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22 Infantry Battalion
March - December 1941

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT	PART I	11 MAR 41.
	Active Operations	Present Conditions.
A. Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Training proceeding. Section exercises completed. and Platoon exercises commenced.</p> <p>Further detailed instructions to Officers in Signals communications {108 set}</p> <p>M.A. Defenses prepared.</p> <p>4. Morale: Morale of troops is good. Food is sufficient and of good quality. Entertainments in camp overcome NIGHT LEAVE restrictions.</p>	<p>ii. Weather: fine and warm. Dust storms make conditions unpleasant.</p>
B. INTERNAL SECURITY.	<p>Security of personnel and material is adequate.</p>	
C.	Nil	
	PART II	
	NIL.	

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22 BN.
No. ST 5/41

H Q 22 Bn
Camp Site 29
SEYMOUR

H Q 4 INF. BDE.

12 MAR 41

INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

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B. Internal Security.	Security of personnel and material is adequate.	
C.	Nil.	
	PART 2.	
	Nil.	

B. J. Papworth
Lieut

INTELLIGENCE Report.

UNIT RUF1.

18 MAR 41

Part I

Active Operations

Present Conditions.

A) Operational
Intelligence

Training in tactics is proceeding. Platoon exercises are completed and Coy. exercises commenced. Defensive positions are at present being dug.

Morale of troops:

Much discussion and criticism has been caused by the new regulations re private cars in camp areas.

Hygiene. This camp site was selected as the most hygienic one in area by an Area Hygiene officer.

Weather has been fine and warm. With the advent of milder weather the dust annoyance has been considerably lessened.

B) Internal Security

Security measures are adequate.

C) Economic Intelligence

Nil.

PART II

Nil.

B. J. Papworth
Lieut

SECRET

22 BN.
No. ST. 5/4

H Q 22 Bn
Camp Site 29
SHYMOUR.

18 Mar 41.

H Q 4 Inf Bde.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT .RUPT.	PART I.	18 MAR 41.
	ACTIVE OPERATIONS	PRESENT CONDITIONS
A. Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Training intactics is proceeding. Platoon exercises are completed and Coy exercises commenced. Defensive positions are at present being dug.</p> <p>14. Morale of Troops :- Much discussion and criticism has been caused by the new regulations re private cars in Camp Areas. HYGIENE. This Camp Site was selected as the most hygiene one in Area by an Area Hygiene Officer.</p>	<p>11. Weather has been fine and warm. With the advent of milder weather the dust annoyance has been considerably lessened.</p>
B. Internal Security.	Security measures are adequate.	
C. Economic Intelligence	NIL.	
	PART II.	
	NIL	

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Levin*

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Intelligence Report

25 MAR 41.

PART I.

UNIT RUF.I.	ACTIVE OPERATIONS.	PRESENT CONDITIONS.
A <u>OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE</u>	(i) Tactical training in progress. Coy exercises are being conducted. Battalion level exercises to be held this week. Further work being carried out on the defensive position in area. G.I.V.E personnel marched into camp on 22 MAR 41. Training by night is being stressed. (ii) Morale of troops. Careful attention is being paid to the quantity and quality of the men's food.	Weather: Wet weather delayed Coy training last week. The latter part of the week and the week-end were very cold.
B. <u>Internal Security</u>	adequate	
C. <u>Economic Intelligence</u>	nil.	

Part II

nil

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H Q 22 Bn.
Camp site 29
SKYMOUR.

