of fire.

Withdraws leaving one or two isolated weapon pits.

withdraws to top bunker and left bunker leaving one or two men to be mopped up.

Counter attacks second bunker from high ground and opens fire from top bunker.

withdraws but counter attacks during consolidation.

UNPIER.

Check automatic drill forgs and secs.

Check (a) one sec in fire posns other two secs operate to the flanks to endeavour locate extent of enemy dispositions.
(b) Quick appreciation by Pl. comd.

Check procedure and issue of orders by Coy comd

Note clarity of orders, were they given in a hesitating manner, were they clear and concise.

Question ops and sec whether orders understood.

Watch dispersion, ops tactics, control, and enthusiasm.

Is mopping up done thoroughly, watch control and consolidation.

Control, consolidation exploitation, maintaining one or two men to be of direction

Are defenders in posn to repel counter attack? Counter attack to be driven off.

As above

Note Coy comd's plan for consolidation and execution by sub comds and ops.

ORDERS FOR COY IN ATTACK.

2/7 Aust Inf Bn.
24 Jan 44.

INFORMATION: ENEMY - Bunker, LMG and rifle posns have been located EAST and WEST OF TRACK (see sketch). Our patrols report ENEMY in strongly defended posns on both flanks. Extent undetermined.

OWN TROOPS - "A" Coy advancing along axis of TRACK have been held up and are now engaging the enemy from fire posns.

"A" Coy will support attack from present posns and as soon as fwd enemy posns have been captured will move into reserve.

INTER COY BOUNDARIES:

RIGHT - line large white BALE GUN TREE - THE DIP.

LEFT - ROCKY OUTFROP on GREEK thence on bearing 40 deg. mag.

INTENTION: "B" Coy will attack and capture BUNKER HILL.

METHOD:

Phase I - Coy will attack on one pl. front.

Objectives 1-: 10 Pl. BUNKER LMG and rifle posns WEST OF Track to depth of 100 yds from start line. On capture of objective will consolidate immediately.

Objective 2-: 11 Pl moving 50 yds in rear of 10 pl. will pass through capture and consolidate to depth of 100 yds from hill crown of hill.

Phase II - 12 pl. in reserve - probable role - to move via 11 pl. objective and capture ENEMY posns EAST of Track.

START LINE: NORTH BANK of WEST CREEK

Right Boundary - TRACK excl

Left " - ROCKY OUTFROP

START TIME: Fwd pl (10) will cross start line at H hr (1400 hrs) +

Direction of attack 40 deg. mag.

SUPPORTING FIRE

Mortars 3" One detachment will fire on known enemy posns adjacent and East of track -- 10 rounds HE 5 rounds smoke from H - 3 to H - 7

One detachment will fire on enemy weapon pits vicinity bunker West of track 10 rounds HE 12 smoke from H - 5 to H.

then continue controlled fire by detachment comdr moving behind forward elements

handling of gun.

TK/Attack role opportunity targets one sec from "A" Coy will assist

ADMINISTRATION.

Ass rifle 100 rounds

TEMG 400 rounds

Bren 10 mags.

Grenades 2 per man

Assault bombs 2 per sec.

Tools for consolidation will be carried by reserve secn scale 3 picks 5 shovels.

CAP at WEST CREEK.

RAF as notified.

INTER COY.

Coy HQ at WEST CREEK had will move ahead of reserve pl and on capture of posn will be situated at first bunker West of track.

L/T Coy to Bn HQ and R/T.

Pl. intercom carrier

Success signal red/green

Synchronise, etc., time

questions.



7TH BATTALION A.I.F. ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT: G. Edwards
SECRETARY: W. Jameson

London Stores Ltd
Melbourne

19-1-44

Dear Colonel

I am forwarding her post a flag which I ask you to accept from the old boys. I think you realise what these colours meant to us and today we feel privileged to know that we can look back over the years and know that we wore the same colours made so famous by the 27th Bn. To you Sir, we say "Well Done" and ask you to accept this flag on behalf of the 27th Battalion and to assure you that our thoughts and good wishes are always with you.

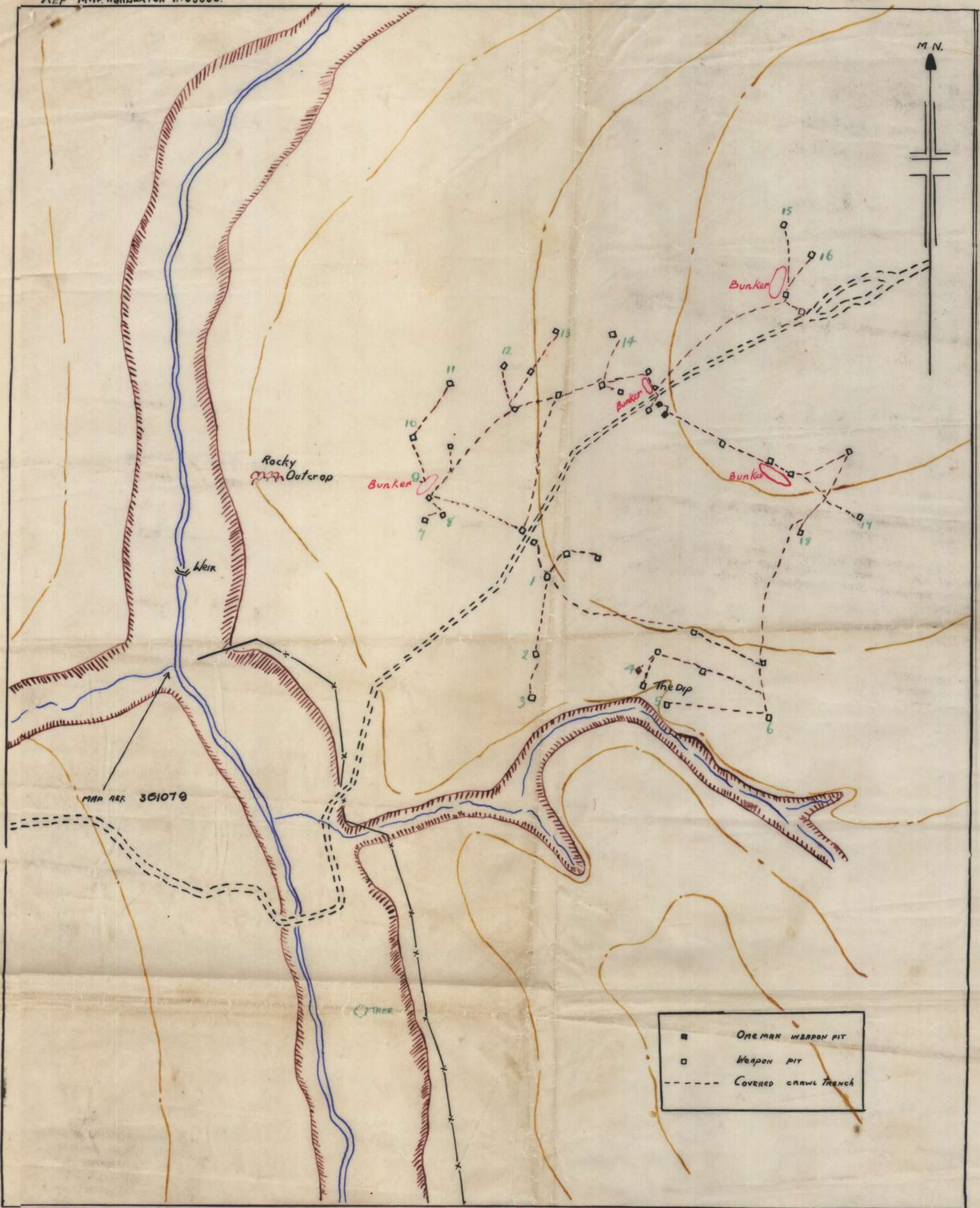
Yours sincerely
Jim Guthridge

answered on
25 Jan 44

Henry S. Quinn to me

BUNKER HILL ASSAULT COURSE

REF MAP HERBERTON 1:63360.



C.O.

2/7TH BATTALION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

406 Taverley Rd
E. Melbourne
18th January 1944

Dear Colonel Guinn,

It is with much pleasure that I enclose herewith cheque to the value of £248. This cheque comes with it the very best wishes of all members of the 2/7th Battalion Women's Auxiliary.

It has given us all great satisfaction to hear that all members of the Battalion, who were able to participate in the unit's Xmas festivities, received so much pleasure from what we women were able to do for them. I am glad to have this opportunity, both on their behalf and my own, of wishing all members of the Battalion the best of luck, good health and success for 1944.

Yours sincerely,
Mayorie Guinn
President.

arrived on
25 Jan 44
Henry J. Guinn (W)

Mr Burns to Mrs
Burns to call

Sic O
Mo O
RMB

Colonel

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

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12 JAN '44.

Seen
Henry J. Quinn
Comd. 4th Field Coy. 30th

ROUTINE ORDER 97.

by

Lt. Col. H. G. GUINN.

COMD

2/7 AUST INF BN.

1. ORDERLY OFFICERS :-

JAN 12	Lieut. LEWIS.
" 13	" KELLY.
" 14	" HEDT.
" 15	" BUTTON.
" 16	" MALLETT.
" 17	" DARRYL.
" 18	" BEARS.

2. SALUTING.

Saluting generally continues to be lax and appropriate courtesies are NOT being paid.

Troops are to be instructed in the significance of pennants flying on Comds. Cars, and in the correct compliments to be paid on their recognition.

3. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY.

Ref. G.R.O. A 598/43. Para 105.

Attention is directed to the provisions of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, which provide, in effect, that all pay (including allotments) and pay allowances cease in respect of any period for which a member is granted leave (or an extension thereof) without pay.

Para 106. When leave (or an extension thereof) without pay is granted, the following will not be payable during the period of such leave (or extension):-

- (a) Pay (including deferred pay)
- (b) Field allowance.
- (c) Command allowance.
- (d) Special allowance.
- (e) Exchange allowance.
- (f) Dependant's allowance.
- (g) Travelling allowance.
- (h) Subsistence allowance.
- (i) Any allowance payable under regulation 9 of the above mentioned regulation.

4. SEASONAL LEAVE AND DISCHARGE TO INDUSTRY.

(1) The impression has evidently been inadvertantly conveyed that all persons over 35 years of age with 3 or more years service, B class personnel and those over 40 have a right to be discharged. This is NOT the case, as only those RECOMMENDED BY MANPOWER may be discharged and for this purpose MANPOWER will not recommend discharge unless the soldier has assured employment available in an essential industry

(2) In cases where a soldier is INELIGIBLE for release under the conditions of G.R.O. A736/43 makes an application for discharge, the application will be refused by unit and soldier informed accordingly. Many such applications have been forwarded to HQ L of C Areas for investigations resulting in unnecessary correspondence and waste of time and effort by all concerned.

5. CURRENT AFFAIRS. Instruction of all Ranks.

(1) Importance is attached to instruction in current affairs because the maintenance of morale is partly dependent upon an understanding of the issues for which sacrifices are demanded and upon countering conditions conducive to mental stagnation by a stimulation of interest in topics not directly related to army life.

(2) 17 AUST INF BDE Educational Officer will visit this unit on WEDs and FRIDs of each week.

Subject of first talk :- POST WAR RECONSTRUCTION.

CORRECT USE OF LIGHTS WHEN APPROACHING ONCOMING TRAFFIC.

(1) Accidents involving army vehicles have occurred due to lack of road

courtesy of drivers who ~~fail~~ fail to dim their headlamps when approaching oncoming traffic.

(2) In order that personnel in control of vehicles may appreciate their responsibility in this regard, the action to be taken is set out hereunder :-

(a) When approaching oncoming traffic, the driver of a vehicle will ensure that his headlights are dipped and will keep as near as practicable, having regard to all the circumstances, to the left-hand edge of the roadway.

(b) If the headlights cannot be dipped, they will be dimmed. If they cannot be dipped or dimmed, the driver will switch to his parking lights. In either case, he will reduce the speed of his vehicle so that he can stop within his lessened limits of vision.

(3) The driver is responsible for checking the correct operation of all lights and for reporting immediately (on AAF G17) all defects which he is not permitted to rectify.

6. BN HQ AREA is out of bounds to O/Rs except on duty.

7. Personnel wishing to contact BnHQ will do so by parading through correct channels.

8. ESCAPES OF AUSTRALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR FROM ENEMY HANDS.

(1) It is the duty of any soldier, if captured by the enemy, to effect his escape at the earliest possible moment.

(2) It is also his duty - any breach of which is a serious offence - NOT to communicate to unauthorised persons any information about the means employed by him or his companions to escape from enemy hands.

(3) The disclosure of such information :-

(a) prejudices the chances of other escapees,

(b) prevents other members of AUSTRALIAN OR ALLIED Forces from using the same or similar means of escape.

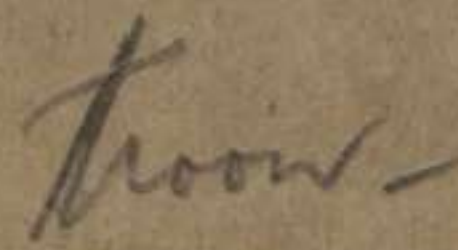
(c) endangers the lives of those who may have assisted the escapees at any stage of their escape.

Therefore, except as provided in paras 4 & 5 below an escaped prisoner of war is forbidden to disclose particulars of his escape directly or indirectly to any person whatever, either by word of mouth or in writing.

(4) An escaped prisoner of war will disclose full particulars of his escape only to officers authorized by the Director of Military Intelligence to interrogate. No officers except those authorized by the D.M.I. are permitted to interrogate any escapee on the circumstances of his escape.

(5) Should it be considered desirable for an escaped prisoner of war to lecture on his experiences the script of the proposed lecture will be submitted to the D.M.I. for approval. NO lectures will be arranged until approval of the D.M.I. has been obtained.

9. KITCHENS are out of bounds to all troops at all times except to those on duty.


Sig. J. TROON (ADJT)
2/7 AUST INF BN.

