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War Diary

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

PART I. NO. 224.

MALAYA
1 Oct. 41.

1. DUTIES. Bn. Orderly Officer Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty Lieut. J.J. Read.
Bn. Ord. Sjt. Sjt. Hammond. J.T.
Next for duty Sjt. Cooksey. R.O.
Bn. Ord. Cpl. Cpl. Uden. F.T.
Next for duty L/Cpl. Griffin. J.
Inlying Picquet Officer Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
Next for duty Lieut. G. Maxwell.

2. BN. ORDERLY OFFICER'S: Attention of all Subalterns is drawn to new form of 'Report Of Orderly Officer of the Day' to be furnished by 2000 hrs. on day of completion of duty. This report is to filled in, in FULL DETAIL, with all times shown wherever possible.

3. J.M.F. PADANG: All ranks are advised that this padang is NOT available to members of 2/20 Bn. on Wednesday afternoons.

4. AUST. COMFORTS FUND: The undermentioned comforts are acknowledged from the Australian Comforts Fund:-

900 pkts. Cigarettes.	900 sticks shaving soap/
900 " Log Cabin Tobacco.	900 cakes toilet soap/
900 tubes of tooth paste.	900 pkts. cigarette papers.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.;
Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

POSTINGS.

NX 71903 Pte. Hardie. F. 'B' Coy. posted on 'X' list 29.9.41.
71574 Pte. Healy. A.T. 'D' Coy. posted on 'X' list 30.9.41.
45813 Pte. Nowlan. L.V. 'HQ' Rejoined Unit from 'X' list 30.9.41
2 4935 Pte. Valentine. C.W. 'HQ' posted 'X' list 30.9.41.
33301 Pte. Wilding. V.B. 'C' Do.
12571 Lieut. A.G. Davies 'HQ' Coy. Do.
19906 Pte. Wells. W.J. 'C' Rejoined Unit from 'X' List 1.10.41

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Commanding 2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

MALAYA.
3 OCT. '41.

PART. 1.

No. 225

1. DUTIES.

Bn. Orderly Officer.	Lieut. W. J. Richardson.
Next for Duty.	Lieut. J. J. Read.
Next for Duty.	Lieut. G. L. Maxwell.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt. Smith. J. B. I.
Next for Duty.	Sjt. Smith. G. P.
Next for Duty.	Sjt. McClure-Brown. S.
Bn Orderly Cpl.	L/Cpl. Redman. J. K.
Next for Duty.	Cpl. Thompson. D. S.
Next for Duty.	Cpl. Meek. E. L.
Inlying Picquet Officer.	Lieut. Pockley. R. V.
Next for Duty.	Lieut. H. A. Woods.
Next for Duty.	Lieut. R. A. Armour.

2. CHURCH PARADES. - Sunday 5 Oct. '41.

United Church Parade - 0700 hrs Padang Opp. 2/20 Bn. Lines.
R.C. Church Parade - 0930 hrs S A Hut. 2/20 Bn. Lines.
Church Parades will be attended by all ranks not actually engaged on essential duties.

3. REGIMENTAL AUDIT BOARD. A board consisting of the undermentioned Officers will assemble at a time and place to be notified by the President for the purpose of conducting an audit of all Regimental A/cs for the period ended 30 Sep. '41.

Proceedings to be completed and returned to Bn. H.Q. not later than 13 Oct. '41.

Major R. H. Cohen.	President.
Lieut. G. L. Maxwell.	Member.
Lieut. H. W. Porter.	Member.

4. GAMBLING. All ranks are warned that organised gambling games in Camp area are strictly forbidden and any breach of this instruction will be severely dealt with.

5. ORDERLY OFFICERS. In future, when not actually engaged with duties during the evening, B.O.O's will remain in vicinity of Bn. H.Q. and be prepared to act as Duty Officer in Adjts Office when required.

6. LAUNDRY DEFICIENCIES. Coys will forward return to Bn. H.Q. of all deficiencies of laundry as soon as laundry has been checked and the deficient articles known. This return will show No and Name of loser and a list of articles lost, and will be forwarded after each return of washing. No subsequent claims for losses will then be admitted.

7. REPLACEMENT OF TYRES & TUBES. Reference A.S.O. (51 B) clause (a) and (b):- include words "and tubes" after words "tyres" wherever mentioned.

8. CARE OF ARMS - RIFLES. Complaints that barrels are sweating and rusting after firing are being received, and it is considered to be due to neglect to wash the rifle thoroughly with boiling water and to clean and oil daily for at least two weeks.

Complaints that the oil issued does not prevent rust are considered to be due to the fact that the oil is not being applied sufficiently freely when rifles are not in use. The bore of barrels should be kept liberally coated with oil except immediately before inspection.

9. OUT OF BOUNDS. The following places are out of bounds to all ranks:- "The Half-way House", Singapore. "The Arcade Restaurant" Singapore.

10. POSTAL. Unit censor officers are authorised to pass for export all parcels to areas within the British Empire.

Stamps - Unless stamps on letters or parcels are of the highest denomination available, they are liable to be rejected by the Postal Authorities.

11. PAY. All coys must acquit pay by 1000 hrs on Thursday following each pay day to relieve pressure of leave pay and subsistence arrangements.

(Sgd.) J. M. LOWE. Capt.
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

Inter-Coy Transfers:

NX19906 Pte Wells. J. W. transferred from 'C' to 'B' Coy. NX71933 Pte Griffin. L. G. from 'B' to 'D' NX50302 Pte Stewart. L. W. from 'D' to 'C'.



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Malaya

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by
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COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

PART 1. No. 226.

MALAYA.
5 Oct. '41.

1. DUTIES.

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. F.G. Lusk.	
Next for Duty.....	Lieut. G. Maxwell.	
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. McClure-Brown.	S.
Next for Duty.....	Sjt. Windeyer.	E.W.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	L/Cpl. Meek.	E.L.
Next for Duty.....	L/Cpl. Frazer.	A.T.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. R.A. Armour.	
Next for Duty.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.	

2. IDENTITY DISCS: Return is required by 1800 hrs. 8 Oct. '41, showing No's, Names, Religion and Blood Group of all personnel without Identity Discs.

3. PAY BOOKS: Coys. are to re-check and ensure that all reference to Unit is deleted from Pay Books, by the use of Indian Ink etc. It is important that this instruction be observed. Coys. will also see that all photographs are securely pasted in Pay Books.

4. MAIL: Owing to the difficulty in disposing of mail to men who have been evacuated to Hospitals etc. it would be advisable if personnel evacuated, informed their Unit by mail as soon as possible of their whereabouts. This would greatly facilitate despatch of their letters from Unit. Advice can be sent, postage free, by letter or YMCA post-card and posted at any Unit or Field Post Office.

5. CONDUCT SHEETS: Coys. are to forward to Bn. HQ immediately all Conduct Sheets in their possession of personnel who have been placed on 'X' List.

6. COY. ORDERLY OFFICERS: Coy. Orderly Officers will personally sign all Tattoo reports and forward same to Bn. Orderly Officer immediately after Tattoo. They will then personally report to Bn. O.O. on returning from Coy. lines that all lights are out and the Coy. lines are quiet. Bn. O.O. will record times of above reporting in his report.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

NOTICES.

LOST: Camera Kodak 35. Left in Pavilion at Padang on Friday, 3 Oct. '41. Finder return to Bn. HQ.

FOUND: Leather belt vicinity Canteen. Owner apply Bn. HQ.

SPORT: The following have been selected to represent the Battalion at Rugby Union against the 2/19 Bn. on Wednesday, 8 Oct. '41 at KLUANG. Ptes. Norden, Want, Ryan.C.B., Wansey.S., Kind, Jones.A.T., O'Rourke Lewis. W., Fisk, Sjts. Williams, McCauley, Ewing, Wilson (bde), Cpl. Jarrett. Sjt. Smith.J.B.I. (Reserves) Robinson and Stockwell.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES,
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MALAYA
6 Oct '41.

PART 1. No. 227.

1. DUTIES.

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. J.L. Maxwell.
Next for Duty.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. Windey, E.W.
Next for Duty.....	Sjt. Taylor, R.G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	L/Cpl. Fraser, A.T.
Next for Duty.....	Cpl. O'Rourke, J.L.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for Duty.....	Lieut. H.W. Porter.

2. TRAFFIC CONTROL: Signs are being erected for traffic to slow down to 15 M.P.H. and then to 10 M.P.H. in area between 79 and 79½ mile posts. Constructional work is under progress and all vehicles must observe these speeds.

3. SAND AND GRAVEL: Sand and gravel may be procured from pits on the east side of KOTA TINGGI Rd, Map Ref. 857272. The pit is visible from the road.

4. LATERITE: May be procured from the following pits:

(a) West side of Jemaluang Road, Map Ref 840363. Track is followed about 200 yds into pits.

(b) P.W.D. Quarry, 80½ mile post on west side of Jemaluang Road.

(c) P.W.D. Quarry, 85½ mile post, Map Ref 815507 on west side of and visible from road.

5. OUT OF BOUNDS: The sand pit on the east side of Jemaluang Road, Map Ref-861293 is out of bounds.

6. ROAD ACCIDENTS: The practice of vehicles stopping at scenes of accidents, when adequate assistance is already being rendered, must cease. This practice hinders the proper working of breakdown vehicles, blocks the road, and is a menace to passing traffic.

7. LEAVE: Personell on town leave are warned that they may not Cross the Mersing River Bridge without a Special Pass. Picquet Officer will enforce this instruction.

8. VEHICLE EQUIPMENT: All M.T. vehicles including cars, but excluding M/C's will have the following items included in their VOL's:-

- Axes, Felling, Heads 1.
- Axes, Felling, Helves 1.
- Axes, Picks, 4½ lb, heads 1.
- Axes, Picks, 4½ lb, helves 1.
- Shovels, G.S. or R.E. 1.

NOTE- Hoes Ceylon 3½ lb or Chang-kols may be provided by BOD in place of picks.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

NOTICES.

RUGBY UNION: The following Rugby Union fixtures will be played with a view to selection of players for A.I.F., Rugby Union Team-

Date	Team.	Played at	Time start.
8 Oct	2/19 Bn. V 2/20 Bn & Bde. H.Q.	Public Padang, Mersing.	1730 hrs.
11 Oct	2/20 Bn. & Bde HQ V 2/18 Bn	JMF Padang.	1615 hrs.
15 Oct	2/10 Fd. Regt V 2/20 Bn & Bde.	Mersing	1615 hrs.
18 Oct	22 Aust. Inf. Bde V 27 Aust Inf Bde.	(To be arranged)	

Matches in Bde inter-unit competition will be 25 minutes each way, 10 min interval at half time. The Home Team (first named) is responsible for arranging referee. Each teams will provide on-line Umpire and one time-keeper. Visiting teams are responsible for arranging their own transport. Visiting teams are responsible for their own players and officials meals.

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Malaya,
7 Oct. '41.

Part 1. No. 228.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt. Taylor. R.G.
Next for duty	Sjt. Stewart. A.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	Cpl. O'Rourke. J.H.
Next for duty	Cpl. Sheriff. D.R.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
Next for duty	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.

2. FIELD DRESSINGS: Personnel must under no circumstances use Field Dressings for minor abrasions etc. In future if they are used for such they will be replaced on stoppage.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE STANDING ORDERS: Should any member of the Unit hold copy No. 125 of these orders, it is to be returned to Bn. HQ immediately.

4. SINGAPORE LEAVE: Until further notice personnel will proceed on leave to Singapore twice weekly as follows:

<u>DAY.</u>	<u>HOUR EX CAMP.</u>	<u>RETURN TO CAMP EX SINGAPORE.</u>
Thursdays	0500 hrs.	1100 hrs.; Sundays.
Sundays	0500 hrs.	0900 hrs.; Wednesdays.

as follows:

<u>A.</u>	<u>B.</u>	<u>C.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>HQ.</u>	<u>BN.HQ.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
5	5	5	5	8	2	30.

Office: Pay and subsistence will be paid as under, at Pay Sjt's

Wednesdays: 1600 hrs. Saturdays: 1400 hrs.

Coys. are to submit names, accompanied by Pay Books, Leave Passes and amount of pay required to be drawn, by 1200 hrs. each Tuesday and Friday. Once names etc. have been submitted no alterations will be effected except in cases of illness.

Reveille will be at 0400 hrs. and breakfast at 0430 hrs. Q.M. to arrange for early breakfast on Thursdays and Sundays at 0430 hrs. for personnel as follows:

	<u>TPS.</u>	<u>DRIVERS.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Thursdays	30	3	33
Sundays	30	6	36

Troops will parade at Tpt. lines at 0455 hrs. sharp.

TPT: Personnel will be conveyed in 30-cwt. vehicles on the basis of 12 men per vehicle. Personnel (5) of 15 A/Tk. Bty. will travel in 2/20 Bn. Tpt. Tpt. will leave camp at 0500 hrs. and join main convoy at JEMALUANG X Rds. at 0600 hrs. and will then come under control of O.C. Convoy. Speed: 20 m.i.h., Density 18 v.t.m.

Drivers will carry unconsumed portion of days rations and usual tpt. requirements. Tpt. which leaves camp on Thursdays will remain detached at G.B.D. under command of HQ, AIF and will return leave personnel on Wednesday. Tpt. which leaves camp on Sunday will return to camp same day; relief drivers to accompany vehicle. They will return personnel that left camp on Thursday.

With regard to para. 4 of this instruction Coys. will submit names of personnel etc. for leave on Thursday next by 0900 hrs, 8 Oct. '41, and thence according to the instruction.

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MALAYA.
9 Oct. '41.

PART I. NO. 229.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt. McDougall. C.H.
Next for duty	Sjt. Hutchinson. J.N.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	L/Cpl. Leal. E.G.
Next for duty	Cpl. Finn. J.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut. J.J. Read.
Next for duty	Lieut. G. Maxwell.

2. WATER: Point for drinking water near Bde. entrance will only be available in future during the following hours:
0700 hrs. to 0900 hrs. 1600 hrs. to 1800 hrs.

3. P.W.D. QUARRIES: When procuring laterite from PWD Quarries, heaps of small stones will not be removed under any circumstances. These heaps are the result of P.W.D. work and the stones are their sole property.

4. ROAD MOVEMENT: It is again emphasised that the maximum speed of M.T. vehicles in the Bde. Group area is 30 m.p.h.

5. INJURIES: It is compulsory for Coys. to have a D.II prepared in the event of every injury or accident to any member of the Coy. This must be prepared immediately Coy. is aware of the injury.

6. PERSONNEL RETURNED FROM HOSPITAL: It is essential that every member of the Unit returned from Hospital reports to Bn. O/Room.

7. SINGAPORE LEAVE: It will be the duty of the Bn. Orderly Officer to be present at Reveille (0400 hrs) and supervise arrangements on the Thursday and Sunday mornings of organised Singapore Leave days. Coys. will ensure that all leave passes are correctly made out and issued to personnel before they proceed on this leave.

8. PAY FOR SPECIAL LEAVE: Personnel proceeding on Special Leave and requiring pay, will submit the amount required to be drawn, through Coy. O/Rooms, to Bn. HQ four days before proposed date of departure. They will then parade with Singapore leave personnel at 1600 hrs. on Wednesdays or 1400 hrs. on Saturdays, whichever day is closest to day on which leave commences.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

INTER COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 26179 Pte. McGuire. S.B. from 'A' to 'HQ' Coy. Carriers.

LOST: Felt hat marked L/Cpl. Snell. A.J. in Unit lines. Coys. will carry out inspection of hats and report result to Bn. HQ.

CONCERT: The Bde. Group Concert Party will stage it's opening concert in 2/20 Bn. lines at 1930 Hrs. on 22 Oct. '41. 2/20 Bn. Band will be present.

SPORT: CRICKET: Two competition cricket matches are to be held each Sunday on the Padang, Mersing at the following hours:
0930 hrs. to 1300 hrs. and 1430 hrs. to 1800 hrs.

FOOTBALL. Four football matches are to be played each Sunday on the J.M.F. Ground, Mersing at the following times:
2 matches 0930 hrs-1200 hrs. 2 matches 1300 hrs. - 1530 hrs.

Allotment of Playing Grounds is as follows:

J.M.F. GROUND: 2/19 Bn.- Tuesdays, 2/20 Bn.- Wednesdays, 2/18 Bn.-

Thursdays, 2/10 Fd. Regt. Fridays. 15 & 16 A/Tk.- Saturdays.

Padang: 2/9 Fd. Amb.-Tuesdays, Bde. Hq. Wednesdays, 2/20 Fd. Coy.-Fridays.

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MALAYA;
10 Oct. '41.

Part 1. No. 230.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut: H.W. Porter.
Next for duty	Lieut: W.J. Richardson.
Next for duty	Lieut: J.J. Read.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt: Hutchinson. J.N.
Next for duty	Sjt: Windeyer. E.W.
Next for duty	Sjt: Raven. B.W.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	Cpl. Finn. J.
Next for duty	Cpl. Watson. A.E.
Next for duty	L/Cpl: Hayes. L.T.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut: G. Maxwell.
Next for duty	Lieut: R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty	Lieut: R.A. Armour.

2. CHURCH PARADES: Sunday, 12 Oct. '41.

Combined Church Parade - 0830 hrs. Padang opposite 2/20 Bn. lines Chap. Jones
R.C. Church Parade - 0815 hrs. S.A. Hut - Padre Sexton. Church Parades will
be attended by all ranks not actually engaged on essential duties.

3. PHOTOGRAPHY: Photography near military positions is NOT allowed and
the identity of all persons using cameras near defensive works should be
clearly established, by conducting such persons to the nearest police
post, where film will be confiscated.

4. SINGAPORE LEAVE: B.R.O. No. 228 para. 4 is cancelled and the following
substituted: Personnel will proceed on leave to Singapore twice weekly
as follows;

<u>DAY.</u>	<u>HOUR EX CAMP.</u>	<u>RETURN TO CAMP-EX SINGAPORE.</u>
Thursdays	0700	1330 hrs.; Sundays.
Sundays	0700	0900 hrs.; Wednesdays.

Allotment for 2/20 Bn. is 32 and will be distributed

as follows:

<u>A.</u>	<u>B.</u>	<u>C.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>HQ.</u>	<u>BN. HQ.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>32</u>

Pay and subsistence will be paid as under, at Pay Sjt's Office:
Wednesdays: 1600 hrs. Saturdays: 1400 hrs.

Cōys. are to submit names, accompanied by Pay Books with Leave Passes
made out and signed therein, and amount of pay required to be drawn by
1200 hrs. each Tuesday and Friday. Once names etc. have been submitted no
alterations will be effected except in cases of illness.

Reveille will be at 0600 hrs. and breakfast at 0630 hrs. Q.M. to arrange
for early breakfast on Thursdays and Sundays at 0630 hrs. for personnel
as follows:

	<u>TBS.</u>	<u>DRIVERS.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Thursdays	<u>32</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>35</u>
Sundays	<u>32</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>38</u>

Troops will parade at Tpt. lines at 0655 hrs. sharp.

TPT: Personnel will be conveyed in 30 cwt. vehicles on basis of 12 men
per vehicle. Tpt. will leave camp at 0700 hrs. and join main convoy at
JEMALUANG X Rds. at 0800 hrs. and will then come under control of O.C.
Convoy, who will also be the Leave Picquet Officer. Speed: 20 M.I.H.
Density 18 V.T.M. Personnel (5) of 15 A/Tk. Bety. will travel in 2/20 Bn.
Tpt. Drivers will carry unconsumed portion of days rations and usual tpt.
requirements. Tpt. which leaves camp on Thursdays will remain detached at
B.G.D. under command of HQ, AIF, and will return leave personnel on
Wednesday; Tpt. which leaves camp on Sunday will return to camp same day
relief drivers to accompany vehicle. They will return personnel that left
camp on Thursday.

PICQUET: 2/20 Bn. will supply a Picquet of 1 Officer, 1 NCO and 4 O/R's
on the following dates: 16/10/41, 30/10/41, 13/11/41. Dress: Trousers
K.D., Shirts with long sleeves, felt hats, sidearms. Shorts may be worn
by day. O.C. Picquet will also act as O/C Convoy. Tpt. will supply
truck to transport picquet to Singapore and for use by picquet during
period of leave.

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5. SPEED LIMIT: Officers and NCO's in charge of vehicles, or any Officer or NCO riding in front of single vehicles, are equally responsible with driver for correct observance of speed limits.

6. COURT OF INQUIRY: A Court constituted as hereunder will assemble at a time and place to be notified by the President to inquire into loss of W/E by NX 26054 Pte. Bekley, K. H., 'D' Coy.

President: Major R.H. Cohen.
Members: Capt. E.W. Gaden.
 Capt. A. Betteridge.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

APPOINTMENTS.

NX 45409 L/Cpl. Phillips, D.M. 'A' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 10.10.41

NOTICES.

LOST: by Capt. Hennessy of 2/10 Pd. Regt. cap containing driving licence. Any information forward to Bn. HQ.

SPORTING: FOOTBALL- RUGBY UNION: The following have been selected to represent the Bn. against 2/18 Bn. on Saturday, 11 Oct. '41 on Padang, near 2/20 Bn. lines.

Wilson, D., Williams, D., Want, I., Robinson, Manning, D., Wansey, S., Crofts, L., Lewis, W., Jones, A.T., Ewing, C., Lean, G., McLaughlin, Jarrett, G., Wilson, N., Fisk, A.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

The following rejoined Unit to-day from 'X' list and are posted as follows:

NX 35007	Lieut. J. Hepburn,		'D' Coy.
NX 45443	W.O. Ill Steinbeck.	W.J.	'HQ' Coy. - Coy. HQ.
NX 30287	Cpl. Ainsworth.	J.K.	'A' Coy.
NX 31973	Pte. Auld.	R.J.	'B' Coy.
NX 54975	Pte. Archbold.	C.K.	'C' Coy.
NX 57277	Pte. Bruce.	W.T.	'HQ' Coy. Tpt.
NX 31809	Pte. Bennett.	A.	'B' Coy.
NX 25858	Pte. Baker.	A.J.	'B' Coy.
NX 45655	Pte. Cashman.	L.J.	'C' Coy.
NX 34221	Pte. Cook.	W.A.	'B' Coy.
NX 28688	Pte. Devereux.	A.S.	'A' Coy.
NX 29183	Cpl. Dempsey.	F.H.	'A' Coy.
NX 27076	Pte. Greenhalgh.	A.K.	'D' Coy.
NX 45858	Pte. Goble.	A.J.	'HQ' Coy. Tpt.
NX 26237	Cpl. Holder.	R.L.	'B' Coy.
NX 55693	Pte. Jamieson.	V.	'HQ' Coy. Tpt.
NX 45841	Pte. Kelly.	K.R.	'B' Coy.
NX 34300	Pte. Lawrence.	F.W.	'C' Coy.
NX 51579	Pte. Tweedie.	A.	'D' Coy.
NX 45762	Pte. Payne.	A.	'B' Coy.
NX 58305	Pte. McBroome.	E.H.	'C' Coy.
NX 27586	Pte. Spurway.	F.	'C' Coy.
NX 24859	Pte. Edwards.	H.H.	'B' Coy.
NX 56797	Pte. Evans.	D.R.	'B' Coy.

PUNISHMENTS:

NX 56135 Pte. McMurray, C.J. 'D' Coy. (1) A.W.L. 12½ hrs.
(2) Breaking out of Barracks.

Award: Forfeit 1 days pay, Fined £2.

NX 4592 5 Pte. Arnott, M.C. 'D' Coy. (1) AWL. 12½ hrs.
(2) Breaking out of barracks.

Award: Forfeit 1 days pay, Fined £2.

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MALAYA.
13 Oct '41

Part 1. No. 231.

<p><u>1. DUTIES:</u> Bn. Orderly Officer Next for duty Bn. Orderly Sjt. Next for duty Bn. Orderly Cpl. Next for duty.</p>	<p>Lieut. G. Maxwell. Lieut. R.V. Pooley. Sjt. Salter: J.D. A/Sjt. Dumas. H.S. Cpl. O'Rourke. J.H. Cpl. Meek. D.R.</p>
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2. CHRISTMAS CARDS: Return as to number (plain and personal cards) is required at Bn. HQ by 0830 hrs. 14 Oct. '41. Hon. Secs. of Officers' and Sjt's Messes will render returns for the requirements of their respective messes.

3. UNIT MAGAZINE: A number of copies of 'Thumbs Up' are still available and may be of interest to the recently joined members of the Bn. Coy. Comds. will bring this to the notice of all personnel and submit a return to Bn. HQ as to numbers required NOT later than 1200 hrs., 15 Oct. '41.

4. REGIMENTAL HAIRDRESSER: Hereunder is furnished hours for Barbers Shop and number of assistants that will be present during those hours:

MONDAY: 0800-1100 hrs. 1400-1800 hrs. Two barbers camp area; 2 at 'A' Coy.
TUESDAY: 0900-1800 hrs. 3 men at 'C' Coy.; 1 in camp area all day.
WEDNESDAY: 0800-1100 hrs. 1400-1800 hrs. 4 barbers camp area.
THURSDAY: 0800-1100 hrs. 1400-1800 hrs. Two men Camp area; 2 at 'A' Coy.
FRIDAY: 0800-1100 hrs. 1400-1800 hrs. 4 barbers camp area.
SATURDAY: 0800-1100 hrs. 1400-1800 hrs. 4 barbers camp area.
SUNDAY: 0700-1300 hrs. 4 barbers camp area.