25 Mar 41.

H Q 4 Inf Bde

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT : RUFI .	PART I.	25 Mar 41.
	ACTIVE OPERATIONS	PRESENT CONDITIONS
A. Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Tactical training in progress Coy exercises are being conducted. Battalion test exercises to be held this week. Further work being carried out on the defensive position in area. 61 V N personnel marched into Camp on 22 MAR 41. Training by night is being stressed.</p> <p>14. Morale of Troops: Careful attention is being paid to the quantity and quality of the mens' food.</p>	<p>11. Weather. Wet weather delays Coy training last week. The latter part of the week and week-end were very cold.</p>
B. Internal Security.	Adequate.	
C. Economic Intelligence	NIL	
	PART II.	
	NIL	

B. Papworth
Lieut.

I. O. 22 Bn.

22 BN.
ST 5/41
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H Q 22 Bn
3 Div Camp
SEYMOUR

9 APR 41

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT - RUF1

part 1

Active Operations

Present Conditions

Operational Intelligence	Bde Test Exercises have proved of great value in driving home the principles taught during Coy and Bn Tng.	Weather Fine & Warm.
Internal Security	Security of information. Prominence has been given to leakage of secret information. Screeds have been issued on same to all officers.	
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	NIL	

B. J. F. Spence Lieut

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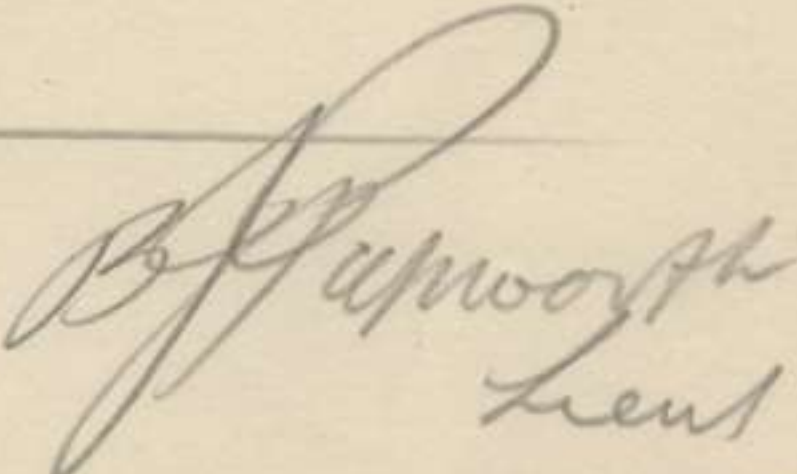
Intelligence Report

PART I.

UNIT RUF1.	Actual Operations	Present Conditions
<p><u>Operational Intelligence</u></p>	<p>↓ Bde instructional exercises have been concluded and preparations made for the final one test exercise. At conferences held during the past week, and attended by all officers, many valuable points in tactics and procedure were raised and fully discussed.</p> <p><u>Morale</u></p> <p>In addition to the regulations re use of cars in the camp area, the fact that troops had to stay in camp over the Easter period caused much uneasiness and criticism. Owing to lack of transport facilities no visiting concert party has been held for several weeks. These concerts are sadly missed. Easter sports were held and proved an excellent means of keeping the troops happy over the usual holiday period.</p>	<p><u>weather.</u></p> <p>Typical autumn weather has made training conditions ideal.</p>

PART II

nil


 B. J. Pamworth
 Lieut

15 APR 41

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22 BN.
ST 5/41

H Q 22 Bn
3 Div Camp
SEYMOUR.

15 APR 41.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART I

UNIT : RUF1.	ACTIVE OPERATIONS	PRESENT CONDITIONS
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Bde Instructional exercises have been concluded and preparations made for Bde Test exercise. At conferences held during the past week and attended by all Officers many valuable points in tactics and procedure were raised and fully discussed.</p> <p>14 <u>Morale</u> In addition to the regulations re use of cars in the Camp area the fact that troops had to stay in Camp over the Easter period caused much uneasiness and criticism. Owing to lack of transport facilities no visiting Concert Party has been held for several weeks. These Concerts are sadly missed. Easter Sports were held and proved an excellent means of keeping the troops happy over the usual holiday period.</p>	<p><u>Weather</u> Typical autumn weather has made training conditions ideal.</p>
	PART II	
	NIL	

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.....Lieut.

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TELEPHONE LEONGATHA 103

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.—SOUTHERN COMMAND

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE
NO. 41/109

H Q 22 Bn.,
Smith St.,
LEONGATHA.