SPECIAL ORDER
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HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde
G 1/2.
20 Sep 43.

Lt-Gen Sir Edmund Herring, KBE, DSO, MC, ED, GOC 1 Aust Corps has sent the following message to the Bde Comd, who asked me to convey the message to ~~the~~ units who have participated in ops in the WAU-MUBO - SALAMAUA area, so that the contents may be promulgated to all ranks.

"The successful ops in the WAU-SALAMAUA area had the far reaching effect of drawing down many enemy tps who would have otherwise been ready and waiting to defend LAE.

I want the 17 Aust Inf Bde to know that it is primarily their triumph. It was the 17th who saved WAU and kept the Jap at bay in the MUBO area. It was the 17th who won the battle of MUBO and finally it was the 17th who drove the Jap from the MT TAMBU - KOMIATUM area - an achievement of the highest order.

You consequently leave NEW GUINEA with a record of great achievement, and it is grand to know that all of you will soon be with your loved ones.

I always feel a real attachment to the 17th Bde as one of my 6 Aust Div Bdes in the ME, and I look forward to the day when once again I have the honour of having you under my command."

W. Skell Maj
BM 17 Aust Inf Bde

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17 JAN '44.

ROUTINE ORDER Q 8.

Lt.Co. H.G.GUINN.

By
COMD

2/7 AUST INF BN.

1. ORDERLY OFFICERS.
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|--------|-------|------------|
| JAN 17 | Lieut | DARRYL.L. |
| " 18 | " | SEARS.E. |
| " 19 | " | EDWARDS.A. |

2. DRESS AT PICTURE THEATRE.

- (i) (a) Before leaving unit lines, personnel authorised to attend the theatre will be inspected to ensure that they are correctly dressed, and will be warned that they must remain correctly dressed whilst in the theatre.
- (b) Members of the picquet at the theatre will refuse admission to personnel who are incorrectly dressed.
- (c) All Officers, WOs and NCOs attending the theatre will police this order and ensure that personnel (whether of their own unit or any other unit) remain correctly dressed whilst in the theatre.
- (ii) Although this order applies specifically to dress when attending the picture theatre, unit commanders will regularly impress upon troops the necessity and reason for personnel to ~~xxx~~ be correctly and tidily dressed at all times when appearing in public
- (iii) Ref (Para 2 above) These instructions will be adopted on all occasions when personnel of this unit move on leave:-

3. CENSORSHIP.

Troops in 6 AUST DIV AREA are NOT released from unit censorship by GRO G835/43 as this area is NORTH of the boundaries mentioned.

4. ANTI-MITE FLUID.

Anti-Mite fluid which is to be used to protect troops on training exercises which may expose them to risk of typhus is now available at ADV. SUP. DEPOT ATHERTON.

It is understood that in the past, mosquito lotion has been used for this purpose, but as this is now in short supply it will be used only in malarious areas. Anti-Mite Fluid will be used in all other areas.

The scale of issue will be 2 oz per man per month and fluid may be obtained on indent through normal AASC channels.

The method of use is as follows :-

(a) Clothing should be treated every 14 days (treatment will withstand 7 washings in soap and cold water, half as many if the clothes are boiled.)

(b) When men are fully exposed to risk, i.e. when they have to sit lie or sleep in mite infested country, the method of treating the clothes is as follows :-

A man dips his fingers in the fluid, taking enough to smear the hands lightly. Clothing is then rubbed, 4 smears per sock, 6 per trouser-bottom (to provide a band from above the gaiters to above the knees) and 6 about the fly. The shirt receives 6 smears about the waist, 4 to each complete sleeve, and 8 to the shoulders, collar and front. If the smears are light enough just to cover the hands, it will be found that the area will be treated by $\frac{1}{2}$ oz or a little over, and should be gone over again till 1 oz is used up. The greater number of light smears ensures good cover. The job can be done in under 10 mins per set, with practise.

(c) If they are only required to stand or walk in mite infested country, sox and trouser bottoms need only be treated, and 1oz of the fluid will serve for 5 or 6 sets of clothes.

(d) Gaiters need not be treated - Sox and trousers are rather more easily treated on the body. The clothes need not be turned inside out.

(e) If sox are not worn, at least 4 smears inside the boot has been proved to protect

(f) Where troops have to go on long expeditions, one pre-treated set of clothes should last three weeks.

5. ANTI-MITE FLUID - BOOKS.

5. RACE MEETINGS - BOOKMAKERS.

No member of this formation will field as a bookmaker, be a bookmaker's clerk or otherwise assist a bookmaker in the performance of his functions at any race meeting not run and controlled by 6 AUST DIV RACING COMMITTEE.

Permission to field at a Race Meeting run and controlled by 6 AUST DIV RACING COMMITTEE and the conditions thereof will be laid down from time to time by that committee.

Severe disciplinary action will be taken against personnel who commit a breach of this order.

6. DRESS.

When wearing hats (KF) the chin strap will be on the point of the chin and NOT behind the head.

Clothing - Personnel proceeding on leave.

Complaints have been received that personnel proceeding on leave from this area are NOT suitably clothed and/or NOT issued with sufficient clothing and have requested LTD's to issue them with clothing. Units will ensure that personnel are suitably clad and have sufficient clothing, bearing in mind the climate of the area to which they are going.

LTD's will NOT Issue clothing to personnel from this area

7. LOSS OF EQUIPMENT BY PERSONNEL DURING TRANSIT THROUGH LTD BRISBANE.

To eliminate loss of equipment a section of AUST KIT STORE is now available for use by personnel during transit through the LTD BRISBANE.

The provision of this facility for safe guarding personal gear and equipment is to be brought to the notice of all concerned.

8. BOUNDS - MOSSMAN.

As MOSSMAN is considered to be an endemic malarious area, this town is out of bounds to all troops.

9. NEXT OF KIN.

ALL personnel who have changed their Next of Kin or address of Next of Kin and who have NOT notified their Coy Office of same, will hand necessary information into Coy Office for forwarding to Bn HQ for recording. In case of marriage particulars also will be handed in.

.....*Proon*.....Adjnt.
(J. PROON) Lieut. 2/7 AUST INF BN.

NOTICES.

HONOURS AND AWARDS .:

The King has been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication of the names of the following Officers and O/Rs of KANGA FORCE who have been mentioned as having rendered gallant and distinguished services in the SOUTHWEST PACIFIC area for the period 1 OCTOBER '42 to 31 MARCH '43.

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

2/7 AUST INF BN.

- NX 77377 Capt Bruce Henry PETERSON (AAMC)
- VX 14161 " Frank Birrell PRINGLE
- VX 5554 Lieut. Albert James McDONALD (POSTHUMOUS)
- VX 23387 " Donald Bruce McINTOSH (POSTHUMOUS)
- VX 8889 WO ii Roy Nicholas DORAN (SINCE DECEASED)
- VX 5801 Sjt. Harry LANG
- NX 30624 Cpl. Robert Richard VAUGHAN.

SEASONAL GREETINGS.

The following cable was received by Major-General A.J. BOASE, CBE from KALUTARA Planters Club CEYLON:-

"KALUTARA" Planters XMAS and NEW YEAR greetings to all ranks -"BUSBY".

Major-General BOASE replied.

"Heartily reciprocate greetings which have been passed to 6 AUST DIV.

Jan [Signature] 16/10

Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

1 SEC

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) General physical Condition of Personnel Malone

evacuation still taking heavy toll, and on the increase

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received Nil

(c) Severity of Work or Training Training becoming

gradually more strenuous, and now includes night exercises twice a week.

(d) General Remarks

2. STORES

Details of Stores requisitioned but not yet received

(a) Medical

(b) Expense Stores

Med. & Vet. Stores say ruck-sacks are unobtainable

(c) Malaria Control Stores

(i) Ordnance

(ii) AASG

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personnel Protection (Good, Fair, Bad)

Nets _____ Atobrin _____ Clothing _____ Repellent _____

(b) Larvae Control

(c) Adult Destruction

(d) General Comments

4. RATIONS

5. HYGIENE Existing grease-traps are useless, resulting

in an increase of fly-breeding in the area

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO Nil

DATE 7/1/44

Signed Hyndman / Capt. RMO

UNIT 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

DDMS 1 AUST CORPS PRO-FORMA A

Week Ending Midnight Friday

Formation or Unit.

UNIT	Cffrs	Daily Strength	ORs	Total Sick Parade	NEW SICK	TOTAL FOR DUTY	TOTAL EVACUATED	Notifiable Diseases	MALARIA	Scrub Typhus	Dengue Fever	Diarrhoea	Dysentery	U.R.T.I.	P.U.O.	Veneral Disease	Skin Parasites & Tinea	Skin Diseases	Diseases of the Ear	Foot Disabilities	OTHER DISEASES	Dental	Accidents	Battle Casualties	Consultations	Consultations Admitted
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REPORT BY RMO

Form 2

.....Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) General physical Condition of Personnel Fair

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received —

(c) Severity of Work or Training Mid-day rest period is increased by 1/2 hour.

(d) General Remarks Milk is obtainable at unit canteen at 3' per pint. This is in great demand, and greatly appreciated by troops

2. STORES
Details of Stores requisitioned but not yet received

(a) Medical —

(b) Expense Stores —

3. MALARIA CONTROL STORES

(i) Ordnance —

(ii) AASC —

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personnel Protection (Good, Fair, Bad)

Nets — Atebrin — Clothing — Repellent —

(b) Larvae Control —

(c) Adult Destruction —

(d) General Comments —

4. RATIONS 33 1/3 % of eggs issued on 12th were bad. No potatoes available to troops for over a week.

5. HYGIENE Pipe drainage from showers nearing completion.

Hot showers at Brigade area not yet functioning.

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO

DATE 14 Jan 44

Signed [Signature] RMO
UNIT 2/7 Aust Inf Bn

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NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE FIGURE

XVAR DIARY.

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
DEC 28	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX. SQUAD DRILL.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 4.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSONS IXX&IXX 11 & 12	T.O.E.T. LMG	I.S.L. CHAP 7 SEC 5.	T.S.L. CHAP 7 SEC 46	ORGANISED SPORT.
29	COY PDE. INSPECTION. PL DRILL	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSONS 13 & 14	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 5.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 13. LESSON 3.	JUNGLE WAREFARE CHAP 14 SEC 1 & 2	JUNGLE WAREFARE CHAP 14 SEC 3 & 4.	2
30	BN PARADE AND ROUTE MARCH ON COMPASS BEARING.				SAT VOL 1 PAM 15 PART 2	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSONS 15 & 16	"
31	COY PDE. INSPECTION. SQUAD DRILL.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 8 LESSON 4.	SAT VOL L PAM 12 LESSON 6	RECAPIT. DISCREATION OF COY COMD.	SAT VOL K 1 PAM 2. LESSONS 9,10,11.	INF MINOR TAG. CHAP 9 SECS 38, 39.	"
JAN 1	NEW YEARS DAY.						

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN 3	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX PL DRILL.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 15 PART 11 LESSONS 2 & 3	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 6	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSON 17 & 18	SAT VOL 1 PAM 13 LESSONS 8&9	SAT VOL 1 PAM 13 LESSON 4.	ORGANISED SPORT.
4	BN PARADE AND ROUTE MARCH ON COMPASS BEARING.				RECAPIT. AT DISCRETION OF COY COMDS.	T.O.E.T 2" MORTAR.	"
5.	COY PDE. INSPECTION COY DRILL.	J.D. TESTS.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4.12 LESSON 6.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSON 19	SAT VOL 1 PAM 13 LESSON 4.	QUIZ.	"
6.	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX. PL. DRILL.	T.O.E.T.RIFLE.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 2. LESSON 13	INF MINOR TACT. CHAP 9 SECS 40 & 41	RECAPIT AT DISCRETION OF COY COMD.	SAT VOL 1. PAM 12 LESSON 4.	"
7.	COY PDE. INSPECTION. PL. DRILL.	ZEROING OF ALL WEAPONS ON 30 YDS RANGE.			INF MINOR TACT. CHAP 9. SEC 8. SECTIONS 42 & 43	INF MINOR TACT. CHAP 9. SEC 8 SECS. 42 & 43.	"
8.	COY PDE. INSPECTION. COY DRILL.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4. LESSON 21	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 6.	RECAPIT. AT DISCRETION OF COY COMD.	ORGANISED SPORT.		

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN 10	COY PDE. INSPECTION. PL. DRILL.	T.O.E.T. GRENADE.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 15 PART 11 LESSON 2 & 3	SAT VOL 1 PAM 5. LESSONS 1-5.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4. LESSON 22.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 6	ORGANISED SPORT.
11	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX. SQUAD DRILL.	INF MINOR TACTS CHAP 9 SEC 44.		RECAPIT. AT DISCRETION OF COY COMD.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4 LESSON 24	SAT VOL 1 PAM 12 LESSON 6.	"
12	BN PARADE AND ROUTE MARCH ON COMPASS BEARING.				BOOBY TRAPS.	QUIZ.	"
13	COY PDE. INSPECTION COY DRILL.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 2 LESSON 12	SAT VOL 1 PAM 4. LESSON 25.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 3 SNIPERS RIFLE.	RECAPIT. AT DISCRETION OF COY COMD.	SAT VOL 1 PAM 2. LESSONS 14 & 15.	"
14	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX.	FIELD DEFENCE WORKS. INF MINOR TACTS. APPENDIX E.		RECAPIT. AT DISCRETION OF COY COMD.	JUNGLE WAREFARE CHAP 13.		"
15	COY PDE. INSPECTION. COY DRILL.	GROUP AND SECTION TACTICS. JUNGLE WAREFARE CHAP 14 SECS 3 & 4.			ORGANISED SPORT.		

LECTURETTES WILL BE GIVEN UNDER COMPANY ARRANGEMENT, VIDE 2/7 AUST INF BN TNG INSTRUCTION No. 1 & 2.

