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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Month and Year January 43

Commanding Officer Lt Col KAT MacLennan MC

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
CHITTAGONG	1		1. Bn holiday - swimming competition and football.	JSP
	2		2. Training under Coy arrangements.	JSP
	3		3. Strength no change Officers 40 O.Rs 851	JSP APP I
	4-5		4. Training under Coy arrangements.	JSP
	6		5. Demonstration of 3.7" Howitzer.	JSP
	7		6. Bn inoculated and vaccinated for cholera and smallpox.	JSP
	8-9		7. Training under Coy arrangements.	JSP
	10		8. Strength no change Officers 40 O.Rs 763	JSP APP II & III
	11	1800	9. Visit by Commander in Chief and demonstration of river crossing by "B" Coy. 10. Naval Exercise	JSP
	12		11. C.O. leaves Bn and takes over command of 4 Inf Bde.	JSP
	13-15		12. Training under Coy arrangements.	JSP
	16/17		13. Naval Exercise	JSP
	17		14. Strength unchanged	JSP
Chittagong	18		15. Training by Coys. Pl of "C" Coy detached for special guard duties.	JSP
	18/19		16. Bde EX DANE - night landing	JSP
	20		17. Training by Coys.	JSP
	21		18. Training by Coys.	JSP
	22		19. Training by Coys.	JSP
	23	0900 1500	20. C.O. to Bde for orders 21. Lt. Col. W.H. Sutherland arrives and assumes command.	JSP JSP
	24	1000	22. C.O. to Bde for orders and "O" Gp conference held at 1430 hrs on OSCAR, Strength 40 Officers 762 ORs 23. Pl of "C" Coy returns from detachment.	JSP APP IV-V JSP
	25		24. The Coy Comds at about 0745 hrs asked the Adj for an interview with the C.O. at 0900 hrs. The Adj replied that this time would not suit the C.O. as he would be busy preparing for his conference at 1000 hrs when he would give out his OSCAR orders. They, however, pressed for an interview before the	

Chittagong			<p>conference and they were informed that the C.O. would see them at the Planning Room at 0945 hrs.</p> <p>At 0900 hrs the C.O. arrived at the Planning Room, found all Coy Comds there and he entered the inner room to work. As the Coy Comds remained the C.O. went out and said "I understand you want to see me at 0945 hrs" and they replied "It would be better now". The CO then had Major Mackenzie sent for, as he would not consider seeing Coy Comds without 2i/c being present.</p> <p>On the arrival of Major Mackenzie, he was asked if he knew beforehand of this deputation to which he replied "Yes" then why as 2i/c had he not informed the CO of this interview, to which he replied that Major Douglas was doing so. He was then asked if he knew the purpose of the deputation and he said "Yes".</p> <p>Major Douglas then informed the CO that, in the opinion of the Coy Comds, the CO's arrival at this juncture in the operations in view, was most inopportune and they thought that it might be bungled and that he should allow Major C.S. Mackenzie to command the Bn on OSCAR which was what the Coy Comds required. The C.O. then stated that what had been said surprised him considerably and asked what reply they expected. He said that he would inform them of his decision later. He was then pressed for a decision and Major Callender said that if a decision was not given they wanted to see the Bde Comd to which the C.O. replied "You certainly will see the Brigadier" and dismissed the officers. He then recalled Major Mackenzie and placed him under open arrest.</p> <p>The CO then informed the Adj. and QM of the occurrence and ordered the Adj to phone Bde that the CO was on his way to see the Bde Comd on important business.</p> <p>The conference called for 1000 hrs was postponed.</p> <p>The C.O. saw the Bde Comd and informed him what had happened but stressed that he was prepared with every hope of success to undertake OSCAR with Coy 2i/cs as Coy Comds.</p> <p>On his return from Bde the CO placed Major Douglas under open arrest.</p> <p>At 1430 hrs the C.O. held O Gp conference when the Adj. gave out general outline of OSCAR.</p> <p>Lt McCance, however, left on OSCAR Recce as arranged.</p>	
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Chittagong	26		25. The CO placed the remaining Coy Comds under open arrest and then released them without prejudice to re-arrest.	JSP
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		1000	26. Pl of C Coy detached for special guard duties.	JSP
		1700	27. CO holds O Gp conference with 2i/c Coys as Coy Comds.	JSP
	27		28. Coy Training.	JSP
			29. Lt McCance returns from recce. This report will be attached to Feb War Diary.	JSP
	28		30. Coy Training.	JSP
	29		31. Coy Training.	JSP
		1100	32. Lt Col W.H. Sutherland posted away.	
		1230	Bde Comd addresses all officers, accompanied by 2i/c and Coy Comds who are re-instated.	
		1500	Lt Col R.W. Jackson assumes command of the Bn.	JSP
	30		33. Coy Training.	JSP
	31		34. Strength 40 Officers 746 O.Rs	APP VI & VII JSP
		1500	35. C.O. at conference at Bde to receive preliminary orders for exercise WILDE	JSP
		2000	36. "O" Gp Conference when C.O. gives out general idea of exercise WILDE.	JSP
			37. <u>Malaria</u> During this month, the Bn has been encamped around Indian villages in wooded country with many tanks. The incidence of malaria since being quartered here has been considerable and 81 ORs have been admitted to hospital with malaria.	
			1st February 1943 Chittagong	
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Chittagong	1	1000 1700	1. Report of recce of Lieut McCance attached 2. CO to Bde for orders - heavy stores loaded. 3. "O" Gp Conference when CO issues his WILDE orders 4. Pl of C Coy on detachment returns	APP I JSP JSP JSP JSP
	2	1230 1030 1530	5. Bn leaves for jetties and embark. Admin instructions attached (APP II) and Landing Table (APP III). Admin notes of orders (APP IV) 6. Sjt Donnelly and Pte McPake (A Coy) seriously injured while priming 69 grenades 7. Bn sailed in two paddlers	APP II & III JSP APP IV JSP JSP JSP
Field TEKNAF	3	1115 1315 1335 1700	8. CO and Adj left paddler to attend conference 9. Paddlers anchored in NAF River 10. CO and Adj returned and at 1345 'O' Gp Conference held. OSCAR WILDE postponed on account of failure of 14 Ind Div to capture DONBAIK position when they attacked supported by tanks AM 2 Feb 11. Bn landed near TEKNAF and went into camp M2548 / Sheet 84D - C.O. to R Berks for conference - all stores unloaded by 2300 hrs	JSP JSP JSP JSP
"	4	0930 1030	12. CO returned - Bn settled in and built matting huts 13. Bde Comd visited Bn	JSP JSP
"	5	0930	14. CO left for conference and returned 2030 hrs 15. Bn continued to settle in	JSP JSP
"	6	1400	16. HQ Coy washing day. Rifle Coys training by coys. 17. 'O' Gp Training Conference	JSP JSP
"	7		18. Training by Coys Strength 38 Officers 690 ORs (APP V & VI)	APP V & VI JSP
"	8		19. Training by Coys - CO, 2i/c, Major Callender, Capt Russell & Lt Warrack on recce to DONBAIK returning 9 Feb	JSP
"	9		20. Training by Coys.	JSP
"	10		21. Training by Coys	JSP
"	11		22. Training by Coys - 1200 hrs 'O' Gp Training Conference	JSP
"	12		23. Training by Coys - 1500 hrs CO to Bde for conference	JSP
TEKNAF	13		24. Training by Coys	JSP

"	14		25. Training by Coys - voluntary Church Parade - Strength 38 Officers 687 ORs	APP VII & VIII JSP
"	15		26. Training by Coys	JSP
"	16		27. Training by Coys - 0830 hrs CO to Bde for Conference	JSP
"	17		28. Training by Coys	JSP
"	18		28A. Training by Coys	JSP
"	19	1000 1730	29. Rifle Coys on Interior Economy. HQ Coy Training 30. 'O' Gp Conference when CO gives out plan for OSCAR (APP IX) 31. Col Hopkins visits Co.	JSP APP IX JSP
"	20		32. A & D Coys carry out half bn exercise in morning and B & C Coys do similar exercise in afternoon	JSP
"	21	1000 1130	33. CO holds 'O' Gp Conference. 34. Demonstration for Coy Comds of 68 Grenade and 2" mortar. 35. Strength 38 Officers 666 ORs (APP X & XI)	JSP JSP APP X & XI JSP
"	22		36. CO instructed all coys equipped for battle - Coy Comds Conference	JSP
TEKNAF	23		37. Training by Coys - Maj. Gen Lloyd GOC. 14 Ind Div visited Bn 1630 hrs 38. New landing table issued (APP XII)	JSP APP XII JSP
"	24		39. CO to Bde 0930 returning 1600 hrs - Training by Coys	JSP
"	25		40. Training by Coys - 1400 hrs O Gp Conference when plan for raid was given out	JSP
"	26	0900 1655	41. Bde Comd held his 'O' Gp Conference for raids at this HQ. 42. B & D on range. Bren, TSMG, rifle and 2" mortar, remainder training under coy arrangements 43. Message received from Bde that 14 Ind Div had cancelled raid. O.O. No 1 attached as APP XIII	JSP JSP APP XIII JSP
"	27		44. Training by Coys - CO visited Carrier Pl. and attended Bde Conference at 1430 hrs returning 1645 hrs.	JSP
"	28		45. OSCAR cancelled - Training by Coys - 0900 hrs 'O' Gp Conference - Strength 39 Officers 695 ORs (APP XIV & XV) TEKNAF 28 Feb 43	JSP APP XIV & XV
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TEKNAF	1	0900	1. 'O' Gp Conference - Bn packing for move.	JSP
"	2	0700	2. Bn leaves TEKNAF crossing to MAUNGDAW in BURMA and camped at No 4 Staging Camp	JSP
FIELD	3	0900 2330	3. CO and IO left Bn to proceed to Bde Command Post - Bn lay up in same area - Bn received dose of ATEBRIN 4. 1 Pl pnr Coy left with mule convoy by march route to 5 Staging Camp	JSP JSP
"	4	2200	5. CO and IO reced F.D.Ls and 1 Lincs F.D.Ls 6. Bn moved by ferry transport during afternoon to 5 Staging Camp 1 Pl pnr Coy left 5 Staging Camp with mule convoy to 6 Staging Camp	JSP JSP
"	5	1000 1200 2130	7. CO and QM to 1 Lincs 'B' Ech and came under shellfire 8. CO to Bde Conference 9. Bn moved by ferry transport during afternoon to 6 Staging Camp 1 Pl pnr Coy left 6 Staging Camp with mule convoy to concentration area	JSP JSP JSP
" FIELD	6	0900	10. C.O. holds O Gp Conference and at 1400 hrs CO and 'O' Gp move to 1 Lincs for take-over 11. Bn completed move by ferry tpt to concentration area. Map Sheet 84D/11 Square 6486 - CO to Bde Conference 2000 hrs.	JSP
"	7	1200 1550 2130	12. Bn less A Coy completed take-over from 1 Lincs 13. 2 ORs 'B' Coy wounded by mortar shell. 14. 'A' Coy completed take over from A Coy 1 Lincs. Positions taken over by bn as follows:- Map Photographic Enlargement of 84D11 (APP I) Positions Trace APP II 15. Strength 39 Officers 694 ORs (APP III & IV)	JSP JSP APP I & II JSP APP III & IV JSP
"	8	0850	16. During night 7/8 harassing fire by our arty. 'A' Coy came under enemy mortar fire and 'B' Coy sniped at. 17. Enemy gunfire in rear positions till 0920 hrs and mortar fire from 1000/1030 hrs in rear positions and Bn HQ. Enemy sniper in Bn HQ area.	JSP JSP

FIELD		1100 1730 1815 1845 2230	18. CO to Bde Conference. 'B' Coy take over Pl position from DLI. 19. Bn HQ move to 645843 20. Mortar Pl fired all guns from D Coy area on shore onto chaung mouth and chaung centre (648832) - 5 rds per gun 6 smoke 24 HE. These shots landed 150x over target area. 21. Mortar Pl after moving position rapidly fired same shoot as above on same target from behind Bn HQ and all rounds were on target. 22. Lt Darling & 6 ORs (B Coy) advanced as a patrol as far as chaung 647835 and missed bogged carrier. Proceeded 60x along chaung and saw no enemy. Moved back to trees and then advanced SSE. Saw no movement and returned 0400 hrs.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	9	0100 0300 0445 0515 0600/ 0615	23. Lt McCance and Patrol Pl started the shore 643838 (A Coy) & advanced along shore wading, 300x past Shepherds Crook chaung. Lt McCance then went fwd 300x to probably opposite trees 649819. No signs of enemy or field works. They then moved back till they located chaung. There is no trip wire from SOUTH bank to sea nor in chaung nor from NORTH bank to sea. Lt McCance and 4 ORs entered chaung to draw fire and were challenged from SOUTH bank about 30x away. They moved fwd but were unable to locate enemy and they fired one burst TSMG and 2 Tracer. They then withdrew and reported in at 0230 hrs. No fire was drawn. 24. Patrol from A Coy of 2 x 2" M moved to chaung 646834, dug in and fired 4 HE, 2 smoke & 2 RED on M17 and then withdrew. 25. A Coy fired 2 Red Verrey lights - 0450 hrs 'B' Coy fired 3 RED Verrey lights 26. B Coy fired 2 RED 2" Flares which were answered by 3 ILL 2" from A Coy 27. Mortar Pl fired from D Coy position on same targets 12 smoke 78HE. Mortar Pls of other bns fired on chaung. Fwd Coys of DLI & left hand Pl B Coy shouted, used rattles, bugles, etc. Concentration 2" mortar of DLI on S4, S5, M16 & M24 - B Coy fired 18 rds 2" HE on M16 & M24. MGs fired on chaung from Twin Knobs. 130 FA Regt fired HE for 15 minutes on M101. Smoke on Hills 823 and 500. 99 Fd Regt fired on Elbow during same period. During this period LMG observed firing EAST from between M14 and M15 and another firing RED tracer SOUTH. Mortar posn about M17 and LMG SOUTH of S5 which seemed to be put out of action as one man left posn when LMG ceased firing and ran towards S4. He	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
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		0612) 0615) 0845 1900 2315	<p>was shot at and seen to fall. Mortar position located at 662829.</p> <p>28. Mortar fire fell in areas of Bn HQ, A and D Coys</p> <p>29. 8 rds mortar fire in Bn HQ / D Coy area. 1 OR slightly wounded</p> <p>30. Major Mackenzie-Kennedy joined as Second in Command.</p> <p>31. Lamp put at WEST end of FDLs bearing 270° for guide for navy who bombarded DONBAIK from 2210 hrs to 2300 hrs.</p> <p>32. Sentry of B Coy killed 1 IOR and wounded one other. 'B' Coy stretcher bearer taking wounded IOR shot and wounded by DLI.</p>	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	10	0600/ 0630 0830 2230 2300	<p>33. Our arty put down harassing fire, and from 0625/0630 hrs Jap 75 m/m guns fired on Bn HQ and D & A Coy areas - no casualties</p> <p>34. Major C.S. Mackenzie departed - Bn received dose of ATEBRIN</p> <p>35. Lt McCance and Patrol Pl left A Coy, proceeded thro' sea, landed SOUTH of wooded village at 2300 hrs and then moved NORTH through village. Saw mortar positions with empty cases probably British. At 0100 hrs saw pty of about 30 Japs in file moving NORTH along beach. At 0130 hrs 4 enemy came out of chaung; they were followed and 3 killed; others following forced our patrol to withdraw and they reported back at 0230 hrs without casualties.</p> <p>36. Lt Darling and 7 ORs (B Coy) went out on patrol to broken down carrier in front of B Coy area to lie in wait for enemy patrols. They took up position beside carrier and Sjt Larkin placed some booby traps in carrier. They did not contact enemy although they heard movement at 0245 hrs on their left of a patrol moving NORTH and then returning. Patrol returned to our lines at 0415 hrs.</p>	JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	11	0930 1300/ 6 1400 1457 1523 1730	<p>37. C.O. to conference at Bde</p> <p>38. 3 Blenheims dropped incendiaries and 6 Hurricanes MGed Hills 823 and 500 and jungle Shepherds Crook area.</p> <p>39. 'O' Gp Conference</p> <p>40. 10 Pl 'B' Coy vacate positions and from 1506/1515 hrs 6 Blenheims dropped HE from Shepherds Crook to chaung mouth. Most of the bombs dropped SOUTH of the chaung.</p> <p>41. 10 Pl re-occupy positions without any trouble.</p> <p>42. 'C' Coy complete take over of 'B' Coy positions and 'B' Coy move back to 'B' Ech area in reserve.</p>	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
"	12	0757	<p>43. Quiet night</p> <p>44. DECEIT ONE as per app. V carried out. At 0810 75 m/m Jap guns shelled A & C Coy areas. Lt Pomphrey and 1 OR 'C' Coy wounded. At 0815 A Coy came under mortar fire.</p>	JSP APP V JSP MOST SECRET

FIELD		1000	Result of Deceit: S4 & S5 replied WEST and NW, M17, NE and EAST 45. CO on recce with Bde Cmd.	JSP JSP
"	13	0130	46. Lt Stevenson and 8 ORs (C Coy) on patrol to carrier and chaung 647834; saw and heard nothing; returned without casualties 0355 hrs	JSP
		0130	47. Lt McCance and 3 ORs on patrol from A Coy lines along beach to wooded village; saw no signs of enemy or fresh positions. Returned 0530 hrs; no casualties	JSP
		1030/ 1100	48. DECEIT TWO: RA and mortars under Bde put down barrage on chaung area; 6 Blenheims bomb and 9 Hurricanes MG chaung.	JSP
		1600	49. Bn hand over positions to R Berks without incident	JSP
		2330	50. All Coys in lying-up area square 6486	JSP
FIELD	14	0730	51. DECEIT FOUR: RA barrage and air bombing.	JSP
		1230	52. C.O. at conference with Army Comd - Bn cleaning and washing.	JSP
		1730	53. C.O. at conference at Bde	JSP
			54. Strength 39 Officers 691 O.Rs (APP VI & VII)	APP VI & VII JSP
	15	1000	55. Mortar Pl move to 653836 with OP at 655834 under Bde.	JSP
		1000	56. CO goes on recce with Coy Cmds and gives out plan for future operations - Jap bomber dropped stick of bombs at 1025 hrs 1500x NW of Bn lying up area	JSP
		1500	57. Rehearsal by Bn of future operation	JSP
		1915	58. Operation Ordeal received from Bde	JSP APP VIIIA MOST SECRET
	16		59. Admin Instruction of Bn by 2i/c	JSP
	17	0900	60. C.O. to Co-ordinating Conference at Bde - Coys testing all automatic weapons - Bn receive dose of ATEBRIN	JSP
		1400	61. 'O' Gp conference when C.O. gives out orders for operations	JSP
FIELD	18	0400	62. A Coy moved to chaung junc area 655836 and took over position from A Coy 1 LINC'S by 0700 hrs	JSP
		0930	63. Bn leave lying up area and arrive concentration area 644853 at 1020 hrs - Special Order of The Day read to Bn (APP VIII)	APP VIII JSP
		1130	64. Bn placed on 30 minutes notice to move	JSP
		0930	65. 7 and 8 Pls came under command RWF	JSP
		1345	66. O Gp Conference when CO issued order for fresh operation as the attack by RWF (Phase 1) had not been completely successful. The RWF had attacked with 2 Coys and had reached M16 but had failed to capture S11 S10 S4 & S5 and consequently their forward tps in the chaung were isolated. 1 R.S had been given the task of capturing S11, S10, S4 and S5 - Trace of Shepherds Crook chaung attached as Appendix IX and IXA Plan for RS attack is as under: B and D Coys were to assemble in the Shepherd's Crook chaung and B Coy would attack and capture S11 and then S10. After B	App IX and IXA

FIELD			<p>Coy had cleared S10 and S11 D Coy would attack and capture S4 and S5.</p> <p>C Coy would occupy positions held by RWF at 651834 and be ready to meet any counter-attack on B and D Coy.</p> <p>Bn HQ would be established at RWF HQ at 65158345.</p> <p>RWF Coys would hold their present positions and 1 RS would take them over by 1000 hrs 19 Mar.</p>	JSP
		1500	67. Capt JJ Byam Shaw attached to 14 Ind Div	JSP
		2300	68. CO and B, C & D Coy Cmds went on recce of RWF positions and area of the attack	JSP
		2359	69. C Coy left concentration area and were in new positions by 2359 hrs	JSP
			70. Bn HQ B and D Coys left concentration area	JSP
"	19	0050	71. Bn HQ established at 65158345 and B and D Coys proceeded to forming up area in Shepherds Crook Chaung	JSP
		0145	72. CO proceeded to OP at 65158335 which overlooks S4, 5, 10 & 11	JSP
FIELD		0200	73. B Coy attacked S11 but did not manage to surprise the defenders who put up their SOS signal at 0205 hrs. Within 30 seconds B Coy came under heavy mortar and MG fire of a very well co-ordinated fire plan.	
			At 0226 hrs when B Coy had not succeeded in capturing S11 and all officers, the CSM and most of the senior NCOs had been wounded, the CO sent orders to D Coy Cmd that D Coy would not put in their attack and D Coy Cmd would report to the C.O. at once.	JSP
		0300	74. D Coy Comd received orders that he would take up a defensive position in the chaung above the crook till morning when he would receive fresh orders and 'B' Coy would meantime regroup under his command. Defensive positions were occupied.	JSP
		0900	75. D Coy were ordered to occupy fwd positions held by RWF at 652833 astride the chaung and B Coy came under command of Major Douglas at 655836 - Nos 8 and 9 Pls placed under command 'C' Coy.	
FIELD			'B' Coy went into action with 4 officers 86 ORs and their casualties were killed 1 OR, wounded 3 officers 33 ORs, missing 1 officer 6 ORs. The CO recommended CSM Kinnear and Pte Berry for decorations for their gallantry.	JSP
		1000	76. RS took over position from RWF	JSP
		1630	77. O Gp Conference when new coy dispositions were arranged. Major G.A. Byam Shaw to command 'B' Coy	JSP
		2230	78. Jap stretcher bearers evacuating wounded seen in chaung at S24. We did NOT fire.	JSP

			No marked enemy activity during day	JSP
FIELD	20	1100	79. Bn positions occupied as under:- Bn HQ 65158345 A Coy 652833 B Coy 652836 C Coy 651834 D Coy 652832	JSP See APP IX
		1930	80. Lieut Todd and Ptes Hart and Sutherland went into chaung below S11 a distance of about 75 yds and brought in 2 wounded ORs of RWF returning at 2000 hrs. The enemy did not fire until after the rescue party were back under cover. It is not known whether this was intentional or not. The C.O. has recommended Lt Todd and Ptes Hart and Sutherland for decorations suitable for their gallantry.	JSP
		2125	81. 5 Japs seen by D Coy in chaung area S24 and fire by two Brens was opened at 2210 hrs. Effect not found but no further movement seen	JSP
		2200	82. A & C Coy ordered to fire alternately 1 x 2" HE mortar bomb every 15 minutes commencing 2200 hrs on target chaung S4 S5 until further orders. There was no marked enemy activity as a result of this harassing fire.	JSP
			83. The carrier Pl which was under Bde Cmd entered the line on our right as part of PIPKAY FORCE and were in position at 0530 hrs	JSP
FIELD	21	0610	84. Mortar Pl fired 3 rds HE on M16 and were well on the target	JSP
		0630	85. 1 wounded RWF OR entered A Coy lines after being 72 hrs in the open	JSP
		0900	86. 2" mortar harassing fire time now plus five minutes	JSP
		1000	87. CO at Bde Conference	JSP
		1020	88. Vengeance Divebombers bombed DONBAIK	JSP
		1310	89. Brushwood on S5 set on fire and occupants tried to extinguish the fire	JSP
		1325	90. D Coy reported 1 OR missing from 1945 hrs 20 Mar	JSP
		1345	91. O Gp Conference when D Coy were ordered to extend their positions taking over part of DLI area and to wire in completely. Future moves were given. 2" mortar harassing fire times were altered as follows:- At 1800 hrs plus ten minutes - fire 1 rd HE At 2200 hrs minus ten minutes - fire 2 HE and 1 Smoke each 15 minutes until 2300 hrs. Thereafter coy cmds to arrange harassing fire	JSP
		1805	92. 2 ORs D Coy wounded by sniper	JSP
		2000	93. 4 Japs seen to enter and 2 to leave S4	JSP
		2125	94. 2 Japs seen moving up chaung to S5	JSP

		2145	95. A Coy fire 1 x 2" HE mortar on chaung at S24 on party 5/6 and obtained hit	JSP
FIELD		2100/ 0530	96. RA working party in 'C' Coy area preparing two gun positions. 97. Little enemy activity during past 24 hrs. 99. Strength 29 Officers 673 ORs (APP X and XI)	JSP JSP JSP APP X and XI JSP
	22	0230- 0300 0815 0940 1000 1100 1020 1250 1800	100. About 20 men were moving up and down S4/5 chaung - probably ration and relief party 101. D Coy sent in two small Jap MSS found when digging new positions 102. Jap sniper shot by D Coy. 103. D Coy completed taking over further position from DLI and dug in 104. A, C & D Coy each fired 4 x 68 grenades on S4/5 chaung. There was an accident in 'C' Coy when grenade burst in firing killing 1 OR and wounding 2 ORs 105. Vengeance Divebombers bombed DONBAIK area 106. D Coy found another Jap document. 107. Jap 75m/m gunfire on Twin Knobs. 1 shell fell in C Coy area	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	23	0115 0645 0830 1000 1303 1315	108. Jap ration party in chaung area S24 and mortared by D Coy. Movement continued till 0230 hrs and was continuously mortared by C and D Coys. 109. During night 22/23 2 x 3.7 mountain guns put in position in C Coy lines 110. RE started work on shaft for tunnel to S5 from 'C' Coy lines. 111. Enemy movement seen between M16 and M17 112. Arty attacked S5 by putting down smoke on Hill 823 & 500 and from M16 to EAST side of wooded village and HE on M16, 17, 18. 2 x 3.7 mountain guns fired from 'C' Coy lines. Smoke and HE barrage commenced at 0830 hrs and ceased at 0947 hrs. Two mountain guns open fire at 0832 hrs on S5 from 75 yds range. They fired 270 rds HE but failed to break S5. Trench surrounding S5 on EAST side was filled in. Firing ceased at 0947. During this period 5 Japs came out of S5 and were subjected to Bren fire. Jap arty replied to our fire and some shells landed in the HQ area 113. CO to Bde Conference 114. Four Vengeance Divebombers bombed M3 to the SOUTH of the chaung 115. Missing OR of D Coy arrested at MAUNGDAW on 22 Mar 116. 2" mortar harassing fire continued on S4 S5 chaung area	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP

		1555	<p>117. CO held conference of A, C & D Coy Cmds when orders for mock attack that night were given.</p> <p>It had never been confirmed that S5 was a MG Post although grenades and crackers had come from there - probably from the surrounding trench.</p> <p>The object of the operation was therefore to find out definitely whether S5 was a MG Post or not; draw the enemy fire; and continue harassing the enemy.</p> <p>The time was to be 2000 hrs which would be just after darkness when the moon would start rising behind Hill 823 and accordingly the figures of men would be silhouetted but observers would not be able to see whether they were actually moving.</p> <p>Also High Tide was 2100 hrs and relief pty to S4 and S5 takes place after High Tide and accordingly it was very probable that the garrison of S5 had not been changed since the bombardment at 0830 hrs that morning and they would therefore be jittery.</p> <p>The plan was that a mock attack would take place at 2000 hrs 23 Mar as under:-</p>	
FIELD			<p>1/. 15 men D Coy would form up in chaung from where B Coy attacked on morning 19 Mar and at 2000 hrs they would show themselves, mark time, cheer, shout and look fierce. The remainder of D Coy would also cheer and shout.</p> <p>2/. 10 seconds later if the Jap SOS had not been put up, an A Coy officer would fire a Red Verrey light from the ladder position in the chaung across the front of D Coy</p> <p>3/. All Coys including carrier Pl with PK Force would fire on opportunity targets until 2015 hrs.</p>	
FIELD			<p>4/. Lt Barnettson and 4 ORs (2 TSMG and 2 Rifle-bayonet with 2 x 36 and 2 x 69 grenades each) would patrol to S5 to discover if it was occupied or not and try to secure an identification. If possible they would also go to S4. If S5 was empty 2 TSMG would be left to prevent enemy garrisoning S5 while Lt Barnettson reported. In the event of a POW being obtained at S5, patrol would return at once.</p> <p>Patrol would be ready at 'C' Coy gun position with 18 set. CO would give definite order as the mock attack developed whether the patrol would go out. If the order was given 2 x 2" ILL would be fired to warn coys to stop firing.</p> <p>5/. If S5 was reported empty Lt Moffat and 1 sec would be ready to occupy it at once, and depending on the report might</p>	