19 MAY 41

4 Inf Bde.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT : 22 Bn.

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460

TRAINING

At present there is no general Home Training being carried out at centres of the Unit. However at some centres T.D.'s for officers and N.C.O's are being held weekly.

Under present conditions it is not possible for any H.T. to be carried out at LEONGATHA owing to the fact that the 13th. Light Horse are in occupation of the LEONGATHA SHOW GROUNDS at which place H.T. for LEONGATHA and District personnel is normally carried out. No other suitable place is available.

It is proposed to hold Unit T.E.W.T's as follows:-

Unit "R" Group : 7-8 JUN 41

All Officers:- 14-15 JUN 41.

The T.E.W.T. will be held in the LEONGATHA - MIRBOO NORTH area.

GENERAL.

1. RECRUITING - A.I.F. At present the Mobile Recruiting Unit is in the Bn area. Several members of the Bn have enlisted through this and other depots and Areas since the breaking of Camp.
2. LOCAL At the present there are some 800 members of 15 L.H. Vet Sec abd 6 Pd. Amb. are in Camp at LEONGATHA SHOW GROUNDS. Amongst the above are approx 250 U.S.P. As this is the first Camp to be held in LEONGATHA it is arousing considerable interest.
3. WEATHER Generally fine - although rain has latterly fallen .
4. CULTIVATION In addition to normal crops a considerable acreage of flax is being grown locally.
5. ROADS. Main roads are generally in good order. Recently steps have been taken to widen culverts and bridges particularly on INVERLOCH - LEONGATHA RD.
6. CIVIC MORALE - Good. Intense interest is being shown in Red Cross and other Welfare organizations. Recently a Mobile Cooking Unit was purchased by residents of the WOCRAYL SHIRE and presented to A.I.F.
7. JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES. A small section of these are located at TOORA and as far as can be ascertained regular meetings are being held at the home of A.H. YORKE of AGNES.

A. G. Purice

Lieut.

Adj't 22 Bn.

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H Q 22 Bn
Smith St,
LEONGATHA.

26 MAY 1941

Intelligence Report : 22 Bn.

Training:-

Nothing further to report to that set out in last week's report except that owing to 4Inf Bde T.E.W.T on 7 -8 Jun 41 Unit "E" Group T.E.W.T. has been postponed to a date to be fixed.

General :- 1. Recruiting A.I.F. etc.

Since last report several members of the unit have enlisted in the A.I.F., R.A.N. or R.A.A.F.

2. Weather.

Wet - over 1" of rain has fallen in the last 4 days.

3. Roads.

Owing to the wet weather by-roads are in poor condition but still passable.

4. Civic Morale.

Good. There is a great deal of discussion locally as a result of generally poor response to recruiting appeals. The general opinion is that conscription should be introduced.

as to the advisability of conscription

5. JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES.

Nothing further to report.

There is nothing further to report

B. G. Prince

Lieut
Adj. 22 Bn.

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H.Q. 22 Bn
Smith Street
LEONGATHA

2 JUNE 41

4 Inf Bde

INTELLIGENCE REPORT : 22 BN

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460

- 1. There is nothing further to report.

G. G. Prince

Lieut

Adjt 22 Bn

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H Q 22 Bn,
Smith St,
LEONGATHA.

9 June 1941

4 Inf Bde,

INTELLIGENCE REPORT: 22 Bn.

1. Training? 2 i/c/Adjts and Coy Comds took part in 4 Inf Bde T.E.W.T in Healesville Area 7/8 Jun 41. Many valuable points were learned.
- Unit T.E.W.T in LEONGATHA Area will be held on 21/22 Jun 41. All Officers-less those in the Metropolitan Area will participate.

2. General.

- (a) Weather. Considerable rain has fallen in the past week.
- (b) Roads. Main roads good but as a result of (a) above by roads are not in a very good condition although passable.

E. G. Prince

Lieut,
Adjts 22 Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.—SOUTHERN COMMAND

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LEONGATHA

23 Jun 41

4 Inf Bde,

INTELLIGENCE REPORT: 22 Bn.

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460.