All Coys. will post these times on Coy. Notice Boards.

5. CAMPS IN RUBBER ESTATES: A.S.O. Para.155 is superseded by the following: 'In order to minimise claims for compensation, units in rubber will reduce the area in which tapping will not be allowed minimum, while the cutting down of rubber or any other trees must only be resorted to when such is essential for military purposes. In such cases a detailed record will be kept of the numbers and kinds of trees cut down and agreed on by the District Officer or his representative and the owner of the land, if available. Such particulars will be forwarded to Adm. HQ, AIF, without delay'.

6. SPEED LIMITS: Advice has been received that the speed limit on the following roads is 30 miles per hour:

East Coast Road, Bukit Timah Road, Grove Road, Tanglin Road.

7. M.T. VEHICLES- TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND SPEED LIMITS: The whole of Singapore Fortress is a restricted area for all vehicles except Cars, M/C's and M/C Combinations.

8. RETURNS: A return is required by 0900 hrs., 15 Oct. '41 of all dates of births and full names of Officers and NCO's not previously advised to Bn. HQ.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

PROMOTIONS.

NX 29183 Cpl. Dempsey. F.H. 'A' Coy. promoted Sjt. as from 10.10.41

APPOINTMENTS.

NX 31208 Cpl. Dumas. H. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Sjt. 13.10.41
52088 L/Cpl. Barnett. J.L. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 13.10.41
31793 Pte. Turner. N. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 13.10.41
46075 L/Cpl. Griffin. J. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 13.10.41
27362 Pte. Crewick. A. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 13.10.41
53671 Pte. Badger. A.H. appointed L/Cpl. 13.10.41

INTER-COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 33600 Pte. Boman. J.A.C. from 'Bn. HQ' to Coy. HQ of HQ Coy.

TRANSFERS. From 2/20 Bn. AIF to 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

NX 52255 A/Cpl. McNeill. A.	NX 19999 Pte. McGowan. W.J.
55110 Pte. Rise. T.W.C.	54173 Pte. Wilcox. E.T.
65239 Pte. Daly. J.P.	65268 Pte. Ley. D.
53682 Pte. Anderson. F.C.	



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
14 Oct. '41.

PART I. NO. 232.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut: R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty	Lieut: J. Hepburn.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	A/Sjt. Dumas. H.S.
Next for duty	Sjt. Smith. G.P.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	Cpl. Meek. D.R.
Next for duty	Cpl. McCoy. J.B.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
Next for duty	Lieut. F. Ramsbotham.

2. SPEED LIMITS OF M.T. VEHICLES AND CARRIERS: Until further advised drivers will note that a Bn. Speed Limit of 30 m.p.h. (maximum) is to be applied to all 2/20 Bn. vehicles on all roads (except where lower speed limits are ordered), except Car H.2. The speed limit of Carriers remains at 20 m.p.h. The T.O. and Carrier Comd. shall parade the personnel of their Pl. at least once per week and read this instruction to them. Every vehicle shall have a notice pasted on the dash board and clearly visible to the driver setting out this instruction.

3. TRAFFIC- SENTRIES: From 1900 hrs. until Reveille daily, sentries on main gate will stop all M.T. vehicles entering or leaving camp and check the drivers G.2's. This applies to vehicles of all Units. Drivers having faulty G.2 or without any G.2 will be referred by sentry to Guard Comd. Specimen G.2 (in detail) is attached to Guard duty board. It will be the duty of all drivers to stop and have G.2's checked.

4. TIMBER CUTTING: Advice has been received that timber may be cut in the following areas:

- North of S. MERSING - Between MERSING and 90 M.
- Between JEMALUANG CROSS RDS. and 119 M on KLUANG RD.
- Between JEMALUANG CROSS RDS. and 60 M on KOTA TINGGI RD., but not within $\frac{1}{2}$ M. of MT harbours at 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ M and 67 M.
- Between 75 M and 79 M, but not in the vicinity of existing harbours.

5. UNIT SONG BOOK: About 100 copies of this book are available and may be had on application. Coys. to submit requests to Bn. HQ by 0900 hrs., 16 Oct. '41.

6. LEAVE FOR NCO'S: Applications for leave must first be submitted to RSM for approval before being handed to Bn. HQ.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

EXTRACTS FROM CASUALTY RETURNS.

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL: NX 51011 Pte. KELLY, Leslie Joseph, of 2/20 Bn. AIF, whilst on active service, charged with:

- Striking his superior officer, A.A. Sec. 8 (1).
- Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer, AA Sec. 9 (2)
- Using insubordinate language to superior officer, AA Sec. 8 (2).
- A.W.L. AA 15 (1)

Accused pleads GUILTY on charges 1, 2, and 4; NOT GUILTY on charge 3.

FINDING OF COURT: GUILTY on all four charges.

SENTENCE: Accused sentenced to undergo 120 days detention and fined £2; sentence to date from 4.10.41. Sentence was confirmed by G.O.C., 8 Aust. Div., AIF, Malaya on 10.10.41

APPOINTMENTS:

NX 30092 L/Cpl. Fraser. A.T. 'D' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 13.10.41.
NX 32757 Pte. Bartlett. L.M. 'B' Coy. appointed L/Cpl. 14.10.41.
NX 25600 Cpl. O'Brien. V.A. 'HQ' Coy. appointed A/Sjt. 14.10.41.
NX 27779 L/Cpl. Chapman. A.W. appointed A/Cpl. 14.10.41.

INTER-COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 51505 Pte. Wilks. W.A. from Bn. HQ (Pro) to 'A' Coy. and detached to HQ Coy. Transport Section.

SPORTING: RUGBY UNION team to play 2/10 Fd. Regt. 15.10.41 is:
Lithgow, W.J.; Want. I.; Bell. W.J.; Ryan. C.; Allingham. C.; McCauley. A.L.;
Kind. K.; Jones. A.T.; Lewis. W.; Ewing. C.; McLaughlin. B.L.; Jarrett. G.;
Fisk. A.; Wilson. N. (Bde.) Lean. G.A.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
'ROUTINE ORDERS' BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. 'A.I.F.
PART I. No. 233.

MALAYA:
15 Oct. '41.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut: A.I. Yates.
Next for duty	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt: Smith. G.P.
Next for duty	Sjt. Robinson. W.G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	Cpl. McCoy. J.B.
Next for duty	Cpl. Barter. P.G.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut: F. Ramsbotham.
Next for duty	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.

2. LEAVE: Personnel of 'C' Coy. returning from Singapore leave must report to Bn. HQ immediately on return to Camp so that arrangements can be made for transport to their Coy. lines.

3. CONVEYANCE OF PETROL: Personnel engaged in loading or off-loading petrol from steel bodied lorries e.g. Marmom Herringtons, will wear rubber sold shoes.

4. CLAIMS: Where Officers, W/O's or Sjts. are quartered with British or Indian messes, all claims for such personnel will be submitted on an out-of-pocket basis only. The scale of travelling allowance in ASO 120 will NOT apply.

5. ADMISSIONS TO HOSPITALS: Add to ASO para. 88 D: 'Personnel evacuated to British Hospitals will also take mosquito nets'.

6. SNAKE BITES: Coys. are to see that all working and recce parties carry with them at all times necessary snake bite outfits.

7. SANITATION: All ranks must be continually warned of the urgent necessity of keeping all latrine lids closed.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

INTER COY TRANSFERS.

NX 51505 Pte. Wilks. W.A. from 'A' Coy. to 'HQ' Coy. Tpt.
34221 Pte. Cook. W.H. from 'B' Coy. to 'HQ' Coy. Tpt.

SPORTING.

RECENT SPORTING RESULTS:

Soccer:	2/20 Bn. V Bde. Won 2-1.
	2/20 Bn. V 2/18 Bn. Lost 3-0.
Rugby Union:	2/20 Bn. V 2/19 Bn. Lost 8-3.
	2/20 Bn. V 2/18 Bn. Won 8-0.
Cricket	2/20 Bn. V 15 A/Tk. Bty. Lost.

NOTICE.

MALAYAN: In order that personnel may learn progressively short Malayan phrases which may be of assistance later; a daily phrase will be published under NOTICES in B.R.O.'s. Pl. Comds. will check at week ends and ascertain proportion of men absorbing the language:

<u>MALAY.</u>		<u>ENGLISH EQUIVALENT.</u>
Berapa harga	-	How much (price).
Berapa jauh	-	How far.
Banyak Mahal	-	Too dear.

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Red Diary

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT. - COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
16 Oct. '41

PART I. NO. 233.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt. Robinson. W.G.
Next for duty	L/Sjt. McCauley. A.L.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	Cpl. Barter. P.G.
Next for duty	L/Cpl. Badger. A.H.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut. J.J. Read.
Next for duty	Lieut. G. Maxwell.

2. LEAVE: Troops may not cross bridge to northern side of MERSING RIVER without a written pass. 'A' Coy. personnel may not cross bridge to Southern side of river without a pass. Picquet Officers will check this matter.

3. COURT OF INQUIRY: A Court Of Inquiry constituted as hereunder, will assemble at a time and place to be appointed by the President to inquire into the illegal absence of NX 65811 Pte. Judge. L.A.:

Major R.H. Cohen- President.
Capt. R.J.D. Richardson- Member.
Capt. A.C.M. Ewart- Member.

4. REGISTRATION OF CAMERAS: Each Coy. will supply a list of personnel to Bn. HQ by 1200 hrs. 17 Oct. '41, possessing cameras. Return will show: Name, Rank, No., Make of Camera, Camera No., Description, Film size.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.;
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

NOTICES.

SPORTING: Soccer team to play 2/18 Bn. at Town Padang on Monday next, 20 Oct. '41 at 1700 hrs.: J. Burling, CSM Chapman, Sym, Storey, Serong, Laughton, Cooper, Loan, Tomkinson, Lewis, Orvad. Reserves. McDermott and Price.

RUGBY UNION: 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. team to play Malacca-Negri team at KLUANG on Saturday, 18 Oct. '41 at 1730 hrs.: (Red and Blue sweaters, blue shorts, issue socks)- Byron (2/19), Small (2/19), Gannain (2/10), Lee (2/10), Lihon (2/10), Reynolds (2/19), Shulte (2/10) Capt. Ewing (2/20), Barnes (2/18), Malin (2/10), Ovens (2/10), Lewis (2/20), Graham (2/19), Fisk (2/20), Jillett (2/10). Bn. to make own tpt. and messing arrangements.

Two teams to play at KLUANG, Sat. 18 Oct. '41 at 1630 hrs: BLUES: Purtell (2/10), Bell (2/20), Conlan (2/19), Gavin (2/19), Seymour (2/18), Pidcock (2/18) Capt., Jones (2/20), Donley (2/19), McGregor (2/18), Burt (2/19) Vice-Capt., McLachlan (2/20), Winter (2/19), Leane (2/20), Tully (2/10), Cunningham (2/10).

YELLOWES.
Cullin (2/10), Colenso (2/18), Reading (2/18), Allingham (2/20), Walsh (2/20), Wansey (2/20), Vice-Capt., Kine (2/20), Crotherden (2/19), Martin (2/10-), Starkey (2/10), Easy (2/18), Kelly (2/18), Fuller (2/18), Counter (2/18), Smith (2/18). Reserves: Mann (2/19), Burgess (2/18), Anderson (2/19), McCauley (2/20), Dixon (2/10), Coby (2/10), O'Rourke (2/20), Kenyon (2/19)

INTER COY. TRANSFERS.

QX 15450 Pte. Humbler, B. from Bn. HQ to 'A' Coy.
NX 71894 Pte. Peckman, A.J. from Bn. HQ to 'A' Coy.
NX 1668 Pte. Burke, H. from 'D' Coy. to Bn. HQ.
NX 53259 Pte. Loan, J.B. from Bn. HQ to 'D' Coy.
NX 1658 Pte. Barsons, R.A. from 'B' to Bn. HQ (Pro).

APPOINTMENTS.

NX 52051 Pte. Brown, W.G. 'B' Coy. Tpt. appointed Group Spec. 111.14.10.4

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R. D. Dwyer

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
17 Oct. '41.

PART 1. No. 23

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Next for duty	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
Next for duty	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Cpl. Love. A.I.
Next for duty	Cpl. Bell. W.J.
Next for duty	Sjt. French. J.B.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	L/Cpl. Badger. A.H.
Next for duty	L/Cpl. Bartlett. L.M.
Next for duty	Cpl. Fraser. A.T.
Inlying Picquet Officer	Lieut. G. Maxwell.
Next for duty	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty	Lieut. J.S. Brooks.

2. CHURCH PARADES: Sunday, 19 Oct. '41.

Combined Church Parade - 0700 hrs. at Padang- Mr. Woodland.
0830 hrs. Holy Communion, S.A. Hut.
R.C. Church Parade- 0700 hrs- Padre Sexton.

3. DENTAL PARADES: Except in special cases authorised by R.M.O. or Dental Clinic, Unit dental parades will be held on Monday only.

4. Bn. HQ: Attention is directed to the change of location of Bn. HQ to the opposite side of Martin Place. No vehicle will park in front of C.O.'s or Adj't's offices, except C.O.'s car.

5. M.T. VEHICLES: The entrance to camp area facing northern entrance to Wynyard Square will not be used by M.T. during the hours 1900 to Reveille daily, and sentries have been instructed to stop all vehicles leaving or entering these lines during these hours.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj't. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

STRENGTH INCREASE.

EXTRACTS FROM CASUALTY RETURNS.

The following marched in from G.B.D. and are posted as follows:

NX 59612	Pte. Dowling. G.A.	'HQ' Coy.	NX 67081	Pte. Worland. N.C.	'HQ'
NX 29367	" Grover. R.J.	Do.	NX 50482	" Cheal. O.J.	"
NX 45567	" Harrison. J.D?	Do.	NX 20508	" Smith. R.	'D'
NX 33607	" Hurley. J.	Do.	NX 45248	" Schubert. A.	'HQ'
NX 72987	" McNamara. S.J.	Do.	NX 72734	" Smith. F.C.	'HQ'
NX 20000	" McDonald. R.G.	Do.	NX 53809	" Jolly. R.	Do.
NX 33000	" Shutt. L.L.	Do.	NX 1212	" Hodges. G.	Do.

POSTED ON 'X' LIST.

NX 50448 Sjt. Lewis. C.W. 'C' Coy. 14.10.41 (OCTU).
NX 25241 Sjt. Speers. D. Do. Do.
NX 46354 Sjt. Vincent. C.D.J. 'A' Do.
NX 26784 L/Sjt. Meagher. B. 'D' Do.
NX 72425 Pte. Mullens. P.J. (D) Posted 'X' list 13.10.41.
NX 26770 Pte. Woolcock. A. 'C' - 12.10.41.
NX 68983 Pte. Bates. A.E.R. 'C' 15.10.41.
NX 54998 Pte. Ryan. J.B.H. 'HQ' attached- posted 'X' list 14.10.41.

LOST: Conklin Propelling pencil engraved H. Porter. Finder return Bn. HQ

2/20 Bn. Cricket team to play 2/10 Fd. Regt, 18 Oct. '41 at 0900 hrs.
Sjt. Salter, Cpl. Barter, L/Cpl. Hayes, Ptes. J. Steele, T. Bourke,
Harrison. N.N., Wonson, Turner, Deegan, Mr. Woodlands, Pte. Corby.

FOUND: Gold ring with AIF crest engraved- Owner report Bn. HQ.



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War Diary

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN: A.I.F.
Part 1. No. 235.

MALAYA.
19 Oct. '41

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. J.J. Read.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. French. J.B.
Next for duty.....	L/Sjt. McCauley. A.L.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. Fraser. A.T.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Barnett. J.L.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. J.S. Brooks.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. R.A. Armour.

2. LEAVE: Leave for tps. will be as follows: Week nights- Until 2200 hrs. Saturday nights Until 2359 hrs. All tps. must be in possession of a leave pass if in the town after the above hours.

3. PLAYING GROUNDS: J.M.F. Ground is not available to AIF on Sundays. Troops must not throw any rubbish on this ground.

4. SECURITY: Personnel must not write, post, transmit, deliver or communicate to any person, other than in the execution of his duty, any message of a secret or confidential nature, or likely to be useful to the enemy, or relating to the numbers, description or destination of troops, transports or warships, or likely to prejudice public safety, the defence of the Commonwealth, the efficient prosecution of the war, or the maintenance of supplies and essential services.

5. OUT OF BOUNDS: The following are out of bounds to all ranks: Tokio Shokai, Japanese Merchant, Jalan Awang, SEGAMAT. S. Chooma, Photographer, Jalan Sultan, SEGAMAT.

6. XMAS CARDS: Advice has been received that, owing to the heavy demands on available space in air mail services to Australia, no further concession can be granted in respect of postage rates on Xmas cards or Stationery for conveyance by air to Australia. Xmas cards etc. can be sent by surface mail without payment of any postage, and there is still ample time for surface mail letter to be delivered in Australia before Xmas.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.;
Actg/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

INTER COY TRANSFERS.

NX 37050 Pte. Turner. E.G. from 'B' Coy. to Bn. HQ. Band.
 NX 635 Pte. O'Neill. T.V. from 'B' Coy. to HQ Coy. Sigs.
 NX 53809 Pte. Jolly. R.A. from 'HQ' Coy. to 'B' Coy.
 NX 71640 Pte. Bishop. S.J. from 'B' Coy. to HQ Coy. Mort.
 NX 47787 Pte. Donnelly. C.G. from 'HQ' to 'B' Coy.

PROMOTIONS, & APPOINTMENTS.

NX 35016 Lieut. G.L. Maxwell, 'HQ' Coy. promoted Captain as from 15/9/41.
 NX 26234 Cpl. Burnes. F.C. 'B' Coy. appointed A/Sjt. 19.10.41.
 NX 27969 Pte. Mackney. D.L. 'B' Coy. appointed A/Cpl. 19.10.41.
 NX 27779 A/Cpl. Chapman. A.W. 'HQ' Coy. Tpt. appointed L/Sjt. 18.10.41

REJOINED UNIT FROM 'X' LIST.

NX 12571 Lieut. A.G. Davies, 'HQ' Coy. 13.10.41.

LOST: 'Onoto' Fountain pen belonging to Pte. F.W. Wilson. Finder return Bn. HQ.

Wallet containing a large sum of money, valued photos, and useful papers. This wallet was inadvertently left in a chair in the Salvation Army Hut, at 12 30 hrs., 18. 10.41. Finder will be substantially rewarded if wallet is returned to Bn. HQ.

FOUND: Leather Money Belt- owner apply Bn. HQ.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. AIF.

MALAYA:
21 Oct. 41.

Part 1. No. 236.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer:	.....	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
Next for duty:	.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Bn. Orderly Sjt:	.....	Sjt. Cooksey: R.O.
Next for duty:	.....	Sjt. Stewart. A:
Bn. Orderly Cpl:	.....	Cpl. Fardy. T:
Next for duty:	.....	Cpl. Finn. J:
Inlying Picquet Officer:	.....	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
Next for duty:	.....	Lieut. A.G. Davies

2. SPECIAL LEAVE APPLICATIONS: Special leave applications must state times and dates that leave is required for.

3. GAMBLING: Crown and Anchor game is forbidden in 2/20 Bn.

4. Q.M. OFFICE: No person is permitted to enter Q.M. Office unless a member of the staff is present. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders in future.

5. HOURS OF WORK: Hours of work will be as follows: From 0800 hrs. until 1400 hrs. daily, excepting Sundays. A short break will be made at 1045 hrs. when tea and a slice of bread and jam or cheese will be issued to all ranks.

6. MERSING- CAFE FOR TROOPS: Troops may frequent this cafe from Sunday to Friday incl. up to 2145 hrs. and on Saturdays up to 2345 hrs. The cafe is out of bounds to tps. after 2145 hrs. from Sunday to Friday incl. and 2345 hrs. on Saturday.

7. CAMP PICTURE SHOWS: A camp picture show is operating at MERSING, situated between Senior Rest House and ADS. There will be three shows per week with a change of programme each night. A programme will be issued later. Admission charge will be: Officers- 40 cents, O/Rs- 20 cents. A free show will be available once per fortnight.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.
Acting Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

APPOINTMENTS:

NX 55797 Cpl. Chaplin. F.A.	'C' appointed Acting Sjt.	20.10.41
NX 55797 Sjt. A/Sjt. Chaplin. F.A.	'C' Coy. appointed Acting S/Sjt.	20.10.41
NX 34301 L/Sjt. Lawrence. A.S.	'C' Coy. appointed Acting Sjt.	20.10.41
NX 55787 L/Cpl. Hayes. L.T.	'B' Coy. appointed Acting Cpl.	20.10.41

EXTRACTS FROM CASUALTY RETURNS.

<u>'X' LISTS.</u>		
NX 70260 Lieut. F.G. Lusk,	'HQ' posted to 'X' list	21.10.41
NX 2125 Pte. Denney. F.E.	'D' posted to 'X' list	17.10.41
NX 47787 Pte. Donnelly. C.G.	'B' " "	20.10.41
NX 27124 " Donaldson. K.W.	'C' " "	" "
NX 29177 Cpl. Wannan. E.S.	'C' " "	" "
NX 45443 W.O.ii Steinbeck. W.J.	'HQ' " "	" "
NX 58804 Pte. Sly. H.	'HQ' " "	" "
NX 26054 Pte. Eckley. C.K.	'D' " "	19.10.41
NX 26449 W.O.ii Smith. S.	'A' Coy. " "	19.10.41
NX 32677 Pte. Davies. E.D.	'A' " "	19.10.41
NX 27411 Pte. Davis. W.G.	'A' " "	20.10.41

In future all personnel evacuated beyond R.A.P. must show on 'X' list.

NX 45543 Pte. Dean. W.D.	'C' Rejoined Unit ex 'X' list	19.10.41
NX 32701 Pte. Wilson. D.J.	" " "	20.10.41

CONCERT.

Bde. Group concert at 2/20 Bn. on 22 Oct. '41.

SOCCER: Soccer team to play RAF. on Town. Padang next Monday, 27 Oct. '41.

Cooper, Burling, K., Burling, J., Orvad, Chapman, Serong, McDermott, Loan, Storey, Sym, Tomkinson. Reserves: Laughton, Price, Shelley.

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COMMA NDING 2 /20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
23 Oct. '41

Part 1. No. 237.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.	Lieut. R.A. Armour.
Next for duty.	.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	.....	L/Sjt. McCaulley. A.L.
Next for duty.	.....	A/Sjt. Burnes. F.C.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	.....	Cpl. Turner. N.
Next for duty.	.....	L/Cpl. Hearl. W.G.
Inlying Picquet Officer.	.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty.	.....	Lieut. H.W. Porter.

2. HOURS OF WORK: Coys. are advised that BRO No.236 para. 5 of 21 Oct. '41 is cancelled. These times will apply only to working parties under supervision of Engineers.

3. TRAFFIC CONTROL: All drivers must carry out instructions issued by Traffic Control Post at corner of Martin Place and Castlereagh Sts. The Traffic Provost on duty have been issued with definite instructions as to their duty.

4. CARE OF EQUIPMENT: It is apparent from numerous reports of loss and damage of or to all items of War Equipment, personal and Coy., and Engineers Stores, that greater care in their use and custody requires to be exercised. Recent losses have been reported and negligence is apparent in most cases. All equipment etc. must be carefully looked after, and action will be taken against offenders.

5. SHOPKEEPERS- GENERAL OVER-CHARGING: It is advised that, after careful investigation and action, prices of local shopkeepers have been reduced to normal and should remain so. This is a result of specific complaints of over charging and if cases of overcharging occur, personnel should make a full report to Bn. HQ showing place, shop, date, time, nature of purchase, and if possible, normal price, so that action can be taken.

6. Church Parades: Sunday, 26 Oct. '41.
Combined Church Parade- 0830 hrs. Padang- Padre Fleming.
Foly Communion S.A, Hut 0800 hrs.

R.C. Church Parade- 0930 hrs. - Padre Sexton.

7. MEDICAL UNITS- OUT PATIENT TREATMENT: Delete ASO 88A and substitute: 'personnel sent to Medical Units for investigation or out-patient treatment not involving stay over-night will be provided with a cut lunch. As far as possible, such patients will be sent to the Medical Units in the mornings'.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

FOUND: Grey Mottled fountain pen- Apply Bn. HQ.

SOCCER: Team to play 2/10 Pd. Regt. at 1700 hrs. on town Padang, next Saturday, 25 Oct. '41. Cooper, Burling, J., Burling, K., Orvad, Chapman, Serong, McDermott, Loan, Storey, Sym. Tomkinson, Reserves: Laughton, Price, Shelley.

CAMP PICTURES ON 24 Oct. '41 'Alexanders Ragtime Band.

Red Diary

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

PA RT I. NO. 238.