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600
DEC 27	COY. PDES.	MORSE 15 WPM.	WIRELESS THEORY.	INSTRUMENTS. L. PHONE. FULLERPHONE.	WIRELESS. PRACTICAL.	MORSE 15 WPM.	ORGANISED SPORTS
28	COY. PDES.	MORSE 15 WPM.	INSTRUMENTS. 10 LINE V.C. 6 " "	WIRELESS THEORY.	LINE MAINTENANCE.	TESTS. INSTRUMENTS.	
29	COY. BDRS.	WIRELESS PROCEDURE	MORSE 15 WPM.	RECAPITULATION	WIRELESS THEORY.	PROCEDURE SIGNS.	
30	COY PDES.	MORSE 15 WPM.	LINE CABLE JOINS.	WIRELESS PRO- CEDURE.	PROCEDURE METHODS & SIGNS.	WIRELESS. PRACTICAL.	
31	COY. PDES.	MORSE. LAMP 8 WPM.	WIRELESS THEORY.	INSTRUMENTS. L. PHONE. FULLER- PHONE. 10 LINE V.C.	MORSE. FULLERPHONE. 15 WPM.	WIRELESS PROCEDURE.	

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130.	1130-1230.	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700
JAN 3.	COY PDES.	MORSE LAMP. 8 WPM.	WIRELESS THEORY	INSTRUMENTS SUPERPOSER. FULLERPHONE.	WIRELESS XXXXXXXXXX PRACTICAL 108 Mk. 2.	MORSE 15 WPM.	SPORT.
4.	"	LINE MAINTENANCE.	SIGS PROCEDURE	MORSE 15 WPM.	WIRELESS THEORY & PRACT. Mk. 3	TESTS.	"
5.	"	WIRELESS PROCEDURE.	INSTRUMENTS GENERAL	MORSE LAMP. 8 WPM.	WIRELESS THEORY & PRACT.	RECAPITULATION.	"
6.	"	MORSE 15 WPM.	LINE CABLE JOINS.	WIRELESS PRACTICAL 108 Mk. 2.	PROCEDURE SIGNALS.	WIRELESS PROCEDURE.	"
7.	"	WIRELESS PROCEDURE.	INSTRUMENTS L. PHONE. 10 & 6 V.C. FULLERPHONE.	MORSE. LAMP 8 WPM.	INSTRUMENT TEST.	WIRELESS PRACTICAL.	"
8.	"	MORSE 15 WPM.	RECAPITULATION	TESTS MORSE.	ORGANISED	SPORT.	

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700
DEC 27.	COY PDE. INSPECTION. SQUAD DRILL W/arms SALUTING.	LESSON 1 Sec A GENERAL DESCRIPTION.	LESSON 2 SEC B	LESSON 7 CLEANING	LESSON 45 TAKE POST	LESSON 46 MOUNT & DISMOUNT GUN.	SPORT.
28.	BN. PDE. INSPECTION RIFLE EX. EXERCISES.	RECAPITULATE LESSON 45 & 46. LESSON 47 LOAD & UNLOAD.	LESSON 48 ACTION. CEASE FIRE.	LESSON 19. DESCRIPTION OF SPARES.	LESSON 46 MOUNT AND DISMOUNT GUN.	LESSON 8. EXAMINATION TESTS & ADJUSTMENTS.	"
29.	BN. PDE. SQUAD DRILL. W/arms.	LESSON 48. ACTION & CEASE FIRE. LESSON 49 CLEAR GUN. STAND CLEAR.	LESSON 50 ADJUST SIGHTS LAY GUN.	LESSON 13. STRIPPING GEN. POINTS.	LESSON 7. CLEANING.	LESSON 9 EXAM. TESTS & ADJUSTMENTS.	"
30.	BN. PDE. RIFLE EX. PL. DRILL.	LESSON 48 - 50 INTRODUCING SIGNALS.	LESSON 51. FIRE. STOP. GO ON.	LESSON 19 cont. DESCRIPTION OF SPARES.	LESSON 14. STRIPPING THE GUN	LESSON 21 I.A. 1st Posn. STOPPAGE. (i)	£
31	BN PDE. RIFLE EX. COY DRILL.	LESSON 48 - 49	LESSON 29 TANGENT SIGHT. FIXED SIGHT. AIMING.	LESSON 21. I.A. 1st Posn. STOPPAGE. (ii)	BN ROUTE MARCH BOOT & FOOT INSPECTION.		

	0830-0930.	0930-1030.	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN 3	BN. PDE. RIFLE EX. DRILL.	E.G.D.	LESSON IN STRIPPING.	LESSON 30. DIAL SIGHT. OR LESSON 30 A BAR FORESIGHT.	LESSON 21. I.A. 1st POSITION.	LESSON 7. CLEANING.	SPORT.
4.	"	"	LESSON 12. 2nd POSITION.	LESSON 31. AIMING WITH DIAL SIGHT. or LESSON 31 A CLINOMETER.	LESSON 23. 3rd POSITION.	LESSON 8. EXAM. TESTS ADJUSTMENTS.	"
5.	"	"	LESSON 12. TANGENT SIGHT. FIXED.	LESSON 31. ELEVATION.	LESSON 23. 3rd POSITION.		
5.	"	"	LESSON 14. STRIPPING.	LESSON 32. DIRECTION.	LESSON 23. 3rd POSITION	RECAPITULATION.	"
6.	"	"	LESSON 29. TANGENT SIGHT. FIXED.	LESSON 33. ELEVATION.	LESSON 23. 3rd POSITION.	LESSON 9.	"
7.	BN PARADE AND ROUTE MARCH.				LESSON 24. 3rd POSITION	RECAPITULATION.	"
8.	BN. PDE. RIFLE EX. DRILL.	E.G.D.	RECAPIT.	LESSON. 7. CLEANING.	ORGANISED SPORT.		

	0830-0930.	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700
DEC 27	COY PDE. INSPECTION SQUAD DRILL. SALUTING.	GENERAL DESCRIPTION.	FALL IN. TAKE POST.	MOUNT MORTAR.	DISMOUNT.	AIMING.	SPORT (ORGANISED)
28	BN PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE EX.	LAYING FOR DIRECTION.	LAYING FOR ELEVATION.	MOUNT MORTAR. ROUGH GROUND.	DISMOUNT. MORTAR. ROUGH GROUND.	PROCEDURE ON "CHARGE" BEING ORDERED.	"
29	BN PDE. SQUAD DRILL. WITHOUT ARMS.	FIELD SIGNALS.	TO LAY MORTAR.	TO LAY ON POSTS.	TO LAY ON AUXILIARY AIMING MARK.	TO FIRE.	"
30	BN PDE. RIFLE EX. DRILL.	ACTION AND CEASE FIRING.	CONTROLLED CORRECTIONS.	RECAPITULATION.	BN ROUTE MARCH - BOOT AND FOOT INSPECTION.		
31	"	RAPID CORRECTIONS.	ACTION ON MIS-FIRE.	T.E.O.T.	MAINTENANCE.	FIRE CONTROL SIGNALS.	"

JAN 1

NEW

YEARS

DAY

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500.	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN. 3.	COY PDE. RIFLE EX. DRILL.	ACTION AND CEASE FIRING.	TO LAY ON POSTS.	TO FIRE.	RAPID CORRECTIONS	ACTION ON MISFIRE.	ORGANISED SPORT.
4.	"	RECAPIT.	PREPARATION FOR ACTION. LESSONS 28 & 29.	DETACHMENT DRILL. LESSONS 30 & 31	TO LAY ON AUXILIARY AIMING MARK.	FIELD AND FIRE CONTROLLED SIGNALS.	"
5.	"	MOUNT & DISMOUNT MORTARS. (ROUGH GROUND)	ACTION ON MISFIRE.	T.O.E.T.	TO FIRE.	ACTION AND CEASE FIRE.	"
6.	"	TO TEST AND ADJUST FOR DIRECTION.	TO TEST AND ADJUST FOR ELEVATION.	RECAPIT.	AIMING AND LAYING.	TO LAY ON POSTS.	"
7.	BN PARADE	AND ROUTE MARCH.			XXXXXXXX XXXXXX DETACH DRILL DAY.	CONTROLLED CORRECTIONS.	"
8.	BN PARADE. RIFLE EX. DRILL.		ADVANCED	HANDLING.		ORGANISED	SPORT.

TANK ATTACK.

TRAINING SYLLABUS.

WEEK ENDING JAN 1.

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130.	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
DEC 27 Y	COY PDE. INSPECTION. PL. DRILL.	GUN DRILL. LAYING PRACTICE.	LECTURE MINES AND OBSTACLES.	GUN DRILL. FIRE ORDERS.	W/TNG. BREN STRIPPING AND ASSEMBLING.	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT. $\frac{1}{8}$	ORGANISED SPORT.
28	COY PDE. RIFLE EX.	GUN PITTS.	PRACTICAL.		GUN DRILL. SEC 11.	MUTUAL INSTRUCTION. MECHANISM.	"
29	COY PDE. INSPECTION SQUAD DRILL.	W/TNG. BREN LESSON 4.	LECTURE.. RESPONSIBILITIES & DUTIES OF No.1.	GUN DRILL. RECAPITULATION FIRE ORDERS.	CONCEALMENT AND CAMOUFLAGE.		"
30	COY PDE. PL. DRILL.	GUN DRILL. SEC 2 D	MECHANISM TRAVERSING ELEVATING & FIRING GEAR.	W/TNG. OWEN GUN.	GUN DRILL. SEC 21	LECTURE. BATTLE DRILL.	"
31	COY PDE. INSPECTION RIFLE EX.	RECCE AND OCCUPATION OF POSITIONS.			GUN DRILL. SIGHTS TESTS.	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.	"
JAN 1	NEWXX NEW YEARS DAY.						

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030-1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN 3	COY PDE. INSPECTION. RIFLE DRILL.	GUN DRILL SEC 22.	RIFLE LESS 11.	MUTUAL INSTRU- TION BUFFER AND RECUPERATOR.	GUN DRILL SEC 22.	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.	ORGANISED SPORT.
4.	"	W/TRG. BREN LESSON 5.	GUN DRILL. RECAPIT.	LECTURE. SIGHTING EQUIPMENT.	JUDGING DISTANCE.	GUN DRILL LESSON 23	"
5.	COY PDE. SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	GUN DRILL SEC 24	MECHANISM ^{8/8} SEMI-AUTO. GEAR & SIGHT BRACKET.	RIFLE LESSON 13.	GUN DRILL. RECAPIT.	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.	"
6	COY PDE. INSPECTION RIFLE EX.	WEAPON TRAIN. OWEN GUN.	GUN DRILL SEC 25	SIGHT TESTS.	W/TNG BREN LESSON 6	GUN DRILL QUIZ.	"
7	MINATURE RANGE	- FIRING BREN AND OWEN GUNS.					"
8	COY PDE. RIFLE EX.	GUN DRILL. SEC 26	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT AND SMALL ARMS.		ORGANISED SPORTS.		

	0830-0930	0930-1030	1030- 1130	1130-1230	1400-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700.
JAN 10	COY PDE. INSPECTION PL DRILL	GUN DRILL. RECAPIT.	W/TNG OWEN GUN	MECHANISM MUTUAL INSTRUCTION.	SELECTION OF GUN POSITIONS.		ORGANISED SPORTS.
11	COY PDE INSPECTION RIFLE EX.	GUN DRILL. SEC 27	W/TNG. BREN. LESSON 7	LECTURE SIGHT TESTING AND ZEROING.	W/TNG RIFLE LESSON 14	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.	"
12	COY PDE. INSPECTION PL. DRILL	MECHANISM BREECH.	GUN DRILL SEC 28	W/TNG. BREN. LESSON 8	RECCE AND OCCUPATION OF POSITIONS		"
13	COY PDE. SQUAD DRILL.	GUN DRILL LAYING PRACTICE.	W/TNG. OWEN GUN.	LECTURE SUBSIDIARY T/A WEAPONS.	GUN DRILL SEC. 39	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	"
14	FULL CALIBRE SHOOT AND ZEROING OF GUN.						

For Week Ending. 15 Jan 44.

A. Posted Strength 2 Offrs. and 57 Ors.

Reinforcements Required 3 Offrs. and 66 Ors.

Changes in strength during week.

Marched in 8
" out 4
Transferred 1.

Percentage of men on normal training during week. 83%

No. of Coy. Orderly Rooms held during week. —

No. Remanded to C. O. —

Inspections carried out, with remarks.

Weapons in good order.
all S.M.C. assembled & cleaned ready for range.
Tents inspected each ^{MORNING} ~~evening~~, and in neat order.
Clothes line erected between A & B bay lines.

Sickness. Returned from Hospital 6

Q. Deficiencies on G 1098 Scale.

Evacuations 3.

Stores received during week.

BREN. L.M.G. 1
with all attachments.
OWEN. S.M.C. 2
with attachments
Caps. Discharge. 6
Brushes. Tooth 3.

SLACKS. 40
SHIRTS. 10
SINGLETs. 8
W. PANTS. Cotton. 10
HAT. 1
TOWELS. 12
LACES. 14
KNIFE. 2
FORK. 1
Spoon. 1
Housewife. 3
Combs. 4

Boots. 9.
Gaiters. 12.
Pull overs. 3.

Supply of Rations.

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED
Hair 4.
Kid. Bag 1.
PACK. 1.
HAVERSACK. 1.
GROUND. SHEET. 1.
BOTTLE. WARE. 1.
" " " " " "

Meals and Cookhouse.

Excellent.

State of Clothing and Equipment generally within Coy.

Special Remarks.

with present issue of clothing work are satisfactory

G. Progress in Trng. Exercises, W/Tng. carried Out (Including night tng.)

Trng. Exercises, as per syllabus to date.
Field Defense Works, in given period could not
be carried out satisfactorily.
Men are keen on Group & Section Tactics.

State of Training within Coy., Fitness for Operations.

Standard of training rapidly improving, fitness is fair.

Schools and Courses attended and Results obtained by Personnel.

Aid Required for Specialist Tng.

General remarks.

Men are very keen on all sports,
and with the present organization, Inter-bay competition
is high.

(Sgd) Louis J. Dwyer - Lieut
O.C. "A" Coy.