1. Training: Unit T E W T is being held on weekend 28/29 June in Leongatha Area.
2. General: Weather: Heavy rain has fallen during past week.
Roads: Good although by roads in poor condition.
Civic Morale: Good. Considerable "Grumbling" over revised petrol rationing by farmers on whom a definite hardship is imposed particularly as motor transport is their sole means of conveyance.

B. E. Prince
Lieut
Adjt 22 Bn.

EGP/FE

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4 Inf Bde

H Q 22 Bn
Smith St
LEONGATHA

28 Jun 41

INTELLIGENCE REPORT: 22 Bn.

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460.

1. There is nothing further to report.



Lieut
Adjt 22 Bn

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H Q 22 Bn
Smith St
LEONGMHA

18 Jul 41

4 Inf Bde

INTELLIGENCE REPORT : 22 BN

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460.

1. There is nothing further to report.

E. G. Prince

Capt
Adjt 22 Bn

BN.
No. 41/109

EGP/KH

41/109

4 Inf Bde

H Q 22 Bn
Smith St
LEONG/THA

18 Jul 41

INTELLIGENCE REPORT : 22 BN

Reference 4 Inf Bde 41/460.

1. There is nothing further to report.

G. G. Prince Capt
Adjutant 22 Bn

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H Q 22 Bn
Camp Site 29
SEYMOUR

5 AUG 41.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

UNIT: RUF1.	ACTIVE OPERATIONS	PRESENT CONDITIONS
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Troops marched into Camp 2 AUG 41, recruits to march in 5 AUG 41. Shortage of Officers & NCO's is causing concern.</p> <p>14. Many questions have been asked for official advice about the permanent call up of Officers N C O's & O R's in Militia Battalions.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Extremely cold and wet weather has made administrative work more difficult.</p>
	PART 11	
	NIL	

B. J. Penworth Lieut.

I.O. 22 Bn.

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No. 41/109

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H Q 22 Bn
Site 29
SEYMOUR.

12 AUG 41.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

UNIT : RUFI.	ACTIVE OPERATIONS.	PRESENT CONDITIONS
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Troops have settled down to Camp life. Adm work and T A B injections have been completed. Revisional work for P T Ps and recruit trg. is proceeding satisfactorily.</p> <p>14. <u>MORALE</u> The LEAVE question seems to be disturbing. Difficulty has arisen in trying to co-ordinate leave for town and country personnel.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Bitterly cold and windy weather has hampered training.</p>
	PART 11	
	NIL	

B. J. Papworth
.....Lieut.
I.O. 22Bn.

22 BN.
No. 41109

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H Q 22 Bn
Camp Site 29
SEYMOUR.

19 AUG 41.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

UNIT : RUFI	Active Operations	Present Conditions
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Training activities are proceeding satisfactorily. Lack of essential equipment is seriously affecting the work. Second T A B injection and Vaccination to be carried out today. Tutorial discussions are held regularly for Officers and N C Os.</p> <p>14. <u>MORALE</u> Food has been of good quality and quantity. Great care is being maintained in keeping the Camp Site in a clean and tidy condition.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER.</u> The Weather has improved considerably. Spring weather is adding zest to training.</p>
	PART 11	
	NIL	

B. J. Papworth Lieut.

I O 22 Bn.

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Camp Site 29
SEYMOUR

27 Aug 41

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

UNIT : Ruffi	Active Operations	Present Conditions
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Training Activities are proceeding as satisfactorily as lack of equipment and inoculations etc with consequent effect upon men allow.</p> <p>14. <u>MORALE</u> Good, changing of leave trains last week-end 23/25 Aug caused considerable dissatisfaction among the men.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER</u> Good for training.</p>
	PART 11	
	NIL	

H. G. Purice

Capt
Adjt 22 Bn.