Malaya.
28 Oct. '41.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut: A.G. Davies.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Cpl. Uden. F.T.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Robinson. W.G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	L/Cpl. Bartlett. L.M.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Sherriff. D.R.
Inlying Oicquet Officer.....	Lieut: R.A. Armour.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. A.I. Yates.

2. WATER:

The Town supply of water is gradually decreasing and if water is not conserved, the position will become definitely acute. Personnel are warned against water wastage and on no account are the tanks between R.A.P. and 'D' Coy. Orderly Room and tank at Red, Shield Hut to be used for washing. Strong disciplinary action will be taken against offenders. The tap at the kitchens will only be available for use between 0600 and 0700 and 1600-1700 hrs. daily.

3. CANVAS WATER CONTAINERS: Coy. water duty personnel are to ensure that containers are washed once, twice if possible, per week. Coy. Q's will supervise this.

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

EXTRACTS FROM CASUALTY RETURNS.

PUNISHMENTS.

58507 Pte. Ross. P. 'D' Coy.	(1) Fails to appear place of parade-7 days	CB
	(2) AWL 4½ hrs. Fined £1.	
57409 Pte. Saville. V.H. 'D'	(1) Fails to appear place of parade-7 days	CB
	(2) AWL 4½ hrs. Fined £1.	
51852 Pte. Christensen. S.H.A. 'D'	(1) Fails to appear place of parade-7 days	C.B.
	(2) AWL 4½ hrs. Fined £1.	
58905 Pte. Smith. T.B. 'A'	AWL 89 hrs. Fined £1, forfeit 4 days pay.	
57377 Pte. Scollen. T.P. Bn.HQ	AWL 5 days 15 hrs. Fined £3, forfeit 6 days pay.	
56674 Pte. Fewer. J.R. 'A'	AWL 72 hrs. Fined 10/- forfeit 3 days pay.	
31659 Pte. Wells. S.J. 'A'	AWL 72 hrs. Fined 10/- forfeit 3 days pay.	
59183 Pte. Hogan. E.J. 'D'	3 charges fails to appear at place of pde. 28 days detention.	

MALAY PHRASES:

Pukul berapa ---- Whats the time?
Mana pergi ---- Where are you ?



Amoy

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.- COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA.
31 OCT. '41.

Part 1. No. 239.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. R.A. Armour.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. J.J. Read.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	I/Sjt. Raven. B.W.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Murray. P.C.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Gooch. J.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. Rodgers. J.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Meek. D.R.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. McLean. R.J.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. B.D. Richardson.

2. CHURCH PARADES: Sunday, 2 Nov. '41.

Combined Church Parade- 0830 hrs. on Padang. Padre H. Jones.
Holy Communion- 0930 hrs- S.A. Hut. Padre Fleming.
R.C. Church Parade- 0830 hrs.- Padre Sexton.

3. DENTAL TREATMENT: Coys. will furnish to Bn. HQ by 1200 hrs. 3 Nov. '41
list of personnel requiring dentures.

4. CAMP PICTURE SHOW: Those proceeding to and from Camp Pictures must keep to the road at all times and NOT go through 2/9 Fd. Amb. lines. The Hill at the rear of the Camp picture show is out of bounds to troops while pictures are being shown. It is pointed out that if the picture show is not patronised by troops the quality of the films will not improve.

5. LEAVE: It has been reported that troops, whilst on leave in SINGAPORE, have been frequenting places out of bounds, and causing annoyance to civilians. This practice must cease and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders. Troops are reminded that the correct dress whilst on leave must be worn. Belts W.E. must be worn at all times.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.

Act/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

EXTRACTS FROM CASUALTY RETURNS.

COURT OF INQUIRY: A Court of Inquiry was held on 18 Oct. '41 to inquire into the illegal absence of N^X 65811 Pte. JUNGE, L.A. of 2/20 Bn. A.I.F. in accordance with A.M.R. & O. para. 445.

Finding: That N^X 65811 Pte. Junge, L.A. absented himself without leave on 7 Sep. '41 and is still absent.

TRANSFERS: N^X 50577 Sjt. Daley, H.J. 'Bn. HQ' from Unit to G.B.D. 31.10.41

PUNISHMENTS: N^X 6632 Pte. Thompson, G.A. 'A' Coy; N^X 72865 Pte. Fitzgerald L.N. 'A' Coy; N^X 2891 Pte. MacKay, W.B. 'A' Coy. charged with:

1. When a defaulter broke out of camp.
2. Resisting an escort. Award: 14 days detention.

COMING PICTURE ATTRACTIONS AT CAMP PICTURE SHOW.

31 Oct. '41 - Suez.	1 Nov. '41 - They shall have Music.
2 Nov. '41 - Brother Rat and a Baby.	3 Nov. '41 - Slave Ship.
4 Nov. '41 - Not yet arranged.	5 Nov. '41 - Drums along the Mohawk.
6 Nov. '41 - Stanley & Livingstone.	
7 Nov. '41 - Intermezzo.	8 Nov. '41 - In old Chicago.
9 Nov. '41 - Free Show.	10 Nov. '41 - Its in the air.

Malay Phrases:

Lana awa datang - Where do you come from/ going?.

Sila dudok - please be seated.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 BN A.I.F. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	26		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	39		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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



Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT-COL	NX 379	ASSHETON C F	2/20 BN	YES	
MAJOR	NX 34192	ROBERTSON A E	"	"	
"	NX 35002	MERRCH R O	"	"	
"	NX 499	COHEN R H	"	"	
CAPTAIN	NX 70193	LINSCOTT J R	"	NO	GEN. BASE DEPOT.
"	NX 34719	FAIRLEY J G	"	NO	22 Aust Inf Bde.
"	NX 35117	LOWE J M	"	YES	
"	NX 35012	RICHARDSON R J D	"	"	
"	NX 498	ENWART A C M	"	"	
"	NX 34852	CARTER W A	"	"	
"	NX 12543	GADEN E W	"	"	
"	NX 34800	GIBBINGS C C	"	"	
"	NX 70266	BETTERIDGE A J	"	"	
LIEUTENANT	NX 35016	MAXWELL G L	"	"	
"	NX 35004	YATES A I	"	"	
"	NX 12571	DAVIES A B	"	NO	POSTED ON X LIST.
"	NX 34640	BROOKS J S	"	YES	
"	NX 70260	LUSK F G	"	"	
"	NX 70275	POCKLEY R V	"	"	
"	NX 35003	HUTTON K W	"	NO	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	NX 34867	READ J J	"	YES	
"	NX 35011	RICHARDSON W J	"	"	
"	NX 35013	RICHARDSON B D	"	NO	POSTED ON X LIST
"	NX 12556	PORTER H W	"	YES	
"	NX 34885	GAVEN F	"	"	
"	NX 50546	MACLEAN A H	"	"	
"	NX 35004	MUDIE J V	"	"	
"	NX 52502	TIPPING B G	"	"	
"	NX 34361	RANSBORNHAM F	"	"	
"	NX 46815	ROWE J C	"	"	
"	NX 26764	ARMOUR R A	"	"	
"	NX 54135	STANISTREET R W	"	"	
"	NX 56116	WOODS H A	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPTAIN	VX 39223	CATCHLOVE J P	AA M C	21-4-41	R Ch O.
PA DRC	NX 35108	SEXTON C G	AA C L D	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 BN AIF

Unit.

5 October 1941

Date of Despatch.

J. Lowe Capt for Mbl

Signature of Commander.

22 Aust Inf Bde

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 BN A.I.F. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1		—
Majors	3		—
Captains	9		—
Lieutenants	20		6
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals ..	33		6

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>Hepburn S</i>	<i>ex X List</i>		
<i>"</i>	<i>Richardson B.D.</i>	<i>cto.</i>		

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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Lt.-Col.	NX 379	ASSETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	NX34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	NX35002	Marrett. R.O.	"	"	
"	NX 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NX70193.	LINSCOTT. J.R.	"	No.	Gen. Base Depot.
"	NX34719	FAIRLEY. J.G.	"	"	22 Aust. Inf. Bde.
"	NX35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	Yes.	
"	NX35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NX 498	EWART. A.S.M.	"	Yes.	
"	NX34852	CARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	NX12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NX34840	GIBBINGS. C.C.	"	"	
"	NX70253	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
Lieutenant	NX35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
"	NX35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NX34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NX70260	LUSK. P.C.	"	Yes.	
"	NX70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NX35003	HUTTON. K.W.	"	No.	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	NX34867	READ. J.J.	"	Yes.	
"	NX35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	NX35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	"	
"	NX12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	NX35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	NX34885	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	NX50546	MacLEAN. A.H.	"	"	
"	NX56164	MUDIE. J.V.	"	"	
"	NX52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NX59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NX46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	"	
"	NX26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	"	
"	NX59135	STANISTREET. R.W.	"	"	
"	NX56116	WOODS. H.A.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.G.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre.	NX35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

J. Lowe Capt. for. Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander.

12 October 1941. Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde Malaya. Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	5		
Captains	9		1
Lieutenants	28 31		1
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	34		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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Lt-Col.	NX 379	ASSHETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	NX34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NX35002	MERRETT. R.O.	"	"	Leave.
"	NX 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	Yes.	
Captain.	NX70193	LINSCOTT. J.R.	"	No.	Gen Base Depot.
"	NX34719	FAIRLEY. J.G.	"	"	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	NX35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	"	Johore Mil Forces.
"	NX35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NX 498	EWART. A.C.M.	"	"	
"	NX34852	GARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	NX12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NX34840	GIBBINGS. C.C.	"	"	
"	NX70256	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
Lieutenant	NX35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
"	NX35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NX34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	"	
"	NX70260	LUSK. F.G.	"	"	
"	NX70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NX35003	HUTTON. K.W.	"	No.	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	NX34867n	READ. J.J.	"	Yes.	
"	NX35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	NX35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	No.	Con. Leave.
"	NX12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	Yes.	
"	NX35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	NX34885	GAVIN. F.	"	"	
"	NX50546	MacLEAN? A.H.	"	"	
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"	NX52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NX59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NX46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	"	
"	NX26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	No.	O.C. Leave Ploquet.
"	NX59135	STANISTREET. R.W.	"	Yes.	
"	NX56116	WOODS. H.A.	"	"	
"	NX12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	

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Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre.	NX35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

Anna Lean

Signature of Commanding Officer.

18 October 1941.

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust. Inf. Bde. Malaya.



FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
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Lieutenants	20		2
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	34		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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Captain.	N70193	LINSCOTT, J.R.	"	No.	Gen Base Depot.
"	N34719	FAIRLEY, J.G.	"	No.	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	N35117	LOWE, J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil Process
"	N35012	RICHARDSON, R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	N4 498	EWART, A.C.M.	"	"	
"	N34862	GARTER, W.A.	"	"	
"	N412543	GADEN, E.W.	"	"	
"	N34840	GIBBINGS, C.C.	"	"	
"	N70256	BETTERIDGE, A.J.	"	"	
"	N35016	MAWELL, G.L.	"	No.	Leave.
Lieutenant.	N35004	YATES, A.I.	"	Yes.	
"	N412571	DAVIES, A.G.	"	"	
"	N34640	ERCOCK, J.S.	"	"	
"	N70260	LUSK, F.G.	"	No.	Patient A.D.S.
"	N70275	POCKLEY, R.V.	"	No.	Leave.
"	N35008	HUTTON, K.W.	"	No.	22 Aust Inf Bde
"	N34867	READ, J.J.	"	Yes.	
"	N35011	RICHARDSON, W.J.	"	"	
"	N35013	RICHARDSON, B.D.	"	"	
"	N412 556	PORTER, H.W.	"	"	
"	N33007	HEPBURN, J.	"	No.	Leave.
"	N34885	GAVEN, F.	"	Yes.	
"	N450546	MACLEAN, A.H.	"	"	
"	N486164	MUDIE, J.V.	"	"	
"	N452502	TIPPING, B.G.	"	"	
"	N459561	RAMSBOTHAM, F.	"	"	
"	N416215	ROWE, J.C.	"	"	
"	N426769	ARMOUR, R.A.	"	"	
"	N459135	STANISTREET, R.W.	"	"	
"	N456116	WOODS, H.A.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

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2/20 Bn. A.I.F. MALAYA.
Unit.

MacLean
Lieut for Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander.

25 OCTOBER 1941.
Date of Despatch.22 Aust. Inf. Bde Malaya.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

PART A.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class.1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class.11	6	5		1	
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	4		2	
S/Sjts.	-	-		-	
Sjts.	33	29		4	
Cpls.	61	48		13	
Group 1 Spec ialists	2	1		1	
" 2 "	50	41		9	
" 3 "	29	19		10	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	712	652		60	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	900	800	X +	X/00	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

TOTAL STRENGTH.	810		
EFFECTIVE STRENGTH.	800		
DIFFERENCE OF.	10		
<u>ACCOUNTED FOR BY:</u>			
NUMBER IN DETENTION INCLUDING SEVERAL DETACH.		10	
ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.	4	REJOINED UNIT EX HOSPITAL.	1
PLACED ON 'A' LIST	10	REJOINED UNIT EX 'A' LIST	4
DETACHED FOR DUTIES.	4	REJOINED UNIT EX DUTIES.	1
GRANTED LEAVE.	39	REJOINED UNIT EX LEAVE.	3
A.W.L. FROM UNIT.	2	REJOINED UNIT EX A.W.L.	2
TRANSFERRED TO OTHER UNIT.	NIL	TAKEN ON STRENGTH.	40
DETACHED TO DETENTION.	NIL	REJOINED UNIT EX DETENTION.	NIL



2/20 Bn 1A1 F. Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel										1	2	4	13	80	100
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)										1	2	4	13	80	100.

2/20 Bn AIF. Unit.

J. Lowe Capt for H Col
Signature of Commander.

5 October 1941 Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.



PART A.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W. 3009

12:10:41
4.
3.
2.
1.

1	2	3	4	5	Remainder	Decrease of 1st R/F. Decrease of Postal Orderly 10 percent R/F increase on total Unit O/r. Strength of 776 Increased Establishment No3 Pl. (Mortars)	Reduction.	Increase.
Details.	War Establishment.	Posted Strength excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Total Decrease 46 O/rs.			O/rs.
W.O. Class 1.	1	1	-	-			147	
W.O. Class 11.	6	6	-	-				
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	4	-	2				
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	4				
Sjts.	33 31	29	-	4 2				
Cpls.	4 67	52	-	2 15				
Group 1 Specialists.	2	2	-	-		148		
" 2 "	50	41	-	9				
" 3 "	29	18	-	11				
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	712 662	671	- 9	41		102		78
TOTALS.	950 854	824	X - 9	X 76 39.				24

AMMENDED FROM LAST RETURN.

Reduction.

Increase.

O/rs.

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

TOTAL STRENGTH.

834

EFFECTIVE STRENGTH.

824

DIFFERENCE OF.

10

ACCOUNTED FOR BY:

PERSONNEL IN DETENTION, including CIVIL DETENTION. 10

Admitted to Hospital.

NIL

Rejoined ex Hospital

NIL

Posted on 'X' list.

4

Remained on 'X' list.

8

Detained for Duty.

7

Rejoined ex Duty.

7

Detached to schools.

3

Rejoined ex Schools.

3

Granted leave.

63

Rejoined ex Leave.

71

Transferred to other Units.

1

Taken on Strength.

24

(to G.B.O)



2/20 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel							9								
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)							9			2	15	20			39
										2	4	7	51		76
										2	15	20			37
										2	4	9	51		76

2/20 Bn A.I.F. Unit.

J. Lowe Capt for Lt-Col
Signature of Commander.

12 October 1941 Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

18 October 47

PART A.

PRO-FORMA¹¹ - Amendment to A.F. W. 5009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Posted Strength excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class 1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class 11.	6	6	-	-	
S or O.Q.M.S.	6	4	-	2	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	21	-	10	
Cpls.	67	54	-	13	
Group 1 Specialists.	2	2	-	-	
" 2 "	50	42	-	8	
" 3 "	29	18	-	11	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	675	13	-	
TOTALS.	854	823	X 13	X 44	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

TOTAL STRENGTH. 834 Plus 7 Attached.
 EFFECTIVE STRENGTH. 823 Plus 7 Attached.
 DIFFERENCE OF. 11

ACCOUNTED FOR BY.

PERSONNEL IN DETENTION, Including Civil Detention. 11.

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL	3	Rejoined Unit ex Hospital	3
POSTED TO 'X' LIST.	4	REJOINED UNIT EX 'X' LIST	2
DETACHED FOR DUTY.	12	REJOINED UNIT EX DUTIES.	10
GRANTED LEAVE.	82	REJOINED UNIT EX LEAVE.	61
DETACHED TO DETENTION.	1	REJOINED UNIT EX DETENTION	NIL.
A.W.L. FROM UNIT.	2	REJOINED UNIT EX A.W.L.	NIL.
TRANSFERRED TO OTHER UNITS 8 (1 to A.A.S.C. 7 to Bde)		TAKEN ON STRENGTH.	14

25/10/41

PART A.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. 5009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Posted Strength excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class 1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class 11.	6	4	-	2	
S or C.O., S.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	23	-	8	
Cpls.	67	56	-	11	
Group 1 Specialists.	2	2	-	-	
" 2 "	50	42	-	8	
" 3 "	29	18	-	11	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	671	9	-	
TOTALS.	854	822	X 9	X 41	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.



TOTAL STRENGTH. 852 Plus 7 Attached.

EFFECTIVE STRENGTH 832 Plus 7 Attached.

DIFFERENCE OF 10

ACCOUNTED FOR IN.

NUMBER IN DETENTION incl. CIVIL DETENTION. 10.

POSTED TO 'X' LIST	15	REJOINED UNIT EX 'X' List	4
DETACHED FOR DUTIES.	27	REJOINED UNIT EX DUTIES.	11
TO DETENTION.	NIL.	REJOINED UNIT EX DETENTION.	1
GRANTED LEAVE.	74	REJOINED UNIT EX LEAVE.	94
A.W.L. FROM UNIT.	5	REJOINED UNIT EX A.W.L.	4
TRANSFERRED TO OTHER UNITS	NIL	TAKEN ON STRENGTH.	9
		(3 from 2/50 Bn; 6 from GHD)	



FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/20 BN A.I.F. (Unit) 25 October 1941 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
W.Os. Class I			
W.Os. Class II			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, &c.			
TOTALS			

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W. 3009.

Part B.—Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Pay Sergeant	Ad A P.C.		
Cpl Armourer	Ad D. 6		
Cpl MT Feller	Ad AOC		
M.T. Feller	Ad AOC		
MT Feller	Ad AOC		
Batman - Driver	22 Aust Inf Bde		
Postal cpl.	8th Div Postal		

Part C.—Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX 45524	Pte	Bollins N	2/20 BN.	2 Com Depot. (Group II)
NX 45391	Cpl	Yatman EW	"	10 AGH. (Group II)
NX 50338	Pte	Scarfild WA	"	do. (Group II)
NX 51706	"	Heath A.C	"	2 Co Depot (Group II)
NX 54036	"	Nelson FA	"	10 AGH. (Group III)
NX 54998	Pte	Ryan J.B.H	attached AADC.	10 AGH (Sloczaker)



1-11-41

PART A."PRO-FOR A" - Amendment to A.F. W.5009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Postal Strength excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class II.	6	4	-	2	
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	22	-	9	
Cpls.	67	56	-	11	
Group 1 Specialists.	2	2	-	-	
" 2 "	50	43	-	7	
" 3 "	29	18	-	11	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	669	7	-	
TOTALS.	854	820	X 7	X 41	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

~~SECRET~~

EFFECTIVE STRENGTH
(This Return)
Effective Strength
(Last Return.)

820 plus 7 attached.

822 Plus 7 Attached.

DIFFERENCE OF.

2 Decrease.

DETACHMENTS.

36 plus 1 attached.

CASUALTIES FOR WEEK ENDED 1 November 1941.

~~SECRET~~

MARCHED IN.

MARCHED OUT.

From hospital, Summit ^{ex} 'X' List.	4	To Hospital, posted 'X' List.	12.
From Detention, ex 'X' List.	11.	To Detention, Posted 'X' List.	4
Transferred from Other Units.	2	Transferred to other Units.	2
From G B D ex 'X' List.	7		
From G B D	3		
Summit			
Rejoined ex Duties.	25	Detached for Duties.	18
Rejoined ex A W L.	1		

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	NK 379	ASHFORD, C.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	NK34192	ROBERTSON, A.E.	"	"	
"	NK35002	MERRITT, R.O.	"	No.	
"	NK 499	COHEN, R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NK70193	LINSCOTT, J.R.	"	No.	Gen Base Depdt.
"	NK34719	FAIRLEY, J.G.	"	No.	Seconded from Unit.
"	NK35117	LOVE, J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil Forces
"	NK35012	RICHARDSON, R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NK 498	EWART, A.C.M.	"	"	
"	NK34852	CARTER, W.A.	"	"	
"	NK12543	GADEN, E.W.	"	"	
"	NK34840	GIBBINGS, C.C.	"	"	
"	NK70256	BETTERIDGE, A.J.	"	"	
"	NK35016	MAXWELL, G.L.	"	"	
Lieutenant.	NK35004	YATES, A.I.	"	"	
"	NK12571	DAVIES, A.G.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NK34640	BROOKS, J.S.	"	Yes.	
"	NK70260	LISK, F.G.	"	"	
"	NK70275	POCKLEY, R.V.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NK35003	HUTTON, K.W.	"	No.	Seconded from Unit.
"	NK34867	READ, J.J.	"	Yes.	
"	NK35011	RICHARDSON, W.J.	"	"	
"	NK35013	RICHARDSON, B.D.	"	"	
"	NK12556	PORTER, H.V.	"	No.	O.C. picquet with leave Ppty.
"	NK35007	HEPBURN, J.	"	Yes.	
"	NK34885	GAVEN, F.	"	"	
"	NK50546	MACLEAN, A.H.	"	"	
"	NK56164	MUDIE, J.V.	"	"	
"	NK52502	TIPPING, B.S.	"	"	
"	NK59561	RAMSBOTHAM, F.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NK46215	ROWE, J.C.	"	Yes.	
"	NK26760	ARMOUR, R.A.	"	"	
"	NK59135	STANI STREET, R.W.	"	"	
"	NK56116	WOODS, H.A.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE, J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre.	NK35108	SEXTON, C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn A.I.F. Unit.

Amackean Lieut for Lt.-Col
Signature of Commander.

1 NOVEMBER 1941 Date of Despatch.

22 Aust. Inf. Bde Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

2/20 BN. A.I.F.

31 OCT. '41.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING- 3 NOV. -- 8 NOV. '41.

1. DRESS: Drill Order.

2. TIME TABLE:

(a) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. Lines	0840'
(b) Squad Drill with and without arms	0900- 0930
(c) Tng. Period	0930- 1020
(d) Smoko	1020- 1030
(e) Tng. Period	1030- 1120
(f) Smoko	1120- 1130
(g) Tng. Period	1130- 1215
(h) Dismiss in Coy. lines	1230
(i) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. lines	1350'
(j) Tng. Period	1400- 1450
(k) Smoko	1450- 1500
(l) Tng. Period	1500- 1600
(m) Squad drill- recapitulation	1600- 1615
(n) Dismisses in Coy. lines	1630

3. TNG. AREAS:

HQ Coy: Tactical disposition areas and flat below camp lines.

'A' Coy: Area to be selected near camp site.
Sec. leading in tactical areas.

'B' Coy: Eastern half of Padang- Sec. leading in Southern Sub-Sector, coastal strip.

'D' Coy: Western half of Padang- sec. leading in Southern Sub-Sector in Coy. area.

'C' Coy: Area to be selected near camp site- Sec. leading in tactical areas.

4. HQ COY:

Separate syllabus to be prepared for:

Sigs.
A.A.
Mortars.
Carriers.
M.M.G.
Pioneers.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.
Act/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

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INDIVIDUAL TNG. FOR RIFLE COYS.

DAY.	PERIODS.					
	0900-0930	0930-1020	1030-1120	1130-1215	1400-1450	1500-1600
Mon. 3 Nov.	Marching in Line Marching in File Slope, order, ease and easy, trail & change arms.	L.M.G. Mag. fitt- ing, load, unload & sight setting, Holding & aiming Firing.	A/Tk. Rifle. Loading, unloading, sight setting & aiming.	T.S.M.G. Loading & unloading and firing.	L.M.G. Stripping, cleaning & mechanism.	Rifle. Care and cleaning, aiming instruction, adjust- ment of sights, Trigger pressing.
Tues. 4 Nov.	Present & change arms. Platoon drill-forming, wheeling & retiring.	L.M.G. Elementary, handling, Lesson 12.	A/Tk. Rifle. Holding & firing.	T.S.M.G. Stripping & cleaning. (do not do complete strip.	L.M.G. Immediate action & stoppages. Lessons 12, 13	Rifle. Firing instruction. Lying, kneeling, standing.
Wed. 5 Nov.	Fix & unfix & present. Pl. drill, Marching in line & column, eyes right, slow mchng.	L.M.G. Mounting & dismounting on tripod.	GRENADE. General description. Points before.	Rifle. Indication & recognition of targets. Degree measurements. Clock ray.	Grenade. Firing instr. with discharger.	Grenade. Throwing standing Throwing lying.
Thur. 6 Nov.	Coy. Drill. Incorporating previous lessons.	L.M.G. Tripod Mounting- A.A.	Northover Projec- tor. Description and handling.	Rifle. Fire control orders.	L.M.G. T.O.R.T.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.
Fri. 7 Nov.	Ground formations and Field Signals.				Peace Patrol. →	
Sat. 8 Nov.	Bn. Parade 0900 hrs.	Respirator Tng. and Administration.				