As Laid Down
by B.H.Q.

Report on Night Training
As carried out by A Coy for
Week ending 15 Jan 44

1. 11th Jan 44

Night Patrols

- i. Recce carried out by myself and Platoon Sgts during afternoon.
- ii. An area was selected for an enemy post.
- iii. Two patrols were sent out from a point approx 1400 yds away, ~~both~~ patrols moving on compass Bearings in opposite directions both converging on the enemy outpost.
- iv. Picture was given to the Patrols, and orders issued.
- v. Patrols did an excellent job, men displayed outstanding ability to move in the dark, with complete control by the Patrol Leaders.
- vi. In both cases the lantern was extinguished by the patrols.

ii. Comments

Men very keen on night work, when properly organized and supervised.

Louis J. Darryl. Hunt
A. Coy.

13th Jan 44

Night Patrols

Area
as laid down
by B.H.Q.

1. Recce carried out by myself and Pl Sgts during afternoon.

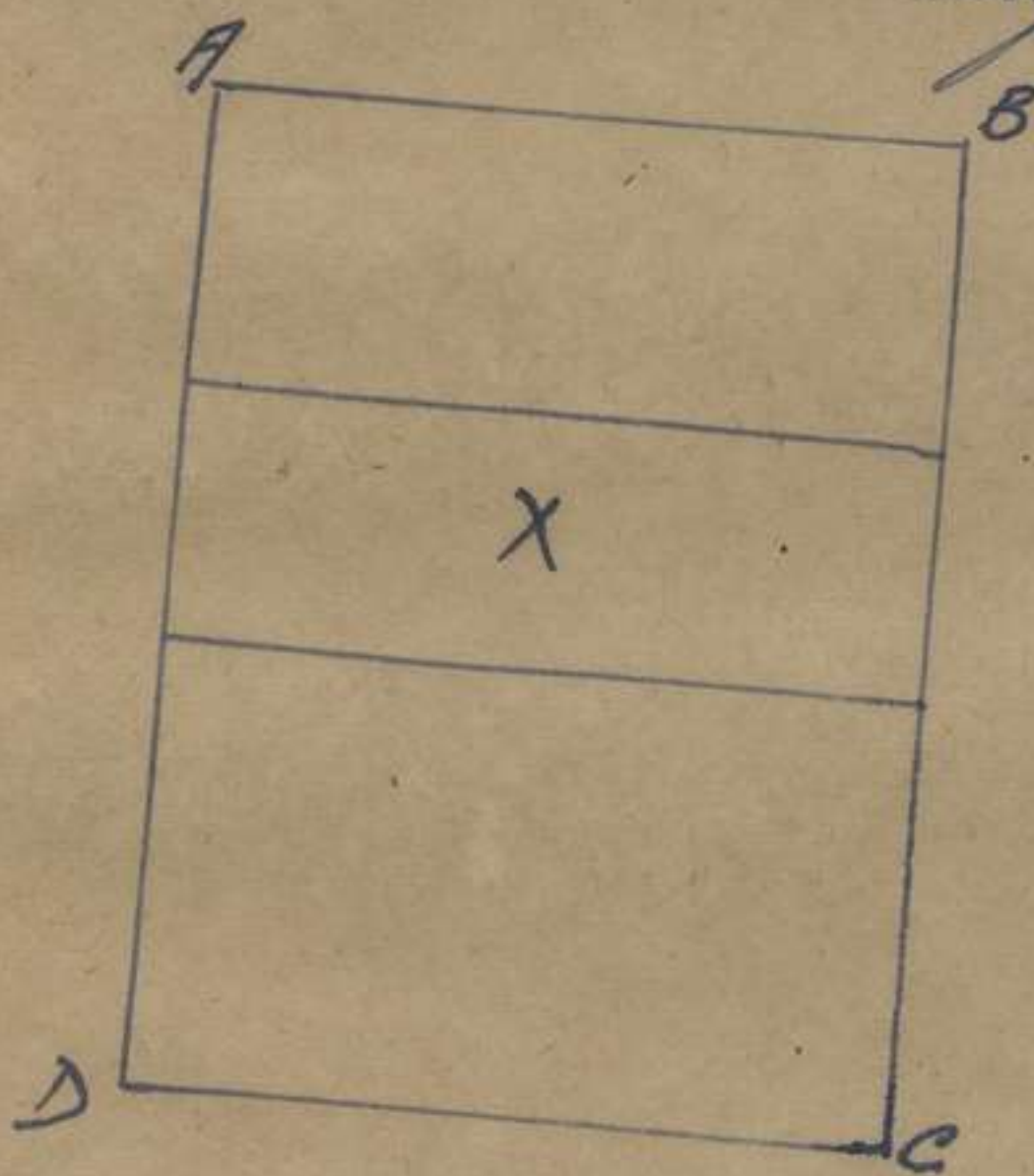
ii. Four standing Patrols were established in an area, 800 yds x 300 yds. each patrol with a lantern.

iii. A patrol was sent out from each light towards their opposite as under.

A to C & vice versa
B to D

A roving patrol was established in the area X, to intercept any patrol.

iv. All patrols were enemy to one another.



v. Sections moved in their groups, and did an excellent job.

vi. Men are learning many points from these night exercises, and mistakes learnt are not repeated in subsequent exercises.

Louis J. Davy, Lieut
A. Coy.

B Coy

Weekly Report (continued)

15th Jan 44

Progress in Eng Exercises

Le Col,
Band. 3/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

barred out as per Syllabus keen interest shown.
Range practice carried out. Magnify need more practice at 30⁰ range.

State of Eng within boy fitness for Operation

Good. etc per Syllabus
Fitness (?)

Schools and courses attended and Results obtained by

Personnel

NX 101643
Lieut EDWARDS. O M M G School.

VX 45098
17/SGT WILTON C. H.
(INSTRUCTOR)

VX 55687
A/CPT HARE L. D.
(INSTRUCTOR)

VX 51854
A/CPT ZOCH. S. G.

VX 56727
M⁰ CURRY. H. M.

17th BDE JUNIOR
LEADERS
SCHOOLS

Aid required for Specialist Eng.

Nil.

Discipline

Very Good.

General Remarks.

High training has been excellent. men have shown keenness
& enthusiasm.

Signed
OC, B. Coy.

B Coy

Weekly Report

15th Jan 44

For Week Ending

15th Jan 44

Change in Strength During Week

S.O.S

11

T.O.S

2-9

Present Strength of Coy

2 Officers

38 OR's

Percentage of Men on Normal Log During Week

95%

No of Coy Orderly Rooms Held during Week

Nil

No Remanded to CO

Nil

Inspections Carried Out

Arms
Clothing
Equipment

Sickness

10 Evacuated
to Hospital

Deficiencies in Q1098 Scale as per attached list

Items received during Week

- 8 towels
- 13 Shirts
- 7 Shirts
- 8 soap
- 5 Brushes Hair
- 3 Great coats
- 3 Housewife
- 2 Shirts Ironing
- 5th Layer
- 3 Packs
- 5 Pairs of Boots
- 8th Quarter

as per list
Submitted to RQM

Supply of Rations

Light in quantity.

Meals and Cookhouse

Cookhouse - Good.
Meals - Lunch + Dinner good
Breakfast - Big improvement is being shown

State of clothing and Equipment Generally

Many boots need repairing. Shirts issued too small.

Special Remarks

Signed Walter Lunt.
OC. B Coy.

Lt. Col.
2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

C COY 2/7 AUST INF BN
WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING 15 Jan 44

- A. (a) POSTED STRENGTH 3 OFFICERS and 55 OR.
- (b) REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED ... 2 OFFICERS and 72
- (c) CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK *M.I. 1 OR HQ Coy. 7 OR. x List*
- (d) PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK *M.O. 7 OR. Hosp 1 OR Transferred.* 75%
- (e) No. OF COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK ... 1
- (f) No. REMANDED TO C.O. ... 1

(g) INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT :-

- (i) BOOTS ✓
- (ii) FEET ✓
- (iii) PAYBOOKS ✓
- (iv) RESPIRATORS
- (v) KIT AND CLOTHING GENERALLY ✓
- (vi) ARMS AND AMMUNITION *Daily*
- (vii) MEDICAL AND DENTAL *As called for*
- (viii) VEHICLES, INCLUDING BICYCLES

(h) SICKNESS *6 cases ^{POD} Malaise 1 Abdominal trouble Eves.*

B. (a) DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE

..... *as per E 2 extract*

(b) STORES RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK

..... *attached list.*

(c) SUPPLY OF RATIONS

(d) MEALS AND COOKHOUSE

..... *Meals Fair & showing slight improvement, lack of Potatoes felt.*

(over)

(e) STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY
..... *Good* *Short of Boots size 6-8 2 pr.*

(f) SPECIAL REMARKS
.....
.....

C.
(a) PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/TRG CARRIED OUT (Including night exercises and lectures).
..... *W/trg as per syllabus, more attention to detail.*
..... *Two night exercises. First, Peeces lamp hunt*
..... *Second, three man Peeces patrols, lectures, fieldcraft*
..... *scouts & patrols, cons's camp, Beveridge Plan (Ad Offr)*

(b) STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS
..... *Progress shown. Night trng good*
..... *Unfit for operations*

(c) SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL
..... *Sgt Carter* *Cpl Gibbon* *Cpl Griffiths*
..... *attending Rde Junior Leaders.*

(d) AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRG - MATERIALS, LECTURES ETC.
.....
.....

GENERAL REMARKS eg. DISCIPLINE, OUTSTANDING N C Os AND MEN, SPORT AND RECREATION, INFORMATION FOR AUSTRALIA, WAR DIARY NOTES
..... *Improvement in Discipline particularly on*
..... *night exercises. Cricket team played B Coy lost*
..... *V-ball team lost to B Coy, more interest being shown*

.....
O.C. COY.

NOTE:- THIS REPORT TO REACH BHQ BY 1200 hrs EACH SATURDAY.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

2/7 AUST INF BN.
2 JAN '44.

SUBJECT : NIGHT TRAINING.
1930 hrs - 2100 hrs.

TUESDAY 4 JAN.

Principles of Night Movement.
Inf Minor Tactics Chap 9, Secs. 46, 47, 48.

THURSDAY 6 JAN.

Night March (by sections) Drill Order.
"I" Section will arrange legs for Compass
March.

THURSDAY 11 JAN.

Night Patrols. Coys to arrange Recce
and detail.

THURSDAY 13 JAN.

Night Patrols. Coys to arrange Recce
and detail.

D. Coy

Store, Received

Bren 2.

Owen 4

Bren Mag 50

Box Mag 4

Recoil Springs 2

Wire Brush 2

Wool Brush 2

oil Bottles 2

Wullets Bren 2

Covers spat Barrel 2

Owen Mag 16

Caps Discharge 7

Boots A.B. 7 Pns.

Sacks 30 Pns.

Shirts 14

Towel 10

Singlet 10

Socks 17

Hat Fur 1

Razors 8

Pullthroughs 12

Belt Web 3

Officers Equipments 1

Weekly Report

Week-ending 15 JAN '44

D. Coy
Lt. Col.
Aust. Inf. Bn

A/ 1/ Posted Strength 4 OFFR. 54 OR^s.

2/ Reinforcements Req - 1 " = 80 OR^s.

3/ Changes in Strength MARCHED OUT 3 OR^s.

MARCHED IN 1 OFFR 4 OR^s.

4/ % OF MEN ON NORMAL TRNG. 80%

5/ N^o OF Coy ORDERLY ROOMS NIL

6/ N^o REMANDED TO C.O. NIL

7/ INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT - DAILY ARMS

- BY PAY BOOKS

8/ SICKNESS 1 MALARIA 1 OR. SPN. ANKLE. 1 CONSULTATION FOR EYES - EVAC.

B/ 1/ DEFICIENCIES IN WE 2 EXTRACT See ATTACHED

2/ STORES RECEIVED " " LIST.

3/ SUPPLY OF RATIONS SATISFACTORY

4/ MEALS & COOK HOUSES CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT DURING THE WEEK.

5/ STATE OF CLOTHING IN COY. SATISFACTORY

6/ SPECIAL REMARKS WEEKLY ISSUE OF RAZOR BLADES NOT YET TO HAND.

7/ 1/ PROGRESS IN TRNG. EX, W/ TRNG, & NIGHT EXERCISES. Re NIGHT EX see ATTACHED
GENERAL STANDARD OF INDIVIDUAL TRNG. GOOD.

2/ STATE OF TRNG. WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS: -

3/ SCHOOLS & COURSES ATTENDED. LICUT. A. ROBERTSON. FIELDWORKS & CAMP.

2 OR^s. 17 B^{de}. J/LEADERS. COURSE

2 " INSTRUCTING " " "

4. Aid Required For Specialist Trng: - _____

5. GENERAL REMARKS. Considerable interest is being shown by all ranks in organised sport particularly Coy. Cricket matches, but it is considered that the time of 2 hrs. allowed for these matches is insufficient as results are often doubtful.

Pl Barely kept
or play
—————

" | Sec.

WEEK. ENDING.
8-1-44.

A HQ Coy.

WEEKLY REPORT.

POSTED STRENGTH: - 4-113

ATTACHED

140 RS.

Changes in strength during week: - M/I/O 15 ORS

M/O. - ~~19~~²⁵ ORS.

DISSECTION OF M/O. EVAC TO HOS. - 7

TO SCHOOLS. - 9

TO 6 AVS DIV CARRIER COY. - 8

TO OTHER COYS. - 1

~~TO~~ FROM OTHER COYS - 2

PERCENTAGE ON NORMAL TRAINING. - 75%

NO OF ORDERLY ROOMS HELD. - 3 ORS.

REMAINED TO C.O. NIL.

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT: - RIFLE-WEAPONS - PERSONAL-
QUARTERS - RATIONS.

SICKNESS: - ON SICK REPORTS: 45 ORS.