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Block 1
BONEGILLA

22 SEP 41

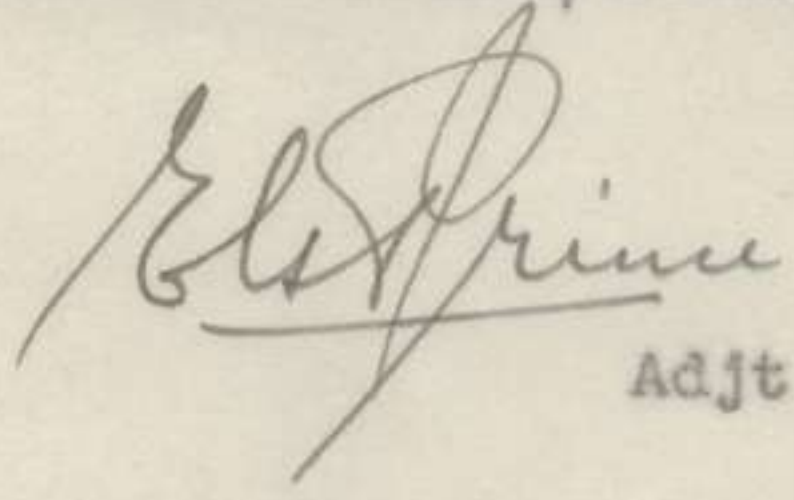
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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

UNIT : WINI	Active Operations	Present Conditions
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Training activities are proceeding satisfactorily. Pl anxiously preparing for the Pl week exercise. 28 U S P marched into Camp on 18 SEP 41.</p> <p>14. <u>MORALE</u> Good. Coordinated leave for town and country personnel achieved.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER</u> Light rain has taken the place of the excellent spring sunshine.</p>
	<u>PART 11</u>	
	NIL	


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 Adjt 22 Bn.

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29 SEP 41

H Q 4 Inf Bde

INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

UNIT - WINI	PART I.	29 SEP 41
	<u>ACTIVE OPERATIONS</u>	
A. OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE	<p><u>Tp. Movements.</u> Range practices for Rifle Coys on Monday and Tuesday. Coy. Tactical exercises for remaining days. M.M.G. Coy one day on 30x Range, remainder on sec. drill, gas and adm. Pl. comds. carried out recce. of their respective areas during pl. week. The Bn., less maintenance personnel and latest draft of U.S.P.'s went on leave Wednesday night. for 7 days</p>	
B. INTERNAL SECURITY	<p><u>Morale</u> Owing to improved methods of messing, mainly due to the extra facilities provided in this Camp, general satisfaction is expressed regarding quality and quantity of food. Entertainments provided in the Camp and the facilities for night leave appear to be greatly appreciated. Relations between A.I.F. and the Militia seem reasonably good. No disturbances have been reported.</p>	
	<u>PART II</u>	
	NIL.	

Lieut.
Asst Adjt 22 Bn.

H Q 22 BN
Block 1.
BONEGILLA.

6 OCT 41

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT - WINI	PART 1.	6 OCT 41
A. OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE	<u>ACTIVE OPERATIONS</u>	
B. INTERNAL SECURITY	<p><u>Tp. Movements.</u> The Bn returned from 7 days leave on morning of 2 OCT 41 at 0100 hrs. 6 L.M.G.'s were received on 2 OCT 41 thus enabling rifle coys to carry out L.M.G. tng for the first time during Camp. Pl. and Coy HQ's were given tng and arrangements finalized for Pl. week.</p> <p><u>Morale.</u> A case of Meningitis was discovered in Block 3 and the Block placed under quarantine - the men in immediate contact being under close quarantine. Fortunately the main body of the Bn was on leave and no concern was apparent in the men. No disturbances have been reported between the A.I.F. and Militia tps.</p>	
	<u>PART 11</u>	
	NIL.	

J. Melne

Lieut.
Asst Adjt. 22 Bn.

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H Q 22 Bn
Block 1
BONNEGILLA

13 Oct 41

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT : WINI

PART 1.

13 OCT 41

ACTIVE OPERATIONS

A. OPERATIONAL
INTELLIGENCE

To. Movements. Rifle Coys were divided into 8 pls for pl. week with Secs of MMG's and Sigs attached. Pls. moved out to Bivouac Areas on Monday 6 OCT 41 and returned on Friday 10 OCT 41.