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2/20 BN. A.I.F.

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(g) Tng. Period	1130- 1215
(h) Dismiss in Coy. lines	1230
(i) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. lines	1350'
(j) Tng. Period	1400- 1450
(k) Smoko	1450- 1500
(l) Tng. Period	1500- 1600
(m) Squad drill- recapitulation	1600- 1615
(n) Dismisses in Coy. lines	1630

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Mon. 3 Nov.	Marching in Line Marching in File Slope, order, ease and easy, trail & change arms.	L.M.G. Mag.fitt- ing, load, unload & sight setting, Holding & aiming Firing.	A/Tk. Rifle. Loading, unloading, sight setting & aiming.	T.S.M.G. Loading & unloading and firing.	L.M.G. Stripping, cleaning & mechanism.	Rifle. Care and cleaning, aiming instruction, adjust- ment of sights, Trigger pressing.
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Thur. 6 Nov.	Coy. Drill. Incorporating previous lessons.	L.M.G. Tripod Mounting- A.A.	Northover Projec- tor. Description and handling.	Rifle. Fire control orders.	L.M.G. T.O.R.T.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.
Fri. 7 Nov.	Ground formations and Field Signals.				Reece Patrol. →	
Sat. 8 Nov.	Bn. Parade 0900 hrs.	Respirator Tng. and Administration.				

SHEET 51.
WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form
(adapte)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/20 BATTALION A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 1 Oct 41. To 13 Oct 41

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERSING. Malaya.	1 Oct 41.	1400.	The following Officers N ^A .12571. Lieut. A.G. Davies and N ^A 35013. Lieut. B.D. Richardson. admitted to A.D.S. suffering from Dengue and Malaria respectively. <i>Amk.</i>	
	3 Oct 41.	0730.	"C" Coy returned to Camp at Endau- anti-malarial work having been carried out since their return to main Camp at Mersing on 22 Sep 41.	
		1400.	10. O.R.'s attached to "C" Coy from 2/5 Field Hygiene. 1400 hrs. 40. O.R.'s taken on strength from G.B.D. <i>Amk.</i>	
	4 Oct 41.	1500.	1500 Hrs Sgt Hewittt, Orderly Room Sgt, detached for duties to 2nd Echelon. Records. D.C.M. on N ^A . 51011. Pte Kelly L.J. - 4 charges. guilty all charges. - sentenced to 120 days detention. (Confirmed by G.O.C. 10110141. <i>Amk.</i>	
	5 Oct 41.	0700.	N ^A . 35004. Lieut. A.I. Yates. and 2 O.R.'s. detached to Lyon Light course. N ^A . 50493. Pte Wade N.T. detached to Air photography course. <i>Amk.</i>	
	9 Oct 41.	1400.	N ^A . 34716. Capt. J.G. Fairly seconded from Unit. <i>Amk.</i>	
		1600.	N ^A . 50493. Pte Wade. N.T. rejoined Unit e ^x Air photography course <i>Amk.</i>	
	10 Oct 41.	1400.	25 O.R.'s taken on strength e ^x G.B.D. N ^X . 35007 Lieut. J. Hepburn and N ^A . 35013. Lieut. B.D. Richardson. rejoined Unit e ^x "X" list. N ^A . 35004. Lieut. A.I. Yates. rejoined Unit e ^x Lyon Light course.	

Amackean Lieut.
2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

SHEET. 52.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Army Form C.211
(adapted.)Unit 2/20 BATTALION. A.I.F.Date and Time.—From 13 Oct 41. To 28 Oct 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MERSING. Malaya.	13 Oct 41.	1600	NX.12571. Lieut A.G.Davies. rejoined Unit ex "X" list. <i>Amk.</i>	
	14 Oct 41.	1400	4 2/20 men at O.C.T.U. posted to "X" List, namely;—NX.50448. Sgt Lewis.C.W. NX.25241.Sgt.Speers. D. NX.46354.Sgt.Vincent. G D.J.NX.26784/L/Sgt.Meagher .B.C. <i>Amk.</i>	
	15 Oct 41.	1400.	NX.35016.Lieut.G.L.Maxwell promoted to Captain. Digging and wiring in accordance with defence plan has now reached advanced stage.General interest shown in the work. Morale of troops high. <i>Amk.</i>	
	17 Oct 41.	1400.	15 O.R's taken on strength ex G.B.D. Demonstration of Molotov cocktail trip wire device—invented by Sgt Raven 2/20 Bn Pioneers.—was witnessed members from various A.I.F. Units & Div+Bde Staff. General opinion held that device was a complete success. <i>Amk.</i>	
	18 Oct 41.	0800	NX.35117.Capt. J.M.Lowe. detached to Johore Military Forces for one month. <i>Amk.</i>	
	19 Oct 41.	1400	NX.35003.Lieut K.W.Hutton. seconded from Unit. <i>Amk.</i>	
	24 Oct 41.	1500.	6 O.R's taken on strength ex G.B.D. R.M.O. reports general falling off in sick parades.Very small percentage troubled by skin complaints.Troops for the most part in exceptional good health.— quite the best since leaving Australia.	
	27 Oct 41.	0800	A.A. excise held 24 and 25 Oct. <i>Amk.</i> 9 drivers detached for duty to No.1.A.A.S.C.Bde T.E.W.T. held in 2/19 Bn area. <i>Amk.</i>	
	28 Oct 41.	0800.	NX.30784.Pte Lewis.T. detached to cooking course.NX.59183.Pte Hogan E.J. sent to Detention Barracks for 28 days. <i>Amk.</i>	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

Unit 2/20 Bn A.I.F. MALAYA.

Date and Time.—From 0800hrs. 2 Nov 41 To 1100 hrs. 14 Nov 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mersing.	2 Nov 41.	0800.	Lt J. Rowe and 2 O.R.'s detached to Chemical Warfare Course (until 23 Nov 41.)	
Mersing.	3 Nov 41.	0800.	Lt Stanistreet, Lt Brooks, and 12 O.R.'s. detached 1st Manchester Bn for 1 month.	
		0900.	Coy Commd's T.E.W.T. held copy attached. 1 week ^{INTENSIVE} exclusive weapon training commenced.	
		1200.	1 Officer (Lt Gardner) & 12 O.R.'s from 1st Manchester Bn attached 1 month. (Lt Gaisman) held up due to D.C.M.)	
Mersing.	4 Nov 41.	1300.	1 Officer (Lt Gaisman) attached from 1st Manchester Bn.	
Mersing.	7 Nov 41.	0800.	Capt Ewart evacuated to A.D.S. relapse Malaria.	
		1200.	Lt. R. Homer taken on strength from Supernumerary list ex G.B.D.	
		1400.	Brigade manning exercise commenced lasting until 1400 8 Nov 41.	
Mersing.	9 Nov 41.	0800.	1 O.R. detached to A/A Camera Gun Training Course (until 18 Nov 41.)	
		0900.	Nx. 72769. Pte Lane P.E. repatriated to Australia, under age.	
Mersing.	10 Nov 41.	1200.	Lt. J.J. Lennon taken on strength ex G.B.D.	
Mersing.	12 Nov 41.	0600.	Lt-Col Assheton & Capt Catchlove R.M.O. proceeded on 7 days leave.	
Mersing.	13 Nov 41.	0900.	Capt Breerton attached R.M.O. in absence of Capt Catchlove.	
Mersing.	14 Nov 41.	0800.	NX. 58507. Pte Ross & NX. 31744. Pte Walker. to detention.	
		1100.	Capt. J.R. Linscott seconded from Unit to G.B.D.	

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Army Form C 2118
(adapted)

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Unit 2/20 Bn A.I.F. MALAYA.

Date and Time.—From 1000hrs 15 Nov 41 To 1400hrs 28 Nov 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mersing.	15 Nov 41.	1000.	Capt MacDonald, Kedah Volunteer Forces attached for 14 days.	
Mersing.	18 Nov 41.	1400.	Div exercise commenced lasting until 19 Nov 41.	
Mersing.	21 Nov 41.	1200.	1 O.R. from 1st Manchester Bn (attached) evacuated to hospital.	
Mersing.	23 Nov 41.	1000.	Lt-Col Boyes attached from 2/26 Bn until 28 Nov 41. while Bde T.E.W.T. on.	
		1300.	Lieut Rowe rejoined Unit ex Chemical Warfare Course.	
Mersing.	24 Nov 41.	0900.	Bde T.E.W.T. for O Group. commenced.	
		1200.	Gadet Officer attached from Johore Military Forces.	
Mersing.	25 Nov 41.	0800.	1 O.R. detached to Armoured Vehicle Course.	
Mersing.	26 Nov 41.	0900.	Bde T.E.W.T. held for O Group.	
Mersing.	28 Nov 41.	0900.	Bde T.E.W.T. held for O Group.	
		1400.	25 O.R.'s taken on strength ex G.B.D. ex X list.	

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Raw Day

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA,
3 Nov. '41.

PART I. NO. 240.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	L/Sjt. McCauley. A.L.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Taylor. R.G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. Hayes. L.T.
Next for duty.....	L/Cpl. Redman. J.K.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. H.W. Porter.

2. ABLUTION BENCHES: Razor blades and kerosene tins must not be thrown into ablution tanks but placed in the tuns provided for same. Accidents have already occurred to Hygiene personnel through this practice and it must cease immediately.

3. 'HITCH-HIKING': This practice has become prevalent, particularly on Singapore Island and is prohibited. Picquets will take all possible steps to repress this objectionable practice.

4. N.A.A.F.I.- LOSS OF BOTTLES: The loss of Beer and Mineral bottles, the property of the NAAFI, has reached an acute stage, and troops are asked to co-operate in the prevention of loss and breakages in this regard. Natives, other than NAAFI employees, should not be allowed to collect bottles.

5. OUT OF BOUNDS: The following places, previously placed out of bounds to all ranks, are now in bounds:

- The Half-Way House, Singapore.
- The Arcade Restaurant, Singapore.

6. ANZAC CLUB SINGAPORE- LOSS OF BOOKS: The loss of books from the small reading library provided by the Anzac Club, Singapore, for the use of AIF personnel visiting the Club may result in the discontinuance of this facility. The preservation of the property of this Club should, as a matter of honour, be the care of every member of the AIF visiting the Club.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.
Act/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

NOTICES.

SOCCER: The undermentioned Soccer personnel will represent the Bn. against the 2/19 Bn. on Tuesday, 4 Nov. '41 at 1630 hrs. on the Town Padang.

Sym, Serong, Storey, Laughton, Chapman, Loan, Price, Burling, Sullivan, Orvad, Cooper, Shelley-Reserve.



Barclay

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
 ROUTINE ORDERS BY
 LT.- COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
 COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

Malaya,
 5 Nov. '41.

Part 1. No. 241.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer..... Lieut: R.A. Armour:
 Next for duty..... Lieut. H.A. Woods.
 Bn. Orderly Sjt..... Sjt. French: J.B.
 Next for duty..... Sjt. Murray: P.C.
 Bn. Orderly Cpl..... L/Cpl. Meek: E.L.
 Next for duty..... Cpl. Thompson: D.S.
 Inlying Picquet Officer..... Lieut: J.J. Read.
 Next for duty..... Lieut. A.G. Davies.

2. CLOTHING ETC: Personnel still in possession of the following:
 Jackets K.D., Shirts Flannel, Kackets Working, Drawers Woollen, Trousers Working, Singlets Woollen, Hats working, Uniforms S.D., Greatcoats, Leather Equipment or any other equipment not authorised Malayan issue (excepting '08 equipment which will be replaced by '37 when available), will return same to Coy. Q's by Friday, 14 Oct. '41. Future R/F in possession of such articles will return same to Coy. Q's within 7 days of arrival. All clothing other than Greatcoats, will be washed before being handed in.

3. SJTS' MESS MEETING. All members of 2/20 Bn. Sjts' Mess will attend the monthly general meeting at 1840 hrs., Friday, 7 Nov. '41.

4. SECURITY: All ranks are warned against the practice of signing chits, receipts, orders etc. in business houses and clubs with their name and Unit. This is a direct contravention of Security Instruction, Malaya Comd.

5. HIRING OF BOATS: As the monsoonal swell has started, boats must not be hired for private purposes, and army tongkangs will not proceed outside river mouths for any purpose without approval of 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

6. SINGAPORE LEAVE: The following will apply until further notice:
 Personnel will proceed on leave to Singapore twice weekly as follows:

DAY.	HOOR E ^A CAMP.	LEAVE E ^A PIRES.
Thursdays	0645 hrs.	0730 hrs.; Sundays.
Sundays	0645 hrs.	0730 hrs.; Wednesdays.

Allotment for 2/20 Bn. is 31 and is distributed as follows:

A.	B.	C.	D.	HQ.	BN. HQ.	TOTAL.
5	5	5	5	9	2	31

Pay and subsistence will be paid as under at Pay Sjts. Office:
 Wednesdays: 1600 hrs. Saturdays: 1400 hrs. These hours must be strictly adhered to.

Coys. will submit names, accompanied by Pay Books and amount required to be drawn by 0900 hrs. each Tuesday and Friday. No alteration will be effected once names have been submitted.

Reveille will be at 0545 hrs. and breakfast at 0615 hrs. Q.M. to arrange for early breakfast as follows:

Thursdays: 31 men 8 drivers- 39:
 Sundays: 31 men 8 Drivers- 39.

Start Place- Tpt. lines.

Start Time- 0645 hrs. sharp. Tps. to parade Tpt. lines 0640 hrs. sharp.

Separate instructions to Transport.

(Sgd) A.H. MacLean; Lieut.
 Act. Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS.

To A/L/Sjt. 4.11.41
 N^o 45749 Cpl. Asher. K.C. 'C' Coy.
 - 32609 Cpl. O'Connor. L.M. "

To CPL.
 N^o 57018 A/Cpl. Smith. H.H. 'C' Coy.
 N^o 54898 S/Cpl. Priestly. W.H. "

To A/CPL.

N^o 31310 L/Cpl. Berthold. H.C.M. 'C' Coy.
 - 56090 L/Cpl. Smith. E.H. "
 45677 L/Cpl. Barber. H.L. "

To L/CPL.

N^o 53757 Pte. Allery. R.F. 'C' Co
 - 65393 " Edmunds. T. "
 45897 " Tracey. C.T. "

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ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COM ANDING 2 /20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA.
10 Nov. '41.

Part 1. No. 242.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. B.D. Richardson.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. F.G. Lusk.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	Sjt. Derkenne. E.G.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Gray. G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. French. P.R.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Love. A.I.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. A.G. Davies.

2. 'X' LIST PERSONNEL: All F.200's, B.122 and W.F.140's of 'X' list personnel are to be forwarded to Bn. HQ.

3. NOMINAL ROLL: A complete Nominal Roll of all Coys. is to be forwarded to Bn. HQ by 1200 hrs. 17 Nov. '41. The roll will be in alphabetical order and it is essential that Regt. Nos. and initials of personnel are correct.

4. SJTS. MESS: The Monthly General Meeting of the Sjts. Mess will now be held at 1845 hrs. on 11 Nov. '41.

5. 2/20 BN. COMFORTS FUND: It is advised that the Younger Set of 2/20 Bn. Comforts Fund is working to raise funds to provide a Christmas tea and party for children of men of this Battalion on approx. 20 Dec. '41. Troops who have relatives etc. in Australia, and whom they think may be interested in the above, can get in touch with Mrs. J.M. Copes, President and Miss Elizabeth Gaden, Secretary, telephone XA 1242.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.,
A/ Adj. 2/20 Bn. AOF.

REVERSIONS.

N^X 26234 A/Sjt. Burnes. F.C. 'B' Coy. reverts to Cpl. as from 7.11.41.

FOUND: Bn. HQ are holding three sets of keys that have been found. Owners can have same on application.

LOST: Conway Stewart Fountain Pen engraved Pte. E.K. Noffz. The pen is a valuable one and if found, to be returned to Bn. HQ.

Silver Wrist watch, make 'Titan' - no strap attached. Finder return Bn. HQ.

COMFORTS: The following are acknowledged from the Australian Comforts Fund: 900 packets razor blades, 900 packets tobacco, 180 tins of Soup, 180 bars of soap.

SPORT: Bn. team to play 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. (Rugby Union) on Wednesday, 12 Nov. '41 at 1715 hrs. on J.M.F. Padang.

Miller, Lydon, Want, Seccombe, Capt. Gaden (Capt); Christensen, Kind, Timbs, Ferguson 'A' Coy, Lewis, Chisholm, Jarrett, Lean, Fisk, Lieut. Gardiner.

'B' Coy. is to play HQ Coy. 1620 hrs. JMF Padang, Rugby Union, 12.11.41.

'C' Coy. will play Bn. Hockey on Town Padang at 1700 hrs. on 10.11.41

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
12 Nov. '41.

Part 1. No. 243.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut: F.G. Lusk.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: W.J. Richardson.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: G.G. Tipping.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: A.G. Davies.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt: Stewart: A.
Next for duty.....	Sjt: Cooksey: R.O.
Next for duty.....	Sjt: Hammond: J.T.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl: Frazier: A.T.
Next for duty.....	Cpl: Bell: W.J.
Next for duty.....	Cpl: Stuart: J.L.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut: A.G. Davies.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: J.J. Read.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: B.D. Richardson.
Next for duty.....	Lieut: F. Ramsbotham.

2. RIFLE: Coys. will make a thorough search for rifle No. 150434, bolt No. 4470 and report results to Bn. HQ.

3. KEROSENE TINS: Kerosene tins, like all other containers of supplies, are charged against the Unit account and therefore are returnable. Tins must be returned to the Tech. Store when empty and not left lying about.

4. MESS PARADES: Previous instructions in regard to these parades are not being carried out. All troops will be properly dressed - shirts, shorts, boots, puttees etc. for morning and evening mess parades. On 'Cookhouse' being sounded, personnel will parade in their Coy. lines and will not move from their lines until the 'advance' has been sounded, when they will be marched under control direct to Coy. mess huts.

5. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION: Cases have arisen in which members of the AIF have communicated direct with other Forces in Malaya including the RAF. All ranks are advised that any future departure from the regulations relating to channels of communication will constitute an offence and will be punishable accordingly. Other Ranks are to be warned that their sole channel of communication on official matters is through their C.O.'s.

6. INCREASED ALLOTMENTS: The following are the rates of increased allotments to be made by soldiers under the new increase of pay. If an Officer or O/R has made an allotment over the compulsory sum of 5/6 for Off. and 3/6 for O/R's no action need be taken.

1. A soldier has in operation two allotments as follows:
(a) Allotment of 2/- p.d. to his De Facto Wife. (b) Allotment of 1/- p.d. to the clerk of Petty Sessions to comply with a Court Order - the allotment of 2/- p.d. to the De Facto Wife will be increased to 2/6 p.d. thus making a total allotment of 3/6 per day.

2. A soldier has an allotment of 3/- p.d. to a partly dependent Mother. The allotment will be increased to 3/6 p.d.

3. A soldier has an allotment of 3/- p.d. in operation in favour of the Clerk of Petty Sessions, in satisfaction of a Court Order - This allotment will be increased to 3/6 p.d. if the Court Order against him is for an amount in excess of 24/6 per week. If less than 24/6, the allotment will be increased to an amount which will fully cover the Court Order.

4. A soldier has two allotment of 1/6 p.d. each to different sets of individuals - Each allotment will be increased to 1/9 p.d.

5. The soldier has two allotments, 2/- p.d. and 1/- p.d. to different sets of dependents - Either of the allotments will be increased 6d. p.d.

(Sgd) A.H. Maclean, Lieut. A/Adj. 2/20 Bn

LOST: Cigarette lighter in Tpt. Lines. Finder return Bn. HQ.

CONCERT: Bde. Group Concert 2/20 Bn. lines 18 & 27 Nov. '41. - Endau on 20 & 28th.

FOOTBALL: A.I.F. V SELANGOR 1615 hrs. 16 Nov. '41 Selangor Club Ground.

PICTURES: Nov. 12 - Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm. 13 - Jamaica Inn. 14 - All at Sea. 15 - Invisible stripes. 16 - Too many Husbands. 17 - Yes, My Darling Daughter. 18 - Daughter Courageous. 19 - Climbing High. 20 - Free Show. 21 - Real Glory. 22 - Traitor Spy. 23 - Story of Irene & Vernon Castle. 24 - The Man in the Iron Mask. 25 - He Married his Wife. 26 - Naughty but Nice.

Richardson

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS.
By.

Lt.-Col. C.F. ASSHETON,
Commanding 2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

16th. NOVEMBER, 1941. PART.1. No. 244. MALAYA.

1. DUTIES.

Bn. Orderly Officer.	16.11.41:	Lieut. J. J. Read.
Next for Duty.	17.11.41:	Lieut. W. J. Richardson.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.	16.11.41:	Sjt. Windeyer. E. W. H.
Next for Duty.	17.11.41:	L/Sjt. Raven. B. W.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.	16.11.41:	Cpl. Hearl. W. G.
Next for Duty.	17.11.41:	Cpl. Turner. N.
Inlying Pico. Officer	16.11.41:	Lieut. R. V. Pockley.
Next for Duty.	17.11.41:	Lieut. A. I. Yates.

2. HIRING OF BOATS.

As the monsoonal swell has started, boats must not be hired for private purposes, and army tongkangs will not proceed out-side river mouths for any purpose without approval of 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

3. N.A.A.F.I. - LOSS OF BOTTLES.

The loss of Beer and Mineral Bottles, the property of the NAAFI, has reached an acute stage, and troops are asked to co-operate in the prevention of loss and breakages in this regard. Natives, other than NAAFI employees, should not be allowed to collect bottles.

4. ABLUTION BENCHES.

Razor blades and kerosene tins must not be thrown into ablution tanks, but placed in the tins provided for same. Accidents have already occurred to Hygiene personnel through this practice and it must cease immediately.

4. SECURITY.

All ranks are warned against the practice of signing chits, receipts, orders etc. in business houses and clubs with their name and Unit. This is a direct contravention of Security Instruction, Malaya Command.

(Sgd.) A. H. MacLean. Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/20 Bn AIF.

NOTICES.

The usual Sunday night Sing-song conducted by Mr. G. B. Woodland will be held in the Red Shield Hut, to-night at 1930 hrs. Cocoa and biscuits will be served free to the troops at conclusion. Roll up. Roll up.

PICTURE SHOW PROGRAMMES.

Nov. 16	"Too many Husbands."
Nov. 17	"Yes, My Darling Daughter".
Nov. 18	"Daughter Courageous".
Nov. 19	"Naughty But Nice".

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.-COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.

MALAYA:
18 Nov, '41.

Part 1. No. 245.

1. DUTIES: Bn. Orderly Officer.....: Lieut. B.D. Richardson.
Next for duty.....: Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
Bn. Orderly S'jt.....: Sjt. Hammond. J.T.
Next for duty.....: Sjt. McDougall. G.H.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....: L/Cpl. Robertson. J.R.
Next for duty.....: Cpl. Barnett. J.L.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....: Lieut. H.W. Woods.
Next for duty.....: Lieut. R.A. Armour.

Duties mounting 18 Nov. '41 will commence duty immediately on return to Camp.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY: A Court of Inquiry constituted as hereunder, will assemble at a time and place to be appointed by the President to inquire into discrepancies in camp stores:

Major A.E. Robertson.	President.
Capt. R.J.D. Richardson.	Member.
Capt. G. Maxwell.	Member.

3. TORCHES, HAND: Several torches have been rendered unserviceable through the corrosion of batteries. All personnel to whom torches are on issue will ensure, by removing batteries regularly and inspecting same, that this in future does not occur.

4. VEHICLE SPEEDS:

(a) Two types of accidents to M.T. are viewed with concern and are too frequent, namely:

- (i) When civilians on the road or roadside are struck, and
- (ii) when army vehicles are overturned.

(b) It is considered that both these types of accident could be avoided to a very great extent by a general decrease in speed of army vehicles, particularly in towns and villages, and on the open road in narrow sections and round curves.

(c) The number of such accidents, and observation of military vehicles on the road, indicate a growing tendency on the part of drivers to travel at a speed at which they cannot deal with an emergency. In particular drivers must be prepared for careless behaviour on the road by the native population, and for other vehicles to force them on to the side of the road where perhaps grass or loose surface causes a tendency to skid.

(d) Breaches of the above nature will be the subject of special disciplinary action against both driver and the senior officer in the vehicle.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.,
A/Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS BY
LT.- COL. C.F. ASSHETON,
COMMANDING 2/20 BN. A.I.F.
Part 1. No. 246.

MALAYA:
20 Nov. '41

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. J.J. Reed.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. B.D. Richardson.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. McClure Brown. S.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Taylor. R.G.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Robinson. W.G.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. Fardy. T.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Griffin. J.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Trasler. S.J.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. R.A. Armour.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. A.G. Davies.