EVAC TO HOS: - 7 "

ON NO DUTIES: - 7 "

ON LD DUTIES: - 2 "

B/ DEFICIENCIES OF W.E.: - MORTARS. 3" = 7 STILL NOT TO HAND.
OTHER PLATOONS STILL WITHOUT VARIOUS STORES.

SUPPLIES OF RATIONS: - INSUFFICIENT: - COOKING OF MEALS
IS GOOD, BUT LACKING IN QUALITY.

STATE OF HEALTH WITHIN COY: - FAIR, TROOPS SHOW LACK OF
INTEREST. PREFER. TO DO PICK & SHOVEL WORK.

C/ PROGRESS IN TRAINING: - SIGNAL PLATOON, TRAINING
SHOWS IMPROVEMENT; NEED EXERCISES WITH WIRELESS
SETS.

M.M.G. PLATOON, OWING TO HAVING TO SUPPLY VARIOUS
TRAINING
WORKING PARTIES DURING WEEK. VERY LITTLE ~~WORK~~ HAS
BEEN DONE.

MORTAR PLATOON: - ONLY ONE MORTAR TO HAND, EACH ^{DETACHMENT.} TAKING
IT IN TURN TO TRAIN, OTHER DETACHMENTS PLACED ON
WORKING PARTIES, PL HANDICAPPED BY LACK OF WEAPONS.

A Edwards Lieut

CONTINUED

WEEK ENDING
8-1-44

HQ COY

WEEKLY REPORT.

T/A PLATOON:- NORMAL TRAINING, ALL MEMBERS KEEN ON JOB, ONLY ONE NCO IN PLATOON & IS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB.

CAPABLE MEN:- PTE LOWE. PTE SHRAPNEL:- VERY KEEN.
PIONNEERS:- NORMAL TRAINING, DOING GOOD JOB BUT STILL NEED EQUIPMENT.

6 PLATOON:- NORMAL DUTIES, INCLUDING TRANSPORT.
SPECIAL REMARKS Nos 2-3 PL ZEROED RIFLES 8-1-44.

GROUPING ONLY. UP TO STANDARD.

MORTAR PLATOON + TEAM ^{FROM D COY} WANT TO HAVE COMPETITION SHOOT. PRACTICE TO INCLUDE MORTARS, RIFLES + AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, ALSO MORTARS + M MGS WISH TO COMPETE AGAINST TEAMS FROM OTHER BATTNS.

ct Edwards Lieut

Jan 44

FOR WEEK ENDING

A. Posted Strength 1 Offrs. and 53 Ors.

Reinforcements Required. 4 Offrs. and 71 Ors.

Changes in strength during week. *Marched in 11. T.O.S. 1-8.*

..... Lt. Col. Comd. - 17 Aust. Inf. Bn. 80%

Percentage of men on normal training during week.

No. of Coy. Orderly Rooms held during week. 6

No. remanded to C.O. 6

Inspections carried out, with remarks.

all arms are in good condition, and the mess tents are a big improvement. the lines are in good condition and improvements are carried out when ever possible. Sickness. Six Evacuations all P.V.O.

Q. Deficiencies on GI098 Scale.

PACK. 1. Boots. 4 ps SHIRTS. 7. RATIONS 1 SHEET. 3. BRUSH. 2. LADLES. 3. TINS. 2. BOTTLES. OIL. 10. HATBAG. 1. LAUNDRY. 7 ps. L. PANTS. 6. HOUSEWIFE. 2. BAC. KIT. 1. GAITER. 2. 5 ps. CARRIERS. 1. MAG. S.M.C. 20. BATH TOWELS. 20. S.A.A. 1250 RDS. FLAME. 12 ps.

TARGETS. Practice. 70.

Stores received during the week.

Supply of Rations. *Poor, men are not keen on army for breakfast.*

Meals and Cookhouse. *Cookhouses in excellent condition*

State of clothing and equipment generally within coy. *clothing is required. all khaki has been dyed, and equipment is fairly good.*

Special Remarks.

G. Progress in training exercises, W/Tng. carried out. (including night exercises.)

Men are very keen; try a night exercises as per syllabus.

State of training within coy., Fitness for operations.

Men still need building up physically, before they are fit for operations

Schools and courses attended and results obtained by personnel.

Aid required for specialist training.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Signed *Louis J. Davy. Lieut.*
O.C. A. Coy.

B. Coy

Weekly Report

8 Jan 44

For Week Ending

Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

8 Jan 44

Change in strength during week

S. O. I.

7

S. O. I.

7

Present strength of Coy

2 Officers

37 O. R's

Percentage of Men on Normal Log during week

95%

N^o of Coy Orderly Rooms held during week

Nil

N^o Remanded to C.O.

(1)

V^x 29276 CPL POLLARD, K. R.

Inspections carried out

Arms,
Clothing
Equipment

Sickness

1 evacuated
to hospital

Deficiencies in G.I. scale as per attached list

Stores received during week

2 sets Web Equip.
30 gaters web
20 barruts Mag.
O.S.M.G.

(also per 62)
Submitted to R. Q.M.

Supply of Rations

Light in quantity

Meals and Cookhouse

Cookhouse: good

Meals: Lunch + dinner good

Breakfast: This meal is consistently
light on. More rations needed.

State of clothing and Equipment generally

Many pairs of boots need repairing otherwise new boots will have to be issued. Clothes: Men have two sets only. Three sets are desirable.

Special Remarks

signed W. Brooke, Capt
O.C. "B" Coy

Progressing Eng Exercises

Carried out as per syllabus. Keen interest shown.

..... Lt. Col
Comd. 27 Aust. Inf. Bn.

State of Eng. within Coy Fitness for Operations

Good. As per syllabus.

Fitness (?)

Schools and courses attended and Result obtained by

Personnel.

NX
101642

Lieut EDWARDS O. M.M.G. SCHOOL.

VX
50792 A/CPL SPROULE C.N.

VX
11985 PTE CAHIR C.P.

VX
55687
A/CPL HARE L.D.
(INSTRUCTOR)

VX
51854
A/CPL ZOCH S.G.

VX
56727
PTE McCURRY H.M.

} 17 BDE JUNIOR
LEADERS
SCHOOL.

VX
45098

A/SGT WILTON C.H. (INSTRUCTOR)

No reports received as yet re the above personnel.

Aid required for Specialist Eng.

Nil.

Discipline

Very Good.

General Remarks: Men re-acted enthusiastically to proposed increase in sporting activities.

signed H. Burke, Capt
O.C. "B" Coy.

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 COY 2/7 AUST INF BN
 WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING *8 Jan 44*

Lt. Col.
 Comd. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

- A.
- (a) POSTED STRENGTH *2* and *54*
 - (b) REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED *3* and *13*
 - (c) CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK *IN. 6* *OUT. 4*
 - (d) PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK *87%*
 - (e) No. OF COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK *5*
 - (f) No. REMANDED TO C.O. *5*

- (g) INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT :-
- (i) BOOTS
 - (ii) FEET
 - (iii) PAYBOOKS ✓
 - (iv) RESPIRATORS
 - (v) KIT AND CLOTHING GENERALLY *Fair condition*
 - (vi) ARMS AND AMMUNITION *Inspected daily*
 - (vii) MEDICAL AND DENTAL *As required*
 - (viii) VEHICLES, INCLUDING BICYCLES

(h) SICKNESS *Evacuated with malaria 5*

B.

(a) DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE
As per P.L. Extract

(b) STORES RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK
As per attached list

(c) SUPPLY OF RATIONS *Insufficient mainly breakfast*

(d) MEALS AND COOKHOUSE *Meals well cooked
 Cookhouse condition good.*

(over)

(e) STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY

*Clothing required urgently as
required*

(f) SPECIAL REMARKS

Slacks 50 - some new have only 1 pair

C.
(a) PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/TRG CARRIED OUT (Including night exercises and lectures)

Mapas long improving. Nights courses on Tuesday & Thursday

(b) STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

Trg improving - unfit for operations

(c) SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

*VX 15881 Sgt Baker SR }
VX 13484 Cpl Gibbons LT }
VX 58767 Cpl Gibbons LT }
} See p. 2 Schools.*

(d) AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRG - MATERIALS, LECTURES ETC.

GENERAL REMARKS eg. DISCIPLINE, OUTSTANDING N C Os AND MEN, SPORT AND RECREATION, INFORMATION FOR AUSTRALIA, WAR DIARY

NOTES *Discipline - good*
Sport: Cricket & Volley Ball organized daily

H. Seares Lieut
O.C. 'C' COY.

NOTE:- THIS REPORT TO REACH BHQ BY 1200 hrs EACH SATURDAY.

"D" Coy Weekly Report

Week-ending 8 JAN 44

A/ 1/ Posted Strength. 3 OFFR 53 OR^s

..... Lt. Col.
Comd. 217 Aust. Inf. Bn.

2/ Reinforcements Required 2 OFFR^s 71 OR^s

3/ Changes in Strength. Marched In 2 OR^s Marched Out 9 OR^s

4/ % of men on Normal Trng 80%

5/ N^o of Coy Orderly Rooms Held 4

6/ Remanded to C.O 4

B/ 1/ Inspections Carried Out:- Daily Arms & Equipment.

2/ Sickness: 9 OR Evacuated (Malaria) otherwise Company in Good Condition.

B/ 1/ Deficiencies in G1098 Scale. Attached.

2/ Stores Received:- see Attached List

3/ Supply of Rations. Definite Room for Improvement in Both

Quality & Quantity

4/ Mess & Cook House. Mess. UNSATISFACTORY Cook House SATISFACTORY

5/ State of Clothing & Equipment. FAIR. Shortages of Slack J/K

Shirts J/K & Socks etc. NOT yet to hand

6/ C.O.M.S. Report Attached.

C/ 1/ Progress in Trng. EX, w/Trng. Carried Out.

Range Practice Carried Out on the 5 JAN. General Standard. Both

Rifle & Bren. Good. Report Forwarded.

Progress made in individual Trng. inc. Night Trng. SATISFACTORY.

2/ State of Trng & Fitness for Operations.

Is NOT considered that the Coy. is yet fit for operations owing to
relapses in Malaria cases & general physical condition.

3/ Schools & Courses. Lieut. A Robertson (Field Works & Camf.)

2 OR^s 17Bth J/leaders Course

4/ General Remarks:- The supply of Razor Blades is UNSATISFACTORY.

The issue of 7 JAN 44 being only the 2nd. since Dec 20

W Baird Capt
of D Coy

Stores Received

ANKLETS, 41 PR. SIZE. 293

BOOTS, A B. 1 " SIZE. 8-5.

SHIRTS J/G. 6

DRAWERS COTTON 3 PR.

CHEVRONS SGT. 2. CPL. 2.

BELTS U.S. 2.

BRUSH SHAVING 6

" TOOTH. 36.

CARRIER MAG. S.MG. 20

MESS TINS 5.

Weekly Report.

8. 1. 44

O.C. Don. Coy.

Rations and meals for the week, were unfavourably commented on by all men. during that period in my opinion will justify.

for over a month.

Razor-blades have not been on issue

Boots are in need of Repair.

P. Brush off A. 9. M.

.....Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

A. Posted Strength.....4.....Offrs. and 56.....Ors.

Reinforcements Required.....1.....Offrs. and 67.....Ors.

Changes in Strength during week.

Marched in 14 90R
" out 10 0R

Percentage of men on normal tng. during week.

90%

No. of Coy. Orderly Rooms held during week.

Nil

No. Remanded to C. O.

Nil

Inspections carried out, with remarks.

Rifles - equipment in good order. Tents & layout of kits excellent. Lines good.

Sickness.

Ten evacuations

Q. Deficiencies on G 1098 Scale.

Stores received during week.

As per attached list

Supply of Rations.

Supplied. Meals in the field not up to standard

Meals and Cookhouse.

Cookhouse excellent.

State of Clothing and Equipment generally within Coy.

Good.

Special Remarks.

Five Brens seized on range, owing to faulty ammunition

G. Progress in Tng. Exercises, W/Tng. carried out (including Night Tng).

Tng as per syllabus, men are very keen on field work, & their field discipline is very good. Plans are required for night training

State of Tng. within Coy., Fitness for Operations.

Evacuations P.O. still heavy, men are generally becoming fitter.

Schools and Courses attended and Results obtained by Personnel.

Aid required for Specialist Tng.

General Remarks.

Cpl Vaughan returned from B.M. J. School. Results not to hand.

(Sgd) [Signature] O.C. "A" Coy.

A' Coy

Goods Received from R.Q.M. for week ending
22-1-44

Slacks	8	Patches Color	5
Shirts	8	Badges Collar	2
Towel	1	Sheets Ground	3
Hair Brush	8	Lacos	10
Tooth Brush	10		
Comb	6		
Hat	1		
Chin Strap	4		
Knife	1		
Spoon	1		
Fork	1		
Water Bottle	1		
Carrier "	1		
Belt Web	1		
Tunic S D	2		
Trouser S D	2		
Housewife	7		
Gaiter	1		
Smglets	2		
U' Pants	2		
Mug Drinking	1		
Great coat	1		
Pack	1		
Strap Supp	2		

Wm. J. Hany 6
H.

Report. Re. Night Training

Posted Strength 2 off. 5402

I. Log roll call was held at 1930 hrs.

II.	Strength	1 Officer	21 D.R.	
		Bn. Duties.		} Guard 14 Bn. Hqs. 2 Officers absent. 1.
		Sub in lines. 6		
		Marched in. 2.		
				<u>Total. 1 off. 5402</u>

III. Reconnaissance made during day by Secs for a section in attach.

IV. Sec in attach carried out as a night exercise.

V. Secs approach to the position was carried out with out being observed, & the control while the attach was being launched was excellent. The orders by the Sec Commanders were very concise, & each group knew exactly what their job was, no punching occurred at the position, and consolidation & exploitation were carried out.

Men were very keen, and try to learn all they can from their mistakes.

Coffee was provided for the men at 2130 hrs.