B INTERNAL
SECURITY

Morale Weather and food being good during pl. week, tps were quite contented and prepared to stay out indefinitely.

PART 11

NIL

D. Milne
Lieut
Asst Adjt 22 Bn.

ST 5/41

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT. WINI.	PART I	20 OCT 41.
OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE	<p>1. Training activities proceeding smoothly. Bn exercise for 4 days proved highly instructional and many useful lessons learned Preparations being made for Field firing exercises.</p> <p><u>MORALE</u> Being fully informed of all reasons for movements during the Bn exercises, the troops cheerfully carried out all orders to their best ability. Morale was excellent.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER</u> Fine warm weather has made working conditions ideal.</p>
	PART II	
	NIL	
		<p><i>H. G. Puncé</i> Capt. Adjutant, 22nd Battalion</p> <p>Lieut. I.O. 22 Bn.</p>

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT WINI	PART 1	27 OCT 41
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Bn test exercises have been completed and the results obtained were very satisfactory. Demonstrations of Arty firing at TABLE TOP was of great interest to infantry officers.</p> <p><u>MORALE</u> The food throughout the camp period has been sufficient and of good quality. The morale of all troops is high</p> <p>PART 2</p> <p>NIL</p>	<p><u>WEATHER</u> Fine warm days with cold nights make training conditions ideal</p> <p><i>B. J. Papworth</i> for Capt Adjt 22 Bn</p>

22 BN
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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT WINI	PART 1	4 NOV 41
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Since completion of Camp period the F T D personnel have been on Cadre training. U S Ps from Area 7a returned from leave but over half have been granted leave for harvest.</p> <p><u>MORALE</u> Now that leave has been satisfactorily arranged greater harmony and interest can be noted throughout the Camp. Excellent work has been done by concert parties in providing first class entertainments for troops.</p>	<p><u>WEATHER</u> With the advent of hot weather many requests are heard for issues of shirt and shorts. This issue would greatly facilitate training.</p>
	PART 2	
	NIL	

B. J. Papworth
Lieut
for
capt.
Adjt 22 Bn.

22 BN.
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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

UNIT WINI	PART 1	25 XX NOV 41
Operational Intelligence	<p>1. Cadre Training proceeding satisfactorily. Much interest has been aroused by the Div and Bde Schools to start 1 Dec 41. The delay in the issue of Shorts and Shirts has been a definite hindrance to the training.</p> <p><u>MORALE</u> The morale of troops is good.</p>	<u>WEATHER</u> Fine and hot.
	PART 2	
	NIL	

H. G. Prince

Capt.
Adjt 22 Bn

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1 DEC 41

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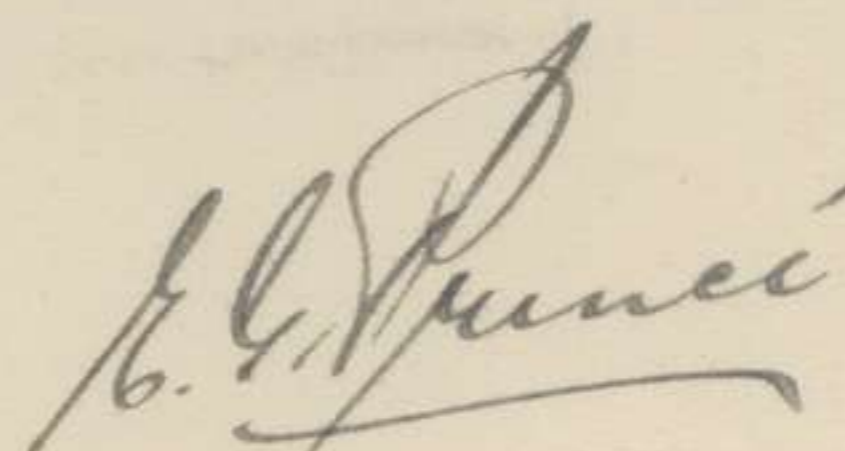
Operational
Intelligence

Unit commences CADRE SCHOOLS today. Adequate preparations have been made and good results are anticipated. The International situation has been the main topic of interest this week, many and varied rumors are circulating freely amongst the troops. Morale With the leave periods now finalized and the troops issued with shirts and shorts harmony throughout the Unit is excellent.