2. BABI KECHIL SOUTH ISLAND- REST CAMP: Previous instruction is cancelled and the following will apply: Allotment to 2/20 Bn. is 20 twice-weekly (Mondays & Fridays). This allotment is distributed as follows:

<u>A.</u>	<u>B.</u>	<u>C.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>HQ.</u>	<u>Bn. HQ</u>	<u>Total:</u>
3	3	3	3	6	2	20

Tongkang will leave MERSING Wharf at approx. 0800 hrs. Mondays & Fridays. Early breakfast at 0715 hrs. (Q.M. to arrange). Parade tpt. lines at 0745 hrs. Tpt. to supply necessary vehicles to convey 20 personnel and gear etc. to Wharf to be there by 0755 hrs. sharp. Tps. leaving Mondays will return to Camp on Fridays. Tps. leaving Fridays will return to Camp on Mondays.

'A' Coy. will provide tpt. for their personnel to reach tpt. lines main camp by 0745 hrs. sharp on Mondays and Fridays.

'C' Coy: Personnel to be transported to camp under own arrangements by 1700 hrs. each Thursday and Sunday. Q.M. to arrange for quartering and rations.

Beds: Beds for personnel leaving tomorrow will be supplied by the soldiers going to the island. This will apply only to 'A', 'B', 'D' and Bn. HQ. These beds will be left on the island and Coys. will arrange for beds of next party going, to be kept and handed to the previous party on their return to camp.

Troops will take arms and equipment, sheets, pillows, blanket, mosquito net and personal gear.

DRESS: Long sleeves and tropical shorts or trousers will be worn by all ranks between 1800 hrs. and 0600 hrs.

Duties on the Island are reduced to a minimum commensurate with camp cleanliness, hygiene and safety, but tps. must be prepared to undertake such duties from time to time.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.;
A/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

INTER COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 20508 Pte. Smith. R. from 'D' Coy. to Bn. HQ.
57377 Pte. Scollen. T.P. from Bn. HQ to 'D' Coy.

SPORT.

The following is the AIF Rugby Union Team to play against British Army on Saturday, 22 Nov. '41 at JALAN BESAR, SINGAPORE at 1700 hrs.

Pte. Byron, Dvr. Brown, Sig. Ramalli (Capt); Lieut. Barnes; Capt. Millner, Gnr. Malin, Dvr. Kelly, Lieut. Schulte; Gnr. Gannon, Lieut. Cornforth, Gnr. Ide, Lieut. Reynolds, Cpl. Winter, Gnr. Ovens, Gnr. Gillet, Lieut. Goddard, Dvr. Johnson.

Max Day

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.R O U T I N E O R D E R S
B Y

Lieut. Colonel C.F. ASSHETON,
Commanding 2/20 Bn. Australian Imperial Forces.

MALAYA.

Part 1. No. 247

22 November, 1941

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. B.D. Richardson.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. Derkenne. E.G.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Smith. G.P.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	L/Cpl. Robertson. J.R.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Hearl. W.G.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. A.G. Davies.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.

2. SHORTS K.D.

Coys. will submit before 1400 hrs. 27 Nov. '41 a return showing number of shorts khaki drill on issue to personnel, branded 'Din Brothers' and number of shorts discoloured. Any new shorts held by Coys. made by the above manufacturer will not be issued but held in store pending instructions.

3. CHURCH PARADES: Sunday, 23 Nov. '41.

Combined Church Parade- 0700 hrs. on Padang. Holy Communion- 0930 hrs.
R.C. Church Parade- 0830 hrs. S.A. Hut.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.,
A/Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF/

APPOINTMENTS.

NX 54635	Cpl. Wilkinson. C.R.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Sjt.	21.11.41
NX 45369	Cpl. Abbott. L.D.R.B.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Sjt.	"
45409	A/Cpl. Phillips. D.M.	Rank confirmed as from	21.11.41
45949	Pte. Lean. G.A.	'A' Coy. appointed A/Cpl.	"
55018	Pte. Mitchell. K.M.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl.	"
45444	Pte. Abbott. R.C.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl.	"
45506	Pte. Rowe. H.I.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl.	"
72115	Pte. Beavan. G.H.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl.	"
26180	Pte. Cole. J.W.	'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl.	"

REVERSIONS.

NX 30092	A/Cpl. Fraser. A.T.	reverted to L/Cpl. as from	14.11.41	'D' Coy.
31793	A/Cpl. Turner. N.	reverted to Pte. as from	14.11.41	'D' Coy.
27969	A/Cpl. Mackney. D.L.	reverted to Pte. as from	14.11.41	'B' Coy.
55787	A/Cpl. Hayes. L.T.	reverted to L/Cpl. as from	7.11.41	'B' Coy.

PICTURES.

TO-NIGHT: 'Naughty but Nice'.

TO-MORROW: Free Show.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.ROUTINE ORDERS
BY

Lieut. Colonel C.F. Assheton,
Commanding 2/20 Bn. Australian Imperial Forces.

MALAYA. Part 1. No. 248 25 November 1941.

1. DUTIES:

Bn. Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. F.G. Lusk.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.
Bn. Orderly Sjt.....	Sjt. Murray. P.C.
Next for duty.....	Sjt. Dumas. H.
Bn. Orderly Cpl.....	Cpl. McLean. R.J.
Next for duty.....	Cpl. Burnes. F.C.
Inlying Picquet Officer.....	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
Next for duty.....	Lieut. J.C. Rowe.

2. UNIT LINES A.D.S:

Troops are advised that the above lines are out of bounds, except in cases of personnel moving to and from A.D.S. on duty. These lines are being used as a short cut to the Camp Pictures and this practice must cease.

3. Bn. 'Q' STORE:

Smoking will not be allowed in close proximity to the Bn. Technical Store Marquees opposite Bn. HQ. These marquees contain various inflammable stores.

(Sgd.) R.H. Cohen, Major,
2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

NX 30839 L/Sjt. Raven. B.W. HQ Coy. promoted Sjt. as from 1.11.41.
 NX 46162 Cpl. Barter. P.G. HQ Coy. promoted Sjt. as from 1.11.41.
 NX 26698 L/Cpl. Woodhouse. C.H. Bn. HQ promoted Cpl. as from 31.10.41.
 26698 Cpl. Woodhouse. C.H. Bn. HQ promoted Sjt. as from 31.10.41.
 50959 Cpl. Robins. N.H. HQ Coy. appointed L/Sjt. as from 1.11.41.
 26485 Cpl. Sheumack. C. HQ Coy. appointed L/Sjt. as from 1.11.41.
 45478 L/Cpl. Leal. E.G. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 55137 L/Cpl. Hearl. W.G. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 46083 L/Cpl. Meek. E.L. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 46180 Pte. Bowman. C.E. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 55327 L/Cpl. Carter. O. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 29616 Pte. Munns. P. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 34352 L/Cpl. Oertel. C.S. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1.11.41.
 45376 Pte. Ballantyne. A. HQ Coy. appointed L/Cpl. as from 1.11.41

GROUP SPECIALISTS.

NX 45547 Pte. Fitzgibbons. E.B. HQ Coy. appointed Group I specialist, Bricklayer as from 14.11.41.
 29590 Pte. Nicols. J. HQ Coy. appointed Group Specialist II, Motor Mechanic, as from 25 Nov. '41.

INTER-COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 29590 Pte. Nichols. J. transferred from 'B' Coy. to 6 Pl. HQ Coy.

SPORT- FOOTBALL: The following team has been selected to represent 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. Gp. against a Johore State team on Sunday, 30 Nov. '41 at J.M.F. Ground, MERSING at 1700 hrs.
 2/18 Bn: Lieut. Fuller, Pte. Counter, Mahboub, Pidcock, Seymour,
 2/19 Bn: Lieut. Reynolds, Sjt. Smith, Cpl. Winter, Pte. Byron, Conlon.
 2/10 Fd. Regt. Bmdr. Ide, Capt., Gnr. Lihou, Ovens, Malin. Vice-Capt.
 22 Inf. Bde. HQ: Lieut. Barnes.
 Reserves: 2/19- Pte. Mann, Burt, 2/20 Bn. Pte. Christensen.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.ROUTINE ORDERS
BY

Lieut.-Colonel C.F. Assheton,
Commanding 2/20 Bn. Australian Imperial Forces.

MALAYA.

Part 1.

No. 249

28 November 1941

<u>1. DUTIES:</u>	Bn. Orderly Officer	28/11/41	Lieut. H.W. Porter.
	Next for duty	29/11/41	Lieut. R.V. Pockley.
	Next for duty	30/11/41	Lieut. H.A. Woods.
	Bn. Orderly Sjt.	28/11/41	L/Sjt. McCauley. A.I.
	Next for duty	29/11/41	Cpl. McCoy. J.B.
	Next for duty	30/11/41	Sjt. Gray. G.
	Bn. Orderly Cpl.	28/11/41	L/Cpl. Bartlett. L.M.
	Next for duty	29/11/41	L/Cpl. Turner. N.
	Next for duty	30/11/41	Cpl. Meek. D.R.
	Inlying Picquet Off.	28/11/41	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
	Next for duty	29/11/41	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
	Next for duty	30/11/41	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.

2. CHURCH PARADES: Sunday, 30 Nov. '41.

Combined Church Parade- 0700 hrs. Padre Greenwood.
Holy Communion 0830 hrs. Padre Fleming.
R.C. Church Parade- 0700 hrs.- Padre Sexton.

3. SENTRIES:

The following 'CHALLENGE' will be used by all sentries when challenging natives except on Nos. 1 and 3 posts Main Guard, when challenge No. 2 will be used:

1. 'HALT- HANDS UP' - Berenti Naik Tangan, pronounced Nyk Tangan.
2. 'HALT- ADVANCE ONE AND BE RECOGNISED' - Berenti- Satu orang mari.

4. ANTI MOSQUITO PRECAUTIONS: Mosquitoes are breeding rapidly in camp area and all troops will take necessary precautions to prevent this. All empty tins will be removed from Coy. areas and water containers will be emptied daily. The importance of anti mosquito measures is to be impressed upon all personnel.

5. SERJEANTS MESS: All folding chairs belonging to the Serjeants Mess will be returned to that Mess by 1200 hrs. 29 Nov. '41.

6. 'X' LIST: Conduct Sheets of all personnel on 'X' list are to be forwarded to Bn. HQ. In future as soon as the soldier is placed on 'X' list this document will be sent to Bn. HQ. Orderly Room.

7. PAY PARADES: Pay Parades for subsistence etc. for personnel going on leave are not being attended at the times laid down for same. Coys. will see that tps. parade at the correct times.

8. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION: Para. 5 of Bn. R.O. No. 243 is to be re-read to personnel.

9. DRESS- SINGAPORE: There is considerable laxity in the dress of all ranks while on leave in Singapore. Instructions have been given to Picquets that the orders concerning dress are to be rigidly enforced. In particular the regulations as to the rolling down of sleeves at 2000 hrs. and the prohibiting of the wearing of short sleeved shirts after this hour will be observed. Action will be taken against any personnel found not complying with this regulation. Other matters to which attention is drawn include shirts unbuttoned and 'Sweat Rags' round necks.

OVER.....

10. ANZAC CLUB: Complaints have been made to HQ, AIF, regarding the loss of cutlery from the Anzac Club, Singapore. Any member of the A.I.F. found stealing these articles will be severely dealt with. The theft of these articles, from a club established and conducted by voluntary helpers for the benefit of AIF personnel is a reflection on the AIF and all ranks are asked to co-operate as a matter of honour to ensure the detection of offenders. The replacement of this cutlery is a matter of considerable difficulty and its loss may handicap the continuance of the facilities provided by the Club.

11. P.O.L. SUPPLIES- SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

Petrol in unpainted 4 gallon tins is now being supplied. Great care must be taken to avoid mixing the tins with kerosene tins, which they resemble. Petrol tins are branded with 'W.D.' and broad arrow' and embossed on the side 'Highly Inflammable'. Kerosene tins are embossed on the top with the word 'Kerosene'. Separate storage accommodation is to be arranged for these two commodities.

12. XMAS HOLIDAYS: Xmas Day will be treated as a Sunday, and no leave will be granted.

13. SERIOUS DANGER WITH MT VEHICLES: Split wheels as fitted to some MT vehicles recently issued will become the standard in future. The two halves are bolted together by an outer row of nuts and will burst apart with extreme violence if the nuts are slackened while pressure is in the tyre, and personal injury, sometimes fatal, will surely be sustained. These nuts must on no account be slacked off at all until the tyre is completely deflated. Transport section will note well this instruction.

Sgd. R.H. Cohen, Major,
for Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

NX 32834 Cpl. French, P.R. HQ Coy. promoted Sjt. as from 1/11/41.
32263 Cpl. Sherriff, D.R. HQ Coy. promoted Sjt. as from 1/11/41.
26833 Pte. Firth, K.W.C. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1/11/41.
52496 Pte. Ferris, J.J. HQ Coy. promoted Cpl. as from 1/11/41.
31793 Pte. Turner, N. 'D' Coy. appointed L/Cpl. 28/11/31.

REVERSIONS.

NX 27620 L/Cpl. Wardrope, G.A.C. HQ Coy. reverts to Pte. 28/11/41.

INTER COY. TRANSFERS.

NX 27620 Pte. Wardrope, G.A.C. from HQ Coy. to 'A' Coy.
58285 Pte. Hibbin, J. from 'B' Coy. to HQ Coy.

PART A.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W.3009.

8.11.41

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class. I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class. II	6	4	-	2	
S or C, Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	24	-	7	
Cpls.	67	60	-	7	
Group 1 Spec ialists	2	1	-	1	
" 2 "	50	40	-	10	
" 3 "	29	17	-	12	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	657	-	5	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	854	809	X -	X 45.	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.



EFFECTIVE STRENGTH (This Return)

809..Plus 7 Attached.

EFFECTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return.)

820 Plus 7 Attached.

DIFFERENCE OF.

11 Decrease.

DETACHMENTS. 40 plus 1 attached.

MARCHED IN.

MARCHED OUT.

From Hospital ex 'X' List. 2
From Detention ex 'X' List Nil.
Transferred from Other Units. Nil.
From G.B.D. ex 'X' List. 4
From G.B.D. Nil.
Rejoined ex Duties. 8
Rejoined ex A W L. 3
Rejoined ex Leave. 66

To Hospital, posted 'X' List 16.
To Detention, Posted 'X' List Nil.
Transferred to Other Units. 1
Detached for Duties. 14
A W L from Unit. 3
Granted Leave. 60

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	
Majors	3	-	
Captains	8	2	
Lieutenants	20	2	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	32	4	

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	HOMER.	R. 2/20 Bn.	7-11-41.	Ex G.S.D. (Supplementary List of 2/20 Bn.)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Captain.	EVART.	A.C.M. 2/20 Bn.	7-11-41.	Admitted Hospital, Posted to 'X' List.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	NK 379	ASSHUTON. G.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	NK34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	NK35002	MERRETT. R.O.	"	"	
"	NK 499	CONNOR. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NK70193	LINSCOTT. J.R.	"	No.	Gen. Base Depot.
"	NK35117	LOVE. J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil Forces.
"	NK35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NK 498	SWART. A.G.H.	"	No.	Patient in Hospt. Posted to 'X' List
"	NK34852	CARTER. V.A.	"	Yes.	
"	NK12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NK34848	GIBBINGS. C.C.	"	"	
"	NK70256	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
"	NK35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
Lieutenant	NK35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NK12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	
"	NK34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	No.	Manchester Regt.
"	NK70268	LUSK. F.G.	"	Yes.	
"	NK70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NK34867	READ. J.J.	"	"	
"	NK35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	No.	Leave.
"	NK35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NK12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	NK35007	HEPBURN. J.H.	"	"	
"	NK34995	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	NK50546	MacLEAN. A.H.	"	"	
"	NK56164	MUDIE. J.V.	"	"	
"	NK52582	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NK59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NK46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	No.	Chemical Warfare Course.
"	NK26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	Yes.	
"	NK59135	STANI STREET. R.W.	"	No.	Manchester Regt.
"	NK59135	WOODS. H.A.	"	Yes.	
"	NK45803	HOMER. R.	"	Yes.	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre.	NK35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

Alvin Lewis
Lieut for Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander.

8 NOVEMBER 1941.

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde Malaya.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.



2/20 BN AIF.

Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.					Remarks.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															217728-45
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)															217728-45

2/20 BN AIF

Unit.

Amos Lewis
Signature of Commander.

8 November 41

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust I of Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.



15-11-41

PART A.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W. 5009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Posted Strength Excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class 1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class 11.	6	4	-	2	
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-		-		
Sjts.	31	24	-	7	
Cpls.	67	60	-	7	
Group 1 Specialists.	2	1	-	1	
" 2 "	50	43	-	7	
" 3 "	29	19	-	10	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	656	6	6	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	854	813	X 6	X 5.41	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.



EFFECTIVE STRENGTH (This Return)

809 Plus 7 Attached.

EFFECTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return)

809 Plus 7 Attached.

DIFFERENCE OF.

4 Increase.

MARCHED IN.

MARCHED OUT.

From Hospital ex 'X' List. 2

To Hospital, Posted 'X' List 9

From Detention ex 'X' List 3

To Detention, Posted 'X' List 2

Transferred from Other Units Nil.

Transferred to Other Units. 7

From G B D ex 'X' List. 17

From G B D Nil.

Rejoined ex Duties. 1

Detached for Duties. 10

Rejoined Unit ex Leave 57

Granted Leave. 60

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 BR. A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels ..	0	0	
Majors ..	3	0	
Captains ..	0	2	
Lieutenants ..	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants ..			
Quartermasters ..			
Totals ..	33	3	

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	EX 379	ASHINGTON, C.F.	2/20 Bn	No.	Leave.
Major.	EX34192	ROBERTSON, A.E.	"	Yes.	
"	EX35002	MURRETT, R.O.	"	"	
"	EX 499	COHEN, R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	EX70193	LINSCOTT, J.R.	"	No.	Gen. Base. Depot
"	EX35117	LOWE, J.H.	"	No.	Johore Hill Forces
"	EX35012	RICHARDSON, R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	EX34852	CARTER, W.A.	"	"	
"	EX12543	GADGE, E.W.	"	"	
"	EX34840	GIBBINGS, G.C.	"	"	
"	EX70256	BUTTERIDGE, A.J.	"	"	
"	EX35016	MAXWELL, G.L.	"	"	
Lieutenant.	EX35004	KAYE, A.I.	"	"	
"	EX12571	DAVIES, A.G.	"	No.	G.C. Singapore Piquet
"	EX34640	BROOKS, J.S.	"	No.	Manchester Bn.
"	EX70269	LUCK, F.G.	"	Yes.	
"	EX70275	POCKLEY, R.F.	"	"	
"	EX34867	HEAD, J.J.	"	"	
"	EX35011	RICHARDSON, W.J.	"	"	
"	EX35013	RICHARDSON, B.D.	"	"	
"	EX12556	PORTER, H.W.	"	"	
"	EX35007	HIPPURIE, J.	"	"	
"	EX34995	GAVIN, F.	"	"	
"	EX50546	MACLEAN, A.H.	"	"	
"	EX56164	MURIE, J.V.	"	"	
"	EX52502	TIPPING, B.G.	"	"	
"	EX59561	RANSBOTHAM, E.	"	"	
"	EX46215	ROWE, J.C.	"	No.	Chemical Warfare Course.
"	EX26769	ANDUR, R.A.	"	Yes.	
"	EX59135	STANI STREET, R.W.	"	No.	Manchester Bn.
"	EX59135	WOODS, H.A.	"	Yes.	
"	EX45883	HONER, R.	"	"	
"	EX65413	LENDON, J.J.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	EX39223	CATCHLOW, J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.C. (Leave)
Padre.	EX35108	SIXTON, C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn A.I.F.

Unit.

Maclean

Sign of Lt.-Col.

15 NOVEMBER 1941

Date of Despatch.

22nd Avet. Inf. Bde Malaya



22-11-41

PART A.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W.3009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Posted Strength Excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class II.	6	4	-	2	
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	24	-	7	
Cpls.	67	60	-	7	
Group 1 Specialists.	2	1	-	1	
" 2 "	50	43	-	7	
" 3 "	29	19	-	10	
Tprs.Ptes.Etc.	662	644	-	18	
TOTALS.	854	801	X -	X 53.	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

XXXXXXXX ACTIVE STRENGTH (This Return)	801 plus 7 attached
ACTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return)	813 plus 7 attached.
DIFFERENCE OF	12 22 Decrease.

MARCHED IN.

From Hospital ex 'X' List.	1
From Detention ex 'X' List	Nil.
Transferred from Other Units,	Nil.
From G B D ex 'X' List	Nil.
From G B D	Nil.
Rejoined ex Duties,	8
Rejoined ex Leave.	64

MARCHED OUT.

To Hospital Posted 'X' List	13
To Detention Posted 'X' List	Nil.
Transferred to Other Units,	Nil.
Detached for Duties,	Nil.
Granted Leave.	57



FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

(Unit).

2/20 BN. A.I.F. MALAYA.
Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	
Majors	3	-	
Captains	7	3	
Lieutenants	21	1	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	32	4	

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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



Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	HK 379	ASSETON.	C.F. 2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	HK34192	ROBERTSON.	A.E.	"	
"	HK35002	MERRETT.	R.O.	"	
"	HK 499	GOHNS.	R.H.	"	
Captain.	HK35117	LOWE.	J.M.	No.	Johore Mil Forces
"	HK35012	RICHARDSON.	R.J.D.	Yes.	
"	HK34852	GARTER.	W.A.	"	
"	HK12543	GADEN.	E.W.	"	
"	HK34840	GIBBINGS.	C.C.	"	
"	HK70256	BETTERIDGE.	A.J.	"	
"	HK35016	MAXWELL.	G.L.	"	
Lieutenant	HK35004	YATES.	A.I.	"	
"	HK12571	DAVIES.	A.G.	"	
"	HK34640	BROOKS.	J.S.	No.	Manchester Bn
"	HK70260	LUSK.	F.G.	No.	Leave.
"	HK70275	POCKLEY.	R.V.	Yes.	
"	HK34867	READ.	J.J.	"	
"	HK35011	RICHARDSON.	W.J.	"	
"	HK35013	RICHARDSON.	B.D.	"	
"	HK12556	PORTER.	H.W.	No.	Leave.
"	HK35007	HEPBURN.	J.	Yes.	
"	HK34995	GAVEN.	F.	"	
"	HK50546	MacLean.	A.H.	"	
HK	HK56164	MUDIE.	J.V.	"	
"	HK52502	TIPPING.	B.G.	"	
"	HK59561	RAMSBOTHAM.	F.	"	
"	HK46215	ROWE.	J.C.	"	Chem. Warfare Course
"	HK26769	ARMOUR.	R.A.	Yes.	
"	HK59135	STANISTREET.	R.W.	No.	Manchester Bn.
"	HK59135	WOODS.	H.A.	Yes.	
"	HK45803	HOMER.	R.	"	
"	HK65413	LENNON.	J.J.	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	HK39223	CATCHLOVE.	A.A.H.C. J.P. SIAKES	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre	HK35108	SEXTON.	A.A.Ch.D. G.G.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

MacLean
Lieut. For Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander.

22 November, 1941. Date of Despatch.

22 Aust. Inf. Bde Malaya.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W.3009.

29-11-41

PART A.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class.1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class.11	6	4	-	2	
S or C.Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	31	-	-	
Cpls.	67	66	-	1	
Group 1 Spec ialists	2	1	-	1	
" 2 "	50	42	-	8	
" 3 "	29	19	-	10.	
Tprs.Ptes.Etc.	662	633.	-	29	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	854	802	X -	X 52	

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.



2/20 Bn AIF Malaya Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel										2	1		1	48	52
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)										2	1		1	48	52

2/20 Bn AIF
Unit.
29 November 1941
Date of Despatch.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
22 Aust 9 of Bde Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 BR. A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels ..	1	-	
Majors ..	3	-	
Captains ..	7 ^{III}	3	
Lieutenants ..	21	2	
2nd Lieutenants ..			
Quartermasters ..			
Totals ..	32	4	

Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	HK 379	ASSHETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	HK34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	HK35002	MURRETT. R.O.	"	"	
"	HK 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	HK35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil Forces
"	HK35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	HK34852	CARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	HK12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	HK34840	GIBBINGS. C.G.	"	"	
"	HK35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
"	HK70256	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
Lieutenant	HK35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	HK12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	
"	HK34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	No.	Manchester Bn.
"	HK70260	LUSK. F.G.	"	Yes.	
"	HK70275	POOLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	HK34867	READ. J.J.	"	"	
"	HK35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	HK35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	"	
"	HK12550	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	HK35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	HK34995	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	HK50546	MacLEAN. A.H.	"	No.	Leave.
"	HK56164	MURPHY. J.V.	"	Yes.	
"	HK52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	HK59561	RANSBOTHAM. F.	"	No.	O.C. Leave Picquet.
"	HK46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	Yes.	
"	HK26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	"	
"	HK59135	STANLEY STREET. R.V.	"	No.	Manchester Bn.
"	HK59135	WOODS. H.A.	"	Yes.	
"	HK45803	HOMER. R.	"	"	
"	HK65413	LENNON. J.J.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	VK39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre	HK35108	SEXTON. G.G.	A.A.Ch.B.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

[Signature]
Major for Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander.