G. A. Crawford Major
D.C. of Coy.

A B Coy WEEKLY REPORT

week ending 22 Jan 44

A/	POSTED STRENGTH	RENPTS REQUIRED.	REMARKS.
COY HQ	1-5	1 Batman, 1 Range taker.	1 CBms. Over.
1 Pl	1-21	7-9 Gp/Sec 1 Batman	1. 81/2 over.
2..	- 28	4-3 incl 1 Range taker	
3..	1-20	38-38 incl 1 Sgt 4 bpls 1 Range taker	
4..	1-18	6-6 incl 1 Sgt 4 bpls.	
5..	1-20	19-19 incl 3 bpls 3 Gp/Barpenders.	
6..	2-28	NIL Pl over strength but require 1 Tech Storeman, 1 Equip Repairer 1 Sailor, also incl 6 cooks to be transferred to AACCC. 16 ORs incl 1 Sgt 2 bpls att to dft. These can be absorbed in either 3 or 5 pls for WE purposes.	

CHANGES in Strength m/1. 1 off 5 ORS Renpts 28+2 att ^{HOSP} LEAVE
m/0. 1 transferred. 12+3 att to HOSP

% on normal try. 70%

ORDERLY ROOM one

REMANDED one.

Inspections. Arms equipment daily. W.E
daily & weekly. Lines daily.

SICKNESS. mainly P.U.O. Health Fair -

B. DEFICIENCIES in G1098. as to O.M.
STORES RECEIVED as per att. "A"
RATIONS. satisfactory.
MEALS & COOKHOUSES. satisfactory.

P.T.O.



STATE of CLOTHING. GOOD

C. Training.

- 1 Pl. progressing slowly owing to shortage of pers and schools.
- 2 Pl. progressing well but key pers are away at school. Shoot is required as soon as school finished.
- 3 Pl. practically no trg carried out owing to shortage NCOs & ORS.
- 4 Pl. trg. good.
- 5 & 6 Pl. normal standing camp duties. Weapon trg carried out on range. Range practice report sent to Bn HQ. 21 Jan. One night trg exercise carried out - reports att.

STATE OF TRG. Only fair. Number of pers make collection trg almost impossible expect a decided improvement within two weeks.

SCHOOLS ATTENDED.

		Results
NO1 LINESMANS,	VX 50526. Pte WALKER. A.F.	}
17 Bde J.L. Sch.	VA 5550 Sgt RODUCK.	}
	VX 5555 bpl BAMBRIDGE	}
	VX 44646 " JACKSON.	}
	VX 138307 4pl MASON.	}
	VX 13755 " TINDALE	}
17 Bde letters Sch.	VX 11753 Pte MAY. A.R.	}
	VX 36036 " GOUNDERK J.	}
	VX 50526 " WALKER. A.F.	}

GENERAL. Discipline good. morale good.

Norman [Signature]

Stores Received During Week

HQ Coy "A"
217 Bn.
22 Jan 44

16-1-44.	Wireless 108 Mk. III Nos 424, 456.		2
18-1-44.	Capo water proof.		5
	Great Coats		1
	Belts web, U.S.A. Patt.		5
	Boots. H. B.	prs	15
	Laces leather	"	15
	Torks. F.S.		2
	Spoons, F.S.		2
	Mugs Drinking Enamel		3
	House wife F.S.		13
	Hat Fur Sell.		1
	Bag Kit Universal		1
19-1-44.	Ankleto web.	prs	43
	oil C70 (1/2 gal. tin)		1
	Grease Graphite (Tin lbs. 5)		1
21. 1. 44.	clinometer Field MK VI, A1130		1
	Straps shldr. left.		12
	" " Right.		12
	Belts web Patt 37.		10
	Bottles Water		12
	Pouches, AmmO.		6
	" Basic		18
	" compass.		6

Guss soft



AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND



In Conjunction with

Y. M. C. A.

(Use Official Address only)

From No.

Name

Unit or Group PATROL REPORT

Date

PATROL COMDR. Cpl Smyth

PATROL STRENGTH INCO 7 OR's

TIME OUT 2020 hrs

TIME IN 2120

ROUTE OUT starting camp area, moved on bearing of 20° to M.C. aiming board, from there 210 paces on bearing of 90° to Platoon area in ~~the~~ ^{RV} moved therefrom as section patrol on 25° bearing

ROUTE IN moved back by detour to Pl. rendezvous and from there direct to camp area.

OBJECT OF PATROL to locate enemy believed to be in area 25° bearing from Pl. rendezvous and report strength in numbers and arms and location of right flank of enemy.

PATROL REPORT after moving on 25° bearing for 117 paces, forward scouts contacted first enemy troops on right flank, further scouting proved that right flank extended from 117 paces to ~~170~~ 170 paces along 25° bearing from Pl. rendezvous flank strength estimated to be one section armed with rifles. Enemy located mainly by sound made by themselves such as coughing.

8.

MAIL YOUR LETTERS A.P.O.

DO NOT MENTION MILITARY ACTIVITIES.

Cpl Smyth J.H.

Patrol Report.

Patrol supplied by
Patrol Command.

2 Sect of Pl.
Cpl B Law
1 NCO 8 ORs.

Strength
Time out.

18.30 hrs 20-1-44

Time in
Route out

19.25 " 20-1-44

From centre of
parade ground on bearing of
 20° to prearranged point. Then
a bearing of 90° for 210 paces
then on bearing of 35° for
160 paces where the enemy was
contacted.

Route in. Most direct route.

Chips

- 1/ Is enemy in occupation Yes
- 2/ Approx strength 9 men
- 3/ Has enemy consolidated Yes

On last leg we went approx 160
yards on 35° bearing and contacted
enemy forward section post
with 1 LMG and rifles
we tried flanking enemy to
the right and found he had
withdawn.

Cpl B Law

2.

MAP REF.

HERBERTON 1" = 1 MILE.

20 JAN 44

REF.

TIMBER KNOLL.

RECC. PATROL REPORT.

PATROL SUPPLIED BY

1 SECT. 4 PL.

PATROL. COMMND

Cpl. J. M. Jackson.

STRENGTH

1 NCO. 8 ORS

TIME OUT

1830 hrs. 20 JAN 44

TIME IN

1915 hrs. 20 JAN 44

ROUTE OUT

From camp on bearing 20° to a given point. then on a bearing of 90° for 210 yds. then on a bearing of 30° for approx. 175 yds.

ROUTE IN

most direct route.

Object

1 Is enemy in occupation

YES.

2 Approx. strength

20 men

3 Has enemy consolidated

YES.

From last lg we went approx. 175 yds before contacting enemy. on contact we tried to find enemy flanks but

2

failed to do so. we estimate the enemy strength at approx.
20 men. he has 2 L.M.C positions the enemy is well
dug in, there is a listening post approx. 50 YDS in front of
enemy positions.

J. M. Jackson lpl.

J

B. Coy

WEEKLY REPORT

22 JAN. 44

FOR WEEK ENDING

22 JAN 44

CHANGE IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK

S.O.S

6

T.O.S.

11

PRESENT STRENGTH OF COY

104

46 O.Rs

PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRNG DURING WEEK

95%

No. of Coy ORDERLEY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK.

2

No. REMANDED TO C.O.

2

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT.

ARMS CLOTHING EQUIPMENT.

SICKNESS

6 EVAC. TO HOSP.

1 DIARRHOEA.

STORES RECEIVED DURING WEEK.

9 SIGNALLING STRIPS AIR RECOGNITION

12 AIR SIGNAL-FLAGS

SUPPLY OF RATIONS

- Fair could be improved.

MEALS AND COOKHOUSE

Breakfast light in quantity.

lunch } Good.
Dinner }

STATE OF CLOTHING & EQUIP. GENERALLY

Good.

PROGRESS IN TRNG EXERCISES

SYLLABUS CARRIED OUT. - KEEN INTEREST SHOWN
MANY LESSONS LEARNT. RANGE FIRING FOR MEN
WHO HAD NOT FIRED PREVIOUS WEEK.

STATE OF TRNG WITHIN COY - FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

Good - AS PER SYLLABUS

FITNESS - IMPROVING

SCHOOLS & COURSES ATTENDED & RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

NX 101643 LIEUT D. EDWARDS M.M.S. Schools

VX 42953 CAPT. R.N. ROONE 3DIV. JUNGLE School.

VX 8967 LIEUT. S. HEDT 17 Bde JUNG LDR Schools

VX 55687 A/CPA HARE, L.D. " " " "

VX 51864 " ZUCK, S.G. " " " "

VX 56727 Pte McCURRY, H.M. " " " "

VX 45098 A/SGT WILTON, CH.

DET. AS INSTRUCTOR.

CPA Zuck evac to hospital
before completion

Pte McCurry returned to Coy
but no reports yet to hand.

AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRNG.

NIL.

DISCIPLINE

Excellent.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Night training has not been carried out during
week - first night cancelled on account wet
weather, second night duties, more of duty given
next off by permission of C.O.

Signed. Walter Lee
i.c. B. Coy

- B. Coy. SYLLABUS FOR SECTION TRAINING -

TUESDAY 18th JAN.

1030 - 1245

Due to the limited time for recon patrols on account of the training programme till 1030 hrs. I have decided to do my recon patrols on the way out to the training area. Scheme is one section moving as a recon patrol with rest of company as observers & picking faults in the movement of the patrol in the different types of ground. Each section will have a turn on the way out and after each patrol has finished the distance they have to cover will hold a discussion on their movements & adjust all faults that have been noticed.

1400 - 1600.

Fieldcraft - movement & placing of the section over different types of ground in area shown on map, also on the way back to camp.

WED 19th JAN

Leave camp by sections. rendezvous stockyard. Using position shown on map as defensive area, one section in defence one in attack. The rest of company as observers and after the completion of the attack all will discuss the movement of the attackers & criticize both attackers & defender. Discuss the giving of the orders, re admen, consolidation & the digging of the defensive position. Each section will in turn change over & do the attack.

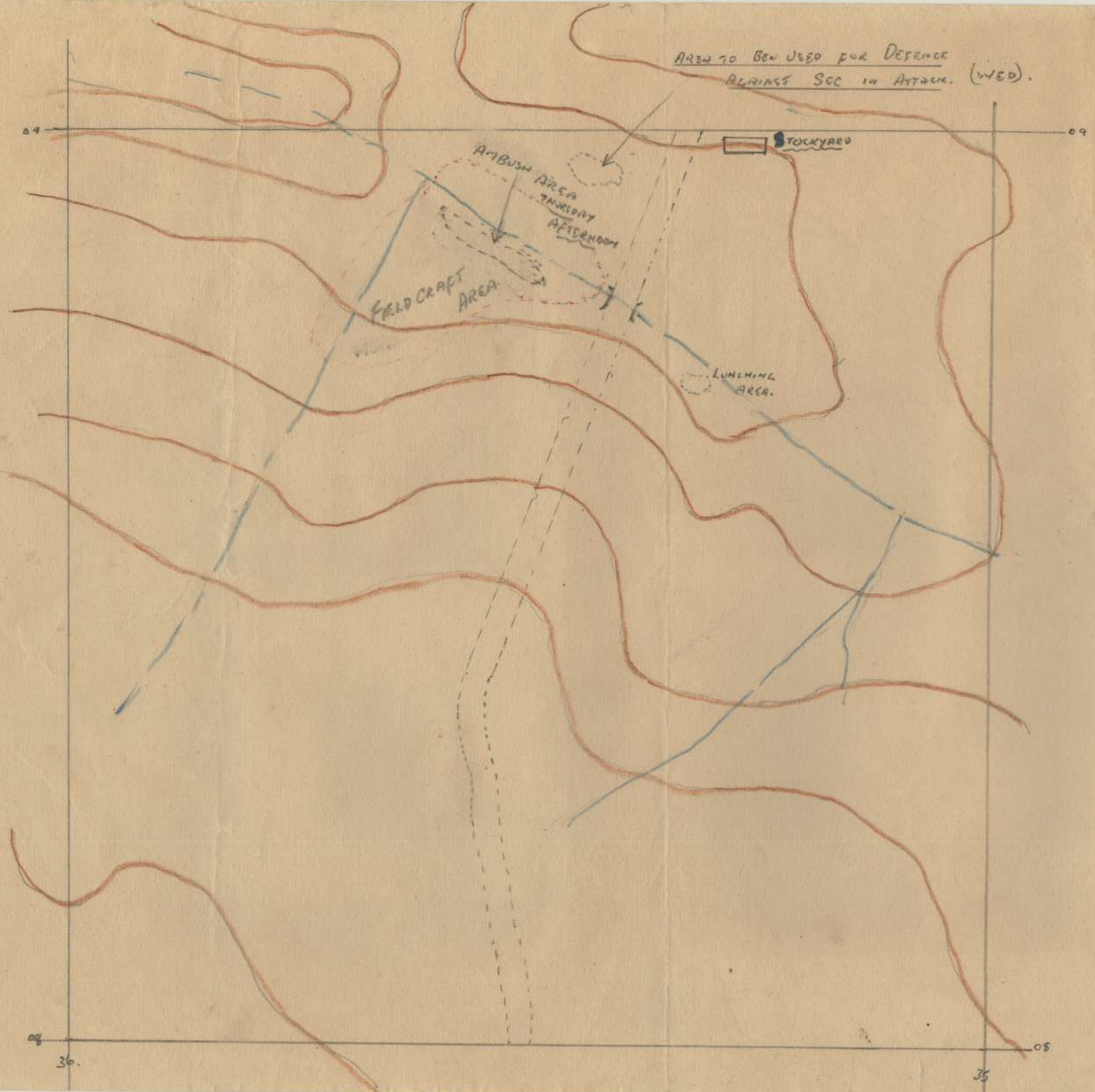
THURSDAY 20th JAN

One section will move out a little earlier & take up an ambush position to ambush the leading section of coy on the way out. Lesson to teach the section automatic action on being ambushed. Discussion after each ambush & each section will study the position of the ambushing section & criticize the methods used by them.

Walter Litch

B. COY. AREA.

AREA TO BE USED FOR DEFENCE
AGAINST SEC IN ATTACK. (WED).



G.M.
↑

M.M.
↑

5° 49' EAST

SCALE 12" = 1 MILE

REPORT. NIGHT TRQ.