FIELD			<p>go on to S4. The remaining 2 secs of 13 Pl would be ready to reinforce. Sec would take store of grenades, sandbags, rations and a rope would be pulled out. Lt Moffat's pty would be replenished by shallow trench and also by means of a rope conveyor.</p> <p>If S4 was taken, then the chaung would be blocked SOUTH of S4 6/. 3 x 3" mortar and Tp 99 Fd Regt would take on targets as ordered. Coy Cmds were also ordered to train up to 25 ORs per pl as mortarmen taking the opportunity of harassing fire to do so.</p> <p>1900 118. During past 24 hours RE have dug shaft 12 ft deep opposite S5</p> <p>2000 119. D Coy cheer and shout. 15 ORs show themselves do the same and mark time. 3.7 guns open up on MG area S4 and mortars ordered to fire Red Verey light put up by A Coy.</p> <p>2002 hrs 6 mortar bombs burst in area S4, S5</p> <p>2010 hrs MG fire from area S10 towards S4. Tracer from S4. 6 mortar bombs on S4 and S5</p> <p>2011 hrs 3 Jap 4" mortar bombs, thereafter continuous mortar MG fire</p> <p>2012 hrs 3" mortars lengthen range 100 yds.</p> <p>2014 hrs Firing from M16, M17.</p> <p>2015 hrs Fire from SOUTH side S5 - Two double 4" mortar fired</p> <p>2020 hrs One double 4" mortar bomb - Red Tracer south side S5</p> <p>2022 hrs MG fire continued.</p> <p>Operation finished. Patrol did not go out.</p> <p>It is interesting to note that the initiative of mock attacks, grenades, crackers and patrols on this sector has now passed completely into our hands.</p> <p>Also that the wasteful firing of SAA at targets which could not be seen, indulged in by the previous bde has entirely stopped on our side and the Jap has now started firing at non-existent targets which tends to prove that the continuous harassing mortar fire and mock attacks are shaking the Jap morale.</p>	JSP JSP
FIELD			<p>120. Mortar fire continued throughout the 24 hrs</p>	JSP JSP
FIELD	24	0100-0234	121. Movement of relief parties seen in area S24. Arty fire called for at 0213 hrs and 0234 hrs and hits obtained on Jap ammo pty.	JSP
		0830	122. 'C' Coy ordered to fire A/T Rifle at S5 every minute until further orders.	JSP
		1125	123. S4 reported to be burning inside result of 2" HE from C Coy. Burnt till 1142 hrs. 4 x 75 m/m shells fired over our right.	JSP

		1208- 1228 1225 1845- 54 1855- 1905	)124. 12 x 75 m/m shells land in bn area. 2 ORs killed 1 OR) wounded in 'C' Coy. Guns fired from direction DONBAIK FORD. 125. A/TK Rifle fire on S5 ordered to stop. Hits had been made on a metal plate on S5 126. ATEBRIN given to bn. 127. 3 A/TK Rifles (C Coy) fired rapid on S5 128. Mortar fire on Bn area	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	25	0150- 0205 0525- 0645 1535 1845- 1855 1730- 2030	129. Jap relief pty seen in nullah junc. Arty fired and hit claimed. Two new bodies S24 area 130. Enemy mortar and 75 m/m on Bn area. 1 OR (Mortar Pl) killed 131. 1 OR A Coy wounded by sniper 132. 3" mortar Pl fired on S4/5 and 2" mortars on S4, S5, S10, S24 S11 and S14. C Coy A/TK Rifles fired 130 rds on S5, A, C and D Coy Brens fired on opportunity targets. During this period enemy re-action was mortar fire on FUP area in chaung and MG fire from S4, S5, S10 and S11 133. A and C Coys were under mortar fire. 134. Through jackals howling, S4 and S5 and M16 opened rapid with their MGs. S5 fired explosive bullets.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	26	0630 0220 0300 1100 1330 1725	135. A and C Coys renewed 2" mortar fire on S4, S5 areas. 136. Only a small pty of 8/9 enemy seen at nullah junc (S24). Unable to bring down fire in time. 137. Tunnel now 21 ft long. 138. C.O. to Bde for conference 139. CO held 'O' Gp Conference and gave out orders for new coy dispositions - 143 S.S. Coy came under command 140. Bn HQ established at 648839. B Coy " " 633842 D Coy " " 647838. A Coy took over left sector of 'C' Coy who extended this sector to the NORTH to link with D Coy - Trace attached 141. 2" mortar fired continuously every 15 mins but produced no reaction	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP APP XII JSP JSP
	27	0800 0850/ 0910	142. A Coy reported that during night enemy have been working on SW corner of S5. Little headway made with our tunnel. 'A' and 'C' Coy ordered to concentrate their harassing mortar fire on SW corner of S5. 143. B Coy and SS Coy area came under mortar fire but suffered no casualties	 JSP

FIELD		1600 2100	144. Draft of 90 ORs arrived incl. 10 R.S. 145. Draft posted to Coys 146. A Coy fired 2 x 2" ILL but saw no movement. 147. Mortar harassing fire continued throughout the 24 hours.	JSP JSP JSP JSP
	28	0500 0605 0632/ 0700 0800 0900 1400 1545 1915 2215	148. Slight rain fell - strength 33 officers 717 ORs 149. Mortar fire on 'A' Coy positions 150. Mortar fire on SS Coy and 'B' Coy positions - no casualties 151. Tunnel now 31 ft long in rock 152. Mortar Pl moved and took up position at 645844 153. O Gp Conference when orders for relief by R Berks given out 154. Mortar fire on 'D' Coy 155. Lt Fenton and 2 ORs (D Coy) left on patrol to carrier 156. Patrol returned having seen nobody and heard nothing. 157. 'B' Coy carried out Field Firing with 2" mortars and 69 grenades. During 24 hours A, C & D Coy mortars continued harassing fire S4 S5.	JSP APP XIII & XIV JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	29	0800 1020 1030 1745	158. Tunnel 40 ft long in soft rock handed over to 506 Fd Coy. 159. R. Berks completed relief of A B & C Coys R.S. 160. Bn left line - D Coy and 143 SS Coy under command R Berks Bn HQ established 1100 hrs at 644849 - Bn in Bde Reserve 161. CO to conference at Bde	JSP JSP JSP JSP
"	30	0830 0930 2130 2300	162. CO to conference at Bde 163. A Coy and mortar Pl, 'C' Coy and Pioneer Pl given orders to report to RWF and DLI as working party, and were placed under cmd. 164. 'C' Coy returned. 165. 'C' Coy left for KYAUKPANDUYWAMA 5104 (1" Sheet 84D/10) and was placed under command HOPFORCE	JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	31	0900 0930 1100 1200 1430	166. Coys ordered to be at 1 hour's notice to move 167. D Coy returned to Bn - ATEBRIN given to Bn 168. A Coy returned to Bn 169. B Coy with 1 det mortars took over position from RWF on LAHORE HILL 643866 170. CO on recce to KODINGAUK area 6191 <u>Malaria</u> Since the commencement of the regular issue of ATEBRIN on 3 Mar, there have been 11 cases of relapse and 8 new cases of malaria. During the complete month there have been 18 cases of relapse and 8 new cases.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Month and Year April 43

Commanding Officer Lt Col R.W. Jackson

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
Field	1	0600-0700 0900 1400 1930 2040	1. Enemy 75 m/m shelled area SOUTH and WEST of bn - no casualties 2. A Coy left for KODINGAUK area 618906, digging and wiring 3. Lieut Fenton and 1 sec (D Coy) left on patrol to contact 1/7 Rajputs 4. A Coy returned 5. Lieut Fenton and patrol returned and reported that they had made contact with the enemy (2 MGs and 10 rifles) at Pimple 664864. Pimple 664866 was not occupied. Patrol then withdrew.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	2	0700 1100 1235-1315 1310 1345 1600	6. 12 ORs (miners) attached to DLI for working in tunnel to S5 7. CO to Bde for conference - Capt J.J. Byam Shaw CTBA 14th Ind Div. 8. Enemy shelling vicinity Bn area - no casualties 9. 'B' Coy report two enemy seen 664863 10. CO gave orders to 2i/c and QM for moving available stores today and 3 Apr 43 to KODINGAUK area 6192 11. C Coy reported their positions as follows: Coy HQ 554017, 13 Pl 551019 - 14 Pl 554015 - 15 Pl 554018 and 556017 Enemy patrols and snipers reported in squares 5503-5603-5502-5602. Fighting Patrol (C Coy) sent out and encountered enemy. Capt Henderson and 18 ORs missing.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
"	3	0001 0840 0910	12. Sec Carrier Pl at Bridge INDIN 541015 over-run. 10 ORs and 3 carriers missing 13. CO to Bde for conference 14. CO gave out orders to 'A' Coy for attacking enemy positions near and at INDIN bridge 541015 1 Pl 'D' Coy placed under command 'B' Coy - 'B' Coy placed under command 6 I.B. Bn ordered to move towards INDIN debussing at KWASON. Order of march: A Coy, 4 Mortar Carriers, CO carrier, Bn HQ, D Coy	JSP JSP JSP

FIELD		1020 1115 1120 1200 1255	15. A Coy left - Delay due to transport not arriving on time. 16. Bn reached SOUTH bridge KWASON and debussed. A Coy ordered to secure KWASON village 17. A Coy reported KWASON secured 18. CO and A & D Coy Comds proceeded to INDIN 19. 'B' Ech ordered to move to INDIN. CO and Coy Cmds went on recce of 'C' Coy positions (who came back into command) and of enemy positions 'A' Coy objective Ridge 542015 to 547015. After this ridge is occupied then D Coy would attack ridge 541018 to 548018. There would be arty and 3" mortar support.	JSP JSP JSP JSP
Field		1430 1730	20. Bn arrive at INDIN 558007 21. Artillery fire on enemy positions, and at 1745 A Coy moved up to F.U.P. from 1757 to 1802 hrs. 3" mortar fire intense on enemy position covering the advance to the assault of A Coy at 1800 hrs. A Coy attacked with 8 Pl on the left 9 Pl on the right and 7 Pl in reserve. 8 Pl were quickly on top of the hill and pushed forward but were unable to maintain their positions owing to MG fire from a ridge to the NORTH. They had to withdraw on to the edge of the SOUTHERN slope and the enemy re-occupied their positions at the top of the hill from where they had previously been driven. 9 Pl meantime had their advance held up by MG fire from the right, and at 1806 3" mortar fire assisted them forward. Their objective was through thick jungle and although a few tps got forward they were unable to capture the position. By 1820 hrs the attack was not progressing too well and a Pl of D Coy was ordered up to be ready to meet any counter-attack. 1823 the enemy made a flanking movement round our left but apart from fire no enemy attack was pressed home. 7 Pl was ordered forward to assist 9 Pl but they also made little headway. At 1900 hrs the position was that the remnants of 7 and 9 Pls were in the scrub at the foot of the right knob, 8 Pl below left hand knob. At 1915 hrs D Coy were ordered to capture the hill and at 2055 hrs D Coy advanced with Cpt Harvey cmding left hand Pl & Lt Fenton on the right. Left hand pln came under fire from L.M.G. post on left which was put out of action. Another L.M.G. post was also captured and at 0005 hrs Cpt Harvey reported having reached top right edge of left knob and was digging in. At 0020 hrs Pioneer Pl was ordered to reinforce D Coy as a rifle Pl and placed under cmd. They reached fwd position at 0125 hrs. At 0140 hrs and continuously throughout	JSP JSP
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			<p>the night mortar and arty fire on enemy positions to the NORTH. At 2145 on the 3rd April there was S.A.A. fire around the perimeter of the camp, enemy attack not pressed home but firing continued intermittently through the night.</p> <p>At 410 hrs D Coy reported that they had 20/30 R.S.'s in slits and not themselves as the ground was very rocky around left knob and 18 R.S.'s at foot of slope covering them.</p> <p>At 0615 mortars fired over the crest of left knob on to enemy who were rolling grenades down onto our fwd positions.</p>	PICP																																																																						
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		1240	33. Pte Taylor A Coy, having been taken prisoner reported back to his Coy. Reported to Bn HQ and stated that he was pulled into dugout by 2 Japs who were well built; dressed in K.D. and wearing what appeared to be topees. They questioned him regarding our own troops in this area. He refused to answer and they threatened to shoot him. He then knocked them down with his fists and escaped into the chaung; lay there for the night and made his way down to the beach in the morning.	PICP																																																																						
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Field		1325	35. 3" mortar & 50 rds placed under cmd D Coy	PICP	
		1355	36. Lt Parsons & 21 OR's 1st Inniskillings reported in, having crossed from THITKADO.	PICP	
		1450	37. Enemy shelling area NORTH of Bn H.Q.	PICP	
		1536	38. Enemy shelling of fwd positions.	PICP	
		1540	39. Arty from HOPFORCE shelled enemy.	PICP	
		1550	40. O.C. 26 Coy R.E. reported that his Coy (100 strong) was in SINOH pass and came under Cmd.	PICP	
		1610	41. Enemy shelled C Coy.	PICP	
		1706	42. 6 Bde advised that during night 4/5 they were moving NORTH to position around KWASON.	PICP	
		1725	43. Enemy shelled Bn HQ area	PICP	
		1755	44. 2 OR's both wounded of C Coy missing patrol returned	PICP	
Field		1835	45. 3 97 Jap enemy planes dropped about 12 parachutes with supplies chaung 5996 approx	PICP	
		1845	46. Lt Abbey & 8 OR's 1st INNISK reported in from THITKADO area	PICP	
		1935	47. Lt Dewsbury & 11 OR's 1st INNISK reported in.	PICP	
			48. During night 4/5 Arty & mortar pln fired harassing fire on Jap positions	PICP	
		2352	49. Bde Major arrived in new Bde area. Strength, Officers, OR's	App PCIP	
	Field	5	0530	50. All Coys reported situation normal.	PICP
			0607	51. A Coy reported refugees moving NORTH along road.	PICP
			0615	52. D Coy reported enemy movement on top of knobs hill.	PICP
			0620	53. B Coy and 16 Pl D Coy returned to Bn. B Coy in Bn reserve, 16 Pln rejoined D Coy.	
			0810	54. Bde location 554999.	
		0900	55. Mortar pln harassing fire continued.		
		0924	56. 1 OR D Coy wounded by our 3" mortar.		
		0930	57. 1 carrier previously missing now believed to have returned to HOPFORCE. Also 6 OR's of C Coy patrol reported to have rejoined HOPFORCE.		
		0935	58. C Coy ordered to return DLI carrier who proceeded under Cmd PIPKAY FORCE.		
		0955	59. Enemy shelled Bn HQ area.		
		1000	60. Enemy shelled Bn HQ area.		
		1019	61. Major Harris formed new PR force with details of R Berks, Innisk, & carrier pln D.L.I. from JACKOFORCE and left to take up positions SOUTH of KWASON.		
		1030	62. C Coy position shelled.		
		1140	63. C.O. issued orders to B & D Coy Cmdrs for attack on twin knobs area. When Bde attacked & enemy heavily engaged on right flank		

FIELD		1408	D Coy would infiltrate fwd round left flank twin knobs hill whilst B Coy remained in Bn reserve. B Coy would either be used to capture right knob or move round left up to bridge and high ground Sq 5301 or pass through D Coy onto that objective.			
		1455	64. Bde Cmd Post established beside Bn HQ for Bde attack at 1500 hrs.			
		1500	65. Arty put down HE & smoke barrage to blind hills to the EAST & NE.			
		1508	66. D.L.I. advanced to the attack - objective Pt 251 (5404)			
		1542	67. D Coy reported Japs coming over twin knobs hill and they at once engaged them - attack did not materialise.	JSP		
		1550	68. A Coy engaged and put out of action MG delaying DLI attack	JSP		
		1700	69. B Coy DLI reported on objective - mortar Pl fire on Twin Knobs	JSP		
		1830	70. Four coys DLI now on objective and RWF leave lying up area and proceeded to area Pt 208 - B & D Coys informed that they would not be required before 1900 hrs.	JSP		
		1850	71. Arty barrage re-opened	JSP		
		1945	72. RWF attack from Pt 208 postponed to 0600 hrs 6 Apr and coys warned accordingly to be specially vigilant in case the enemy attempted to break out.	JSP		
		1950	73. Bde Cmd Post left for KWASON. 1 sec 'B' Coy attached to Bde for protection. Trace of situation at 1900 hrs attached	APP JSP		
		2015	74. D Coy reported 30/40 Japs moving WEST towards A Coy who were at once warned. D Coy ordered to be ready to attack with bayonet. A Coy only to attack if Japs are on WEST side of road.	JSP		
		2030	75. D Coy ration pty bumped into Jap patrol about 30 strong coming down from left knob. The enemy were engaged and withdrew and was attacked again by D Coy fwd Pl which caused enemy to scatter. Patrol sent out to mop up.	JSP		
		FIELD		2104	76. 'B' Coy ordered to provide guard of 1 Pl on Cmd Post	JSP
2250	77. D Coy IE Bn reported considerable SAA fire in their area			JSP		
2325	78. A Coy reported 12 Japs proceeding NORTH towards bridge			JSP		
2359	79. D Coy IE Bn reported much enemy activity and asked for assistance. Sjt Larkin's Pl less 1 sec sent at 2345 hrs. All tps warned.			JSP		
	80. A Coy reported digging between them and D Coy.			JSP		
6 APR				0025	81. Sjt Larkin's Pl in position - Japs reported to hold hill to their EAST and be using grenades	JSP
				0038	82. Mortar fire from D Coy	JSP
				0125	83. IE Bn reported situation easier	JSP
		0150	84. LMG fire in D Coy area followed by firing SW of Cmd Post at 0155	JSP		

	0200	85. Japs started cheering and shouting BANZAI - BANZAI at the NORTH of the camp. Later identified as III Bn 112 Inf Regt.	JSP APP IA
	0205	86. Considerable firing and grenades heard at NW corner of camp and Pl 'B' Coy sent to deal with it - about 30 Japs attacked down centre road marching in threes until they were challenged.	JSP
	0213	87. Enemy attacking from NORTH on the right and left and were engaged by 12 Pl.	JSP
	0215	88. Comd Post attacked, mainly with grenades and attackers were driven off.	JSP
FIELD	0220	89. D Coy ordered to withdraw onto the Comd Post except the fwd Pl (CSM Bain) who would withdraw at dawn.	JSP
	0225	90. Further attack on Cmd Post area.	JSP
	0245	91. Pl of D Coy arrived and took up position SOUTH side of Cmd Post	JSP
	0250	92. Pl of D Coy arrived with Coy HQ and took over SOUTH and WEST sides. 2 Pls of B Coy defending NORTH and EAST with Bn HQ personnel. A Coy reported situation in their area to be quiet. Desultory firing and grenades continued till 0310 hrs when situation became quieter.	JSP
	0325	93. Bde HQ as they were surrounded by many Japs, RWF ordered to be prepared to return and form link between RS and Bde and DLI to be ready to move instantly	JSP
	0326	94. A Coy ordered to move by beach to assistance of Bde HQ and they must break through the enemy surrounding Bde HQ.	JSP
	0340/ 5	95. Outbreak of grenade throwing	JSP
	0404	96. Grenades thrown and 2 LMGs fired NORTH of Cmd Post	JSP
	0415	97. C.O. on 11 set to Bde Cmdr.	JSP
	0420/ 5	98. Mortar fire to the SOUTH of Cmd Post followed by MG fire	JSP
	0438/ 50	99. Continuous firing in Cmd Post area	JSP
FIELD	0515	100. Comd Post moved to 11 set carrier on road running to the WEST.	JSP
		101. Throughout the night the Japs shouted continuously and in the early part of the attack made jeering remarks in English "We are coming in, Royal Scots, you had better not wait". "Come out and fight, Royal Scots", then later they tried to confuse us by calling "Here, Royal Scots" "Come here, Royal Scots"	JSP
	0525	102. Mortar fire onto our positions followed by MG fire from hills previously held by D Coy I.E. Bn - Bde set now silent, presumed that Bde HQ had been over-run - Firing also came from SW direction of KWASON wood.	JSP

			3" mortar fire from RWF det stopped LMG fire from INDIN hill and materially helped to ease the situation.	JSP
	0600	103.	Bn less A & C Coys shortened their perimeter.	
	0630	104.	Shelling by mortar and 75m/m and MG fire continued and Cmd Post was moved along road to the WEST. Enemy movement Northwards from KWASON wood	
			Lt Col Jackson ordered RWF & DLI to withdraw and join RS and RWF. A Coy arrived and reported that they had not found Bde HQ & they were ordered out again	JSP JSP
	0740	105.	CSM Bain's Pl (D Coy) returned and took up position in SW corner. They reported having successfully engaged and dispersed a large enemy party returning to the hills during the night.	JSP
	0745	106.	CO decided to send two carriers to Bde to discover what had happened but, due to casualties, there were no RS drivers available. Volunteers were called for and 2 RWF ORs volunteered as drivers and 5 RS ORs as crews. They went to Bde HQ and found some of the Bde staff whom they rescued.	JSP
FIELD	0800	107.	A Coy returned, reporting Bde HQ empty but they had engaged the enemy.	JSP
	0830	108.	'C' Coy ordered to withdraw whenever the leading DLI Coy reached them.	JSP
	0900	109.	Leading coy of RWF arrived and RWF took over SE and SOUTH area, the perimeter held being enlarged.	JSP
	1000	110.	Leading DLI Coy followed by 'C' Coy arrived. DLI took over EAST and NW corner RS occupied NORTH and WEST with A & B Coy in vicinity of INDIN woods. Mortaring continued and second attack was made by the Jap from SOUTH and SW which was successfully beaten off with heavy casualties to the enemy. Our arty fired during the morning on KWASON wood which forced the Jap into the open when he was at once heavily engaged by LMG fire inflicting heavy losses.	APP IB JSP
FIELD	1015	111.	Lt Col Theobald DLI assumed comd of the bde and received orders from DIV to withdraw and join HOPFORCE and he issued orders for the withdrawal. Arty would put down HE and smoke on KWASON wood, INDIN Hills and the hills NORTH of INDIN, and at 1500 hrs all transport would leave by the beach, followed by RS at 1530 hrs, DLI 1535 hrs and RWF at 1540 hrs. All wounded and sick would be evacuated on vehicles if possible and they would have priority.	

FIELD		1030	112. C.O. issued his orders for the withdrawal which was box formation. D Coy leading, 'C' right flank, HQ centre, A left flank and B Coy rear. Apart from mortar and occasional sniping there was no further interference from the enemy.																	
			113. Capt J. Morrison RAMC and the RAP worked exceedingly well throughout the night 5/6 April and morning 6 Apr in collecting the wounded during lulls in the battle and tending them under very difficult conditions.																	
		1530	114. Bn left for beach and adopted box formation for march along the beach. 1 MG opened fire during move to beach and 3 ORs were wounded and evacuated. Bn arrived at KYAUKPANDU at 1640 hrs and went into leaguer there for the night.																	
			115. Casualties suffered by the bn during the fighting 5/6 Apr was:-																	
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	7 APR	0800	116. CO to Bde conference when he received orders to occupy a defensive position.	JSP																
		0930	117. 'O' Gp conference and recce of new positions. Carrier Pl returned into command	JSP																
		1400	118. Bn move to new position and Bn HQ was established by 1600 hrs. Bn HQ 500055, A Coy 505049, B 502052, C 506048, D 496057.	JSP																
		1800	119. Carrier Pl ordered to have Standing Patrol at bridge 505059.	JSP																
FIELD	8 APR	0635	120. Bn ordered to be ready to take over new role.	JSP																
		0800	121. 'O' Gp Conference when orders for new role of "Jock Column" were issued and composition would be X Force made up of B and D Coys - Commander Major G.A. Byam Shaw Y Force made up of A and C Coys - Commander Capt D.G. Gibson Z Force made up of HQ Coy and surplus men - Commander Major G. Douglas Z Force would be reinforcement for the Striking Force. Comd Post would be CO, Adj, SO and IO with minimum personnel. Transport 2 carriers and 1 x 15 cwt truck. Recce Pl of carriers and 3 x 3" mortars on 4 carriers. 1 sec 3.7 guns and 1 Pl MGs would probably be under command) Striking Forces) JSP																
		0945	122. Bn at ½ hour's notice to move. CO to Bde for conference	JSP																
		1000	123. 1 RA OR reported to have been wounded on the GYINDAW road by a sniper.	JSP																
		1013	124. Bn ordered to be ready to move at once	JSP																
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FIELD		1030	125. F.S.D. at 493083 reported to have been raided during night	JSP
		1125	126. Comd Post and X & Y Forces moved to KYAUKPANDU Bridge	JSP
		1340	127. C.O. gave out his orders for occupying the high ground EAST of the GYINDAW / KYAUKPANDU Road. X Force would move along the high ground and occupy features with a Pl with 2 secs on feature and 1 sec on the road. Pl areas would be ridge 497087, Pt 185 and pimple 499080. Y Force would then advance by road up to where X Force held the hills and would then move to Pt 411. Sec Carriers would patrol road till hills were secured.	JSP
		1346	128. 1 sec Carriers moved to FSD & picked up 2 wounded men, returning at 1353 hrs.	JSP
		1430	129. X Force advanced and by 1530 hrs had secured two objectives and located two possible LMGs which they were ordered to destroy with force and speed.	JSP
		1700	130. X Force fwd tps at 499084 and they were ordered to dig in there and Y Force ordered to secure features 499090 and 498095 and 498092	JSP
		1712		
		1715	131. Pioneer Pl ordered to form defensive screen for FSD while trucks were being loaded	JSP
		1825	132. Y Force in position - Major G.A. Byam Shaw and 1 OR wounded.	JSP
		2230	133. Sec Carriers patrolled road every two hours during the night. Apart from occasional sniping on the road, the day was quiet	JSP
	9 APR		134. ATEBRIN issued to the bn	JSP
		0700	135. X & Y Forces both reported quiet night	JSP
		0945	136. Suspected enemy LMG Post located and at 1020 hrs Lt McCance and his Pl moved from Pt 185 (which was taken over by 1 sec of Lt Pomphrey's Pl) by the EAST side of the hill to search the area and take up new position at 498078.	JSP
		1730	137. Sec Carrier patrolled road during darkness every hour. Quiet day with little sniping. Strength 22 Officers 514 ORs (APP I & II)	APP I & II JSP
FIELD	10 APR	0545	138. Quiet night	JSP
		0630	139. CO to GYINDAW to 3/9 Gurkhas who were to take over from the bn	JSP
		0730	140. Orders issued for method of relief and withdrawal to MYACHAUNG	JSP
		0800	141. Z Force left for No 5 Staging Camp where they remained till morning 11 Apr.	JSP
		0900	142. 16 ORs Innisks arrived from ATETNANRA and passed on to GYINDAW	JSP
		1015	143. X Force used 2" mortar on suspected sniper.	JSP
		1100	144. Y Force now ordered to join X Force when relieved.	JSP
		1300	145. 3/9 Gurkhas relieved Y Force	JSP
		1330	146. CO gave orders for thickening of position held by X Force and for subsequent withdrawal of both Forces by road at approx	