29 NOVEMBER, 1941. Date of Despatch.

22 Aust. Inf. Bde. Malaya. Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.



WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/27 Bn A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 41. To 16 Dec 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mersing.	1-12-41.	0900.	Lt. Gaisman, P.L. & Lt Gardner J.A. & 11 O.R.'s. rejoined 1st Manchester (M.M.G.) Bn. after attachment of 1 month. Proved of great assistance to 2/20 Vickers Gunners. The exchange was a great success in every respect. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	1-12-41.	1600.	Lt. Brooks, J.S. & Lt Stanistreet & 12 O.R.'s. rejoined after attachment to Manchester Bn for 1 month. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	2-12-41.	0800.	NX. 20633. Pte. Borley S.H. & NX. 50611. Pte. Laughton, J.F. sent to detention detention. <i>Auth.</i>	
		1400.	5 Officers & 122 O.R.'S. joined 2/20 Bn ex G.B.D. Officers were:— NX. 35100. Lt White, A.H. NX. 58702. Lt. Baeyertz, C.B. NX. 52188. Lt. Wisdom, J.K. NX. 46496. Lt O'Keefe, C.C.W. & N.X. 66178. Lt. McIntyre, A. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	3-12-41.	0800.	6 O.R.'s. marched out to Armoured Car course. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	6-12-41.	1000. 1630.	5 OR's. transferred to 8 Div' Provost. <i>Auth.</i> Warning order "RAFFLES". 1800. All troops moved to prepared defensive positions as per plan. Movement by road of transport between 1820 and 1850 worked smoothly. Troops all very keen. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	7-12-41.	1600.	Morale high. <i>Auth.</i> NX. 499. Capt. Ewart, A.C.M. taken on strength ex Hospital ex X list. NX. 35117. Capt Lowe J.M. seconded to J.M. Forces. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	8-12-41.	0430.	"Stand to" ordered. This became regular practice. (later altered to 0530 hrs. by Bde.). All work concentrated on defensive positions. Very pronounced increase in amount of work done. The standard has <i>Auth.</i>	
"	10-12-41. 12-12-41.	1400.	Commenced issue of Quinine to all ranks as Malaria suppressive measure. <i>Auth.</i> 14 O.R.'s taken on strength ex G.B.D. <i>Auth.</i>	
"	16-12-41.	1200.	NX. 20599. Sgt. Robinson W.G. killed accidentally by explosion of A/T. mine. <i>Auth.</i>	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit ~~17th Bn.~~ 2/20 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 17-12-41.

To 31-12-41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mersing.	17-12-41.	0900.	General check began on Sanitation throughout the area & environs.	
"	19-12-41.	1400,	NX. 14091. Lt. Chave. & NX. 51473. Lt. Blackford. G.H. & 10 O.R.'s taken on strength ex G.B.D.	<i>Amk.</i>
"	21-12-41.	1600.	NX. 34840. Capt. C.C. Gibbings evacuated to Hospital with Malaria.	<i>Amk.</i>
"	23-12-41.	0900.	NX. 72701. Pte Horne. C.D. died as result of accidental explosive of H.E. grenade.	<i>Amk.</i>
		1400.	1 Cpl. & 6 O.R.'s marched out to become part of "ROSE" force.	
		1600.	VX. 39223. Capt. Catchlove. J.P. (.R.M.O.) detached to 2/9 Field Amb. for 1 week. NX. 76302. Capt. Hinder acting R.M.O. in his absence.	<i>Amk.</i>
"	25-12-41.	1600.	NX. 27025. Pte. Geary. A.N.B NX. 55127, Pte. O'Brien. J.N. NX. 33493. Pte Stoneman. W.W. NX. 51423, Pte. Walker E.J.W. taken on strength ex Civil Gaol.	<i>Amk.</i>
"	26-12-41.	1700.	22 O.R.'s. taken on strength ex G.B.D.	<i>Amk.</i>
"	31-12-41.	1450.	NX. 42490. Pte Greese. A.G. drowned in Mersing river.	<i>Amk.</i>
			<u>GENERAL.</u>	
			During the month the evacuation of civilians from the district has taken place, though there are still Natives in the inlying areas. Engineers have completed necessary demolition of Township of Mersing. No one has been allowed into Mersing without a pass from Bn H.Q. stating on what duty engaged. On various occasions Japanese planes have flown over the area, but no bombing has taken place.	

*Amk. 2/20 Bn.**Amk. 2/20 Bn.*

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W.3009. 6.12.41

PART A.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class.1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class.11	6	4	-	2	
S or C, Q.M.S.	6	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	31	31	-	-	
Cpls.	67	68	1	-	
Group 1 Spec ialists	2	1	-	1	
" 2 "	50	44	-	6	
" 3 "	29	19	-	10	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	662	739	77	-	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	854	912	X 78	X 20	58 surplus.

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

ACTIVE STRENGTH (This Return.)	912 plus 8 attached.
ACTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return)	802 plus 7 attached.
DIFFERENCE OF	110 Increase.
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MARCHED IN.

MARCHED OUT.

From Hospital ex 'X' List.	8	To Hospital Posted 'X' List	16
From Detention ex 'X' List.	2	To Detention Posted 'X' List	2
Transferred from other Units	Nil.	Transferred to Other Units.	2
From G B D ex 'X' List.	12		
From G B D	108		
Rejoined ex Duties.	28	Detached for Duties.	6
Rejoined ex Leave.	37	Granted Leave.	Nil.

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2/20 Bn AIF

Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel							177	78	21	-	-	17		20	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)							177	78	21	-	-	17		20	58 surplus.

2/20 Bn AIF

Unit.

Alma Jean Lieut for Lt Col
Signature of Commander.

6 December 1941

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.



FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 BN. A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1	.	.
Majors	3	.	.
Captains	7	.	3
Lieutenants	26	4	.
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	37	4	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	WHITE. A.H.	2/20m Bn.	2-12-41.	Ex GBD ex 'X 14 sy.
Lieut.	WISDOM. J.K.	"	"	Ex GBD
Lieut.	BAERYERTZ. C.B.	"	"	"
Lieut.	O'FERFE. C.C.W.	"	"	"
Lieut.	MACINTYRE. "A	"	"	"

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	NX 379	ASSHETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn.	Yes.	
Major.	NX34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	NX35002	MERRETT. R.O.	"	"	
"	NX 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NX35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil. Force
"	NX35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NX34852	CARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	NX12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NX34840	GIBBINGS. C.C.	"	"	
"	NX70258	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
"	NX35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
Lieutenant	NX35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NX12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	
"	NX34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	"	
"	NX70260	LUSK. F.G.	"	"	
"	NX70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NX34867	READ. J.J.	"	"	
"	NX35100	WHITE. A.H.	"	"	
"	NX35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	NX35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	"	
"	NX12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	NX35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	NX34995	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	NX50546	MACLEAN. A.H.	"	"	
"	NX56164	MUDIE. J.V.	"	"	
"	NX52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NX59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NX46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	"	
"	NX26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	"	
"	NX59135	STANISTREET. R.W.	"	"	
"	NX59135	WOODS. H.A.	"	"	
"	NX45803	HOMER. R.	"	"	
"	NX65413	LENNON. J.J.	"	"	
"	NX52188	WISDOM. J.K.	"	"	
"	NX58702	BAEYERTZ. C.B.	"	"	
"	NX46496	O'FEEFE. C.C.W.	"	"	
"	NX66178	MAGINTYRE. A.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Padre.	NX35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A.A.C.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 BN. A.I.F.

Unit.

W. Maclean

Lieut. for Lt.-Col.
Signature of Commander

6 DECEMBER, 1941.

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

"PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W.3009.

13-12-41

PART A.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class.1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class.11	6	6	-	4	
S or C.Q.M.S.	5	5	-	1	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	33	29 30	-	3	
Cpls.	67 70	67	-	3	
Group 1 Spec ialists	1	1	-	14	
" 2 "	40 57	44	-	13	
" 3 "	24 43	19	-	24	
Tprs.Ptes.Etc.	228 608 560	740	180	-	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	854 776	913	X 180	X 43	137 surplus

agree with Part D on Page 2.

on Establishment.

Active Strength (This Return) 913 (plus 8 attached)
 Active Strength (Last Return) 912 (plus 8 attached)
 Difference of 1 increase

Marched In

From Hospital ex X List 6
 From Detention ex X List 6
 Transferred from other units NIL
 From G B D ex X List 8
 From G B D. NIL
 Rejoined ex Duties 9
 Rejoined ex Leave NIL

Marched Out

To Hospital Posted X List 14
 To Detention Posted X List NIL
 Transferred to Other Units 5
 Detached for duties NIL
 Granted Leave NIL

2/20 BN AIF Malaya Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel							180	180	-	-	-	3	3	37	43
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)							180	180	-	-	-	3	3	37	43

137 surplus on Establishment

2/20 BN AIF Unit.

Atkinson. Lieut for Lt-Col
Signature of Commander.

13 December 1941 Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Div Bk Malaya
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/20 Bn RIF Malaya (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	3	-	-
Captains	8 10	-	3
Lieutenants	26	4 8	-
2nd Lieutenants	-	-	-
Quartermasters	1	-	-
Totals	38	4 8	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	EWART A. C. M.	2/20 Bn	7.12.41	ex Hospital ex 1 Lieut.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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



Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT-COL	NX 379	ASSHETON C.F.	2/20 BN	YES	
MAJOR	NX 34192	ROBERTSON A.E.	"	"	
"	NX 35002	MERRETT R.O.	"	"	
"	NX 499	COHEN R.H.	"	"	
CAPTAIN	NX 35117	LOWE J.M.	"	NO	SHORE MIL. FORCES
"	NX 35012	RICHARDSON R.J.D.	"	YES	
"	NX 498	EWART A.C.M.	"	"	
"	NA 34852	CARTER W.A.	"	"	
"	NA 12543	GADEN E.W.	"	"	
"	NX 34840	GIBBINGS C.C.	"	"	
"	NX 70256	BETTERIDGE A.J.	"	"	
"	NX 35016	MAXWELL G.L.	"	"	
LIEUTENANT	NX 35004	YATES A.I.	"	"	
"	NX 12571	DAVIES A.G.	"	"	
"	NX 34640	BROOKS J.S.	"	"	
"	NX 70260	LUSK F.G.	"	"	
"	NX 70275	POCKLEY R.V.	"	"	
"	NX 34867	READ J.J.	"	"	
"	NX 35100	WHITE A.H.	"	"	
"	NX 35011	RICHARDSON W.J.	"	"	
"	NX 35013	RICHARDSON B.D.	"	"	
"	NX 12556	PORTER H.W.	"	"	
"	NX 35007	HEBBURN J.	"	"	
"	NX 34975	GAYEN F.	"	"	
"	NX 35246	MALLAN A.H.	"	"	
"	NX 35164	MIDIC J.V.	"	"	
"	NX 34586	TIPPING J.S.	"	"	
"	NX 34561	RAMSBOTHAM F.	"	"	
"	NX 46215	ROWE J.C.	"	"	
"	NX 25767	RAMBOLD A.H.	"	"	
"	NX 34932	STANFIELD A.H.	"	"	
"	NX 70116	WOODS A.H.	"	"	
"	NX 42503	HOMER R.	"	"	
"	NX 65413	LENNON J.S.	"	"	
"	NX 34185	WISDOM J.A.	"	"	
"	NX 58702	BNEYERTZ C.B.	"	"	
"	NX 42498	DRETT R.	"	"	
"	NX 64178	MACINTYRE A.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPTAIN	NX 39223	CATCHLOVE J.P.	RA MC	21.4.41	R.M.D.
PADRE	NX 35108	SEXTON C.G.	RACD	16.4.40	CHAPLAIN

2/20 BN AIF

Unit.

13 December 1941

Date of Despatch.

Amuseau Lieut for Lt-Col

Signature of Commander.

22 Bst Inf Bde Malaya.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

20:12:41

PART A."PRO-FORMA" - Amendment to A.F. W. 5009

1	2	3	4	5	6
Details.	War Estab- lishment.	Posted Strength Excluding Attached.	Surplus.	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class 1.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class 11.	6	6	-	-	
S or C.O.M.S.	5	6	1	-	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	32	29	-	3	
Cpls.	70	68	-	2.	
Group 1 Specialists.	1	1	-	-	
" 2 "	57	44	-	13	
" 3 "	43	19	-	24	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	561	730	169	-	
TOTALS.	776.	904	X 170	X 42	128 Surplus to Establishment.

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

ACTIVE STRENGTH (This Return.)	904 plus 8 Attached.
ACTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return.)	913 plus 8 Attached.
DIFFERENCE OF	9 DECREASE.

MARCHED IN

MARCHED OUT.

From Hospital ex 'X' List	8	To Hospital Posted to 'X' List	27
From Detention ex 'X' List	Nil.	To Detention Posted 'X' List	Nil.
Transferred from Other Units	Nil.	Transferred to Other Units	Nil.
From G B D ex 'X' List	7	Died of Injuries	1
From G B D	4		
Rejoined ex Duties.	Nil.	Detached for Duties.	Nil.
Rejoined ex Leave	Nil.	Granted Leave.	Nil.



FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

.....(Unit).

2/20 BN A.I.F.

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	3	6	-
Captains	7	-	3
Lieutenants	28	6	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

39 Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary. 6 3

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	CHAVE. B.A.			
"	BLACKFORD. G.H.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt-Col.	NK 379	ASSHETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn	Yes	
Major.	NK34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	NK35002	MERRETT. R.O.	"	"	
"	NK 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NK35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	No.	Johore Mil. Force
"	NK35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NK34852	CARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	NK12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NK34840	GIBBINGS G.C.	"	"	
"	NK70256	BETTERIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
"	NK35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	"	
Lieutenant.	NK35004.	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NK12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	
"	NK34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	"	
"	NK70260	LUSH. F.G.	"	"	
"	NK70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NK34867	READ. J.J.	"	"	
"	NK35100	WHITE. A.H.	"	"	
"	NK35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	NK35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	"	
"	NK12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	NK35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	NK34995	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	NK50546	MacLEAN. A.H.	"	"	
"	NK56164	MUDIE. J.V.	"	"	
"	NK52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NK59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NK46215	ROBE. J.C.	"	"	
"	NK26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	"	
"	NK59135	STANISTREET. R.W.	"	"	
"	NK56116	WOODS. H.A.	"	"	
"	NK45803	HOMER. R.	"	"	
"	NK65413	LENNON. J.J.	"	"	
"	NK52188	WISDOM. E.K.	"	Y	
"	NK58702	BAEVERTZ C.R.	"	"	
"	NK46496	O'KEEFE. C.O.W.	"	"	
"	NK66178	MacINTYRE. A.	"	"	
"	NK14091	CHAVE. B.A.	"	"	
"	NK51473	BLACKFORD. G.H.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41	R.M.O.
Major.	NK35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A.A.Ch.D.	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn A.I.F.

Unit.

Lieut for Lt.-Col.

20 DECEMBER 1941. *By Despatch.*

22 Aug 1941 *Inf Bn Malaya it is serving.*



2/20 Bn AIF Malaya Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel			1				169	170			3	2	37	42	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)			1			169	170			3	2	37	42		128 surplus to Establnment

2/20 Bn AIF
Unit.

Almanza
Signature of Commander.

20 Dec 1941
Date of Despatch.

22nd Aust Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

PART A.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Detail.	War Estab lishment	Posted Strength ex cluding Attached	Surplus	Deficiency	Remarks.
W.O. Class. I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O. Class. II	6	6	-	-	
S or C, Q. M. S.	5	6	1	-	
S/Sjts.	-	-	-	-	
Sjts.	32	29	-	3	
Cpls.	70	67	-	3	
Group 1 Spec ialists	1	1	-	-	
" 2 "	57	52	-	5	
" 3 "	43	19	-	24	
Tprs. Ptes. Etc.	561	730	169	-	
<u>TOTALS.</u>	776.	911	X 170	X 35	135 surplus to Establishment.

X To agree with Part D on Page 2.

ACTIVE STRENGTH (This Return.)	911 plus 8 Attached.
ACTIVE STRENGTH (Last Return)	904 plus 8 Attached
DIFFERENCE OF.	7 Increase.

MARCHED IN.

From Hospital ex 'X' List.	18
From Detention ex 'X' List	2
Transferred from Other Units	5
From G B D ex 'X' List.	1
From G B D.	17
Rejoined Unit ex Duties.	3
Rejoined ex Leave	1
	Nil.

MARCHED OUT.

To Hospital Posted to 'X' List	30
To Detention Posted to 'X' List	Nil.
Transferred to Other Units.	Nil.
Died of Injuries.	1
Detached for Duties.	1
Granted Leave	Nil.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2720 BN A.I.F. MALAYA. (Unit).

Part A.—Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	-
Majors	3	-	-
Captains	5	-	5
Lieutenants	28	6	-
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	37	6	5

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

Part B.—Particulars of Officers Joined or Quitted during week.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	LOWE. J.M.			Seconded to Johore Military Forces.
Capt.	GIBBINGS. G.C.			Evacuated to Hospital Posted to 'X' List.

Part C.—Description of Officers whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

Part D.—Nominal Roll of Officers on Strength.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	NX 379	ASSHETON. C.F.	2/20 Bn	Yes.	
Major.	NX34192	ROBERTSON. A.E.	"	"	
"	NX35002	MERRETT. R.O.	"	"	
"	NX 499	COHEN. R.H.	"	"	
Captain.	NX35117	LOWE. J.M.	"	No.	Seconded to Johore Mil. Forces.
"	NX35012	RICHARDSON. R.J.D.	"	Yes.	
"	NX34852	CARTER. W.A.	"	"	
"	NX12543	GADEN. E.W.	"	"	
"	NX34840	GIBBINGS G.C.	"	"	Posted to 'X' List.
"	NX70256	BETTERRIDGE. A.J.	"	"	
"	NX35016	MAXWELL. G.L.	"	✓	
Lieutenant.	NX35004	YATES. A.I.	"	"	
"	NX12571	DAVIES. A.G.	"	"	
"	NX34640	BROOKS. J.S.	"	"	
"	NX70260	LUSK. F.G.	"	✓	
"	NX70275	POCKLEY. R.V.	"	"	
"	NX34867	READ. J.J.	"	"	
"	NX35100	WHITE. A.H.	"	"	
"	NX35011	RICHARDSON. W.J.	"	"	
"	NX35013	RICHARDSON. B.D.	"	"	
"	NX 12556	PORTER. H.W.	"	"	
"	NX35007	HEPBURN. J.	"	"	
"	NX34995	GAVEN. F.	"	"	
"	NX50546	MacLEAN. A.H.	"	"	
"	NX56364	MUDIE. J.V.	"	"	
"	NX52502	TIPPING. B.G.	"	"	
"	NX59561	RAMSBOTHAM. F.	"	"	
"	NX46215	ROWE. J.C.	"	"	
"	NX26769	ARMOUR. R.A.	"	"	
"	NX 59135	STANISTREET. R.W.	"	"	
"	NX56116	WOODS. H.A.	"	"	
"	NX45803	HOMER. H.	"	"	
"	NX65413	LENNON. J.J.	"	"	
"	NX52188	WISDOM. J.K.	"	"	
"	NX58702	BAEYERTZ. C.R.	"	"	
"	NX46496	O'KEEFE C.C.W.	"	"	
"	NX66178	MacINTYRE. A.	"	"	
"	NX14091	CHAVE. B.A.	"	"	
"	NX51473	BLACKFORD. G.H.	"	"	

(ii) Officers Attached from other Corps.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain.	VX39223	CATCHLOVE. J.P.	A.A.M.C.	21-4-41.	R M O
Padre	NX35108	SEXTON. C.G.	A A Ch D	16-4-40	Chaplain.

2/20 Bn A I F

Unit.

Alma Lea

Lieut for Lt.-Col.

Signature of Commander.

27 DECEMBER 1941.

Date of Despatch.

22 Aust Inf Bde. Malaya.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.

2/20 BN AIF

Unit.

Part D.—Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							Remarks.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	Total.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		Total.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel			1				169	170			3	3	24	35	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)			1				169	170			3	3	24	35	135 surplus to Establishment

2/20 BN AIF

Unit.

Amber Pearson
Signature of Commander.

27 December 1941

Date of Despatch.

22 Curt 2nd Bde Chatterton
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.



WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR MERSING.

Ref. Map Sheets: 3 H/7, 3 H/8, 3 H/11, 3 H/12.

INFORMATION:

1. ENEMY: The force available to the Japanese for use against the East coast in the general area of MERSING is estimated to be three Divs. It would be possible for them to send two of these Divs. ashore simultaneously each in flights of one or more regiments (three Bns.) at a time. The two Divs. might be ashore in two or three days, using only hours of darkness.

The objects to be attained by the Japanese in this area must be assumed to be:

- (a) To secure MERSING and/or ENDAU as a base from which continuous and offensive operations in the direction of SINGAPORE can be maintained.
- (b) To gain control of JEMALUANG x-rds., and possibly
- (c) To cut the road KLUANG-JEMALUANG near KAHANG, following a success at ENDAU.

It is within their resources to attempt all three in the first phase of operations. We have, therefore, to prepare for the possibility of simultaneous landings on the following scales:-

- (a) At ENDAU. 3 Bns. and other tps. incl. AFV's, the latter for use down the MERSING Rd.
- (b) MERSING RIVER mouth and FOUR MILE BEACH. 3 Bns. and other tps., equipped to attempt an early crossing of MERSING RIVER from the North.
- (c) Beaches astride JEMALUANG RIVER. A main blow by 3 or more Bns. and AFV's, to gain the Rd. to JEMALUANG.

2. OWN TPS:

AIF, Malaya is to defend JOHORE and MALACCA. 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. Gp. as fwd. tps. are allotted the area incl. JEMALUANG- incl. ENDAU. 27 Aust. Inf. Bde. Gp. in reserve are located in area KOTA TINGGI-KLUANG excl. JEMALUANG.

3. UNITS UNDER COMMAND 22 AUST. INF. BDE.

HQ, 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.	Det. 4 water tpt. Coy.	
J Sec. Sigs. 8 Div.	Tonkangs 7 ton.....	4
2/18 Bn.	" 5 ton.....	1
2/19 Bn.	Sampans	2
2/20 Bn.	(w/2 outboard motors each)	
2/10 Fd. Regt.	69 LAD.	
15 A/Tk. Bty. (.75 mm)	74 LAD.	
16 A/Tk. Bty. (.75 mm)		
2/10 Fd. Coy.		
'B' Coy. 2/9 Fd. Amb.		

4. VESSELS IN CO-OPERATION:

HMS SHUNAN and HUNGJAO on naval patrol.

DISPOSITIONS OF BDE. GROUP:

5. FORCE 'E': One rifle Coy. and four MMG's.
Primary task: To hold lightly at ENDAU, deny the mouth of the river and give warning of strength and location of enemy landings.

OVER.....

FORCE 'E': Secondary task: To withdraw under pressure via the river delaying enemy advance to the BUKIT LANGKAP where the enemy must be held.

6. FORCE 'M': Two Bns. (less one Coy. at ENDAU), one Fd. Regt., (less one H. Bty. at JEMALUANG), one A/Tk. Bty. (.75 mm) and 34 MMG's.
Task: To deny the area PALM BEACH- MERSING.
Defended localities will include:

- 2/18 Bn.) BRIGADIERS POINT 879426- SEAVIEW 869429- ARTILLERY HILL
) 861426- Spur 853444- Spur 863445- Lalang Spur (incl. coast
) line) 866444- MOSQUE HILL (incl. coast line 872434).
- 2/20 Bn.) Reverse slopes of coastal ridge around 853459- small Spur
) between watercourses around 844453- small Spur between
) watercourses around 836455- between river bends around
) 825462- Br. 833471- Headland 852469.

The gap between the two perimeters so formed will be denied to the enemy by the use of patrolled wire and mines.

OUTPOSTS: 2/18 Bn. and 2/20 Bns. will each provide outposts, for the purpose of observing and delaying any enemy attempting to turn the Northern and Southern flanks.

One Pl. 2/18 Bn. - in area about 862424.
 One Coy. 2/20 Bn. in area incl. Hill 106 824497-LALANG HILL 829487 Eastward to the coast.

RESERVES: Left rear Coy. 2/18 Bn. and right rear Coy. 2/20 Bn. ('D') will NOT be committed without the authority of Bde. Comd.

7. FORCE 'J': One Bn., one Fd. Bty.(H), one A/Tk. Bty. (.75 mm).
TASK: To deny JEMALUANG cross rds.

CONCENTRATION.

8. There are three degrees of readiness:
 No.3 Degree of Readiness.
 No.2 Degree of Readiness.
 No.1 Degree of Readiness.

9. NO.3 DEGREE OF READINESS is that normally in force i.e.

Forces 'E', 'M', 'J' are at 12 hours notice to move to full deployment.