A night exercise was carried on the night 20 Jan, 44. between the hrs of 2000 to 2130 the exercise was a night recon compass bearing with enemy in positions, the hrs taking part were keen and showed a good working knowledge of compass work, maintenance of direction on all of the 6 legs was good.

James Lint
D Coy.

O.C. Coy

Received from R.O.M.

Week ending 22.1.44

Description of Stores	Quantity
Gaiters. Web	4 pr
Signalling Strips Air Recognition All	9
Air Signal Flags	12.

J. Lobb. Rtc

"D" Coy Weekly Report.

Week ending 22 JAN 44

- A/ 1/ Posted STRENGTH. 3 OFFR 56 OR^s
2/ REINFORCEMENTS Required. 2 OFFR 68 OR^s
3/ CHANGES IN STRENGTH 6 OR^s MARCHED IN. 4 MARCHED OUT.
4/ % OF MEN ON NORMAL TRNG 80%
5/ N° OF Coy Orderly Rooms 2.
6/ N° REMANDED TO CO 2
7/ DAILY INSPECTION OF ARMS.
8/ SICKNESS. CONDITION OF TROOPS FAIR 4 EVAC OWING TO MALARIA.
- B/ 1/ DEFICIENCIES IN G1098. See ATTACHED. AT PRESENT AT B.HQ.
2/ STORES RECEIVED. BOOTS AB 4 PRS, SHIRTS 12, PACKS 3, BRUSH SHAVING 3
SHACKS J/G 12. AIR RECOGNITION 12. AIR SIGNAL STRIPS 9.
3/ SUPPLY OF RATIONS. SATISFACTORY
4/ MEALS & COOKHOUSE SATISFACTORY
5/ STATE OF CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT SATISFACTORY
6/ SPECIAL REMARKS. Bed Boards ARE REQUIRED AS SEVERAL MEN ARE AT
PRESENT sleeping on the ground
- C/ 1/ PROGRESS IN TRNG EXERCISES, W/TRNG CARRIED OUT: - SECTION EXERCISES
HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT. AND GREAT IMPROVEMENT HAS BEEN NOTICED.
RANGE PRACTICE WAS CARRIED OUT. BY ALL PERSONNEL. RESULTING IN AVERAGE SHOOTING
2/ STATE OF TRNG & FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS.
STATE OF TRNG. VERY SATISFACTORY. BUT OWING RECURRENCES OF MALARIA TRNG. IS
3/ SCHOOLS & COURSES. LIEUT A ROBERTSON FIELD WORK & CAMP. (SLOW
VX12340 P^{te} MONTGOMERY J. COMPLETED 17B^{de} J/H SCHOOL.

GENERAL REMARKS.

[Signature]
Lieut.

UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

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Week Ending Midnight Friday

Formation or Unit.

UNIT	Offrs	Daily Strength
	17	
	ORS 376	
	Total Sick Parade 109	
	Offrs 1	NEW SICK
	ORS 102	
	TOTAL FOR DUTY 10	
	Offrs 1	TOTAL EVACUATED
	ORS 36	
	Notifiable Diseases	
	MALARIA	
	Scrub Typhus	
	Dengue Fever	
	Diarrhoea 3	
	Dysentery	
	U.R.T.I. 6	
	P.U.O. 26	
	Veneral Disease	
	Skin Parasites & Tinea 4	
	Skin Diseases 4	
	Diseases of the Ear	
	Foot Disabilities 6	
	OTHER DISEASES 35	
	Dental 23	
	Accidents	
	Battle Casualties	
	Consultations	
	Admitted	

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1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) Grberal physical Condition of Personnel Fair

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received Lowest received.

Two of these were poor physical type.

(c) Severity of Work or Training Moderately strenuous,

but not excessively so.

(d) General Remarks Troops are settling down &

contented with camp life, but more night
entertainment would seem to be indicated.

2. STORES

Details of Stores requisioned but not yet received

(a) Medical

(b) Expense Stores

(c) Malaria Control Stores

(i) Ordnance

(ii) AASC

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personnel Protection (Good, Fair, Bad)

Nets Atobrin Clothing Repellent

(b) Larvae Control

(c) Adult Destruction

(d) General Comments

4. RATIONS

Satisfactory.

5. HYGIENE

Pipe drainage from showers
completed.

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO

DATE 21 Jan 44

Signed Walter Honder RMO
UNIT 2/7 Aust Inf Bn

"A" Coy.

Henry D. ... Lt. Col. ... 27 Aust. Inf. Bn.

WEEKLY REPORT

NO. PL.

FOR WEEK ENDING

29th Jan 44

POSTED STRENGTH 5 OFFRS. 85005 IN LINES 5 OFFRS. 78005

REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED:-

CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK

38 ORS. MARCHED IN. 3 OFFRS. 34005 } X Cunningham Rpts. 10 ORS. } 3 OFFRS. 25005

NO. OF ORDERLY ROOMS ONE.

10 CO

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT

Lines now Al. Layout of kits good.

SEVERAL WEAPONS, HAVE FOULED BARRELS. & UNTIL GAUZE IS MADE AVAILABLE, they CANNOT BE CLEANED.

REMARKS. 4 ORS. RETURNED FROM SOUTHERN LEAVE.

SICKNESS. 1 OFFR. 6 ORS. EVACUATED. — 6 ORS RETURNED FROM HOSPITAL.

SUPPLY OF RATIONS. IMPROVED.

DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE.

MEALS & COOKHOUSE. KITCHEN EXCELLENT. MEATS IMPROVED.

STORES RECEIVED DURING WEEK

AS ATTACHED LIST.

STATE OF CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN SEX. Clothing still short in a few cases. Equipment. Good.

SPECIAL REMARKS

One night Training Exercise. Pl. Fighting Patrols.

PROGRESS IN TRNG. EXERCISES.

Reinforcements very fit, and keen. Pl. Trng within Coy. Coy in attack to Lewis on Bumbas Hill Coy. Route search.

Attention Comd.

over

Cont. Aust. Inf. Bn.

GENERAL REMARKS

300^s marched out to J. L. course

3 Sgts returned from Prescription bank.

RATIONS -

Improved. - cookhouse excellent, big improvement in the meals.

DATA FOR WAR DIARY

~~OUTSTANDING N.O.C.s & O.R.s~~

~~TRNG. STORES REQUIR'D~~

~~SUGGESTIONS:~~

~~LAUNDRY CERTIFICATES.~~

(Sgt)

Louis J. Damp. Hunt
of A Coy

To RQM from Army

Goods received for week ending 29-1-44

Strips Air Recognition	9
Flags Signalling	12
Shirt	3
Boots	11
Laces	11
Brush Tooth	10
Brush Hair	4
Comb	12
Housewife	1
Hat	1
Strap Chin	4
Bottle Water	3
Carrier W. Bottle	2
Great Coat	1
Pack	2
Strap Shoulder	10
Haversack	1
Holdall	1
Sheet Ground	5
Strap Supporting	6
Patches Color	26
Knife	3
Spoon	2
Fork	2
Braces Web	2
Pouches	3
Bucket Water	1
Compass Mk III Replacement	2
Pouches Compass	12
Belt Web	1

REPORT. NIGHT. TRAINING

STRENGTH

- I. Coy Paraded. 2000 hrs. 4 OFFRS. 55 ORS.
- II. Lecture by Pl. Officers till 2015 hrs.
Subject Pl. Fighting Patriots.
- III. Mess made by Seco Pl. Officers
during afternoon.
- IV. Exercise finished at 2120 hrs.
- I. Men moved excellently, and the
reinforcements were very keen to
learn all they could from the boy
men.
- V. Bco was provided under CQ's
arrangements, on arrival back.

Lewis J. Dwyer
Pl/a Coy

HQ Coy Henry D. Quinn

Weekly Report Lt. Col. Week ending 29 Jan 44
Comd. 27 Aust. Lab.

A a 7 offr 226 ORP

b nil

c marched in - hosp 12 and 2 att, consultation 2
X Coys 5, transfers 7 + 1 att

marched out - Coys 57, transfers 3, hosp 15, 72 recruits
leave 2 att.

d 75%

e nil

f nil

g AAB 83 called in and examined and brought
up-to date.

h. Bulk of evac were PVO and Malaria. General
health of Coy fair. New personnel subject to
Ainea and older members from fibrositis.

B. a. List submitted to RQM.

b. nil

c. good

d. good

e. good

f. Tentage in Coy is very short. If there are
any more arrivals in excess of departures we
will be unable ^{to put} them up with our present
allotment of tentage.

C. a. Pls still on elementary Trng. TK/A carried
out live shoot on 28 Jan, with very good results.

b. Most Pl Comds consider further trng necessary.

c. 4 Pls to Bde Cypher - 20 Pls to Offs Pre. Selection
4 Pls to Junior Leaders - 4 Pls to Water/proofing MT.
Results not yet to hand.

d. 2 Pl has a MMG which is unserviceable. This
has been reported several times, and is holding
up trng within the Pl.

P.T.O.

General Remarks. Discipline is particularly good

Inspections carried out were

- (I) Boots weekly - fair
- (II) Feet - after night march - good
- (III) Paybooks - weekly - all correct
- (IV) Kit and clothing - fair shortages requisitioned.
- (V) Arms - daily - excellent
- (VI) Medical and Dental - all members examined.
- (VII) Vehicles - some need wk/sps attention. This has been arranged thru LAD

for OC Edwards
HQ Coy

970

B. Coy

Henry J. Swins

Lt. Col. Aust. Inf. Bn.

29 JAN 44

WEEKLY

REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING

29 JAN 44.

CHANGE IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK

S.O.S.

6

REINFORCEMENTS RECEIVED

30th 30 O.Rs

MARCHED IN FROM HOSPITAL

9

POSTED STRENGTH OF COY

7 OFFs

82 O.Rs.

STRENGTH ON PARADE

4 OFFs

77 O.Rs

PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRNG DURING WEEK

95%

No of COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK

N/A

No REMANDED TO C.O.

N/A.

INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT.

FARMS
CLOTHING
EQUIPMENT.

SICKNESS.

2 EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL

DEFICIENCIES IN Q1098 SCALE AS PER ATT. LIST.

STORES RECEIVED DURING WEEK.

16 SHIRTS	3 BELTS WEB	BOOTS
12 PA. U/PANTS	4 KNIVES	2 PA 7-5
1 BRUSH SHAVING	4 FORKS	2 " 6-5
3 " TOOTH	5 SPONS	1 " 5-5
3 PACKS	5 MUGS	
12 PULL THROUGHs	2 STRAPS CHIN	
10 BOTTLES OIL	1 KIT BAG.	

SUPPLY OF RATIONS.

Normal

MEALS AND COOKHOUSE

LUNCH & DINNER GOOD. BREAKFAST ONLY FAIR.

STATE OF CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT GENERALLY

Good. Large sized trousers badly needed.

SPECIAL REMARKS.

- Red board situation is acute. The blankets are now scarce. Troops would rather receive 3oz of tobacco in their ration than the usual 2oz plus the cigarettes.

Seen T list
Adj. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Walled Lieut
OC "B" Coy.

Attention Comd.

PROGRESS IN TRNG EXERCISES. - as per syllabus.

STATE OF TRNG WITHIN COY - FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

Improving weekly.

SCHOOLS & COURSES ATTENDED & RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

NX 101643 LIEUT O. EDWARDS M.M.C. Schools

VX 42953 CAPT. R.N. ROOKE 3 DIV JUNGLE SCHOOLS

VX 8967 LIEUT S. HEDT } INSTRUCTORS

VX 55697 A/CPN HARE, L.D. } 17 BDE JWA LDR SCHOOLS.

VX 29276 CPL POLLARD, K.R. }

VX 11437 " FOX, E.V. } 17 BDE JWA LDR SCHOOLS

VX 55605 A/CPN THOMAS, K. } COURSE NOT YET COMPLETED

VX 45098 A/SGT WILTON, C.H. - DET. AS INSTRUCTOR

VX 56727 PL McCURRY, H.M. }

VX 29284 L/SGT PAIRMAN, R.A. } ATTENDED OFFICERS PRE-SELECTION BOARD.

AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRAINING.

NIL.

DISCIPLINE

VERY GOOD.

GENERAL REMARKS.

are doing well.

New men are showing keenness in their work

Tuesday 25th Jan

light raining

Divided the company into two groups & each took up a defensive position around the lantern & then sent out parties to secure each other's lantern. The movement by night was excellent & all men very keen.

Maxwell Lieut.

OC "B" Coy.

James E. ...
Lt. Col.
Aust. Inf. Bn.

COY 2/7 AUST INF BN
WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING 29 Jan 44

- A.
- (a) POSTED STRENGTH 5 and 80
 - (b) REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED and 47
 - (c) CHANGES IN STRENGTH DURING WEEK
M.I. Reinforcements 2 Offrs 23 ORs
x List & Hosp 1 " 3
 - (d) PERCENTAGE OF MEN ON NORMAL TRAINING DURING WEEK
M.O Hosp P.U.O 4 Transferred to Coy 2 OR.
Junior Leader School 4
80%
 - (e) No. OF COY ORDERLY ROOMS HELD DURING WEEK Nil
 - (f) No. REMANDED TO C.O. Nil

(g) INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT :-

- (i) BOOTS
- (ii) FEET *Thursday 27 Jan 44 2 ORs Time*
- (iii) PAYBOOKS
- (iv) RESPIRATORS
- (v) KIT AND CLOTHING GENERALLY *29 Jan 44*
- (vi) ARMS AND AMMUNITION *Daily*
- (vii) MEDICAL AND DENTAL *Reinforcements 25 Jan 44*
- (viii) VEHICLES, INCLUDING BICYCLES
- (h) SICKNESS *Slight increase on previous week*

- B.
- (a) DEFICIENCIES IN G1098 SCALE
..... *& 2 extract*
 - (b) STORES RECEIVED DURING THE WEEK
..... *Attached list*
 - (c) SUPPLY OF RATIONS
 - (d) MEALS AND COOKHOUSE *consistently good*

(over)

(2)

(e) STATE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GENERALLY WITHIN COY

..... *Good*

(f) SPECIAL REMARKS

.....
.....