Weather
Hot sultry weather for the past few days has been very trying.

Part 11

NIL



Capt.
Adjutant, 22nd. Battalion

BJP/KJH

ST 5/41

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8 Dec 41

4 Inf Bde

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Unit :-

WINI

PART 1

OPERATIONAL
INTELLIGENCE

Much interest has been shown in the Brigade Instructional Courses which started last week. More uniformity of instruction by T.D. method would be beneficial. All information on the International situation is now eagerly discussed by all troops.

Morale - All troops are in excellent condition. A few complaints on the quality and quantity of meat have been aired during the week.

WEATHER

During the week a cold snap was experienced.

PART 11

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B. H. Lennie

Adjutant, 22nd. Battalion
Capt.

BJP/ALD
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22 DEC 41

4 Inf Bde

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Unit :-
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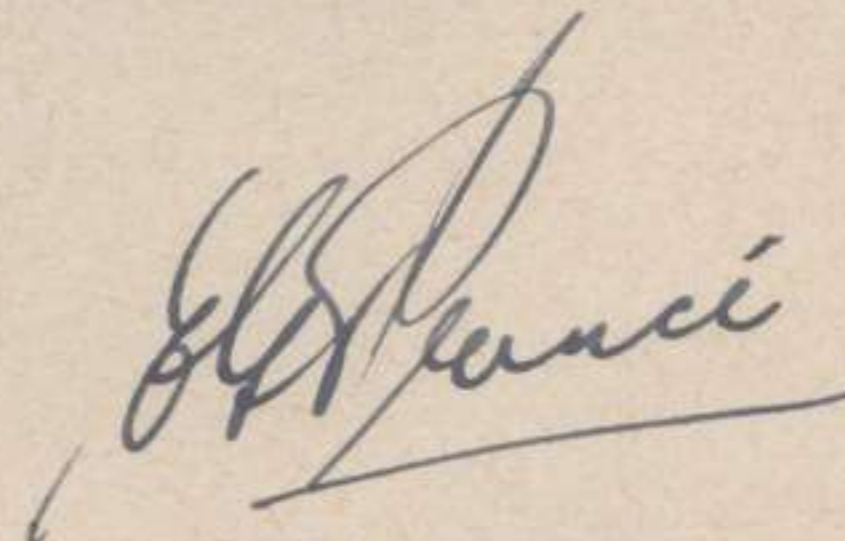
OPERATIONAL
INTELLIGENCE

297 Troops marched into camp in the partial call up. Much confusion seems to have occurred over Reg Reservists. Protective works are in construction in Camp Area. Slit trenches prepared and A A position manned constantly. With protection being stressed is it, ^{necessary} for Air Beacon at CHILTERN to operate at night when only a few miles from Amn Dump and Camp site? Claims for exemptions on grounds of reserved occupations are still being submitted. If Unit were furnished with complete lists of these Occupations much unnecessary correspondence would be avoided. Training is proceeding smoothly and vigourously.

MORALE Morale of troops is good

PART 2

N I L



Capt.
Adjutant, 22nd. Battalion

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ST 5/41

H Q 22 Bn
Block 1
BONEGILLA

4 Inf Bde

29 Dec 41

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

PART 1

Unit Training proceeding satisfactorily. Pl week exercises start today. Adequate preparation has been carried out and much keenness shown by troops.

Morale :-

The morale of troops is good. Special meals and cheer were provided on Xmas Day. Troops appreciated the day of rest from training.

Weather :-

Hot weather has been trying. Severe dust storm was experienced on 27 DEC.

PART 11

NIL

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Lt-Col
Comd 22 Bn.