10. NO.2 DEGREE OF READINESS will be assumed on the issue of the code word SEAVIEW.

- (a) O.P's at LALANG HILL and KEMPIT for watching beacons will be manned day and night.
- (b) Offshore patrols will be sent out to guard against surprise landings.
- (c) There will be a duty officer continually on duty at Bde. and Bn. HQ.
- (d) A/A defences shall be fully deployed.
- (e) M.M.G posts on beach defences shall be manned from 1830 hrs. to 0630 hrs. daily.
- (f) Impressment schemes for vehicles and river craft brought into force.
- (g) The remainder of the Bn. will be at ten (10) hours notice to take up their initial dispositions.

11. NO. I DEGREE OF READINESS will be assumed on the issue of the code word RAFFLES.

- (a) Units move to deployment areas ready for action. If the situation permits personnel will rest (in areas to be selected) between 0630 and 1830 hrs. daily.
- (b) Bde. and Bn. HQ's will be continually and fully manned.
- (c) War code names come into use.

ATTENTION:

12. FORCE 'M':

- (a) Enemy landing in the 2/20 Bn. locality (vide 6 above) shall be destroyed.
- (b) The outpost Coy. North of the MERSING R. shall:

Delay enemy landing on its coastal sector and attempting to turn the NORTHERN flank and give warning of location and strength of enemy landings.

FORCE 'E':

- (a) Shall hold lightly at ENDAU, deny the mouth of the river and give warning of strength and location of enemy landings.
- (b) Shall withdraw under pressure via the River to the BUKIT LANGKAP delaying enemy advance, where the enemy must be held and beyond which further withdrawal is not permitted.

METHOD:

13. The order for force 'E' is given separately.

14. These operation orders are for the Bn. less one Coy.

15. (a) The defence of the beach from BEACHY HEAD (852472) to CUSTOMS POINT (838474) and the MERSING R. as far as the R.C. Bdge. incl. will be based on MMG's, 3" Mortars and Beach Guns (.75 mm). The chief role of the rifle Coy. personnel allotted to this area will be the protection of those MMG's and Beach Guns by all round defence. Secondary role will be the thickening of fire against attempted landings.

(b) The remainder of the Bn. (less outpost Coy. North of MERSING R.) will occupy defensive positions prepared for two Coys. and providing all round defence on the remainder of the Bn. area as defined in 6 above. This will involve patrolling in the coastal area not occupied from PARIS HOUSE (860460) to BEACHY HEAD (856467) and the gap between 2/18 and 2/20 Bn.'s. The right rear Coy. will NOT otherwise be committed without the authority of Bde. Comd.

(c) The outpost Coy. will carry out its beach defences based on MMG's attached and MMG and Beach Guns sited in the MERSING Beach Defence Areas. On withdrawal this Coy. will come into Bn. Res. and may occupy one of the two Coy. areas mentioned in (b) above.

16. DISPOSITIONS:

(a) TOWN SUB-SECTOR: Area- Incl. BEACHY HEAD (852472), mouth of MERSING R. (843474); river bend (830469), forward slopes of GIBBETT HILL 834465, CAMP RIDGE 847465.

OVER.....

16. (a) Vital Localities: BEACHY HEAD, CAMP RIDGE, GIBBETT HILL.

Tps: 'B' Coy.
 Seven Secs. MMG's.
 One troop .75 mm A/Tk. Guns.

Role: Defence of Beach and River Bank from incl. BEACHY HEAD (852472) to river bend (830 469).

Pl. Dispositions: Three fwd. Pl. areas at BEACHY HEAD, CUSTOMS POINT and R.C. Edge. to protect MMG's and Beach Guns sited in those areas and to thicken up defensive fire.
 A reserve Pl. area on CAMP RIDGE will be occupied by one Pl. from 'D' Coy. at night only. Role to provide depth in defence and patrol the Coy. area in rear of fwd. Pl. positions.

(b) WESTERN SUB-SECTOR:

Area: RD. JEMALUANG-ENDAU, MERSING R., RIVER-CREEK JUNCTION 825461, CREEK JUNCTION 835452.

Vital Localities: River frontage and western flank.

Tps: (a) 'A' Coy. on withdrawal from Outpost Psn. plus Band details from HQ Coy. and one .75 mm A/Tk. Gun in alternate position.

(b) Pending withdrawal of 'A' Coy. the sector will be occupied by:
 Band details from HQ Coy.
 Tpt. and Pioneer Pl. details from HQ Coy.
 One Sec. Carriers, less vehicles and drivers, defensive fire on river from three LMG positions to be prepared at 832465, 827462, 825462.

Additional Weapons: Si^x Lewis Machine Guns.

Role: To provide a defensive flank on the right bank of the river and the Western side of the Bn. area.

Patrols: E^xtensive patrolling in a S.W. direction to a line running generally N.W. and S.E. through BT. SAWAH 8145 with a standing patrol on BT. SAWAH.

(c) SOUTHERN SUB-SECTOR:

Areas: CLEARED RIDGE at 855458, rear slopes CAMP RIDGE 847465, ROAD TRACK JUNC. 844450.

Vital Localities: SOUTH RIDGE 847463 (rear of CAMP RIDGE).

Tps: 'D' Coy.
 Two Secs. MMG's if available in alternate positions.

Patrols: (a) Sec. Post 855464 shall be manned and the coast patrolled from this point to 'B' Coy. Right flank on BEACHY HEAD 856467.

(b) See Table of Bde. Patrol Tasks.

Role: To prevent penetration from EAST, WEST and SOUTH and obtain information of enemy movement.

(d) OUTPOST COY. NORTH OF MERSING R.:

Area: 836482, 833490, LALANG HILL, Padi area 826479.

Tps: 'A' Coy.
 Two Secs. MMG's, one of which is borrowed from TOWN SUB-SECTOR.
 One Sec. Carriers, less LMG's and crews, for transport of MMG's, Gun crews and Lyon lights back to Bn. via R.C. Edge.
 on withdrawal of 'A' Coy.



Role: To delay enemy landing on Coastal strip of Coy. area and attempting to turn the NORTHERN FLANK, and to give warning of location and strength of enemy landings,

Probable Tasks:

- (a) To be prepared to move further NORTH and occupy the prepared defensive positions EAST of Pt. 106 (8249).
 (b) To be prepared to withdraw through K. MAYANG EST. into Bn. locality and cross river between MERSING R.C. Bdge. (8347) and 817461.

Patrols: Standing Patrols at LALANG HILL 826486 and Pt. 106 (8249).
 Mobile patrols WEST and NW of LALANG HILL.

17. RESERVE:

- 'D' Coy. will occupy SOUTHERN Sub-Sector but will NOT be otherwise committed without the authority of Bde. Comd.
 'A' Coy. will occupy WESTERN Sub-Sector on withdrawal from Outpost posn and may be used as Bn. Reserve.

18. ANTI-AIRCRAFT:

Two Dets. GIBBETT HILL.
 Two Dets. CAMP RIDGE.

19. M.M.G.'S:

Seven Secs. in TOWN sub-sector.
 Two Secs. with outpost Coy. one of which is borrowed from and will revert to TOWN sub-sector and the other will revert to Bn. Comd. on withdrawal of 'A' Coy. from outpost posn.
 M.M.G.'s report to Coys. on Stage 2.
 See Sketch Map 'A'.

20. A/TK. ARTY: 'K' Tp. 16 A/Tk. Bty. under Comd. 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. in support of force 'M'.

The troop in TOWN sub-sector disposed as follows:

- (a) One gun BEACHY HEAD 849467.
Role: Beach defences at ranges NOT exceeding 600 yds.
 (b) One gun on point at 843475.
Role: Defence of beach NORTH of river mouth at ranges NOT exceeding 600 yds.
 (c) One gun CUSTOMS PT. 839474.
Role: Defence of beach NORTH of river mouth- R.C. Bdge. Head and river mouth, at ranges NOT exceeding 600 yds.
 (d) One gun R.C. Bdge area.
 Daytime posn. NORTH of Bdge.
 Nighttime posn. SOUTH of Bdge.
Role: Defence of RD. MERSING- ENDAU.
 (e) One gun in alternate position near road bend at 82 M.S. 836456.
Role: Covering Rd. NORTH and SOUTH.

21. BEACH LIGHTING SCHEME:

- (a) BEL's under Bde. siting and control. One will be sited at 861458 and will sweep the arc K. JEMALUANG 8941- SANDY POINT 8351. When hostile craft are sighted this light will be used to enable our tps. to estimate their strength and to observe their approach.
 (b) Nine Lyon Lights: Under Bn. siting and control and disposed as follows:
 One light with each MMG Sec. in TOWN sub-sector- total 7 lights.
 One light with each MMG Sec. with outpost Coy- total 1 light.
 One additional light in TOWN sub-sector sited at FISH MARKET, 836472 to illuminate left bank of river with dispersed beam- total 1 light.

21. Roles: To light up zone of defensive fire.

They will expose when the first line of craft are about 600 yds. from the shore.
They will be used in enfilade shining across the front of the Sec. posts on the shore after the manning of MMG's.
They will enable all nature of weapons which are sited to fire by observation on the sea front to cause the maximum of destruction and confusion where misses are likely to be fewest.

22. MORTARS:

- (a) One Det. GIBBETT HILL 834467, with alternate posn. WATER WORKS HILL 836466.
One Det. CAMP RIDGE 847463, with alternate posn. at 848464.
One Det. BEACHY HEAD 853467, with alternate posn. 855464.
- (b) Arcs as shown on sketch, 'B'
- (c) Role: Observed fire on beaches and river previously gridded and on call for fire as required on specified targets within arcs.

23. ARTY:

- (a) Under Comd. 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. Gp. in support of force 'M'.
- (b) Primary task: Landings on FOUR MILE BEACH NORTH of MERSING. Attempts to cross MERSING RIVER. Defensive fire around perimeter of 2/20 Bn.
- (c) Secondary task: Favourable targets at sea.

24. CARRIER PL:

- One Sec. (a) L.M.G's (dismounted) for defensive fire as in para.16 (b) of this order in WESTERN sub-sector.
- (b) Vehicles for tpt. of MMG's, Lyon Lights and gun crews with outpost Coy. as in para. 16 (d)- this order.
- Two Secs. Bn. reserve located in harbour vicinity of Fwd. Bn. HQ.

25. A/TK. OBSTACLES:

- (a) HEADLAND 861458 to incl. BEACHY HEAD is steep, rough ground to be improved where necessary.
- (b) Excl. BEACHY HEAD to RIVER and CK. JUNG. 824461 is a natural obstacle.
- (c) Creeks and drains in rubber estates through remainder of Bn. perimeter to be improved where necessary.
- (d) Transverse creeks and ditches will be improved.

26. ROAD BLOCKS:

- On RD. JEMALUANG-MERSING 845448.
- On RD. MERSING- ENDAU 832473.

27. BEACONS:

- (a) On approach of enemy beacons will be lit at:
 - No. 1 P. TINGGI 1732.
 - No. 2 P. BABI BESAR 0419.
 - No. 3 TIOMAN DARAT 7666.
 - No. 4 PENYA BONG 7373.
 - No. 5 TRIANG KECHIL 6872.
- (b) Watching posts for lighting of beacons will be established at:-
LALANG HILL for Nos. 1, 2 and 3.
Tg. KEMPIT for Nos. 4 and 5.
- (c) Lighting of beacons will be reported immediately to Bn. HQ.



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28. BDE. PATROL TASKS effecting SOUTHERN Sub-sector and Carrier Pl. --
See Appendi^x 'A'.

29- 33: Reserved.

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34. MEDICAL: R.A.P. 835463.
A.D.S. COOLIE LINE 837460.
For system of Evacuation of wounded see App. 'B' attached.

35. AMMUNITION: See Appendi^x 'C'.

36 - 39: Reserved.

INTERCOMN:

40. (a) Fwd. Bn. HQ 835465;
(b) Rear Bn. HQ, 837457.
(c) Sigs. comn. shown in Sketch 'E' attached.
(d) C.D.F. One red will be made by Pl. Comds.

SKETCHES ATTACHED:

41. Sketch 'A': Coy., Pl. and Sec. Areas.
Bn. HQ and Rear HQ.
R.A.P. and A.D.S.
'A' and 'B' Echelon areas.
M.M.G. positions and lines of fire and arcs.
L.M.G. positions and lines of fire.
Mortar and A/A Positions.
A/Tk. gun positions and lines of fire.
- Sketch 'B': Mortar Arcs.
- Sketch 'C': Wiring and obstacles.
- Sketch 'D': Position of A/Tk and Shrapnel Mines.
- Sketch 'E': Signal Diagram.

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	5	D Coy.	14	22 Aust. Ing. Bde.
	6	A/Tk. Tp.	15	War Diary.
	7	2/10 Fd. Regt.	16	War Diary.
	8	C.O.	17	File.
	9	2 i/c	18	File
			19-20	Spares.

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8	C.O.	17	File.
9	2 1/c	18	File
		19-20	Spares.

Copy to 2/6 Fd. Coy. R.A.E.



WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR- MERSING,
AND FORCE 'E'.

ADMIN: (SEC. 36 WILL READ).

Sec. 36 SUPPLIES AND SERVICES.INTENTION:

1. THE intention is to provide for the maintenance of Forces 'E' and 'M' (ENDAU and MERSING).

SITUATION OF FORCES:

2. As regards Force 'E', the plan of operations envisages a delaying action up river for perhaps 7 days before reaching Bt. LANGKAP. Force 'M' may be isolated for about 7 days. All adm. installations are located within the perimeter of Force 'M'.

SUPPLIES:3. RATIONS.

- (a) A S.P. will be established in M.T. Harbour No.1, 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ M.S., KOTA TINGGI RD. map ref. 878250. Tpt. allotted for the purpose of drawing supplies will be located permanently at S.P. After receipt of rations from A.A.S.C. vehicles will move forward to Unit 'B' Ech. area as required, dump rations and return to S.P. Movement of 2/20 Bn. vehicles in relation to vehicles of other Units will be co-ordinated by Bde. T.O.

(b) Reserve Rations.

- (i) On the man- one days emergency rations will be carried on the man and will NOT be consumed unless authorised by Coy. Comd.

Emergency Ration Scale:

Tinned Meat.....	12 Ozs.
Biscuits.....	12 Ozs.
Tea.....	$\frac{3}{4}$ Oz.
Sugar.....	2 Ozs.

- (ii) In Pl. Reserve- two days hard rations will be held in each Pl. etc. reserve and will NOT be consumed unless authorised by Bn. Comd.

- (iii) Bn. Reserve- four days Special Reserve rations will be held in reserve in MERSING area and will only be consumed in the event of interruption to the normal system of supply. Special Reserve Ration Scale is shown in Appendix 'D'.

(c) Indents for rations:

Indents will be submitted (in duplicate) for rations to Bde. A.A.S.C. Officer at Bde. HQ by 1600 hrs. each day, 72 hours prior to day of consumption.

Indents will also be submitted for replacement of any reserves consumed. It is important that such indents be rendered as early as possible so that all reserves are maintained.

(d) 'E' FORCE.

- (1) The normal system of supply will be maintained by this Bn. as long as possible.
- (ii) Reserves on the man- one days emergency ration will be carried on the man and will NOT be consumed unless authorised by Coy. Comd.
- (iii) In Coy. Reserve- two days hard rations will be held in Coy. reserve and will NOT be consumed unless authorised by Coy. Comd.
- (iv) In Tonkang- fourteen days Special Reserve rations will be held on tonkang and moved to Bt. LANGKAP under instructions from Coy. Comd.
Q.M. will submit to Bde. A.A.S.C. Officer separate indents in respect of Force 'E' until the Coy. comes under comd.
2/29 Bn. at Bt. LANGKAP.

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LAUNDRY. (Cont'd).

- (3) Clean laundry will be moved up to forward tps. and dirty laundry brought back with or at the time of ration movement.
- (4) Sub-units must be prepared to make temporary arrangements to do own washing.

8. PAY.

Pay will be available as the situation permits on a maximum drawing rate for all ranks.

9. PRISONERS OF WAR.

P.O.W. will be sent back under escort to Bn. HQ for examination.

10. BURIALS.

- (a) Cemetery is adjacent to No. 1 A.D.S. and is sited at 839462.
- (b) Own dead will be brought out of fwd. areas as situation permits.
- (c) O.C. Force 'E' will make suitable local arrangements.
- (d) Enemy dead will be disposed of in accordance with instns. to be issued during operations.
- (e) Before burial, personal effects of own dead will be removed and placed in a sand bag or other suitable receptacle, securely tied, labelled with number, name, Coy. and Unit. They will be sent back to 'B' Ech. area as opportunity offer for transmission to Base later.

11. M.T. MOVEMENT.

(a) Traffic Control. T.C.P's will be as follows:-

- (1) Entrances to all harbours.
 - (11) Rd. junc. 834469.
- Entrances to harbours will be manned continuously.

(b) Movement of Sub-Units to battle stations will be normal. 2/20 BN. Tpt. (Less 'A' & 'C' Coys.) move as follows:

S.P. Entrance to S.D. Camp.
 Route- ISMAIL JALAN- MAIN RD. to 836458.
 Dispersal Point- 836458.
 Block Timings- From Z plus 30 to Z plus 50 min.
 M.I.H. 20.
 V.T.M. 15.
 Carriers M.P.H. 20.
 Order of March- 'B' Ech.
 'A' Ech.
 R.A.P.
 Fwd. Bn. HQ.

(c) 'B' Ech. vehicles located JEMALUANG for the purpose of collection of supplies and P.O.L. will leave that area in accordance with the tactical situation at times to be notified during the course of operations.

(d) At a time and place to be notified 2/20 Bn. will provide nine one ton vans and two 30 cwt. lorries for establishment of Bde. S.A.A. reserve.

12. ORD. W/SHOP SERVICES:

69 L.A.D. at RUBBER FACTORY area 8445.
 Recovery and maintenance of all vehicles in MERSING area.

13. SALVAGE. Salvage dump will be established vicinity 'B' Ech. area. Salvage will be returned by empty vehicles after delivery of supplies.

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13. SALVAGE (CONT'D): Items to be treated as salvage include:
 Packages and their internal fittings.
 Screws for boxes.
 Plugs for bombs.
 Detonators etc.
 Empty cartridge cases.
 Small arms cases, belts; bandoliers, cartons.
 Carriers for mortar amm.
 Unused portions of mortar charges.

The utmost care should be taken that live amm. and explosives are returned separately from other salvage and NOT mixed with empties. Explosives must be carefully packed and marked 'EXPLOSIVES'. All of the above will be returned to A.A.S.C. through Bde.

14. CANTEENS: Unit canteen will be transferred to 'B' Ech. area under unit arrangements.

15. HYGIENE & SANITATION.

- (a) Latrines will be prepared in all defensive areas, under sub-unit arrangements. Care should be taken that they be not dug in close proximity to water supplies.
 (b) Anti-malarial gloves and veils will be used by all ranks not under mosquito nets between dusk and dawn. Anti-malarial cream will be smeared on exposed parts of the body every two hours.

16. POSTAL: Collection and distribution of postal matters will be through 'B' Ech. Fd. P.O. No.18 will be located in Bde. 'B' Ech. Harbour.

17. BAGGAGE AND ACCOMMODATION STORES: The following items in addition to W.E. will be taken from S.D. Camp to deployment area:

(a) Tentage: Cutched or otherwise camouflaged on the following scale:

SUB-UNIT.	PERSONNEL.	STORES	I.P.	S/Sjt.	180lbs.	SITE.
Bn. HQ	C.O.) 2 i/c) Adjt.) A/Adjt.) 'I' Sec.) M.O.) Padre) Welf. Off)		1		2 1 2	
H.Q. Coy.	Coy. HQ Sig. Pl. A/A. Pl. Mort. Pl. Carriers Pioneers Adm. Pl.	Coy. Stores. Res. Rat. Decontamination, tool kits Kit bags (Bn.) Tech. Stores Res. Clothing Res. Rations Petrol Offrs. Baggage Offrs. & Sjts. Mess gr.		1	4 2 7 9 3	Fwd. Bn. HQ. (6 at rest area. (1 at Bn. HQ. Carrier Hbr. 'A' Ech. hbr.
	Pay Sjt.) Postman) CQMS's) Shoemakers) Equip. Rep.) Armourer) Cooks) Mess Ords.) Q.M. Office) Hygiene)				1 3 1 1 5 1 1 1	Rear Bn. HQ. 'B' Ech. area Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Coy. Areas. Do. Do. Do.
'A' Coy.				1	12	
'B' Coy.				1	14	
'C' Coy.				1	16	
'D' Coy.				1	16	
			9	9	96	

17. Cont'd BAGGAGE AND ACCOMMODATION STORES:

-x- Only if not previously sent back to Base.

(b) STRETCHERS: Stretchers will be made available to 1 A.D.S. from Camp Stores.(c) SAWYER STOVES: 10 (Camp stores) to 'B' Ech. Area.(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adj. 2/20 Bn. A.I.F.DISTRIBUTION LIST.

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WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR - MERSING.

TABLE OF BDE. PATROL TASKS.

Bde. Patrol No.	Sub-Unit to provide.	Strength & composition.	Nature of task.	Communication.	Period.
1	No. 4 Pl.	One Carrier	Report enemy approach on FOUR MILE BEACH from excl. SANDY PT. 830520. Standing patrol at Kg. TENGLU 813538. Withdraw after observing enemy.	Telephone from Rd. & Track junc. at 799536 to Outpost Coy. North of MERSING R.	Mount on RAFFLES. Maintain during darkness only.
2	2/18 Bn.	One Pl.	Destroy enemy moving up slopes of costal ridge between incl. entrance to jungle track 863447- incl. 2/20 Bn. patrol post, 855464. NOTE: Shrap. mine field & wire will be laid between incl. coastal ridge and shore line.	Telephone from report centre lalang slopes (West of PARIS HOUSE) 857457 to ck. 855456 thence along WEST side of jungle to HQ left rear Coy. 2/18 Bn.	Commence on STAND TO warning originated by information light.
3	Southern Sub-Sector	Three men	Report penetration through jungle on HILL 135, 857451 and sub-features by enemy not destroyed by patrol No. 2. Patrol from junc. rubber boundary and water course 854461 along rubber boundary to South corner of jungle 858445. NOTE: Shrap minefield and wire between No. 2 Patrol Zone & rubber track referred to.	Telephone from report centre 853452 to HQ of right Coy. of 2/20 Bn.	As for Task 2.
4	No. 4 Pl.	One Carrier Sec.	Report enemy crossings and attempted crossings over MERSING RIVER from NW and WEST. Patrol track running West through Bt. SAWAH 817458-HILL 140, 818443- South border ANGLO JOHORE MERSING ESTATE.	Telephones at report centres Bt. SAWAH and HILL 140	Only in event of reported landing on FOUR MILE BEACH.

WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR - MERSING.APPENDIX 'B'.PLAN OF EVACUATION OF WOUNDED.

1. Six vehicles will be available as Aux. Amb. distributed as follows:

R.A.P.	2
A.D.S.	1
Outpost Coy.	1
Town Sub-Sector	1
Southern Sub-Sector	1
	<u>6</u>

2. Coys. will establish collecting Posts in their Sub-Sectors and advise Bn. of locations. Bn. will establish collecting posts at intersection CAMP SADDLE TRACK and JALAN ABBOTT 846464 known as NO. 1 COLLECTING POST.

3. Evacuation of wounded will be by Amb. wherever possible on the following plan:-

OUTPOST COY...... Evacuate to R.A.P.

TOWN SUB-SECTOR..... Evacuate to R.A.P.

SOUTHERN SUB-SECTOR..... Evacuate to A.D.S.

4. In the event of evacuation by Ambulance not being possible the wounded will be evacuated by S.B. in accordance with the following Table.

Personnel in WESTERN Sub-Sector and HQ Coy. details on CAMP RIDGE (Mortars, A/A) will normally be evacuated under this plan as the use of Ambulances is not practicable.

TABLE.

SUB-SECTOR.	PL.	EVACUATED TO.	ROUTE.
Outpost Coy. ('A' Coy.)	7,8,9	R.A.P.	ENDAU-MERSING RD.
Town Sub-Sector. ('B' Coy.)	12	A.D.S.	GOVT. HOSPITAL-CAMP SADDLE- NO.1 COLLECTING POST- A.D.S.
	10	R.A.P.	(a) Town Rds. or (b) Camp Rd.-Bde. Camp area- R.A.P.
	11	R.A.P.	Town Rds.
Southern Sub-Sector ('D' Coy.)	16	A.D.S.	Track Direct.
	17	A.D.S.	Track Direct.
	18	A.D.S.	JALAN ABBOTT- NO.1 COLLECTING POST- A.D.S.
Western Sub-Sector. ('A' Coy.)	7,8,9	R.A.P.	Track Direct.
Western Sub-Sector.	Band & Carriers	A.D.S.	Track Direct.
Mortars & A/A.	Details W. of No. 1 Collecting Post	A.D.S.	Jungle Track- No.1 Collecting Post- A.D.S.
Mortars & A/A A/Tks.	GIBBIT HILL	R.A.P.	Direct. As for Sub-Sector.

DISTRIBUTION: See Over.

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COUNTED IN DEFENSIVE POSTS ON DEPLOYMENT- DRAWN ON SECOND DEGREE - INCLUDES W.E.