C.

(a) PROGRESS IN TRAINING EXERCISES, W/TRG CARRIED OUT (Including

night exercises and lectures). *P/I exercises were carried out during week. Battle Procedure & Orders improvement shown. Bay Exercise BUNKER HILL conducted 28 Jan 44. Night Ex 25 Jan*

(b) STATE OF TRAINING WITHIN COY, FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS

..... *Not fit for Ops*

(c) SCHOOLS AND COURSES ATTENDED AND RESULTS OBTAINED BY PERSONNEL

..... *Sgt Saunders. Cpl Handsaker. Pte Morrison. Pte Collins to Ndc Junior Leaders School 22 Jan 44*

(d) AID REQUIRED FOR SPECIALIST TRG - MATERIALS, LECTURES ETC.

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.....

GENERAL REMARKS eg. DISCIPLINE, OUTSTANDING N C Os AND MEN,

SPORT AND RECREATION, INFORMATION FOR AUSTRALIA, WAR DIARY

NOTES *Keen interest in P/I & Coy exercises.*

C Coy played A bay cricket & had easy victory

.....
.....

..... *E. C. Seares Lieut.*

O.C. COY.

NOTE:- THIS REPORT TO REACH BHQ BY 1200 hrs EACH SATURDAY.

O. C. Coy

Received from R. Q. M.

Week ending 29th Jan 44

Description of stores	Quantity	Description of stores	Quantity
Hats. Fur	3	Chin Straps	2
Shirts	2	Compass Case Web	2
Slacks	5	Razor	1
Sheets. Ground	6	Belts Web	1
Mugs Enamel	6	Lamp Glasses	4
Boots	4 pr	Color patches	25-

J. L. B. Plk

Jerry L. ... Lt. Col.
Aust. Inf. Bn.

"D" Coy Weekly Report

Week ending 29.1.44

- 1/ Posted Strength 4 OFFRS 92 ORS
 - 2/ Reinforcements Required 1 OFFR 32 ORS
 - 3/ Changes in Strength 1 OFFR 30 ORS MARCHED IN FROM CANUNGRA SCHOOL
7-9 ORS " " X LIST (HOSP)
8 " MARCHED OUT TO X LIST
 - 4/ % of MEN ON NORMAL TRNG 80%
 - 5/ N° of Coy Orderly Rooms NIL
 - 6/ N° Remanded To C.O. NIL
 - 7/ Inspections Carried Out DAILY ARMS INSPECTION
KIT INSPECTION } REINFORCEMENTS
MEDICAL & DENTAL } THAT MARCHED IN
 - 8/ Sickness 6 EVAC. OWING TO MALARIA OTHERWISE HEALTH OF
COY IS SATISFACTORY
- B/ Deficiencies in G1098 Scale WE 2. EXTRACT AT PRESENT HELD BY BHQ
- 1/ Stores Received BOOTS A.B. 4 PR SHIRTS 5/6. 7 SHEETS GROUND 10
 - 2/ Supply of RATIONS FAIR. WITH STILB ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT
 - 3/ Mess & Cook Houses SATISFACTORY
 - 4/ STATE of Clothing & Equipment SATISFACTORY
 - 5/ SPECIAL REMARKS IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IN FUTURE EACH COY SUPPLY
THEIR QUOTA OF MESS ORDERLIES DAILY

C/ STATE OF TRNG & FITNESS FOR OPERATIONS - A STEADY IMPROVEMENT IN ALL
TRNG IS NOTICED THROUGHOUT THE COY

- 1/ PROGRESS IN TRNG EXERCISES, W/TRNG. CARRIED OUT COY IS WORKING
WELL & SHOWING IMPROVEMENT IN ALL PHRASES OF DAY & NIGHT TRNG
UP TO COY EXERCISES

3/ Schools & Courses Attended

Cpl BERRY C.S & A/cpl OLIVER D.E. INSTR. AT 17Bth J/leaders
VX 15046 A/cpl HAMILTON A.R. ATTENDING " "
WX 14065 " BARRATT T.F. " " "
GX 29039 PIS CROTHERS C.H. " " "

.....Capt.
Adit. 2/7 Aust. Inf. Bn.

attention Comd

11. Col. ...
11. Aust. Inf. Bn.

General Remarks: - Coy Weekly Report

Razor blades?

W. J. ...

Henry H. ...
Comd. 27 Aust. Inf. Bn.

1. HEALTH OF UNIT

(a) Grberal physical Condition of Personnel Good.

(b) General Standard of Reinforcements received Good

(c) Severity of Work or Training Moderate

(d) General Remarks _____

2. STORES

Details of Stores requisitioned but not yet received

(a) Medical _____

(b) Expense Stores _____

(c) Malaria Control Stores

(i) Ordnance _____

(ii) AASC _____

3. MALARIA CONTROL

(a) Measures of Personnel Protection (Good, Fair, Bad)

Nets _____ Atobrin _____ Clothing _____ Repellent _____

(b) Larvae Control _____

(c) Adult Destruction _____

(d) General Comments _____

4. RATIONS Satisfactory.

5. HYGIENE Satisfactory.

6. TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY RMO

Commenced Course of instruction
for Stretch Beavers.

DATE 28/1/44

Signed Henry H. ... RMO
UNIT _____

.....Capt.
Adj. 27 Aust. Inf. Bn.

*Atten-
Comd*

UNIT WEEKLY MEDICAL REPORT

DDMS 1 AUST CORPS PRO-FORMA A

Week Ending Midnight Friday 28 Jan 44

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Formation or Unit. 2/7. Aust Inf Bn.

UNIT	Offrs	Daily Strength
	ORS	
	587	
	Total Sick Parado	243
	Offrs	NEW SICK
	3	
	ORS	
	120	
	TOTAL FOR DUTY	
	20	
	Offrs	TOTAL EVACUATED
	3	
	ORS	
	29	
	Notifiable Diseases	
	MALARIA	
	28	
	Scrub Typhus	
	1	
	Dengue Fever	
	1	
	Diarrhoea	
	6	
	Dysentery	
	1	
	U.R.T.I.	
	3	
	P.U.O.	
	9	
	Veneral Disease	
	1	
	Skin Parasites & Tinea	
	11	
	Skin Diseases	
	3	
	Diseases of the Ear	
	6	
	Foot Disabilities	
	7	
	OTHER DISEASES	
	43	
	Dental	
	20	
	Accidents	
	1	
	Battle Casualties	
	1	
	Consultation	
	4	
	" " " " " "	
	2	

NOTE : To be rendered in duplicate
 Complete report on Page 2

OFFICERS JOINED DURING THE WEEK.

W3008.

Vk 4621

Lieut T/Capt.	ARNOLD.	E.	LHQ TACT SCH	28/1/44	
Lieut VX34417	ROBERTSON.	A	LHQ TACT SCH	28/1/44	
" NX129603	BURNS.	A.C.	GENERAL REINF.	23/1/44	Quote Q86.
" NX114115	CUTLER	B.L.	"	"	"
" QX23090	CLEWS	G.W.	"	"	"
" WX28842	JOSE	R.G.	"	"	"
" NX111606	MURRAY	T.H.	"	"	"
" SX4240	BOWDEN	L.F.	"	"	"
" QX7798	MITCHELL	S.J.	"	"	"
" SX9095	HORNBY	J.H.	"	"	"

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

.../.../... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday **29/ 1/1944** (Unit)

2/7 AUST INF BN.
W.E. **1112c** / **2** OFFRS. **32** O.R.'s. **755** + OFFRS. **1** O.R.'s. **34** ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
			1	Lieut.-Colonels	2/8 AUST DENT UNIT AAMC INSTR CANUNGRA TRG SCH.								
	3			Majors									
	4		4	Captains									
	1	29	28	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	8	29	33			3							
DETAIL.				A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.													
E.(1)													
E.(2)													

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 337	MAJOR	NELSON. St. E. D.	HOSP.	26/1/44	
VX 323	"	CRAWFORD. A. G.	"	23/1/44	

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / /194

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

2/7 AUST INF BN.

Unit

(Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / /194 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt. Col.	VX 33	GUINN.	H.G.	C.O.	YES		
Capt.	VX 55298	DUELL	H.E.	Coy C	"		
Lt. T/Capt.	VX3987	SMITH	A.	"	"		
"	VX4621	ARNOLD.	E.	"	"		
"	VX52593	ROOKE	A.H.	2 1/0	NO.	INSTR. 3 Div J/3ch.	23/10/43.
Lieutenants	VX21823	SEARES.	E.C.	"	YES		
"	VX16087	WYLES.	J.W.	Pl Comd.	NO.	OCTU	24/7/43
"	VX 5352	EDWARDS.	A.D.	"	YES		
"	VX 18811	FROON	J.	ADJT.	"		
"	VX 54417	ROBERTSON	A	Pl Comd	"		
"	VX 8978	FLEMING	W.A.	I.O.	"		
"	VX 79365	MALLET	H.G.	Pl Comd	"		
"	VX 79949	McCORQUODALE	A	"	"		
"	VX101652	EDWARDS	OL	"	NO.	17 BDE HQ COURSE.	2/1/44
"	VX 5845	FOOT	G.	"	"		
"	VX 30055	DARRYL	L.J.	"	YES		
"	VX 12682	NEWTON	T.R.	"	"		
"	VX 18557	TYNES	R.H.E.	"	NO	OCTU	24/5/43
"	VX 4671	WHOLE	H.J.	"	"		1/8/43
"	VX 8142	LEWIS	K.W.	"	Yes.		
"	VX 109344	KELLY	C.R.	"	"		
"	VX109160	BENNETT	R.L.	QM	"		
A/Lt.	VX 4963	BUTTON	R.W.	SIG.O.	"		
Lieut	VX 39201	BOYD	T.A.	Pl. Comd	"		
"	VX 14320	HUMPHREY	C.H.	"	"		
"	VX129803	BURNS.	A.C.	"	"		
"	VX114118	CUTLER	B.L.	"	"		
"	VX 23090	CLEWS	G.W.	"	"		
"	VX 28842	JOSE	R.G.	"	"		
"	VX111606	MURRAY	T.H.	"	"		
"	VX 4240	BORDEN	L.F.	"	"		
"	VX 7798	MITCHELL	S.J.	"	"		
"	VX 9095	ROBBY	J.H.	"	"		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	VX124734	SMITH H.	2/8 AUST DENTAL UNIT	Nov 43	DENTIST.
"	VX134819	MARSDEN H.E.	AASC	6/1/44	RMO
Lieut	VX 8967	HEED S.E.J.	CANUNGRA	TRG SCH OCT '43.	INSTRUCTOR Det to 17 BDE Junior Leaders Course.

29 JAN '44

Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

Henry G Guinn Lt. Col

Signature of Commander

(HENRY G GUINN) COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 27 / 3 / 1944 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / OFFRS. 2 O.R.'s 75 + OFFRS. 2 O.R.'s 34 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.	
1	1			W.Os. Class I.						
6	4		2	W.Os. Class II.	1	1				
5			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
				Staff Sergeants						
31	6		25	Sergeants	10	2				
64	16		40	Corporals	8	5				
648	15		633	Troopers, Privates, etc.	19	5				
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
755	42		713	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	34	13			*	

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

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

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

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
4	2/8 ABST DENTAL UNIT						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

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

FIELD RANKS OF OTHER RANKS POSTED STRENGTH

Army Form W 3003 (Amended)
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POSTING WE WOI WOI1 S/Sjts Sjts Cpls ORS RETIRE

POSTING	WE	WOI	WOI1	S/Sjts	Sjts	Cpls	ORS	RETIRE
RSM	1	Y						
RQMS	1	Y	1					
SQMS	5	Y		5				
Tech Sjt	1	Y						
Ord Room Sjts	2				1			
Provost	1				2			
Tailor	1				1			
S.B.	1				1			
"I"	1				1			
Pl Sjts	24				20			
CSM	5		2					
Int Corps	2					2		
Sig Corps	2					1		
Cpl Clerks	6					5		
MMG	3					3		
Mortars	6					4		
S.B.	2					1		
Pioneers	4					2		
Tk Attack	2					1		
Rifle	36					29		

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.		Part C. Other Ranks Attached in Part A. Detached to Other Units.	
Rank	Number of O.R.	Rank	Number of O.R.
AAMC Sjt	2		
" Cpl	1		
AACC Caterer	1		
" Sjts	5		
" Cpls	5		
AAPS Sjt	1		
AAPC "	1		
" Cpl	1		
AACC Cpl	1		
AEME Armourer	1		

Reinforcements Received Posting Order W/920

AACC Woi1 Caterer 1 OR (Dr Mech Gpl11
 " Sjt Cook (Farrier Gpl11
 " Cpl Cook

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested.

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	1	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	2	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	26	23		Tailors	1		
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors	397	444	
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				BURNAN	34	15	
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Can Dubies	3	3	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Hyg Duties	4	3	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								ISS Nos	23	27	
Fitters				Driver-Operator		1						Mortar Cos	73	43	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Orderlies	32	16	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Pioneers	32	33	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								PROVOST SGT	1		
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.	6	2	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				STORY	21	21	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1		Stores	6	5	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	11	8		TY/A Nos	19	20	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Water Duties	2	2	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				RCM	1	2	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	7		Coach Trimmers				RVD	1	2	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				CSM	5	2	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				COSE	5	5	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				PL Sigs	24	20	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders					755	713	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				ATTACHED BY W.E.	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Hygiene	1		
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				Med Cos	2		
Pharmacist				Massours				Driver Typn. Plant		3		AACB	1		
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				ASME Ass	2		
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1		Fitter Gun	1		
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AAS	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AASU	2	2	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers				AACG WOLL	1	1	
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	34	13	
													789	726*	

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

Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m hrs 3/4 29 Jan 44

Signature of Commander
 Henry G. Quinn
 COMD 2/7 AUST INF BN

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