			2315 hrs while Cmd Post and Carrier Pl took up covering position on beach to protect X & Y Force and also the Bde who would withdraw along the beach to GYINDAW and thence to area of OKHPE chaung by road.	JSP
		1830	147. Cmd Post and Carrier Pl left for beach and took up covering position	JSP
		1920	148. Heavy rain which continued to 2200 hrs.	JSP
		2335	149. Bde had completed withdrawal through Cmd Post. X & Y Force ordered to move at once.	JSP
FIELD	11 APR	0100	150. Cmd Post and Carrier Pl leaguer at GYINDAW chaung on account of high tide until 0445 hrs when they continued to OKHPE 446187 where X & Y Force arrived by march route at 0500 hrs and Cmd Post at 0600 hrs	JSP
		0745	151. Bde Cmd visited bn and gave orders to CO to move to DILPARA 3735 by MT.	JSP
		0945	152. O Gp Conference. Mobile column under command Major W.A. Russell would be X Force, sec 3.7 guns, Carrier Pl, MG Pl, and 3 x 3" mortars on carriers. Mob. Col would be at instant readiness. For the move to DILPARA which was a tactical MT move, X Force would move whenever that was ready and Y Force on return of sufficient vehicles. Carriers would escort each move	JSP
		1000	153. B Ech moved to DILPARA	JSP
		1030	154. X Force left and at 1200 hrs Cmd Post and Y Force, arriving DILPARA 1320 hrs.	JSP
		1215	155. Z Force left No 5 Staging Camp LAMBAGUNA for DILPARA.	JSP
		1330	156. CO gave orders for protection layout Cmd Post 377357, X Force on hill range 381356, Y Force 379359, Z Force 381352	JSP
		1930	157. Sec Carriers patrolled road to LAMBAGUNA	JSP
FIELD	12 APR	0630	158. Sec Carriers patrolled to LAMBAGUNA area and contacted RWF	JSP
		0930	159. Jap forces reported moving NORTH four miles to the EAST of 4 Ind. Bde at GYINDAW. Lt McCance and 2 ORs ordered to proceed on recce to pt 904 (4236), twin knobs 4138 (Sheet 84D1 & 5) returning by LETWEDET CHAUNG. Lt Pomphrey & 2 ORs to patrol to ridge 4334, Pt 1440 (4434) and Pt 102 (4432) returning via HKRAMWEYWA. Both patrols to leave by KINGYAUNG 3831 and remain out till 1700 hrs 13 Apr unless enemy seen earlier	JSP
		1345	160. CO to Bde and at 1540 hrs proceeded on recce to LAMBAGUNA area	JSP
"	13 APR	0800	161. Lt Col RW Jackson temporary second in command 6 I.B. in addition to cmdg 1 RS	JSP
		1230	162. Lt Pomphrey returned from patrol reporting no signs of enemy.	JSP

		1445	163. Lt Payne and 2 ORs ordered to carry out recce patrol over same route as Lt Pomphrey (159) with object of reaching Pt 1440 by nightfall, returning at once if enemy observed in force	JSP
		1600	164. Lt McCance returned from patrol: saw no enemy but villagers reported Japs to be further SOUTH	JSP
		1700	165. 1 sec carriers sent on standing patrol to 3834	JSP
"	14 APR	0630	166. Carrier sec returned - nothing to report	JSP
		1515	167. Lt Payne returned from patrol with negative report	JSP
		1825	168. CSM Scullion & 2 ORs ordered out on recce patrol - Route KINGYAUNG (3731), ridge 4334, Pt 1440 (4434) and Pt 1102 (4432) returning via ALEKINGYAUNG.	JSP
FIELD		1745	169. Lieuts Bunn, Mann and Mellor arrived	JSP
	15 APR	0545	170. 1 sec carriers sent on patrol to KINGYAUNG and they returned at 0630 with negative report	JSP
		1400	171. C.O. to Bde	JSP
		1415	172. Lt McCance with Lt Mann under instruction ordered to take out recce patrol, covering same route as CSM Scullion (168) with special object of reaching Pt 1440.	JSP
		1815	173. CSM Scullion returned from patrol with negative report	JSP
		1845	174. CO to Bde for conference	JSP
		1915	175. CO returned from Bde - Lt Crockatt with carriers of 1 RS and R Berks ordered to take fighting patrol to bottle neck between hills and creek at GODUSARA (3731). The routine carrier patrol would join them in the morning after contacting RWF. The reason for this fighting patrol was on confirmation of a body of 30 Japs lying up on the beach being received.	JSP
	16 APR	0610	176. Lt Crockatt returned from patrol - negative results	JSP
		0710	177. C.O. to Bde for conference, returning 0910 hrs	JSP
		0910	178. CSM Bain with Lt Bunn under instruction ordered to take out recce patrol KINGYAUNG - Pt 306 (4132) - HKRAMWEYWA (4232) - Pt 1440 - returning via ALE KINGYAUNG (4133). Object to reach Pt 1440 at all costs and to avoid being embroiled in fighting	JSP
		0915	179. O Gp Conference. If Mob. Col called out, Z Force would thicken up the fire posn on feature created by X Force and RE would take over feature	JSP
FIELD		1710	180. Lt McCance returned from Recce Patrol. Contacted two Pls BURMA REGT in area 4331 where task was to delay enemy 48 hrs in the hills. Many natives (about 100) met, carrying rice from hill villages to CHIRIDIN market and returning with vegetables. 1 villager reported Japs 10 miles to the SOUTH (LO information that Jap patrols have been located in CHAUNG 427263 7 miles SOUTH of present locations).	JSP

		1915	181. CO to Bde for conference returning 1945 hrs - Carrier Patrol cancelled	JSP		
		2000	182. First signs of rain - Heavy showers accompanied by strong winds, direction NW to SE	JSP		
FIELD	17 APR	0810	183. CO to Bde for conference	JSP		
		0255	184. CSM Bain with Lt Bunn returned from recce patrol with negative report of enemy movement.	JSP		
		1030	185. CO returned from Bde and 'O' Gp Conference. Lt McCance ordered to take recce patrol into the hills area 4229 contacting Pls of Burma Regt.	JSP JSP		
		1315	186. Lt Crockatt on recce to DLI at 4026	JSP		
		1410	187. CO ordered Mob Col (Comd Major Russell) comprising X Force, Carrier Pl, MG Pl & 3 x 3" mortars to proceed to KINGYAUNG CHAUNG to block this exit from the hills	JSP		
		1430	188. Lt Crockatt returned from recce 'O' Gp Conference. Comd Post Y & Z Force at 1 hrs notice to move. If Y and Comd Post moved to GODUSARA, Z would remain present location.	JSP		
		1840	189. Mob Col reported location 1 Pl chaung 387314. Two Pls in hills round Pt 109 (3931); carriers in area CHIRIDAN (3732 & 3632)	JSP		
		1850	190. CO to Bde	JSP		
		1915	191. Lt McCance returned having contacted Burma Regt. No movement of enemy seen or heard	JSP		
		1920	192. C.O. returned from Bde.	JSP		
			193. Strength 22 Officers 366 ORs (APP III & IV)	APP III & IV JSP		
		FIELD	18 APR	0630	194. Mob Col reported situation unchanged	JSP
				0750	195. CO to Bde and he returned at 0850 hrs	JSP
1140	196. CO to Bde and at 1155 hrs he went to Mob Col Cmd Post area about Pt 109 (3931) - 7/15 Punjab Regt taking up positions from Pt 109 to Pt 306 (4132). Mob Col to remain in present location with 1 Pl and 1 sec JAT MGs at 389318; 1 Pl and 1 sec MG at 391318; 1 Pl at 390316; Cmd Post at 390319.			JSP JSP		
1305	197. CO returned			JSP		
1430	198. CSM Gove sent out on recce patrol. Route DILPARA (3735) - KANBYIN (4036) - Pt 904 (4236) - Pt 1433 (4337) returning by same route.			JSP		
2025	199. Bde MTO informed us that he was taking all MT with the exception of 1 x 15 cwt and water truck			JSP		
FIELD	19 APR	0400	200. MT taken away by Bde MTO.	JSP		
		0530	201. CO sent Lt Crockatt to Mob Col to fetch sitrep and with orders that Lt MacInnes and Pl was to return to camp	JSP		
		0800	202. CSM Gove returned from recce patrol - negative report.	JSP		

		1005	203. Lt MacInnes & Pl returned from Mob Col by march route and came under command Z Force	JSP
		1215	204. CO to Bde returning 1255 hrs	JSP
		1345	205. CO and Adj left for Mob Col returning 1505 hrs - situation unchanged	JSP
		1530	206. Lt Moffatt ordered to take out recce patrol. Route DILPARA (3735) KANBYIN (4036) - Pt 904 (4236) - Pt 1433 (4337) returning by same route	JSP
	20 APR	0710	207. Capt Menzies reported back from Hospital	JSP
		0715	208. Lt Moffatt reported back from patrol, having reached objective but no sign of enemy movement	JSP
		1230	209. Lt Bunn ordered to take recce patrol by same route to Pt 1433	JSP
		1400	210. CO to Bde	
		1420	211. Lt Payne with 6 ORs ordered to leave at once on recce patrol to KANBYIN, MYAUK KINGYAUNG, SINOH 4536, KANTHE 4931 and return immediately to report result.	JSP
		1730	212. CO to Bde	JSP
		1845	213. CO to Bde	JSP
FIELD		2300	214. Pl at NYAUNBINGYI withdrawn to X Force at Pt 191.	JSP
			215. ATEBRIN issued to Bn	JSP
	21 APR	0500	216. Lt Bunn returned from patrol - no movement heard or seen of enemy	JSP
		1000	217. Capt Warrack and 6 ORs ordered on recce patrol to KANBYIN-MYAUK KINGYAUNG - SINOH - KANTHE	JSP
		1445	218. CO to Bde	JSP
		1735	219. Bde information that enemy air activity expected to be resumed immediately	JSP
		1945	220. 2 ORs of Lt Payne's patrol returned and reported that going was heavy and at 1135 hrs patrol had reached point short of SINOH	JSP
		2015	221. CO to Bde	JSP
		2130	222. Lt Payne returned having reached SINOH and not completed the patrol - no enemy movement seen	JSP
		2100	223. Mob Col ordered to ensure that bridge 361334 was held at all costs which carriers would do. 50/60 Japs in civilian clothes with LMGs and mortars reported to be moving NORTH from ALETHANGYAW.	JSP
	22 APR	0400	224. Lt Payne left to complete his patrol	JSP
		0530	225. Smoke seen in hill square 4137	JSP
FIELD		0745	226. CO to Bde and again at 0915 hrs	JSP

		0945	227. CO proceeded to Mob Col and ordered them to move at once to area 3740 to take up position there to forestall possible Jap threat to MAUNGDAW / BUTHIDAUNG Road.	JSP
		1030	228. CO recced new position for Mob Col. 1 Pl and sec MG 382403; Two Pls and Col HQ 381396; Standing Patrol of 1 sec carriers at 402399 and 1 sec carriers to contact Standing Patrol and Coy LF continuously day and night	JSP JSP
		1120	229. CO to Bde	JSP
		1230	230. Mob Col in new positions HQ 383398	JSP
		1815	231. CO to Bde thereafter he proceeded to Mob Col and ordered them to return to their positions at KINGYAUNG in view of threat of infiltration there through the enemy having occupied SOUTH end of Pt 318	JSP
		1930	232. Lt Payne returned from patrol having seen no enemy movement and contacted 1/15 Punjabis	JSP
		2200	233. Mob Col in position at KINGYAUNG - Carriers patrol road continuously KINGYAUNG / DILPARA.	JSP
		1800	236. Draft of 106 ORs arrived	JSP
FIELD	23 APR	0800	237. Lt Moffatt and 6 ORs left on patrol to KANBYIN, MYAUK KINGYAUNG, SINOH and KANTHE	JSP
		0900	238. CO to Conference at Bde	JSP
			239. Bn reformed into A, B, C & D Coys each of 2 Pls and HQ Coy. B & D Coy with mortars and carriers under command to continue as Mob Col with Major Russell Force Commander. A Coy Capt Stait-Gardner, B Coy Capt Warrack, C Coy Capt Gibson, D Coy Major Russell, HQ Coy Major Douglas, Adj Capt ADW Sanderson. Coy locations: A 381356, B Pt 182 (3834), C 379359, D 389319, HQ Coy 381352	JSP
		1600	240. Major Mackenzie Kennedy took over command of Mob Col.	JSP
		1830	241. CO to Bde - Enemy reported vicinity Pt 318 and KAINGYI	JSP
		2230	242. A & C Coy ordered "vigilance" i.e. 75% personnel awake. Carrier patrols continuous during night along road from 4 Ind Bde to DILPARA	JSP
		1800	243. Draft of 90 ORs arrived	JSP
	24 APR	0615	244. Lt Moffatt returned from patrol having reached 440357 (WEST of SINOH) and he neither saw nor heard any enemy movement	JSP
		0800	245. CO to Bde	JSP
		0830	246. CO on recce with Bde Cmd to KINGYAUNG area 3832 for possible move to meet threat from enemy force now about Pt 318 (4328)	JSP
		1330	247. CO to Bde	JSP

FIELD		1345	248. CO gave out orders for possible move of A and C Coys and Cmd Post with AA Pl and 3" Mortar to area 3832; HQ Coy and B Ech to remain present location	JSP
		1400	249. CO to Bde - Lt Payne and 4 ORs left on patrol to KANTHE via KANBYIN, MYAUK KINGYAUNG and SINOH	JSP
		1535	250. CO with Coy Cmds carried out recce of Pt 109 and orders were given for occupying positions as under. A Coy Twin Knobs 392313; B Coy 1 Pl Standing Patrol at bridge 368318 and 1 Pl at immediate readiness to move to road block 390298 in event of Jap penetration. Meantime it would be at 390320. C Coy to take over WEST spur from D Coy after 1915 hrs. D Coy to hold Pt 109. 1 sec carriers standing patrol at bridge 390298; 1 sec carriers with under cmd 3 x 3" mortars on carriers. Standing patrol 375325 to prevent infiltration Northwards	JSP
		1830	251. Cmd Post, A & C Coys left DILPARA and were in new positions in KINGYAUNG area by 2200 hrs. Standing Patrol at bridge 368318 in position at 2240 hrs; Carrier Standing Patrol in position 2245 hrs	JSP
			252. Strength 25 Officers 450 ORs (APP V & VI)	APP V & VI JSP
FIELD	25 APR	0630	253. All Coys reported quiet night; 4 Ind Bde also reported quiet night	JSP
		0920	254. CO received orders to carry out recce of possible new positions as it was now considered that the KINGYAUNG threat had disappeared and the threat was now to the MAUNGDAW / BUTHIDAUNG Road.	JSP
		0930	255. CO and Coy Cmds left on recce of new area. Provisional dispositions to protect signal centre were fixed as follows:- A Coy high ground area 374400 (NORTH of road). Task to prevent infiltration SOUTH down BAWLI BAZAR road and from EAST B Coy high ground area 374396 (SOUTH of road). Task to prevent infiltration from SOUTH & SE. D Coy on three knolls vicinity T junc 365398. Task to prevent infiltration from NORTH & WEST C Coy to be in reserve at BID dump with 3 x 3" mortars and 2 secs MG. C Coy to be ready to reinforce and stop any break through and also to take up defensive position WEST or NW. Carrier Pl to patrol road to tunnel area 3939 and BAWLI BAZAR, with 3 x 3" mortars carrier mounted under command Bn HQ to be in area of BID 365396 or area 358396.	JSP
		1230	256. Lt Payne returned from KANTHE and reported having seen no signs of enemy	JSP

FIELD		1700	257. CO issued orders from Bde Cmd.	JSP
		1720	258. CO gave out orders. Mob Col reorganised under cmd Major Mackenzie-Kennedy. Task to contain the enemy wherever they should appear and allow the gunners to deal with them. If Mob Col should move SOUTH then 25 pdr FOO with Force Cmd; if NORTH 3.7 FOO. Mob Col now made up as follows: A Coy with 1 Pl B Coy and 3 dets mortars on carriers under command 1 Pl MGs 1 sec carrier from Bn HQ and any other carrier which may be engaging the enemy Remainder of bn would remain in present location, D Coy having 3 dets mortars under command; 1 sec of 3 carriers on standing patrol at CHNDARA, 1 sec on road patrol and 1 sec at Bn HQ First carrier road patrol of 1 sec would leave at 1815 hrs, visit carrier SP at 390298, return to Bn HQ, report then proceed NORTH to bridge 34 where it would halt 20 minutes then move to chaung 381346, halt 10 minutes, then direct to road block at DILPARA. If nothing to report, patrol would then return, halting 10 minutes at bridge 34, then move to S.P. at 390298 and then return to Bn HQ reporting to Duty Officer. 15 minutes after return of carrier patrol, the other carrier sec would carry out the same patrol and the patrols would continue throughout the night. If enemy are met, 1 carrier would return at once to report to CO and remaining carriers would engage the enemy.	JSP
		1800	259. Informed that three coys 7/15 Punjabis were moving down ridge from Pt 1402 to 493240 in fighting patrol	JSP
		2045	260. Bde informed us that at 1835 hrs the enemy had launched an attack against 55 Bde on EAST side of MAYU RIDGE, estimated strength 1 Bn.	JSP
	26 APR	0630	261. All coys reported quiet night and no movement seen	JSP
		0730	262. Carrier road patrol ordered to leave 2 hrs after previous patrol during daylight	JSP
		0830	263. CO visited standing patrol at 368318	JSP
		0800	264. 2 Officers 106 ORs reinforcements arrived	JSP
		0945	265. D Coy ordered to have a Standing Patrol of 1 sjt and 6 ORs on feature Pt 306 relieving S.P. of R Berks. Task to give warning of approach of enemy, numbers and direction. 2 ORs to return to Bn HQ with information, remainder to stay on hill unless attacked in force when they may withdraw but must maintain	JSP

		1430 2130	contact with the enemy. SP to leave at 1200 hrs and will be relieved about 1200 hrs 27 Apr 266. Coys report situation unchanged 267. 5 Officers 5 ORs reinforcements arrived. Carrier Road Patrols continued throughout the 24 hrs and reported no movement seen	JSP JSP
FIELD	27 APR	0630 1100	268. Coys reported quiet night. 269. 'O' Gp Conference. 'C' Coy ordered to provide Standing Patrol of 1 Officer and 6 ORs at Pt 614 (4431) to leave at 1300 hrs. D Coy to take over S.P. at Pt 614 on 29 and 30 Apr. B Coy to take over SP at Pt 306 on 28 Apr. C Coy to take over SP at Pt 306 on 29 and 30 Apr. Yellow triangles to be used for ground to air recognition. Coys to run NCO cadres. Special vigilance, in view of Jap Emperor's birthday on 29th Apr, to be kept on 27, 28, 29 and 30 Apr. Information all tends to point that Jap intends to attack BUTHIDAUNG from the EAST and thence drive on MAUNGDAW 270. Carrier patrols continued - nothing to report	JSP JSP JSP JSP
	28 APR	0630 1930	271. Coys reported situation unchanged 272. Firing heard from direction of Pt 306	JSP JSP
	29 APR	0630 0800 0820 1730 1820	273. Coys reported situation quiet 274. D Coy ordered to have Standing Patrol of 1 sjt and 3 ORs at 423348 275. CO visited Bde, Z Force and S.P. (Carrier) at 390298 276. Sniper reported to have fired 1 shot in the vicinity Pt 182 (3834). 1 sec carriers and 1 sec AA Pl ordered to search area for sniper. Result negative. 277. Standing Patrol from Pt 614 returned & reported they had seen no signs of the enemy and that they had left 614 at 1630 hrs without being relieved. (Relief had left at 1200 hrs). Another relief was sent out at once	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	28 APR		278. Carrier Road patrol continued throughout the 24 hrs.	JSP
	29 APR	0630 0815 1030 1200 1600	279. All coys reported quiet night 280. Missing relief for SP at 614 returned having lost the way and gone towards Pt 318 where he spent the night and saw no sign of any Jap movement. 281. CO to Bde 282. Relief for Standing Patrols left 283. 306 Patrol returned, no enemy movement seen	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP

		1725	284. 423348 Patrol returned with nothing to report but they were not relieved. Further relief pty sent out at 1815	JSP
		1815	285. 614 Patrol returned - all quiet. Information received of new positions of 7/15 Punjabis	JSP
		2315	286. LO from Bde with information of moves of 36 Bde and possible moves of 6 Inf Bde.	JSP
			287. Carrier road patrols continued. Nothing to report	JSP
FIELD	30 APR	0415	288. 6 Bde placed at 2 hrs notice to move.	JSP
		0620	289. All coys reported situation unchanged	JSP
		0815	290. CO to Bde for conference	JSP
		0930	291. 'O' Gp Conference when orders were issued for possible move and bn placed at 50 minutes notice. If bn moves then Mob Col would cease.	JSP
		1000	292. 2nd relief of 423348 Patrol returned and reported SP was in position	JSP
		1200	293. SP reliefs left	JSP
		1430	294. Bde message that bn would not move	JSP
		1445	295. 306 Patrol returned - no movement seen	JSP
		1530	296. LO from Bde with fresh orders - Adj to Bde Conference at 1630 hrs	JSP
		1800	297. 423348 Patrol returned - no movement seen	JSP
		2015	298. 614 Patrol returned - no movement seen. Carrier road patrol continued as usual. Nothing to report.	JSP
		2220	299. 'A' Coy ordered 'Stand To' on account of movement heard to their SOUTH and stood down at 2250 without any incident.	JSP
			300. Atebrin issued to bn.	
			301. Maps Sheet nos 84 D5vi, D6, D9, D10 & D11 attached as appendix	APPs VII to XI JSP
				Field. 1st May 1943

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Month and Year MAY 1943

Commanding Officer Lt Col R.W. Jackson

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
FIELD	MAY 1	0630 0700 0830	<p>1. Coys reported quiet night</p> <p>2. Lt Anderson with 3 ORs left to bring back Standing Patrols from 306 & 614</p> <p>3. O Gp Conference when orders for move were issued. Mob Col (Comd Major Mackenzie-Kennedy) to occupy and hold Pt 109 (3931). Force to consist of: A Coy, all carriers, mortars on carriers, and Pl MG (Jat). Remainder of bn to move to DILPARA (3735) on night 1/2 May when bn will be under 1 hrs notice. Positions to be occupied as under: B Coy 381355; C Coy 377361; D Coy south end of feature 379358; B Ech, HQ Coy present location; Command Post 377359. Move would be by transport as follows: 1400 hrs Surplus ammo to B Ech 1415 hrs 2 mortar dets and ammo 1430 hrs 1 mortar det and ammo 1500 hrs RAP 1515 hrs) Bn HQ 1545 hrs) 1745 hrs B Coy Cooks 1800 hrs C Coy Cooks 1815 hrs D Coy Cooks Coy would leave by march route. B Coy at 1920 hrs, C Coy at 1940 hrs, D Coy at 2000 hrs. Mob Col to take over from C and D Coys before they left.</p>	JSP JSP
FIELD		0900 0900 1215 1440 1710 1715	<p>4. Draft of 18 ORs arrived</p> <p>5. CO left for Bde Conference.</p> <p>6. Pt 306 patrol returned - no movement seen</p> <p>7. 614 Patrol returned. All quiet. 7/15 Punjabis in new positions.</p> <p>8. Orders for move confirmed</p> <p>9. Comd Post established 377357</p> <p>10. CO to Bde</p>	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP

FIELD		1605	37. Lt Mellor's Pl moved forward to attack 1440 and at 1810 hrs put in their attack when 'B' Coy gave covering fire by LMG.	JSP
		1900	38. RWF Coy returned, coming under command, and were placed in reserve	JSP
FIELD	MAY 5	0515	39. LO arrived from Bde with information of Jap movements and proposed British operations on the EAST side of the MAYU Ridge.	JSP
		0600	40. Coys reported quiet night but situation on Pt 1440 not known	JSP
		0630	41. Major Douglas ordered to command tps at KANBYIN and AA Pl to provide escort for all mule convoys	JSP
		0630	42. Sjt Home (Lt Mellor's Pl) and 1 sec reported back to B Coy and reported that 1440 was strongly held by the enemy and Pl was unable to capture the position. Sjt McGurk and Pte McCauly [Macaulay] were heard calling during the attack. RWF Coy ordered to relieve 'B' Coy on ridge.	JSP
FIELD		1035	43. Lt Mellor arrived at Comd Post having returned via KANBYIN. He reported that he approached 1440 from the track which went round the WEST side of 1440 and joined into a track on the SOUTH of 1440 which ran NORTH/SOUTH. He had sent scouts SOUTH along this track towards SOUTH PIMPLE and they reported nothing to be seen or heard. He left two scouts at the track junc and proceeded NORTH with 1 sec, sending the other sec under Sjt Home round by the S.E. He soon came under LMG fire from 1440 and Sjt Home was fired on by LMG from a position NE of SOUTH PIMPLE. Lt Mellor moved off the track to the WEST and tried to attack from there. He then heard firing to his SOUTH, saw that his two scouts were casualties and a Jap LMG was on the track junction and about 20 Japs were advancing towards him. He then moved around 1440 on the WEST side to attack from the NORTH but soon came under LMG fire from the NORTH. The other pty of enemy were trying to cut him off, so he broke off the attack and slipped away down the hillside to the WEST and returned to the bn via KANBYIN. Sjt Home and his sec came round the EAST of 1440 and eventually made their way back to 'B' Coy direct. Lt Mellor considered that Pt 1440 area was held by two Pls. Casualties including original sec on 1440 were 2 killed, 1 wounded and 2 POW.	JSP TRACE as APP III
		1140	44. RWF Coy completed taking over from B Coy	JSP
		1255	45. 1440 shelled by us.	JSP
		1315	46. 'B' Coy in position on chaung area 440352 - B & D Coys employed in maintenance of RWF Coy and protecting the L of C. 'C' Coy is placed under comd 55 Bde.	JSP

		1500	47. Rifle shots heard on the EAST of 1440	JSP
		1600	48. Lts Towers, Carr and Wilson joined the bn	JSP
		1630	49. Capt McCance arrived at 6 Inf Bde HQ from his patrol to 55 Bde	JSP
		1700	50. Asked Bde to have Pt 1440 bombed/strafed by RAF.	JSP
	MAY	0630	51. All coys reported quiet night	JSP
	6	0740	52. 5 enemy seen approaching OP on 1440 were shelled. Two Japs carried away one and the remainder were not seen again	JSP
		0911	)53. Mohawks MG and cannon from SOUTH side of 1440 to SOUTH PIMPLE	JSP
		0917	) and Western slopes. All planes on target	JSP
		0920	54. Guns shelled MATHON CHAUNG at 1440	JSP
FIELD		1100	55. LO arrived to give latest information and reported having met 'C' Coy very exhausted near MYAUK KINGYAUNG and they were proceeding to KANBYIN	JSP
		1200	56. 'C' Coy arrived KANBYIN where they were ordered to remain and rest	JSP
		1615	57. Left hand Pl RWF attacked from NORTH and EAST. Telephone line from Cmd Post to Bde cut.	JSP
		1635	58. Gunfire called for on 44003485	JSP
		1638	59. Enemy aircraft overhead, air support called for	JSP
		1645	60. Wounded reported that 20 Japs had attacked and captured OP hill 440346	JSP
		1658	61. Enemy reported to be working round WEST side of hill to cut off RWF who were then ordered to withdraw. Enemy estimated strength 3 Pls.	JSP
		1700	62. Aircraft MG the enemy on Pt 1440. Bde informed that it was improbable that we can hold present positions after dark if attack is put in and propose moving to Pt 904 (4237) which is agreed to.	JSP
		1730	63. RWF Coy passed through Cmd Post	JSP
		1741	64. 'B' Coy passed	JSP
		1744	65. Bde ordered Bn to move to ridge 4136	JSP
		1900	66. RWF Coy occupied SOUTH and feature 413358 B Coy and Cmd Post at the NORTH end and D Coy on feature 412362	JSP
FIELD		1915	67. Major Douglas arrived with fresh orders for the bn to have one coy at each of the following: KANBYIN, Pt 176 and Pt 904. CO informed Bde that bn was not in a fit state to occupy Pt 904 and that it could not be done that night as tracks would have to be cut but he was now occupying KANBYIN with C Coy which badly required rest and the remainder on hills 413358 and 412362	JSP
		1930	68. Standing Patrol sent to Pt 904	JSP