WEAPON.	R.P.G.	Bn. HQ.	H.Q. COY.	'A' COY.	'B' & 'D' COYS.	'C' COY.	TOTAL
MORTAR 2"	H.E 108		4 Pl. 5 324				324
	Smoke 12		36				36
MORTAR 3"	H.E. 144		3 Pl. 6 864				864
	Smoke 30		180				180
GRENADES		MMG 12 192	Coy. HQ 180	Coy. HQ 180	Coy. HQ 180	Coy. HQ 180	
		Bn. Res. 180	2 Pl. 48	Pl. Res 48 144	Pl. Res. 48 144	Pl. Res 48 144	
			3 Pl. 144	Each	Each Sec. 24 216	Each Sec. 24 216	
			4 Pl. 240	Sec. 24 216			
			5 Pl. 48				
			<u>372</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>1308</u>	3960

MOVEMENT TABLE FOR AMMUNITION.

SCALE	TRANSPORT	TIME TO BE DRAWN	VEHICLES TO BE AT DUMP	LOCATION OF DUMP.
With weapon etc. drawn on 2 Degree	8/1 Ton.	Z	Z plus 0030	SLAUGHTER HOUSE DUMP 854437.
Bn. Res. drawn on 1st. Degree	10/1 Ton.	Z	Z plus 0035	Do.

Z = Zero for drawing Ammunition.

Bdo. S.A.A. Reserve on wheels at 855455.

WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR- MERSING
AND FORCE 'E'.SCALE OF AMMUNITION (CONT'D).

BN. RESERVE ON WHEELS - DRAWN ON 1ST. DEGREE.

WEAPON.		FORCE 'M'.	FORCE 'E'.	TOTAL.
M.M.G.		48,000	12,000	60,000
L.M.G.		24,600	5,400	30,000
RIFLE		36,600	8,100	44,700
A/TK. RIFLE		800	80	880
PISTOL REV.		594	90	684
S.M.G.		8,400	2,400	10,800
PISTOL SIG.	Ill.	190	50	240
	Red	38	10	48
	Green	38	10	48
MORTAR 2"	H.E.	216	-	216
	Smoke	-	-	-
MORTAR 3"	H.E.	480	-	480
	Smoke	54	-	54
GRENADES		180	-	180

WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR-MERSING
AND FORCE 'E'.

SCALE OF AMMUNITION (CONT'D).

Supply Of Ammunition for Force 'E'.

The supply of Ammunition for this Force shall be as follows:-

WEAPON.	DUMPED AS PER TABLE ABOVE- PROPORTION IN TONKANGS.	PROPORTION OF BN. RESERVE ISSUED ON WARNING 'TROUSERS' AND SENT TO BUKIT LANGKAP.		PROPORTION OF BDE. RES. ISSUED ON WARNING 'TROUSERS' AND SENT TO BUKIT LANGKAP.		TOTAL.
		R.P.G.		R.P.G.		
M.M.G.	32,000	3000	12,000	3000	12,000	56,000
L.M.G.	24,300	600	5,400	600	5,400	55,100
RIFLE	27,000	60	8,100	50	6,750	41,850
A/TK. RIFLE	300	80	80	50	50	460
PISTOL REV.	60	18	90	12	60	210
S.M.G.	1,600	300	2,400	100	800	4,300
PISTOL SIG. ILL.	90	10	50	/		140
Red	30	2	10			40
Green	30	2	10			40
MORTAR 2"	-	-	-	-	-	-
MORTAR 3"	-	-	-	-	-	-
GRENADES	1,308	-	-	-	-	1,308

Subsequent supplies will be obtained through
2/29 Bn. (27 Aust. Inf. Bde.) at KAHANG.



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WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR- MERSING.

AMENDMENT NO. 1.

16. DISPOSITIONS:

(b) WESTERN SUB-SECTOR.

(d) OUTPOST COY. NORTH OF MERSING R.

1. The WESTERN SUB-SECTOR shall be manned by 'A' Coy. less 7 Pl. and HQ Coy. details.
Role as per original order.
2. The Outpost Coy. area NORTH of MERSING R. shall only be manned by 7 Pl. 'A' Coy, in it's original position.

Role: as per original order except that it is not expected that much delay can be made to enemy landings.

Patrols: Standing patrols at LALANG HILL and 106.

Probable tasks: To be prepared to withdraw through K. MAYANG ESTATE into Bn. locality and cross river between MERSING R.C. EDGE. (8347) and 807459.

3. WITHDRAWAL.

(a) LINE OF WITHDRAWAL: MAYANG EST. RD. to crossing point 807459 thence Route 'A' through ANGLO JOHORE MERSING EST. or Route 'B' between BT. SAWAH and river into WESTERN SUB- SECTOR.

(b) If communications hold the ^{line} ~~time~~ of withdrawal may be varied and an instruction given as to whether Routes 'A' or 'B' are to be followed.
If communications fail and 7 Pl. Comd. considers it necessary to withdraw he shall withdraw independently and use either routes 'A' or 'B'.

(c) Boats shall be provided at crossing point 807459

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WAR PLAN FOR DETACHED FORCE 'E' AT ENDAU.
Ref. Maps: 3 H/7, 3 H/8, 3 H/11, 3 H/12,

INFORMATION.

- | | | |
|---|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. Enemy, |) | |
| 2. Own Tps, |) | |
| 3. Units under Comd. 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. |) | As per war plan for defence |
| 4. Vessels in co-operation. |) | of Left Sector MERSING. |

DISPOSITIONS OF BDE. GROUP.

- | | | |
|---------------|---|-----|
| 5. Force 'E': |) | |
| 6. Force 'M': |) | Do. |
| 7. Force 'J': |) | |

CONCENTRATION.

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|
| 8. Degrees of Readiness. |) | |
| 9. No. 3 degree of Readiness: |) | |
| 10. No. 2 Degree of Readiness. |) | Do. |
| 11. No. 1 Degree of Readiness. |) | |

INTENTION.

12. Force 'E' Shall:

- Hold lightly at ENDAU.
- Deny the mouth of the river.
- Give warning of strength and location of enemy landings.
- Withdraw under pressure via the River to the BUKIT LANGAP delaying enemy advance, where the enemy shall be held and beyond which further withdrawal is NOT permitted.

METHOD.

13. Disposition of Force:

- (a) A static garrison of one Pl. at WIRELESS POINT 592749 to cover:
 - (i) The mine field with L.M.G. and rifle fire.
 - (ii) T. LIPAT to point 606742 with M.M.G.
 - (iii) ENDAU RIVER to ENDAU 570742 with M.M.G.
- (b) Minefield across the mouth of ENDAU RIVER at WIRELESS POINT.
- (c) One Pl left flank protection EAST of ENDAU NECK and covering embarkation point.
- (d) One Pl. mobile patrol TG. KEMPIT 6275 to KG. TRIANG BESAR 6971 to secure information of strength and location of enemy landings EAST of TG. KEMPIT.
- (e) A detachment of 'J' Sec. Sigs. for intercommunication.

14. WITHDRAWAL OF FORCE.

- (a) Plan for withdrawal of force to EMBARKATION POINT at 577713.
- (b) Plan for withdrawal of force via the River to BUKIT LANGAP.

15. PATROLS.

- (a) Mobile patrol as in 13 (d) above.
- (b) Boat Patrol from WIRELESS POINT to S. ANAK ENDAU.
- (c) Standing Patrols at:
 - JUNCTION ENDAU RIVER and S. ANAK ENDAU 548757.
 - CUTTING ON ROAD ENDAU-MERSING 642704.

16. MINEFIELDS.

The switch-pits will be permanently under a guard of 1 N.C.O. and 6 O/Rs.
For action of Guard, see separate instructions for Guard Comd.
For control of Minefield, see separate technical instructions.

(OVER).



17. FIRE PLAN.

One Sec. M.M.G. at WIRELESS POINT with alternate roles:

- (a) SE towards T. LIPAT 606742.
- (b) SW towards ENDAU 570742.

One Sec. M.M.G. at ENDAU with alternate roles:

- (a) NE towards WIRELESS POINT 592749.
- (b) NW towards mouth S. ANAK ENDAU 548757.

18. BEACH LIGHTING SCHEME.

One Lyon Light WIRELESS POINT 592749.

One Lyon Light ENDAU 570742.

One Lyon Light TG. KEMPIT 622752 .

19. ROAD BLOCKS.

One road block vicinity of cutting on road ENDAU-MERSING 642704.

20. BEACONS.

(a) On the approach of the enemy beacons will be lit at:

- (i) PENYA BONG 7373.
- (ii) TRIANG KECHIL 6872.

(b) Watching Posts will be stationed at TG. KEMPIT.

(c) Lighting of beacons will be reported immediately to H.Q., A.I.F., through H.Q., 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

21. DEMOLITIONS.

Arrangements are being made for the following demolitions to be effected:

- (a) Wooden Bridges at 730666, 693707, 646698, 648697.
- (b) R.C. Dribge at 588720.

22. NAVAL CO-OPERATION.

H.M.S. SHUNAN and HUNGJAO will co-operate in the withdrawal of the force via the River to BUKIT LANGKAP.

The method of co-operation will be communicated later.

23-25. RES. PARAS.

ADM.

26. Appx. 'A' to be issued later and attached.

INTERCOMM.

27. WIRELESS POINT to KEMPIT by Line.
KEMPIT to MERSING by Civil Line and W/T.

ACK.

(Sgd.) J.M. LOWE Capt.
Adjt. 2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

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2/20 BN, A.I.F.
WAR PLAN FOR DETACHED FORCE 'E' - ENDAU.
REF. MAPS: 3 H/7, 3 H/8, 3 H/11, 3 H/14.

SECTION 23 WILL READ:

METHOD:

23. APPREHENSION AND CUSTODY OF ENEMY ALIENS.

(a) General: Police Emergency Orders have been issued by the Acting Commissioner of Police, JOHORE, covering the above task. On notification of the 'ACTION' period arresting parties will be sent to all houses where JAPANESE are known to reside. A careful search will be made for incriminating or other useful documents and where practicable police guards will be placed over enemy property.

Police are responsible for the apprehension and custody of enemy aliens. Military escorts provide protection for the police in the execution of their duties. The Police have lists of enemy aliens, where they may be found and those known to possess firearms.

(b) POLICE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENDAU.

A Police Party made up as follows will carry out the task:

One British Officer from JOHORE BAHRU.

One Sgt. and 6 constables from ENDAU.

Additional NCO's and constables from JOHORE BAHRU.

The total strength of the force will be approximately 50.

The Police Party will be stationed at the ENDAU POLICE STN.

The Police Party will be under the command of the British Officer

If the additional personnel from JOHORE BAHRU do not arrive

before the AIF details report, the Police Sgt. at ENDAU has been

instructed to proceed with the tasks as far as effects ENDAU

but to wait for the British Officer before proceeding to LANGKAP mine.

The JAPANESE at LANGKAP shall be arrested as soon as the HMS

"SHUN AN" is available for transport of Police Arresting Parties, A.I.F. and prisoners.

(c) A.I.F. ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENDAU.

On receipt of the code word "TROUSERS" from HQ, the Comd. 2/20 B shall pass the code word on to O.C. 'C' Coy. ENDAU who shall take the following actions:

Represent the Comd. 2/20 Bn. at ENDAU.

Establish himself at the local command post in the ENDAU SCHOOL.

Arrange for one inf. pl. to reinforce and assist the Police.

Arrange to take three days rations.

Embark on the HMS "SHUN AN" at the CUSTOMS JETTY, ENDAU for LANGKAP MINE.

(d) NAVAL CO-OPERATION.

HMS "SHUN AN" will arrive at ENDAU and will embark the police arresting parties and AIF.

Arrested JAPANESE shall be taken aboard the "SHUN AN".

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

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13 File.

WAR PLAN FOR DETACHED FORCE 'E' AT ENDAU.

REF. MAPS: 3 H/7, 3 H/8, 3 H/9, 3 H/11, 3 H/12:

SECTION 24 WILL READ:

METHOD:

Sec. 24. COAST WATCHING SCHEME:

- (a) ENDAU is a Coast Watching Station in the Civil (Customs) and J.M.F. Coast Watching Scheme (EAST COAST JOHORE)
The Customs Post at ENDAU reports to S.P.B. MERSING by phone.
The scheme comes into effect from 1200 hrs. 29 Aug. '41 and a 24 hrs. service is maintained.
- (b) As the Customs Post at ENDAU is not actually on the coast and relies reports from fishermen the detachment at WIRELESS POINT will keep a look out to seaward and report in accordance with the Instructions given in Annexure 2 to Appex F, A.I.F. Malaya Operation Instruction No. 9, a copy of which is attached.
- (c) The reports from WIRELESS POINT will be made direct to Comd. 22 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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6.	Q.M.	13.	File.
7.	T.O.		

WAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE OF LEFT SECTOR - MERSING.DETAILS OF GUARDS AND SENTRIES
FOR R.A.A.F. STATION, MERSING.

1. During No. 3 Degree of Readiness the supply of a Guard consisting of 1 sjt., 1 Cpl., and 12 O/R's will be dealt with as a normal Bn. duty.

During No. 2 Degree of Readiness the Coy. occupying the Town Sub-Sector shall supply the Guard which shall consist of 1 Sjt., 1 Cpl., and 18 O/R's.

During No. 1 Degree of Readiness no Guard shall be supplied it being considered that the protection afforded by the disposition of the troops in the Town SubSector is adequate.

2. Strength of R.A.A.F. Personnel:

	<u>Off.</u>	<u>Sjt.</u>	<u>Cpls.</u>	<u>O/R's.</u>
(a) <u>Admin.</u>				
O.C.	1			
Police		1	8	
Cooks and Butchers			1	2
Clerk				1
Equipment Asst.				1
Aircraft hands				3
M.O. Ord.				1
M.T. Meeh.				1

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Total: 1 Officer 19 O/R's.

(b) Technicians

36

Grand
Total: 1 Officer 55 O/R's.

These figures vary slightly from time to time but are a safe guide.

3. Weapons and Amn. available at R.A.A.F. Stn.

Rifles	14	1000 rds.
Revolvers .45)	1	12 "
Do. .38)	9	650 "

4. Protection.

The Unit is always on a war footing. None of the Technicians are available for other duties as they work a 24 hour shift. The Admin. staff are fully occupied. The detachment is therefore unable to protect itself - the 9 Police are used in Stages of Readiness 2 and 1 as protective details on the two instrument areas.

The greatest risk is sabotage in Stage 2, during which stage it will be necessary for 2/20 Bn. to provide a complete Guard within area and this will consist of 1 Sjt., 1 Cpl., 18 O/R's. to man the following 6 beats:

- Beat No.1 Eastern Mast Area.
- " No.2 Western Mast Area.

" Nos.3-6 The perimeter divided into four suitable beats.

During Stage of Readiness No.1 it is considered that the present disposition of the Bn. forces in the Town Sub-Sector provides adequate protection.

5. Evacuation of Station: When the Station is evacuated the technicians will be available for any work for which they might be suited. Comd.; 22 Aust. Inf. Bde. has been informed accordingly and will arrange for posting.

The Admin. Gp. (1 Off., 19 O/R's) will be available for general defense work and can co-operate with O.C., Town Sub-Sector who will arrange accordingly. It is anticipated that R.A.A.F. Tpt. will be required for evacuation of Technicians and instruments.

Distribution.

'B' Coy., C.O., 2 i/c., Adjt.,
22 Aust. Inf. Bde., War Diary (2),
File (2).

(Sgd.) J.M. Lowe, Capt.,
Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

*Red Diary...*AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.ROUTINE ORDERS
BYLieut.-Colonel C.F. Assheton,
Commanding 2/20 Bn. Australian Imperial Forces.MALAYA.

Part 1.

No. 251

5 December 1941

<u>1. DUTIES:</u>	Bn. Orderly Officer	5 Dec. '41	Lieut. W.J. Richardson.
	Next for duty	6 Dec. '41	Lieut. A.I. Yates.
	Next for duty	7 Dec. '41	Lieut. B.D. Richardson.
	Bn. Orderly Sjt.	5 Dec. '41	Sjt. McClure-Brown. S.
	Next for duty	6 Dec. '41	Sjt. Sherriff. D.R.
	Next for duty	7 Dec. '41	Sjt. Hammond. M.T.
	Bn. Orderly Cpl.	5 Dec. '41	Cpl. Holder. R.L.
	Next for duty	6 Dec. '41	Cpl. Stewart. H.T.
	Next for duty	7 Dec. '41	Cpl. Stuart. J.L.
	Inlying Picquet Off.	5 Dec. '41	Lieut. J.J. Read.
	Next for duty	6 Dec. '41	Lieut. R.A. Armour.
	Next for duty	7 Dec. '41	Lieut. B.G. Tipping.

2. CHURCH PARADES- Sunday, 7 Dec. '41.Combined Church Parade 0700 hrs.- Padre Fleming.
R.C. Church Parade 0930 hrs.- Padre Sexton.

3. DAMAGE TO ANTI-MALARIAL DRAINS: It has been brought to notice that considerable damage has been caused to Anti-malarial drains in certain areas occupied by A.I.F. troops by carriers. Under heavy rains these drains become useless and the area a breeding place for Anopheles mosquitoes. In all cases, before selecting areas for manoeuvres with carriers, the local authorities should be consulted to prevent damage of this kind.

4. AIR MAIL LETTER CARDS: Air mail letter cards- postal charge 12 cents- will be available as from Saturday 13 Dec. '41.

5. DRESS: (a) Sleeves must be worn down and buttoned after 1730 hrs. - Long trousers or tropical shorts tucked in.

(b) Several cases have been noticed of AIF personnel without shirts driving vehicles in public places, including Singapore. Instructions have been issued that such disregard of the regulations as to dress will result in the offenders being immediately charged with disobedience of orders as to dress.

6. PRIVATELY OWNED FIREARMS: All privately owned firearms, which do not form part of the authorised scale of military equipment are required to be licensed by their owners with the civil police. The only exception to this rule is where the firearm is placed in a regulated military armoury and kept there; once the firearm has been taken out for any reason whatever, it may not be returned to the store and must be licensed.

7. N.A.A.F.I.- AIF CONCERT PARTY:

NAAFI have agreed to contribute to the cost of equipping the AIF Concert Party to the extent of \$1,500.

(Sgd.) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.,
Act. Adjt. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

NOTICES.

(See Over).

APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

NX 33219 Cpl. O'Rourke, J.H. 'HQ' Coy. appointed L/Sjt. 5.12.41
45478 Cpl. Leal. E.G. (HQ' Coy. Do.
27892 Cpl. Trasler. S.J. 'HQ' Coy. Do.
27362 Pte. Creswick. A.A. 'D' Coy. appointed L/Cpl. 1.12.41
873 Pte. Dorrington. H.D. 'A' Coy. appointed L/Cpl. 5.12.41

REVERSIONS.

NX 26180 L/Cpl. Cole. J.W. HQ Coy. reverts to Pte. 5.12.41

INTER COY TRANSFERS.

NX 58762 Pte. Doherty. F.H. FROM 'A' Coy. to HQ. Coy.
67514 " Jeffrey. J.K. Do.
67513 " Allen. F.R. from 'B' Coy. to HQ. Coy.
52089 " Williams. A.T. from 'D' Coy. to HQ. Coy.
58020 " McPherson. W. From 'D' Coy. to HQ. Coy.
14439 " McDonnell. R.J. From 'D' Coy. to HQ. Coy.
50328 Pte. Flicker. F.H. from 'HQ' Coy. to 'C' Coy.

FOUND: Silver wristlet watch- owner apply Bn. HQ.

CONCERT: Bde. Group Concert set down for 7 Dec. '41 is cancelled.



Wanliang

2/20 BN, A.I.F.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING-1 DEC. - 6 DEC. '41.

1. DRESS: Drill Order.

2. TIME TABLE:

(a) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. Lines.	0840'
(b) Squad Drill with and without arms.	0900-0930
(c) Tng. Period	0930-1020
(d) Smoko	1020-1030
(e) Tng. Period.	1030-1120
(f) Smoko.	1120-1130
(g) Tng. Period.	1130-1215
(h) Dismiss in Coy Lines.	1230
(i) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. Lines.	1350'
(j) Tng. Period.	1400-1450
(k) Smoko.	1450-1500
(l) Tng. Period:	1500-1600'
(m) Squad drill-recapitulation.	1600-1615.
(n) Dismisses in Coy. Lines.	1630.

3. TNG. AREAS:

HQ Coy: Tactical disposition areas and flat below camp lines:

'A' Coy: Area to be selected near camp site.
Sec. leading in tactical areas.

'B' Coy: Eastern half of Padang-Sec. leading in Southern Sub-Sector, coastal strip.

'D' Coy: Western half of Padang-Sec. leading in Southern Sub-Sector in Coy. area.

'C' Coy: Area to be selected near camp site- Sec. leading in tactical areas.

4. HQ COY:

Separate syllabus to be prepared for:

Sigs.
A.A.
Mortars.
Carriers.
M.M.G.
Pioneers.

(Sgd) A.H. MacLean, Lieut.
Act/Adj. 2/20 Bn. AIF.

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Q.M.
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All Coys 5 each.
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INDIVIDUAL TNG. FOR RIFLE COYS.

DAY.	0900-0930	PERIODS.			1400-1450	1500-1600
		0930-1020	1030-1120	1130-1215		
Mon. 1 Dec.	Marching in line Marching in file Slope, order, ease and easy, trail & change arms.	L.M.G. Mag. fitting, load, unload, & sight setting, holding & aiming, firing.	A/Tk. Rifle. Loading, unloading, sight setting & aiming.	T.S.M.G. Loading and unloading and firing.	L.M.G. Stripping, cleaning & mechanism.	Rifle. Care & clean- ing, aiming instruc- tion, adjustment of sights, trigger pressing.
Tues. 2 Dec.	Present & change arms. Platoon drill-forming, wheeling and retiring.	L.M.G. Elementary handling. Lesson 12.	A/Tk. Rifle. Holding and firing.	T.S.M.G. Stripping & cleaning. (Do not complete strip).	L.M.G. Immediate action & stoppages. Lessons 12, 13	RIFLE. Firing instr- uction. Lying kneel- ing, standing.
Wed. 3 Dec.	Fix & unfix & present. Pl. Drill Marching in line and column, eyes right, slow march- ing.	L.M.G. Mounting and dismounting on tripod.	GRENADE. General description. Points before.	Rifle. Indic- ation & reco- gnition of targets, Degree measurements, Clock Ray,	Grenade. Firing inst. with discharger.	Grenade. Throwing standing. Throwing lying.
Thur. 4 Dec.	Coy. Drill. Incorporating previous lessons	L.M.G. Tripod mounting- A/A.	Northover Projec- tor. Description and handling.	Rifle. Fire control orders.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.
Fri. 5 Dec.	← Ground formations and Field Signals →				← Recce. Patrol. →	
Sat. 6 Dec.	← Bn. parade 0900 hrs. Respirator Tng. and Administration. →					

2/20 Bn. A.I.F.

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(e) Tng. Period.	1030-1120
(f) Smoke.	1120-1130
(g) Tng. Period.	1130-1215
(h) Dismiss in Coy Lines.	1230
(i) Coy. Pdes. in Coy. Lines.	1350
(j) Tng. Period.	1400-1450
(k) Smoke.	1450-1500
(l) Tng. Period.	1500-1600
(m) Squad drill-recapitulation.	1600-1615.
(n) Dismisses in Coy. Lines.	1630.

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'C' Coy: Area to be selected near camp site- Sec. leading in tactical areas.

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DAY.	0900-0930	0930-1020	PERIODS.			1500-1600
			1030-1120	1130-1215	1400-1450	
Mon. 1 Dec.	Marching in line Marching in file Slope, order, ease and easy, trail & change arms.	L.M.G. Mag. fitting, load, unload, & sight setting, holding & aiming, firing.	A/Tk. Rifle. Loading, unloading, sight setting & aiming.	T.S.M.G. Loading and unloading and firing.	L.M.G. Stripping, cleaning & mechanism.	Rifle. Care & clean- ing, aiming instruc- tion, adjustment of sights, trigger pressing.
Tues. 2 Dec.	Present & change arms. Platoon drill-forming, wheeling and retiring.	L.M.G. Elementary handling. Lesson 12.	A/Tk. Rifle. Holding and firing.	T.S.M.G. Stripping & cleaning. (Do not complete strip).	L.M.G. Immediate action & stoppages. Lessons 12, 13	RIFLE. Firing instru- ction. Lying kneel- ing, standing.
Wed. 3 Dec.	Fix & unfix & present. Pl. Drill Marching in line and column, eyes right, slow march- ing.	L.M.G. Mounting and dismounting on tripod.	GRENADE. General description. Points before.	Rifle. Indic- ation & reco- gnition of targets, Degree measurements. Clock Ray,	Grenade. Firing inst. with discharger.	Grenade. Throwing standing. Throwing lying.
Thurs. 4 Dec.	Coy. Drill. Incorporating previous lessons	L.M.G. Tripod mounting- A/A.	Northover Projec- tor. Description and handling.	Rifle. Fire control orders.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.	L.M.G. T.O.E.T.
Fri. 5 Dec.	← Ground formations and Field Signals →				← Recce. Patrol. →	
Sat. 6 Dec.	← Bn. parade 0900 hrs. Respirator Tng. and Administration. →					