	MAY 7	0630 0700 0730 0800 1300 1415 1415 1625 1630 2315	69. S.P returned from 904 and reported no movement seen 70. RWF Coy sent SP of 1 officer and 6 ORs to 413368 71. Col Chapman arrived with orders 72. Capt McCance and 6 ORs (B Coy) sent on patrol to 422358 to return at 1400 hrs 73. Bde ordered SP of 1 Pl on Pt 904 and SP of 1 Officer and 6 ORs at 422358. 'C' Coy ordered to provide SP at Pt 904 74. Capt McCance returned, nothing to report. 75. Lt Noble and 6 ORs (D Coy) left on SP at 422358 76. Major Mackenzie-Kennedy arrived and took over command 77. CO left for Bde 78. LMG and SAA fire heard in direction of Mob Col	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
FIELD	MAY 8	0630 0900 1319 1615 1730 1915	79. Coys reported quiet night 80. D Coy Pl left to take over Standing Patrol at Pt 904. RWF Coy sent out relief to SP at 422358. 81. Movement seen 413350 which was immediately shelled 82. RWF reported that they could not locate Lt Noble and his patrol though whole area had been searched. 2 ORs of previous patrol sent out to check up and they confirmed RWF report. 83. RAF strafe Pt 1440 and ridge to NORTH 84. Fires seen on 1440 which burnt for several hours 85. Lt Col Jackson evacuated to MDS.	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP
	MAY 9	0630 0730 0750 0830 1500 1645 1715 1830 2000	86. Quiet night 87. Informed by Bde that Pt 1433 would not be held by our troops after 0900 hrs 88. Orders received for bn to move back to DILPARA and to be back before 1900 hrs 89. 'O' Gp Conference when orders were issued for withdrawal. 'B' Coy to be rearguard from present position, then 'C' Coy from KANBYIN. Zero 1500 hrs. Order of march D Coy, RWF Coy, Cmd Post, B Coy, C Coy. Coys to start thinning out at 1330 hrs. 'C' Coy ordered to withdraw D Coy Pl on Pt 904, and RWF Coy to withdraw their SP at 422358 by 1200 hrs 90. Withdrawal of bn commenced and continued without incident 91. Cmd Post established DILPARA and Coys moved into their old positions. RWF Coy returned to their own bn. 92. All Coys in position 93. C.O. held Coy Cmds conference 94. CO to Bde for conference. Heavy stores removed by MT during night	JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP JSP

FIELD	MAY 10	0630	95. Quiet night	JSP
		0700	96. 'O' Gp Conference when preliminary orders for withdrawal NORTH were issued.	JSP
		0830	97. Mob Col returned into cmd, A Coy took up position area 380355	JSP
		0900	98. A Coy Cmd, OsC Carrier Pl and Mortar Pl given preliminary orders for move.	JSP
		1100	99. CO to Bde Conference	JSP
		1400	100. 'O' Gp Conference when final details for move were issued. Bde SP Salvage Dump. Bn SP Umbrella Tree at Z-15 Order of march. 'C' Coy, Cmd Post, HQ Coy, A Coy less 1 Pl, mule convoy, Pl A Coy, ambulances. Coys to pass Cmd Post at Z-30. Carrier patrol SOUTH to 4 Ind Bde to continue until move starts. Listening watch only from Z-60 unless in emergency.	JSP
		1625	101. Lt Noble and 6 ORs (D Coy) returned from Standing Patrol at 422358 having been out since 1415 hrs 7 May, and he was relieved by RWF patrol. This was the fifth patrol sent to this area since Lt Noble should have been relieved.	JSP
		2000	102. CO to Bde for conference	JSP
FIELD	MAY 11	1100	103. QM left with 'B' Ech which still remained	JSP
		1200	104. CO to Bde Conference	JSP
		1300	105. All carriers in bde moved under command of Capt Menzies	JSP
		1400	106. 'O' Gp Conference when final orders for withdrawal were issued. ZERO 2300 hrs past Bde SP at Salvage Dump Check pts. Bde SP; RA Corner; POUNAZEIK. No halt until 0050 hrs May 12. No movement from present positions before 2200 hrs. Full water bottles and 48 hr rations to be carried by all ranks Embussing Point: ZEGANBYIN at 0400 hrs.	JSP
		2230	107. Bn left DILPARA by march route	JSP
FIELD	MAY 12	0230	108. Bn arrived at ZEGANBYIN where they halted for the day. Coys taking up defensive positions round feature 362468	JSP
		1200	109. Orders given for move to TUMBRU (138825) which would be by march route to CHOTA MAUNGNYAMA 3453 thence by MT.	JSP
TUMBRU	MAY 13	0030	110. Bn left ZEGANBYIN by march route and arrived at CHOTA MAUNGNYAMA at 0300 hrs when they embussed	JSP
		0500	111. Bn left CHOTA MAUNGNYAMA in MT.	JSP
		1100	112. Bn arrived at TUMBRU	JSP
		1400	113. Lieut Payne assumed duties as I.O. vice Capt Purves	PICP

(Steamer Station) 138825				
	14.5	-	114. Situation unchanged. Coys resting. Alarm & ARP posts completed, AF 3008 AF 3009 for 14 May 43	PICP Appendix V & VI PICP
	15.5	-	115. Situation unchanged.	PICP
	16.5	-	116. Situation unchanged.	PICP
	17.5	-	117. Situation unchanged. 55 Bde relieves 23 Bde.	PICP
	18.5	-	118. Situation unchanged.	PICP
	19.5	0745	119. River standing patrol - Lieut Hamling & 30 ORs - left jetty. Intention (i) by night to make a cordon of sampans, each containing two men across the NAF RIVER from the following points MTANCHANG mouth (194780) - CHAUNG mouth (186723) special task of stopping sampan traffic up or down stream. (ii) By day to lie up in the area of NOAPARA (1772) with sampans hidden in creek.	Maps 84C&C PICP 4 8
	20.5		120. Lieut Hamling reported two sampans sunk during journey down the previous day. The cordon could not be formed during the night.	PICP
TUMBRU (138825)	21st	0855	121. Jap bombers with 'zero' fighters escort, course N-S; and high altitude, passed overhead. 2 auxiliary petrol tanks were jettisoned hitting the side of the road near the jetty (These planes were returning from a raid on Cox's Bazar & Ramu Airfield which was ineffective) Quartermaster and Coy representatives left for CHITTAGONG via DOHAZARI.	PICP
	22nd		122. River patrol returned nothing to report. A.F. 3009 Received for 2400 hrs 21st May. " 3008	PICP See Appendix VII & VIII PICP
	23rd	0800 1530	123. Bn moved embussed for DOHAZARI 124. Bn arrived DOHAZARI without incident. Night spent in lager.	PICP PICP
	24th	0700 1015	125. Bn entrained & moved to CHITTAGONG 126. Bn arrived CHITTAGONG. Moved into hutted rest camp (47th) Lt Col R.W. Jackson resumes command vice Major Mackenzie-Kennedy	PICP PICP PICP
	25th		127. Situation unchanged.	PICP
	26th		128. 2i/c & advance party left for Ahmednagar.	PICP
	27th	AM PM	129. Bn entrained for return journey to Ahmednagar coming under command (4 I.B. 2 Div)	PICP
	28th	)	130.	
	29th	)	131.	

	30th) 31st)	132. Journey to Ahmednagar via SANTA HAR, CALCUTTA, NANHAD 133. <u>P.I.C. Payne Lieut</u> I.O.	PICP
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1st Bn The Royal Scots

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Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1 Apr Thondebhavi	Preparation for move.	JPM
2 " (Bangalore)	" " " Strength :- Officers 40 O.Rs. 830	Appx I.
3 " "	" " "	JPM
4 " "	Advance party left Bangalore. Remainder prepare for move	JPM
5 " "	0800 hrs advance rd party left for Calcutta	Appx II. Rd Party Log
0300 6 " "	"C" Coy left Bangalore by rail	JPM
0300 7 " Rail	Remainder of Bn left Bangalore. Main road party left for Calcutta	JPM
0800 8 " Thondebhavi	Rear Rd party left for Calcutta	JPM
9 " Rail	- Strength :- Officers 40 Other Ranks 821	Appx III.
10 " "	-	JPM
1300 11 " AMARADA	Bn detrained at AMARADA RD. Adv party left by air for JORHAT and	JPM
12 " "	Lay up DIMAPUR	JPM
13 " "	Bn flown) to Jorhat, Gauhati and Dimapur aerodromes concentrated	JPM
14 " DIMAPUR	Bn flown) at Dimapur	JPM
0900 15 " M.S. 32	Bn moved to Bde Box at M.S. 32 Dimapur/Imphal rd.	JPM
to 1200		
0730 16 " "	"C" and "D" Coys moved to KHABVUMA village ref 3878, Sheet 83K ¼"	JPM
	Took over from 1st R. Berks.	JPM
0730 16 " "	"A" Coy consolidated on 3976 Sheet 83K ¼". Strength :- Offrs 42	JPM
	O.Rs 801	Appx IV.
17 " "	Patrols searched areas forward of box. No enemy located. Old enemy posns found in areas 388816, 3780, 5484 Sh. 83K. Villagers reported no Japs in vicinity.	JPM
0600)18 " "	"D" Coy recce patrol to Zubza River area. Reported enemy posns at	JPM
1100)	pimples 395774	Appx V. Map enlargement
1100)18 " "	Fighting patrol to same area killed 4 Japs (395774)	JPM
1600)		
1300)18 " "	"D" Coy adv and met enemy in posns, were pinned down by fire	
1400)	casualties suffered. 3977 ref	JPM
1500 18 " "	"D" Coy withdrew 500 yds and formed perimeter	JPM
1600 18 " "	1 Pl "B" Coy assisted in removing wounded under cover of Arty smoke screen.	JP Miller Capt IO 1st Bn The Royal Scots

1700	18	"	M.S. 32	"D" Coy withdrew to Khabvuma village. Enemy seen in small parties throughout hours of daylight.	JPM
	19	"	"	Patrols and close observation kept of enemy posns. More enemy posns found 4374. Mortar and arty brought down on known enemy posns.	JPM
	20	"	"	Mortar, arty and M.M.G. fire kept up on enemy posns.	JPM
	20	"	"	"B" Coy attacked two pimples at 395774. Heavy enemy fire, chiefly from north	JPM
	20	"	"	"B" Coy withdrew to original posn.	JPM
1915	20	"	"	Light seen in valley, adjudged enemy mortar posn. MMG fire brought to bear and light went out. Mortar D.F. fire kept up through night on enemy posns	JPM
1615)	21			"O" group conference at Bn HQ. Hurricanes bombed and strafed pimples 395774.	JPM
1700)					JPM
2015)	21			Barrage brought down on enemy posns. No response from enemy.	JPM
2045)					
0330)	22	"	"	Verrey lights, mor and MMG fire, no response from enemy.	JPM
0343)					
1030)	22	"	"	Visit from Bde Comd.	JPM
1630)	22	"	"	Patrol observing area pimples. N.T.R.	JPM
0800)	23	"	"		
1000)	23	"	"	Patrols found pimples evacuated	JPM
1000)	23	"	"	Burying dead and collecting enemy kit and documents.	Appx VI
1800)				Strength :- Offrs 39, Other Ranks 737	JPM
0700)	24	"	M.S. 42	Bn moved forward to location 4667 (Sh Kohima)	JPM
1600)					
1800	25	"	M.S. 36½	2 i/c and Adv parties to KHONOMA and rations stores. Bn moved by MT to 4667 and march route to KHONOMA 413653. Rear Echelons remained at 430629.	JPM
1900	26	"	KHONOMA	Bn box formed at KHONOMA 413653 (sh Kohima)	JPM
1030	27	"	"	Bn started cross-country march, arrived without meeting enemy at 476628 (sh Kohima) Strength :- Offrs 39 O.Rs. 724	JPM
	30	"	KHURR NAIA	Route via KHURR NAIA, south to 450608 then north to 476628	Appx VII
				Battle Casualties for April	JPM
					Appx VIII
				JP Miller Capt IO	
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0900 1 May 476638	"A" Coy moved to 477633	RMC
1430 1 " "	Tac HQ moved to 484647 (ring contour)	RMC
1500 1 " "	"C" Coy moved to 484647 in support of "A" Coy	RMC
1600 1 " 477633	1 Pl "A" Coy ambushed and killed two enemy, area 477633	RMC
1700 1 " "	"A" Coy posn att by enemy. Att repulsed by "A" and "C" Coys. 2 Offrs and 17 Jap ORs recovered (bodies)	RMC
0800 2 " 484647	Bn moved by Coys and formed box with Tac HQ. 484647	RMC
3 " 490650	Bn moved by bounds to GPT RIDGE and formed box with Tac HQ 490650 less "D" Coy remaining at 484647. A small amount of enemy opposition encountered on march.	RMC
1845 3 " "	Enemy attack on perimeter repulsed. Continuous enemy sniping throughout night 3/4th. Strength of enemy estimated 1 fighting Pl 25/30	RMC
0650 4 " "	Enemy mortared box, casualties suffered.	RMC
1100 4 " "	"C" Coy fighting patrol killed 7/8 enemy area 493649.	RMC
1140 4 " "	Contact made with 1/1 Punjab down GPT ridge.	RMC
1500 4 " "	Path on ridge was opened between 1/1 Punjabs and ourselves admitting evacuation of wounded.	RMC
0545 5 " "	"C" Coy attached 2 R. Norfolks	RMC
1900 5 " "	Carrier Pl ambushed south of Bn box.	RMC
1910 5 " "	Carrier Pl on blitz patrol against enemy snipers.	RMC
1800 6 " "	A.A. and Pioneer Pl on blitz patrol against enemy snipers. Strength :- Offrs 39 O.Rs. 746	RMC
0645) 7 " "	Ration party to "D" Coy attacked, fought running battle back to perimeter, enemy attack continued against "A" Coy. Attack repulsed and carrier pl attacked withdrawing enemy accounting for 15. Total enemy killed on 7 May, 31.	Appx I
-1130)		RMC
1945 7 " "	Contact made with Gurkha Regt, when they brought up rations and track was reopened down GPT ridge allowing evacuation of wounded.	RMC
8 " "	"D" Coy rejoined Bn Box	RMC
1550 8 " "	Enemy fire on "A" Coy edge of perimeter.	RMC
1845 8 " "	Enemy shelled forward slopes of GPT Ridge, one shell "C" Coy area.	RMC

2000	8	"	"	Harassing fire by "A" Coy to reduce enemy sniper elements.	RM Crockatt Capt
2050	8	May	490650	"B" Coy fired on movement seen 494648	I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
1800	9	"	"	"D" Coy relieved "C" Coy on attachment R/Norfolk box.	RMC
0800	10	"	"	Patrol to 484647 encountered enemy and withdrew	RMC
1000	10	"	"	"D" Coy moved north down ridge to 496655	RMC
	11	"	"	Enemy sniping kept up all night.	RMC
1030)	12	"	"	Anti-sniping parties out.	RMC
-1500)					
1600	12	"	496654	"A" Coy att in support of tank on pimple 496654. Att postponed owing to failure of tank.	RMC
1935	12	"	490650	Enemy gunfire observed ARADURA Ridge.	RMC
1600	13	"	"	"A" Coy att again postponed in view of additional information of enemy.	RMC
1835	13	"	"	"O" Group conference - Orders issued. Strength Offrs 32. ORs 615	Appx II RMC
0430)	14	"	"	Burma Regt took over Bn Box.	RMC
1015)					
1145	14	"	496654	Bn formed up for att on 496654	RMC
1300)	14	"	"	Bn moved forward with tank support and took pimple 496654	RMC
1345)					
1400	14	"	"	Bn consolidated on pimple. Considerable enemy booty taken	RMC
0400	15	"	497655	Patrol scared off enemy from bunkers at roadside 497655	RMC
0540	16	"	496654	Escapee from Assam Rifles reached our lines. He was passed to Bde	RMC
0935	16	"	"	Two enemy mule convoys observed moving N.E from 503669	RMC
1020	16	"	"	Three jeeps shot up by mor and MMG fire, area 47½ MS. Occupants later identified by patrols as 17/7 Rajputs. Two jeeps recovered and all occupants	RMC
1900)	16	"	"	Ambush patrol lay up in Nala & Rd junc 496651 - N.E.S.	RMC
-0600)	17	"	"		
0430)	17	"	"	Recce patrol searched from bridge MS 47½ north to nala junc 498654	RMC
-0900)				No enemy observed but large quantities of enemy kit seen in bunker posns.	RMC
1910	17	"	"	Six enemy seen on skyline 498645 also wood cutting heard area 501648. Arty fire brought down.	RMC
0400)	18	"	"	Recce patrol to BASHA SPUR 505653. No enemy observed in this area.	RM Crockatt Capt
-0630)					I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
0530	18	May	496654	One enemy walked past our perimeter bearing white flag and gave himself up to 1/1 Punjabs.	RMC
0600	18	"	"	Six enemy again observed ARADURA Ridge area.	RMC
2000)	18	"	"	Heavy firing on south of perimeter in area of 17/7 Rajputs. No enemy seen	RMC
-0600)	19				
0400	19	"	"	Recce patrol to ARADURA Ridge. Unable to carry out duties owing to above.	RMC

2300	19	"	"	Grenades thrown on movement in front of "D" Coy posn. Results negative	RMC
0400)	20	"	"	Recce patrol to BASHA SPUR observed 4 mules by bunker posns 505652 crawl trench from forward to reverse slope. 10 enemy seen carrying food and water from bashas at 48 MS to this location.	
-0630)					* To be located on reverse slopes of BASHA SPUR, i.e. linking up with recce patrols report.
1230	20	"	"	Further bunker posns and 75 mm gun emplacements observed from area TREASURY HILL.* 20 enemy seen at 515653. RA O.P. brought fire to bear	Appx III
2200)	20	"	"	Recce patrols to BASHA SPUR area reported nothing fresh	
-0630)	21	"	"	Strength :- Offrs 32 ORs 629	
1230)	21	"	"	Recce patrols to track from 47½ MS upwards to ARADURA SPUR reported track unsuitable for use owing to Arty fire	RMC
-1645)					
1530	21	"	"	75 mm gun opened up from reverse slopes of ARADURA Ridge and fired upon Naga village sq 5168 also MMG fire was directed against our aircraft from 504653	RMC
1800	21	"	"	"O" Gp conference	RMC
0615	22	"	"	Smoke observed areas Pfumchama 5364 and 527656	RMC
1600	22	"	"	Figures again seen ARADURA Ridge 504649	RMC
1000)	23	"	"	Patrols collected enemy equipment and documents from area chaung north of MS 47½ 498652	RMC
-1515)					
1130	24	"	"	"O" Gp conference. Orders issued for Exercise YORK	RMC
1400)	24	"	"	Recce patrols for route to start line Ex YORK	RMC
-1500)					
1000)	25	"	"	Recce patrol to 300 yds beyond 47½ MS report 50% chance of tanks being able to reach summit of BARE HILL 503650	RMC
-1200)					
1200	25	"	"	"O" Gp Conference	RMC
1600	25	"	"	Ex YORK postponed 24 hrs owing to weather.	RM Crockatt Capt
0900	26	May	496654	C.O to Bde) 1/8 L.F took over responsibility of	I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
1200	"	"	"	C.O returns) Battalion perimeter GPT Ridge.	RMC
1400	"	"	"	"O" Gp Conference)	
0430)	27	"	"	"B" and "C" Coys moved to lying up area nala 497651	RMC
-0600)					
0800	27	"	"	Tac HQ and "A" and "D" Coys ready to move	RMC
1445	27	"	"	Ex YORK cancelled for 24 hrs.	RMC
1900	27	"	"	"B" and "C" Coys returned to Bn box under cover of darkness	RMC
0430)	28	"	"	Ex YORK Strength :- Offrs 32 ORs. 644	Appx IV Ex YORK
-1815)					Appx V Strength
2200	28	"	"	Small enemy patrol believed to pass in front of perimeter, no fire brought down	RMC
1730	29	"	"	Div Comd visited Bn HQ	RMC
1815	29	"	"	Div Comd left Bn HQ	RMC
1815	29	"	"	"A" Coy OP reported bunkers on CHARLES HILL reoccupied by enemy	RMC

0500	30	"	"	Bn less "C" Coy and Pioneer Pl prepare to move to rest area.	RMC
0900	30	"	"	Bn less "C" Coy and Pioneer Pl marched off 496654	RMC
1200	30	"	41½ M.S	Bn estab rest area at 41½ MS KOHIMA-DIMAPUR	RMC
0900	31	"	"	Divine Service (Non-denominational) in commemoration of comrades fallen	RMC
1600	31	"	"	Div concert party performed in rest area	RMC
1700	31	"	"	Hurri-bomber crashed into hillside 42 MS	Appx VI Battle Casualties RMC
				Field 9/6/44	R.M. Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 / The Royal Scots.

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Commanded by
 Lieut Col PHC Hayward

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1500 1 Jun 41½ M.S.	"C" Coy & Pioneer Pl rejoin Bn in rest area.	RMC
1910 2 " "	Warning Order "A", "C", Tac HQ to be ready to move at moment's notice.	RMC
2359 2 " "	M.T. Standing by in preparation of move.	RMC
1300 3 " "	"A" Coy joined 5 I.B. in support	RMC
1500 3 " "	14th Army Comd visited Bn. Offrs & WOs introduced to him	RMC
0300 4 " "	Reveille and breakfast. Bn at one hour's notice to move	RMC
1200 4 " "	Stand down Strength Offrs 31 ORs. 571	Appx I
1630 4 " "	"A" Coy return to Bn area	RMC
2300 4 " "	Stand to and preparation to move 1 hr notice	RMC
1700 5 " "	"C" Coy moved out in support of 5 Inf Bde	RMC
0800 6 " "	Bn at 30 mins notice to move	RMC
0830 6 " "	"A", "D" and Tac HQ moved by MT to BASHA SPUR area M.S. 48	RMC
1000 6 " 48 M.S.	"C" Coy rejoined at 48 M.S.	RMC
1000 6 " on road 48 MS	Bn adv by march route down IMPHAL ROAD searching high ground to south	RMC
1300 6 " "	Remainder of Bn moved up from 41½ M.S. and rejoined Bn.	RMC
1900 6 " 50½ M.S.	Bn estab at 50½ MS	RMC
1900 6 " "	Recce patrol to PHISAMA sq 5162 reported unoccupied.	RMC
2000 6 " "	Carrier Pl occupied village for night.	RMC
0605 7 " "	Tac HQ "C" and "D" Coys move forward and occupied PHISAMA	RMC
0730 7 " PHISAMA	Bn less "A" Coy in PHISAMA	RMC
0900 7 " "	"A" Coy rejoined in PHISAMA	RMC
1112 7 " "	Bn advanced	RMC
1500 7 Road	Bridge at 54½ MS found to be blown	RMC
1600 7 " "	Bunkers at 529591 (Sh MAO WEST) held up adv	RMC
1830 7 " "	Bunkers having been dealt with by 2 R. Norfolks Bn formed perimeter defence for night, area 55 MS.	RMC
0500 8 " "	Recce patrol to KIGWIMA 5359 (Sh MAO WEST) reported village clear of enemy.	RMC
0805 8 " KIGWIMA	Bn estab in KIGWIMA	RMC
0810-0900 " ROAD	Bn moved forward to 56/3 M.S.	RMC

1000-1200	"	"		Fighting patrol to ZHAKHAMA reported village clear (5456 MAO WEST)	RMC
1435	8	"	"	"O" Gp conference	RMC
1530	8	"	"	Bn advanced in res of 1/8 LF	RM Crockatt Capt
1545	8	Jun	KIGWIMA	Adv slowed up by pockets of enemy resistance. CO of 1/8 LF killed Major Hayward 2IC 1RS took over Comd 1/8 LF.	I.O. 1 R.S.
1700	8	"	ROAD	Bde perimeter forward at 59/4 MS	RMC
0850-2300	9	"	59/4 MS KOHIMA - IMPHAL RD	"D" Coy advd under Comd of 1/8 LF on VISWIMA (MAO EAST 5554) "D" Coy were pinned down area south end of village by enemy fire and remained area 542548 (MAO WEST) until able to withdraw under cover of darkness. 1 Pl became detached during the day but rejoined after night fall (on patrol) in Bde area.	RMC
1500	9	"	"	Tac HQ "A" & "C" Coys advd down chaung 547552 (MAO WEST) thence up wooded slopes to attack VISWIMA from the north flank.	RMC
1725	9	"	"	"A" Coy fired upon from Spur on NW of village, bunker posns located and adv held up	RMC
1730	9	"	"	Tac HQ, "A" & "C" Coys formed tight perimeter on top of wooded slope and first paddy field NW of VISWIMA.	RMC
1730-2359	9	"	"	Enemy fire fairly continuous, own mortars set N end of village on fire	RMC
0100-0300	10	"	VISWIMA	Recce patrol to village reported village occupied	RMC
0345	10	"	"	Carrying party with "D" Coy 1/8 LF joined perimeter	RMC
0400-0555	10	"	"	Patrol reported North end of village unoccupied. Carrier Pl remained in this area.	RMC
0600	10	"	"	Remainder of force infiltrated forward across paddy fields into north end of village under grenade and SAA fire from spur on North of village	RMC
0800	10	"	"	Entire force concentrated in north end of village on forward slopes, enemy in well-dug bunker posns on reverse slopes. Heavy enemy fire and sniping continued.	RMC
1000	10	"	"	Bn moved 200 yds south along west edge of village 553546 (Mao west) still being heavily sniped. Village deliberately fired in endeavour to move enemy.	RMC
1100	10	"	"	Enemy MMG opened fire from middle village 551541 (Mao East) "A" Coy endeavoured to get into middle village but failed owing to bunkers on reverse slopes of North village.	RMC
1520	10	"	"	After Div arty barrage Bn still with 1 Coy 1/8 LF under comd adv and occupy middle village 551541. Still being sniped at from east of reverse slopes of north village.	RMC
1600	10	Jun	VISWIMA	Contact made with 1/8 LF from south village.	RM Crockatt Capt
1830	10	"	"	Bn perimeter firm on middle village	I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
1845-2100	10	"	"	Casualties caused by own supporting arms on D.F. tasks	RMC
0700	11	"	"	"D" Coy rejoined Bn and "D" Coy 1/8 LF rejoined own unit	RMC

	11	"	"	Strength :- Offrs 26 ORs 497	Appx II
0715-0745	11	"	"	Enemy mortar fire on perimeter from west of main road. Sq 5454 (Mao west)	RMC
0745-1800	11	"	"	Known enemy posns in north village heavily engaged by blitz parties known to kill 11.	RMC
	1130	11	"	Party of enemy (7) seen leaving north VISWIMA in SE direction, heavily laden	RMC
	1200	11	"	Heavy enemy sniping of posns.	RMC
	1430	11	"	75 mm shelled perimeter. Throughout the day much movement of enemy observed.	RMC
	2300)	11	"	Patrol searched area 554544 (Mao East) examined 2 enemy bodies	
-0100)	12	"	"	killed but could not get identity. This area clear of enemy.	RMC
	0720	12	"	75 mm fired one round into Bn perimeter. Continuous sniping fire from both sides continued all day.	RMC
2300-0100	13	"	"	Recce patrol to east of village lay up and saw 10 - 15 enemy enter north village.	RMC
	13	"	"	Very quiet day except for sniping activity by ourselves.	RMC
2300-0100	14	"	"	Recce patrol to east end of village reported dead enemy still lying undisturbed. No sign of enemy movement	RMC
	0615	14	"	75 mm fired in perimeter (2 shells)	Message from Div Comd to all ranks Appx III
0700-0840	14	"	"	After intensive Div arty barrage, 7 Worcs occupied North village without casualties	RMC
	1030	14	"	Carrier Pl occupied Basha area 555538 (Mao East)	RMC
1315-1545	14	"	"	Patrol to nullah junc 575546 saw no enemy.	RMC
1800-2359	"	"	"	Div arty moved into perimeter	RMC
	0900	15	"	Bn HQ and HQ Coy took over 1/8 LF posns inside village in support Div arty.	RMC
	1830	15	"	Recce patrol from 7 Div entered Bn area and reported no enemy in area of track east VISWIMA to 574559. They were taken to Div Tac HQ	RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
	0730	16	Jun VISWIMA	"C" & "D" Coy relieved by Worcs and concentrated in Bn area.	RMC
	0900	16	"	"C" & "D" Coys moved by MT to rest area MS 57½	RMC
	0900	16	"	RAP and "A" Coy concentrated south of village	RMC
	1100	16	"	Remainder of Bn by MT to rest area MS 57½	RMC
	1300	16	"	Bn estab rest area	RMC
	17	"	M.S. 57½	Quiet day	RMC
	1900	17	"	Film unit gave performance area I.G.H. KIGWIMA	RMC
	18	"	"	Quiet day Strength Offrs 24 ORs. 514	Appx IV
	1100	19	"	Warning order for move	RMC
	1200	19	"	Bn move by MT	RMC
	1620	19	"	M.S. 78 Bn arrive area MS 78	RMC
	1740	19	"	Perimeter formed on high ground south of road.	RMC

0630-0930	20	"	M.S. 82	Bn move by MT to area MS 82 and took over Div Adv from 2 Dorsets 5 IB	RMC
1111-1200	20	"	"	After arty barrage and mortar fire on basha spur and ring contour 506349 (Sheet MARAM WEST) lasting 30 mins "A" and "D" Coys infiltrated on to these posns under cover of smoke screen with support from tanks	RMC
1215	20	"	M.S. 82	"A" & "D" Coys consolidated area 506349 (Sheet MARAM WEST) enemy continued to snipe.	RMC
1300-1530	20	"	"	Tac HQ and "C" Coy with 2 Coys R. Norfolks in support continued adv in support of armoured col to M.S. 88 when fresh enemy opposition was encountered (4727 KARONG)	RMC
1530	20	"	M.S. 88	Armoured col and "C" Coy were definitely held at 88 M.S. by road block, landslide and SA fire from feature area 4808 (KARONG)	RMC
1545	20	"	"	Arty barrage was laid on feature 4808 with intention 2 Coys R. Norfolks to follow up. Later cancelled owing to lateness of hour and inclement weather.	RMC
1600-1730	"	"	"	Bn and armoured column withdrew to basha at 87 MS joining Bde perimeter	RMC
1700	"	"	M.S. 87	"A" and "D" Coys rejoin Bn in area 87 MS. 2 Coys R. Norfolks return to own Comd.	RMC
1800-1930	20	"	"	Search of area 87½ MS revealed evacuation of enemy hurried, fires with tea still smouldering. Large quantities of kit found including mules, motor cycles and trucks. Arty D.F. task during the night on feature 4808 (KARONG)	RMC
0715	21	Jun	87½ M.S	Bn advanced up feature 4808 under creeping arty barrage. Numerous foxholes freshly dug being observed	RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1/The Royal Scots
0930	21	"	4808	Bn firm on 4808. One enemy seen running away down track South east	RMC
1130	21	"	"	Carrier Pl with arty O.P. advanced down feature in S.W. direction to road at 92 M.S.	RMC
1230	21	"	"	Bn relieved by 2 Sqns Recce Regt	RMC
1330	21	"	"	Bn adv by same route as Carrier Pl cross bridge at 91/6 and form part of Bde perimeter at KARONG 4122	21st Congratulatory message received from Div Comd Appx V
1400	21	"	91/6	Carrier Pl astride bridge 91/6 - no enemy encountered	RMC
1720	21	"	KARONG	Bn estab in perimeter with "C" Coy on high ground north end of bridge 91/6. Carrier Pl guarding bridge	RMC
0200	22	"	"	2 enemy approached "A" Coy perimeter were fired on and retreated up track towards CHALHANG (4820 KARONG)	RMC
0400	22	"	"	1 enemy killed attempting to cross bridge 91/6. Quiet day	RMC
1500-1830	23	"	"	Patrol to CHALHANG encountered enemy in bunker posns at 484206 KARONG. At least 3 bunkers seen in area. Posn occupied. Estimated number of enemy 12 - 20 men	RMC
0500	24	"	"	1 enemy killed on bridge 91/6 whilst endeavouring to cross	RMC

0800	24	"	"	Strength :- Offrs 26 O.Rs 512	Appx VI
0800	24	"	"	Patrols as Appx VIII	Congratulatory message
1000	24	"	"	Adv party left for rest and re-fit area 56/3 M.S	from Corps Comd Appx VII
1300-1330	24	"	"	CO drove to Imphal	Patrols CHALHANG Appx
1400	24	"	"	Div Comd visited Bn area	RMC VIII
1630	25	"	"	"A" Coy adv and estab themselves on feature 4821	RMC
0800-1900	26	"	"	"A" Coy less 1 Holding Pl and arty O.P. withdrew to Bn area. Filtering of Bn to rest and re-fit area in Unit tpt	RMC
1100-1200	26	"	"	Holding Pl of "A" Coy advd and found 7 dead enemy in bunkers. One wounded (since died) also considerable equipment. Continued advance 800 yds, surprised 4 or five enemy digging bunker posns at 479217 (KARONG) Wounded 1 enemy, rest retired. Continued adv to edge of village CHALHANG where they stayed the night.	RMC
				Lt. Col. A.G. Mackenzie-Kennedy addressed a farewell speech to Coys. Left for new area 56/3	RMC
				18/7/44	R.M. Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
56½ m/s	1		Preparation for Bn kit inspection.	RMC Capt
- " -	2.		Day of Rest. Strength:- Officers 24, O.R's 553	RMC Capt App. I.
- " -	3.		Bn commences Coy training i.e. Route marches, and climbing, firing all small arms weapons and training new intakes.	RMC Capt App. II
- " -	4.		Coy training	RMC Capt
- " -	5.		Coy training	RMC Capt
- " -	6.		Coy training	RMC Capt
- " -	7.		Coy training	RMC Capt
- " -	8.		Coy training	RMC Capt
- " -	9.		Church Parades. Parties of 10 started visiting Div Information Room. Strength:- Officers 26 O.Rs 535	RMC Capt App. III
- " -	10.		2nd Week Coy training. Major J. Masterton-Smith 2 i/c of Bn.	RMC Capt App. IV
- " -	11.		Bn started making own Information room and museum.	RMC Capt
- " -	12.		C.O's administrative inspection of HQ Coy. Coy training continues	RMC Capt
- " -	13		Brigadier inspected battalion area.	RMC Capt RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.
56½ m/s	14		Mortar Pl on Brigade Mortar course. Coy training.	RMC Capt
- " -	15		Mortar Pl on Brigade Mortar course. Coy training.	RMC Capt
- " -	16		Church Parades. Strength: Officers 25, O.Rs 551.	RMC Capt App. V
- " -	17		Major General Nicholson, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C. (New Div. Commander) visited Bn.	RMC Capt
- " -	18		Quiet day. DIV CONCERT PARTY visited Bn.	RMC Capt
- " -	19.		Conference at Bde re move. FILM Show. 1st leave party left.	RMC Capt
- " -	20		Advance party and RECCE group left for new location. 2nd leave party left. BEER issued. Preparation for move to new area.	RMC Capt App. VI
- " -	21.		Preparation for move. Ammunition issued to W.E. Scale.	RMC Capt
- " -	22	0900	Bn embus	RMC Capt
R.K. M/S 16 565760	-"-	1600	Bn arrived m/s 16 Imphal - UKHRUL track MAP SHEET 83 N.W., ½".	RMC Capt
M/S. 16	23	0900	Bn move off. Order of march, A. C. HQ. D.	RMC Capt

M/S. 25	-"-	1500	Bn reached lying up area (R.K. 678819). Strength: Officers 26, O.Rs 595	RMC Capt App. VII
- " -	24	0730	Second day of march	RMC Capt
LAMBUI	-"-	1400 1400	Bn reached LAMBUI (R.K. 720880) Map Sheet 83 S.W., $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Big Packs carried so far by JEEPS and the mules. Heavy rain, and track in bad state.	RMC Capt RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.
- " -	25	0800	Adv Party of C.G.M.S's and cooks moved off	RMC Capt
- " -	-"-	1000	Bn moved off carrying big packs, with small packs on side.	RMC Capt
SANGSHAK	-"-	1530	Bn arrived Sangshak (R.K. 780880). C.O. met Bn on arrival.	RMC Capt
	-"-	1600	1 Jap P.W. brought to Bn HQ by local NAGAs.	RMC Capt
	26		Bn settling in. Work party improving track and making it Jeepable.	RMC Capt
	27.	0800	1 JAP P.W. brought in by ASSAM RIFLES. A Coy move out to area:- track junc R.K. 851913	RMC Capt
		0900	Patrol from C Coy move off. Killed 3 japs at HUNG DUNG GODA (RK <u>L</u> 8174) Sheet 83 N.W., $\frac{1}{2}$ ".	RMC Capt
	28		Fatigue Party preparing new camp area. C Coy patrol (2 off & 20) to LUNGHONG (R.K. 845930) Sheet 83 S.W. <u>K</u>	RMC Capt
	29		'C' Coy Patrol return from LUNCHONG. Nothing to report.	RMC Capt
	30		Bn move to new camping area. Div & Bde Commanders visit Bn. Strength: off 26, ORs 599	RMC Capt App. VIII
	31.		Mule train with ammo return from 'A' Coy area (R.K. 851913) Sheet <u>K</u> 83 S.W. R.M. Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.	RMC Capt

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
SANGSHAK	1.		A Coy return from R.K. 851913. INT Section recce are RK 786890. Discovered considerable amount of British ammo and equipment. NAGA Interpreter joins Bn from Bde HQ. D Coy patrol (1 off & 25) with "V" force detachment left for HUNG DUNG GODA (RK 809740) and SAKOK (RK. 765718). No enemy seen. Contacted 14 F.F.R. that area.	RMC
	2.		A Coy Patrol to x-rds (RK. 849926). Nothing to report on return I. Section explored area (R.K. 785879). Returned with JAP 2" Mortar, chest containing flame-throwing apparatus, suspected molotov bombs, and also a pole charge complete.	RMC
	3.		D Coy patrol which left on 1st Aug returned to Bn area. Capt Fenton (S.O.) and I Section recced area rd junc (RK 849926) found truck load of enemy S.A.A. Patrol from 'A' Coy also this area.	RMC
	4.		Brigadier visits Bn area.	RMC
	5.		2 officers & 7 ORs leave Bn as spectators at investiture by His Excellency the Viceroy, Lord Wavell at M/S 82 Imphal - Dimapur Rd.	RMC RM Crockatt I.O. 1 R.S.
SANGSHAK	6.		Day of rest for Bn.	RMC
	7.		Two patrols to LUNGSHANG (R.K. 798896). Nothing to Report. Strength: off 27, ORs 616	RMC App I
	8.		Lt Dunlop and 1 Pl with 5 "V" force attached left for KHAMJONG (R.K. 983698).	RMC
	9.		D Coy moved to area of old Jap hospital (R.K. 9189).	RMC
	10.		Bn in contact by W/T with 'D' Coy. Nothing to report.	RMC
	11.		Report from Lt Dunlop's patrol, via "D" Coy, that KHAMJONG clear of enemy. Are patrolling to surrounding villages. Reports later	RMC
	12.		Lt Dunlop's patrol returned. Reported villages as far as HUMINE (S.F. 039535) Sheet 83L., ½" clear.	RMC
	13.		"D" Coy returned to Bn area. Day of sport. "Derby DAY"	RMC
	14.		Nothing to report. Strength officers 26, O.Rs 625	RMC App II
	15.		Nothing to report.	RMC
	16.		Leave party left.	RMC

	17.		Further leave party left. Are being flown from Imphal to Calcutta. Jap P.W. brought in by 'V' force. In good health but wounded in foot.	RMC
	18.		Prisoners evacuated to LITAN Bdge (635805). Brigade informed.	RMC RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.
SANGSHAK	18.		Conference on Bn Long Range patrol, known as "SCOTCOL".	RMC
	19.		Quiet day. Majors Corbet and Mulholland (Canadian Army) join Bn.	RMC
	20.		Brigadier visits Bn. "JUNGLE SHOW". Conference on "SCOTCOL" Major Corbet takes over temporary duties of I.O.	RMC
R.K. 9187	21.	0300 0430 0530 0945 1800	Reveille and breakfast. Mule train loaded for move. Bn moved off. Order of march - C, Command Post, D, HQ, A. Halted for 5½ hours. 1515 hrs Moved off again. Bn arrived area (R.K. 9187) to lie up for night. Strength:- Officers 23, O.Rs 623	RMC RMC App. III
R.K. 9378	22	0600 1600	Bn moved off. Bn arrived area (R.K. 9378) to be up for night. Capts Greig (F.S.P.), McDougall (R.A.S.C.) and Fenton (Adjt) go ahead to KHAMJONG (RK. 983698) to contact "V" force and arrange air-dropping zone.	RMC
KHAMJONG	23	0800 1300	Bn moved off. Bn arrived KHAMJONG. POOR AIR DROP due to bad weather. Bn lay up for night.	RMC RMC RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.
KHAMJONG AISHI	24	0800 1400	Bn marched off. Arrived area of AISHI (S.F. 072647) in torrential rain. Track in deplorable condition. Diversions made by Pioneer Pl for mule train.	RMC
	25		Night 24/25 miserable. Still raining. Food getting scarce.	RMC
"FORT SPIERS"	26	0800 1600	Command Post and "A" Coy, with under command detachment "V" Force left for Angauching Range. Arrived on Angauching Range at "FORT SPIERS" (S.F. 135625). Built bashas with help of "V" Force. Remainder of Bn still at AISHI.	RMC RMC
	27	0630	Dropping ZONE cleared and AIR STRIPS laid out. Weather improved. No air drop that day. Strength :- Officers 22, O.Rs 607	RMC App. IV
AISHI Fort Spiers	28	0700 0800 1600 1800	No air drop. Remainder of Bn left for Fort Spiers. Track very bad for mules. Remainder of Bn arrived reporting many mules down "KHUDS". Half rations issued. Food situation deteriorating.	RMC RMC RMC RMC

	29	0800 1800	A Coy and Pioneer Pl left to recce track to NAMBI (S.F. 135545) this being the Bns next objective. Carrier Pl and detachment of 'V' force, under command of Capt Greig (F.S.P.) left on patrol to CHINDWIN River at GUADAKKON (S.F. 276606). Patrol from 'A' Coy to RECCE KAWNGKAN (S.F. 120516). Pioneer Pl returned. Report track to NAMBI unsuitable for mules. A Coy to stay for the night at Nambi. Contacted 14/13 F.F.R. there.	RMC RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.
FORT SPIERS	30		A Coy returned. Still no air drop. Food situation worse.	RMC
	31.	1200 1400 1700	Orders issued to open emergency Rations 1 mule killed to supplement food. Capt Greig's patrol returned with 2 Burmese prisoners. Attached is day to day report of "SCOTCOL" RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1 R.S.	RMC RMC RMC App. V

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(THE ROYAL REGIMENT)

MONTH :- SEPTEMBER 1944.

COMMANDING OFFICER :- A.C.F. DREW-WILKINSON.

Hour	Date	Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1000 hrs 1300 hrs 1700 hrs	1st	FORT SPIERS	Advance party left on ration march. Halting place to be AISHI. Still no air drop. Major Corbet and party of NAGAS went along range for a mile to area that Bde had wireless had supplies dropped there. Returned with 18 tins B.T. Compo Rations. These were equally shared amongst whole force including MULETEERS. Good supper that night. Strength Officers 20 O.Rs 614	RMC RMC RMC APP I.
0900 hrs 1030 hrs 1300 hrs	2nd	AISHI	Bn moved off from FORT SPIERS on return march. "DAKOTA" dropped supplies on area we had just vacated. Arrived at "V" force H.Q. Had a hot meal consisting of "BAMBOO SHOOT" and Bully. Stayed the night in this area.	RMC RMC
0900 hrs 1430 hrs 1600 hrs 1700 hrs	3rd	KHAMJONG	Left AISHI for march to KHAMJONG. This proved a hard and weary march for both men and mules. Arrived to find no food had arrived for us. The mule column had been held up by land-slides. Capt Greig (F.S.P.) commandeered supplies I.T. rations held by "V" force in this area and we had some good food. Great cheers!! The food column arrived. Everybody gave the muleteers and officer i/c a rousing welcome. Troops more or less kept eating for the rest of the day.	RMC RMC RM Crockatt CAPT., I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS. RMC
1400 hrs 1600 hrs 1915 hrs 2000 hrs	4th	KHAMJONG	RAIN!! The job of preparing a hot breakfast was hard. No dry wood, no fuel for Tommy Cookers but the men managed. "O" Group conference re move. Mules and sick personnel under Major Russell with "C" Coy as escort to move at 1600 hrs. March throughout the night and halt at first light for a hot meal. Main body with R.A.P. in rear to leave at 2000 hrs and carry out same programme as advance party. Advance party left. Advance Column held up by land-slides for 1½ hrs. Two mules down the KHUD, one recovered. Landslides made muleable by "C" Coy. Main body left KHAMJONG in fair weather.	RMC RMC RMC RM Crockatt CAPT., I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS. RMC

0500 hrs	5th	B. KHAMJONG SANGSHAK	Advance column halted for two hours break for a hot meal. Mules unloaded and fed.	RMC
0700 hrs			Advance column ready to move. Main body arrived and halted for their hot meal.	RMC
0705 hrs			Advance column moved off to complete journey to SANGSHAK.	RMC
0800 hrs			Main body moved off.	RMC
1310 hrs		SANGSHAK	Advance column arrived SANGSHAK tired but happy. Some muleteers in a bad state. A good meal awaited the men.	RMC
1500 hrs			Main body arrived with the report that no man had fallen out of the line of march. C.O. visited all Coys and congratulated the men on their magnificent stores Air drop at SANGSHAK.	RMC
	6th		Day of rest and cleaning weapons. Welfare Officer in the area, taking stories from the men.	RMC
	7th		Cleaning up and rest.	RMC
	8th		Cleaning up and rest.	RMC
1200 hrs 1830 hrs	9th		Advance party with stores left for "B" Echelon in Jeeps. Arrived 19th M/S UKHRUL - IMPHAL road. Lay up for the night. Strength Off 20 O.Rs 630	App II RM Crockatt CAPT., I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS.
0800 hrs	10th	19th M/S	Advance party left "B" Ech area for Bn lying up area at 56½ M/S IMPHAL - DIMAPUR RD.	RMC
1300 hrs		56½ M/S	Advance party arrived Rest Area. Coy areas all prepared.	
	11th	SANGSHAK	BN prepare to move to 56½ M/S.	RMC
2000 hrs			BN moved off and marched to 19th M/S UKHRUL - IMPHAL road	RMC
0800 hrs	12th	19th M/S	Arrived 19th M/S. "B" Echelon moved off to area 56½ M/S.	RMC
1000 hrs			Main body moved off.	RMC
1300 hrs		56½ M/S	"B" Echelon arrived at Rest area 56½ M/S.	RMC
1700 hrs			Main body arrived	RMC
1730 hrs			BN settled in at 56½ M/S for rest and refit.	RMC
	13th	56½ M/S	Day of rest and cleaning up.	RMC
	14th		Leave party cancelled. Rest and cleaning up.	RMC
	15th		Preparing for C.Os administrative inspection. C.O. left BN for two days. Major Callender assumed command of BN.	RMC
	16th		No C.Os inspection. Coy Commanders inspected own Coy areas.	RMC
0900 hrs	17th		C.O. returned. Strength Off 20 O.Rs 545	APP III.
1230 hrs			Pipers played at Officers Mess during Tiffin hour.	
2000 hrs			Picture show for all ranks.	RMC
	18th		C.O. carried out Admin Inspection. Welfare Officer visited Br Divisional Catering Adviser trade testing all cooks. Work on new Information Room and Museum of Jap material commences.	RMC

	19th		Quiet day. Construction of Information Room continues.	RMC RM Crockatt CAPT., I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS.
	20th		Information Room completed. C.O. proceeded on leave. Major Callender assumed command i/c BN.	RMC
0900 hrs 1400 hrs 2000 hrs	21st		Information Room and Museum opened. C.O. inspected Information Room and was very pleased with the efforts of "I" Section Picture show cancelled due to inclement weather.	RMC RMC RMC
1100 hrs 2000 hrs	22nd	56½ M/S	Heavy rain Brigadier visited BN area. Picture show.	RMC RMC RMC
	23rd		Quiet day. Still raining. Strength Off 22 O.R. 520	APP IV
	24th		Voluntary church parade for all denominations. Lt McPHERSON joined BN.	RMC
	25th		Coy training commences. Training of Reinforcements and personnel from hospital. Major Drew Wilkinson assumes command of BN. Major D.I.H. Callender now 2 i/c of BN. Lt Bagot joined BN.	APP V. RMC
	26th		Coy training. I.O. recced 2" and 3" Mortar Range.	RMC
0700 hrs 1000 hrs 1100 hrs	27th		R.S.M.s Parade for BN. Leave part left Div Commander visited BN. Saw all Coy Commanders & visited unit lines.	RMC RMC RMC
	28th		Coy Training.	RMC
0830 hrs 0900 hrs	29th		Cadre for R.A. reinforcements commenced. Mules for BN arrived. Beer issue Coy Training. E.N.S.A. Show at 2 Div Rest Camp 54 M/S 2000 hrs	APP VI RMC RMC
0700 hrs 0830 hrs	30th		R.S.Ms Parade R.A. Cadre. Coy training. Strength return Off 28 O.Rs 588 RM Crockatt CAPT. I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS.	RMC APP VII

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Month :- October 1944

Commanding Officer :- LT. Col. J. MASTERTON-SMITH

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1. 56½ m/s.	Voluntary Church Parades. Day of rest.	RMC
2.	Coy Training. R.A. Cadre. Leave party left (Training Programme)	RMC App I.
3.	Corps Commander visited BN. Coy training & R.A. Cadre.	RMC
4.	Coy Training and cadre.	RMC
5.	Coy training & cadre. Inter Unit football. 1 R.S. v 1/8 L.F.	RMC
6.	Coy training. End of cadre. Lieuts D.H. OGDEN and W.L. LAMBERT joined Bn.	RMC
7.	R.S.Ms drill parade. Major Drew-Wilkinson evacuated sick. Major D.I.H. Callender assumes command of Bn. (Strength Off. 27 ORs. 593)	RMC App. II
8.	Day of rest. Inter-Unit football 1 R.S. v 2 R.N. B.E.S.A. concert in Garrison Theatre at 54 m/s. Imphal-Kohima Rd.	RMC
9.	Coy training. B.E.S.A. Concert. (Training Programme)	RMC App III
10.	Party to IMPHAL to see 2 Div play touring team. Half holiday.	RMC
11.	Coy training. 2 Div concert party at Garrison Theatre (TRNG PROGRAMME)	RMC App IV
12.	Coy training. 2 Div concert party. FILM SHOW.	RMC
13.	Coy training. Concert party. Film Show. (Training Programme)	App V
14.	Coy training. (Strength :- Officers 26 O.Rs 613)	RMC App VI RM Crockatt CAPT., I.O. 1st BN THE ROYAL SCOTS.
15. 56½ m/s.	Church parades. Day of rest and sport.	RMC
16.	Coy training.	RMC
17.	Coy training. Inter Unit football. 1 R.S. v 5 Fd Coy. R.E.	RMC
18.	Coy training.	RMC
19.	Coy training. (Training Programme)	RMC App VII
20.	Coy training. Demonstration of fire plan at 94½ m/s Imphal Rd.	RMC
21.	R.S.Ms Drill parade. Coy training. 2nd in Command inspected Bn Area. (Strength :- Off 25 O.Rs 597)	RMC App VIII
22.	Voluntary Church parades. Day of rest and Sport.	RMC

23.	Brigadier visited Bn. Lt. Col. P.H.C. Hayward relinquishes command of Bn on being repatriated. Lt. Col. S. Dickson (R.S.) visited this Bn.	RMC
24.	Grenade firing for R.A. reinforcements. Coy training.	RMC
25.	Coy training. 2/Lt. E.A. Morse posted to Bn. Inter Unit football 1 RS v 2 Div R.E. (Training Instructions)	RMC App IX
26.	Inter Div Football match at KOHIMA 2 Div v 7 Div	RMC RM Crockatt Capt I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots.
27. 56½ m/s.	Coy training. (Training Programme)	RMC App. X
28.	Coy training. (Strength Offs 28, O.Rs 591)	RMC App XI
29.	Day of Rest and Sport. Inter platoon football final.	RMC
30.	Infantry/Tank co-operation demonstration at 94½ m/s Imphal Rd.	RMC
31.	Coy training. Major Masterton-Smith rejoined Bn. Promoted A/LT. Col. and assumed command of the Bn. RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots.	RMC

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MONTH :- NOVEMBER 1944

COMMANDING OFFICER :- LT.COL. J. MASTERTON-SMITH

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1. 56½ m/s.	Coy training. Lecture for all officers and selected N.C.Os by G.O.C. in C. 14th Army at MARAM (Imphal Kohima Rd).	RMC
2.	Coy training. Inter-Unit football 1 R.S. (2 Div) v 2 K.O.S.B. (7 Div)	RMC
3.	Coy training. C.O. inspected "C" Coy area. (Training Programme)	RMC App. I
4.	Coy training. Leave party left. C.O. inspected HQ and Admin. Coy areas. Strength :- Officers 29 O.Rs 607	RMC App. II
5.	Church Parades. Day of rest and sport.	RMC
6.	Mortar Platoon on 2-day mortar shoot. Coy training.	RMC
7.	Mortar Platoon on shoot. Coy training.	RMC
8.	Coy training. Inter-Unit football 1 R.S. v 2 MANCH.	RMC
9.	Coy training.	RMC
10.	Coy training. Mortar Pl on shoot. (Training Programme)	RMC App. III
11.	Coy training. Armistice Service. Strength :- Officers 28 O.Rs 604	RMC App. IV
12.	Voluntary Church Parades. Day of rest and sport.	RMC
13.	Coy training.	RMC
14.	Coy training.	RMC
15.	Coy training. Inter-Unit football 1 R.S. v 1/8 L.F.	RMC
16.	Coy training. Major Menzies rejoined BN from Hospital	RMC
17.	Coy training. (Training Programme)	RMC App. V
18.	Coy training. Down Graded personnel left for G.H.Q., B.B.R.C. DOELALI. Unveiling of 2 Div WAR Memorial at KOHIMA by G.O.C. in C. 14th Army. Strength :- Officers 31 O.Rs 561.	RMC App. VI
19. 56½ m/s.	Church Parades. Day of sport and rest.	RMC
20.	Coy training.	RMC
21.	Bde Sig Exercise. All Coy HQs Sig Platoon and Bn HQ taking part. Remainder of BN on Coy training. A.T. platoon left for new location. Strength 1 Officer, 41 ORs and 41 mules	RMC RMC
22.	Bde Sig Exercise. Coy training.	RMC

	23.	Bde Sig Exercise ends. Coy training. Coys stacking surplus kit. Inter Unit football 1 R.S. v 2 Dorset	RMC
	24.	Coy training. Surplus kit to Div dump at Imphal.	RMC
	25.	Unveiling of Bn War Memorial at ARADURA SPUR at 48 m/s Imphal - Kohima Rd. (Training Programme)	RMC App. VII
0200	26.	Advance party left for new location. Church parades. Day of Sport and Rest. Strength :- Officers 30 O.Rs 552	RMC App. VIII
	27.	Coy training.	RMC
	28.	Coy training.	RMC
0700	29.	Bn 2 day exercise begins	RMC
1200	30.	Bn exercise ends. RM Crockatt Captain. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).	RMC

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MONTH :- DECEMBER 1944

COMMANDING OFFICER :- LT.COL. J. MASTERTON-SMITH

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
1 56½ M.S.	Preparing for move to new location	RMC
0100 2	Guard of Honour left for Imphal	RMC
0400	Bn left for new location.	RMC
1630 PALEL RD.	Bn arrived at 1st staging camp in Palel area	RMC
1730 "	C.O. issued orders for following day's move. Strength:- OFF 30, O.Rs 535	RMC APP. I
0730 3 "	Bn left by M.T. for 2nd staging camp.	RMC
1500 TAMU RD.	Bn arrived at 2nd staging camp in area of Tamu	RMC
1600	C.O. issued orders for following day's move.	RMC
0600 4	Bn left 2nd staging camp for new location	RMC
1700 70½ M.S.	Bn arrived at new location M.S. 70½ Map Ref. RU 585915	RMC
5	Coys improving camp areas. Digging slit trenches, and raising beds off ground.	RMC
1100	Div Comdr visited Bn.	RMC
1200	Bde Comdr visited Bn.	RMC
6	Coy improving camp areas. LT Parker rejoined Bn.	RMC
0830 7	C.O. to Div H.Q.	RMC
	Coys improving camp areas. Making paths	RMC
1400	C.O. returned from Div	RMC
8	A Coy working on road. Remainder of Bn improving camp area.	RMC RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
9 70½ M.S.	Coys working on camp area. 2 other ranks of the Burma Intelligence Corps attached to the Bn.	RMC
10	Church Parades. Div Comdr lectured to Bn. Strength:- OFF 32, ORs 542	RMC APP II
11	Coys on Patrol Training	RMC
12	Capt Morrison RAMC rejoined Bn. LT. McLeod RAMC returned to 4th Fd Amb.	RMC
	B,C,D Coys on Patrol Training.	RMC

	13	Bn on road repairing	RMC
	14	C.O. to Imphal. Coys training. Guard of Honour paraded at Imphal for investiture by the Viceroy.	RMC RMC
	15	Coys on bathing parades and washing of clothes. C.O. returned from Imphal	RMC
	16	B and C Coys on road repair work. H.Q. Coy on bathing and washing of clothes. Brigadier visited Bn.	RMC
	17	Church Parades. Film show. Strength :- OFF 32, O.Rs 680	RMC APP. III
	18	Bn Exercise. Capt J Morrison and LT Kelly joined Bn.	RMC
	19	A and D Coys on road work, remainder of Bn on training. Corps Comdr visited Bn. Guard of Honour returned from Imphal. Beer issue.	RMC RMC
	20	Coys washing clothes.	RMC
	21	This day a holiday. Xmas dinner for Bn. LT COL Robson (R.S.) visited Bn.	RMC
	22	Coys washing clothes and swimming. 60 reinforcements posted to Bn from 405 Searchlight Bty (4/5 Royal Scots).	RMC RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
	23	70½ M.S. Coys on road repair work.	RMC
	24	Church Parades. Day of rest. Strength OFF 34, O.Rs 732 39 reinforcements arrived from 405 Searchlight Bty (4/5 Royal Scots)	RMC APP. IV RMC
	25	Coy training. Advance party left for new location.	RMC
	26	Bn packing up for move. Film show.	RMC
0800 1700	27 "	Bn began march to new location. Halt for night at KYIGON Map Ref. RU 629717. Capt Stevenson rejoined Bn.	RMC RMC
0700 1330	28 "	March off to next stage. Halt for night at Waya Chaung Map Ref. RU 759687	RMC RMC
0600 0800	29 "	March off to next stage. Bn arrived at Kalewa, embarked on floats and were towed down Chindwin.	RMC RMC
1500	"	SHWEGYIN Bn all disembarked at Shwegyin and remained there overnight.	RMC
0630 1930	30 "	Bn moved off by M.T. Bn arrived at Wainggyo, Map Ref. SQ 572571 and formed part of Bde perimeter	RMC RMC
0600-0630 1130	31	Stand to (1/3 of Bn) Digging slit trenches and improving camp area. Bde Comdr visited Bn, gave warning order for future move to concentrate at Kaduma Map Ref. SQ 8740	RMC RMC RMC

1745-1830

Stand to (100 per cent).

Strength Off 34, O.Rs 752

RMC App V

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RM Crockatt Captain.

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Commanding Officer :- Lieut. Col. J. Masterton-Smith

Month - January 1945.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
0600-0630 1. SQ5757 0900-1000 WAINGGYO 1100 1600 1745-1830	Stand to (1/3 of Bn). Church Services. Div Comd visited Bn, gave C.O. outline of future moves. C.O. gives orders for following days move. Stand To (1/3 of Bn).	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0730 2. 0800 1100 1300 PAGA 1745-1830	1 Pl of 'A' Coy move off by M.T. to guard Airstrip in KADUMA area Map Ref SQ8740. Bn march off to new location. Brigadier visits Bn during halt for Tiffen. Bn halt for night at PAGA area Map Ref SQ717533 (Dig in). Stand to (100%)	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0645 3. 0700 1500 SQ 884369 1745-1830	'I' Sec and Snipers march off to mark route for Bn. Bn march off to next location. Bn arrived at Map ref SQ 884369 approx 2 miles past KADUMA and spend night (Dig in). Stand to (1/3 of Bn).	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0600-0630 4. 1700 2130	Stand to (1/3 of Bn). This day spent on cleaning arms, checking kit, and resting. C.O. to Bde and received orders for next move. Bn march off to new location.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0500 5. WETPO 0930 1200 1200 1600 1745-1830	Bn Arrive at WETPO and dig in (SR 0223). Brigadier, C.O. and I.O. recce area BITAGAGYA (SR 1012). C.O. received orders from Brigadier on return from recce. 3 Burmans from the village of CHANTHA SQ 9821 arrested by Burma I Corps attached and handed to FSS at Bde. O Group conference. Stand To (1/3 of Bn).	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0700 6. 0900 1000 1130 YONZU 1512	Bn move off by M.T. for new location. Bn leave trucks and start marching. Bn cross MU River by Pontoon Bridge. Bn H.Q. estab at YONZU SR 1512 and dig in.	RMC RMC RMC RMC

1230	YONZU area	Disposition:- A Coy at un-named village SR 141144. B Coy at HMANDAW SR 151141 and KYUNLE SR 160137. C Coy at un-named village SR 154114. D Coy at YONZU SR 151123.	RMC RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
1230	YONZU area	Carrier Patrol to KALEWA and Landing Ground area SR 2012 approx.	RMC
1445		Brigadier visited Bn and C.O. receives orders.	RMC
1515		D Coy march off to landing ground area SR 2012.	RMC
1600		One additional B.I.C. man attached to Bn.	RMC
1615		C Coy marched to posns vacated by D Coy.	RMC
1700		C.O. held Coy Comds Conference.	RMC
1745		Burman caught with large amount of Jap money, questioned and handed over to FSS.	RMC
1745		Stand To (1/3 of Bn).	RMC
1800		Carrier Patrol returned. 1 Carrier bogged on road and abandoned near KALEWA -1 Mortar Detachment left with D Coy.	RMC
1830		Stand Down. STRENGTH - OFF 33, OR's 756	APP I RMC
0330	7.	D Coy reported enemy shelling Landing Ground - no casualties.	RMC
0415		A, B, & C Coys report a quiet night.	RMC
0600-0630		Stand To.	RMC
0930		Carrier Patrol of 1 Pl A Coy set out to SEIKKUN SW 2996.	RMC
0930		Bn began march to PAYAN SR 3103.	RMC
1045		BYAINGGYAING SR 1509 reported clear by A Coy patrol.	RMC
1100		D Coy reported un-named village at SR 202107 clear.	RMC
1230		A Coy patrol now at SR 173074 report N.E.S.	RMC
1230		D Coy remain at NYAUNGBINTHA SR 2409 to guard guns.	RMC
1400		Forward Coy (C) contacted enemy at LEIKCHIN SR 2806. They engaged enemy with Tanks and R.A. support. Casualties, own tps, 1 Killed 7 Wounded. 3 enemy bodies counted.	RMC
1500-1700	SR 2706	Remainder of Bn at 10 M.S. area SR 2706.	RMC
1615		Enemy shelled area near road at 10 M.S. No casualties.	RMC
1800		Report from A Coy patrol now North of TA-NAUNGGAW SR 2002 patrolling to village on foot.	RMC
1800	10 M.S.	C Coy reformed on the East side of LEIKCHIN. Dug in for night.	RMC
1800		Remainder of Bn dug in for night at 10 M.S. area.	RMC
1845-1905		A Coy patrol reported N.E.S. at TA-NAUNGGAW. Patrol solid for night 1 mile North of village.	RMC
2230	10 M.S.	Enemy shelled LEIKCHIN area. No casualties.	RMC
2235		Rations arrive at Bn.	RMC
Night 7/8		Rations and ammo sent up to C Coy by Carrier.	RMC
0400-0500	8.	Intermittent shelling outside Bn area, otherwise all quiet.	RMC
0600		Enemy shelled C Coy area. No casualties.	RMC
		C Coy patrolled LEIKCHIN at first light and found it clear.	RMC

0900		Bn moved forward, B Coy leading with 1 Tp Tanks.	RMC
0930		Enemy shelled LEIKCHIN and B Coy held up by enemy at TA-NAUNGGON SR 3004, enemy then engaged with R.A. Local report received of 1 Gun and 50 Japs in PAYAN SR 3103.	RMC
1040		Div Comd arrived at Tac H.Q.	RMC
1130		B Coy attacked area TA-NAUNGGON with Tank support.	RMC
1130		A Coy Carrier patrol reported MABE SR 1900 clear, and is ordered to rejoin Bn.	RMC
1200		Enemy again shelled LEIKCHIN area. No casualties.	RM Crockatt Capt. I.O.
1315		B Coy reported to be 100 yds from PAYAN.	1st Bn The Royal Scots
1315		C.O., Bty Comd, and O.C. A Coy recce forward.	(The Royal Regiment).
1530	10 M.S.	Enemy again shelled LEIKCHIN area. No casualties.	RMC
1545		A Coy move forward less 1 Pl.	RMC
1600		A Coy Carrier patrol rejoin Bn.	RMC
1630		R.A. begin barrage on PAYAN. C.O. and I.O. moved forward to O.P.	RMC
1702		A & B Coys meet slight opposition from Snipers and L.M.Gs.	RMC
1730		Brigadier visited C.O. at O.P.	RMC
1745	PAYAN SR 3103	B Coy reported that 2 L.M.Gs which had been holding them up had gone and that Coy was now estab North West end of Village. Wireless Comm then lost with B Coy. Intermittent firing was heard till 1845 when C.O. returned to Bn H.Q. area at 10 M.S.	RMC
1750		A Coy reported estab East of PAYAN in Pagoda area with Coy H.Q. and 8 Pl. Contact was lost with 7 Pl which later turned up except for a few men who were thought to be with B Coy. A & B Coys casualties, A 3 Killed 3 Wounded, B 4 Killed 3 Wounded.	RMC
2000	10 M.S.	A & B Coys reported back to Bn H.Q. that both Coys firmly estab at PAYAN. B Coy ordered to send patrol to Bridge at SR 355008. Dinner meal served.	RMC
0500	9. PAYAN	A & B Coys reported PAYAN clear.	RMC
0700		B Coy patrol returned, reported movement heard in woods 200-300 yds N of Bridge on West of Canal.	RMC
0730		Bn less A & B Coys leave 10 M.S. area to pass through PAYAN - objective Bridge.	
0800		Order of March - D Coy, Tac H.Q., C Coy, Bn H.Q.	
0900		B Coy patrol sent to THALON SR 2902 to contact a Coy of 1/8 L.F.	RMC
		B Coy patrol reported estab contact with 1/8 L.F.	
		12 Jap bodies and many documents etc found at PAYAN also ammo for 47 m.m. Gun. Locals reported having seen long barrellled gun with rubber wheels leaving PAYAN previous evening pulled by M.T.	RMC
1145		D Coy reported ZIGON SR 3400 clear.	RMC
1237		Bridge at Cross Rds reported intact but locals reported it to be mined. D Coy reported 1 Sec over Bridge, L.M.G. opposition.	RMC

1400		C Coy patrol sent to contact 1 Camerons.	RMC
1430		D Coy reported 1 Pl plus 1 Sec over Bridge under cover of smoke. 2 enemy L.M.Gs trained on Bridge.	RMC
1630	PAYAN	Smoke screen on Bridge by R.A. and Mortars.	RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
1640	ZIGON area.	All D Coy over Bridge. Dispositions for night:- D Coy on East side of Bridge. Bn H.Q., H.Q. Coy and C Coy between ZIGON and Bridge, approx SR 346008. A & B Coys at un-named Village at 6½ M.S. SR 3203.	RMC D Coy casualties 2 Wounded. RMC
1645		Sapper Party find mine under Bridge.	RMC
1830		Dinner meal arrived. C Coy patrol returned having contacted 1st Camerons East of Canal area SR 3504. On way back captured 1 Jap disguised as Burman at YWADAW SR 3303.	RMC
1845		Prisoner and escort left for Bde. I.O. went on behalf of C.O. for orders.	RMC
1930		Two patrols left from C Coy. 1. One sec standing patrol to Bridge at SW 370991. 2. Recce patrol to Bridge at SW 368968 via Distr No. 7A.	RMC
2000		D Coy sent patrol from Bridge to Track Junc at SQ 368007 then South West down track to THABYETHA SR 3600 where they heard what sounded like boxes being loaded on a truck. Returned to Bridge via Main Rd. 2nd patrol of D Coy left Bridge for Pt 140 on Canal at SW 360996 thence North of Pagoda to wooded area SW 3699, then East to Moat, back to Pt 340 at SR 367002 then through THABYETHA South of Road to Bridge. N.T.R.	RMC
0100	10.	Two men returned from C Coy's standing patrol to say that sec estab West of Bridge at SW 370991, but Bridge burned by enemy.	RMC
0130		Recce patrol returned and reported, heard three wounded Japs in area SW 3698 and found two empty weapon pits 50 yds North of Bridge at SW 368968, thought heard men (possibly Jap) run away from Bridge, direction SHWEBO. Much noise of vehicles heard and dimmed lights of vehicles observed 1 mile East of Bridge.	RMC
0730		O Group Conf.	RMC
0900		D Coy advanced from East of Bridge.	RMC
0925		Wounded Jap found in trench 150 yds East of Br with magnetic mine and Molotov Cocktail also 1 dead Jap.	RMC
0930		D Coy 100 yds from THABYETHA SR 3600.	RMC
0937		THABYETHA reported clear by D Coy.	RMC

0945		1 local sent back for interrogation.	RMC
0950		A & B Coys arrive at ZIGON.	RMC
0955		Area Br SW 370999 consolidated.	RMC
1000		Br intact thought to be mined. RE proceeding to clear same. Easy diversion on left of Br.	RMC
1010		Br all clear, several Jap posns similar to THABYETHA all empty.	RMC
1014		C Coy moving to un-named village at SW 3699. Tac H.Q. moving to west of Br at SW 370999. Br clear, Class 30.	RMC
1042	ZIGON	Br clear, Class 30.	RM Crockatt Capt. I.O.
1100		One Pl C Coy in un-named village at SW 3699 as yet no firing. Tk support notified to leave Bn to contact 2 Norfolk at SW 368968.	1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
1115	THABYETHA.	A Coy and Bn H.Q. joined Tac H.Q. at THABYETHA, B Coy remain ZIGON.	RMC
1135		D Coy patrol of 1 and 20 men left in carriers. RE armoured car and RA OP to contact 1 Camerons at area MS 1 at SW 403989.	RMC
1200		B Coy arrived at THABYETHA.	RMC
1215		D Coy patrol arrived back having contacted 1 Camerons at MS 1 SW 386994.	RMC
1535		Brigadier arrived and left after short stay.	RMC
1600		Brigadier arrived and left after short stay.	RMC
1600		O Group Conf. Night 10/11 quiet.	RMC
0730	11	Bn marched off to new location.	RMC
1300	BONBWET.	Bn arrived at BONBWET LA 1327 were met by one Coy 2 Worc from 19 Div who moved out as we came, dig in.	RMC
1400		Div Comd visited Bn.	RMC
1500		Animal Transport rejoined Bn.	RMC
1700		Bde Comd visited Bn. Night 11/12 quiet.	RMC
1030	12.	Patrol of D Coy 1 Offr and 3 men in carriers left on recce patrol to PINZIN, LA 1913 via CHIMNEY LA 129218 to YINDAW LA 1722 to PONNA LA 1621 to NAGAZIMBA LA 1718 to PINZIN and returned by same route. Patrol went to approx ½ mile North of PINZIN. Locals reported Japs in villages so patrol did not proceed further. On way back patrol called at HNAWBIN LA 1918 where villagers rushed in from fields to say that Japs were approaching. Patrol then withdrew across country to CHIMNEY and home.	RMC
1900		C.O. went to Bde.	RMC
1920		C.O. issued warning order to C Coy to move.	RMC
2030		C Coy move to establish ambush posn South West of PINZIN. Route from camp to CHIMNEY, to canal junc, LA 130202 to canal and track junc LA 179130. Communication to C Coy failed. Night 12/13 quiet.	RMC

			I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RM Crockatt Capt., (The Royal Regiment).
0845 1130 1315 1700	13	BONBWET.	C.O. left to find out situation C Coy. C.O. returned to report C Coy N.E.S. and was returning to Bn area. C Coy returned to Bn area. Lieut. C.R. Park left Bn. Leave party to U.K. left Bn. Night 13/14 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0950 1000 1040	14		C.O. to Bde. Church Service. C.O. returned to Bn. Strength - 32 Offrs. 742 O.Rs.	RMC RMC RMC APP II RMC
0815 0850 1400 1630	15		C.O. to Bde. C.O. returned to Bn. O Group Conf. C.O. gives orders for move to new location. Rest of afternoon packing of kit prior to move. Lieut. Towers rejoined Bn. Night 15/16 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0630 0900 1105 1300 1640	16	PAUKTAW	Bn march off to new location. C.O. left for Bde Conf. C.O. rejoined Bn on march. Bn arrived at PAUKTAW LA 1902. Dig in. C.Os Conf. Night 16/17 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0900 1330 1400 1530 1605 1700-1730	17	SADAUNG	Bn marched off to new location. Bn arrived at SADAUNG LF 2187, dig in. One Pl of C Coy plus R.A. O.P. left for Kg at LF 274883. C.O. & I.O. to Bde. C.O. & I.O. returned to Bn area. O Group Conf. Night 17/18 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
1030 1630	18		Visit from Public Relations Officer. Pl of C Coy rejoined Bn N.T.R. Night 18/19 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC
1000 1300 1515	19		C.O. & I.O. and 2 i/c recce area LF 274882 C.O. & Coy Comds recce area LF 274882. C.O & Coy Comds returned. Message received by Div Comd from Army Comd (See APP III) Night 19/20 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC APP III RMC
1045 1330 1615 1710	20	SADAUNG	Visit of Lord Louis Mountbatten who spoke to Bn. C.O. & I.O. visited 2 Norfolk. C.O. & I.O. returned. Mortar Pl left Bn area to go to 2 Norfolk at LF 2375.	RMC RMC RM Crockatt Capt., I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots

1800 1910 1900-1945		C.O. to Bde. C.O. returned. O Group Conf. Night 20/21 quiet.	(The Royal Regiment). RMC RMC RMC
0830 21 1100 1300 1330 1700 1800 1805	YINMAGYIN	Bn marched off to new location. Bn arrived at YINMAGYIN LF 2276, dig in. Mortar Pl rejoined Bn having fired in support to 2 Norfolk at WETTABOK LF 2773. C.O. & I.O. recce area Kg LF 201693. Def Pl left for SADAUNG Airstrip at area approx LF 2286. O Group Conf. C.O. to Bde. Night 21/22 quiet. Strength - 33 Offrs, 757 O.Rs.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC APP IV
0900 22 0900 1030 1500 1700 2100		A Coy left for LF 202694. B Coy moved to new posn LF 240768. A Coy Comd and C.O. to A Coy to recce new posns. C.O. returned. Def Pl returned to Bn area. A Coy patrol to KONYWA LF 2471 and SHANDAT LF 2470 reported clear (Lt Crockatt J.M. and 3 O.Rs) Night 22/23 quiet.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
1220 23 1235 1330 1520 1630 1700 1800	WETTHABOK Area	Corps and Div Comds visited Bn area. Corps and Div Comds leave Bn area. C.O. & Coy Comds recce new area at WETTHABOK LF 2773. C.O. & Coy Comds returned. C.O., I.O. & Coy Comds left by MT to new area WETTHABOK - YONBINGAN. Bn marched off to new area. Bn arrived at WETTHABOK and relieve 2 Norfolks. Dispositions:- A Coy still at LF 202694. D Coy at LF 270728. B Coy at LF 270735. Bn HQ at LF 266734. C Coy at LF 264731. Admin area at YINMAGYIN LF 2276. Night 23/24 quiet. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RM Crockatt Capt., (The Royal Regiment)
0545-0630 24 1715 1730 1800-1830 2100	WETTHABOK Area.	Stand To. Bde Comd visited Bn area. Bde Comd left Bn area. Stand to. Patrol of D Coy to East ONDAW area. Patrol of D Coy returned N.E.S.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC

		Night 24/25 quiet.	RMC
0545-0630	25	Stand to.	RMC
0750		C.O. and D Coy Comd to Bde.	RMC
0830		C.O. and D Coy Comd returned.	RMC
0845		Representatives from 16 Fd RA, 5 Field RE and B Sqn 3 DGs reported to receive orders at YONBINGAN.	RMC
0900		Tac HQ estab YONBINGAN. Intention D Coy with Tk sp to make Right hook CHAUNG-U LF 2868 then take ONDAW sq LF 2969.	RMC
		Def Pl with REs clearing rd.	RMC
1030		D Coy moved off.	RMC
1040		4 men of patrol of 1/8 LF report to Tac HQ.	RMC
1100		Tac HQ estab OP at LF 273712.	RMC
1200		Enemy shelling East of CHAUNG-U.	RMC
1300		D Coy recce West End of CHAUNG-U, many enemy posns seen but unoccupied.	RMC
1345		I.O. leaves to contact R.E. party at Br LF 287698.	RMC
1400		I.O. rejoins Tac HQ.	RMC
1410		D Coy report sniping from area I.B. LF 294690.	RMC
1500	ONDAW Area	I.O. revisits RE at Br.	RMC
1500		D Coy patrol in ONDAW, open fire on 20 Japs in village, 10 believed killed.	RMC
1515		Enemy blows up Br at LF 292696.	RMC
1700		D Coy ordered back to Bn area - Casualties 2 wounded.	RMC
1945	WETTHABOK Area	C.O. held Conf with A & D Coy Comds and 3 DG concerning OPs for next day.	RMC
2100		Lieut. Morse with two secs left to estab ambush on rd at approx LF 290697.	RMC
2230		Lieut. Morse reported now at Br MS 28½ LF 278707.	RMC
0030	26	Lieut. Morse reported now at blown Br MS 27½.	RMC
0215		Lieut. Morse reported now in posn.	RMC
0340		Lieut. Morse reported jitter party NIL results. N.E.S. or heard in area occupied yesterday, has withdrawn his party to South of first blown Br to await first light.	RMC
0545-0600		Stand to.	RM Crockatt Capt. I.O.
0730		Lieut. Morse occupied enemy posns at LF 292695 N.E.S. O Group Conf intention to clear ONDAW LF 2969.	1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
0900	WETTHABOK Area	Def Pl given task of protecting RE road clearing party.	RMC
0910		Forward Coy (B) moves off with Tk sp.	RMC
0950	ONDAW Area	Forward troops (B Coy) contacts Lieut Morse's patrol at MS 27½.	RMC
1005		REs disarm booby trap consisting of trip wire attached to 250 lb aerial bomb.	RMC
1010		B Coy left for FUP + D Sqn 3 DGs.	RMC

1020		C Coy left for FUP + B Sqn 3 DGs.	RMC
1025		Lieut Morse's patrol rejoined C Coy.	RMC
1040		B & C Coys start off from FUP.	RMC
1055		A Coy rejoined Bn from LF 202694.	RMC
1100		B Coy halfway through village.	RMC
1113		C Coy in posn, await orders to contact 1/8 LF.	
		B Coy on high ground beyond Pagoda area on right of LITTLE ONDAW with a party investigating ONDAW.	RMC
1115		C Coy contact 1/8 LF who report no enemy in area.	RMC
1121		C.O. ordered B Coy to contact 2 Norfolks.	RMC
1130		Tac HQ to rd junc LF 295692.	
		B Coy find one LF and 1 Burman both wounded and tied up in hut.	RMC
1145		Both sent back in ambulance. Another LF reported to be Jap prisoner could not be found. REs report rd clear to LF 307686 now clearing to NATKAYAING LF 2465.	RMC
1200		C.O. orders C Coy back.	RMC
1215		B Coy patrol contacted 2 Norfolk.	RMC
1320		B Coy patrol rejoined Coy.	RMC
1340		Tac HQ back to WETTHABOK area.	RMC
1400		B & C Coys back to Bn area.	RMC
1415		Def Pl contact 8 Gordons at NATKAYAING LF 2465.	RMC
1515		Def Pl return to Bn area.	RMC
		Night 26/27 quiet.	RMC
0545-0630	27 WETTHABOK	Stand to.	RMC
1100	Area	Div and Bde Comds visited Bn area.	RMC
1330		C.O. & I.O. recce new location.	RMC
1400		Adv recce party to new area.	RM Crockatt Capt. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).
		A Coy patrol (Capt McCance and 8 ORs) in 2 Jeeps to NGATAYAW LF 2660 arrived 1630, NES, stayed night.	RMC
1400	WETTHABOK	Lieut FDR Currie left Bn.	RMC
1630	Area	A Coy left for new area by MT.	RMC
1630		C.O. & I.O. returned.	RMC
1715		C.O. & I.O. to Bde.	RMC
1800		C.O. & I.O. returned.	RMC
1800		O Group Conf.	RMC
1745-1830		Stand to.	RMC
		Night 27/28 quiet. Capt McCance patrol NTR	RMC
0545-0630	28	Stand to.	RMC
0800		Bn march off to new location.	RMC
1000	NATKAYAING	Bn arrived at NATKAYAING LF 2465.	RMC
		Dispositions:- BN HQ and HQ Coy LF 247657 A Coy LF 244655	

		B Coy LF 244657 C Coy LF 244653 D Coy LF 248654	RMC RMC
1000		Standing patrol LF 243647. C.O., I.O. and Brigadier recce to NGATAYAW LF 2660, contacted Capt McCance's patrol.	RMC
1700		C.O., I.O. and Brigadier returned. Lt McPherson and 2 secs sent to relieve Capt McCance and ordered to ambush any Japs and capture Headman (suspected Jap collaborator).	RMC RMC
2140		Headman captured.	RMC
1745-1830		Three Gren or Mortar bombs landed 1 mile East of Bn posn. Stand to. Strength - 33 Offrs 742 ORs	RMC RMC APP V
0100 29		Japs cut line to C Coys Standing Patrol, fired 1 shot and dispersed, footmarks found next morning. Stand to.	RMC RMC
0545-0630		C.O. & Coy Comds recce NGATAYAW LF 2660.	RMC
0845		Enemy ambush 300 yds North of NGATAYAW reported by Capt Hlatin of BIC.	RMC
1100		Lt Bagot with one Pl in 3 carriers sent to deal with ambush. Ambush had dispersed by time of his arrival.	RMC
1220		Bde Comd visited Bn.	RMC
1350		Div Comd visited Bn.	RMC
1450		C.O. returned.	RMC
1515		A Coy left Bn area for new location NGATAYAW LF 2660.	RMC
1520		Div Comd left Bn area.	RMC
1610		Bde Comd left Bn area.	RMC
1610	NATKAYAING	Order of the Day received from Supreme Allied Commander. See App VI.	RMC APP VI
1800-1845		Stand to. Night 29/30 quiet.	RMC RMC
0545-0600 30		Stand to.	RMC
0845		Bde Comd and Coy Comds to Bn HQ.	RMC
0900		Bde Comd, C.O., and Coy Comds on recce.	RMC
1230		C.O. and Coy Comds return.	RMC
1600		O Group Conf. Orders issued for move to FUP and attack on YWATHITGYI, 31 Jan. Night 30/31 quiet.	RMC RMC
0230 31		Bn march off to FUP for attack on YWATHITGYI LF 2359.	RMC
0500	YWATHITGYI Area	Bn arrived at FUP and dug in approx LF 244602. Operation Order and details of attack on YWATHITGYI in App VII.	RMC RMC APP VII
1715		Coys ordered to consolidate posns for night.	

	<p>Dispositions:- Bn HQ and HQ Coy LF 242597 A Coy LF 238594 B Coy LF 238594 C Coy LF 238594 D Coy LF Rd junc LF 234598</p> <p>Casualties - 6 Killed 15 Wounded. Night 31/1 quiet except for small amount of firing.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">RM Crockatt Capt., I.O., 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).</p>	<p>RMC</p>
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APPENDIX VII

YWATHITGYI 31 JAN 45

Reference maps 1/25,000 NGAZUN Sheet 3.
Air Photograph attached.
Enlargement attached
Bn Operation Order attached.

I. YWATHITGYI is a large village running along the North bank of the R. IRRAWADDY, about twenty-two miles west of MANDALAY.

1. Topographical The village stretches about 1½ miles along the bank of the river, and is about 500 yds wide. It is thickly wooded and surrounded by very open country - mostly paddy fields. From this brief description it can be seen that the objective was a very large one for a single bn. However, owing to commitments elsewhere on the bde front, this was all the infantry force available for the task.

2. Enemy The enemy left one Coy of 2 bn 124 regt with a few adtl tps to garrison the village. A total strength of just over a hundred all ranks. He had several MMGs, LMGs and GDs, and was supported by guns and mortars on the southern bank of the IRRAWADDY. Judging by what was learned from locals before the operation, and from what was learned from PWs and psns on the ground after, the enemy disposed his tps as far as can be assessed as follows :-

At the eastern approaches to the village he had about 30 - 40 men covering the approaches and positioned in depth into the village itself. Judging by the number of empty posns left at the east end of the village he probably had alternative posns in depth well back into the village itself. These were very well concealed fox-holes and bunkers. In the Old MILL and CEMETERY he had 20/30 tps, with MMGs and LMGs covering the open ground leading to the north of the village.

In the centre of YWATHITGYI in the PO area, and on the road leading north from it, was his HQ and about 20 men. The remainder of the force was probably defending the west end of the village, though evidence of this is not full. He had definitely a posn with an LMG at the Kyaung at 224598.

3. Plan See operation order.

4. Operation At 2300 hrs 30 Jan the Pioneer Pl left to lay tapes along the axis of adv and across the start line as on air photograph. This latter was to be the start line for the leading tps before the attack, and to act as a check to prevent them getting too close to the air strike. At 0230 the bn, less "A" Coy which was already at NGATHYAW LF2660, left NATKAYAING LF 2465 for the FUP area at approx 253604. Order of march was def pl, "C", "B", bn HQ, "D". It arrived in the FUP area at 0500 hrs and immediately dug in. Complete stillness had to be observed from first light onwards, owing to the proximity of the enemy and the necessity to ensure surprise. At 1030 hrs the def pl relieved "A" Coy, who then rejoined the bn. At 1140 - 1230 the air bombardment began. It was carried out as follows (see Air Photo att)

1100 - 1200 three sqns MITCHELLS on A - F
1200 - 1210 two sqns THUNDERBOLTS on D - F
1210 - 1223 three sqns HBS - one on wood
at East end YWATHITYGYI
two on E and F.

Immediately after the air bombardment had ended, "B" Coy on the right and "C" on the left crossed the tape laid on the previous night, and by 1300 hrs had reached the eastern outskirts of YWATHITGYI, with little opposition, except for a few snipers. They pushed on against slightly heavier opposition to the rd running North from the DAK BUNGALOW, with tks and WASPS helping them fwd.

It was on this rd that the enemy resistance began to stiffen. The enemy opened fire on the leading tps and the speed of the adv was halted temporarily. The enemy posns were extremely hard to pin-point, and each one had to be dealt with separately before further adv could be made. At 1345 one pl of "B" Coy with tp tks in sp under Lt Renwick was detached from the Coy, and ordered to go up independently to the OLD MILL area. This pl started off with no opposition, until it reached approx 300 yds East of the MILL itself. Here it came under heavy MG fire from the MILL the cemetery and the North of the village. It suffered several casualties, including the RA FOO with it, and was pinned to the ground.

At 1300 "D" Coy was ordered to stand by to move, and brought into immediate reserve. Major Russell, the coy comd reported to Tac HQ, which by now had established itself at approx 248598.

"B" and "C" Coys were still trying to push fwd, but the craters caused by the air strike considerably hindered the tks, who were unable to give the inf full support at this time.

Meanwhile an arty conc had been arranged to help Lt. Renwick's pl fwd to the OLD MILL. This lasted from 1505 to 1515, after which the pl, supported by one tp tks, pushed fwd to within 30 yds of its objective. By this time it had been too depleted by casualties, to enable it to complete its task, and at 1530 the CO ordered "D" Coy to reinforce it, and capture the OLD MILL. Two dets mortars were put under comd OC "D" Coy. Owing to the thickness of the village, and the devastation caused by the air strike, the two coys in YWATHITGYI found it extremely hard to tell exactly how far they had advanced. The tks had been helping them fwd, and they thought that they were 3/400 yds short of the main rd running North from the PO. It was now 1630 hrs and the CO realised that the occupation of the whole objective before darkness would be impossible. He therefore gave coys a limited objective as follows. "B" and "C" Coys to make firm the village as far west as the main rd.

"D" Coy to continue attack on the MILL area.

"A" Coy to come into immediate reserve in the east end of the village from 242594, to incl the river bank. By 1700 hrs "B" Coy had reached the North of PAGODA at 239594 and "C" Coy was south of it. The tks were ordered to pull out for the night, and it was then impossible for the tps to get as far fwd as their limited objective. The CO therefore issued orders for them to consolidate for the night.

"D" Coy had taken the MILL area and was ordered to consolidate.

"A" Coy was on its way to the East end of the village, and consolidated the posn allotted to it by 1730 hrs. Bn HQ moved fwd and established itself in the KYAUNG at 242597.

After consolidation, patrols were sent fwd from "B" and "C" Coys, but located enemy MGs immediately to their front and were unable to exploit further.

The casualties suffered by the Bn during the days ops were

Killed 5 ORs Wounded Lt. Pomphrey and 15 ORs.

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WAR DIARY

Unit:- 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)

Month:- February 1945

Commanding Officer:- Lieut. Col. J. Masterton-Smith

0545	1	YWATHITGYI	D Coy occupied OLD & NEW MILL areas	RMC
0725			P1 Comdr of A Coy 2 Manch reported under command	RMC
1000-1100			Breakfast (cooked) and water brought up by mules to all Coys	
1215			Brigadier and CRA visited Bn HQ	RMC
1300			Bde LO reported enemy MG on rd between D Coy and rly station	RMC
			D Coy patrol sent to investigate	RMC
1310			Brigadier and CRA left Bn HQ	RMC
1400			Two plns 2 Manch moved up to D Coy area	RMC
1430			Div Comd visited Bn HQ	RMC
			D Coy patrol returned N.E.S.	RMC
			Further details of 1st and 2nd Feb in APP I	APP I RMC
0900	2		O Gp Conf	RMC
1650			CO went forward to D & A Coys	RMC
1800			CO RETURNED TO Bn HQ	
			Coy disposition for night:- A at LF 224593	
			B at LF 243593	
			C at LF 235592	
			D at LF 226595	RMC
2000			Complimentary message to CO from Bde and Div Comdr passed to all ranks	APP II
			Own casualties - 9 Killed 20 Wounded	RMC
0600	3		Patrols from 400 yds EAST YWATHATGYI to 400 yds WEST PYIDAWTHA LF	
			2259 reported whole NORTH bank of IRRAWADDY clear	
			Patrol from Bn HQ to OLD MILL at LF 236599 contacted Def P1 NES	RMC
0845			Wounded Jap Sgt captured and sent back	RMC
0920			Bde Comd arrived Bn HQ	RMC
0935			CRA arrived Bn HQ	RMC
1000			B Coy patrol went through C Coy linked up with Def P1 then rejoined	
			B Coy NES	RMC
1015			C Coy patrol to Def P1 at OLD MILL, mopping up on way	RMC
1110			C Coy patrol contacted Def P1 NES	RMC
1200			Slight shelling on C Coy area, one man wounded	RMC
1400			Jap equipment, arms and amm collected and sent back	RMC
1410			6 Bde Comd, Bde Maj and CO 1st Royal Berks arrived at Bn HQ	RMC
1430			Above party with CO recce Coy areas	RMC
1545			CO and party returned	RMC
1550			Enemy shelled C Coy area	RMC
1600			RAF unexploded bomb demolished by RE party	RMC

1800			Pioneers completed Cemetery at LF 242597 Night 3/4 quiet except for one Jap straggler who was shot at in C Coy area I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RMC RMC RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)
0600 0845 0900 1200	4	YWATHITGYI	Mortar Pl moved out to support 1/8 LF in KYAUKSE area LF 3264 C Coy shot 1 Jap straggler Bn moved by MT to new location, relieved by 1 R Berks Bn settled in new location at LF 307686 Afternoon spent in improving area Strength:- 32 Offrs 675 ORs	RMC RMC RMC APP II RMC
1030	5	LF 307686	Public Relations Offr visited Bn Afternoon C & D Coys to Mobile Bath & Refit Unit	RMC RMC
1000	6		2 i/c's inspection of area Afternoon remainder of Bn to Mobile Bath & Refit Unit	RMC RMC
1000 1830	7		CO & IO recce area Kg LF 361696 Film show by Mobile Cinema Toc H gramophone recital	RMC RMC
0930 1000 1430 1830	8		CO to conf at Div 2 i/c & 2 i/c Coys recce Kg LF 361696 ENSA concert Gramophone recital by Mobile Cinema	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0900 1100	9	LF 362694	Bn march off to new location Bn arrived at new location, dug in Dispositions:- HQ at Chaung LF 362694 A Coy at LF 360695 B Coy at LF 365696 C Coy at LF 363695 D Coy at LF 361692 Adm area remained at LF 307686	RMC RMC RMC
1815			C Coy standing patrol with W/T to observe at Chaung junc LF 364682 B Coy " " " " " " " " " LF 354681	RMC RMC
0345 0615 0615	10		B Coy patrol returned NTR C Coy patrol returned NTR Two patrols of D Coy left - 1 to contact 2 NORFOLK at Kg 386682 2 to contact 1/8 LF at YWATHIT LF 3166	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0730 1100 1815			D Coy patrols returned Bde Comd visited Bn Standing patrols of B & C Coys left for same area as 9th	RMC RMC RMC
0600 0645 0700 1830	11		D Coy patrols to 2 NORFOLK & 1/8 LF left B & C standing patrols returned NES D Coy patrol returned NES B & C standing patrols set out Strength:- Offrs 30 ORs 659	RMC RMC RMC APP III RMC

0500	12	Lt Bagot and 4 men patrol to LF 393695 and observe area YWATHIT for enemy guns	RMC
0615		D Coy patrol left	RMC
0645		B & C patrols returned NES	RMC
0730		D Coy patrol returned NES	RMC
1100	LF 362694	RA OP reported 12 unidentified trucks moving between LF 364662 - LF 355681. Thought possibly Japs. D Coy + 2 Det Mortars + RA OP ordered to est themselves at Pt 452 at LF 349681 and investigate	RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
1200		D Coy set out	RMC
1245		D Coy arrived at pt 452 LF 349681	RMC
1315		D Coy ordered to link up with one tp 3 DG at approx LF 338668	RMC
1400		D Coy linked up with tp 3 DG	RMC
1430		One pl D Coy sent to investigate suspected enemy in LF sq 3666	RMC
1515		Pl D Coy having searched area report NES	RMC
1600		D Coy ordered to return to Bn area, transport supplied	RMC
1630		D Coy arrived back at Bn area	RMC
1630		Lt Bagot's patrol returned, reported br at LF 413704 blown, NES in YWATHIT & SAYE	RMC
1830		B & C patrol set out	RMC
0600	13	D Coy patrol set out	RMC
0600		B & C patrol returned NTR	RMC
0600		Lt Morse and one sec with W/T set patrol to Chaung junc LF 364682 SOUTH down chaung to br at LF 376660 to TA-EINDE LF 382661	RMC
0730		D Coy patrol returned NTR	RMC
0900		Lt Morse patrol in TA-EINDE reported NES, locals state no Japs there last 15 days	RMC
1130		Lt Morse's patrol returned	RMC
1830		B & C Coy patrol set out	RMC
2200		Lt JH Crockatt and 7 men patrol along SOUTH bank YEMYET-IN to YWATHIT LF 409713	RMC
0600	14	D Coy patrol set out	RMC
0600		Lt J H Crockatt patrol returned NES	RMC
0600		B & C Coys patrols returned NTR	RMC
0730		D Coy returned NTR	RMC
1830		B & C Coy patrols set out.	RMC
0600	15	B & C Coys patrols returned NTR	RMC
0600		D Coy patrol set out	RMC
0730		D Coy patrol returned NTR	RMC
1530-1630		Bde Comd visited Bn	RMC
1830		B & C Coys patrol set out	RMC
0600	16	B & C Coys patrol returned NTR	RMC
0600		D Coy patrol set out	RMC

0730		D Coy patrol returned NTR	RMC
0900		CO, IO & Coy Comds recce KYAUKSE LF 3264 area	RMC
1130		CO, IO & Coy Comds returned	RMC
1430		ENSA Concert for 1/3 Bn	RMC
1630		O Group Conf	RMC
1830		B Coy patrol set out	RMC
			RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)
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0600	17 LF 362694	D Coy patrol set out	RMC
0600		B & C patrols returned NTR	RMC
0715		D Coy patrol returned NTR	RMC
0830		Bn moved off to new location	RMC
0930	LF 320665	Bn arrived at new location and relieved 1/8 LFs	
		Dispositions:- Bn HQ & HQ Coy - LF 320665	
		A Coy - LF 348669	
		B Coy - LF 324661	
		C Coy - LF 329649	
		D Coy - LF 328648	RMC
		ROUTINE PATROLS:-	
1600		(1) Recce, B Coy one sec, time out 1600, time in 1830 Route, YWATHIT LF 3166 - Contact HQ BIC - AUNGYWA LF 3065 - kg wood LF 310648 - Pagoda LF 317648 - Kg wood LF 318652 - wood LF 332651	RMC
1700		(2) Recce D Coy, one sec, time out 1700, time in 1830, To KONYWA LF 3263	
1830		(3) Recce C Coy, offr and one sec, time out 1830, time in 0300, Route, wood LF 342655 - 6 MS rd and tr junc LF 371659 - NW up tr 1000 yds - S to just N main rd - WEST along main rd - wood LF 242655 - KYAUKSE LF 3264	RMC
0630	18	(4) Recce, B Coy, one sec, time out 0630, time in 0900, Route as per No 1	
0630		(5) Recce D Coy, one sec, time out 0630, time in 0800, Route as per No 2	
		All patrols returned NTR	RMC
0630		Pl of C Coy to est firm base at TA-EINDE LF 3866 while tks and pl 1/8 LFs in carriers recce area SOUTH	RMC
0730		CO & IO to OP in A Coy area	RMC
0800		Bde Comd arrived at OP	RMC
0800		Div Comd arrived at OP	RMC
1020-1200		Enemy slight shelling of TA-EINDE area	RMC
1130		Pl of C Coy left TA-EINDE	RMC
1230		Pl of C Coy arrived back	RMC
		CO returned to Bn HQ	

1430 1600 1700		2 Div Concert Party show for 1/3 of Bn B Coy patrol as per No 1 17 Feb D Coy patrol as per No 2 17 Feb Strength 29 Offrs 669 ORs. Both patrols NTR	RMC RMC RMC RMC APP IV
0100 19 0630 1145 1430 1600 1745	LF 320665	A Coy patrol to TA-EINDE, Route, down tr running SE from SAUSAGE feature LF 349678 to TA-EINDE and back NTR B & D Coy patrols as per Nos 4 & 5 17 Feb Both NTR Corps Comd visited Bn 2 Div Concert Party show for 1/3 of Bn Beer issue B & D Coy patrols as per Nos. 1 & 2 both NTR D Coy recce patrol to br at LF381604. Route axis main rd KYAUKSE LF 3264 - PAGODA LF 3860	RMC RMC RMC RMC RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
0100 20 0330 0330 0630 0730 0730 0900 1000 1430 1430 1600 1700 1745		A Coy patrol to TA-EINDE as per 19 Feb. NTR D Coy recce patrol returned, reported br at LF 381604 intact. Saw two Japs 200/300 yds on rd EAST of br at LF 318604. One Jap seen MS 20 area. Four newly dug posns and one Jap 40 yds SW of rd at MS 20/20½ B & D Coy patrols as per Nos. 4 & 5 both NTR Pl of C Coy estab firm base at TA-EINDE for armd coln supporting 2 NORFOLK attack on SAYE LF 4068 C.O. to O.P. near C Coy area C.O. ordered Pl of C Coy to return C.O. returned to Bn HQ Lecture by Div Educational Officer 2 Div Concert Party show for 1/3 of Bn B Coy patrol as per No. 1 D Coy patrol as per No. 2 D Coy fighting Patrol to br at LF 381604. Route, axis main rd, KYAUKSE - Pagoda. Tasks, 1. Recce wood at LF 371606. 2. Capture a Jap.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0100 21 0200 0630 1330 1440		A Coy patrol to TA-EINDE as per 19th Feb. NTR D Coy patrol returned. Reported being fired on from Jap posn area approx LF 365609. Rifle and grenades only. Patrol shot one Jap but failed to recover body, no prisoners taken, own tps no casualties B & D Coy patrols as per Nos. 4 & 5 Both NTR C.O. reced area 1½ miles SE KYAUKSE LF 3264 B Coy moved to new area approx 1½ miles SE KYAUKSE See App. Def Pl take over B Coy old posns at LF 324661 Mobile baths and clothing change for all available Bde Comd visited Bn	RMC RMC RMC APP VI RMC RMC

1600		Def Pl patrol as per No. 1 NTR	RMC
1700		D Coy patrol as per No. 2 NTR	RMC
2130		15 - 20 Japs seen by C Coy at approx LF 333647 Japs dispersed when fired on Patrol sent in direction of Jap movement reported NES	RMC
0200	22	A Coy patrol to TA EINDE as per 19 Feb NTR	RMC
0630		Def Pl patrol as per No. 4 NTR	RMC
0630		D Coy patrol Route KONYWA LF 3263 - contact B Coy on NW rd at approx 23½ MS - up rd to KYAUKSE NTR	RMC
0730		Mobile Baths and clothing change for all available during day	RMC
0750		Bde Comd and C.O. move to O.P. in A Coy area	RMC
		Pl of A Coy in carriers start deception move to TA-EINDE then down tr to SOUTH while 1/8 LF attack in area LF 371605	RMC
0945		Pl of A Coy recalled and arrived back at 1050 hrs	RMC
1145		C.O. returned to Bn HQ	RM Crockatt Captain,
1600	LF 320665	Def Pl patrol as per No. 1 NTR	I.O. 1st Bn The Royal
1700		D Coy patrol as per No. 2 NTR	Scots (The Royal
		One sec D Coy to guard crashed HURRIBOMBER at LF 325635	Regiment)
0100	23	A Coy patrol TA-EINDE NTR	RMC
0630		Def Pl patrol as per No. 4 NTR	RMC
0630		D Coy patrol as per 22 FEB BTR	RMC
0900		1 i/c and I.O. recce new area at NATKA YAING LF 2465	RMC
		Mobile Baths and clothing change until 1030 hrs	RMC
1210		2 i/c recce returned	RMC
1430		Toc H gramophone recital at CHAUNG-U LF 2968	RMC
1600		Def Pl patrol as per No. 1 NTR	RMC
1700		D Coy patrol as per No. 2 NTR	RMC
0200	24	A Coy patrol to TA-EINDE NTR	RMC
0630		Def Pl patrol as per No. 4 NTR	RMC
0630		D Coy patrol as for 22 Feb NTR	RMC
0950		Maj Gen Wimberley & Bde Comd visited Bn	RMC
1130		Maj Gen Wimberley, Bde Comd & C.O. left Bn HQ	RMC
1250		C.O. returned to Bn HQ	RMC
1600		Def Pl patrol as per No. 1 NTR	RMC
1700		D Coy patrol as per 22 Feb NTR	RMC
1830		Pl of C Coy sent to guard tk blown on mine at LF 377660	
		Second Pl of C Coy warned to move at 0630 25 Feb in carriers as escort to tp 3 D.G. to destroy enemy dug in round MAHINDRA DAL Regt at SAYE LF 4068	RMC
1900		D Coy warned to move am 25 Feb to take over protection of amn dump at MS 30 rd SHWEBO - SAGAING	RMC

1930		Pl of A Coy ordered to move as fighting patrol to PAGODA LF 368693 to guard NORTH flank of Bde	RMC
2300		Pl of A Coy in posn NTR	RMC
0100	25	A Coy patrol to TA-EINDE NTR	RMC
0630		Def Pl and D Coy patrols as per No. 1 and 22 Feb NTR	RMC
0630		Pl of C Coy moved off with tp 3 DG to SAYE LF 4068	RMC
0800		D Coy moved to MS 30 rd SHWEBO - SAGAING	RMC
0830		A Coy Pl at PAGODA LF 368693 returned	RMC
1045		Bn came under comd of 268 Ind Inf Bde Visit by 268 Bde Comd	RMC
1150		C Coy pl guarding tk at LF 377660 returned	RMC
1430		Pl of C Coy at SAYE returned	RMC
1445		Visit by Brig Gen Staff, 33 Ind Corps	RMC
1600		Def Pl patrol as per No. 1 NTR Dispositions at 1600 hrs:- 1 RS less 5 Coys at LF 322665 A Coy - SAUSAGE LF 348669 B Coy - defending gun area NORTH of rd at MS 22½ C Coy - KYAUKSE LF 3264 D Coy - guarding amn dump at MS 30 Def Pl - contour LF 324660 Adm Coy - LF 322661	RMC RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
1800	LF 320665	A Coy standing patrol to PAGODA LF 366692 (one sec)	RMC
2000		A Coy standing patrol in posn B Coy listening patrols out twice during night 400 yds to their SE Strength 27 Offrs 687 O.Rs.	RMC RMC RMC APP VI
0200	26	A Coy Patrol to TA-EINDE NTR	RMC
0630		C Coy recce patrol. Route, KONYWA LF 3264 - B Coy MS 23½ - up main rd to KYAUKSE	RMC
0630		Def Pl patrol as per No. 4 NTR	RMC
0630		B Coy recce patrols 1. Down tr SSE to tk/rly junc LF 343613 2. Down main rd SE to LF 355618	RMC RMC
0715		A Coy patrol to PAGODA LF 366692 returned NTR	RMC
0725		B Coy patrols 1 & 2 returned NTR	RMC
1500		Visit by 268 Bde Comd Capt. J.P. Millar left Bn on repatriation. Patrols for night as per 25/26 Feb	RMC
0815	27	Advance party left for new area	RMC
1025		Bn moved in Jeeps to new area. Bn back under comd 4 Inf Bde	RMC
1215	SHWEHLE	Bn arrived at SHWEHLE LF 0761	RMC
1940		O Group Conf	RMC

1940		Standing patrol C Coy ordered to estab itself on IRRAWADDY at TADAING LF 084606	RMC
0600	28	C Coy patrol returned NTR	RMC
0615		Bn marched off, order of march - C, B, Bn HQ, HQ Coy, D & A to MYITTHA LF 1259 thence across IRRAWADDY in amphibians	RMC
1200	LF 102577	Bn across IRRAWADDY. Dispositions:- Bn HQ, HQ Coy LF 102577 A Coy - LF 107573 B Coy LF 098572 C Coy LF 102572 D Coy LF 096576	RMC RMC
1330		Recce patrol from C Coy to lake at LF 096561	RMC
1600		C Coy patrol returned, reported lake dry. Two vehicles seen on bend in Chaung LF 092558 - PAGODA at LF 083541 Complimentary message from Div Comd passed to all ranks, see App	RMC APP VII
		RM Crockatt Captain, I.O., 1st Bn. The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)	

Appendix I.

YWATHITGYI D 2 and 3 1 and 2 Feb 45.

Reference Maps 1/25,000 NGAZUN sheet 3.

(all attached to Air photograph
Appendix VII of Enlargement of YWATHITGYI
War Diary, 1st Bn.
The Royal Scots
for Jan 45.

1 February.

During the night 31 Jan/1 Feb a patrol from "A" Coy contacted B and C Coys and found no enemy. A patrol of D Coy contacted A Coy and found no enemy.

In the morning Lt. Renwick's pl rejoined B Coy from the OLD MILL, where it had spent the night. Two plns 2 MANCH reported to come under comd Bn. One pl was put under comd D Coy, and one pl put under comd A Coy, down on the river bank. The latter was given the task of engaging any enemy craft attempting to cross the IRRAWADDY.

At 0745 enemy guns from south of the IRRAWADDY shelled the Bn HQ area and the OLD MILL. No casualties were suffered.

At 1000 hrs a party of three Japs were seen drawing water from the river in front of C Coy. These were engaged by rifle fire and one Jap was hit.

At 1300 hrs patrol of C Coy went forward to try and pin point LMG posns which were holding up the Coy 31 Jan. On the ground near the beach two JAPS dived into a posn 200 yds in front of our line. On the return of the patrol, the posn was engaged by 3" Mortar fire. The enemy were seen withdrawing from it, and the posn was set on fire.

At 1430 one sqn HBs straffed the Mango grove at the west end of the village. Local reports stated later that twelve enemy were killed by it.

At 1500 hrs A Coy found a wounded JAP in their area and made him a PW. He was badly wounded and died before giving any info.

At 1525 two JAPS were seen crossing the IRRAWADDY in a boat. The boat was sunk by MG fire of 2 MANCH and the occupants thought killed.

As dusk approached enemy sniping was encountered by the fwd tps in the village. But this died down as darkness fell, and a quiet night followed.

During the day plans were made for the capture of the rest of YWATHITGYI the following day. It was decided that A Coy should continue the advance on a three pl front through the rest of the village, supported by B Sqn 3 DG and four WASPS. The adv was to be preceded by air and arty conc. D Coy was to hold itself in immediate readiness to help "A" Coy. One Pl of B and C Coys were to follow A Coy with the task of mopping up.

2 February.

The day started with A Coy taking a further wounded PW near their coy posn. Again the PW was too badly wounded to give any inf to prove of immediate use.

During the morning the Def Pl was relieved by 1 Pl DLI and returned to defend Bn HQ.

Owing to the forthcoming air strike on the west end of YWATHITGYI, D Coy had to evacuate its posns in the OLD MILL, and withdraw 500 yds North. This took place at 1030 hrs without interference from the enemy. At the same time A Coy moved up into "B" and "C" Coy area, and formed up ready for their advance. The tks moved up to join them shortly after. At 1150 hrs the air and arty programme began, and was as follows :

1150 - 1225 Three sqns THUNDERBOLTS bombed and strafed D, E and F (See air photograph).

1225 - 1233 Seven btys guns put down arty conc on C and west end of B. Immediately the air strike had ended D Coy reoccupied its posns in the OLD MILL and immediately came under fairly hy mtr and M.G. fire, which lasted for about ½ hr.

A Coy had meanwhile started to push fwd with the tks supporting them. The adv started well. The tks engaged all enemy foxholes and the Coy continued fwd until the right hand pl got held up by hy MG and rifle fire at approx 234595. This pl was held up until 1330 when it eventually by-passed the posn. Meanwhile the other two pls had advanced to the main rd running north from the PO. At the rd A Coy paused to re-group for the advance on the rest of the village, and by 1350 had reached the line of the PAGODA at 232594, still meeting sniper fire.

One tp 3 DG had been ordered to capture the CEMETERY, and by 1425 they reported it clear of the enemy. This area had previously been heavily mtrd and MGed by two dets mtrs and pl 2 MANCH from OLD MILL.

At 1435 the CO issued orders to OC "D" Coy, to take up a posn on A Coy's right flank, and for A Coy to close up to the left. Both Coys were then ordered to continue the advance. The Def Pl relieved D Coy in the OLD MILL. At 1440 the CO issued orders to OC C Coy to move into the P.O area and consolidate.

By 1500 D Coy was in line with A Coy, and the adv continued. A certain amount of enemy shelling landed in the MILL area, but in the village oppsn was becoming lighter. A Coy had, however, by-passed an enemy posn at 1330 and one Pl B Coy was now mopping up this area, supported by one tp tks and one WASP.

The adv of the leading tps continued to the west end of PYIDAWTHA, which they reached at 1632, and they were then ordered to consolidate, with D Coy at approx 226595 and A Coy at 224593. A Coy sent a patrol fwd to the west end of the Mango Grove, who saw four JAPS running away and fired on them. They did not pursue them further, and having searched the remainder of the area, it returned to its Coy.

The whole Bn then consolidated for the night with A, C and D coys as above. "B" Coy extended its posns down to the IRRAWADYY, bn HQ remained unchanged.

The casualties in the day's ops were 9 ORs killed and 20 ORs wounded.

During the night 2/3 Feb, much movement was heard in the village - mostly JAPS who had been cut off trying to get to the river. Two JAP parties were fired on during the night. One was in a boat attempting to cross the river, the other was a party attempting to launch a sampan. In the former, the party's boat was sunk by MG fire, and the latter were grenaded. Screams and groans were heard from both, but it was impossible to assess casualties in the dark.

3 February

On the morning 3 Feb mopping up ops continued, and by midday the village was reported clear of the enemy.

At 0825 one JAP Sgt was taken PW and was only slightly wounded in the foot. This PW was most informative. He gave his Coy as 5 Coy, 124 Regt, and its strength at approx 80. There were addtl. Supernumerary tps attached to this Coy, and the total JAP garrison in YWATHITGYI - PYIDAWTHA is estimated to have been about 100 all ranks.

Apart from slight enemy shelling the day was quiet, and the afternoon was spent by recce parties 1 BERKS seeing over the posns. 1 BERKS relieved the bn am 4 Feb, an additional PW was taken and one JAP killed as the bn came out.

Own tp casualties for the whole action were :-

<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Missing</u>
15 ORs	Lt. Pomphrey 36 ORs	-

Jap casualties estimated at

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>PWs</u>)
By Bn	40	?	4	) A total of 60 plus
By a/c	20			) killed and 4 PWs.
(plus possible a few				) (this is probably
more killed crossing) a modest estimate,
IRRAWADDY)) as the Jap Sgt said
) there were few
) survivors.

RM Crockatt Capt
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WAR DIARY

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Unit:- 1st Bn. The Royal Scots
 (The Royal Regiment)

Officer Commanding:- Lieut. Col. J. Masterton-Smith

Month:- March 1945

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
0800 1. LF 102577 0900 1140 1230 LF 096560 1900 2340	C Coy moved forward to SOUTH of Lake LF 095559. Bn standing by to move. C.O. & O.C. Coys recce new area. Bn marched to new area, less Def Pl, which remained behind to guard R.A. Bn arrived at 096560 and estab posns extending 500 yds EAST & WEST. Recce patrol, Lieut. McPherson and Pl. Task. To recce Pagoda LF 084542 - Village LF 085538 - Pimple LF 081531. If no enemy encountered Pl to occupy Pimple LF 081531. Recce patrol returned reported area patrolled occupied.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
1215 2. 1300 1345 1400 /1430 1500 1530 1600 1630 1700 1900	Carrier Patrol from A Coy left, Lieut. J.H. Crockatt with 4 carriers, R.A. OP and 3" Mortar. Route. Village LF 085538 - Pagoda LF 084542 - High ground LF 081531. Task. To find if enemy in village, Pagoda, High Ground. If unoccupied A Coy to move forward and occupy. Pagoda LF 084542 reported clear by carrier patrol. Two carriers returned from village and reported clear. Capt. McCance and 25 O.Rs A Coy sent forward to occupy village. Reached NORTH end of village when engaged by LMG and Mortar fire from Japs concealed in village and Pagoda area. Lieut Crockatt's carriers also under GD fire approx 200 yds SOUTH of village. /Lieut. Crockatt ordered to withdraw and did so under GD fire. One carrier stuck and abandoned, crew rescued under MG and sniper fire from Pagoda area. Lieut. Crockatt contacted Capt McCance. Both ordered to withdraw to Bn area. Both parties returned to Bn area. 4 men of Capt McCance's party missing. 3 of missing men reported back. Fourth later found dead. C.O., I.O., Capt McCance and Lieut Crockatt to Bde. Patrol sent to look for other missing man - unsuccessful. C.O. and I.O. returned.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC

2100		Lieut Morse and 3 O.Rs sent to find if Japs in Wood LF 095534. Route. Due SOUTH from Bn area.	
0130	3	Lieut. Morse returned and reported Jap footprints on track at approx LF 093545. Thought Japs lying up between Wood and Village at LF 085538.	RMC
1000		C Coy and Tac HQ left Bn area for LF 097542.	RMC
1100		C Coy and Tac HQ arrived.	RMC
1100		Air strike on SATPYAGYIN LF 0653	RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
1107	LF 096560	GD fire on C Coy.	
1115		LMG fire on C Coy.	
1117		Gunner OP pinpointed LMG at LF 095535.	
1125		C Coy put down 2" Mortar Smoke and HE.	RMC
1135		Order from Bde Comd to withdraw to Bn area.	RMC
1140		RA fire on area LF 095535.	RMC
1200		Village at LF 085539 bombed Chaung EAST of village strafed.	RMC
1225		C Coy and Tac HQ returned to Bn area.	RMC
1230		Pagoda LF 084542 bombed and strafed. Bde Comd in Bn area.	RMC
1330		Carrier patrol to Pagoda area. Task. To try and draw enemy fire.	RMC
1415		Carrier patrol returned, reported Japs firing from right of Pagoda. Recovered body of missing man from yesterdays ops. Abandoned carrier found untouched.	
1700		Abandoned carrier disabled by own Piat fire.	RMC
0815	4.	C.O. left for new area. LF 104551.	RMC
0900		Bn marched off to new area.	RMC
0930	LF 104551	Bn arrived at new area. LF 104551.	RMC
1230		Lieut. Kelly rejoined Bn.	RMC
1600		O Group Conf. Strength 26 Offrs 687 O.Rs.	RMC APP I
0200	5.	Jap patrol 6/8 men on C Coy perimeter fired on by own LMG and dispersed.	RMC
0300		Japs fired 4 Grenades from GD. Grenades landed 100 yds SOUTH of Bn perimeter. No casualties. For ops 5 March see OO.	RMC
1030		C & D Coys reached start point.	RMC APP II
1055		Enemy LMG post knocked out by Flame Thrower at approx LF 095536.	RMC
1120		B Coy ordered to move forward to protect C Coy Left flank.	RMC
1145		C Coy consolidated on Objective.	RMC
1200		D Coy " " "	RMC
1245		B Coy consolidating LF 087533 covering track and Chaung.	RMC
1255		A Coy ordered forward to occupy Ridge LF 093537.	RMC
1415		Bn HQ joined Tac HQ. Coy locations:- Bn HQ LF 086538. A Coy LF 089538	

		B Coy LF 085536 C Coy LF 083537 D Coy LF 082539	RMC	
1435	LF 086538	Enemy shelling D Coy area. 1 wounded.	RMC	
1450		Bde Comd at Bn.	RMC	
1500		Lieut. Bagot and 4 O.Rs left in carrier to contact 1 RWF at LF 114532.	RMC	
1700	LF 086538	Lieut. Bagot and 4 O.Rs returned. NES. 30 Japs killed during days Ops. Own casualties, 1 wounded. Many small articles of equipment and documents captured.	RMC	
1900		Standing patrol 1 sec B Coy on Pimple LF 084525.	RMC	
2100		Enemy jitter party between B Coy and Bn HQ. Lasted 5 mins. No casualties.	RMC	
2130		Standing patrol B Coy reported much digging and chopping 100 yds SOUTH of Pimple.	RMC	
2330		Standing patrol B Coy reported digging continuing and feels anxiety.	RMC	
2359		Lieut Kelly sent to reinforce standing patrol with additional sec. On arrival killed two Japs and wounded one who escaped.	RMC	
0200	6.	Jitter party on SOUTH and C Coy perimeter. 1 Jap killed by 2" Mortar fire. For ops orders 6 March see APP III	RMC	APP III
0900		O Group Conf.	RMC	
0930		Bde Comd to Bn area.	RMC	
1045		Tac HQ moved to approx LF 086530. Start line between tr junc LF 095524 and point on tr LF 086525. Zero Hour 1130.	RMC	
1100		A & B Coys leave for start line.	RMC	
1130		3" Mortar concentration started on THANGON LF 0851. MMG concentration on High ground SOUTH of THANGON. 16 Fd Regt RA concentration on ACE	RMC	
1135		A & B Coys crossed start line.	RMC	
1140		Mortar and arty concentration ends.	RMC	
1140		MMG concentration ends. Enemy shelling LF 086530.	RMC	
1145		Enemy shelling B Coy WEST of THANGON.	RMC	
1150		A Coy temporarily held up by enemy LMG. Now moving forward.	RMC	
1155		B Coy being fired on by LMG on their left.	RMC	
1200		D Coy moves 100 yds from old A Coy posn. Enemy slight shelling on them.	RMC	
1205		A Coy ask for RA fire on QUEEN.	RMC	
1210		B Coy at LF 085515.	RMC	
1220		Tanks with B Coy approaching objective. A Coy between ACE and KING dealing with LMGs and snipers. D Coy ordered to move forward behind and EAST of A Coy.	RMC	

1225		A Coy past KING and attacking QUEEN.	RMC
1235		A Coy on QUEEN clearing it.	RM Crockatt Captain,
		B Coy on objective.	I.O. 1st Bn The Royal
1235	LF 086538	D Coy moving behind and EAST of A Coy.	Scots (The Royal
		C Coy ordered to be ready to move into THANGON with tks.	Regiment)
		Air OP directing fire on approx 20 Japs SOUTH EAST of village.	RMC
		20/30 Japs pulling out of KNAVE moving SOUTH.	
1240		Enemy shelling both HE and AP LF 086527.	
1250		D Coy posn left of wood at LF 095523.	RMC
1325		C Coy ordered to clear THANGON from EAST to WEST.	RMC
		B Coy now at SOUTH WEST corner of THANGON.	RMC
		A Coy still clearing QUEEN. Almost ready to move to KNAVE.	
1335		Japs running from D Coy towards B Coy.	
1340		KNAVE captured.	RMC
1350		A Coy set fire to Jap two ton amn truck.	RMC
1425		C Coy clearing THANGON.	RMC
1430		D & A Coys ordered to put up 77 Gren Smoke to show posns.	RMC
1435		THANGON reported clear. Japs blew up one of their own guns.	RMC
		A,B,C Coys ordered to consolidate.	RMC
		A Coy LF 091508 B Coy on High ground LF 085511	RMC
		C Coy on Spur at LF 084514 D Coy to move to LF 102511.	RMC
1530	LF 091515	Bn HQ consolidating LF 091515.	RMC
1615		C.O. went to D Coy to show O.C. D Coy area for consolidation. On moving forward to LF 097515 fired on by Japs.	RMC
1620		D Coy withdrew under Smoke to consolidate at LF 094517. At the same time 3" Mortar and MMGs engaged enemy.	RMC
1700		Water and food sent up to the Coys.	
		Japs bodies counted in days ops 10. 2 75 mm guns captured. 1 enemy 2 ton truck destroyed. 200 rds 47 mm A/Tk amn captured. Many small articles of equipment and docs found. Own casualties 4 Killed 7 Wounded.	RMC
2100		Recce patrol D Coy left for MYINTHA LF 1050. Route. D Coy area - 100 yds EAST of tr challenged by enemy. No shot fired patrol withdrew.	RMC
0905	7.	Enemy shelling on ridge LF 0951.	RMC
1045		Div Comd at Bn HQ.	RMC
1100		Jap 47 mm A/Tk gun found intact. Abandoned by Japs in Bn attack on previous day.	RMC
1400 hrs		3 men in jeep left to join D Coy.	RMC
1430		Long burst LMG fire heard and A Coy reported Jeep stationary 500 yds EAST of their perimeter.	RMC

1440-1545		Capt. Fenton and batman in carrier found jeep and body of driver. Area searched but no sign of other two men. Jeep and body of driver brought back.	RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
1630	LF 091515	Capt Fenton and one sec Def Pl and two carriers made further search, found body of second man apparently sniped and killed while trying to escape 1500 yds SOUTH EAST of A Coy. Patrol unable to find third man. His equipment found.	
1715		Patrol returned.	RMC
0800	8.	Tac HQ to D Coy area. Plan. D Coy with one tp 3 DGs and 1 Wasp to destroy enemy in MYINTHA 1050 and return to present location.	RMC
0825		C Coy temporarily take over D Coy posns.	RMC
0830		D Coy start advance. 3" Mortar Smoke on MYINTHA from 0825 - 0830. 3" Mortar HE on MYINTHA 0830 - 0845. MG Pl 2 Manch on MYINTHA 0830 - 0900.	RMC
0920		D Coy under shell fire.	RMC
0930		D Coy report small village at LF 110507 clear but still under shell fire, suffering some casualties.	RMC
0945		Own arty engages enemy arty firing at D Coy.	RMC
1000		D Coy regroup to attack MYINTHA.	RMC
1025		One Pl D Coy enter village.	RMC
1050		Pl D Coy report village clear. No enemy encountered. One enemy truck destroyed.	RMC
1053		One sec C Coy sent to un-named village. LF 110507 to retrieve dead man of D Coy.	RMC
1130		D Coy returned. C Coy returned from D Coy area to previous location. Casualties - 1 Killed 15 Wounded.	RMC
1300		Lieut. Gen. NYE V_C I G S arrived in Bn area.	RMC
1310		" " " " left " "	RMC
1415		C.O. 1/8 L.Fs and recce party arrived at Bn area.	RMC
1530		Carrier patrol of Def Pl sent to contact 20 Div patrol coming from MAGYI LF 0847.	RMC
1630		20 Div patrol arrived at A Coy area.	RMC
1745		Carrier patrol returned.	RMC
0900	9.	Bn marched off to new area. 1/8 L.Fs. took over old area.	RMC
1100	THABYATHA	Bn arrived at THABYATHA LF 0757. Day spent in improving camp area.	RMC
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	10. THABYATHA	Day spent resting, cleaning clothes. Organised parties to IRRAWADDY for swimming.	RMC
1930		Mobile cinema performance.	RMC

0900 1930	11.	Church Services. Resting cleaning clothes and swimming. Strength - 24 Offrs 665 O.Rs Div Concert Party band performance.	RMC RMC APP IV RMC
0900 1100	12.	Bde Comd visited Bn. C.O. recced new area YWALAGON LF 1652. Bn pack up to move next day.	RMC APP V RMC RMC
0730 0930 1400-1600 1600	13. YWALAGON	Bn move by MT to new area. Bn arrived at YWALAGON LF 1653. C.O. & Coy Comds recced new area THABAUNG LF 2447. O Group Conf.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0500 0745 0830 1000-1230 1600	14. THABAUNG	Bn march off to new area. Bn arrived THABAUNG LF 2447. Breakfast. C.O. & I.O. recced area Kg LF 307448. O Group Conf.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0600 0730 0900	15. Kg 307448	Bn marched off to new area. Bn HQ & HQ Coy arrived at Kg LF 307448, A & D Coy TAUKSHAGON LF 3045, B & C Coys at THAYETKAN LF 3244. Bde Comd visited area.	RMC RMC RMC
1230 1400 1500 1600 1845	16.	Bde Comd visited area. Def Pl patrol to TADA-U LF 4546 fired on from several enemy posns in NORTH EAST of village. 2 Japs killed, 2 probables. Own Casualties 1 Killed. 2 i/c Coys recced area THINBAN LF 4245. O Group Conf. Def Pl patrol returned.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0500 0730 1445 1515 1605	17. LF 440454	Bn march off to new area. Breakfast at 6½ MS LF 412448. Bn continue march. Bn arrived at new area. BN HQ & HQ COY LF 440454. A Coy LF 443457 B Coy LF 442451 C Coy LF 442453 D Coy LF 437451 C.O. to Bde. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RMC RMC RMC RMC RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)
1230 1500 1530 1700	18. LF 440454	B Coy and Tac HQ leave to search TABETSWE LF 4844. B Coy and Tac HQ at rly and tr junc LF 487434. Lieut Kelly and Pl sent forward to patrol TABETSWE. Lieut. Kelly reported village clear. Pl of C Coy sent to LF 469428. B Coy remained at LF 487434. Tac HQ returned to Bn area. Strength 24 Offrs 669 O.Rs.	RMC RMC RMC RMC APP V

0800	19.		Recce party to area PALEIK RS LF 5445.	RMC
0900			Bn moved by MT to PALEIK RS.	RMC
1100		PALEIK RS	Bn at LF 550455 in PALEIK RS area.	RMC
1630			O Group Conf.	RMC
0630	20.		Mortar Pl left to sp 1/8 L.Fs at LF 5647.	RMC
			Recce party left for area LF 565474.	
0730			Bn marched to new area.	
0810		LF 565474	Bn arrived at LF 565474 after crossing MYITNGE river by Bailey br and took over posns from 1/8 L.Fs.	RMC
			Mortar Pl returned to Bn.	
1500			C Coy moved out under comd 1/8 L/Fs to block gap between 1/8 L.Fs and 2 Norfolk at LF 565480. Def Pl took over C Coy area.	RMC
1615				RMC
0600	21.		C Coy back under own comd.	RMC
0800			O Group Conf.	RMC
0945			Tac HQ to LF 558488. Bde Comd at Tac HQ.	RMC
1030			A Coy moved forward to consolidate at 553499. No enemy encountered.	
1135			C Coy moved forward to 560503. No enemy encountered.	RMC
1200			Def Pl ordered to move up and help A Coy consolidate.	RMC
1230			C Coy on their objective. B Coy moved forward to 558503.	RMC
1400		LF 560499	Bn HQ & HQ Coy LF 560499 A Coy Kg LF 553497 B Coy LF 558503 C Coy Chy LF 559503 D Coy LF 565503	RMC
2100			A Coy killed 1 Jap who entered their perimeter. Lieut. R.L. Reid joined the Bn.	RMC RMC
0700	22.		Patrol of D Coy linked up with 1/8 L.Fs at LF 573496.	RMC
1000			1 Jap W.O. captured and sent back for interrogation.	RMC
1700			Inter Coy football A v B I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)
0900	23.	LF 560499	Inter Coy football HQ v C. Day spent cleaning clothes and improving Camp area. Organised parties for swimming. Organised parties into MANDALAY.	RMC
1100			One wounded Jap captured.	RMC
1700			Inter Coy football HQ 2 v D.	RMC
0800	24.		Inter Coy football HQ 1 v B. EME inspection of all arms. Parties for swimming and into MANDALAY. Beer Issue.	RMC
1700			Div Comd Bn HQ. Inter Coy football HQ 2 v Adm.	RMC
0900	25.		Church parades. EME inspection of all arms.	RMC
1700			Inter Bn football 1/8 L.Fs v Bn. Strength 26 Offrs 674 O.Rs.	APP VI

0800 1330 1340	26.	Inter Coy football HQ 2 v Adm. Corps Comd Bn HQ. Talks to Mortar Pl on success of 2 Div in recent ops. Corps Comd left. Order of The Day by Lieut. Gen. Sir Montagu Stopford received and made known to all ranks. See APP VII G.O.Cs Personal Note No. 3 received and made known to all ranks. See App 8.	RMC RMC RMC APP VII App VIII
0615 0800 1645 1900	27.	Advance party left for new area. Final of Inter Coy football B v Adm. O Group Conf. Mobile Cinema Show. Message received from H.M. The King by Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Allied Commander SEAC and the Supreme's reply. Orders received to move from present location to area MYINGYAN PK 7704 Adm orders issued. See App X	RMC RMC RMC APP IX RMC APP X
0700 1800 2100 2230	28	KETLAN Bn moved by MT to new area. Bn arrived at area KETLAN LL 2492. BN HQ LL 247924 A Coy LL 246923 B Coy LL 248924 C Coy LL 235916 D Coy LL 246925 Patrol of C Coy 1 Offr and sec to estab ambush at LL 212918. 2 Enemy thought dressed as Burmans fired 1 rd GD on Bn perimeter at LL 246925. 4 men very slightly wounded. 1 Evacuated.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0600 0800 1230 1430 1700 2100	29.	KETLAN Kg LL 208919 C Coy patrol returned NES. Lieut Morse with recce patrol left for high ground at LL 203942 via DAINGLE LL 2192 Bn marched to new area. Bn less 2 Coys at Kg LL 208919. C Coy at LL 206942. Adm Coy and Def Pl at KETLAN. On arrival at new area, patrol of C Coy, directed by 2 friendly locals, killed 3 Japs and wounded another who escaped in area Chaung LL 2092. Captured 1 LMG and Docs. Major Russell rejoined Bn. Lieut McPherson with recce patrol went up tr from fwd Coy to LL 201952. Hit rd 150 yds EAST of rd - tr junc LL 197967, lay up ½ hr. 20 Japs in marching order seen moving NORTH main rd. Heard much movement of Tpt including tr vehs.	RMC RMC RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) RMC RMC RMC

2330		2 Enemy fired on at NORTH WEST BN perimeter. Lines from Bn HQ to Fwd Coy and Bde both cut.	RMC
0730	30.	Attack on PETKU LL 1996 began. Tac HQ moved to C Coy area.	RMC
0800		C Coy moved fwd with sq tks in sp.	RMC
0955		C Coy in PETKU and Pagoda area. No opposition.	RMC
1030		B Coy on high ground at LL 202979. D Coy with tks moving EAST down main rd.	RMC
1100		Tac HQ moved into village.	RMC
1300		D Coy at br LL 250949 where 1/8 L.Fs contacted.	RMC
1540	PETKU	D Coy returned to Bn area. Locations:- BN HQ LL 198968 A Coy LL 197966 B Coy LL 200971 C Coy LL 197967 D Coy LL 199968	RMC
2300-2359		NCO and 3 men patrol to LL 202980. NES.	RMC
0300-0400	31.	NCO and 3 men patrol to LL 202980. NES.	RMC
0545		Carrier patrol opened rd to NATOGYI LL 0899 NES.	RMC
1000		A Coy moved to br LL 250949.	RMC
1330		Carrier patrol of C Coy linked up with 268 Bde at NATOGYI LL 0899.	RMC

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(The Royal Regiment)

MONTH:- April 1945

Commanding Officer:- Lieut. Col. J. Masterton-Smith.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices
0700 1. PETKU LL 1996 0945 PYINZI 1330 1700 1700	Bn marched to new area. Bn arrived and concentrated in area PYINZI LL 3293. Def Pl and FOO 16 Fd Regt RA patrol in 4 carriers to YWATHIT LL 2288 via TETLAN LL 2492. Patrol returned. Much information obtained from locals about Jap dispositions in KOKKOZI LL 2884. Saw one dead Jap. Strength - Offrs 26 ORs 674. Major A.F. Hirst MM posted to Bn. B coy left with FOO 16 Fd Regt RA to est ambushes on Eastern & Southern approaches to KOKKOZI LL 2884.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC APP I
0700 2. 1100 1300 1500 1600 1900 1900 2200 2230	B Coy returned NES. Jeep patrol to SONGON LL 2287 via KETLAN LL 2492 - YWATHIT LL 2288. Jeep patrol returned having obtained inf of Japs in SADAUNG LL 2283. C Coy moved to SONGON LL 2287 to est patrol base at tr junc LL 219857 to make constant small patrols to detect enemy movement during night in area SADAUNG LL 2283 - TABIN LL 220830. D Coy moved to est ambush in Chaung and tr running East from KUNI LL 3284. C Coy recce patrol 1. Strength NCO and three left to recce N.W. SADAUNG. Encountered patrol eight Japs at LL 223841. C Coy recce patrol 2. Lt Morse and two. Arr at tank LL 218838 where enemy encountered. Patrol fired on enemy and withdrew. During withdrawal patrol got lost and did not return till 0700 hrs 3 April. Recce patrol 1 returned. 150 Japs and 12 horses passed within 40 yds patrol base heading for SADAUNG.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC
0015 3. 0200	C Coy recce patrol 3 left patrol base. Strength NCO and three. C Coy recce patrol 4 left patrol base. Strength Lt Morgan and three. Three figures approached C Coy perimeter at SONGON LL 2287. Own tps opened fire. One Burman killed One Jap wounded.	RMC RMC RMC

0400		Recce patrol 3 returned having encountered 16 enemy moving to SADAUNG 300 yds North of SADAUNG. Patrol lay up and heard much noise in SADAUNG.	RMC
0415		Patrol 4 returned having been to LL 225840. Saw large number of Japs moving EAST from SADAUNG carrying packs. Much noise heard.	RMC
1100		C Coy ordered to return to Bn area.	RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)
1200	PYINZI	D Coy Patrol to KUNI LL 3284 found it occupied by enemy. Two guns seen. KUNI harassed by Bty 16 Fd Regt RA.	APP II
1700		D Coy moved to ambush on main Jap escape route at LL 354823. G.O.C's Personal Note No. 4 communicated verbally to all ranks.	
0001	4.	D Coy ambushed Jap coln at approx LL 354823. 53 Japs killed incl 3 offr. Own cas One killed One wounded. Captured material/37 mm A/Tk /two guns complete with sights, one MMG, two LMGs, three Gren dischargers, also large amount of personal equipment, documents, rifles, grenades, SAA etc.	RMC
0830		D Coy returned to Bn area.	RMC
1700		A Coy moved to ambush at LL 350824.	RMC
1000	5.	A Coy returned NES. Major I.A. Menzies returned to Bn from hospital.	RMC
0800	6.	Major W.A. Russell left on Adv party. Lt B.D. Parker left Bn, to HQ 4 Inf Bde.	RMC
0800	7.	Adv party left for new area.	RMC
0900		Bde Comd at Bn HQ. Bn packing up to move.	RMC
0600	8.	Bn moved by MT to new area.	RMC
0900	LL 820078	Bn arr at LL 820078.	RMC
1230		Corps Comd at Bn HQ. Strength - 28 Offrs 664 ORs.	RMC APP III
	9.	Bn waiting to be flown out. Lt C.F. Pomphrey rejoined Bn from hosp. Lt E.S. Mellor left Bn.	RMC
Afternoon	10.	1st party of C.O., Adjnt, A & C Coys flown out by Dakotas. Party split up and landed at DOHAZARI and HATAZARI and entrained for CHITTAGONG.	RMC
2130 approx		1st party at CHITTAGONG.	RMC
a.m.	11.	2nd party of B, D and HQ Coys flown out by Dakotas. Party split up and landed at DOHAZARI and HATAZARI and entrained for CHITTAGONG.	RMC
1130	CHITTANGONG	1st party entrained for CHANDPUR.	RMC
1800		2nd Party arr at CHITTAGONG.	RMC
2100		2nd party entrained for CHANDPUR.	RMC
		Draft of 146 Party ex Reinf Camp joined Bn at KANCHRAPARA.	RMC
2230	CHANDPUR	1st party arr at CHANDPUR and boarded ferry. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)

1100 1430	12.	1st party left ferry and entrained for KANCHRAPARA. 2nd party arr at CHANDPUR and boarded ferry. Major A.D.W. Sanderson rejoined Bn from hosp. Lt D. Morgan left Bn to hosp.	RMC RMC RMC
0030 0300 1000	13. KANCHRAPARA	2nd party left ferry and entrained for KANCHRAPARA. 1st party arr at KANCHRAPARA and moved by MT to camp. 2nd party " " " " " " " " Capt S. Beard and Lt D.T. Matheson joined Bn.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
	14.	Day spent improving camp area.	RMC
0715 0930 1100	15.	Party left by special train for one days leave in CALCUTTA.) Church Parades.) Strength - 28 Offrs 842 ORs.	RMC RMC RMC RMC APP IV
0715	16.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Lieuts. J.W. Penstone-Franklin, W.H. Thompson, F.C. Walker and A. Ritchie joined Bn.	RMC RMC
0715	17.	Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
0715 1100	18.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Div Comd at Bn.	RMC RMC
0715 0900 1745	19.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Bde Comd visited Bn inspected draft. Inter Bn football v 1/8 L.F.	RMC RMC RMC
0715	20.	Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
0715	21.	" " " "	RMC
0715 1100 1745	22.	" " " " Church Parades. REME inspection of all instruments, wireless sets and small arms. Football v R.A.F. Strength - 34 Offrs 827 ORs.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC APP V
0715 1700	23. KANCHRAPARA	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Rugby football v 1/8 L.F. Inter Coy football. Parties for swimming. Mobile laundry in area. Order of the Day by Lieut. Gen. Sir W. Slim, KCB, CBE, DSO, MC, made known to all ranks.	RM Crockatt Captain, I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) RMC APP VI
0715	24.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Inter Coy football. Heavy rain in the evening.	RMC RMC
0715 1745	25.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Lieut. J.H. Mackenzie rejoined Bn ex hosp. Inter Bn Football v 1/8 L.F. Inter Coy Football.	RMC RMC RMC

0700 26. 0715 1400	Guard of Honour (Capt. J.A. Stevenson and 33 men) left for investiture by Lieut Gen Leese at BARRACKPORE. Leave party for CALCUTTA. Guard of Honour returned. Inter Coy Football.	RMC RMC RMC RMC
0700 27. 0715 1745	Lieut. T. Towers and 14 men left for CALCUTTA Docks. Leave party to CALCUTTA. Football v RAF also Inter Coy.	RMC RMC RMC
0715 28.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Major A.K. MacGeorge MC rejoined Bn ex hosp. Heavy rain in afternoon and evening.	RMC RMC RMC
0715 29. 1030 1745 1800	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Church Services. Inter Bn Football v 1 R. Norfolk. Church Services. More rain at night. Strength - 34 Offrs 813 ORs.	RMC RMC RMC RMC RMC APP VII
0715 30.	Leave party to CALCUTTA. Special Order of the Day from Major General C.G.G. Nicholson, CBE, DSO, Comd 2 Div received by Commanding Officer and published in Bn Orders. I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	RMC RMC APP VIII RM Crockatt Captain, (The Royal Regiment)